In a year when the Dominican Order throughout the world is celebrating its 750th anniversary, Barry College is honoring a man who has promoted the devotion to the rosary for most of his adult life.

Father Patrick Peyton, founder of the Family Rosary Crusade, will receive the Laudare Medal today.

"Laudare" means to praise and the purpose of the medal is to praise its recipients for their educational or religious contributions to humanity. The idea for this award originated with the motto of the Dominican Order, "Tua, Tuam, Beneficet, Praelicet."

Program Begins

Sister Mary Edmund, O.P., was vice-president of Barry at the time this award program was initiated. She addressed the college this year was hand-maid by Sister Mary Joseph.

The star on top of the medal symbolizes St. Dominic, and the three trumpets of the General have a banner with the college shield denoting the prize bestowed by the college on the recipient. Three colors are used in the making of the medals; black, white, crimson and gold, moving slowly around the campus, ex- citing Her Excellency from Angelicus to Calaroga, to Maria Stella and Rosa Mystica, and thence to Cor Jesu, pausing awhile as he passed on to bless each building. After these ceremonies, the Papal Delegate was celebrant of the Pontifical Mass offered in Cor Jesu Chapel.

"The ceremony was given by the Most Reverend John T. McNicholas, O.F. candles and the school's colors, which he remembers as "talking to Mary" as his mother, there followed a remarkable recovery without surgery.

Irish Born

Born in Carr acctancy, County Mayo, Ireland, Father Peyton graduated from Holy Cross Seminary, South Bend, and received his A.B. degree from Notre Dame University in 1927. The following year he was naturalized and in 1941 was ordained. The next year he was awarded the Bronze Medal by the Pope for his efforts in spreading the rosary. He has since been awarded numerous medals and honors for his work.

Program Founder

Father Peyton is the founder and producer of the Family Rosary Crusade, which was established in 1946. He has traveled extensively throughout the United States and has given talks and radio programs to millions of people. He has written several books on prayer and spirituality, and is known for his simple and direct teaching style.

Others Honored

Seven other persons have received this honor. Mr. Gerald B. Carr, President of the college and Mr. John G. Thompson, legal advisor to the college were the first to receive the medal in 1956.

The following year, Dr. Cayeron, Fr. Michael O'Neil, chairman of the Lay Advisory Board, and Father Peyton, president of the college, were the recipients in 1957. In 1958, the Rev. Mother Mary Annis, Council Emissary of the Dominican Order, received the medal.

This year, Reverend Monsignor William Barry, the living founder of the college, receives an honorary Doctor of Letters degree. Dr. Edward D. Wignall, Council Emissary of the World Medical Association and past president of the American Medical Association also receives an honorary Doctor of Letters degree.

Other recipients include Dr. Clyde Atkins, recently appointed Federal Judge of the United States District Court, and Mr. John Graves Thompson, legal advisor to the college.

Family Rosary Crusader Receives Laudare Medal

Father Peyton was awarded the Medal in 1946, the Bronze Medal from the Venice International Film Festival for the television film, "The Soldier." The George Washington Honor medal from the Freedoms Foundation was awarded him in 1954 and the following year the National Mass Media award from the Thomas A. Edison Foundation.

He received an honorary Doctor of Letters degree from Holy Cross College in 1963, and has the honorary 4th degree of the Knights of Columbus.

26th Anniversary

Barry Celebrates Founder's Day

The twenty-sixth annual Founder's Day is celebrated today, November 15, the birthday of Bishop Patrick Barry.

This day honors the founders of the college and gives the students a greater appreciation of the contribution made to Barry. The founders are the Most Reverend Bishop Patrick Barry, Reverend Mother Mary Gerald Barry, O.P., the Right Reverend Monsignor William Barry, and Mr. John Graves Thompson (see other side).

With the faculty and students in academic procession the dedication begins at 10:00 a.m. with a Mass of Participation celebrated for Barry College, O.F. After Mass there will be brunch for special guests of the college, members of the Lay Advisory Board, faculty members, and students.

The assembly begins promptly at 1:00 p.m. At this program, the college will bestow honorary degrees to persons who have shown outstanding achievement in education, religious, or civic life.

This year, Reverend Monsignor William Barry, the only living founder of the college, receives an honorary Doctor of Letters degree. Dr. Edward D. Wignall, Council Emissary of the World Medical Association and past president of the American Medical Association also receives an honorary Doctor of Letters degree.

Mrs. C. Clyde Atkins, recently appointed Federal Judge of the South Florida District by President Johnson, receives an honorary Doctor of Law degree.

Father Patrick Peyton, national director of the Family Rosary Crusade is the recipient of Barry's own Laudare Medal.

Main speaker for the day is Judge Glenn Cardone, president of the Student Council, who will deliver the address. Mr. Cardone is chairman of the student council and is the recipient of Barry's own Laudare Medal.

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Bishop Barry

In compliance with the 1938 proposal of his brother, Bishop Patrick Barry, and his sister, Mother Mary Gerald Barry, Monsignor William Barry chose the location for Barry College.

William Barry was born in Ireland in 1860. He studied for the priesthood in Baltimore, Maryland, and was ordained there for the Diocese of St. Augustine in 1890.

The following year, Father Barry was assigned curate of the cathedral parish in St. Augustine and in 1912 was sent as an assistant to Immaculate Conception in Jacksonville. In 1913 Father Barry continued missionary endeavors in Deland.

Father Barry worked for sixteen years in North Miami and came to Miami Beach in 1926. During the past decade the work of three colleges, three hospitals, a home for the aged and a residence for business women had begun his long friendship with the founders of the college.

In 1960, however, the gown was modified by the committee of the American Council on Education. In place of the elbow slit, an opening was made at the wrist and the gown was made to close.

The doctors' gown is an elaborate costume marked by velvet panels down the front and around the neck as well as by three bars of the same material on the bell shaped sleeves. It is cut much fuller than the other gowns and unlike them may be ornamented in color. Both paneling and the sleeve bars may show the faculty in which the degree was awarded. As a matter of practice, however, except in the areas of Philosophy and Law, (dark blue and purple, respectively), faculty colors are rarely seen on the gown.

Monsignor Barry

It was the desire of Bishop Patrick Barry that Florida have a Catholic college for women. This dream was realized through his efforts and those of his co-founders.

Patrick Barry was born in West Clare, Ireland, in 1860. The future Bishop of the Diocese of St. Augustine was one of a family of 11 children. He studied for the priesthood in Ireland and was ordained in 1886.

The Reverend Father Barry came to Florida in 1895. He was first assigned as assistant pastor at the Church of the Immaculate Conception in Jacksonville. There, he enlisted as a volunteer chaplain during the Spanish-American War.

In 1903 Father Barry was appointed pastor at Palatka, a mission county in central Florida. Ten years later he was appointed pastor of the new parish of Assumption in Jacksonville.

In 1917 he was called to St. Augustine and made Vicar-General of the Cathedral. He was proclaimed Bishop by Pope Pius XI on February 22, 1927.

Bishop Barry was responsible for the establishment of hospitals, orphan homes, and a mission church for Catholic Negroes in Florida. He also founded the Florida Catholic, newspaper of the St. Augustine diocese.