ST. JOSEPH'S PROVINCE


Plans for St. Pius' combination Church and School, Providence, R. I., have been completed and work on the sacred edifice was to begin during June.

The mission at St. Pius' Church, Providence, was given by Very Rev. S. R. Brockbank, O. P., P. G., and Rev. W. P. Doane, O. P.


Very Rev. J. R. Dooley, O. P., has been installed as subprior at the House of Studies, River Forest, Illinois.

The Fathers of the House of Studies, River Forest, preached Lenten courses in the Archdiocese of Chicago.

A novena in honor of the Holy Ghost, in preparation for the Feast of Pentecost, was held in St. Dominic's Church, Youngstown, Ohio, under the direction of Rev. C. Therres, O. P.

"Catholics in the U. S. Army," was the subject of the radio talk by Very Rev. T. S. McDermott, O. P., S. T. Lr., over the Paulist Radio Station WLWL, May 14.


An honorary degree of Doctor of Laws was conferred on Rev. Thomas M. Schwertner, O. P., S. T. Lr., pastor of Holy Name Church, Philadelphia, Pa., June 13, at Mt. St. Mary's College, Emmitsburg, Maryland.

The baccalaureate address to the graduating class of St. Agnes' Academy, Memphis, Tenn., May 29, was given by Rev. J. L. Pastorelli, O. P. Father Pastorelli delivered the address also to the graduating nurses of St. Joseph Hospital, May 24.
Bro. James Burke received the lay-brother's habit, March 17, and Bros. Joseph Merimee and Martin Mattingly received it, April 30, at the House of Studies, River Forest, Illinois.

The Dramatic Society of Providence College, under the direction of Rev. A. B. Cote, O. P., Ph. D., presented to capacity houses its musical comedy, "Yes, Indeed," at Westerly, R. I., May 10, and at the Modern Theatre, Providence, May 11.

The four weeks' mission at Our Lady of Sorrows' Church, Chicago, Ill., was given by Revs. W. P. McIntyre, O. P., W. R. Mahoney, O. P., D. A. Wynn, O. P., and J. D. Walsh, O. P. Father McIntyre directed the retreat for the Dominican Sisters at Grand Rapids, Mich.

A commemorative service in honor of the dead, "Poor Souls' Night," is held, according to an old Dominican custom, in the Church of the Holy Name, Philadelphia, on the first Monday night of each month. Large numbers from all over the city are attending these services.

Very Rev. J. R. Dooley, O. P., preached the retreat in St. Catherine of Siena Church, Detroit, Mich., in preparation for the feast, April 30.

Very Rev. C. M. Thuente, O. P., P. G., conducted retreats at Amityville, N. Y.; St. Joseph, Sullivan County, N. Y.; Buffalo, N. Y.; The Cenacle, N. Y., and Los Angeles, Calif., for the diocesan clergy. Father Thuente has been aiding also on the German-English missions.

The address at the Mothers' Day Exercises held by the B. P. O. Elks, Providence, R. I., May 2, was given by Rev. D. M. Galliher, O. P., J. C. D. Father Galliher spoke before the Rhode Island Historical Association at the observance of Rhode Island Independence Day, May 4.

The ceremony of "Blessing of Infants" took place on Pentecost Sunday at St. Dominic's Church, Youngstown. As last year, each mother took advantage of this praiseworthy custom and brought her little ones to the church to have the blessing of God invoked upon them.


The mission at St. Thomas of Canterbury Church, Chicago, Ill., was given by Very Rev. C. M. Thuente, O. P., P. G., and Very Rev. J. R. Dooley, O. P. Father Dooley was the retreat master at the reception retreat for the St. Joseph Sisters, Nazareth, Mich.

Rev. V. R. Burnell, O. P., directed the retreat and Forty Hours' devotion in the Catholic Students' Chapel, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Mich. Father Burnell gave the retreat to the Knight of Columbus of Louisville, Ky., at St. Louis Bertrand's Church, May 16-20, and the mission in Madeira, Ohio, May 20-27.

A triduum in honor of St. Vincent Ferrer was given in St. Dominic's Church, Youngstown, by the pastor. During the triduum, St. Vincent's Water was distributed. The faithful attended not only from Youngstown, but also from Cleveland and Pittsburgh.
On May 12, Rev. J. L. Pastorelli, O. P., spoke before the Southern Chapters of the American Guild of Organists on the “Divine Mission of Music—Its Proper Place in the Education of American Youth.” On Tuesday, May 22, he addressed the Rotary Club of Memphis at their weekly session on “Positive and Negative Christianity.”

Rev. J. D. Walsh, O. P., of the House of Philosophy, River Forest, assisted the Fathers of the Western Mission Band in the two weeks’ mission at Our Lady of Sorrows Church, Chicago, Ill. Father Walsh preached the English mission at the Italian Church of St. Philip Beniti, Chicago, Ill.

Mothers’ Day was fittingly observed at St. Dominic’s Church, Youngstown, with due solemnity. Each father and son in the parish received Holy Communion on that day. In the evening the St. Rose Circle entertained the mothers with a beautiful operetta, at the end of which a handsome souvenir was presented to each mother.

Retreats were conducted for the students of St. Agnes Academy, Memphis, Tenn., by Rev. W. R. Bonniwell, O. P.; for the students of St. Catherine’s Academy, Springfield, Ky., by Rev. J. B. Hughes, O. P.; for the high school students of St. Stephen’s School, Hamilton, Ohio, by Rev. R. F. Larpenteur, O. P.; and in St. Elizabeth’s Church, Detroit, by Rev. C. M. Mulvey, O. P.

To commemorate the diamond jubilee of the foundation of the Diocese of Springfield, Ill., a simultaneous mission was held in all the parishes. That at Immaculate Conception Cathedral was given by Very Rev. R. Lawler, O. P., P. G., and Rev. J. C. Timony, O. P., and Rev. F. O’Neill, O. P., Ph. D., conducted the one at St. Joseph’s Church. Father Timony gave the mission at Moline, Kansas, April 15-22.

Under the direction of Very Rev. R. P. Cahill, O. P., P. G., Very Rev. C. M. Thuente, O. P., P. G., Revs. W. D. Sullivan, O. P., and J. B. Hughes, O. P., a mission was given in St. Bernard’s Church, Akron, Ohio, March 11-25. Father Hughes gave the retreat in Cadiz, Ohio, March 28-April 1, and that for the students at Holy Rosary Academy, Louisville, Ky., April 2-5.

The Sunday Lenten course on “Christ, the Master,” was delivered in St. Peter’s Church, Memphis, Tenn., by the pastor, Rev. J. L. Pastorelli, O. P., who also delivered “The Easter Message of 1928” before the congregation and via radio. Over twenty-five percent of the huge Easter congregation was made up of prominent non-Catholics of Memphis.

The Silver Jubilee of their ordination to the priesthood will be observed on August 2, by Very Rev. J. H. Healy, O. P., P. G., and Revs. D. A. Casey, O. P., S. T. Lr., E. L. Spence, O. P., J. B. Kircher, O. P., and R. L. Rumaggi, O. P., and on September 20, by Rev. C. Coudeyre, O. P. To them the Fathers and Brothers of the Province offer their sincerest congratulations, with the fervent prayer that their Master may grant to them more years of continued faithful toil in His honor.

“Business Characters” was the subject of the talk delivered before the joint meeting of the Pawtucket and Woonsocket Kiwanis Clubs, May 21, by Rev. D. M. Galliher, O. P., dean of Providence College. On the same day Father Galliher spoke before the faculty and student body of Central Falls High School on “Ideals of Education.”
Revs. V. R. Burnell, O. P., and H. L. Martin, O. P., preached the missions in the Church of the Sacred Heart, Dayton, Ohio, March 11-25; in the Church of the Assumption, Sandwich, Ontario, in charge of the Basilian Fathers, April 15-29, and in St. Vincent de Paul's Church, Louisville, Ky., April 29-May 13. Father Martin gave the retreat to the students of Aquinas College, Columbus, Ohio, April 2-5.

The second annual Retreat for Cripples will be given in Holy Name Church, Philadelphia, Pa., June 29, by the pastor, Rev. Thomas M. Schwertner, O. P., S. T. Lr., LL. D. Free transportation is afforded all invalids who have no one to bring them to the church. The services of many physicians and of a detachment of nurses from St. Mary's Hospital have been enlisted for the occasion. The exercises consist of two sermons, procession of the children, application of the relic of St. Vincent Ferrer, and Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament. The first retreat last year attracted nation-wide attention and more than six hundred crippled persons were brought to and from the church by volunteer helpers.

Very Rev. R. Lawler, O. P., P. G., gave the retreat at the Chicago Cenacle, May 25-27; the Holy Name retreat at St. Anne's Church, Chicago; the parish retreat at Blessed Sacrament Church, Madison, Wis.; the retreats at St. Peter's High School, Oshkosh, Wis.; and at Aquinas High School, Chicago. Father Lawler also conducted the mission at St. Gall's Church, Chicago.

The “Three Hours’ Agony” was conducted in St. Dominic's Church, Youngstown, Good Friday evening, by the pastor, Father Scholz. Since the devotion was held in only St. Dominic's Church, many of the faithful from other parishes of the city were in attendance. During Lent a course of moral sermons was given in the same parish by the pastor on Wednesday nights, and a course of dogmatic sermons by Father Therres on Sunday nights.

The annual mission at the Holy Cross Mission, Chicago, was given by Rev. F. L. Vander Heyden, O. P., S. T. Lr. With Father Wynn, he preached the mission at St. Mary's Church, Joliet, Ill., and with Father O'Neill, that at Corpus Christi Church, Fort Dodge, Iowa. Father Vander Heyden also gave the Holy Name triduum at Holy Angels' Church, Gary, Indiana.

In the Province of Quebec, Canada, missions were conducted at the English speaking churches of Ottawa, Ontario, and Montreal by Revs. H. H. Welsh, O. P., and C. A. Haverty, O. P. The first was in the Church of the Blessed Sacrament, Ottawa. At St. Patrick's Church, Montreal, mother of the English-speaking churches in Montreal, three thousand women attended the one service each night, and two thousand men attended during their week. The annual panegyric on St. Patrick was delivered at this church before a gathering of three thousand persons by Father Haverty.

At the banquet tendered to visiting delegates of the National Conference of Social Workers, at Memphis, May 5, Father Pastorelli addressed the delegates. Father Pastorelli also delivered an address on the “Marlborough-Vanderbilt Nullity” before the Tennessee Chapter of the International Federation of Catholic Alumnae, March 14.

The mission at Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Chicago, was given by Very Rev. R. Lawler, O. P., P. G., and Revs. J. C. Timony, O. P., and
F. O'Neill, O. P., Ph. D. Fathers Lawler and Timony gave the mission also at the Church of the Ascension, Oak Park, Ill.


At the commencement exercises held at the Catholic University in Washington, Rev. J. U. Bergkamp, O. P., M. A., was awarded the degree of Doctor of Philosophy. The subject of his dissertation was *Dom Jean Mabillon and the Benedictine Historical School of Saint-Maur.*

On the same occasion, Revs. W. C. Meehan, O. P., and J. A. Sullivan, O. P., were recipients of the degree of Master of Arts, writing as their dissertations, "The Probable Sources of Lowell's Elegaic Poetry," and "James Russell Lowell's Preoccupation with the Question of Literary Originality."


Rev. W. R. Mahoney, O. P., gave the mission in Faith, S. D., and the retreat to the students of Sacred Heart Academy, Springfield, Ill., Retreats were conducted by Rev. D. A. Wynn, O. P., for the Sisters of Mercy, Chicago, and for the men of St. Pius' Church, Chicago. He also gave the missions in Ramona, Carthage and Iroquois, S. D.

Rev. R. F. Larpenteur, O. P., S. T. Lr., preached the mission in the Church of the Resurrection, Dayton, Ohio, April 8-22, and with Father Mulvey, the mission in St. Benedict's Church, Evansville, Ind., April 29-May 13. Father Larpenteur conducted the mission also in Morgantown, W. Va., March 11-25.

The Forty Hours' devotion in St. Rose Church, Detroit, April 1-3, was given by Rev. W. D. Sullivan, O. P. Father Sullivan preached the mission in St. Mark's Church, Gary, Ind., May 6-13, and the novena in honor of St. Theresa, in St. Columbkille's Church, Cleveland, Ohio, May 14-22. The Forty Hours' devotion in St. Aloysius' Church, Liverpool, Ohio, April 22-24, was conducted by Father Hughes.

The retreat for the Novices and Postulants of the Dominican Sisters of St. Mary of the Springs, Columbus, Ohio, was under the direction of the Very Rev. D. J. Kennedy, O. P. Rev. W. R. Bonniwell, O. P., gave the mission in St. Joseph's Church, Tyler, Texas, April 15-22, and the mission in Abbeville, La., April 29-May 6.

The Tre Ore services were conducted in the following churches of Detroit: St. Ambrose, by Father Burnell; St. Cecilia, by Father Sullivan; St. Rose, by Father Mulvey; St. Clement, by Father Larpenteur; St. James, by Father Dooley; and St. Stephen's Church, Hamilton, Ohio, by Father Hughes. The Passion sermon was preached at Sts. Charles, Am-
bros and Cecilia's Churches, all of Detroit, by Fathers Burnell, Mulvey and Sullivan. The Holy Week services, the Tre Ore, Good Friday night sermon and Easter services were conducted by Father Cahill, at St. Raymond's Church, Providence, R. I.; by Father Martin, at St. Louis Bertrand's Church, Louisville, Ky.; and by Father Bonniwell, at St. Peter's Church, Memphis, Tenn. Father Hughes assisted at the Louisville Cathedral on Easter Sunday.

In the chapel of the House of Studies on May 4, Rt. Rev. Thomas J. Shahan, D. D., raised to the subdiaconate Rev. Bros. Reginald Smith, Clement Kearney, Fabian Bever, Lawrence Bernard, Bernard Walker, Gregory O'Connor, Jordan Dillon, Matthew Hanley, Leo Carolan, Ralph McCaffrey, Innocent Reardon, Nicholas Walsh, Joseph McLaughlin, Emmanuel Nugent, Berchmans Affleck, Dionysius Gilligan, Camillus Boyd, Mannes McDermott, Matthias Heffernan, Alexius Driscoll, Adrian Manning, Norbert Connell, Hilary Mulcahy and Aquinas McDermott. On the same day His Lordship conferred the first two minor orders on twenty-eight members of the community, and ecclesiastical tonsure on three members. Orders were conferred also on that day and the following day on members of other communities.

The mission in St. Mary's Church, Royal Oak, Mich., March 25-April 1, was under the direction of Fathers Burnell and Mulvey. Father Mulvey with Father Sullivan gave the mission in St. Thomas' Church, Zanesville, Ohio, April 15-29, and with Father Martin the mission in St. Paul's Church, Lexington, Ky., May 13-27.

On March 7 the annual public exercises in honor of St. Thomas Aquinas were conducted at the House of Studies, Washington, D. C. "The Theory of Relativity," "The Friendship of St. Thomas," and an Original Composition, "Utrum Divus Thomas fuerit vere mitis et humilis corde," were the titles of three papers read by Rev. Humbert Kane, O. P., Rev. Bros. Cyril Dore, O. P., and Henry Schmidt, O. P. Hymns by the Students' double quartette and selections by the orchestra were interspersed. For the Solemn Disputation, "Utrum infideles compellendi sint ad fidem," the affirmative was defended by Bro. Leo Carolan, O. P., with Bro. Jordan Dillon, O. P., objector. Many guests were present from the various houses associated with the Catholic University.

During the year from June 1, 1927, to June 1, 1928, the Western Mission Band conducted sixty missions, fifty-five retreats, thirteen Forty Hours' devotion, three novenas and three tridua. The Fathers received one hundred fourteen converts into the Church, and had thirty first communicants. The total attendance at the various exercises was fifty-eight thousand four hundred ninety-three persons. Holy Communion was administered to one hundred seventy-nine thousand seven hundred forty-five persons.

FOREIGN CHRONICLE

On February 20, Very Rev. Reginald M. Schultes, O. P., S. T. M., was called to his eternal reward. Father Schultes had been a professor of theology in the Collegio Angelico and was dean of the faculty of theology.


The President of the Republic of Peru has announced officially the intention of the government to erect a great basilica in honor of St. Rose of Lima, in Lima, the capital of the Republic.

Our Dominican brethren of Portugal have returned to Portugal from exile and have taken possession of their convent in Coimbre.

According to most recent statistics the membership of the Order numbers five thousand seven hundred forty-three. The Order has three cardinals, twenty-seven bishops, three thousand one hundred forty-three priests, one thousand ninety-six students, three hundred forty-eight novices and one thousand one hundred thirty-six lay-brothers.

The Cause for the Canonization of Blessed Louis Mary Grignon de Montfort, Tertiary of St. Dominic, has been resumed by the Sacred Congregation of Rites.

The Province of Canada has been entrusted by the Sacred Congregation of the Propaganda with the Diocese of Hakodate, Japan. This territory has but two thousand seven hundred Catholics out of a population of four million seven hundred-thousand inhabitants.

**SISTERS’ CHRONICLE**

**Servants of Relief for Incurable Cancer (Hawthorne, N. Y.)**

A *Special Report* of the new, fire-proof Rosary Hill Home, which was dedicated on Rosary Sunday, 1927, by His Eminence, Patrick Cardinal Hayes, D. D., Archbishop of New York, has been recently published by the Servants of Relief for Incurable Cancer among the Poor. The report announces the closing of the building fund with the close of the year 1927, and contains the receipts and expenditures, together with some fine pictures of the beautiful, Spanish mission style Home, exterior and interior, which will interest friends in the heroic work. The Sisters are indeed grateful to all benefactors, whose donations made the long desired building a reality.

**Dominican Sisters of the Perpetual Rosary (Milwaukee, Wis.)**

The May Procession and Solemn Crowning of our Blessed Mother were held at Perpetual Rosary Convent on Sunday, the 6th of May, with Rev. J. D. Walsh, O. P., of the Dominican House of Studies, River Forest, Ill., officiating. Previous to the services the beautiful new statue of Our Lady of the Rosary, a gift of a generous benefactor, was unveiled and blessed. The May devotions brought the largest gathering of the faithful ever present for services conducted at the convent.

During the month of May the community was blessed with four postulants; two of the young ladies were from Milwaukee and two from Chicago.

**St. Joseph College and Academy (Adrian, Mich.)**

The students of the institution made their annual retreat during the first week of May under the able direction of Rev. J. G. Hishen of Chicago. About forty young ladies from Dominican schools outside the city came to the Academy to take advantage of the exercises.
Misses Catherine Muldary of Adrian and Marie Ouilette of Detroit have been chosen as delegates to represent St. Joseph's at the Sodality Convention in St. Louis next August.

Commencement exercises will take place on the 12th of June. The Right Rev. Michael J. Gallagher, D. D. Bishop of Detroit, will present the diplomas to the forty-seven graduates. The commencement address will be delivered by Dr. James J. Walsh of Fordham University.

**Congregation of the Holy Cross (Brooklyn, N. Y.)**

The beautiful ceremony of reception was held on Easter Monday at Queen of the Rosary Convent, Amityville, N. Y., the novitiate of the Congregation, when twenty-three postulants were clothed in the holy habit of St. Dominic, after a ten days' retreat given by a Dominican Father.

Very Rev. Msgr. Joseph V. S. McClancy, Superintendent of Schools of the Diocese of Brooklyn, recently visited the novitiate and addressed the normal school students on the aim and purpose of the diocesan school system.

Twenty-six novices are preparing for their holy profession which will take place on the 5th of July.

On the 25th of April twelve Sisters of the Congregation solemnized the Silver Jubilee of their profession day.

**Corpus Christi Monastery (Menlo Park, Calif.)**

Easter Monday the Nuns of the Holy Order of Preachers took formal possession of their new Monastery of Corpus Christi at Oak Grove Avenue, Menlo Park, Calif. The magnificent structure, begun on the 6th of June, 1927, after many difficulties experienced in purchasing a suitable tract of land in a congenial neighborhood, now stands as an imposing monument to the perseverance and zeal of the Dominican Nuns. Holy Mass for the occasion was celebrated by Very Rev. A. L. McMahon, O. P., S. T. M., ex-Provincial, who also delivered the sermon. Father McMahon briefly traced the glorious history of the Second Order of St. Dominic, emphasizing the work, sacrifice, prayer and devotion of the Nuns and stressing the fact that the presence of such a body of religious women was a blessing to the locality and the archdiocese. Twenty-five Dominican Fathers of the Holy Name Province and a large representation of the diocesan clergy were seated in the sanctuary during the services. Many Sisters of St. Dominic from missions in various sections of the Bay counties were also present for the formal opening. After the Holy Mass the visitors went through and inspected the massive building and were thoroughly impressed with the beauty of its architectural design. Late in the afternoon the Most Rev. E. J. Hanna, D. D., Archbishop of San Francisco, officiated at Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament, thus closing the services of the formal opening.

The new picturesque monastery is the culmination of a long and cherished desire of His Grace, Archbishop Hanna, to have a community of cloistered Dominican Nuns of Perpetual Adoration in his diocese. The Nuns feel very grateful to His Grace and to Father McMahon, O. P., who since 1910, has worked with untiring efforts for the accomplishment of the Archbishop's wish, and who has been the counsellor and chief supporter of the community since its arrival at the temporary monastery at 1090 Eddy St., San Francisco, in 1921.
The death of Rev. Mother Mary Dominic, O. P., occurred at St. Catherine Hospital, Kenosha, Wis., on the 14th of February after a long and faithful life spent in the service of God. Mother Dominic entered the Dominican Order at Siena Convent, Drogheda, Ireland, sixty-five years ago. After her profession she was sent to a mission in Portugal where she labored until 1910, when she came to the United States and established the community at Kenosha. She played a noble part during the trials and struggles of the first hard years in a strange land. Rev. Father D. A. Wynn, O. P., assisted by Father Bernhard Burant, chaplain, officiated at the funeral ceremonies and preached an impressive sermon on the exemplary life of Mother Dominic, stating that she was one of whom the Order could be proud. May her soul rest in peace.

On Easter Monday, the 9th of April, Sister Mary Laurentia, O. P., passed to her eternal reward in the twenty-eighth year of her age and fourth year of her religious profession. Sister Laurentia was born in Ruthland, Mass., but while a child was taken to Ireland by her parents and remained there until six years ago when she returned to America. After reception at St. Catherine Novitiate, she was sent to St. Bernard Hospital, Chicago, to study nursing and graduated last June. Immediately after the completion of her course of training her health failed. Last September Sister was sent to Holy Rosary Hospital, Ontario, Oregon, to regain her health but all human skill was of no avail and she gradually lost her strength. Her heroic patience and other manifestations of sanctity during her painful illness endeared her to all the Sisters. The funeral services were held at the hospital chapel where the Right Rev. Joseph F. McGrath, D. D., Bishop of Baker City, Oregon, assisted by Rev. Joseph Schmitt, S. M., of Nampa, Idaho, and Rev. H. A. Heagney, chaplain of the hospital. Bishop McGrath paid a touching tribute to the innocence and purity of the saintly life of Sister Laurentia, known in the world as Miss Kathleen Lehane. Eternal rest grant unto her O Lord.

Immaculate Conception Convent (Great Bend, Kansas)

At the semi-annual reception held on the 20th of March, the Feast of Blessed Ambrose of Siena, O. P., eight postulants received the habit of St. Dominic in the chapel of the Immaculate Conception. Rev. Francis Lorenz, C. SS. R., preached the ten days' retreat preparatory to the ceremony. The Right Rev. Augustus J. Schwertner, D. D., Bishop of Wichita, officiated at the investiture and preached an eloquent and inspiring sermon. The Solemn Mass for the occasion was celebrated by Rev. Anthony Hermann of Fowler, assisted by Rev. J. J. Butler of Seward and Rev. Thomas O'Brien of Larned. Rev. J. J. Davern of Great Bend acted as master of ceremonies. The postulants clothed in the habit were: Miss Agnes Hartman (Sister Beatrice) of Clonmel, Miss Margaret McCoy (Sister Jane Marie) of Wichita, Miss Ida Steinke (Sister Geraldine) of Fowler, Miss Marcella Hussman (Sister Carmelita) of Fowler, Miss Helen Martin (Sister Constance) of Mt. Hope, and Miss Grace Miller (Sister Norberta) of St. Catherine. Fifteen members of the diocesan clergy were present in the sanctuary during the reception. The friends and relatives of the Sisters filled the chapel to its capacity.

The annual graduation exercises of St. Rose Training School for Nurses were held on the 20th of March. Following an elaborate dinner in honor of the graduating class at which the Right Rev. Bishop, accom-
panied by representatives of the clergy of the diocese, and the physicians of the hospital staff with their wives were guests, the exercises were conducted in the auditorium of the new west wing of St. Rose Hospital. Dr. Morrison, head of the staff of physicians, presented the class and in his speech complimented the graduates upon the high standard of their preparatory work and emphasized the worth of the hospital and the efficiency and thoroughness of its course of training. Bishop Schwertner presented the diplomas to the graduates and in a fitting address congratulated the nurses on the completion of their training and admonished them to be ever faithful to their profession and its teachings.

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


The Sisters of the community have added the village of Sunol to their missions for weekly class in Christian Doctrine. There are thirty-six children enrolled there at present.

On the 12th of April the Right Rev. John B. MacGinley, D. D., Bishop of Monterey-Fresno, Calif., honored the convent with a visit. Rev. Father J. D. O'Brien, O. P., pastor of St. Mary Magdalene Parish, Berkeley, Calif., also was a guest of the community for a few days in April.

Very Rev. C. M. Thuente, O. P., P. G., spent about a week at the motherhouse in April, during which time he delivered a series of conferences to the Sisters on the life of St. Catherine of Siena. Father Thuente was present for the May Procession of the Children of St. Mary-of-the-Palms and preached an appropriate sermon on the virtues of the Blessed Virgin, which was greatly appreciated by the children.

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

*The Lord of Death*, a religious drama by Marguerite Allatto de la Freye, translated by Louis Parker, was presented at the College by the Dramatic Club under the direction of Miss Madeline Downes Carroll on the 11th of March, and at St. Joseph's Cathedral Parish House, Hartford, Conn., under the auspices of the Hartford Council of Catholic Women, on the 18th of March. The audience on each occasion was greatly impressed with the theme and action of the lenten drama and the histrionic ability displayed by the players in the cast.

Frederick Paulding, Litt. D., gave a dramatic recital of *The Ring and the Book* by Robert Browning at the Little Theatre on the 22nd of April.

The first public appearance of the College Glee Club was witnessed by a large and enthusiastic audience in the auditorium on the 15th of May. Miss Margaret Speaks, lyric soprano, assisted the Glee Club with a program of Oley Speaks' songs. Miss Speaks is a niece of the well-known composer.

Many friends of the institution were present for the beautiful May Procession, which wound its way from the campus of Imelda Hall to Our Lady's Bower, campus of Rosary Hall, where the Solemn Crowning of the new statue of Our Lady, Patroness of Catholic Womanhood, took place on the 27th of May. The statue is the gift of Mr. and Mrs. James T. Hallinan of New York City.
Commencement Week will be observed from the 10th to the 14th of June.

**Foreign Mission Sisters of St. Dominic (Maryknoll, N. Y.)**

The Maryknoll Sisters in South China, mindful of the need of native religious women, are laying the foundations of a Chinese sisterhood. Several native aspirants for the religious life are now being trained at the Maryknoll Hong Kong Convent. When conditions permit the Sisters to again reside in the interior of China, the novitiate for native Sisters will be established at Kongmoon, the center of the Maryknoll Kongmoon vicariate. The new Chinese sisterhood will not be exclusively for the Kongmoon Mission, but will be also at the service of other mission superiors in South China.

Sister Mary St. John (Miss Alice Brown of Holyoke, Mass.) died at the Maryknoll Convent on the 19th of March after a short illness. Sister St. John received the degree of Bachelor of Arts from Mt. Holyoke College in 1907, and for several years taught mathematics and French in the Holyoke High School. She was received into the Congregation of the Foreign Mission Sisters of St. Dominic in 1922. At the time of her death, she was assistant to the Mother General. In addition to the duties of this office, she was engaged in the editorial department of the *Field Afar*, the official organ of the Catholic Foreign Mission Society of America. May her soul rest in peace.

At a reception and profession ceremony, which was held at the Maryknoll Convent on the Feast of St. Catherine of Siena, twenty-nine postulants received the habit of the Congregation and thirty-three novices made their first vows. On the same day, a number of Sisters renewed their vows and several took final vows. Among the postulants to receive the habit was a Chinese girl from Hong Kong. Very Rev. D. J. Kennedy, O. P., S. T. M., preached the retreat in preparation for the event.

**St. Catherine Academy (Springfield, Ky.)**

Very Rev. J. P. Aldridge, O. P., S. T. M., ex-Provincial, prior of St. Rose, conducted the ten days’ retreat preparatory to the Feast of St. Thomas Aquinas.

On the 6th of March, Rev. Cyril Coudeyre, O. P., chaplain, received nineteen postulants to the holy habit and presided at the ceremony of profession on the 7th of March. The sermon for each occasion was delivered by Father Aldridge, O. P.

Sister Mary Basil celebrated the Silver Jubilee of her religious profession on the 7th of March at Sacred Heart Academy, Watertown, Mass. The sixtieth anniversary of the profession of St. Hyacinth Peters was observed at St. Agnes Academy, Memphis, Tenn., on the 25th of March.

The Congregation mourn the loss of Sister Leonarda Kline, who died at Spalding Academy, Spalding, Neb., on the 28th of March. Requiescat in pace.

The annual retreat for the students of the Academy of St. Catherine was preached by Rev. J. B. Hughes, O. P., from the 26th to the 30th of April.
Sacred Heart Academy (Springfield, Ill.)

On the 21st of December, four students of Kenrick Seminary, St. Louis, Mo., were ordained in Sacred Heart Chapel by Right Rev. James A. Griffin, D. D., Bishop of Springfield, Ill., assisted by Very Rev. Msgr. A. E. Giusti, D. C. L., Vice Chancellor of the diocese and chaplain of the Academy. Following the ceremony a dinner was served to the newly ordained and their friends.

Since February, Sister Mary Teresa, O. S. D., Sister Aniceta, O. S. D., and Sister Ruth Marie, O. S. D., were called to their eternal reward. Requiescant in pace.

Sister Mary Reginald Condon, O. S. D., recently celebrated her Golden Jubilee at the motherhouse at Springfield. Solemn Pontifical Mass was sung for the occasion by His Lordship, Bishop Griffin. Many visiting clergy assisted in the sanctuary. The convent chapel was filled to its capacity with Sisters and relatives of the jubilarian. Sister Reginald received the papal benediction sent to her by the Holy Father, Pope Pius XI.


During the month of March, Mr. Louis H. Wetmore, K. S. C. M. G., a Dominican Tertiary and celebrated literary critic, gave an inspiring lecture on “Catholic Womanhood” at the Academy.

Misses Pauline Bushu and Willamine Brennan, students at the Sacred Heart Academy, received first prizes in their respective divisions in the Annual Music Contest held within the past month at Springfield.

The annual retreat for the students was conducted this year by Rev. William R. Mahoney, O. P., of the Western Mission Band, from the 31st of March to the 4th of April.

Many relatives of the students and friends of the institution enjoyed the excellent program given by the Academy orchestra on the 15th of April.

Congregation of St. Mary (New Orleans, La.)

The New Orleans School of Speech and Dramatic Art recently presented four one-act plays for the benefit of the College Building Fund.

A most interesting lecture on the Jesuit Foreign Missions was delivered lately by Rev. P. A. Ryan, S. J., at St. Mary College. The students responded enthusiastically and generously to the mission appeal.

The Sisters of the faculty of St. Mary’s sent representatives to the Annual Louisiana State Music Teachers Association, which was held in the city during April.

Silvio Scionti of the American Conservatory of Music, Chicago, Ill., and Stell Andersen of New York City, were among the famous artists heard in recital at the College during the spring months.
The *Times-Picayune* of New Orleans bestowed the highest encomium upon Miss Claire Carey winner of the biggest News Contest ever held by the paper. The contestants were students of all the high schools of New Orleans. Miss Carey graduates from the High School of St. Mary this year.

The feast day of the great Dominican Saint, Pope Pius V, also the feast day of the Reverend Mother of the Congregation, was anticipated on the 4th of May. The Dramatic Art Club, College Orchestra and College Glee Club united in presenting an excellent program in honor of the day. High Mass of the feast was celebrated on the 5th of May by Very Rev. M. Martin, O. P., pastor of St. Anthony Church, New Orleans. Rev. C. Mumcha, O. P., Rev. A. Fernandez, O. P., Rev. G. Andree, Rev. J. Roth, Rev. J. O’Donohue, S. J., and the Right Rev. Msgr. L. J. Kavanaugh, along with a large number of Sisters from local missions were present for the celebration. The orchestra of Our Lady of Lourdes Parochial School rendered a splendid program in honor of Mother Pius, thus concluding the day’s festivities.

Sister M. Elizabeth, who has been attending the School of Sciences at the University of Wisconsin, will receive the degree of Master of Science on the 4th of August. Sister Elizabeth's dissertation, scholarly and scientific in every respect, won the praise and approval of her major professor, who has sent the thesis to the American Chemical Society for publication in its official journal.

**Mount St. Dominic (Caldwell, N. J.)**

Rev. Benedict Dionne, O. P., of St. Antoninus Parish, Newark, N. J., delivered the February conference to the novices of St. Dominic's, the motherhouse and novitiate. The April conference was preached by Rev. Edward L. Spence, O. P., also of St. Antoninus Parish.

From the 28th of March to the 7th of April, Rev. Q. T. Beckley, O. P., of the Eastern Mission Band, conducted a retreat for the novices and postulants.

Missionary Sisters of Our Lady of Africa visited the Mount on the 26th of March and gave a stereoscopic lecture on their labors in the African Missions.

In connection with the annual Mission Week, a mission poster contest was held in the colleges and schools of the diocese. The contest was won by Miss Jean Blanche, a student of St. Dominic's Academy. The poster was on display in all the churches and schools of the diocese from the 12th to the 20th of May. The second prize was won by Miss Margaret Crowther, a pupil of Lacordaire School, which is conducted by Sisters of the Congregation at Montclair, N. J.

A piano and violin memory recital was rendered by the pupils of the Academy on the 21st and 22nd of April and won the praise and admiration of the large audience present on each occasion.

The annual retreat for the student body of Lacordaire School was conducted by Rev. John C. McClary, Chancellor of the Newark Diocese.

**St. Cecilia Academy (Nashville, Tenn.)**

St. Cecilia Dramatic Club upheld its splendid record for acting of unusual finish, when it presented a light comedy entitled, *Brees Point*, on the 25th of April before a large assembly in the auditorium.
Pre-commencement entertainments began at the Academy with a bridge luncheon, given in honor of the senior class by the class of '28 of St. Bernard's Academy on the 12th of April at the Hermitage Hotel. On Saturday, the 12th of May, the City Circle of the International Federation of Catholic Alumnae entertained the graduates at tea. A Junior-Senior dinner and social was held at the Richland Club the same day. *The Day We Graduate*, a commencement play by Father Lord, S. J., was presented by the seniors on the 1st of June.

The music department presented Misses Anna Marie O'Brien and Margaret Keegan in a piano recital during the month of May. Both young ladies displayed a mastery of technique and artistic finish, which did great credit to their instructors and themselves. A general music expression recital took place at the Academy on the 25th of May.

Commencement Exercises were held on Tuesday morning, the 4th of June, in St. Cecilia Convent chapel at ten o'clock. The Right Rev. Alphonse J. Smith, D. D., Bishop of Nashville, presided at the exercises and presented the diplomas to the graduates. Many of the diocesan clergy and a large number of relatives were present for the ceremonies.

The solemn celebration of the Feast of St. Pius V, the great Dominican Pope, was observed on the 7th of May at St. Cecilia Convent. As part of the program in honor of the day, which was also the feast day of the Reverend Mother, the pupils of the elementary department presented an artistic production, *The Garden Cinderella*.

**Congregation of Our Lady of the Sacred Heart (Grand Rapids, Mich.)**

During Holy Week the Rev. William McIntyre, O. P., conducted the exercises of the annual retreat for the Sisters at Marywood.

News of the death of Sister M. Pelagia Douglass, on the 28th of March, came as a shock to the Sisters of the community. Sister Pelagia had been teaching within two weeks of her death, which followed an operation. The many expressions of sympathy from Sister's former pupils were indicative of the high esteem and devotion which they entertained for her, whom the community knew to be an earnest, gifted and generous daughter of St. Dominic.

In response to an invitation from the Administrative Staff of the University of Notre Dame, Sister M. Marcelline will assist again in the department of Biology during the summer session of 1928. Sister Marcelline will give a course in General Botany and one in Cytology and Histology.

There is a continuing demand for copies of *Wings*, an anthology of poems for children between the ages of five and ten, which was prepared several months ago by two Sisters of the Congregation, Sister M. Estelle and Sister M. Fabian.

*The Memoirs of Mother Mary Aquinata*, written by Sister M. Philomena, A. M., appeared for the first time in May. It is a sympathetic, scholarly presentation of a truly beautiful life. Mother Aquinata was the foundress of the Congregation of Our Lady of the Sacred Heart. She was the first novice to be received by Mother Augustine Newhierl at Holy Rosary Convent, Second Street, New York City, and was one of the first six Dominican Sisters to come to Michigan in 1877. Those who knew Mother...
Aquinata will be glad to know that the days and deeds of this valiant religious woman are being preserved for the encouragement and edification of others.

Sister M. Henrica and Sister M. Bernadette celebrated the Silver Jubilee of their profession on the 19th of May at Sacred Heart Convent.

**Dominican Sisters of the Perpetual Rosary (Summit, N. J.)**

Rosary Shrine at Summit, N. J., was the scene of an edifying spectacle on Sunday, the 6th of June, when a countless throng of Rosary pilgrims, far greater than any previous gathering (estimated in the neighborhood of fourteen-thousand souls) congregated on the beautiful lawns of the monastery for the annual May Pilgrimage and Procession to assure Our Lady of the Rosary of their love, to thank her for countless and marvelous favors received and to solicit additional proofs of her powerful intercession. The pilgrims, hailing from cities in New York State, Pennsylvania, Montana, Canada, and from the neighboring towns of New Jersey, began to arrive at the Shrine early in the day.

Devotion commenced at three-thirty o’clock. The enormous procession, lead by a cross bearer and acolytes, included little boys dressed in Dominican habits, young girls in white carrying banners representing the Fifteen Mysteries of the Rosary, the Little Flower Club (prominent among were members of the New York Post Office), followed by the vast multitude of Rosary pilgrims carrying lighted candles and the beads, reciting aloud as they marched the fifteen decades of the Rosary. Members of the Holy Name Society of St. Agnes Church, Brooklyn, N. Y., marshaled the procession and guided the recitation of the beads throughout the line of march. Very Rev. D. R. Towle, O. P., P. G., chaplain at the Shrine, officiated at the ceremonies and preached an inspiring sermon on the love and devotion due to Mary, the Mother of Jesus. A number of letters, selected from the thousands received from Rosarians describing remarkable favors and cures granted through the advocacy of the Queen of the Most Holy Rosary, were read by Father Towle. Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament, followed by the Papal Benediction cabled for the occasion by His Eminence, Cardinal Gasparri, Secretary of State to His Holiness, Pope Pius XI, terminated the services.

After the services, relics were applied to the large number of invalids brought to the Shrine in automobiles. Before leaving the grounds, many of the pilgrims joined with the Holy Name Society of St. Agnes Parish in making the Stations of the Cross and in visiting the chapel, where a replica of the Winding Sheet that wrapped the Body of Our Lord is kept. “The replica is the only one on this side of the Atlantic, there being but one other in the world.”

**Mount St. Mary-on-the-Hudson (Newburgh, N. Y.)**

The new Chapel of Mount St. Mary-on-the-Hudson, Newburgh, N. Y., the third unit in the group of Tutor-Gothic buildings constructed this year at Greater Mount St. Mary, was solemnly dedicated on the 19th of May by the Right Rev. John J. Dunn, D. D., V. G., Bishop Auxiliary of New York, assisted by a number of religious and diocesan clergy. Following the dedication a Solemn Pontifical Mass was celebrated by his Lordship. The sermon was delivered by the Very Reverend Raymond Meagher, O. P., S. T. Lr., Provincial, who, with an earnestness and directness that made his words impressive, outlined the history of the Congregation of the Most Holy Rosary from the departure of the pioneer Sisters from Ratisbonne seventy-
five years ago to the administration of the present Reverend Mother General, Mother M. Blanche, under whose direction the Greater Mount has arisen. In a masterly manner, the preacher made a plea for Catholic education—an education of body, soul and mind—and urged an appreciation and cultivation of things spiritual, in order that the personal reflection of God in oneself might be manifest.

A reception and dinner was tendered to the clergy and lay guests by the Sisters after the services. In addition to the Reverend Father Provincial, the following Dominican Fathers were present for the ceremonies: Rev. John A. Jordan, O. P., who acted as subdeacon at the Mass; Rev. Dominic Dolan, O. P., S. T. Lr., Rev. Clement Donovan, O. P., Rev. James H. Foster, O. P., S. T. Lr., and Rev. A. D. Freney, O. P., Ph. D.

At a private ceremony, on the 18th of May, The Right Reverend Bishop consecrated five altars of the new chapel, including the main altar, side altars and the altars of the shrines.