



SAINT JOSEPH'S PROVINCE

CONDOLENCES

The Fathers and Brothers of the Province extend their sympathy and prayers to the Very Rev. J. H. Healy, O.P., P.G., to the Rev. L. L. Bernard, O.P., and to the Rev. J. J. McKenna, O.P., on the death of their sisters; to the Rev. A. T. O'Brien, O.P., and to Brother Kevin Carr, O.P., on the death of their fathers; to the Rev. R. G. Ferris, O.P., on the death of his mother; to the Rev. J. X. Strenkert, O.P., to the Rev. J. J. Bavero, O.P., to the Very Rev. E. G. Fitzgerald, O.P., and to the Rev. H. I. Smith, O.P., and J. R. Smith, O.P., on the death of their brothers.

SILVER ANNIVERSARY

The members of St. Joseph's Province wish to extend their congratulations to the Very Rev. A. J. Vinci, O.P., P.G., who celebrated the twenty-fifth year of his ordination to the Holy Priesthood on April 11; to the Rev. J. M. Barrett, O.P., the Very Rev. R. E. Brennan, O.P., S.T.M., the Rev. W. F. Cassidy, O.P., the Rev. A. B. Dionne, O.P., the Very Rev. W. P. Doane, O.P., P.G., the Very Rev. F. A. Gordon, O.P., the Rev. G. G. Herold, O.P., the Rev. J. J. Kennedy, O.P., and the Very Rev. G. D. Morris, O.P., who celebrated the twenty-fifth year of their ordination to the Holy Priesthood on June 17.

ORDINATIONS

On June 10, in St. Dominic's Church, Washington, D. C., the Most Rev. Edward Celestine Daly, O.P., Bishop of Des Moines, ordained the following students to the Holy Priesthood: Donald Richard Danilowicz, Reginald Robert Maguire, Justin Edward Brodie, Chrysostom Thomas O'Brien, Richard Thomas Heath, Regis Robert Heuschkel, Frederick John Hinnebusch, Alan Robert Morris, Flavian Matthew Morry, Edward Joseph Fallon, Stephen James Murray, Hilary Joseph Kenny, Valerian Ralph Townsend, William Joseph Hill, Andrew William Stickle, Gerard George Maley.

On June 3, in the Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, the Most Rev. Patrick A. Boyle, D.D., Archbishop of Washington, D. C., ordained the following brothers to the Diaconate: Dominic Rover, Louis Sukovaty, Brendan Crowley, Martin Connors.

VESTITION

Brother John Massias Ayala, laybrother postulant, received the habit of the Order on April 19.

PROFESSION

Brother Gerard Majella Bryant, O.P., laybrother, made simple profession on June 2.

MASTER GENERAL'S VISITATION

During his visitation of the missions in the Orient, the Most Rev. Emmanuel Suarez, O.P., Master General, had the pleasure of seeing Msgr. Paul Curran, O.P., Prefect Apostolic of the mission of St. Joseph's Province in Kienow, China, together with Father Louis Scheerer, O.P., of the same mission. The Master General visited these Fathers in Hong Kong.

The Master General, accompanied by the Most Reverend Paul A. Skehan, O.P., Procurator General, left Rome on February 15 on a two-months' visitation of the Dominican houses in the Orient. On the occasion of the visit to Manila, the University of Santo Tomas conferred an honorary Doctorate of Humanities on the Master General and the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws on Father Skehan. The President of the Philippines held a diplomatic reception in honor of the Master General and the American Ambassador in Manila placed his airplane at the disposal of the party for a trip to Baguio.

In Japan, General Douglas MacArthur placed his personal airplane "The Bataan" at the disposal of Father Suarez for a trip to Sendai to visit the Canadian Dominican missionaries in that place and entertained Father General, Father Skehan, Father Santamaria, Provincial of the Philippine Province, and Father Tarte, Vicar Provincial of the Canadian Dominicans, at luncheon at the American Embassy in Tokyo on March 12.

Throughout the course of the entire journey, the Master General saw the Spanish Dominican missionaries of the Philippine Province in their many mission fields, notably in the Philippine Islands, Formosa, the Island of Skikoku, Japan, in Hong Kong and in Tonkin, French Indo-China. Entry into China was impossible due to the present Communist political situation. In Tonkin the French Dominicans of the Lyons Province were visited.

The final stop in the East was made in Australia where the General visited the houses established there by the Dominicans of the Province of Ireland.

SAINT ALBERT'S PROVINCE

SYMPATHY

The Fathers and Brothers of the Province extend their sympathy and prayers to Brother Jerome Becker and to Brother Andrew Sloan, on the death of their fathers.

ANNIVERSARY

Three priests of the Province celebrated their twenty-fifth year in the Holy Priesthood on June 17: the Very Rev. John L. Callahan, O.P., Professor of Philosophy in the Dominican House of Studies, River Forest, Ill.; the Rev. Damian R. Goggins, O.P., St. Catherine's Convent, Racine, Wis.; and the Rev. Stephen E. Murray, O.P., Holy Rosary Rectory, Houston, Texas. The Sisters of St. Dominic at Racine, anticipating this silver jubilee, invited the Fathers to offer a Solemn High Mass in their Motherhouse on May 10. Father Goggins sang the Mass with Father Callahan as deacon and Father Murray as subdeacon.

VESTITIONS

On March 1, the Very Rev. John E. Marr, O.P., clothed three laybrothers with the habit of the Order: Brothers Louis Abate, Ignatius Schranz, and Marius Spaeth. Two weeks later, on March 15, Brother Bein was also given the black and white habit by Father Marr. In St. Peter Martyr's Convent, Winona, Brother Edward Anderson received the habit of a laybrother on March 5 from the Very Rev. Vincent R. Hughes, O.P., Prior.

PROFESSIONS

At the Dominican House of Studies the following laybrothers made their simple profession of vows to the Very Rev. John E. Marr, O.P.: Brothers Martin Abel, on Feb. 18; Richard Clark, on April 3; Robert Shepard, on April 7; and Patrick Sullivan, April 17. Brother Bernard Arnheim was simply professed in St. Peter Martyr's Convent on Feb. 18.

ORDINATIONS On May 5, the Most Rev. William E. Cousins, Auxiliary Bishop of Chicago, conferred the minor orders of exorcist and acolyte on the following: Brothers George Welch, Hilary Freeman, Leo McMahon, Bernard Davis, Lewis Shea, and Bertrand Morahan.

At the same Mass, Bishop Cousins ordained seven Brothers to the Subdiaconate: Brothers Nicholas Aschenbrenner, Paul Mahoney, Vincent Blake, Humbert Determan, Alexius Goedert, Reginald Masterson, and Ralph Powell.

On May 30, in St. Pius' Church, Chicago, His Eminence Samuel Cardinal Stritch ordained the following to the Holy Priesthood of Christ: Thomas Sanner, Bartholomew Walsh, Martin Hopkins, Joachim Pender, and Lawrence Kearney.

HOLY NAME PROVINCE

VISITORS On March 29, the Most Rev. Emmanuel Suarez, O.P., Master General of our Order, honored our Province with a brief visit. Together with the Most Rev. Paul Skehan, O.P., Procurator General of our Order, he arrived here en route from the Orient. The day following their arrival the Master General and Father Skehan continued their homeward journey to Rome.

The Very Rev. Angelus de Blas Carazo, O.P., Rector of the University of Santo Tomas in Manila, visited the Studentate at Oakland, Calif., on April 19. He was accompanied by his secretary, the Rev. Franciscus Villacorte, O.P.

COMMEMORATION A Solemn Requiem Mass was celebrated at the House of Studies on April 18 in commemoration of the soul of the Very Rev. Marianus Cordovani, O.P. The Celebrant was the Very Rev. Benedict M. Blank, O.P., Provincial; the deacon was the Very Rev. Patrick Kelly, O.P., Prior of the House of Studies; and the subdeacon, the Very Rev. Joseph Fulton, O.P., Master of Students.

APPOINTMENTS AND ELECTIONS The Very Rev. Joseph L. Asturias, O.P., is the new Prior of Blessed Sacrament Priory, Seattle, Washington.

PROFESSION Brother Gabriel McCurry, O.P., laybrother, was received to simple profession on May 16 at the Convent of the Immaculate Conception, Ross, Calif., by the Very Rev. Bernard P. Condon, O.P., Prior of the convent.

MISSIONS The Rev. Patrick D. Kane, O.P., head of the mission band, and the Rev. Laurence Banfield, O.P., are giving missions throughout the Hawaiian Islands.

SISTERS' CHRONICLE

Holy Cross Congregation, Amityville, N. Y.

Rev. Mother M. Anselma, O.P., Prioress General, was present at the breaking of ground for the new Sacred Heart Convent, East Glendale; Cure of Ars School, Merrick, L. I.; and Notre Dame School, New Hyde Park, L. I. The Sisters of St. Dominic will teach in both of these schools. In September 1950, the Sisters will be-

gin to teach in Sacred Heart School, Cabria Heights, and in St. Francis of Assisi School, Long Island City.

On Holy Thursday, our Sisters who are teaching in the Catholic University of St. Mary in Puerto Rico moved into their residence at the University. On Easter Tuesday, the first unit of the University, Cardinal Spellman Hall, was dedicated by His Excellency, the Most Rev. James McManus, C.S.S.R., Bishop of Ponce, Puerto Rico.

On Easter Sunday, a Solemn High Mass was sung in the newly erected chapel of Our Lady of Consolation Home, Amityville, N. Y., recently dedicated by His Excellency, the Most Rev. Thomas E. Molloy, S.T.D.

Sisters M. Colombiere and Marie Cecile, O.P., had a private audience with His Holiness, Pope Pius XII. The Sisters are students in the Pius XII Institute, Florence, Italy.

The Most Rev. Xavier S. Thani Nayagan, M. Litt., S.T.D., director of the Tamil Literary Society of India and Ceylon, addressed the Sisters at St. Thomas Aquinas Convent, Brooklyn, on the aims and objectives of the intellectual apostolate of the Society in India.

The Spring retreat for 160 Sisters of the Congregation was conducted by the Rev. J. Boelger, C.S.S.R., at the Motherhouse, Amityville, N. Y.

The week-end retreat for the laity, April 28-30, was a Dominican Tertiaries retreat for the combined chapters of St. Vincent Ferrer, N. Y.; Mary Immaculate, Jamaica; St. Peter Claver, Brooklyn; and Queen of the Rosary, Amityville, N. Y. The Rev. E. F. Smith, O.P., of the Dominican House of Studies, Washington, D. C., directed the retreat. Other week-end lay retreats were conducted by the Rev. Raymond Leonard, St. Joseph's College for Women, Brooklyn; the Rev. Thomas J. Doyle, S.J., Fordham University, N. Y.; the Rev. Cyril F. Meyer, C.M., St. John's University, Brooklyn; and the Rev. E. Paul Amy, S.J., St. Francis Xavier, N. Y. C.

The aspirants of the Dominican Juniorate, Water Mill, N. Y. staged a very successful operetta, *Iolanthe*, in the Sacred Heart auditorium, East Glendale, during Easter Week.

June 6 marked the twenty-fifth anniversary of the ordination of the Rev. Eugene J. Crawford, spiritual director of the Congregation and chaplain of the novitiate since 1931. All the Mothers and Superiors of the Congregation were present at Our Lady of Prouille auditorium on June 5 for the congratulatory entertainment by the novices and postulants, and also attended the Solemn Jubilee Mass offered in the Motherhouse chapel by the Rev. Jubilarian on June 6.

Visitors to the Novitiate were the Very Rev. Marianus Nieuwenhuizen, O.P., Vice Provincial of the Dominican Fathers in Puerto Rico; the Rev. Fathers Juan, O.P., and Gregory, O.P., of Puerto Rico; and the Rev. Vincent Watson, S.J.

Representatives of the Congregation attended the Business Teachers' Conference at Oceanside, N. Y.; the Eastern Public Speaking Conference, N. Y. C.; the Annual Conference of the Catholic Library Association, Washington, D. C.; the Eastern Arts Association, N. Y. C.; the National Catholic Education Conference, New Orleans, Louisiana; and the National Laywomen's Retreat Movement, Providence, R. I.

Rev. Mother M. Thomas, O.P., educator, and Bursar General of the Congregation from 1931-1943, died on April 9. Since last March, Sisters Rose Alma, Avelina, Miriam Inez and Casilda have departed this life.

Dominican College of San Rafael, San Rafael, Calif.

As part of their centennial observance the Dominican Sisters of the Congregation of the Most Holy Name of Jesus sang a Requiem Mass in the Dominican ceme-

tery in Benicia, California, where all the deceased Sisters of the Congregation are buried. After the Mass, while the Sisters sang the *Libera*, the body of the foundress, Mother Mary Goemaere, was transferred from her place of burial among the Sisters to a position more in accord with her rank as foundress, so that her body now lies directly at the foot of the statue of the Guardian Angel and facing the graves of her daughters.

Among other events of the centennial calendar was a Bach festival consisting of three programs: an organ recital by the guest artist Molnar Ferenc, and two school programs of Bach choral and instrumental music, one presented by the Upper School and the other by the College. The College also gave a symposium on March 7 in honor of St. Thomas Aquinas to the faculty and guests. Four papers, written and read by students, dealt with some aspects, serious or humorous, of mediaeval student life. On Palm Sunday the College choral group repeated their annual concert *Mysteries of the Rosary*, composed and directed by Dr. Guilio Silva.

One of the annual retreats for members of the alumnae took place during Holy Week. The retreat Master was the Rev. Joseph Sanguinetti, O.P. The Sisters sang *Tenebrae* and carried out all the beautiful liturgical ceremonies of the week.

The class in radio has begun to broadcast regularly over KTIM every Sunday afternoon. Response has been full of approval for the varied programs of dramatic readings, short plays, or musical numbers.

The College has been represented at the National Catholic Education Association convention in New Orleans, at the National Association of Collegiate Registrars in San Francisco, at the Southwestern regional convention of the N.C.E.A. in Santa Barbara, and at the California Council of Education at Asilomar.

For some time the Dominican College has considered expanding its work and giving its students an opportunity for individual research and for broadening and strengthening the foundation of their training. Graduate work began on the campus in 1932 when the Catholic University of America established its Pacific Coast Branch there. The Catholic University will continue its graduate work during the summer sessions, but since this course is limited to the summer periods, the Dominican College has this year initiated a program of graduate work to be carried out during the year. This program will lead to a degree of Master of Arts or Master of Science of Education. Major work, for the present, will be offered in the fields of English and Education, and minor work in French, history, philosophy, Spanish, Greek, and Latin. A minimum of five summer sessions, or two semesters is required for the Master's degree.

Sacred Heart Convent, Springfield, Ill.

On March 17, the first anniversary of his installation as Bishop of the Springfield diocese, the Sisters and students of Sacred Heart Convent and Academy were honored by having as their guest the Most Rev. William A. O'Connor, D.D. After a pledge of loyalty and a formal presentation of a Spiritual Bouquet, members of the Glee Club and Speech Classes presented a vocation program depicting scenes from the life of a religious. On the following day the program was repeated for student guests from many of the Community's schools. Another distinguished visitor on this occasion was the Rev. J. R. Nogar, O.P.

The Illinois Co-ordinators of the National Catholic Music Educators Association met March 25 at Sacred Heart Academy to discuss plans for Diocesan Music Workshop Clinics and other activities of the Association. Sister Madonna, O.P., State Executive Secretary was hostess.

Representing Sacred Heart Academy at the annual meeting of the Midwest De-

partment of the National Catholic Educational Association held in Chicago, in March, were Sister Mary Mildred, O.P., member of the Council General, and Sister Mary Blanche, O.P., Principal of the Academy. The Sisters remained over in Chicago for the North Central Association meeting which took place on the following three days.

The Rev. G. D. Sherry, O.P., was in charge of the annual day of recollection sponsored by the Sacred Heart Chapter of Dominican Tertiaries on Passion Sunday, March 26. One hundred and twenty persons attended these exercises.

The Rev. L. T. Dolan, O.P., gave the retreat for the Academy girls on March 29-31.

On April 11-14, Mother M. Imelda, Mother General, and Sister M. Aurelia, Directress of Schools, visited in New Orleans, attending the annual meeting of the National Catholic Educational Association. On their return trip they stopped over at Clayton, Mo., to be present at the reception of a Carmelite novice, Mary Ann Tobin, former student at Sacred Heart Academy.

At the meeting of the Tertiaries on April 23, the Rt. Rev. Msgr. W. F. Haug, J. C. D., Director of the Chapter, received ten new members and admitted eight Tertiaries to profession.

Sister Mary Peter Sexton, former novice mistress and superior of many houses, died January 30 after 42 years in religious life. On March 29, Sister Mary Vincent Boland, Mother General of the Community from 1923 to 1929, was called by death. For 65 years she had served the Community. His Excellency, the Most Rev. William A. O'Connor, D.D., pontificated at the funeral Mass of Requiem. Sister Mary Alphonsa Leahey, former Novice Mistress who had spent 62 years in the order, died on April 16.

Representing the Community in Rome for the Holy Year will be Sister Mary Victor O.P., Sister Mary Rosalie, O.P., and Sister Mary Regis, O.P.

St. Mary of the Springs, Columbus, Ohio

The University Players of Catholic University of America presented Shakespeare's *Much Ado About Nothing* in the Little Theater of the College of St. Mary of the Springs on February 5. The Rev. J. M. Bauer, O.P., head of the Philosophy Department, represented the college at the centennial celebration of Capitol University held on March 2. Sister Rosarii Healy died on March 13. The solemn funeral Mass on March 16 was sung by her brother, the Very Rev. John H. Healy, O.P., assisted by the Very Rev. W. D. Marrin, O.P., Prior of St. Vincent Ferrer's, N. Y., as deacon, and the Very Rev. J. F. Monroe, O.P., President of Aquinas High School, Columbus, as subdeacon. A choir of thirty-two Dominican Fathers alternated with the convent choir in the psalms and prayers sung at the grave. The *Clementissime* was sung by the Very Rev. J. J. McLarney, O.P., Prior of St. Joseph's, Somerset.

His Excellency, the Most Rev. Michael J. Ready, Bishop of Columbus, presided at the religious profession of Sisters Mary Cecilia Chen, Mary John Tang, Annunciata Chen, and Mary Peter Wang in the Motherhouse chapel on March 19. These are the four Chinese Dominican Sisters who were forced to leave China a year ago.

His Highness, the Archduke Otto of Austria, lectured on *Christian Democracy and Communism* in the Little Theater, Erskine Hall, St. Mary of the Springs, on March 19. Sister Amelia, professor of French at the College of St. Mary of the Springs, was recently awarded a Guggenheim Fellowship for research in Anglo-Norman literature. Sister will do her work in England and France. Sister Francis de Sales, dean of Albertus Magnus College, New Haven, Conn., and Sister Dorilda, registrar, attended the meeting of the National Association of Deans of Women held

in March in Atlantic City, New Jersey. Sister Angelita, president of the College of St. Mary of the Springs, and Sister Lauranna, directress of the Academy, attended the annual meeting of the North Central Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools held in Chicago, March 20-24. Sister Amata, Academy librarian, and Sister Mary Ruth, College librarian, attended the twenty-fourth annual conference of the Catholic Library Association held in Washington, D.C., April 10-14.

Sister Mary Leah and Sister Teresa Vincent, members of the college faculty, attended the sessions of the Seventh National Congress of the National Federation of Catholic College Students which was held in Pittsburgh, April 11-15. The following Sisters represented the Congregation at the National Catholic Educational Association which met in New Orleans, April 11-14: Sister Callista, general supervisor; Sister Angelita, president of the College of St. Mary of the Springs; Sister Coralita, president of Albertus Magnus College; Sister James Marie, principal of St. Mary Catholic High School, New Haven, Conn.; and Sister Mary Austine, directress of Mary Immaculate School, Ossining, N. Y. Sister M. Regis of St. Vincent Ferrer High School, N. Y., attended the meetings of the Catholic Business Education Association held in New Orleans on April 13.

On April 30, at the College of St. Mary of the Springs, the Cincinnati Region of the National Federation of Catholic College Students sponsored their first Marian Congress. On March 9, Msgr. Julius W. Haun of St. Mary's College, Winona, Minn., gave an illustrated lecture on *Rome and Italy* in the Little Theater of the College of St. Mary of the Springs.

Congregation of St. Catharine of Siena, St. Catharine, Ky.

The celebration of the Forty Hours of Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament was begun this year at St. Catharine's on the patronal feast of St. Catherine of Siena. Before the beginning of the Solemn Mass, final profession of vows was made by Sisters Charles Francis and Rose Frances, twin sisters, who returned to the Motherhouse from Memphis, Tennessee for this occasion.

During the past few months, the Sisters from Mount Trinity Academy in Watertown, Mass., and postulants from Plainville, Mass., have sung the High Masses on the feasts of St. Thomas Aquinas and St. Agnes of Montepulciano at the new Dominican foundation at Dover, Mass.

Several activities conducted by the communities of the Congregation in the East have increased the building fund for the new postulants at Plainville. An additional residence was acquired recently to accommodate the newly arriving postulants.

At various conventions during the past scholastic year, the Sisters of St. Catharine Congregation contributed papers and discussions. Sister Jamesetta, registrar at Siena College, took part in the panel for registrars at the N.C.E.A. convention in New Orleans. After her return from Washington where she attended the annual meeting of the Catholic Library Association, Sister Stella Maris read a paper, *The Role of the Librarian in Language Study*, at the annual Foreign Language Conference in Lexington, Ky., at the State University.

Summer schools will be conducted at Rosary Academy, Watertown, Mass.; Spalding Academy, Spalding, Neb.; St. Vincent Ferrer Convent, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Siena College, Memphis, Tenn.; and St. Catharine Junior College, Ky. At these schools, courses in sacred theology and philosophy will again be given by Dominican Fathers from Providence College and Washington. To accommodate the student Sisters, a special retreat will be conducted at St. Catharine's in June of this year.

The commencement address at St. Catharine Junior College will be given by the Rev. E. B. Finnin, O.P., of St. Louis Bertrand Priory, Louisville, Ky.

The new Mary Immaculate Hospital in Lebanon, Ky., is rapidly being completed. Plans for expansion and new buildings are under way in Memphis, Tenn.

Congregation of St. Mary, New Orleans, La.

Mother Mary Dominic, Superior General, was hostess to ninety-five Sister delegates to the forty-seventh annual convention of the N.C.E.A. held in New Orleans in April. The delegates represented Dominican and other communities from all sections of the United States. April also saw the fifth annual convention of the National Catholic Business Education Association. All sessions were held at Dominican College. Sister M. Liguori, O.P., of New Orleans, is vice-president of the N.C.B.E.A. and chairman of the Southern regional chapter. Sister Mary Elizabeth, head of Dominican College chemistry department, addressed the New Orleans Junior Academy of Science at Tulane University on *Cancer and Cancer Research Techniques*. Sister Mary Kevin, head of the college mathematics department, was elected vice-chairman of the mathematics section of the Louisiana College Conference, during the conference held at Louisiana State University.

Dominican College held open house for the New Orleans Spring Fiesta visitors; the students, in antebellum costume, acted as hostesses and guides. The college faculty and students were privileged to hear Dr. Leo Podolsky in a lecture-recital illustrating classic, romantic, and modern periods of music. Dr. Podolsky is the U. S. Representative on the International Academy, Mozarteum, Salzburg. Miss Mary Louise Hickey, solo dramatist, favored Dominican College with a presentation of *Ireland Across the Footlights*, featuring *Kathleen O'Houliban*, *Shadow and Substance*, and *Entertaining the Cardinal*, from Doran Hurley's *The Old Parish*. The annual day of recollection for the alumnae was conducted by the Rev. Dr. Joseph Buckley, S.M., of Notre Dame Seminary. The Rev. David Walsh, C.S.S.R., preached the annual retreat in the college chapel to the Catholic Daughters of America.

Sacred Heart Convent, Houston, Texas

The feast of the Annunciation was of double significance at Sacred Heart Convent, being the Silver Jubilee of Sister M. Geraldine Sheridan and Sister M. David McCort; and the investiture day of thirteen new Dominican novices: Misses Elva Mitcheletti, who will be known as Sister M. Camilla; Betty Jean Wenner, Sister M. Celeste; Joan Maynard, Sister M. Joan; Betty Serio, Sister Joseph Marie; Joan Serio, Sister M. Josepha; Mary Hugger, Sister M. Antoninus; Mary Lou Parker, Sister M. Andrea; Lois Poskey, Sister M. Walter; Emily Bondages, Sister Francis Marie; Ann Marie Daleo, Sister M. Eucharria; Theresa Cota, Sister M. Celine; Margie Rund, Sister Mary Jane; and Loretta Therist, Sister M. Grace.

A memorable feature of the occasion was the touching sermon by the Most Rev. C. E. Byrne, our beloved bishop, on the need for saints in America. On March 31, Bishop Byrne passed away.

On March 26, first vows were pronounced by Sisters Margaret Mary, James Marie, Mary Marcus, Mary Blanche, Mary Ellen, and Therese Marie.

Our beautiful new chapel is under construction, and will probably be ready for occupancy in the early autumn.

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

On March 31, the Rev. John V. Mechler, Pastor of Holy Family Church, Bronx, presided at the ceremonies of reception and first profession in our convent chapel. The young ladies who received the habit were Miss Anne Patrice Doherty of Denver,

Colorado, in religion Sister Mary Pauline; and Jane Welna of Minneapolis, Minn., in religion Sister Mary Martin Ann. Sister Anne Francis, Sister M. Paul and Sister M. Teresita pronounced temporary vows for three years.

Priests present at the ceremonies were: the Rt. Rev. Msgr. Cornelius Drew, Pastor of St. Augustine's Church, Bronx; the Rev. Fathers John M. Brew, T. A. Donnellan, C. Vicchini, F. J. Genslinger, J. Derrenbacher, W. J. Ward, E. Higgins, M.M., A. Reilly, S.S.J., J. S. Moran, O.P., W. L. Whalen, O.P., W. A. McLoughlin, O.P., R. M. McCabe, O.P., E. M. Casey, O.P., B. G. King, O.P., and the Rev. J. J. Durkin, O.P., chaplain to the Community.

Father Mechler preached the sermon for the occasion and presided at the solemn Benediction with which the ceremony closed.

On April 2, the Dominicans observed a day of recollection. The Rev. L. A. Ryan, O.P., of Washington, D. C. presided at the services.

St. Cecilia Congregation, Nashville, Tenn.

Sister Roberta, O.P., directress of St. Cecilia Academy, and Sister M. Edward, principal of Holy Name School, Nashville, attended the annual meeting of the N.C.E.A. held in New Orleans the week of April 9. While in New Orleans, they were the guests of the Dominican Sisters of St. Mary's Dominican College. Mr. Harry Neal, concert pianist, gave a recital in the St. Cecilia Academy hall on April 13 for the faculty and student body. Mr. Neal is a graduate of the Curtiss Institute, N. Y. He is now on a concert tour in Australia. The St. Cecilia All-Girl Band took part in the Cotton Carnival held in Memphis, May 12-13. In addition to marching in the parade, the band gave an individual concert in Memphis. Auditions for the music pupils of St. Cecilia Academy were held this year on May 5-6. The auditions are sponsored by the National Guild of Piano Teachers of which the music teachers of St. Cecilia Academy are members.

The 90th annual commencement exercises of St. Cecilia Academy were held in the Academy chapel on May 31. The Most Rev. William L. Adrian, D.D., celebrated the Mass and the Rt. Rev. Msgr. T. P. Duffy, Chancellor of the Diocese, was the speaker. Eleven Sisters of the St. Cecilia Congregation will make the Holy Year Pilgrimage to Rome during the summer: Sister Miriam Walsh, Sister M. Elizabeth Kearney, Sister Anne Frances Semmes, Sister Jane Frances Beck, Sister Vincent Marie Moor, Sister M. Adelaide Hovious, Sister Mary Jeanne Partington, Sister Henry Suso Fletcher, Sister Mary David Harlow, Sister Aloysius Mackin, and Sister Susanne Driscoll.

St. Catherine Convent, Fall River, Mass.

The Rev. Armand Desautels, A.A., of Assumption College, Worcester, Mass., conducted a retreat for the high school students of Dominican Academy, from January 31 to February 3. The annual retreat for the Motherhouse was conducted by Very Rev. Raymond Burgess, O.P., Prior of St. Ann's Priory on February 17-26. On March 7, Sister M. Loretta, O.P., celebrated the Silver Jubilee of her religious profession. On May 6, Sister Angela, O.P., and Sister M. Ignatius, O.P., accompanied the journalism students of Dominican Academy to the Publications Conference for Catholic high schools held at Boston College.

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

The annual Rosary novena in honor of Our Lady of Lourdes was conducted by the Rev. W. A. McLoughlin, O.P. On February 11, feast of Our Lady of Lourdes,

Sister Mary Jordan of the Rosary, O.P., made her solemn profession. On March 25, Sister M. St. Jude of the Holy Face, O.P., made profession of temporary vows as an extern Sister. On Sunday, April 16, the Dominican Tertiaries of Our Lady of the Rosary chapter of Camden held a day of recollection at the monastery under the direction of the Rev. E. A. Brady, O.P.

Congregation of St. Catherine of Siena, Racine, Wisconsin

The Very Rev. E. L. Hughes, O.P., Provincial of the Province of St. Albert, was a recent visitor at St. Catherine's. In an informal address to the Community, the Very Rev. Provincial told of his trip last fall to British North Africa and Spain and of his visit to Fatima and to Rome. The Rev. P. L. Hanley, O.P., of Notre Dame University, gave the meditations at the *Tre Ore* services at St. Catherine's on Good Friday.

Sister M. Gerald, O.P., Dean of Dominican College, and Sisters M. Theophila, O.P., and M. Charles, O.P., Community and Diocesan School Supervisors, respectively, attended the National Catholic Educational Convention in New Orleans during Easter week.

Congregation of St. Catherine di Ricci, Albany, N. Y.

Sisters Mary Anthony and Mary Clare of our convent of Our Lady of Prouille attended the regional conference of the National Laywoman's Retreat Movement held at Providence, R. I., on April 14-16 under the sponsorship of the Immaculate Heart of Mary Retreat House conducted there by the Passionist Sisters.

On May 21, our convent of Our Lady of Prouille held its annual May procession. This procession was made up of the retreatants who come to our Retreat House during the year. The processions wended their way from our three retreat chapels to the grotto of Our Lady of Lourdes, located on the grounds, and there the retreatants put on a pageant depicting five of Our Lady's apparitions to the world—Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal, Our Lady of La Salette, Our Lady of Lourdes, Our Lady of Fatima and Our Lady of Lipa. At the end of the portrayal of each vision, a decade of the Rosary was recited by all. The pageant was followed by a short sermon and Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament.

Monastery of Our Lady of the Rosary, Summit, N. J.

On February 2, Mrs. Lisolina Mareta of Fords, N. J., and Miss Amy McEvoy of Summit, N. J., were received into the local Third Order chapter by the Rev. F. N. Wendell, O.P., National Director of the Third Order, assisted by the Rev. E. L. Phillips, O.P., chaplain of the monastery. On April 4, one novice made temporary profession and two postulants received the Dominican habit. Recent visitors to the monastery were the Rev. B. A. Dionne, O.P., and the Very Rev. Terence Wholihan, O.F.M. Conv. The solemn May Day procession was held on Sunday, May 7, and the Rev. P. C. Perrotta, O.P., was guest speaker. The Rosary procession was led by the Very Rev. Hugh Welsh, O.P., of St. Catherine of Siena's Priory, N. Y. C. The act of consecration to the Immaculate Heart of Mary was read by the Rev. E. L. Phillips, O.P., chaplain. Our Lady was then crowned Queen of the May and Mediatrix of all Graces. The pilgrimage exercises closed with the Solemn Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament.

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

The Maryknoll Sisters will staff a school in Lipa, Batangas, Philippines, where recently Our Blessed Mother is said to have appeared at the Carmelite convent. This

will be the fifth large school in the Philippines and approximately 3,000 children are under instruction there under the direction of the Maryknoll Sisters. A hospital at Manapla on the Island of Negros is also staffed by Maryknoll Sisters.

The first profession ceremony to be held at Our Lady of Maryknoll Novitiate, Valley Park, Mo., took place May 8, 1950. Thirty-two novices were professed, and at the same time, 19 postulants received the habit. The novitiate was opened in the fall of 1947. The newly-professed Sisters were the first postulants to enter there. Mother M. Columba and Mother M. Joseph, Mother-General and Mother-Foundress respectively, together with the General Council, attended the ceremony.

Announcement has also been made of a new Maryknoll Sisters' house to be opened in San Francisco, Calif. This will be the Maryknoll Sisters' 68th convent. The 800 professed Sisters are distributed in 12 territories: China, Nicaragua, Bolivia, Africa, United States Pacific Coast missions, and in the Eastern States, in Korea, Japan, Ceylon, Caroline Islands, Hawaii and Panama.