

Dominican Father Farrell, advocate for disabled, 52

Dominican Father William Farrell, a Rochester native renowned for his work on behalf of the disabled, died Wednesday, Feb. 8, 1989, in Rochester. He was 52.

A member of the Dominican Community of New Orleans, La., Father Farrell became a leader of Handicapped Encounter, a renewal movement for the disabled and disenfranchised, while serving during the 1970s and 80s as chaplain at Southeastern Louisiana State University in Hammond, La., and at Dominican College in New Orleans, La.

Although he suffered from chronic diabetes, which in the late 1970s claimed his sight, Father Farrell continued to travel and lecture throughout the United States

Sr. Mary Welsh, former teacher

Sister Mary Genevieve Welsh, SSND, a former teacher at St. Peter and Paul and St. Michael schools in Rochester, died on Wednesday, Feb. 8, 1989, in Lourdes Health Care Center in Wilton, Conn. She was 86.

A Mass of Christian Burial for Sister Welsh, who was a professed member of the School Sisters of Notre Dame for 64 years, was held on Feb. 11. Interment was in St. Mary Cemetery in Bethel, Conn.

Sister Welsh was born January 17, 1903, in Boston, Mass. She served as an elementary school teacher in the northeast for 34

and Europe on behalf of Handicapped Encounter and Worldwide Marriage Encounter, according to his brother, Gerard Farrell of Rochester.

"I think people will remember him for his incredible ability to continue to work in ministry even though he had himself become disabled," his brother said. "The people he worked with said he ministered to them as a well person and continued to minister with them and share with them as someone who was handicapped himself."

The son of Helen R. and the late Patrick J. Farrell, Father Farrell graduated from St. Monica's Elementary School and the Aquinas Institute in Rochester, then earned a bachelor's degree from Loras College in

years. Sister Welsh taught at St. Peter and Paul in Rochester from 1920 to 1921 and again from 1923 to 1937. She later taught at St. Michael's in Rochester from 1943 to 1951.

Sister Welsh moved to the Lourdes Health Care Center and the SSND Motherhouse in November, 1985, from St. Saviour Convent in Brooklyn.

Donations in memory of Sister Welsh may be made to the SSND Development Fund, 345 Belden Hill Rd., Wilton, Conn., 06897.

DeSales

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11-1 lead after four trips down the court. ND trimmed the lead to 25-18 after one quarter and trailed 43-36 at halftime.

Johnston decided to switch to a half-court, man-to-man defense — the Crusaders had been playing their usual full-court pressure — in the third quarter and that proved to be the difference. ND led 60-51 heading into the final quarter.

Walton pulled to within four points in the final minutes, but couldn't get any closer.

Mike Bennett was an offensive dynamo for the Crusaders, pouring in a career-high 29 points and collecting 15 rebounds. Rob Agan scored 16 points for the Crusaders, who were also helped by Geoff Woodworth's 14 points.

ND advanced to play Walton by routing No. 11 Moravia, 75-53, at ND on Tuesday, Feb. 14. The Crusaders pressed Moravia (10-10) into the gym floor in the first half, as ND roared to a 51-18 halftime lead.

Bennett, who has been having a tremendous tournament, led ND with 19 points.

Dubuque, Iowa. He continued his studies at the University of Toronto's St. Michael's College, and entered the Dominican order in 1958. He was then assigned to teach at Fenwick High School in Chicago and Bishop Lynch High School in Dallas, Texas.

During the early 1970s, while studying for a doctoral degree in Russian studies at the University of Minnesota, Father Farrell headed Minnesota's Catholic Charismatic Renewal movement.

In 1983, several years after he undertook the chaplaincy assignment in New Orleans, Father Farrell was honored by the Archdiocese of New Orleans with the Outstanding Religious Award.

A series of debilitating strokes gradually forced Father Farrell to limit his activities, and in June, 1988, he returned to Roches-

Catholic press should continue tradition

ROCKVILLE CENTRE, N.Y. (NC) — Today's Catholic press must continue its long tradition of defending the poor and oppressed and be "unashamedly" supportive of the pope, said Archbishop John P. Foley in a statement for Catholic Press Month in February.

Archbishop Foley, former editor of *The Catholic Standard and Times*, Philadelphia archdiocesan newspaper, is president of the Pontifical Commission for Social Communications at the Vatican. His statement was released in mid-January by the Catholic Press Association in Rockville Centre.

Father John T. Catoir, CPA president, and Auxiliary Bishop Edward J. O'Donnell of St. Louis, honorary CPA president and chairman of the U.S. bishops' Committee on Communication, also issued statements released by the CPA.

Father Catoir called Catholic publications the "keystone" to any viable communications effort by the church, and said the U.S. bishops' focus on a Catholic television network "might prove to be a costly mistake."

Bishop O'Donnell said Catholic publications form a national "news-disseminating network" that is "irreplaceable."

This year's theme for Catholic Press Month is "Food for Thought: A Balanced Diet of News, Spirituality and Christian Living."

Archbishop Foley noted that when the first U.S. Catholic diocese was established in Baltimore and the first bishop, John Carroll, was named 200 years ago, the U.S. church had "a clear identity" and "unity."

The Catholic press "nurtured and reinforced" it as the church became the nation's largest religious group, he said. Catholic press aggressively defended the

ter to recuperate among members of his family.

He is survived by his mother, Helen R. Farrell; a brother and sister-in-law, Gerard and Jacqueline Farrell; a sister and brother-in-law, Margaret and Herbert Lester; and nieces and nephews Kristin and H.J. Lester, Lauren, Lisa, Brenna, Cormac and Molly Farrell, all of Rochester.

Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated Saturday morning, Feb. 11, at St. Monica's Church, Rochester. Father Farrell's body was then returned to New Orleans, where Archbishop Philip M. Hannan celebrated a funeral Mass on Monday, Feb. 13, at St. Dominic's Church in Harrison, La.

Contributions in Father Farrell's name may be made to the Dominican Seminarians Scholarship Fund or to St. Monica's Church.

church's rights and those of individual Catholics and was "unashamedly supportive of the pope" and "proudly American," he said.

Today, he said, it continues to serve men and women of all races and socioeconomic levels and also to defend the right to life of the unborn, the disabled, elderly and illegal aliens whose lives "may be shattered by deportation."

In his statement Father Catoir said the 196 U.S. and Canadian Catholic newspapers, 289 magazines and 139 newsletters reach more than 27 million subscribers and have an even higher readership.

He called the Catholic print medium the "keystone of a viable communications effort" by the church and described the print audience as being much closer than the TV audience.

He said the U.S. bishops have focused their main attention on television through the Catholic Telecommunications Network of America and that this focus could "prove to be a costly mistake."

The network transmits a scrambled signal by satellite and is picked up by subscribing dioceses and other Catholic institutions. It provides national teleconferences, workshops and other programs.

Currently, about 100 dioceses, slightly over half the total in the United States, belong to the network.

Father Catoir said the electronic age has brought "both blessings and promise" because the TV audience is larger but it is "unknown and less connected in terms of support."

Bishop O'Donnell, former editor of the *St. Louis Review*, St. Louis archdiocesan paper, called the Catholic press "dependable, helpful, irreplaceable."

The Catholic press, he said, is the only means to give Catholics information about both the local and the universal church.

Face off

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Fitzpatrick closed out the scoring for the Knights with two goals after Irondequoit had cut the lead to 4-3.

Matt Rizzo played a strong game in goal for the Knights, turning away 35 shots.

In other playoff action, Greece ended Bishop Kearney's season in the quarterfinals with a 9-1 win over the Kings at Lakeshore on Saturday, Feb. 18.

Ken Doohan gave Kearney (13-5-2) a 1-0 lead in the opening minutes of the first period, but the Spartans tied the game at 1-1 after one period. Greece put the game away with four goals in both the second and third periods.

The Kings advanced to the quarterfinals by blanking Fairport, 5-0, at Lakeshore on Thursday, Feb. 16. Doohan scored two goals and handed out two assists to spur Kearney, which had a 35-12 shot advantage for the game.

Kearney advanced to play Fairport by beating Hilton, 2-1, in overtime on Tues-

day, Feb. 14. Frank Golimowski scored at the 3:17 mark of overtime to propel the Kings past Hilton. The goal was assisted by Ken Doohan, who was stopped on a breakout in the final 10 seconds of the third period.

Marty Alexander gave the Kings a 1-0 lead at 5:19 of the first period before Hilton tied the game six minutes later.

Correction

A parish note in the Feb. 16, 1989, edition of the *Catholic Courier* contained several errors concerning Lenten services at St. Aloysius Church at 162 Van Anden St. in Auburn. A corrected version follows.

Daily Mass is celebrated at 11:30 a.m. in the chapel. Each Wednesday up until March 15, a Sorrowful Mother Novena is held in the church from 7:30-8:30 p.m. A final Novena will be held on Good Friday at 7:30 p.m. On Saturdays, Mass at 4:30 p.m. fulfills the Sunday obligation. There is no Mass on Sundays at 4:30 p.m.

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