



## ST. JOSEPH'S PROVINCE

The Fathers and Novices extend their sincere sympathy to Rev. J. A. McHugh, O. P., Rev. W. D. Sullivan, O. P., and Bro. Sebastian, O. P., upon the death of their fathers, all of whom died during the month of October.

Rev. E. A. Baxter, O. P., has been appointed to succeed Very Rev. D. A. Casey, O. P., S. T. Lr., as pastor of St. Pius' Church in Chicago upon the appointment of Fr. Casey as Prior of the House of Philosophy in Chicago.

On October 25th, Rev. W. R. Bonniwell, O. P., who has lately been changed to St. Catherine of Sienna Convent, New York City, from the Holy Name Church, Kansas City, spoke over the radio from the Paulist Station.

At the graduation exercises held at Gonzaga College, Washington, D. C., last June, the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws was conferred upon Rev. C. H. Callan, O. P., S. T. Lr., and Rev. J. A. McHugh, O. P., S. T. Lr. During the course of the exercises, Fr. Callan addressed the graduates.

Rev. P. B. Doyle, O. P., and Rev. L. U. Cull, O. P., both of St. Vincent Ferrer's, preached the Forty Hours' Devotion at Horseheads, New York, and at High Bridge, New Jersey, respectively during the month of October.

Rev. M. S. Welsh, O. P., of the faculty of Providence College, gave the annual retreat to the Little Sisters of the Poor, in Pawtucket, R. I., from November 2-6.

Rev. A. H. Chandler, O. P., formerly chaplain at the Convent of Mary Immaculate, Ossining on the Hudson, New York, has been appointed to the College of Albertus Magnus, New Haven, as chaplain and professor of Philosophy.

Rev. Basil Saylor, O. P., of the faculty of the House of Studies in Washington, D. C., is contributing a series of practical ascetical articles to the "Acolyte" on the subject of the "Difficulties of the Priestly Life."

Very Rev. Ignatius Smith, O. P., S. T. Lr., Ph. D., Prior of the House of Studies, Washington, D. C., is conducting a course in Thomistic Philosophy at the Catholic University and Very Rev. Edward Fitzgerald, O. P., S. T. M., is giving lectures on Dogmatic Theology at the same institution.

The Missionaries of the Province are to furnish the Novices Chapel in Chicago to be named St. Raymond as their tribute to the leadership of the Very Rev. Provincial.

Rev. G. B. Stratemeier, O. P., S. T. Lr., Ph. D., formerly Sub-Novice Master and professor at the Dominican House of Studies, Washington,

D. C., has been assigned to similar duties at the House of Studies, River Forest, where he teaches Apologetics and Church History.

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One of the most perfectly finished organs in the United States is being installed in the Church of St. Vincent Ferrer's New York City. It was built by the Bibiani Company of Milano, Italy, at a cost of fifty thousand dollars.

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The Very Rev. Provincial has assigned Revs. J. E. O'Hearn, O. P., V. F. Kienberger, O. P., and E. A. Martin, O. P., to the Eastern Band. Fr. O'Hearn has just returned to the missions after a long absence due to ill health. Fr. Kienberger was formerly professor of History and German at Providence College and Fr. Martin has been assistant at St. Catherine's Church, New York City.

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On October 15th, Rev. Wm. R. Mahony, O. P., who has been an assistant at the Holy Name Church, Philadelphia, for over four years, and who has accomplished great work both in parish activities and in the Diocesan Holy Name Union was transferred to the Western Mission Band. Rev. H. L. Martin, O. P., assistant at St. Raymond's parish, Providence, R. I., has been assigned to the Southern Mission Band.

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Bro. Celestine Rooney, O. P., took his solemn vows before the Very Rev. Prior of the House of Studies on October 1st, and on November 12th, Fr. Smith received the solemn profession of Bro. Dalmatius Marrin, O. P.

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The Fathers of the Holy Name Church, Philadelphia, gave retreats in the following places: The Dominican Sisters of the Perpetual Rosary, Camden, New Jersey; The Dominican Guild in Philadelphia; the Mercy Convent and St. Alice's Church in the same city.

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The September issue of the "Homiletic and Pastoral Review" commemorated its Twenty Fifth Anniversary. This ecclesiastical monthly is under the editorship of Rev. C. H. Callan, O. P., S. T. Lr., and Rev. J. A. McHugh, O. P., S. T. Lr., and its many readers congratulate the Editors upon the high standard which this magazine has enjoyed under their guidance.

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At the request of the Macmillan Book Company of New York, Rev. T. M. Schwertner, O. P., S. T. Lr., has consented to write a book on the History and Meaning of International Eucharistic Congresses. In view of the 25th Eucharistic Congress to be held in Chicago next June, this publication will be very timely and should receive a wide circulation.

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His Eminence, Cardinal Dougherty of Philadelphia, delegated Rev. Gregory R. Scholtz, O. P., to lay the cornerstone of the new Sisters' Convent attached to the Holy Name Church, Philadelphia. His Eminence gave this honor to the pastor in recognition of the good work that had been accomplished at this church. The convent is the most modern in the city and architecturally one of the most beautiful.

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Rev. H. J. Schroeder, O. P., who was formerly stationed at the House of the Most Holy Rosary, Hawthorne, New York, has replaced Rev. V. F. Kienberger, O. P., of the faculty of Providence College. Besides teaching Fr. Schroeder is engaged in writing on Historico-theological subjects.

The Revs. Gregory R. Scholz, O. P., Wm. R. Mahony, O. P., C. F. Christmas, O. P., and Wm. J. Olsen, O. P., preached the Forty Hours' Devotion in the following places: St. Veronica's Church, Philadelphia; St. Lawrence's, Highland Park; Our Lady of Good Counsel, Gordan, Pa.; Our Lady of Grace, South Langhorne, Pa.; St. Stanislaus, Lansdale, Pa.; St. Charles', Philadelphia; and Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Morton, Pa.

Upon the resignation of Rev. F. A. Howley, O. P., as Director of Athletics at Providence College, Rev. J. F. Baezler, O. P., S. T. Lr., has been appointed to succeed him. Fr. Howley has held this position for the past six years. In addition to his duties as Professor of Education, and as Athletic Director, Fr. Baezler has organized an orchestra and glee club for entertainments and College socials.

Rev. Wm. Olsen, O. P., is assigned to the faculty of Aquinas College, in Columbus, Ohio. Previous to his removal to this post, he had accomplished excellent work with the Young Men's Catholic Club at the Holy Name Church, Philadelphia. Rev. E. S. McGinnis, O. P., formerly of Zanesville, Ohio, has replaced Fr. Olsen. Rev. E. J. Cummings, O. P., has been assigned to the Holy Name Parish from Zanesville, Ohio, and has been appointed Spiritual Director of the Holy Name Society and the Holy Name Club of this Church.

Rev. D. M. Galliher, O. P., Dean of Providence College, delivered a panegyric at the Home of the Good Shepherd, Providence, R. I., in honor of the Canonization of St. Jean Eudes, founder of this religious community. Fr. Galliher has also become Chaplain of Providence Council, No. 95, Knights of Columbus and on November 12th, addressed the members of this Council in this official capacity.

Rev. Gregory R. Scholz, O. P., preached at the dedication of the Dominican Monastery of the Perpetual Rosary, Syracuse, New York, and at the laying of the cornerstone of St. Agnes' new Church, West Chester, Penn. Sermons on special occasions were delivered by the Fathers of the Holy Name Church at Our Lady of Grace, South Langhorne, Pa.; and at St. Veronica's, St. Leo's, Our Lady of Mercy and the Carmelite Convent, in Philadelphia.

A very beautiful chalice and paten, of Irish design, have been made from jewelry contributed in memory of the late Very Rev. L. F. Kearney, O. P., S. T. M., by members of St. Thomas' parish, Zanesville, Ohio. The chalice was used for the first time at the first anniversary Mass of Fr. Kearney on November 25th.

The Blessed Sacrament Parish, the new Dominican foundation in Madison, Wisconsin, is growing rapidly. A beautiful combination building of Gothic design has been completed and is now occupied as Church and School. The pastor, Rev. J. Clark, O. P., moved into the new rectory last July. The first mission was given in the new church, October 18-25, by Rev. W. P. McIntyre, O. P., and was very successful.

The dedication of the New Aquinas College took place on the 1st of November. Rt. Rev. J. J. Hartley, Bishop of the diocese, blessed the new building, assisted by Very Rev. D. J. Kennedy, O. P., S. T. M., as deacon, and Rev. J. D. Pendergast, O. P., as subdeacon. Very Rev. M. J. Ripple, O. P., P. G., delivered the sermon on this occasion.

A triduum in preparation for the Feast of the Most Holy Rosary was conducted by Rev. Edward Hughes, O. P., S. T. Lr., at Holy Cross Church, New York. Rev. Bernardine Meyers, O. P., S. T. Lr., preached the Rosary sermon at the celebration in the Dominican Convent at West Hoboken, New Jersey. Rev. Leo Whelan, O. P., addressed the Diocesan Union of the Blessed Virgin Sodalities at the October meeting.

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A triduum in preparation for the feast of the Most Holy Rosary was conducted by Rev. Clement Nowlen, O. P., S. T. Lr., at St. Joseph's Church, Newark, New Jersey. On the feast of the Most Holy Rosary itself, Fr. Nowlen delivered a very fitting sermon at St. Michael's Church, Flushing, Long Island. Fr. Nowlen also preached on the occasion of the breaking of ground for the new school of St. Raphael's parish, Greenpoint, Long Island.

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The first Holy Name Rally in the diocese of Cleveland was held at Akron, Ohio, on October 11th. On this occasion, Rev. Patrick Maher, O. P., pastor of St. Dominic's Church, Youngstown, Ohio, was the preacher.

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Rev. Edward Hughes, O. P., S. T. Lr., addressed the congregation at the closing exercises of the Sacred Heart Church, Brooklyn, New York, which commemorated the Fortieth Anniversary of the founding of the Holy Name Society in that Parish.

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At Scranton, Pa., on October 4th, Very Rev. M. J. Ripple, O. P., P. G., represented the Dominican Order in the mammoth Holy Name demonstration held in that city. He marched with the clergy at the head of the line of march and during the Convention was one of its principal speakers. Fr. Ripple also preached a triduum for men at St. Peter's Church, Hartford, Conn., from October 7-9, under the auspices of its Holy Name Society.

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A large meeting of the Third Order of St. Dominic, of St. Vincent Ferrer's parish, was addressed by Rev. T. L. Crowley, O. P., Prior of St. Mary's, New Haven, on Sunday, October 25th. On this occasion moving pictures of the dedication of the New House of Studies in Chicago were shown.

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Missions for the Benedictines in Baltimore, Md., and for the Carmelites at Niagara Falls, New York, were given by members of the Eastern Mission Band. Six missions were given by them in Pittsburgh this fall. Revs. J. H. Healy, E. J. O'Toole, and A. C. Haverty gave the first double mission in Syracuse, New York, at St. Lucy's Church, during September. Revs. H. D. Dugan, O. P., and H. H. Welsh, O. P., of the Eastern Mission Band gave the mission at the Toronto Cathedral this fall. Rev. J. M. Eckert, O. P., represented the Fathers of this Band, at the installation of Right Rev. Bishop Murray at Portland.

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On October 4th, at St. Thomas Aquinas Church, Philadelphia, Fr. Schwertner lectured on the Confraternity of the Angelic Warfare after which he received twelve hundred Boy Scouts into its ranks. On November 1st (Feast of All Saints), he inaugurated a special series of retreats for women at St. Dominic's Guild, 207 East 71st Street, New York. On November 10th, he delivered an illustrated lecture at St. Vincent Ferrer's Church, New York City on St. Thomas Aquinas. Then on November 12th, he delivered a lecture before the American Historical Union, New York City on "The Dominicans in History."



During the past four months, Rev. T. M. Schwertner, O. P., S. T. Lr., has given missions at the Sacred Heart Church, Newburgh, N. Y., and at St. Joseph's Church, Brooklyn, N. Y. He has given retreats to the Dominican Sisters of the Congregation of the Immaculate Conception, Great Bend, Kansas; two Laymen's retreats at Dodge City, Kansas; a retreat at the Oratory School, Summit, N. J., and the retreat to the Fathers and Novices of St. Rose's Priory, Springfield, Ky.

Rev. Bros. Maurice O'Moore, Robert Lindsay, Patrick Purcell, and Gerard Martin, of the California Province were notified by their Provincial, Very Rev. A. L. McMahon, O. P., at the beginning of this scholastic year, to leave the House of Studies at Washington and to continue their studies at the University of Louvain. All left for Europe aboard the Red Star Liner "Pittsburgh" on October 7th, arriving safely at Cherbourg on Oct. 16.

The number of Dominican students taking advantage of the post-graduate courses at the Catholic University this year is the largest ever. The total number is forty. Courses leading to degrees in Canon Law, Philosophy, Letters, and Science are being pursued and the various studies in which these students are specializing include Economics, History, English, Greek, Education, Psychology, Sociology, Mechanics, Biology, Bacteriology, Chemistry and Philology.

The Very Rev. Provincial, Raymond Meagher, O. P., S. T. Lr., left New York, Monday, October 12th for Seattle, Washington, where he embarked for China on October 18th. He is to make a visitation of the missions conducted by the American Dominicans in Northern Fukien. He will visit Foochow, Kienning Fu, Chungang, Kienyang, Sung Ki, Pucheng, and Cheng-Ho. In Foochow he will arrange with Rev. James J. O'Donnell, O. P., Procurator of the Missions for the establishment of a procure in that city. After a study of conditions and opportunities of the other mission stations, he will make plans for development and expansion of the missions. Rev. Paul Curran, Superior of the Dominican Missions in China, will accompany the Provincial in his visitation.

At the Shrine of the Immaculate Conception on September 23rd, the Rt. Rev. Thomas J. Shahan, D. D., rector of the Catholic University, raised to the diaconate Rev. Bros. John McGovern, Charles Gainor, Richard King, Albert Drexilius, Anthony Foley, George Kinsella, Basil Sheehan, Andrew Nowlen, Gerald Corbett, Martin Shea, William Roach, Christopher Perotta, Philip Archdeacon, Edmond Rocks, Henry Barthelemy, and Sebastian Gillespie of St. Joseph's Province and Rev. Bros. Maurice O'Moore and Robert Lindsay of the Province of the Holy Name. On the same day twenty-one Dominican students were recipients of minor Orders while eleven others received ecclesiastical tonsure.

The services of Rosary Sunday were carried out at St. Vincent Ferrer's parish with traditional solemnity. Solemn High Mass was offered at eleven o'clock, the ministers of which were: Rev. C. Coudeyre, O. P., as celebrant Rev. W. L. Whelan, O. P., deacon, and Rev. A. Casterot, O. P., subdeacon. In the afternoon at four o'clock, the singing of Compline and the procession in honor of the Rosary was followed by the blessing of the roses by the Very Rev. Prior, Gregory Moran, O. P. The sermon for the day was delivered by Rev. W. L. Whelan, O. P. Solemn Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament was given by Rev. L. U. Cull, O. P., assisted by Revs. J. D.

Enright, O. P., and J. C. Nowlen, O. P. Although the weather was anything but agreeable, there was not sufficient room in the spacious edifice to accommodate the vast congregation that sought admittance.

Upon the completion of their studies at Washington, the Very Rev. Provincial has assigned the following Fathers to various posts in the Province: Rev. Bernardine Meyers, O. P., S. T. Lr., to St. Thomas' Church, Zanesville, Ohio; Rev. John Dominic Walsh, O. P., to the House of Studies in Chicago; Rev. Cyril Therres to St. Dominic's Church, Youngstown, Ohio; Rev. Bertrand Johannsen, O. P., to the Sacred Heart Church, Jersey City, N. J.; Rev. Matthew O'Connor, O. P., to the Holy Name Church, Kansas City, Mo.; Rev. Mannes Delevigne, O. P., to Aquinas College, Columbus, Ohio; Rev. Bernard Walsh, O. P., S. T. Lr., to the Holy Rosary Church, Minneapolis, Minn.; Rev. Clement Nowlen, O. P., S. T. Lr., to St. Vincent Ferrer's Church, New York City; Rev. Jordan Baeszler, O. P., S. T. Lr., to the faculty of Providence College.

Rev. R. L. Rumaggi, O. P., is making an appeal throughout the Province in the interests of the fund for the education of poor boys to the Priesthood. This organization was established by the Very Rev. Provincial, Raymond Meagher, O. P., S. T. Lr., in 1914. Because of the rapid growth of the Dominican Order during the past decade, the need of money to support these young men has increased to huge proportions. Fr. Rumaggi is relying upon the generosity of countless friends and benefactors to assist him financially in the maintenance of these four hundred and twenty-two students and novices which the Association has under its care.

### PROVINCE OF THE MOST HOLY NAME OF JESUS

Rounding out seventy-five years of missionary activity and parochial service in the Westland, the Friars Preachers of the Holy Name Province can look back over a period marked by indefatigable labor, evangelical zeal and consistent progress. The history of this Province goes back to the advent of the Very Rev. Sadoc Vilarrasa, O. P., a member of St. Joseph's Province, who went to California at the instance of the Most Rev. Joseph S. Alemany, O. P., D. D., first Archbishop of San Francisco. Fr. Vilarrasa received permission from Rome to institute a convent of his Order in California on February 25, 1851, and within a twelvemonth had built St. Dominic's Church and Priory at Monterey. Parochial work had been assigned the Friars at St. Charles, Mission Carmel, before their own foundation had been made, and once settled at Benicia, they took for their field of labor all the territory from the Meridian of San Diablo to San Pablo.

Six Novices began their course of studies at Benicia at the time of the erection of the Convent and in 1857 the first two priests were ordained, Fr. Vincent Vinyes, later Superior of the Congregation, and Fr. Dominic Costa. The increase in the population of California was extraordinarily rapid because of the gold rushes and kindred influxes, but the growth of the Dominican family there, though steady, was slow. In 1894, however, Rev. Pius Murphy, the third Superior, was able to accept the offer of the Archbishop of Oregon City to establish a convent in Portland, the first foundation made outside of California. Later a settlement was made at Seattle, Washington. In 1906, the San Francisco earthquake razed St. Dominic's Church in that city, but nothing daunted, Fr. Murphy erected a temporary structure and later the present Priory and Church replaced that building.

The Very Rev. Arthur L. McMahon, O. P., S. T. M., succeeded Fr. Murphy in 1907 and when the Most Rev. Hyacinth M. Cormier, O. P., Master General of the Order raised the Congregation to the dignity of a Province under the title of "The Holy Name of Jesus," Fr. McMahon was named Provincial. He has been reelected twice and is the present occupant of this office. The Province now numbers seventy members, including forty-nine priests. Although the increase has been slow in the past, the future is bright and promising. The greatest difficulties are past, the most trying times are over, and with its heritage of saintliness and noble effort, the Province is going forward to labors which are worthy of the aims of its founders, worthy of the name Dominican.

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The Provincial of the Holy Name Province, Very Rev. A. L. McMahon, O. P., S. T. M., recently notified Bros. Maurice O'Moore, Robert Lindsay, Patrick Purcell and Gerard Martin, who have been pursuing their studies at the Dominican House of Studies, Washington, D. C., that they were to continue their work at the University of Louvain, Belgium. The Brothers sailed for Europe on the "S. S. Pittsburgh" on October 7th, and arrived in Cherbourg nine days later. Bros. Maurice and Robert will be ordained immediately and the ordinations of Bros. Patrick and Gerard will be advanced a year. After ordination, they will continue their studies for some time at the University.

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The new Church of the Blessed Sacrament, Seattle, Washington, Rev. W. T. Lewis, O. P., pastor, was dedicated with impressive ceremonies by the Rt. Rev. Edward J. O'Dea, Bishop of Seattle, on October 4th. The edifice which is of chaste Gothic architecture is one of the finest houses of worship in the Northwest, and the clergy and parishioners are to be commended on the realization of their zealous and long-sustained efforts to raise this structure. Bishop O'Dea received the honor of performing the ceremony of dedication through the Apostolic Delegate as assistant to the Pontifical Throne. The Very Rev. A. L. McMahon, O. P., S. T. M., Provincial of the Holy Name Province, preached the sermon on the occasion, in the presence of some fourteen hundred people, including about twenty-five clergymen.

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On October 11th the celebration of the Diamond Jubilee of the Diocese of Seattle was begun, and on October 18th, the campaign to raise sufficient funds for paying off the debt on the churches throughout the diocese was commenced. The members of the Blessed Sacrament parish hope to obtain \$30,000 during the drive, in order to reduce by that amount the parish debt of \$80,000.

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The new St. Dominic's school at Eagle Rock, Los Angeles, Calif., has an enrollment of over one hundred and twenty pupils. The splendid work of the Rev. J. A. Hunt, O. P., S. T. Lr., in behalf of Catholic education has elicited great praise from the citizens of Eagle Rock Valley. Father Hunt has received great assistance from his co-workers, the Rev. Peregrine le la Fuente, O. P., and the Rev. Albert Muller, O. P.

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On Sunday, December 27th, Bros. Maurice O'Moore, O. P., and Robert Lindsay, O. P., will be ordained to the Priesthood by His Eminence Cardinal Mercier in the Cathedral at Malines. Bro. Patrick Purcell, O. P., will receive Diaconate, and Bro. Gerard Martin, O. P., Minor Orders on the same occasion.

## FOREIGN PROVINCES

Very Rev. Mark Sales, O. P., S. T. M., professor of Sacred Theology at the University of Fribourg, Switzerland, has been appointed Master of the Sacred Apostolic Palace. Fr. Sales is a member of the Province of St. Peter Martyr, in Piedmont, Italy.

Very Rev. Thomas Garde, O. P., S. T. M., formerly Prior of St. Clement's in Rome, has been named Lector-Primarius of the Theological College, Tamlach, Ireland.

For the academic year 1925-1926, the students pursuing courses at the University of St. Thomas, in Manila, number eleven hundred and forty-seven.

On August 19th, Very Rev. Albino Reigeda, O. P., was solemnly consecrated Bishop of Tenerife, Spain. The ceremony of his elevation to the Bishopric took place at Madrid.

Because of the ever increasing number of novices at the Convent of Studies in Ottawa, it has been decided to complete the enlargement of this studium according to previous plans.

Madame Paul Adam, widow of the famous French Philosopher and Novelist, who died in 1920, entered a Dominican Novitiate in Switzerland in the month of September. Madame Paul Adam, Jewish by birth, was one of three sisters, all of whom became converts to Catholicism.

Very Rev. Bede Jarret, O. P., Provincial of the English Dominicans, will be absent for a period of six months while making a canonical visitation of the Dominican missions of Africa and of Grenada, founded by the English Province. He will return by way of New York, where he intends to give Lenten sermons next year.

On the 30th of August, the people of San Justo witnessed the solemn inauguration of building the College of St. Rose of Lima. It is hoped that the undertaking will be of great importance and will give the people of this town another chance to manifest their devotion toward the Tertiary Sisters of St. Dominic for whom they have shown very great sympathy and esteem in the past.

Rev. C. Friethoff, O. P., was awarded a gold medal for his prize-winning dissertation, "A Comparative Study of St. Thomas of Aquinas and of Calvin's Doctrine of Predestination," at the new scholastic year's inaugural ceremonies of the University of Utrecht in Holland. The Friar's work was adjudged by the Protestant Faculty of Theology as the best of all the studies of the competitive contest of the year.

The Holy Father held a private audience with Very Rev. Edward Hugon, O. P., S. T. M., Professor of the Collegio Angelico, last March, confiding to him the examination of the writings of Blessed Peter Canisius, S. J., in view of his intention to make the new Saint a Doctor of the Church. After a minute examination of his works, Fr. Hugon submitted a favorable report. As the result of this homage rendered to the memory and to the



cause of St. Peter Canisius, Very Rev. Fr. Hugon was invited to sit beside the Master General of the Jesuits, in the section reserved for the Society during the solemn ceremony of Canonization.

Very Rev. Fr. Savignac, O. P., has been elected and confirmed Prior of the Convent of St. Stephen's in Jerusalem. He succeeds in this office, Very Rev. Fr. Dhorme who has completed two successive terms. Fr. Dhorme remains as Director of the Biblical and Archeological School. During the month of August, His Eminence, Cardinal Dougherty of Philadelphia, paid a visit to the Church and Convent of St. Stephen's in Jerusalem.

The studies being pursued at the Biblical School of St. Stephen's are as follows: Comparative Exegesis of the Gospels, Historic Introduction to the New Testament, General Introduction to the Old Testament, Special Introduction to the Old Testament, Exegesis of the Old Testament, Philologic Explanation of the Old Testament, Geography of Palestine, Biblical Archeology, Topography of Jerusalem, Arabic Customs, Semetic inscriptions, Hebrew language, Assyrian language, Syrian language, Arabic language, and the Greek language of the New Testament.

Very Rev. Serapius Tamayo, O. P., Vicar-General of the Dominican Order, has addressed an official letter from the Dominican College in Rome, to the Dominican Provincials of the United States requesting them and all the Dominican Fathers in America to assist to the best of their ability, the Catholic Union, the International Organization working for the reunion of the Schismatics of Russia and the Near East with the Holy See. It is especially desired that they collect sufficient money in the United States, at the request of the Holy See, for the foundation of a Seminary for Russian philosophical and theological students in Rome and for the support of the Dominican Russian Seminary at Lille, France.

## SISTERS' CHRONICLE

### Most Holy Rosary Convent (Amityville, New York)

At the recent general chapter of the community, the Rev. Mother M. Augustine Fleck was almost unanimously returned as Mother Prioress General. Many of the other officers were also reelected. Mother Concordia succeeds Mother Caritas as Provincial of Porto Rico.

The Rt. Rev. George Caruana, D. D., Bishop of Porto Rico visited the novitiate recently and spoke to the novices on the pitiable state of the Church in Guatemala, where he has been investigating conditions of late. The Rev. C. M. Thuente, O. P., paid a visit to the novitiate in September. Fr. Thuente addressed the novices, touching on the essentials of the religious life in a brief talk.

On November 26th, Sister M. Magdalen celebrated the golden jubilee of her religious profession. The celebration took place at St. Catherine's Infirmary for the Aged, where she has been stationed for a number of years.

Since September Sisters M. Rosalia, O. S. D., M. Augustine, O. S. D., M. Donata, O. S. D., M. Athanasia, O. S. D., and M. Justina, O. S. D., have passed to their eternal reward. R. I. P.

### **Sacred Heart Convent (Galveston, Texas)**

On September 8th ground was broken for the New Motherhouse and Novitiate of the Dominican Sisters now located in Galveston. The building is expected to be ready for occupancy by May.

On the Feast of the Immaculate Conception two postulants were clothed in the holy habit, and one Novice made her first Profession. The same day ushered in the Golden Jubilees of Sisters Mary Louise and Mary Joseph.

### **St. Rose Hospital (Great Bend, Kansas)**

On August 18th, the general chapter and election of a Mother Prioress General was held under the presidency of the Rt. Rev. A. J. Schwertner, D. D. Mother Seraphine, who had been in office from 1910 to 1922 was re-elected. The Sisters now number fifty-nine professed members, twelve novices and seven postulants.

At the close of the annual retreat which was conducted by the Rev. Thomas Schwertner, O. P., six novices made their first profession and nine Sisters pronounced their solemn vows.

### **Dominican Sisters of the Perpetual Rosary (West Hoboken, N. J.)**

The annual retreat was conducted by the Rev. C. M. Thuente, O. P., who also preached the sermon at the ceremony of clothing and profession which took place at the close of the retreat on the afternoon of September 15. Miss Helen Zabroski of Flushing, Long Island, was clothed in the holy habit, receiving the name of Sr. M. Dominica of the Holy Family. Three novices, Sister M. Dolores of the Eucharist, M. Pius of the Rosary, and M. Lucy of the Blessed Trinity made their profession.

The Rev. E. L. Spence, O. P., presided at the fall opening of the Third Order meeting of the Men's Chapter which took place in September, and the Rev. Bernardine Meyers, O. P., S. T. Lr., conducted the devotions of Rosary Sunday.

### **St. Mary's Dominican College (New Orleans, La.)**

Within the past three months the Sisters have opened a new school, that of St. Leo the Great, in a modern and excellently equipped building in New Orleans; the Rev. J. Stritch, S. J., a former K. C. chaplain in the World War, has been appointed to the chaplaincy of the College, and the feast day of the Mother Prioress was appropriately celebrated, Rev. W. Martin, O. P., singing High Mass. Mother Prioress received numerous felicitations from her sister religious and friends.

Plans for a magnificent group of college buildings have been completed. Work on the first unit, a residence building of Tudor-Gothic architecture, costing approximately \$1,250,000 will begin immediately.

Sister M. Cammillus, O. S. D., of Rosary College, River Forest, Ill., was a recent guest of the College, and Sister M. Barbara and M. Cecelia returned from their studies in the Artists' Classes of the Memphis Conservatory.

The present enrollment of novices is the largest since 1906. Most of the members of the novitiate are from Louisiana, but Wisconsin, Illinois and Ohio are also represented.

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#### **St. Cecelia Academy (Nashville, Tennessee)**

In the Chapel of the Academy on August 28th, Miss Amy Christie of Chattanooga, Tenn., and Miss Marguerite Charters of Dayton, Ohio, received the religious habit of the Order. The Rt. Rev. Alphonse J. Smith, Bishop of Nashville, celebrated Mass before the ceremony and conducted the investiture, giving the young ladies the names of Sister M. Edward and Sister M. Terese, respectively. Six members of the community made their final vows on the same occasion.

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The students of the Academy are very enthusiastic over the activities of the Chinese Missions of the Dominicans of St. Joseph's Province and received honorable mention in the October number of *The Torch*. They held their first meeting of the Children of Mary Sodality on Rosary Sunday and elected officers for the coming year.

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#### **Convent of St. Catherine of Sienna (Racine, Wisconsin)**

On August 2nd Sisters M. Philomene, M. Magdalen and M. Wendeline, O. S. D., celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of their religious profession. An impressive sermon befitting the occasion was delivered by the Rev. C. M. Wahle, O. P. In the afternoon nine Sisters took their final vows, and the Rev. William S. McDermott, O. P., gave an appropriate address.

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A ten day retreat, conducted by the Rev. D. A. Wynne, O. P., closed on August 4th. On this day seventeen young ladies were vested with the holy habit by Rt. Rev. Msgr. Traudt. The Rev. W. P. McIntyre, O. P., celebrated the Mass, assisted by Rev. C. M. Wahle, O. P., as deacon, and Rev. I. Bojanic, O. P., as subdeacon. Fr. Wynne preached an eloquent sermon. Two weeks later thirteen novices made their first vows after an address by Msgr. Traudt.

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St. Catherine's high school opened Tuesday, Sept. 8th, with an enrollment of almost four hundred. The routine work of class organization was despatched so speedily and efficiently that a full day's work was possible on Thursday. The large number of students is very satisfactory in view of the fact that the fifty per cent increase in tuition and the abolition of the popular two-year commercial course were effected this fall.

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#### **Convent of St. Catherine of Sienna (Fall River, Mass.)**

On July 7th the Convent was visited by a fire of unknown origin which completely destroyed the roof and fifth floor and with smoke and water rendered the building uninhabitable for two months. For the first ten days the Sisters were dependent upon friends and neighboring convents for shelter, and at the end of that time, took possession of St. Ann's old school-house. In the latter part of September the Convent was again occupied and the first Mass, upon the return, was said in the Chapel on Rosary Sunday. The loss caused by the fire was placed at over \$100,000.

**Albertus Magnus College (New Haven, Ct.)**

Albertus Magnus College, conducted by the Dominican Sisters of St. Mary of the Springs, East Columbus, Ohio, and dedicated to the higher education of young women, was blessed on October 10th by Bishop Nilan of Hartford. The Rev. D. J. Kennedy, O. P., S. T. M., present as representative of the Catholic University of Washington, D. C., celebrated Solemn High Mass before the five hundred guests of the new institution who were present. Several addresses were given, some of the principal speakers being the Rev. E. G. Fitzgerald, O. P., S. T. M., James Rowland Angell, President of Yale University, and Governor J. H. Trumbull of Connecticut. The college opens with a large registration of pupils and an exceptional staff of professors, including several members of the Yale faculty.

**St. Dominic's Academy (Everett, Washington)**

A new parochial school, under the title of "Our Lady of Perpetual Help," was formally dedicated and opened by His Lordship, Edward J. O'Dea, Bishop of Seattle, during the first week of September. The old school building which has served both as school and convent for many years is undergoing extensive repairs and will be used solely as a Mother House and Novitiate when renovations are completed.

