



REV. JOSEPH KETTNER

Hampton

**Catholic Club
To Hear Priest
Talk on Burma**

HAMPTON (Special) — The Rev. Joseph F. Kettner, MS, will be guest speaker at an open meeting of the Catholic Club Wednesday night. Father Kettner will show colored slides on Burma. He returned from that country, where he spent more than six years as a missionary.

Father Kettner is one of 15 LaSalette priests in that country. Burma is a young country, having become independent in 1948. This was but 11 years after a group of five LaSalette missionaries took over a mission in Burma which had been founded by the Canadian Province of Holy Cross Fathers.

One member of this original group, the Very Rev. Thomas H. Newman, is still at his post.

Learned Language

When Father Kettner arrived in Burma in 1954 and learned the Burmese language he was assigned to Thayetmyo. For three years he assisted at an orphanage there. From Thayetmyo he made regular trips to outlying villages, where the LaSalette Fathers have been working with the primitive hill tribes.

After three years at Thayetmyo he was transferred to St. Paul's Cathedral in Promé. He will report to St. Paul's when he returns to Burma in June.

While in this country, he is taking special courses at St. Francis Hospital, Hartford.

Father Kettner was born in Shelton in 1924. He was ordained in 1950. He attended LaSalette Seminary, Bloomfield. He also studied at the LaSalette Seminaries in Milford, Iowa, and Ipswich, Mass.

The meeting Wednesday will be at the home of Mrs. George A. Scheu on Rt. 97 at 8 p.m. The public has been invited. There will be no admission charge.

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