College Chapel is Center of Student Religious Life

The center of religious activities on campus is the Student Chapel. It is only fitting that in a college dedicated to St. Thomas Aquinas, the chapel should play an important part in the daily lives of the students.

Students are given an opportunity to begin each day with the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. Mass begins at 7:30 a.m. Communion is distributed before the Mass for the convenience of those who have 7:45 classes.

Under the guidance and direction of the chaplain, the Student Chapel is open to all students and faculty, and is a place of prayer and reflection, as well as a place to meet and socialize with others.

The chapel is decorated with beautiful stained glass windows, a breathtaking stained glass ceiling, and is illuminated by soft, warm lighting, creating a peaceful and serene atmosphere.

The chapel is open daily from 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m., and is available for students to use for prayer, study, or just to spend some quiet time alone.

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Roman Catholic World Keeps Dual Anniversary

On March 2, the Roman Catholic world will celebrate a dual anniversary: Pope Pius XI's 17th year in office and the 10th year of his papacy. Pius has been an illusory type as a spiritual leader and as an international figure. He was born into a family which is traced back to the 13th century and to the papacy. In 1899 he entered the priesthood; in 1917 he became papal nuncio to Munich. He was appointed to the papacy in 1922, becoming the 26th state and aid to Pope Pius XI. Then, on March 2, 1932, a 17th year anniversary of his birth, he was elected Pope.

Pius's chief aim and desire through the last 17 years has been to help establish world peace in the world. During all of World War II he has been a spirit of unity instead of a spirit of war. Today Pope Pius sees the world split into great camps of those who wish to cooperate for peace and international brotherhood and those who wish to make war. Pius realizes that the day when a state could be a master of its own destiny and who are committed to the principles behind Brother- therhood of all peoples of the world.

Prepared for Happy Easter By Positive Lenten Acts

"Do acts of penance during Lent that are not negative: do not seem to be," seems to be the most pertinent idea of the students and clergy here at Aquinas. This idea was pre- sented to us by a paper and over as we inquired as to what serpents we might be devoting by our Lenten activities. The most important suggestion forward was the reception of the sacraments of Confession and Holy Communion regularly. Another was to spend a little time each day in meditation on the Stations of the Cross.

Now, all of these suggestions do not mean that negative acts of penance are not to be done. They are, and should be done; but positive acts should be done at the same time. Every act of penance that we perform makes Lent more worth- while for us and will also make our Easter more truly happy.

St. Catherine's College, in St. Paul, Minn., had an evening mass in Byzantine Slavonic Rite, sponsored by the Society during the Church Unity Octave, to give its students first-hand knowledge of the Greek Cath­ olic Mass. The students received Holy Communion under two forms... bread and wine.

Going Up!

We would like to congratulate the Credit Union for its growth in loans during the past year. The number of members increased from 232 to 470; assets have increased from $6,564 to $18,974.50. The number of loans have increased from 160 loans for $28,547.56 to 256 loans for $130,256.00.

The figures above show the growth up to the first of the year. Latest figure (Feb. 3) shows assets to be a period of peace." Our Blessed lady spoke these words on July 13, 1917, to the three shepherd children of Fatima. They are our assurance, in these days of international tension and divisions, that through our Heavenly Mother and her Rosary we can hope for a world of peace. It was then that Our Lady at Fatima may not be forgotten and our hope for a peaceful future will only be strengthened as we honor Mary on the second Sunday of May in a very special way.

The liquefied vision of Our Lady of Fatima, the Marian Congress, was begun in 1947 with the approval of the Most Reverend Cardinal Spellman of New York. This day during the last eight years thousands gathered at our Lady of Fatima, situated near the base of the wide strip of lawn which slopes gently toward the base of the grandly serviceable building. The statue is a reproduction of the original statue of the Virgin as she is last known to have appeared, and was made under the direction of Lucy dos Santos, the sole survivor of the three children of Fatima.

Thousands Say Rosary

It is on this site that these faithful, in­ spired by a spirit of fervent devotion, join with the students in the recitation of the Most Holy Rosary, the prayer devouring to our Heavenly Lady, the Virgin of Fatima: "O Queen of Peace! O Mary, Mother of God! O Mother of Christ, we turn to you in the midst of the many dangers and trials which stalk about us! Do not forget us, we pray you, in your compassion! To day's Christianity stands Our Lady of Fatima.

Students of Aquinas, this is your oppor- tunity to show your love for your Heavenly Mary. Pray for us! Pray for the world! Wil- lingly and genuinely so that this month Marian Congress may be a success.

Diversity of Recent Books Tempts Readers

Did you notice the display outside of the second floor library featuring Catholic Book Week?

In the second floor library proper, there is also a valuable display; several folders, available and containing short explanations of the best in Catholic writing. Some are editions of the following books:

- Alfred Guggan, a story of St. Thomas Aquinas, recommended by the Catholic Library as a "Best in Catholic Reading."
- "The Best in Catholic Reading," edited by Rene Hague;

A mere perusal of the titles cannot but stimulate greater speed in reading. Daily readings are kept of the reading rate of students wishing to improve themselves. Each student is informed of the progress of the program in making and of the immediate goals he should attain.

Brosheer Week Fights Serpentine Prejudice—Strives to Promote Better Racial Understanding

On taking Brotherhood Week, but all of the time. By making these principles part of our activity, we will set a worthy example and at the same time, help drive out prejudice.
'Trial by Fire' Applauded By Enthusiastic Audiences

Enthusiastic audiences received with applause a re-creation of the Field and Stokes trial presented by the Aquinas drama club under the direction of Cecilia Audish, Auditorium, Feb. 8-10.

The play told the story of a Negro couple whom the jury found guilty of murder, their struggle to make a better life for themselves and for their son. The primary dramatis personae were Crewe and Delhi, played by members of the Johnson family, but their valiant efforts against racial prejudice and for social equality were an inspiration to their neighbors.

Much of the acting in the play was excellently done. John Burns was Crewe, and Meade Carter was Delhi.

The worth of their portrayals was measured in the hisses they received from the audience. For them, they were the villains of the piece.

Elnor Shelly, Clarence Hill, James Hill, and Charlotte Carter gave moving performances as the hardworking Johnsons. Their efforts were ably supported by Elias Mayfield and Jacob Robinson, who took the parts of Helen and El Parks.

The German Club, under the direction of Delphine Permoda, was installed as the new president of the club.

Annual Banquet slide show of the German Club was open to the students and faculty who attended the banquet and who would like to see the slides.

Freshman Class Elects Officers

Following the loss of two class officers this semester, freshman elections were held Feb. 8 and 9. Taking over as vice president and treasurer are Patricia Miller and Paul Rich, both of Grand Rapids.

Other candidates for office were Margaret Mary Fitzgerald and Delphine Permoda, vice president; Richard Abbood, and John Morse, treasurer.

Harry Feyer, former vice president, left Aquinas to enter the Dental Prognostic as a postulant.

A sophomore, James Hill, was elected as treasurer.

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Angela Marie to Mr. and Mrs. George Booker (Theresa Heard 97), Jan. 28
IT'S A BOY
Terrence Alan to Mr. and Mrs. John Bereman 27, Feb. 2
WINOS OPERA AUDITION
Barbara Komensky, junior, was one of the talented Winos Singers who qualified for the regional Metropolitan Opera auditions in Carnegie Hall.
HONORED BY QUEEN
Sir Gilbert Laithwaite, brother of Sister Malachi and a visitor to Aquinas last May, has been made a Knight of Honor in the Archdiocese of Dublin. He is permanent under-secretary of state for the United Kingdom.
RECEIVES C.P.A.
G. Edward Polska, instructor in economics and accounting, passed the state examination to become a certified public accountant.
RECEIVED AS TARTARIES
Chas. Collins, junior from Muskegon, and Patricia Lanahan, sophomore from Farm, were received as Dominican territories in the college chapel, Feb. 17.
RAIDERS Halt Tommies in Second Meeting
Junior College Raiders spangled the U of M today, Feb. 13, laying out the splash of bosses, taking the second encounter of the year, 87-72.
The first half saw Larry Schroder emptying the box, giving the Raiders a 42-21 lead at half time.
Blondin, Aquinas ace, was held to four points in the first half. After half time, and found his rhythm, the second half, the Tommies began to rally. Gene Sova uncorked a long shot to put Aquinas in front, 66-65. The lead lasted only a short time, when Schroder and Kanitz extended the J.C. score up.
Schroder with 29 points and Sova with 25 took scoring honors for J.C. Blondin and Moriarty had 22 and 20 respectively for Aquinas.

DYNAMICS Triumph With Fast Break "Dynamics" from Detroit Tech stopped Aquinas twins this season, Feb. 13, the second time, 87-72. Detroit, one of the best fast break teams Aquinas has met this year, led all the way. Baker set up a defensive strategy to stop their scoring leader in the last meeting. Joe Baker's boys then took a hook, driving for Aquinas in the half ended 36-24.
Blondin again led the Tommies with 21 points, followed by Vogl, 13, Gimby, 12; Moriarty, 11; Lee and Berent, 2.

June Martin Wins Table Tennis Meet
June Martin, freshman from Muskegon, won the Western Junior Girls Open Tournament in table tennis in Chicago during the week-end of Jan. 26-29.
June is a graduate of Muskegon Catholic High School. She has been playing tennis in Chicago for one year, led all the way. Baker tried everything, but Detroit had too much talent.

Aquinas ‘Shock Troops’
(Acconcted from last issue)
Gene Sova, freshman basketteer playing alternate positions for the Tommies this year, comes from Chubogeb. In high school Sova was a key man, and he is likely to hold a key spot in his future years at Aquinas. His favorite shot seems to be a one-handed push from the side.
Larry Hammond, freshman from Saginaw, after spending a few years with UP Rockers came to Aquinas. He is 5’7” and plays guard. Larry is a good team man with a quickness that is a deadly shot.
Jerry Guillibault, freshman from Detroit, hasn’t been able to show much of his ability. He has much determination, however, and some deadly shots.
Art Lee, junior and only member on the squad from Grand Rapids, is 5’9” tall and plays guard. He is from Grand Rapids South.
Edwin Cook, 33rd; and Rogers, 11, the only one else on the Assumption squad seemed to have the same accuracy. Although the Tommies kept pace early in the game, even changing lead with Assumption, the half ended 36-24.
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Aquinas Wins Over Cleary
Aquinas was able to put another game out of the bag by defeating Cleary college, 91-89, at Catholic Central gym, Feb. 2, in front of approximately 50 spectators.
Although the Tommies took an early lead, Cleary stayed in the game all the way and nearly put a fright in the Tommies squad, which was shifted because of insufficiency of several players.
The game was a scoring battle between Ray Ogilvie of Cleary and John Blondin of Aquinas. Ogilvie would come down the floor, take a hook, and hit. His total for Aquinas was 33, while Blondin almost matched with 33.
Blondin was followed by Pumphord with 14, Vogl, 13; Berent, 6; Guillibault, 5; Lee, 4; Sova and Wangler, 1.

TALL CANADIANS Defeat Aquinas
Tall Canadians from Assumption college set back Aquinas another game, 76-61, at Catholic Central gym, Feb. 6.
Baker set up a defensive strategy to stop their scoring leader in the last meeting. Joe Baker's boys then took a hook, driving for Aquinas in the half ended 35-32.
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