



SAINT JOSEPH'S PROVINCE

CONFIRMATION On November 20, 1943, confirmation of the election of the Very Rev. T. S. McDermott, O.P., as Prior Provincial of Saint Joseph's Province was received from the Master General of the Order.

CLOISTER SYMPATHY The Fathers and Brothers of the Province extend their prayers and sympathy to the Rev. E. M. Hanley, O.P., the Rev. T. J. Murphy, O.P., the Rev. B. P. Shaffer, O.P., the Rev. J. A. McGee, O.P., on the death of their fathers; to the Rev. J. R. Maloney, O.P., the Rev. E. L. Skelly, O.P., the Rev. J. P. Farrell, O.P., and the Rev. M. P. F. Small, O.P., on the death of their mothers.

NEW STAFF With this edition of *Dominicana*, the following Brothers take up their new duties: Thomas Aquinas Collins, editor; Peter Coyne, associate editor; Aloysius McTigue, literary editor; Dominic Hughes, associate literary editor; Michael James, Cloister Chronicle; Charles McKenna, Sisters' Chronicle; Timothy Dittoe, business manager; Xavier Finnegan, circulation manager; Albert Mahler, assistant circulation manager; Bede McGroarty, Dominicana Book Store; Hubert Horan and Cornelius Kane, Dominican Calendar.

APPOINTMENT The Rev. E. D. Grady, O.P., has been reappointed pastor of St. Mary's Church, Johnson City, Tenn.

SOLEMN PROFESSION On December 13, 1943, Brother George Hart, O.P., made his solemn profession in the chapel of the House of Studies in Washington. The Very Rev. C. I. Litzinger, O.P., received the profession.

SIMPLE PROFESSION On February 18, at St. Rose Priory, Springfield, Ky., the Very Rev. H. J. McManus, O.P., received the profession of Brothers Donald Danilowicz, Réginald Maguire, Clement McKeon, Justin Brodie and Chrysostom O'Brien.

CHAPLAINS The following Fathers have recently received commissions in the Chaplain Corps in the Army: the Rev. C. B. Carroll, O.P., the Rev. A. B. Dionne, O.P., the Rev. J. T. Carrigan, O.P., and the Rev. F. L. Regan, O.P.

CHURCH UNITY OCTAVE On Sunday, January 23, the students from the House of Studies in Washington assisted at the Church Unity Octave services at the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception on the campus of Catholic University. The Most Rev. Michael J. Keyes, S.M., D.D.,

presided and officiated at Benediction. The Rev. James J. McLarney, O.P., was the preacher. The Brothers who assisted at Benediction were: Deacon, Antoninus Jurgelaitis; Subdeacon, Timothy Dittoe; Mitre Bearer, Bede McGroarty; Thurifer, Bertrand Ryan; Acolytes, Edward Dominic Hennessy, Brendan TARRIER; Torch Bearers, Mannes Rogers, Cornelius Kane, Luke Lennon, Vincent Naughton; Master of Ceremonies, Hubert Horan.

SAINT ALBERT'S PROVINCE

CLOISTER SYMPATHY

The Fathers and Brothers of the Province extend their prayers and sympathy to the Rev. J. A. Simones, O.P., on the death of his father; and to the Rev. C. C. Johnston, O.P., on the death of his brother.

APPOINTMENT

The Rev. Richard T. A. Murphy, O.P., has been appointed to the Revision Committee and Editorial Board of the Confraternity of Christian Doctrine to aid in the new translation of the Old Testament. He will act as Corresponding Secretary, and translator of the Book of Isaias, chapters 40-60.

WITH THE PROFESSORS

The Rev. W. H. Kane, O.P., regent of studies, acted as panel leader in a discussion "Philosophical Principles of the Pope's Peace Program," in December 29, during the annual convention of the American Catholic Philosophical Association in Chicago.

The Rev. R. G. Joubert, O.P., professor at the House of Studies, lectured at the new Bishop Shiel School of Social Service on the "Virtues of Citizen and Patriot in St. Thomas' Teaching," on January 21, in Chicago.

The Very Rev. J. A. Driscoll, O.P., prior of the House of Studies, addressed the Chicago Society of Catholic Psychologists, December 11, on "The Freedom of the Will."

On the same occasion, the Rev. H. T. Sparks, O.P., also of the House of Studies, treated "The Psychological and Philosophical Foundations of the Holy Father's Peace Program."

CHAPLAINS

The Very Rev. R. P. O'Brien, O.P., provincial, has received word that the Rev. C. M. Breen, O.P., and the Rev. J. I. Reardon, O.P., have been raised to the rank of Captain in the Army Chaplain Corps.

INTERRACIAL CENTER

Early in November, 1943, His Excellency the Archbishop of Chicago, the Most Rev. Samuel Stritch, D.D., presented the Blessed Martin De Porres Interracial Center with a new building. The original quarters at 2643 Fulton Street, on Chicago's West Side, will be kept as a center for boys. The upper story of the new location—at 2655 Fulton Street—has been converted into a residence for free workers; the 'downstairs' will soon be ready for use as a library, social hall, and center for girls and adults. There is great need for volunteer workers, part or full time.

The ceremony of dedication, consisting of Solemn Mass at St. Malachy's Church and blessing of the new building, took place on November 20. The ministers were the Rev. J. J. McDonald, O.P., and the Rev. E. T. Lawton, O.P.,

of the Dominican House of Studies. Students from the House of Studies formed the choir and served the Mass. Five workers were received into the Third Order after the Mass.

PROVINCE OF THE HOLY NAME

ELECTIONS The Very Rev. Thomas Halloran, O.P., has been elected Prior of the Convent of the Immaculate Conception, Ross, Calif., to replace the recently deceased Very Rev. Gregory Rourke, O.P.

The Very Rev. Stephen Connelly, O.P., has succeeded the late Very Rev. Andrew Pope, O.P., as Prior of the Convent of the Most Blessed Sacrament, Seattle, Wash.

The Rev. Aquinas Duffner, O.P., has been appointed as secretary to the Very Rev. Provincial.

PROVINCIAL CHAPTER Word has been received from the Master General of the Order of the appointment of Rev. Benedict M. Blank, O.P. as Prior Provincial of the Province of the Holy Name. The Provincial Chapter was held at the House of Studies, Oakland, Calif., from Tuesday, January 18 to Thursday January 20.

SISTERS' CHRONICLE

The Dominican Sisters of the Sick Poor, New York, N. Y.

The Rt. Rev. Monsignor Michael A. Reilly, V.F., presided at the ceremonies of Reception and Profession which took place on the Feast of the Immaculate Conception. The young ladies who received the Habit were Miss De Lee Colwell (Sister Mary Joseph Damian) and Miss Rose McKeon (Sister Mary Ann Patrice). Monsignor Reilly preached the sermon and gave Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament with which the ceremonies closed. Present for the occasion were Rev. Charles L. Giblin, Rev. William J. Connors, Rev. Vincent A. Downey and Rev. John J. Durkin, O.P., Chaplain of the Community.

Congregation of St. Mary's, New Orleans, La.

On the Feast of the Holy Family, His Excellency, Archbishop Rummell, blessed the new forty-five thousand dollar library building of St. Mary's Dominican College. Rev. James A. McInerney, O.P., College Chaplain, and Rev. Arthur B. Cote, O.P., were assisting priests.

The faculty and students of Dominican College and of Dominican High School were honored by a visit from His Excellency, Most Reverend Paul Yu-Pin, Bishop of Nanking, China.

Rev. Thomas M. Delos, O.P., of St. Dominic's Province, Canada, lectured before the faculty and student body.

Sanctioned by the Most Reverend Archbishop of New Orleans, and sponsored by the Alumnae Thomist-Thought Group, Rev. James A. McInerney, O.P., is conducting a series of philosophical discussion lectures at the college.

At the recent installation of officers, the Alumnae presented a gold ciborium to the college chapel.

Rev. Raymond E. Kavanah, O.P., was recently heard in a review of *The Pageant of the Popes* by John Farrow, and *The American* by J. T. Adams.

Sister M. Louise Lemoine, O.P., head of the college education department and a member of the Louisiana State Committee for the certification of teachers, participated as discussion leader at the annual Archdiocesan Catholic Teachers Convocation.

The Institutum Divi Thomae bestowed a grant on the affiliated laboratory at Dominican College for the study of agar-producing seaweeds. The research unit is composed of upperclassmen under the direction of Sister M. Elizabeth Englert, O.P.

In the furtherance of Latin-American culture, *El Circulo Guzman* is publishing a Spanish quarterly entitled *La Verdad*.

The college Glee Club presented a program for the opening of the Catholic Forum offered by the New Orleans Metropolitan Council of Holy Name Societies.

On the Eve of the Epiphany, Sister M. Philip Brou was invested with the Habit of St. Dominic.

Recently Sister M. Hildegarde Luca, O.P., received the degree of Bachelor of Music Education from Louisiana State University.

Death claimed Sister M. Margaret Sustendal in the forty-fifth year of her profession.

Immaculate Conception Convent, Great Bend, Kansas

Sister M. Bernadette, O.P., of St. Rose Hospital, left for Minneapolis, Minn., to take a six months course in the Kenny treatment for infantile paralysis.

On December 1st, the second class of Red Cross Nurses held its graduation exercises in the auditorium of the Immaculate Conception Convent.

His Excellency, Most Rev. C. H. Winkelmann and the Rt. Rev. Monsignor Morrell were guests at the Motherhouse on December 11.

From December 26 to 28, Forty Hours Devotion was held in the Chapel of the Motherhouse. Rev. E. J. Albers of Strong City, assisted by the Rev. Peter Kaub, Chaplain at the Motherhouse, officiated at the closing exercises.

On December 31, the Rev. Joseph Tockert said Mass in the Convent Chapel and gave his first blessing to the Sisters. Father Tockert, who has five sisters in the Community, was ordained on December 12 by His Excellency, the Most Rev. C. H. Winkelmann, Bishop of Wichita.

During the Novena Services, which were held for the Church Unity Octave from January 18-25, Rev. Peter Kaub preached a brief sermon on the meaning of the significance of each day's intention.

On January 19, a Requiem Mass was sung in the convent chapel for the deceased Mother M. Antonina, Foundress of the Community.

Congregation of the Holy Cross, Brooklyn, N. Y.

On December 29, in the auditorium of the Dominican Commercial High School in Jamaica, a Reception was tendered to the Sisters of the Community who had celebrated their Silver or Golden Jubilee during 1943. Following the entertainment given by the members of the faculties of Kaupert Memorial College and of the High School, a luncheon was served to the Jubilarians and the Sister-guests. At the close of the festivities a vote of thanks was given to Rt. Rev. Monsignor George Metzger, Spiritual Director of the Sisters, to Mother Anselma, O.P., for her kind invitations, to Sister M. Rose Gertrude, O.P., Principal of the schools and hostess for the occasion; and congratulations and best wishes were extended to all the Jubilarians.

Congregation of the Queen of the Holy Rosary, Mission San Jose, Calif.

On November 25, the anniversary of the final approbation of the Constitutions of the Congregation by the Holy See, the students of Queen of the Holy Rosary College presented a panegyric entitled *Magnificat Resounds*, depicting the life of Mother M. Pia, O.P., Foundress.

At the Teachers' Institute of the California Unit of the National Catholic Education Association held in Los Angeles December 20-21, Sister M. Redempta, O.P., Dean of Queen of the Holy Rosary College, read a paper entitled "The Liberal Arts and the Catholic High School." Sister M. Carmelita, O.P., also contributed to the Institute program by presenting a paper on "The Importance of the High School Library in the Attaining of a High School Education."

Sister M. Redempta, O.P., received the degree of Doctor of Philosophy from Catholic University last May.

On January 21, Mother M. Bernardina, O.P., Prioress General, accompanied by Sister M. Teresa, O.P., left for Mexico to be present at the ceremony of Reception held on February 2. Three novices entered the Novitiate now reopened at the Convent in San Miguel, Allende. This convent was unmolested during the time of the persecution of Religious. The novitiate property located in Tlalpam, Mexico, confiscated in 1936, has recently been restored to the Congregation by the Mexican government.

St. Cecilia Congregation, Nashville, Tenn.

It is the ambition of the students of St. Cecilia Academy to sell fifteen thousand dollars worth of Bonds in the Fourth War Loan Drive. If they succeed, a small airplane will be named for their school.

Sister Joan Miriam and Sister Ellen Mary, of the Maryknoll Congregation, were guests of the Sisters of the St. Cecilia Congregation recently. While in Nashville, the Sisters addressed the students of the various Catholic schools of the city.

On March 6, Miss Mary Frances Harrington and Miss Martha Driscoll received the Habit of St. Dominic. His Excellency, Most Rev. William L. Adrian, D.D., presided at the ceremony of investiture and preached the sermon.

On March 7, Sister Mary Inez Cabaniss made first Profession of vows. The Rev. George Rohling, Chaplain, presided.

Largely through the efforts of Sister Roberta, librarian of St. Cecilia Academy, a column entitled "Flashes from the Book Front" is now a weekly feature of the *Tennessee Register*, a Catholic paper.

Congregation of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, Akron, Ohio

Rev. Joseph A. Manning, O.P., conducted a Retreat for the Sisters stationed at Our Lady of the Elms preschool. During the same period Rev. James C. Osbourn, O.P., was Retreat Master at St. Vincent's Mission in Akron.

Rev. Michael A. Murray, O.P., spent Christmas at the Elms and celebrated Midnight Mass for the Sisters.

Rev. Joseph Lembach and Rev. Harold Laubacher, both of Akron, preached at the Elms during Advent.

St. Mary of the Springs, Columbus, Ohio

On November 2, the Most Rev. Paul Yu-Pin, Bishop of Nanking, China, was the guest of St. Mary's. Shortly after his arrival, His Excellency retired to the Convent Chapel to say his three Masses for the Poor Souls. In the afternoon he

addressed the Sisters and the students, winning the esteem and the admiration of all who heard him.

The recent death of the Most Rev. James J. Hartley, D.D., Bishop of Columbus, was a great loss to the Community. His Excellency was always regarded as a personal friend of the Community and one to whom the Sisters looked as to a father.

Recent letters and cables from China report that all the Fathers and Sisters there are in good health.

Foreign Mission Sisters of St. Dominic, Maryknoll, N. Y.

As prisoners of war, Maryknoll Sisters in Dairen, Manchuria were interned in their center mission for nine months. One of the many happy incidents that occurred during this time is told by Sister Mary Peter.

"One day a new guard appeared," related Sister Peter, "and from the beginning we noticed his gentlemanly manners. After observing us carefully for two weeks he inquired one day: 'Why does Father do this in church?' making the gestures of a very reverent genuflection and elevation of the Sacred Host. 'And what is that round, white Thing he gives to each of you like this?' imitating the distribution of Holy Communion.

"Sister told this guard that the large white Something that Father raises above his head and the small, white One which he gives to each of us every morning is what we Catholics call *Go-seitai*—Honorably Holy Body, the Blessed Sacrament. It is the greatest treasure of the Catholic Church. Before the Mass it is simply white bread made of wheat flour and water. Through the words of the priest by the power of God, it becomes the real Body of Christ.

"The guard asked, 'What is Christ?' Sister turned to the large crucifix hanging on the wall and explained, 'That Body hanging on the cross is the image of Christ Who is the Son of the One, True God, Who became man and died to save us.' She then showed him the crucifix on her Rosary, connecting the two.

"Gradually, light began to illumine the face of this Japanese, the light that missionaries love to see because they recognize it as the dawning light of Truth. 'Ah,' he said, 'is it this?' making upon himself a perfect sign of the cross.

"Then it was Sister's turn to be amazed. 'Where did you learn to make that sign of the cross?' she asked. 'By watching you Sisters make it before and after meals.' (During internment the guard was present at all meals.)

"It happened that two other Sisters were making altar breads close by, so Sister took advantage of it to show him how it was done. She picked up one of the sheets of uncut breads and he immediately asked, 'What is this?' pointing to the impress of the nails and crown of thorns. 'They are reminders of the thorns He wore during His sufferings.' The explanation seemed to deepen his interest.

"After that whenever he entered the church, as he did each time he took the internees to Mass and for a visit during the afternoon, he made a reverent bow to the altar, following closely every service attended."

Sixteen interned Japanese received the sacrament of Baptism on Christmas Eve and one hundred and seventy more received Holy Communion at Midnight Mass in Camp Manzanar, California. This word was received from two native Japanese Maryknoll Sisters who are engaged in mission work in the camp.

During their two years of voluntary internment at Manzanar the Sisters have conducted daily classes in religion for adults as well as for children, and have taught the doctrine in non-sectarian schools at the camp. To date, these missionaries have been instrumental in the baptism of over seventy of the war prisoners.

Dominican Sisters of the Perpetual Rosary, Union City, N. J.

Rev. Albert C. Drexelius, O.P., conducted the annual Retreat for the Community from November 26 to December 5.

Rev. Raymond Bonniwell, O.P., was the celebrant of the Midnight Mass on Christmas.

Sister Mary Augustine of the Precious Blood passed to her eternal reward on January 18, in the thirtieth year of her Religious Profession.

Dominican Sisters of the Perpetual Rosary, Camden, N. J.

His Excellency, Most Reverend Bartholomew J. Eustace, Bishop of Camden, presided at the Profession ceremonies which were held on December 8, the Feast of the Immaculate Conception. At this time Sister Mary Walter and Sister Mary Elizabeth of the Trinity took Temporary Vows. The sermon for the occasion was delivered by Rev. Edward A. Moran, O.S.A., of Atlantic City.

The annual Retreat for the Sisters was conducted by the Rev. Albert Drexelius, O.P., from October 22 to 31.

On December 13, the Tertiary-Perpetual Rosary Retreat was conducted by Rev. Edward D. Fenwick, O.P. Five new members were received and five members made Profession in the Third Order.

Sacred Heart Convent, Houston, Texas

On December 19, the pupils of the Freshmen and Sophomore classes, assisted by the St. Agnes Glee Club, presented an unique and well-organized Christmas program. During the program, which included readings by the voice classes and appropriate carols and hymns, Rev. Francis L. Vander Hayden, O.P., Pastor of Holy Rosary Church, gave the prologue and read the Gospel at several intervals. At its close, Father congratulated the children on their fine work, and wished Sisters, parents and pupils the greetings of the season.

Forty Hours Devotion was held at the Motherhouse and Novitiate during the last three days of the year.

The patronal Feast of St. Agnes Academy was preceded by the Forty Hours Devotion. The services were conducted by the Dominican Fathers of Holy Rosary Church and the Academy Choral Club and Pius X Schola Cantorum furnished the music for the Masses and ceremonies.

Rev. Edmund A. Baxter, O.P., preached the Retreat for the High School pupils during the last week in January.

On the Feast of the Annunciation, Sister Mary Charles Murphy and Sister Mary Loughlin celebrated their Golden Jubilees, and Sister Mary Constance Benke celebrated her Silver Jubilee.

On March 25, Sister M. Paschal Hoelscher made her first Profession. On the same day Miss Therese Bordages and Miss Annie Marie Plemmons received the Habit of St. Dominic.

Sister Mary Grace Hughes was called to her eternal reward on December 26. The Solemn Requiem Mass was offered by her nephew, Rev. J. P. McCarthy, pastor of Christ the King Church, and the eulogy was preached by Rev. Francis L. Vander Hayden, O.P.

Sisters of St. Dominic, Caldwell, N. J.

The mid-year Retreat for the Community was conducted by Very Rev. Matthew L. Heagen, O.P.

During the month of January the Community was saddened by the deaths of Mother M. Mechtilde, Sister M. Alacoque, Sister M. Armella, and Sister M. Jean.

Recently, the noted lecturer, Mr. Maurice Leahy, spoke to the Sisters and the student body on "The Catholic Literary Review in the Modern English Speaking World."

Mr. Earl Spicar, famous baritone, entertained a large audience with his usual inspiring program.

Sisters of St. Dominic, Racine, Wis.

Sister M. Pauline Fisher, O.P., departed this life on December 1, in the fifty-first year of her religious Profession.

Rev. Carl A. Piepenbrier, O.P., of St. Gregory Minor Seminary, Cincinnati, Ohio, was celebrant of the Midnight Mass on Christmas. The ceremonies were initiated by the Holy Infant Procession in the chapel and convent.

Rev. Robert P. Carroll, O.P., of Minneapolis, conducted the Christmas Retreat for the Community.

Congregation of the Most Holy Rosary, Sinsinawa, Wis.

Recent deaths in the Community were those of Sister M. Priscilla Hamilton, Sister M. Sabina Daly, and Sister M. Domitilla Gill.

Rev. Thomas G. Kinsella, O.P., preached the annual December Retreat for the Sisters at Rosary College.

Father Kinsella also conducted the mid-year Novitiate Retreat at St. Clara Convent in Sinsinawa. At its close, on the Feast of the Purification, seven postulants received the Habit. His Excellency, the Most Rev. Leo Binz, Coadjutor Bishop of Winona, Minn., officiated at the ceremonies. He was assisted by the Rev. Leo Gainor, O.P., Chaplain of the Community. Present for the occasion were the Very Reverend Peter O'Brien, O.P., Provincial, Father Kinsella, and Rev. Edward L. Van Becelaere, O.P.

The first mid-year commencement at Rosary College took place on January 30. Bishop Binz addressed the fifty-one graduates and conferred the degrees.

Albertus Magnus College, New Haven, Conn.

The first commencement under the program of acceleration was held on Sunday, February 6. At the Baccalaureate Mass, celebrated at St. Mary's Church by the Rev. Gaston Level, O.P., Chaplain of the College, the sermon was delivered by the Very Rev. James M. Petty, S.S.E., President of St. Michael's College, Winooski, Vermont. In the afternoon, Commencement Exercises were held in Sprague Hall. The Rev. James J. McLarney, O.P., of Washington, was the speaker.

On February 27, Rev. Thomas A. Joyce, O.P., conducted a day of recollection for members of the Alumnae Association.