



Father Joseph A. Gagnon poses with an engraved chalice and handmade vestments given him by his family and friends following the celebration of his first Mass at Our Lady Queen of Martyrs. The son of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Gagnon, 1340 Cedar, Birmingham, Father Gagnon was ordained a priest of the Roman Catholic Church June 8.

### Queen of Martyrs Priest Celebrates First Mass

Father Joseph A. Gagnon, son of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Gagnon of Birmingham, who was recently ordained a Roman Catholic priest, celebrated his first solemn Mass June 8 at Our Lady Queen of Martyrs in Birmingham. He is the second priest to be ordained from Queen of Martyrs. Father John F. Dunn, son of Mr. and Mrs. John F. Dunn, 1557 Bates, Birmingham, was the first in 1954. Assisting in Father Gagnon's Mass were the Rev. Lucian A. Hebert, pastor of Queen of Martyrs Church; the Rev. William F. Lynch, pastor of St. Mary's Church in St. Clair; and the Rev. Arthur A. Lowry, assistant pastor at Queen of Martyrs.

REV. MR. DAVID A. Feighan of St. John's Provincial Seminary in Plymouth, son of Mr. and Mrs. Michael F. Feighan, 2647 Pembroke, Birmingham, served as sub-deacon and Thomas R. Grady, also of St. John's Seminary, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank A. Grady, 500 Lakewood, Birmingham, was master of ceremonies.

Terence Sempowski of Carmelite Seminary, Hamilton, Mass., son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Z. Sempowski, 1821 Liverdale, Beverly Hills, acted as Thurifer. Acolytes included Rev. Mr. Bernard J. Fletcher, S.J., of Loyola Academy, Wilmette, Ill., and Michael J. O'Connor of Sacred Heart Seminary, Detroit, son of Mr. and Mrs. James C. O'Connor, 551 Oakland, Birmingham.

CANDLEBENEFITS were Beverly Hills residents Thomas Kavanaugh, Jr., 32865 Patreest; Michael Schuck, 20905 W. 14 Mile; Thomas Angell, 19174 Lauderdale; Martin Reddy, Jr., 16059 Birwood; and Birmingham residents Vincent Adreente, Jr., 1602 W. Fourteen Mile, and Michael Klein, 4311 Beverly Court.

The choir was directed by Noel Goemanne, Queen of Martyrs organist. A breakfast, reception and benediction followed the Mass.

Father Gagnon was one of 15 young men ordained by Archbishop John F. Dearden at Blessed Sacrament Cathedral in Detroit. Although he has not been assigned to a church yet, he will serve in the Archdiocese of Detroit.

FATHER GAGNON graduated from Sacred Heart Seminary in Detroit with a Bachelor of Arts degree in 1957. He majored in philosophy. Then followed his four years at St. John's Provincial Seminary in Plymouth where he graduated last month with the degree of Bachelor of Sacred Theology.

His elementary education was received at Holy Name Grade School in Birmingham and his secondary training was acquired at the University of Detroit High School.

### Romney Will Lead Mormon Meeting

George W. Romney, 1830 E. Valley Rd., Bloomfield Hills, president of the Detroit Stake of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints (Mormon) will conduct a quarterly conference Saturday and Sunday. Sunday's general sessions will be held from 10:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. at 425 N. Woodward, Bloomfield Hills. Featured speakers from Salt Lake City will be Elder Franklin D. Richards, an assistant to the Council of Twelve Apostles and Elder Irvin B. Nydigger, a member of the General Welfare Staff.

ELDER RICHARDS is a former Salt Lake City attorney and has served as commissioner of the Federal Housing Administration. He is also prominent in the mortgage banking business. He is serving as president of the Northwestern States Mission when called to his present church appointment. Elder Nydigger is a director of the church welfare plan. Special leadership and welfare meetings will be held Saturday evening.

### Finkbeiners Attend New York Meeting

Mr. and Mrs. H. Finkbeiner, 7145 Old Mill Rd., Bloomfield Township, and their daughter Linda, will take part in "United Worshipers Assembly" of Jehovah's Witnesses at Yankee Stadium in New York City, June 20-25. Finkbeiner said that although the trip itself will be educational, they are primarily interested in the many points of Bible instruction the program will present and also Christian fellowship with delegates from all eastern United States.

Like many of the Witnesses, the Finkbeiners do most of their summer traveling and from the locations where annual conventions have been arranged by the Watchtower Society. The New York meeting will be the first of a series of 15 such gatherings to be held by the Witnesses throughout Europe and North America.

The highlight of the assembly program will be a public Bible lecture by N. H. Knorr, president of the Watchtower Society.

### Rev. Pierce Plans Move To Chicago

Those 10-mile trips out the expressway from Lathrup Village to Detroit have ended for the Rev. Dr. Robert Bruce Pierce. Dr. Pierce, 28861 El Dorado, has resigned as pastor of Metropolitan Methodist Church in Detroit to accept a position as pastor of Chicago Methodist Temple. His transfer to the church in downtown Chicago—the tallest church in the world—has been approved by Chicago-area Bishop Wesley Stratman and Michigan Bishop Marshall R. Reed. The official appointment will be made at the Rock Hill (Chicago) Conference of the Methodist Church in the last week of June. He will take on his new duties July 2.

DR. PIERCE joined the 4,200-member Metropolitan Church in December, 1957. He came from the Broadway Methodist Church in Indianapolis, Ind.

Born in Hancock, Mich., Dr. Pierce is a son, grandson and great-grandson of Methodist ministers.

He is married and has four children, Robert, Jr., 19, a freshman at Albion College; Holly, 16; Kara Melody, 11; and Heather, 9.

### Pine Hill Appoints Six New Deacons

Six new appointments have been made to the board of deacons of Pine Hill Congregational Church. Dr. Lester Olmstead, senior deacon, announced the appointments. Named to the board are Mrs. Farrell Roberts, vice chairman and publicity; Dale Soss, secretary; Alex Georff, chance committee; Jack C. Marshall, head usher; Mrs. E. C. Whitfield, music; and Mrs. Natalie Cook, membership.

At officers at the meeting, Mrs. C. Whitfield, music; and Mrs. Natalie Cook, membership.

THE YOUTH GROUP elected new officers at the meeting. Eick Hulbert was named president, Dale Soss, vice president, Judy Richards, secretary-treasurer, and Judy Wolverson, chaplain.

### Pastor Joins Hills Baptist

The Rev. O. W. Stucky has joined Bloomfield Hills Baptist Church as its interim pastor for the summer this year. A native of Detroit and a nationally known evangelist, Rev. Stucky is replacing former Pastor Wallace Arthur Alcorn who recently resigned.

Rev. Stucky is the originator of "Back to Bible Beverages." He has been engaged in traveling evangelism from coast to coast for more than 28 years.

REV. STUCKY is a member of the Covenant Church in Detroit. He has conducted over 75 revival campaigns in the Detroit area. Rev. Stucky will serve as pastor until the fall. In the meantime, church services are being held at the process of interviewing candidates for the vacant pastorate.

### Pilgrim Is Granted NACCC Membership

Membership in the National Association of Congregational Christian Churches was recently accorded to the newly established Pilgrim Congregational Church of Birmingham. A pledge of financial support during the church's formative period was made by the NACCC's Missionary Board, according to Pilgrim Moderator James Faham, 1230 Harrow Circle, Hamlet, Mich.

A decision regarding the future permanent location of Pilgrim Congregations was made Sunday and is reported by Faham elsewhere in this issue of the Eccentric.

SUNDAY'S SERVICES were conducted entirely by the young people of the church.

Specialists of the Lord's Prayer were presented in three languages by members of the primary department. Gene Ann Alberts recited it in French and Paul Kotowski in Polish.

Chapel Talk to worship was given by John Alberts and the Benediction was pronounced by Bonnie Methen. Gage Cooper conducted the dedication of the offering and Barbara Beiman read the Scripture from the Book of Isaiah.

FIVE CHILDREN completed the fourth grade and received Bibles. They were Jacque Gillette, Louise Albert, Fred Beiman, Robert Bird and Steven Gabert.

Two young people, Nancy Reiman and Charles Cooper, served as congregation greeters. Ushers were Richard Bird and Hugh Nielsen.

### Youth Fellowship To Sponsor Luau

The Junior High Youth Fellowship of the Congregational Church of Birmingham (United Church of Christ) will sponsor a Hawaiian Luau from 3 to 7 p.m. Saturday at the home of Bill Crandall, 1015 Pleasant, Birmingham.

The program will include swimming, games, dancing and dinner. In the event of rain, the luau will be held Sunday.

Mrs. Gloria Shaffer, junior high advisor, is in charge of reservations.

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH will begin its summer schedule of worship this week. Only one worship service will be held at 10 a.m. Church school classes and nursery classes also be held at 10 a.m. The 8:45 a.m. prayer and meditation service will continue through the summer.

### Musicians Auditions

The Guild of Church Musicians of the Detroit Council of Churches will sponsor auditions for church organists, choir directors and soloists Sunday at 3 p.m. at Woodward Avenue Baptist Church in Detroit.

### Unitarian Service Featured Art Exhibit

Several of Birmingham Unitarian Church's artists combined their talents for an art exhibit displayed during Sunday's services. Throughout the year they attempted to create imagery that would be expressive of the faith's feeling and ideas.

Exhibiting artists were Max Altekraus, 26025 Carol, Franklin; Mrs. Elmer G. Milton, Wallis Lake; Mrs. Fred Seelen, and Mrs. Robert Brown, of Royal Oak; and William E. Jordan, Pontiac.

### St. James Fulfills Organ Pipe Dream

Recently completed additions to the pipe organ of St. James Episcopal Church have made it one of the largest, approximately 2,500 pipes in this area.

Provisions were made for additions to the instrument when it was installed in 1954. Sixteen ranks of pipes have been added to the church for congregation assemblies.

Another new feature of the instrument, unique in the Detroit area, is its mobility. The console has been mounted on a movable platform and can be moved to the chancel for congregation assemblies.

A series of organ concerts featuring well known artists is being planned for the fall.

KENT McDONALD, 15643 Birwood, Birmingham, St. James organist and choirmaster, will present a lecture-demonstration on service playing for the American Guild of Organists at its regional convention in Toledo, Ohio, June 21.

SOME 90 St. James Episcopal Church women turned out for their annual meeting at Camp Holiday, near Ortonville, on June 7.

### Methodists to Honor Heads of Household

Sunday's services at First Methodist Church will honor the heads of household. Laymen Forrest Fox, Will Hiller and Robert Miller will speak a lecture-demonstration on service playing for the American Guild of Organists at its regional convention in Toledo, Ohio, June 21.

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Temporary meeting: Hickory Grove School 2808 Lahser Road

Sunday School 10 A.M.

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Church School 9:45 A.M.  
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Church School Services—8:30, 9:45, 11:15  
DIAL-A-PRAYER—MI 6-1717

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355 W. Maple — Birmingham, Mich.  
Sunday Services  
8:00 A.M.—Holy Communion  
10:00 A.M.—Morning Prayer and Sermon (H.C. 1st Sunday)  
Nursery during 10:00 A.M. Service  
Midweek—Holy Communion—Wednesday 7:00 A.M. & 11:00 A.M.  
Clergy—K. H. Gass—W. E. Snoxell—David B. Van Dusen  
Mus. Dir.—Kent McDonald

**NORTH CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH**  
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