

THE HISTORY OF ST. PAUL'S CHAPEL

Laramie

1957-1969

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The parish of St. Paul's Chapel at Newman Center in Laramie is the most unique in the state for several reasons. It is the fulfillment of a long time dream of the late Monsignor John McDevitt, J.C.D., for a religious and educational center for the Catholic students on the campus of the University of Wyoming. In a very special way it is a part of every parish in the diocese of Cheyenne, which contributed to a statewide drive for funds to build it. Two thirds of the money realized remained in the individual parish for its own construction or improvements and the remaining third was reserved for the erection of the center, while the surplus from the fund was reserved for the advanced studies of diocesan priests. The third factor that makes a difference is the two-fold membership made-up of a transitory congregation of students and the more permanent community of the faculty and staff of the University, which increases with the progressive enrollment of the school. A strong working bond exists with the parent church of St. Laurence O'Toole for the mutual benefit of the two parishes, for many of the parish children attend the parochial school and their parents are active in the HOME AND SCHOOL ASSOCIATION of St. Laurence. The priests of both parishes teach classes at the school, offer Masses during absences, and administer any spiritual needs that circumstances may require. There are no geographical boundaries for St. Paul's since its members live in all parts of Laramie during their sojourn at the school.

When construction began on the site, once a portion of the old Albany Fair Grounds, it was just across Grand Avenue from the housing units for married students and a few blocks east of the old Catholic hospital. Now that area is occupied by the large complex of dormitories and

cafeterias, making the Newman Center easily available to the large majority of students.

On Sunday afternoon, September 22, 1957, the Newman Center became an operating reality when Most Rev. Urban J. Vehr, D.D., Archbishop of Denver dedicated the new building to the service of God. An honor squad from Warren Air Base, at Cheyenne, presented and raised the national flag on the pole outside of the chapel. Most Rev. Hubert M. Newell, D.D., Bishop of Cheyenne, who had directed the fund raising campaign, celebrated the Mass of Dedication and Most Rev. Duane G. Hunt, D.D., Bishop of Salt Lake City, Utah preached the sermon. Wyoming's Congressional delegation was honored guests: Senators Joseph C. O'Mahoney and Frank A. Barrett, and Representative Keith Thompson. Other special guests included the Mayor of Laramie, Mrs. Josephine Fay, Mrs. Milward Simpson, representing her husband the Governor of Wyoming, Most Rev. Bernard J. Sullivan, S.J., retired Bishop of Patna, India, and Most Rev. Joseph Gilmore of Helena, Montana. The officiating hierarchy and guests formed the receiving line with Monsignor McDevitt at the reception given in the hall of the Center by the newly organized guild of St. Paul's. Many donors of gifts from all over the state were present at a banquet held afterwards in the gymnasium of St. Laurence School, along with diocesan clergy, nuns, and parishioners.

The new Center, one of the finest of its kind in the country, included a lounge that could be opened up to enlarge the seating capacity of the chapel, a large hall for meetings and social functions, an office for the chaplain, a classroom, an embryonic library, a kitchen, pantry, storage room, rest rooms, and closets for more storage. A small apartment was built above the lounge.

Monsignor McDevitt, chaplain of Wyoming's Newman Club since its reorganization in April 1935, was assisted by Rev. Joseph Moroney during the Newman Center's first two years of service. Mass on

weekdays was celebrated at 6:45 a.m. and at 8:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. on Sunday. The Center was opened in the mid-afternoon during the week, in the evening for religion class, and Sunday nights for club meetings and social gatherings.

Bishop Newell created the parish of St. Paul's Chapel, Newman Center, on September 1, 1959, and announced the appointment of Rev. Charles F. Taylor, J.C.D., who had just completed his doctorate in Rome, as its first pastor. The Altar Guild held a reception in honor of Father Moroney on September 1, prior to his departure for Glenrock where he was to assume the pastoral duties of St. Louis Church, also a newly designated parish.

The first board of the Newman parish was Bishop Newell, Rt. Rev. Thomas O'Reilly, V.G., Father Taylor, Dr. David O'Day, dean of the college of Pharmacy, and Dr. Michael John Walsh, of the mathematics department. When the latter left the University the following year, Fred Dreves, doctrinal candidate in Education, filled the vacancy. In September 1967 he accepted a new position in Trenton, N.J., and Dr. Francis M. Long of the Engineering College was asked to take the appointment to the board.

The formal installation of Father Taylor as pastor by Rev. Fred J. Kimmett, dean of the Cheyenne Deanery, took place on Sunday October 18, 1959. The Altar Guild served dinner for the visiting clergy in the new rectory, just purchased at 1902 Garfield, a half a block away. The apartment was not adequate for a resident pastor. The following year Father's aunt, Mrs. Edna Garvin came to keep house for him and remained three years in Laramie. In 1967 another house, just across the alley from the Center, was bought because of its closeness and larger size.

Many marriages had been performed in the chapel since its dedication, but the first marriage as a parish was between Paul Joseph Lupcho of St.

Joseph's Rawlins and Janet Louise Atkinson on September 25, 1959, with Anton Munari and Roberta Meister as their witnesses. A trio of infants head the long list of those baptized in St. Paul's parish since its inception. The ceremony for Steven Larry Hickerson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Larry Hickerson; Diana Louise Alsup, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jack M. Alsup; and Sarah Grace Brown, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Francis Richard Brown was celebrated on September 27, 1959 at St. Laurence O'Toole because there was no baptismal font as yet. The respective Godparents were Thomas McGarvey; John Pat and Ellen E. Noonan of Rawlins; and Dr. and Mrs. Bernard Bauman, also of Rawlins. Miss Mary Ellen Savage was the first convert received into the Church by the new pastor. The baptismal font arrived later in the fall and was first used at the Baptism of Michael James McGarvey, son of Mr. and Mrs. James McGarvey, with his aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. William Davis as his Godparents.

John Francis Tobin, offensive line coach of the Cowboys, was the first member of the parish to die but though he was not buried in Laramie, a requiem Mass was celebrated for him on the day of his interment. Mass of the Angels was offered for Mark, the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Kewzuski. Robert Gillam was buried from St. Paul's on January 12, 1965. Several students have died during the past years and are remembered in special Masses since their funerals are held in their home parishes.

Bishop Newell confirmed the first group of converts on March 10 1961. A few weeks later His Excellency suffered a heart attack and in order to conserve his strength, since his recovery, the candidates have joined the class at St. Laurence. Several have journeyed to Cheyenne on a few occasions. Prior to Confirmation a refresher course in Catholic doctrine in conducted at the Center for the future soldiers of Christ.

In the physical operation of the parish Father Taylor has had the assistance of Mr. and Mrs. Tangay, West Extension Lay Volunteers, who

were here for a year and a half. They taught classes in Logic and Cosmology, conducted a leadership-training course, helped plan the social program, while they lived in the apartment, only one of several couples who have occupied it. Miss Marcia O'Neill served as official secretary for the parish from June 1967 to December of the same year when she resigned to be married to Robert Cinq Mars, a graduate student. Mrs. Sandra Aguilar holds that position now, since September 1969. Several student members of the parish have performed the secretarial chores the rest of the time.

Father Taylor, Donald Moss, Mrs. George Bridgmon, the Tangays, and a few others did much of the original cataloging for the library. The original volumes were those collected by Monsignor McDevitt for his accredited religion course, supplemented by some gifts. Following his death in June 1961 his personal library and that of his predecessor and the first Newman chaplain the Very Rev. John T. Nickolson, V.G., were given to the library, which now has books from all five resident pastors of St. Laurence. There were over 2100 volumes when Miss Maria Madigan was asked to be the librarian in the fall of 1965 and since then the collection has increased by over 1500 books, largely due to gifts and the bequeath of Father Paul Hellrung's library in 1968. Father Hellrung was the first assistant named to St. Laurence's and served in Laramie from 1937 to 1940.

Over the years the janitorial duties of Gordon Michaud, Dick Speicer, have kept the Center clean. Now the boys who live at the rectory do the job and shovel the snow-covered walks. Father Taylor and several members of the parish, student and faculty have wielded the necessary paintbrushes to preserve a trim appearance. Father enjoys caring for the lawn and beautifying the grounds with flowering plants.

During the first year as a parish, the Sunday Masses were celebrated at nine and eleven o'clock in the morning. Later on the pastor was granted the privilege of a third Mass, to accommodate the numbers of students,

which was said at five p.m. For several summers that late Mass was dropped because of the reduced summer enrollment. More recently it was restored for many people expressed a desire for Mass at that hour due to traveling and summer outings, and the eleven o'clock was eliminated. A few summers Masses were scheduled at seven and nine. Masses on Holy Days of obligation were offered at 6:45, and noon as well as at 5:00 p.m. Weekday Mass was set for 6:45 but the attendance, except during Lent was limited to less than a dozen adults and students. The second year a late afternoon Mass was inaugurated, first at 5:15 and at the suggestion of students was set up fifteen minutes earlier, due to the dinner hour in the University Cafeterias. It proved to be a happy hour and the number of young people attending Mass and receiving Communion was and still is exemplary. Many others found it a convenient hour too. To make it easier for Lenten attendance Father received permission to say another Mass which was offered experimentally at 6:45, then six in the morning, and finally set at noon. For several years the weekday Mass during the summer school was at six for the benefit of the students whose classes started at seven-thirty, but now the hour is the same as the regular school year. Many of the Cowboy football players are Catholics so Father instituted the practice of offering Mass at eight o'clock on the days of home games for them and their teammates.

A Holy Hour on New Year's Eve was established to make an edifying close to the old year and ask God's blessing on the new. The spiritual life of the parish was further enriched by fuller liturgical forms such as the distribution and procession of blessed candles on the Feast of the Purification, and the lighted candles held by the congregation during the Gospel and Consecration. Holy Week ceremonies began with the blessing and procession of palms outdoors, with the Passion sung in Latin, included the washing of the feet of twelve men and boys of the parish. Holy Thursday concluded with the procession of the Blessed Sacrament to the Altar of Repose, decorated by the ladies. On Good Friday the three men who chanted the Passion of St. Matthew on Sunday

sang the Passion according to St. John. The lighting of the Holy Fire in the lounge opened the Easter Vigil services and the congregation formed a procession with their symbolic candles, which were lit at the proper time, behind the priest and his altar boys with the Paschal Candle. These liturgical observances continue to be an integral part of the life of the parish with the sanctioned addition of Midnight Mass following the Holy Hour on New Year's Eve since 1967. Since the second year two cantors and the choir as the Synagogia have sung the solemn Passion. Last year was the first time it was done in English.

Father Taylor emphasizes the station churches of Rome during Lent with explanations of the practices observed by the post-persecution Christians in preparing the catechumens for their reception of Baptism at the Easter Vigil and the return of the penitents to Holy Communion on Holy Thursday. Father's pictures of the churches and a map of Rome make it more vivid.

The congregation in Latin made the responses at Mass when St. Paul's became a parish. For a few months at that time the Epistle was read in English by one of the men at his pew. Later the Hymnal **THE PARISH PRAYS AND SINGS** was purchased to facilitate the Latin responses. Most people were glad when they were translated into English when the use of the vernacular was granted. With the revival of the lector, more familiarly known as the commentator now, a few professors and more students have availed themselves of the privilege of this position and serving on the altar is something that is often a combined duty.

Nocturnal Adoration in preparation for the First Friday was introduced on October 5, 1961, and continues during the school year because the first summer revealed the difficulties of getting enough adorers to go through the early morning hours. It is customary for the young men to volunteer their time for those hours. Since 19 the recovery of Dave Marion through the intercession of Cardinal Newman has been a special intention of those making their Adoration. Dave was a football star who

was paralyzed by a bullet accidentally discharged from a gun just after the Christmas vacation that year. The Newmanites made a novena immediately after the accident for him.

Students lead the recitation of the Rosary before weekday Masses and in October and May the scriptural meditations are added to it. The beautiful custom of a Living Rosary has been done a few times in May and in the last two years was said before nine o'clock Mass, followed by the crowning of Our Lady's statue with a wreath of flowers. During Lent the Stations of the Cross are made on Friday afternoons at four-thirty, after the Mass of the Pre-Sanctified on Good Friday and again at seven-thirty that evening.

The Chapel possesses several very precious relics including a small portion of Our Lady's veil. The Bishop presented a first class relic of St. Pius X, a splinter of the True Cross, obtained by Father Taylor, is enshrined in a Crucifix and is used for the veneration of the Cross on Good Friday. Thru the efforts and generosity of Miss Esther Renot a relic of St. Paul came to the Parish after the election of Pope Paul.

Just after Lent begins a spiritual retreat is the order of the day to prepare for the penitential season. It is principally for the students but is open to anyone. The varied and eloquent spiritual directives of the finest retreat masters make them memorable. A list of them follows:

1960 Rev. Clarence Groff, O.F.M.

1961 Rev. Cyril Leach of the San Francisco Mission Band [O.P.?)

1962 Rev. Peter Byrne, a Maryknoll Father

1963 Rev. Richard Madden, a Carmelite Father

1964 Rev. Jude Spyer, U.S.L., Lafayette, La., assistant Newman Chaplain

1965 Msgr. Alexander Sigur, Newman Chaplain, U.S.L., Lafayette, La.

1966 Rev. Edward Theissen

1967 Rev. John Cummisky, S.J., Chicago

1968 Rev. P. Byrne, returned from mission duty in Peru

1969 Rev. Spitzka, C.M.

1970 Rev. James McManamon, O.F.M., psychiatrist and Newman Chaplain from Cincinnati, Ohio

The last two retreats have been closed and were conducted at Medicine Bow Lodge on the western slope of the Snowy Range and at the Little Joe Ranch, the summer ranch of St. Joseph's Orphanage. Father Leach and Father Byrne gave a Day of Recollection for the couples of the parish and a special retreat was held for them in 1963.

There are two main organizations in the parish that are most active in the functions and needs of the parish. Naturally the most active one is the Newman Club itself. The very necessary Altar Guild is composed of the wives and unmarried daughters of professors, the faculty women themselves, and the office personnel, along with the wives of married students and women graduate students are included as associates. The functions of the Guild are to keep the Altar and sanctuary clean, launder the linens, furnish the altar breads and wine, render financial support to the chapel, organize and conduct monetary projects for implementing the aims and purpose of the Guild.

The Altar Guild is the second oldest organization of the parish and was started on August 15, 1957 by Monsignor McDevitt before the Newman Center was dedicated. Through the years a very able group of women have assumed the duties of its officers, serving with devotion and distinction.

1957-1958

President: Mrs. David (Elizabeth) O'Day

Vice President: Mrs. Jack (Agnes) Ruch

Recording Secretary: Mrs. Vern (Teddy Ann) Varineau

Corresponding Secretary: Mrs. Earl (Esther) Kelley

Treasurer: Miss Esther Renot

Historian: Mrs. James (June) Boyle

1958-1959

President: Mrs. Fred (Kay) Dreves

Vice President: Mrs. June Boyle

Recording Secretary: Mrs. Robert (Aldea) Cyr

Corresponding Secretary: Mrs. Esther Kelley

Treasurer: Mrs. Elizabeth O'Day

Historian: Miss Martha Ulrich

1959-1960

President: Mrs. Anton (Winona) Munari

Vice President: Mrs. Lawrence (Tillie) Walker

Secretary: Miss Luella Nault

Treasurer: Mrs. James (Lillian) Zancanella

Historian: Mrs. Louis (Alice) Schilt

1960-1961

President: Mrs. Elizabeth O'Day

Vice President: Mrs. Tillie Walker

Secretary: Mrs. Winona Munari

Treasurer: Mrs. William (Jinnie) Hardigan

Historian: Mrs. Alice Schilt

1961-1962

President: Mrs. June Boyle

Vice President: Mrs. F. Richard (Martie) Brown

Secretary: Mrs. John (Pricilla) Senior

Treasurer: Mrs. George (Catherine) Bridgmon

Historian: Mrs. Thomas (Jackie) Smith

1962-1963

President: Mrs. Martie Brown

Vice President: Mrs. J. Earl (Lee) Foster

Secretary: Mrs. J.D. (Patricia) Colling

Treasurer: Mrs. Catherine Bridgmon
Historian: Mrs. Teddy Ann Varineau

1963-1964

President: Mrs. Lillian Zancanella
Vice President: Mrs. Lee Foster
Secretary: Mrs. Leonard F. (Peggy) Shurmur
Treasurer: Mrs. George (Ruth) Rudolph
Historian: Mrs. Martie Brown
Librarian: Mrs. Catherine Bridgmon

1964-1965

President: Mrs. Lee Foster
Vice President: Mrs. Peggy Shurmur
Secretary: Mrs. Willis (Kathleen) Everett
Treasurer: Mrs. Edward (Noreen) Julian
Historian: Mrs. Martie Brown

1965-1966

President: Mrs. Peggy Shurmur
Vice President: Mrs. Robert (Mariann) Mullaly
Secretary: Mrs. Kay Dreves
Treasurer: Mrs. Francis M. (Mary Ann) Long

1966-1967

Same slate of officers except
Secretary: Mrs. Pricilla Senior

1967-1968

President: Mrs. Winona Munari
Vice President: Mrs. Lawrence (Mary) Cor
Secretary: Mrs. John (Edith) Coffey
Treasurer: Miss Marlene Link
Historian: Mrs. Lillian Zancanella

1968-1969

The officers were re-elected except for Mrs. Coffey who left Laramie.
Secretary: Mrs. George (Margaret M.) Gastl

1969-1970

President: Mrs. Mary Cor

Vice President: Mrs. Catherine Bridgmon

Secretary: Mrs. Robert (Sonnie) Likes

Treasurer: Mrs. Eugene (Kathleen) Moran

Historian: Mrs. Noreen Julian

The projects the Altar Guild has engaged in are very diversified. Some depend upon the agenda and standing committee of the Wyoming Deanery, being a member of the Cheyenne Deanery. It shares the latter's programs with St. Laurence O'Toole's Altar and Rosary Society when Laramie's turn as host city comes up. St. Paul's facilities are more readily available so the meetings and luncheons are held at the Center. When the State Deanery met again in Laramie in 1966 it was selected for the meetings and its proximity to motels and the Crane-Hill Cafeteria where the banquet was held. Once a year Laramie's two groups have a joint social, following the regular individual business meetings, with a special program. In 1961 they jointly presented a Book-Fair in the lounge of Newman Hall and gave a dessert-bridge on Easter Monday 1969. In the spring of 1969 the husbands were especially invited to hear Mr. Al Littler from the Office of Economic Opportunity speak on the Center for the under-privileged on the West Side and participate in a discussion.

During the first years of its existence the committees were interested in Civil Defense, Self-Help; Public Relations; Library and Literature; Spiritual Development; Youth; Catholic Charities; Organization and Devotion; Altar; Confraternity of Christian Doctrine. Now at the direction of the State Deanery these committees were combined and are called commissions such as Organization Services, Church communities.

Family Affairs, Community Affairs, and International Affairs. The Guild's standing committees are Sanctuary and Sacristy, Baptismal Garments, Program, and Nominating. After the care of the altar and linens, the making of Baptismal garments by the ladies is the most important service rendered to the parish. A small garment of white linen with the Chrisma on the front, is presented to the newly baptized as a symbol of Baptismal purity.

Social and money raising projects have sometimes changed, maybe tried once or twice and abandoned, or becomes an annual event on the parish calendar. The oldest social event is the annual Christmas Party for the faculty and staff, graduate and married students, consisting of a dinner and carol singing, proceeded by a social hour at the rectory. The guests have brought gifts the last few years suitable for the children at St. Joseph's Orphanage. This past year it was decided to send them to the Indian missions because the orphanage has so much showered on it.

The State Deanery introduced the Madonna Plan, a volunteer self-sacrifice for Lent in 1963. The ladies were asked to set aside a nickel a day during the penitential season and bring it after Easter to send to a designated mission with the Altar Society. Clothing for the annual Thanksgiving drive comes in before the holiday since the larger portion of the congregation is out of town then it is sorted and packed to be sent off with St. Laurence's collection

The culinary prowess of the ladies has contributed to the Guild's treasury on many occasions. During the first year or so, they served a continental breakfast for a small sum after the Sunday morning Masses. They prepared breakfast for the 1960 state convention of the Knights of Columbus.

The League of Women Voters asked them to serve a luncheon for its state convention April 25, 1961. They have put on banquets when the Newman Club hosted province meetings; cooked breakfast too,

organized the meals for the National Newman executive Meeting, given luncheons during the retreats. Some ladies, representing the Guild have arranged wedding receptions. Christmas candy was sold in 1959 and 1960. Bake sales are held three or four times a year.

The biggest money raiser is the annual Spaghetti Dinner in the fall, which started in 1961. For several years Basil Imburgia, a friend of Father's from St. Laurence's parish, was sauce master, assisted by his brother-in-law, Fred Dreves. After he moved away, he returned a couple of years to oversee the operation. Three years ago under the chairmanship of Mrs. Francis Long the recipe was acquired. It is an occasion of great cooperation in the parish for the men and the students contribute as kitchen staff, servers, dishwashers and driers. A lot of hard work goes into it but a lot of fun and satisfaction comes out.

One year Guild and faculty members entertained Newman students at dinner in their homes, which afforded an excellent opportunity to know one another better. Catholic pamphlets and magazines were collected and sent to the State Pen. Another year, pamphlets and magazines as well as clothing were collected for the State Training School at Lander.

The greatest activities of St. Paul's Parish revolve around the students who are members of the Newman Club. Unfortunately they are the minority of the Catholics enrolled at the University but they are the ones who recognize the need to grow in the knowledge of their faith and enjoy the sociability's of the Center. They make it their home away from home. They come to Mass, to study, watch T.V., play ping-pong, cards, chess, the piano, visit, make friends. They grow in spirituality, responsibilities, knowledge, cooperation, and leadership because of the opportunities offered them. Many romances have reached the altar.

Newman is in fact the center for Catholic involvement in education and society. Accredited courses in religion head the list of classes offered at the Center and are alternated over a period of semesters with the other

religious organizations on the campus, forming the School of Religion. Two credit hours are granted by the University of Wyoming for most of the classes and three hours for three other classes. The courses deal with the religion and literature of the Bible and the history and philosophy of religion. The former series are divided into six sections: New Testament Backgrounds; the Life and Teachings of Jesus Christ; a Survey of the Books of the Old Testament; a Survey of the Books of the New Testament; Life and Letters of Paul; the Prophets and Modern Social Problems. There are seven divisions under the second classification: the Christian Church Before the Reformation; the Christian Church Since the Reformation; Survey of World Religions; Comparative Christian Religions of America; Survey of Christian Theological Thought; Basic Christian Ethics; and the Archaeology of the Bible. The faculty at the Center has included Msgr. McDevitt, Father Taylor, Rev. Gilbert Callahan of St. Laurence, and Rev. John Meyer, also from St. Laurence, Rev. John Ferran of Saratoga, and Rev. Thomas Ogg, assistant at St. Paul's.

An inquiry class, for the benefit of non-Catholic fiancés and any Catholic interested in learning more about his religion is offered two hours a week. To prepare for marriage, a special course is given once a week on the religious, social, legal, economic, and medical aspects of the Sacrament by the priests, Catholic sociologist, doctors and lawyers. Several special classes have been available at different times for those who might be interested. In 1960-1961 they were: Christian Origins-Father Callahan, Papal Encyclicals of Pope Leo XIII-Dr. Marshall Jones of the Sociology Department, History of Religious Music-Maria Madigan. That fall Dr. John Senior, a recent convert, became a new member of the English faculty and offered his services to the Newman Apostolate. In the seven years of this tenure at Wyo University, he gave unstintingly of his knowledge, talent and time to the greater benefit of the community. His first classes began the spring semester 1961 with a series of lectures on THE MIND'S ROAD TO GOD of St. Bonaventure, and Dante's DIVINE COMEDY. He also organized a course in Christian

culture with the aid of guest lecturers, drawn from other Catholic faculty members. Some years later this series resulted in the formation of his class in Medieval Culture as a part of the English curricula. Some townspeople and a few students took advantage of Dr. Laurence Cor's class in Liturgical Latin to learn how to pronounce the Latin responses of the Mass.

Moral Theology by Father Meyer, who succeeded to the pastorate of St. Laurence O'Toole, following Msgr. McDevitt's death, was a new class offered in the fall semester of 1961-1962, along with Principle of Christian Philosophy-Dr. Senior; Apologetics-Father Taylor; and Mater et Magistra -Dr. Jones. Sharon Tangay taught Nature of Philosophy while she was here the next year, Father Meyer-History of the Catholic Church in the United States, and Logic by Drs. Senior, Long, and Ray Tangay. Dr. Long continues to have a class in Logic. Rev. Michael Farren, O.P. taught a special class while acting as pastor during Father Taylor's sojourn at Catholic University in 1964.

A second series on Christian Culture became a part of the regular Wednesday night meetings, featuring the early centuries of the Church. The Church From the Time of the Apostles; St. Paul's Writings; Early Day Heresies; Fabiola by Cardinal Wiseman; Callista by Cardinal Newman; St. Augustine; St. John Chrysostom; St. Benedict; University and Education During the Pre-Christian Era were the subjects of talks given by Father Taylor, Rev. Claude Mussell, O.F.M.Conv. Charles O'Brien, Fred Barson and others. They were opened to any interested person.

Under the auspices of the Club another series of lectures after the Sunday morning Masses began in 1966, given by members of the faculty, the nuns from St. Laurence, and interested students. The topics dealt with Viet Nam, suffering, vocations, evolution, the library, the Church in Pakistan, and more. Then Newmanites prepared discussions on the Geographical, historical, social backgrounds of Viet Nam, Israel,

Guatemala, El Salvador to become better informed on international affairs. Now they listen to tapes by Rev. James Bassett, English Jesuit, and the faculty of the Newman School of Catholic Thought, the Sacred Scriptures.

These are just some of the means the Club has used to achieve the goals of the Newman Apostolate on Secular Campuses: The intellectual and moral development of the Catholic students, religious education of the Catholic Student; his Apostolic formation, contributions of Catholic Culture to the Academic Community. To obtain these great aims the Club has chosen an exemplary group of very dedicated officers to direct them in their early activities.

1957-1958

President: Joseph Martino

Vice President: Nancy Peterson

Vice President: Mary Butler

Recording Secretary: Patricia Dunn

Corresponding Secretary: Christine Erickson

Treasurer: John Cole

Social Chairman: William Carpenter

Musical Director: Winifred Sawaya

Sacristan: David Fedrizzi

1958-1959 [Blank, probably makes all the dates below a year ahead. Ed.]

1959-1960

President: Robert Scott

Vice President: Jim Huntley

Vice President: John Knoft

Recording Secretary: Beth Dinneen

Corresponding Secretary: Sharon Corgon

Treasurer: Tom Ogg
Social Chairman: Pat Moran
Sacristan: Fred Fedrizzi

1960-1961

President: President Tom Ogg
Vice President: Mary Ellen Green
Vice President: Joyce Kronberger
Secretary: Suzanne Guthmann
Treasurer: Paul Grasso
[blank]: Mary Lou Kronberger
Historian: Marjorie Ryan

1961-1962

President: Mary Ellen Green

1962-1963

President: Bill Van Alstein (Res.)
President: Leo Quinliven, elected
Vice President: Ray Seabeck
Recording Secretary: Nan Babel
Corresponding Secretary: Toni Caligiore
Treasurer: Ted Doll
Historian: Margaret Gerald
Sacristan: Wayne Thaler

1963-1964

President: Kevin Murphy
Internal Vice President: Joe Polema
External Vice President: Eric Hansen
Extension Vice President: Zora Juraco
Secretary: Marilynn Marshall
Treasurer: Wayne Thaler
Sacristan: Jack Elson

1964-1965

President: Eric Hansen (res.)

President: Joe Polema, elected

Internal Affairs Vice President: Phil White

External Affairs Vice-President: Zora Juraco

Extension Vice President: Margaret Plemel

Secretary: Mary Kalinowski

Treasurer: Ted Stanfield (res.)

Treasurer: Zora Juraco

1965-1966

President: Dan Dolenc

Internal Affairs Vice President: Jerome Joyce

External Affairs Vice-President: Chris Dowiatt

Extension Vice President: Renee Rotellini

Secretary: Neida Stevens

Treasurer: Mary Larson

1966-1967

President: Don Kany

Internal Affairs Vice-President: L.J. Perry, Joe Peak

External Vice- President: Mary Polema

Extension Vice- President: Kathy Smith

Secretary: Charlynn Caraiso

Treasurer: Elizabeth Lauk

1967-1968

President: Jerome Joyce

Internal Affairs Vice- President: Ed Spotts

External Affairs Vice -President: Zinka Juraco

Extension Vice- President: Chris Dowiatt

Secretary: Christine McManus

Treasurer: Mary Larson

1968-1969

President: Ed Spotts

Internal Affairs Vice-President: Jim Shippy

External Affairs Vice-President: Sally Olivas

Extension Vice President: Barbara Kumor

Secretary: Barbara Berg

Treasurer: Elizabeth Lauk

1969-1970

President: Frank Poos

Internal Affairs Vice-President: Jim Shippy

External Affairs Vice-President: Sally Olivas

Extension Vice President: Terry Olivas

Secretary: Barbara Kumor

Treasurer: Donald Dohm

1970-1971

President: Peter Seidman

Internal Affairs Vice-President: Phyllis Andersen

External Affairs Vice-President: Frank Corless

Extension Vice President: Jan Elson

Secretary: Sue Burke

Treasurer: Robert Rodriguez

Dr. Fred Dreves acted as faculty advisor during his years here and was succeeded by Dr. Charles Stroble. The post is now held by Mrs. Donald (Mary Alice Bango) Murphy, Instructor in French.

Weekly meetings, first on Sunday nights, then changed to Wednesday, have gone through several formats, but consist of a business meeting, an educational interim, Benediction, and a social hour. Religious education for these assemblies has been dispersed through lectures, films on vital subjects regarding religion and life from the Catholic Hour, sponsored by the National Council of Catholic Men or Newman News service, and

discussion groups as is being done at the present time. The breakdown is by classes and the priests, on separate topics, lead the discussion. The Club also sponsors and prepares a weekly broadcast on Church news and related items, over Station KLME.

Some extra-curricular affairs have become a tradition on the Newman Calendar. A fall and spring picnic is a must, now joined by other religious clubs; the Paul Bunyan Party, an excursion which rain, snow, or sunshine, will stop, is to cut wood in the mountains for the fireplace in the lounge. It is enlivened after the hard work with Kabor Tossing. The Two-Wheeled Bike Hike of the first years developed into the Four-Legged Furry Bike Hike at the 2-Bar-7 Dude Ranch on the State Line. The experienced and neophyte riders enjoy a two hours horseback ride and picnic in very beautiful surroundings, in sunshine or rain, which dampens very few spirits. While the seniors lived on a ranch seven miles southwest of town a Mass was celebrated at sunset in the fall, followed by supper and a dance.

The Great Pumpkin of PEANUTS fame is responsible for the hilarious Pumpkin Caroling of the last few Halloweens around the neighborhood and a few established stops. This past year the singers were costumed for a masquerade party and scavenger hunt that followed. Christmas-tree cutting became a Club function a few years ago. Previously Father Taylor and a few students who remained in Laramie for the Thanksgiving vacation got the trees for decorations around the Center. Two trees are trimmed, one for the hall and the other in the lounge, while the rest are used around the out-door crib and until a couple of years ago, around the Crib in the sanctuary. A Christmas party with caroling was a standard activity for the season. The carolers go to the Ivinson Home for Ladies, OUR HOME for convalescents, Ivinson Hospital, the convent and usually end up at KLME to broadcast, if it is Sunday. For the last three years fun of a Twelfth Night Party has closed the Christmas season. Hay and sleigh rides, ice and roller skating parties,

dances and hootenannies, intramural sports and ping-pong tournaments round out the social life.

There are more serious aspects to the Newmanite program, which gives many opportunities to volunteer service to the Church and community. Serving on the altar, acting as commentators, leading the daily Rosary, teaching Catechism at Rock River on Sunday, and participating as instructors in the Confraternity of Christian Doctrine program for high school students develop Catholic leadership. Search and Contemporary Spiritual weekends have replaced the religious education conferences of the defunct Intermountain Province of Newman Clubs. A few members have passed the radio ham examination to operate the radio shack, set up in the tower above the chaplain's office, and contact missionaries in South American and other Newman Clubs. The radio group served a pancake breakfast after Sunday Masses one summer to pay for the equipment, and installed it themselves with the assistance of Club members.

Community action takes shop in baby-sitting during the Sunday morning Masses and some individuals do extra sitting in the evenings. Newman painters worked many Saturdays, one fall, redecorating the Cathedral Home. After hearing a report by Thelma Lobos, a graduate student from Karachi on the needs of Catholic college students in Pakistan, the Club sent them money and corresponded with a few. Visits to OUR HOME and St. Joseph's Orphanage are frequent. Many hours have been spent at the latter institution's range near Wheatland, building, painting, and repairing its facilities since it was acquired two years ago. In the past a few Newmanites offered their services for special social work during summer vacation. Each week a member volunteers to write a letter to Dave Marion. The Club has participated in UNESF and Heart Fund drives.

The biggest and most unexpected community service the Newman Center has witnessed was the blizzard of April 2, 3, 1968. After the

Hall's facilities were offered, the local Red Cross designated it as a hospitality and operational center for the stranded travelers. Food was supplied by the Red Cross and prepared by the students who were able to reach the Center. Blankets and clothing were sent there or collected by those who had vehicles that could get through the snow. Travelers were taken to the University dormitories, Frats, sororities, and accessible private homes after getting fed and warmed. For almost forty-eight hours there was little chance of sleep. On the third day when the roads began to be opened up, the information was posted on a bulletin board at the main entrance for the benefit of the drivers. When the emergency was passed the blankets and clothing was returned to the donors. It was a heart-felt experience for those staunch workers and a revelation of leadership under difficult circumstances to make us very proud of our capable young people.

Money is necessary for the operation of any organization and a means must be found to obtain it. Sunday night supper prepared and served by Newmanites has been the chief source of revenue. Perhaps not much money has been realized for the price of the meal is only seventy-five cents. Until recently the University cafeterias did not serve an evening meal which made the Newman supper very convenient, but now this policy has fluctuated, so has the supper, which at first was changed to light lunch or brunch. The sale of religious articles answers another need that brings in money. Pop, cigarette and candy dispensing machines have replaced club dues. During the football season cars are squeezed into the parking lot for fifty cents apiece. In 1964 the Club sponsored a concert by the Abbey Boys Glee Club from Holy Cross Abbey School in Canon City, Colorado, in the Agriculture auditorium.

The Snow Sculptures of the Snow Carnival and the Homecoming Parade in late October offer competition opportunities among the organizations of the University. The statues created out of hauled-in-snow received awards or honorable mention but the apathy of the last few years on the campus cancelled that activity. Planning and hard work go into the

Homecoming Floats; one year the wind tore it all out before the float reached the assembling area. An over-sized bust of Cowboy Joe made of paper-maché brought an award in 1965. The next year a full-length giant Cowboy Joe carried home another trophy. Mardi Gras was the theme for 1967 and club members wore a variety of heads created out of cartons and paper-maché. The ingenious use of sprayed newspapers instead of paper napkins for the panels around the bottom of the float bed has reduced the expense in the last two years. The celebration of Laramie's centennial featured a bridge of progress from Father Pierre DeSmet, S.J., Wyoming's first missionary, to a model of Newman Hall. The Coliseum to the enlarged Memorial Stadium revealed, "Games Have Changed but God Is Still Everybody's Quarterback," to honor football's hundredth anniversary and added another first place award in the independent's division to the trophy case.

The trophy case contains several other awards, the finest one being the traveling trophy of the Intermountain Province, which remained in Laramie after winning it two years straight. Out local delegates returned from the National Convention in Lafayette, La., with the award for the outstanding club in the country. Margaret Gould, active in the club and a province officer and an outstanding student won a Phi Beta Kappa key. In 1965 seven other Newmanites were recipients of the honored key, Dennis Burke, Jack Canfield, Sarah Francis, Kathleen Gould, Patrick Kellogg, Mason J. Page, and Terry Pivik. Second place In the Christmas Decoration contest, sponsored by the Laramie Lions Club went to the Hall for Slides of the actual spot of Christ's Birth, the Manger of the Stable in Bethlehem and the Crib of Ara Coeli Church in Rome, in 1959. Another second place for the new outdoor crib in the Wyoming setting proceeded to win the first prize the next years.

To be active in the province and National Federation involved many trips in the three and half state area of the province for educational conferences and the spring convention. Wyoming members held several province offices. Father and the officers, sometimes accompanied by

more members, have driven to national conventions in San Francisco, Lafayette, Cleveland, New York, Chicago, Dallas, and Pittsburg. Some officers went to a national leadership meeting to better prepare themselves for their offices. In late December 1963 a National Executive Meeting was held in Laramie and attended by Most Rev. James Malone, Bishop of Youngstown, Ohio. Rev. Charles Albright, C.S.P., coordinating secretary for Newman Clubs, Rev. Richard Butler, O.P., national Chaplain, and delegates from all over the Country.

As a part of Wyoming cheering section Newmanites have gone in a large group to football games at the Air Force Academy, Fort Collins, Salt Lake, Provo, sometimes joining the local club for dinner afterwards. There have been extra jaunts to Denver to visit former members or hear a guitar Mass at St. Thomas Seminary, see a special show like A MAN FOR ALL SEASONS and FUNNY GIRL, and dine out. Car trips are not limited to the young people, for the Guild travels too, to local Deanery meetings in Cheyenne, Pine Bluffs, Torrington, and Wheatland, and the state convention in the spring to a more distant city. The pastor's car has clocked up thousands of miles with all these trips plus his own on Parish or Diocese business and his summer school sessions in Montreal's Laval University and the Catholic University in Washington, D.C, for his studies toward a doctorate in Philosophy.

The Altar Guild and Newman Club have combined forces to put on Mardi Gras several times, featuring games of chance, a cake-walk, a marionette show, Post Office, with mail coming from all over the country for delivery, and sometimes a ball. The festivity has had its ups and downs, lasting one or two days, but it seems to bounce back. The first time, 1960, it was held in tandem with Shrove Tuesday's Pancake Supper cooked and served by the men of the parish. The supper continued for a few years with the men presiding in the kitchen, then the women assisted them. Outside conflicts from similar suppers put an end to the pancakes and the substitution of a ham and beans dinner lasted only one year.

After the first session of Vatican II, the parish wished to receive a firsthand report from Wyoming's own Council Father and to honor the Bishop at a very special dinner. It was decided to select the date for the occasion on a Sunday nearest Cardinal Newman's birthday of February 21, which was also the natal day of two convert professors, Dr. Senior and Dr. J. Earl (Si) Foster. February 17, 1963 was the most convenient for the Bishop's busy schedule. The dinner was prepared by the ladies and served by them with the assistance of Newman girls. A fresh clean-up crew of more Newmanites, men, and ladies joined them. An unrecognized award of the parish of St. Paul's Chapel is a pair of water wrinkled hands in the great leveler of the sink full of dirty dishes, the most frequently repeated job at the Center. A program of a trumpet solo by Joe Polema and a piano solo by Lou Ann Trainor preceded the Bishop's talk. Afterwards ceramic plaques of the Newman Club shield were presented to Dr. Senior, Basil Imburgia, and Dr. Dreves for their assistances in the development of the Newman Apostolate on the campus.

Alumni of the Newman Club in its first ten years on the campus were special guests at the second Bishop's Dinner, and recalled the events of their individual years as members of the club under the directorship of Father Nickolson. The Bishop made his final report on the Third Session of Vatican Council II the following year and the outstanding seniors were presented to him and the parents and spouses of the graduates who were invited as guests of the parish. The three seniors were presented awards for their participation in the three-fold area of (1) parish and liturgical life, (2) credit and non-credit courses in religion and philosophy, (3) multiple Newman Club activities. They were Jack Canfield, Janna Hawes, and Joseph Polema.

In 1966 Rev. Robert F. Drinan, S.J., Vice Dean of the Boston Law School and Vice President of the Massachusetts Bar Association was invited to be the guest speaker at the dinner. "The History of the Struggle and Advancement of the American Negro" was the title of his

address. Gary Lawrence and Daniel Anerios were the distinguished seniors. "Reconstructing The Newman Apostolate" was the title of the address given on February 19, 1967 by Bishop Malone of Youngstown, episcopal moderator of Newman Clubs, on his second visit to Laramie. Margaret Quintana and Bev Hodgins received the awards as the seniors of the year. With campus interest very high on the legality of the Viet Nam war, Dr. Thomas Parnell requested that Father invite his former mentor. Rev. Joseph F. Costanzo, S.J., of Fordham University to be the guest speaker, February 24, 1968. Father Costanzo enumerated the binding legalities for American involvement in the Southeastern Asiatic Country. The long and enthusiastic services of Christine Dowiatt, Jerome Joyce, L.J. Perry, Jr., Joe Peak, Charlynn Araisio, and Mary Larson Shippe to the parish and Newman were acknowledged. February 16, 1969 was the occasion for a happy reunion with Dr. Senior to celebrate his birthday early and once more be inspired by his Christian wisdom as he spoke on "CRISIS IN OBEDIENCE." It was most appropriate the two officers Ed Spotts, Elizabeth Lauk, and a former president Don Kany who had benefited from so many of his services to Newman life should be honored that night. The outstanding Catholic Layman and publisher of TWIN CIRCLES, Dale Francis reminded the seniors and their guests on Washington's Birthday, "Your Vocation is Sainthood." Five young people Dick LaFebre, Sally Olivas, Barbara Berg, Barbara Kumor, and Don Dohm, who are about to graduate, are very mindful of their Christian duty.

Many functions at the Center do not fit in a particular category because of their uniqueness. Pax Romana Sunday, celebrated on the fourth Sunday of Lent, featured a dinner for the international students attending the University, for several years: Elvia Biernicke of Paraguay; Eduardo Garcia, Peru; Dieter Van Heuten, Venezuela, a convert received into the Church during the Easter Vigil; Enrique, better known as Henry Gomer, Bolivia; Thelma Lobo, Pakistan; Bernard, Uganda; Walter Gomez, Henry's twin arrived a year later; and Mike of Tanzania frequented the Center. Elvira and Thelma met their future husbands there and were

married in the Chapel. The facilities, especially ping-pong, have delighted many other foreign students, and the Chinese group has used them for parties. The Cosmopolitan Club uses the Hall for a dance following its annual International Night dinner and entertainment at Crane-Hill Cafeteria in the spring.

For several years Father and some of the ladies prepared Thanksgiving dinner for those who were not going home for the holiday and had no other place to go. It was a very happy occasion for those who attended it,

A blizzard changed the original plans of a dance with the Catholic Choir from the Air Force Academy who was to sing High Mass on Mother's Day 1961. The dance was to be at Warren Air Base on Saturday evening but the snow detoured them to Laramie instead and the dance took place at the Center. Sleeping accommodations were hastily scattered around the homes of the parish and the Altar Guild served the breakfast after Mass.

A chance to honor the "unsung heroes" of Newman, as Father Taylor called those who had contributed so much of their time, presented itself with the performance of A MAN FOR ALL SEASONS by a professional company starring Robert Harris as Thomas More, on November 20, 1963. The "heroes" included his Aunt Edna, the priests and nuns of St. Laurence, some of the professors, the Catholic doctors and lawyers, the accountant, the Latin teacher who taught the boys who were interested in entering the seminary, their wives and husbands, and friends, made a large group in the center of the Arts and Science Auditorium. Following the play they were treated to a light lunch at the Center, prepared by a few of the young people, with the pleasurable company of the cast as special guests.

The Chapel was packed the next evening for a Requiem Mass for the assassinated President John F. Kennedy, who had spoken in the Field House only six or seven weeks before. A second Mass was offered on

Monday morning during the time of the state funeral in Washington. Newman School of Catholic Thought was in session when His Holiness, the beloved Pope John XXIII died. In fact the students were attending Mass at the moment of his death.

When Dr. Senior announced the news of his departure for the University of Kansas at Lawrence in 1967, the Newmanites wanted to show their appreciation for his many years of teaching, advice and example. It was decided to purchase a set of newly translated SUMMA THEOLOGICA of St. Thomas Aquinas in his honor for the library. They also prepared a banquet on April 23rd and Invited many former Newmanites to come and if they could not be here, to write about their associations with him.

The ordination of Rev. Thomas Ogg to the priesthood in Worland, May 25, 1968 was an occasion of great rejoicing? Many of his friends from his school days, when he served as Newman Club president, made the trip to his hometown for his Day. Father Taylor was his chaplain at the ordination and preached the sermon for his First Mass the following day. He served as the assistant at St. Paul's for three months during his deaconate. The Parish gave a reception in his honor, a week later June 1, for old and new friends to congratulate him and receive his blessing. The next morning he offered his first Mass at Newman. Last September he returned as assistant chaplain, after serving his initial post at Sts. Cyril and Methodius in Rock Springs. Another former Newman Club member of only one semester, William Houston, of Casper was also ordained that summer as a Maryknoll priest. He entered the Maryknoll seminary the fall of 1961, and Father Ogg went to St. Thomas' in Denver.

Several prominent speakers have addressed the public at Newman Hall. Rev. John O'Brien, nationally recognized scholar and writer, spoke on GOD AND THE ATOM, in the fall of 1959. Dr. Karl Pilz, a professor from the Teachers Training College, Linz, Austria, discussed the Catholic way of life and the role of the church in his homeland. He was studying the American way of life at the University of Wyoming in a

government-sponsored program of 3 months. The early life and conversion of Cardinal Newman was described by Canon Francis J. Bartlett, rector of Westminster Cathedral, London, enlivened by reminiscences of his maternal grandfather who once punched cattle from the Argentine to Wyoming. Canon Bartlett said his two heroes were his grandfather and his grandfather's pastor, Cardinal Newman. Father Taylor served under him for three months before going on to Rome for his graduate studies. An expert on the population explosion, Rev. George Zimmermann, S.V.D. gave an illuminating discourse on the situation from a Christian viewpoint in the spring of 1960. Rev. Dennis Reed, a Carmelite priest from Holy Hill, Wis., spoke on the MARKS OF CHURCH on Sunday October 23, 1960. Returning from a state C.Y.O. convention in Rock Springs, his fellow Carmelite, Father Madden made his first visit to Laramie to address a Sunday night meeting in the fall of 1961. The excavations for the Dead Sea Scrolls were described for a large, interested audience by Rev. Robert M. North, S.J., and archaeologist at Qumran on Palm Sunday. He illustrated his lecture with his own slides. Rev. Martin D'Arcy, the illustrious English Jesuit spent an early May weekend in Laramie and discussed THE NATURE OF THEOLOGY on May 7, 1961. Rev. Blase Bonpane, a Maryknoll priest in a lecture that fall, matched the virtues of the BEATITUDES against the seven deadly sins. On his second visit Father Costanzo outlined the problems stirred up by the papal encyclical HUMANAE VITAE for a Cana Conference, March 1969. Last November 15-16, 1969, Rev. Hugh O'Donnell, C.M., doctor of Scriptural Theology conducted a series of talks on the Dogmatic Constitutions of the Church, during an educational weekend.

The movie projector gets a frequent workout, sometimes at weekly meetings with short subjects from the Catholic Hour, or sometimes a very special film like "Operation Abolition" which was recommended to the Newman Clubs at a National Convention. Twice during Lent a series of films reflecting themes suitable for the season have been shown for a small admittance fee, such as THE INN OF THE SIXTH HAPPINESS,

THE PICTURE OF DORIAN GRAY, THE LIFE OF MONSIEUR VINCENT, WHEN IN ROME, THE MIRACLE OF FATIMA, THE LONG GRAY LINE, THE RELUCTANT SAINT, AND WILSON.

Several organizations have temporarily served special needs of the parish. The choir in the first year of a parish was largely composed of members of Phi Kappa, the Catholic fraternity, now inactive. Then in the next few years the singers came from all groups of the parish, the faculty, their children, and students under the successive leadership of Howard Baker and Fred Dreves. They sang Gregorian Masses, proper to the season, once a week; the music for Holy Week, including the Passion according to Sts. Matthew and John for Palm Sunday and Good Friday; the Christmas novena as sung in houses of the Vincentian Order, for Father learned it at the seminary in Denver. Mrs. Zancanella, Pat Murphy, and Dr. Jones played the organ. Membership in the choir dropped and new recruits were few and uncertain. The singing became congregational and with a weekly Mass, for practice the Sunday Mass, the principal Masses became better known until English usage supplanted the Latin, the Bishop gave permission for one Latin Mass a month.

A fish supper and a book review on the Third Friday of the month was introduced for the men of the parish in the fall of 1960 but the wives became interested and the Oratory, as it was called, was enlarged in a way to include them, interested students, and some from St. Laurence's parish. The reviews, given by two or three people gave way to a great variety of subjects—the Uniates, Social problems, the courts and prayer in public schools, the Shroud of Turin, Liturgy, literature, church music, drug abuse, work in the Peace Corps, Jim Bridger. When he was here Father D'Arcy spoke on famous English Catholics he has known.

Interested young couples were united for a time in the Catholic Family Movement but it fell apart when its leaders were through school. A new group started again last fall, as well as a discussion group that listens to

tapes pertaining to modern day problems in the Church. The men of the parish were banded together for a couple of years and a few faithful souls painted the outside of the Center one summer. During Father Taylor's educational absences for several summers Rev. Wintergalen, S.J., from Regis College in Denver, Father Farren, and Rev. Charles Hardy, performed the ministry of the parish.

On Palm Sunday the Newman Club hosts the Paschal Supper, like it was partially celebrated in Our Lord's time, the traditional five cups of wine, the unleavened bread, the bitter herbs, the harrosches, salt water, and the roast lamb, and followed by Our Lord's discourse with his Apostles after the Last Supper. The other religious clubs and foreign students are invited and the former take part as members of the family at the head table and the Apostles at the Christ table.

The Club inaugurated Last Spring a new project, and the amateur hour was started with the theme "Stars of Yesterday". There were skits, readings, songs, dances, imitations, piano solos, and a lot of good fun aided and abetted by the members and the chaplain as stage hands, scene designers, electricians and audience.

The lounge is the regular meeting place for the Knights of Columbus, faithful supporters of the Newman Club, who also used the kitchen and hall for occasional dinners. The Catholic Nurses Guild have met in the Center, as have the Christian Athletic Association, the Chinese students, and occasionally the Cosmopolitan Club for other than the dance. A traveling art show once exhibited Biblical scenes by a present day artist. Wedding receptions are frequent during Christmas vacation and the end of the semesters.

The climax of the year is concentrated in the annual Newman School of Catholic Thought held in the first week of June made possible by the Msgr. John McDevitt Memorial Fund raised through a dinner-dance sponsored by the Knights of Columbus. Father Taylor with two students.

Tom Ogg and Mary Ellen Green journeyed to Monterey, California, for such a school. The following June 1961, the Newman School at Laramie was instituted and this June will be the tenth year of its continual operation. It is a week of intensive study in Dogma, Sacred Scriptures, History, Literature, Philosophy, and Liturgy, with classes of fifty minutes, morning and evening prayers, public recitation of the Rosary, daily Mass and a homily by one of the priestly faculty. The students have come from the intermountain Province area, as far away as California, Utah, the Dakotas Nebraska, and are housed at motels, homes in both parishes. They are college students, priests, nuns, and laity from Laramie, Torrington, and Cheyenne who are interested in learning more about their religion. The first year the meals were served down at St. Laurence School by ladies of the parishes, but since then they have been cooked by the ladies who work or have worked on the daily lunch program at the parochial school, and served by the Altar Guild and Altar Society. The mental concentration is relieved in the middle of the week by an excursion to the Veedauwoo Glen east of Laramie to a special spot used by St. Paul's for Club and Parish picnics. After an afternoon of playing games, climbing, or just lounging around the School is treated to a steak dinner, concluding with singing around the campfire. Since 1966 it is highlighted by a concelebrated Mass.

The faculty has come from all over the country and is teachers of repute in their particular fields.

1961

Dogma: Rev. Edward L. Maginnis, S.J, Regis College, and Denver

Sacred Scripture: Rev. Bruce Vawter, C.M., St. Thomas, and Denver

History: Rev. Harold L. Stansell, S.J., Regis College, and Denver

Literature: Dr. John Senior

Liturgy: Rev. Bede Butler, O.S.B., Holy Cross-Abbey, Canon City, Colo.

The evening sessions included two full-length features, "God's War" and "Life and Times of St. Ignatius."

1962

Sacred Scripture: Rev. Eugene Maly, Mt. St. Mary's Seminary of the West, Norwood, Ohio

History: Father Stansell

Literature: Dr. Senior

Dogma: Rev. Francis Gaydos, C.M., and St. Thomas Seminary

Philosophy: Dr. John H. Ford, Bellarmine College, and Louisville, Kentucky

Liturgy: Father Butler

Father Small, Byzantine priest from Denver, celebrated the Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom on the opening day. Leonard Bernoff of Cheyenne spoke one evening on Communion, and on Thursday evening Father Telaridies, Greek Orthodox priest also from Cheyenne, talked on the early councils and the rupture of Christendom in the eleventh century.

[1963]

Dogma: Rev. Bernard L. Marthaler, O.F.M.Conv. Bellarmine College

Literature: Dr. Senior

History: Father Stansell

Philosophy: Dr. Ford

Sacred Scripture: Rev. John Dreese, S.T.D., St. Charles Borromeo, and Columbus, Ohio

1964

Sacred Scripture: Rev. Robert North, S.J., Marquette University, and Milwaukee, Wis.

Literature: Dr. Senior

Philosophy: Rev. Claude Mussell, O.F.M.Conv. former pastor in Wheatland

History: Father Stansell

Dogma: Rev. John J. Stack, S.T.D., St. Joseph College, and West Hartford, Conn.

1965

Sacred Scripture: Rev. John Huesman, S.J., Alma College, Los Gatos, Calif.

History: Father Stansell

Liturgy: Rev. R. Kevin Seasoltz, O.S.B., and St. Anselm's Abbey, Washington, D.C.

Philosophy: Dr. Ronald McArthur, Ph.D., St. Mary's College, Orinda, Calif.

Literature: Dr. Senior

Dogma: Father Stack

1966

Sacred Scripture: Rev. Thomas Leahy, S.J., Alma College, Los Gatos, Calif.

History: Father Stansell

Philosophy: Dr. McArthur

Literature: Dr. Senior

Dogma: Father Mussell, Assumption Seminary, Chaska, Minn.

1967

The same faculty as the preceding year with the addition of:

Music and Liturgy: Rev. Robert J. Greenslade, Resident chaplain, Loreto Heights, Denver

1968

Sacred Scripture: Father Huesman

Literature: Dr. Senior

History: Father Stansell

Dogma: Father Claude

Philosophy: Dr. McArthur

Music and Liturgy: Father Greenslade

1969

History: Father Stansell

Dogma: Father Claude

Philosophy: Dr. McArthur

Literature: Dr. Senior

Sacred Scripture: Rev. James Turro, Immaculate Conception Seminary,
Darlington, N. J.

Music and Liturgy: Rt. Rev. F. Thomas Gallen

From about twenty to fifty students have been enrolled for the accelerated courses during the day and the evening seminars that are sometimes followed by a sing or private discussions.

Summertime is much quieter around St. Paul's because the Summer School is smaller and the enrollment is made up of teachers working on advanced degrees, and some younger students. Teaching priests and nuns come to Wyoming University. Activities are minor, possible an Outdoor Mass and a picnic. Two summers new Newman chaplains, attending a two weeks course at the Newman Center of Colorado University, Boulder, drove up to see the installations in Laramie. After a lunch prepared by some of the students, they asked questions about the activities. The second year the Laramie group was better prepared for them with a panel composed of Dr. Senior, some of the students, a former president, and moderated by Dr. Dreves.

The children of the parish take their place in their own special functions. The first of these is the procession of the Holy Child to the crib preceding Midnight Mass at Christmas. Karen Dreves carried the Christ Child figure on a pillow escorted by John Nitter and John Walsh as candle-bearers, inaugurated this custom. Now more children participate in the unrehearsed procession to the crib. The boys as candle bearers and the girls carrying flowers form the Holy Thursday procession of the Blessed Sacrament from the main altar to the altar of Repose. The games at the annual parish picnic in May are organized for the children. A special announcement is made when a child receives Communion for the

first time, with the parents in attendance. The boys have an opportunity to serve on the altar.

In the ten and a half years as a parish, St. Paul's Chapel, Newman Center has expanded. With an assistant pastor, there are now four Masses on Sunday, the extra Mass is offered at twelve-fifteen and other Masses are offered at noon on weekdays to complete the new schedule. The number of communicants has greatly increased. Father Mark Beltrami, O.F.M., from Santa Barbara, Calif., is a graduate student in Physics, completes the household of the other priests and four students in the rectory. A person can make himself as much a part of the parish life as he is willing to give of himself. There are easy opportunities to just meet people after Mass over coffee, rolls or doughnuts on Sunday morning or at the brunch following the Midnight Masses of Christmas, New Years and the Easter Vigil. Maria Madigan