

Catholic Charities Reveal Report on County Services

The 36 Catholic social agencies of the Archdiocese of Detroit last year provided service for more than 22,000 aged, 7,000 youth, and 11,800 families in Oakland and seven other counties.

This was revealed recently with distribution of the 78-page illustrated 1958 Catholic Charities annual report at the Charities Five Hundred Dinner in the Veterans Memorial building. This was the highlight event of Catholic Charities Week.

THE ANNUAL REPORT also showed that through Catholic Charities work last year—

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THE SERVICES FOR the aged included resident care, board and recreational facilities, counseling, interviews, and special social work group.

Other activities included counseling boys from detention homes, placing children away from their own homes in boarding homes, a school for retarded girls and providing temporary and permanent residence for many children and dependent boys and girls.

Family services include counseling in religious, marital, financial, psychological and social problems.

THE REPORT OF ONE AGENCY, The Dominican Sisters of the Sick Poor, showed that last year the sisters made 6,001 visits to homes of the sick poor and spent 19,608 hours administering to their needs.

The St. Vincent De Paul Society reported that among its other activities, it sent 1181 boys and 1029 girls to free summer camps.

SUPPORT FOR THE WORK of Catholic Charities is received from United Foundation and Community Chest campaigns conducted in Southeastern Michigan, the Archdiocesan Development Fund, and individual contributions. The purpose of Catholic Charities Week is not financial.

Baptists Slate Continental Breakfast

A "continental breakfast" beginning at 9 a.m. June 2 will bring more than 300 women of the Detroit Baptist Women's Union to the First Baptist church.

Presiding in the absence of the President, Mrs. L. W. Criger of Birmingham, will be Mrs. L. B. Scheek of Detroit, who will introduce Mrs. William Van Arsdale as provisional leader and Mrs. LeRoy Wolcott, Chairman of World Missions of the United Church Women of Michigan who will speak to the women in the sanctuary of the church at 10 a.m.

The Haapa String Trio of the Royal Oak church, composed of Antra, Priscilla and Katha Haapa, will play a group of classical selections.

Mrs. J. R. Holliday of Madison Heights, as literature chairman of the association will hold a book open house in the social room, displaying a large selection of books recommended for the new year.

A nursery for pre-schoolers will be under the direction of Mrs. Frank Prowse, local director of children's work.

MRS. L. W. CRIGER, president of the Detroit Women's Mission Baptist church, will be on attendance at the Women's meetings and the general sessions of the American Baptist convention meeting in Des Moines, Iowa, June 4-9. Another delegate from the local church will be Dr. Homer J. Armstrong, minister.

Congregationalists Hold Open Meeting

The Michigan Council for the Advancement of Congregationalism sponsored an open meeting May 24 at North Congregational church, Southfield.

The Rev. Neil Swanson, Jr., executive secretary of the council spoke on "Creative Congregationalism."

Student Participates In Blossom Blessing

Donald Nichols, 32115 Lahser road, Beverly Hills, a member of the Spartan Bell Ringers of Michigan State university, participated last week in the blessing of the blossoms, an old world ceremony held in the cherry orchards of the Grand Traverse Bay region.

The combined clergy of the region conducted the blessing ritual with the Bell Ringers and the massed high school and church services furnishing the musical setting.

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Country Auction Time Nears

No, they are not examining silver at someone's tea! But, they (members of the Country Auction committee of St. James Episcopal church) are happily looking over items for the all-parish affair scheduled from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. June 6 at 3195 N. Adams road, just north of Big Beaver road.

Mrs. L. A. Smith, president of the Episcopal committee, relaxes in an antique tapestry chair, while Mrs. G. F. Schnell, (center) co-chairman of the auction, and Mrs. J. S. Moon, third vice president of the church women, take note of the silver, heirloom articles, golf clubs, linens and hundreds of other items for the auction. Donations for the auction will be accepted right up until "Sold, American" time.

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Carillonneur to Give Concert at Cranbrook

Staf Nees, famous carillonneur and director of the International Carillon school at Mechlin, Belgium, will present a concert at 4 p.m., May 31, at Christ Church Cranbrook.

Nees, who studied under world famous carillonneur Jef Denyn, was one of the first two pupils at the International Carillon school which was founded by Denyn.

FIRST AS ASSISTANT to Denyn and later (1941) as the school's director, Nees has participated in the training of carillonneurs throughout the world. He became City Carillonneur of Mechlin in 1952 and has played on all important carillons in Belgium, Holland, England, France, Germany and Denmark.

Among other professional positions, Nees is professor at the Belgian college for Sacred Music, which he also attended as a student; conductor of the Royal Orchestra and Choir, and President of the Association of all Catholic Church Societies in Belgium.

UNDER HIS GUIDANCE and influence, particularly by his own performances, the repertoire of authentic carillon music has been greatly increased, much of it published by the Carillon school. Nees has won acclaim as composer and arranger of music for organ, voice, orchestra and chorus, as well as for carillon.

RECENT HONORS awarded Nees include the Knight of the Order of the Crown, presented by the Belgian government for achievement as a composer, professor of music and director of the Carillon school.

Six Confirmed At Shepherd King Lutheran

In the service of confirmation on Whitsunday, May 17, six young people were received as members of the Lutheran Church of the Shepherd King. The ceremony was held in the new church building at the corner of west Maple and Middlebelt road. Rev. A. Karl Boehmke, pastor of the mission church, performed the confirmation rite.

Those received were Ronald Brien Borgquist, Jane Helene Christensen, James Donald Ehrcke, Sue Ann Hutchinson, Mrs. Daryl Jones and Clifford John Williams.

The service brought to culmination two years of study in the Bible and Lutheran catechism.

PROGRESS ON THE church structure was noted, as pews were installed in time for the Whitsunday observance. Grading and road graveling on the church site have progressed and almost to completion. Services and Sunday school activities are now regular at the new location.

Supper Club to Meet At Clair DuValls

The Supper club of the Congregational church of Birmingham will have its last monthly meeting and dinner June 5 at 6:45 p.m. at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clair DuVall, 15220 Lauderdale. This month will be the annual picnic. The Committee will be Mrs. Dr. and Mrs. William Freshour, chairman, assisted by Mr. and Mrs. Donald Wilsher, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wright, and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Faubel.

Please call in your reservations to Mrs. Frank Hilton or to the church office.

United Church Women to Hold Final Meeting

The Birmingham United Church Women will come to the chapel of the First Presbyterian Church at 10 a.m. June 5 for the final meeting of the season. After a brief business meeting conducted by Mrs. Louise Carpenter, director of the ventures in world understanding at Michigan State university, will discuss the activities of the foreign students.

Mrs. Carpenter for the past fifteen years has acted as a liaison between the American students and the international families on the campus.

ACCOMPANYING MRS. CARPENTER to the United Church Women's meeting will be Mrs. Mark Doty, professor of Spanish at Michigan State university, Mrs. F. G. Garrison, president of the Oakland county chapter of the United Nations, will introduce Mrs. Carpenter.

A celebrity luncheon will close the meeting at which Mrs. Carpenter will talk informally during a question and answer period.

Tickets for the luncheon may be purchased by June 2 from the United Church Women representatives. Mrs. George Meeks will be chairman of the day.

St. James Episcopal Slates \$183,000 Expansion Plan

St. James Episcopal church launched a \$183,000 fund drive last week for a construction and remodeling program. The drive will begin June 14, according to Rev. Kenneth H. Gass, rector of the church.

Construction plans include provisions for a children's chapel with a seating capacity for 212 youngsters, 12 new classrooms for adult and junior choir rooms and a general lounge area.

Approximately \$181,000 will be allotted for the new construction.

CHURCH OFFICIALS have also stated a remodeling program including an alteration of the east stairway, adding about 40 seats in the nave of the church.

The west stairway will be changed to provide better access and lessen the fire hazard.

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The business meeting will be presided over by Mrs. Fraser Pomroy, new president. A potluck picnic will be served at 12:30 p.m. The women on the committee are Mrs. George Wright, Mrs. Earl Bramblett, Mrs. William Heister and Mrs. Albert Fawley.

The afternoon program will be led by Mrs. Robert Boltwood.

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