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PIG ROAST A BIG SUCCESS!

About 150 people were present to enjoy the first Social event, a Pig Roast, sponsored by the Society. A big hand goes out to Andy Henyecz, the Chairman, for the wonderful job he did with the Committee. Thanks to the women of the Parish, we all enjoyed a truly delicious banquet. Everyone had his fill, with plenty to go around for those blessed with a big appetite.

At the end, we didn't only have crumbs left over, but a neat profit of \$162.34 cold cash. Not bad! Of course, we needed this petty cash very badly, for we had to meet half of the expenses for subsequent Holy Name Parade.

We know that a good impression was created, and we can say is that the next time we shall try to out-do ourselves, no matter how hard that may be

WORLD SERIES VS. HOLY NAME PARADE

While thousands were watching or listening to the World Series, a much smaller group were watching or taking part in the Annual Holy Name Parade. We didn't see any home runs, or win bets, but we came back happy and proud of having made this annual Sacrifice.

It was most noticeable that young, strong (?) men of our Parish were too weak or too busy to take part in the Parade. Thank goodness, their Fathers were still around to represent them, but we wonder what will happen when their poor old Dads won't be around anymore. (Was it worth it?)

EXTRA!

With this edition, the St. Stephen's Holy Name Society (English Branch) tries its hand in the literary field. We hope thru this monthly bulletin:- (1) to obtain more members into the Society; (2), to acquaint the members better with their Religion; (3) to produce true Catholicism in actual practice in our Parish life.

God made each one of us to KNOW, LOVE and SERVE HIM. And so, first of all, we must know Him, before we can love and serve Him. Knowing God better, will result in loving and serving Him - which is not only the purpose of the Society, but the purpose of our Creation.

In brief, we want to produce better Catholic Husbands and Fathers. We can do this only if the men of our Parish want to become better Catholic Husbands and Fathers.

Any member of our Parish can become a Member of the Society, by presenting himself at any meeting, (the 2nd Monday of each month at 8 P.M. sharp!).

To date we have 31 members. We want to see this number grow until finally this organization will include all the men of our Church!

EVERY GOOD CATHOLIC MAN SHOULD BE
A MEMBER - HOW ABOUT YOU?

NOVEMBER CALENDAR

Sunday, Nov. 13 - Monthly Communion
at the 9 o'clock Mass
Monday, Nov. 14 - Monthly Meeting
at 8 P.M. sharp!

How about bringing ONE New Member
down to the Meeting?

In the eyes of God as well as
in Poker, a full-house always beats
a pair.

FELLOWS, MEET FATHER GASPAR!

(Each month we will dedicate this column to a member of our Society, so that we might get to know them better - who knows, we may even dig up a few skeletons.)

It is only right that we have as our first member to meet, our beloved Pastor, Rev. John Gaspar. It was on May 6, 1898, that John and Theresa (Schmidt) Gaspar were blessed with the second of 13 children. This son, baptized "John" eventually went to grammar school in his native city of Nagysarosiek, in the county of Vas. After 7 years at the Francis Joseph Catholic Gymnasium, he was called to serve as a soldier from 1916-1918. He was finally discharged from the army with the rank of Lieutenant after having been seriously wounded in action.

He subsequently entered the Seminary at Szombathely, and later transferred to Esztergom, when the Red regime temporarily took over. He was ordained here on Dec. 17, 1921.

He was first assigned to Inced, Austria, followed by Alsobagod and Zalaegerszeg. After 6 years at Koszeg, he came to America as Assistant in Perth Amboy. His Chaplaincy at Arrochar, Staten Island followed. In 1932, he became Pastor of Mt. Carmel Church, Woodbridge and the next year, he came to Passaic.

The rest of his life up to now is well known to all of us who were raised in this Parish. His 16 years as Pastor here in Passaic are filled with wonderful work. A school building, convent, together with alterations and decorations too numerous to mention were all brought about thru his ingenuity guiding the good-hearted Members of the Parish.

Building anything is not an achievement in itself, but Father Gaspar not only built but saw to it that at present we have no debt whatsoever on the Parish.

May God bless Father Gaspar for all of his wonderful work and fatherly advice that he has expended within our Parish. May the good Lord continue to keep him in our midst for many, many years.

DISCUSSION CLUB FORMED!

In our endeavor to know our God better, a discussion club has been formed. It was decided at the last meeting in October, that after each meeting, there will be held an informal meeting in which the members will talk about some phase of the Catholic Religion. Our first series will be on the Life of Christ.

The members showed considerable interest in this new feature and we hope that the monthly turnout will not only be big, but that it will increase our knowledge and love for our Religion.

It was decided that this meeting will take one hour only.

50-50 CLUB

In order to encourage attendance at the meetings, we sponsor a 50-50 club each month. Joe Sipos waltzed off with both the attendance and jack-pot prizes. But, Joe showed his golden heart by treating the boys to some, nice "La pizza" pies. (But then, poor Joe's Red Sox didn't win the pennant - that's life!)

JOTS AND TITLES

No paper would be complete without a little gossip column, so why should we be different.

Congrats to our Treasurer, Joe Toth, Jr. who is busy at school trying to make a name for himself and the Parish. That is why we haven't seen him lately at the meetings.....A HIP-HIP HOORAY to Paul Bacsardi and the Drum Corps for the great job they did at the Holy Name Parade. We're proud of that gang. Here's wishing them more success.....Andy Henyecz had trouble lifting a keg of beer at the Pig Roast until somebody told him that it wasn't a beer keg but only Bill Hudak's pot belly..... Did you get a load of "Doc" Swinarsky sporting those new glasses?If you have any dope to give us, see Father Molnar, Joe Sipos, or Francis Swinarsky-bye now!.....