

Along The Way

With Bishop Matthew H. Clark



Even when the temperature is high enough to boil the blood, Pentecost is an absorbing and consoling feast.

I am deeply grateful for this late afternoon moment in which to remember the life I have been given by the Holy Spirit and to be shared up by a fresh memory of the communion of life I share with my brothers and sisters.

For some reasons I have been drawn to the Pentecost Feast most directly this year by a consciousness of how much I owe to others for support, consolation, challenge, encouragement and forgiveness.

First among these are the individuals who so often assure me of their daily prayers. It is a humbling grace to know that people have time to remember you when they are consciously and reflectively in the presence of their God. That gift passes into the realm of even rarer treasure when the giver is seriously ill or otherwise experiencing hard suffering.

There are other ways in which I become aware of my debt to others.

This morning I had the joy of celebrating the Pentecost liturgy with the people of St. Lawrence in Greece as they gathered to praise and thank the Lord for their 25 years of graced existence as a parish community. They were warm but they were joyful, hospitable and, obviously, very grateful first. That kind of self-forgetfulness for the common welfare is altogether typical of them and you -- and always an inspiration to me.

This afternoon, the 390 young women and men who graduated from Bishop Kearney High School were a source of meditation. I had the privilege of presenting each with his or her hard-earned diploma and wondered as I did if these beautiful young people realize how much we owe them.

They bear the touch of a loving hand and because that is so, their work, initiatives of friendship and care for others make us all better people.

Now it's suppertime and I am writing this at a restaurant table on my way to Notre Dame Retreat House in

Canandaigua where I'll have the pleasure this week of being retreat director for 40 of our priests.

Notwithstanding the normal quota of nervousness that comes with such a charge, I am excited and am looking forward to the retreat as a time of growth and new life for all of us. And, as surely as dawn follows the darkness, I'll be able to tell you next week that I'll receive more from these men than I'll be able to give them.

One last note on this feast of our common life. Msgr. Leo Schwab died today. Ninety years living in the Lord and 62 years a priest, Leo leaves happy memories with many people and a record of service for which we can all be grateful.

As we commend him to the Lord's mercy, we ask for the gifts of perseverance and fidelity which so strongly marked his own years.

Happy Feast Day and --
Peace to all.



CWC Presents Award

More than 120 members of the Catholic Womens Club attended the organization's annual banquet last Wednesday, June 6 at the Century Club. Nine girls received scholarships to attend diocesan high schools. A special honor -- the Marie McCann Award -- was presented to Erin Countryman, center, Mercy High senior, by Eleanor Heier, left, club president, as Father David Mura looks on.

Eagles Aid Hibernians With Project Children

Elmira -- The Fraternal Order of Eagles here has given a check for \$500 to the area's "Project Children," an effort of the Ancient Order of Hibernians.

Project Children brings children from the war zones of Northern Ireland to Elmira.

The Eagles' donation will fund one child from Northern Ireland for a six-week visit this summer.

The money was raised by the Eagles as part of their annual program of supporting the Jimmy Durante Childrens Fund.

Jim Cassidy, Eagles' project chairman, felt that Project Children was a worthy effort to support, and that supporting another fraternal organization in the Elmira community would bring multiple rewards.

He stated that Project Children benefits the Eagles, the Hibernians, the community and the children.

The main source of money for the project comes from the Hibernian Irish Festival, to be held this year July 6, 7 and 8 at the county fairgrounds.

The festival will feature Irish entertainment and such goods as Irish Soda Bread, Irish Buttons and other Irish items.

In addition the organizers sponsor other fund-raising events.

Now in its third year here, Project Children will bring 11 children to the area from Northern Ireland.

It will be a first for eight of the children, and a return for three. For the three, the host family raised the money itself to bring them back again.

Across the country, nearly 500 children will visit under the auspices of the Project Children committee of the Gaelic Cultural Society of Greenwood Lake.

Hungarian Dancers to Perform At Nazareth Arts Center Friday

The Forras Ensemble and Ujstilus of Budapest will perform authentic dances and music from Hungary, 8 p.m., Friday, June 15 at the Nazareth Arts Center.

This is the second American tour for the group which stages the ancient

musical traditions of Hungary. Those traditions form the basis of music by Liszt, Bartok and Kodaly, and provide the basis for what is considered "gypsy" music.

According to Michael Leach, director of the Folk

Arts Center of Rochester, the sponsoring agency, "The power and excitement of these dances take your breath away. The music is electrifying."

Tickets to the event are \$8 and are available by calling 586-2420.

Diocesan Groups Slate Life/Peace Conference

A special program linking the pro-life and the peace issues will be held 7:30 p.m., Thursday, June 14 in conference room 1 of the motherhouse of the Sisters of St. Joseph.

The event is sponsored by the diocesan Human Life Commission, the diocesan International Justice and Peace Commission, the Diocesan Pastoral Council, the Diocesan Presbyteral Council, the Diocesan Sisters Council, the Rochester Sisters of

Mercy, and the Rochester Sisters of St. Joseph.

Featured speaker for the program will be Scott Rains, editor of the Prolifers for Survival newspaper.

Prolifers for Survival is an organization, founded by Juli Looesch, which seeks to connect the pro-life and peace movements.

The organization has about 1,500 members and 15 active chapters across the country.

Bishop Names New Pastors

Bishop Matthew H. Clark this week appointed two new pastors: Father Ronald Harley has been named pastor of St. Pius V in Cohocton and Sacred Heart of Jesus in Perkinsville; Father Gerard Hafner has been named pastor of St. Benedict in Odessa and St. Pius X in Van Etten.

The pastorates are the first for both priests.

Father Hafner, ordained in 1964 has served the parishes of Holy Apostles, Rochester; St. Francis of Assisi,

Auburn; Holy Spirit, Penfield; Holy Family, Auburn; Our Lady of Mercy, Rochester; St. John the Evangelist, Clyde and St. Patrick, Savannah; St. Joseph, Penfield; and St. Boniface, Rochester.

Father Harley, ordained in 1967, has served the parishes of St. Mary, Elmira; St. Charles Borromeo, Greece; St. Paul, Webster; Our Lady of Lourdes, Brighton; Old St. Mary, Rochester; and St. Mary of the Lake, Ontario.

Fr. Lum to Head Campus Ministry

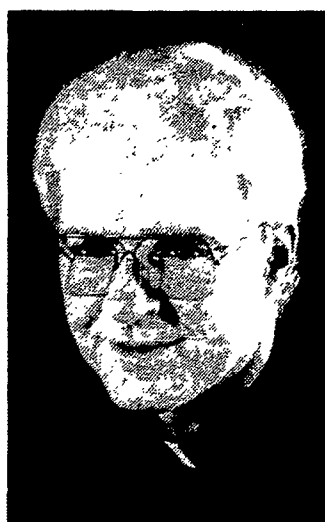
Bishop Matthew H. Clark has appointed Father William Lum diocesan director of Campus Ministry. He will be responsible for overseeing the Church's ministry to students, faculty and staff in the many institutions of higher education in the 12 counties of the diocese.

He also will serve on the State Board of Directors of Catholic Campus Ministry and will continue as Catholic chaplain at the University of Rochester.

He succeeds Sister Shirley Pilot, SSJ, who has served two terms as diocesan director, as well as Catholic campus minister and director of the Department of Campus Ministries at the Rochester Institute of Technology. A new Interfaith Center is being built for September opening at RIT.

Father Lum previously served as director of Campus Ministry from 1978 to 1980. He also serves on the Priests Sabbatical Committee, the Board of Directors of the Courier-Journal and the Marriage Tribunal.

A Rochester native, he grew up in Sacred Heart Cathedral Parish where his family still lives. He received an M. Div. degree from St. Bernard's Seminary and is pursuing an M.A. in System-



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atic Theology at Notre Dame during summer sessions in the Department of Theology.

Oatka Depot Open to Public

The National Railway Historical Society, Rochester Chapter, has opened the Oatka Depot Railroad Museum to the public. The depot is at 282 Rush-Scottsville Road (Route 251) and will be open from 1 to 4 p.m., Sundays until Oct. 28.

The depot is composed of a restored Erie Railroad depot, including a Railroadiana gift store and railroad rolling stock. There is no admission charge.



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