



# CLOISTER + CHRONICLE



## ST. JOSEPH'S PROVINCE

**Note:** The activities of the Province have grown so widespread and numerous that it is becoming increasingly difficult to chronicle even a portion of them. In the future, therefore, it will be the policy of DOMINICANA to record only the more important items of general interest.

**Sympathy** The Fathers and Brothers of St. Joseph's Province extend their prayers and sympathy to the Rev. W. A. O'Connell, the Rev. D. B. McCarthy, and the Rev. F. D. Alwise, on the death of their fathers; to the Rev. G. G. Conway, and the Rev. J. J. McIsaac, on the death of their mothers; to the Rev. C. C. McGonagle, on the death of his sister.

His Excellency, the Most Rev. John T. McNicholas, O.P., Archbishop of Cincinnati, pontificated at the Requiem Mass in the Cathedral of SS. Peter and Paul, Detroit, for the Most Rev. Michael J. Gallagher, Bishop of Detroit.

**The New Staff** The new DOMINICANA staff wishes to congratulate the retiring management: Brother Sebastian Carlson, Editor; Bro. Brendan Larnen, Associate Editor; Bro. Donald McMahon, Literary Editor; Bro. Raphael Gillis, Associate Literary Editor; Bro. Luke Schneider, Cloister Chronicler; Bro. Gabriel Schneider, Chronicler for Dominican Sisterhoods; Bro. Urban Corigliano, Business Manager; Bro. Maurice Conlon, and Bro. Andrew Fleming, Circulation Managers.

The new staff is composed of Bro. Philip Hyland, Editor; Bro. Mark Barron, Associate Editor; Bro. Joseph Molloy, Literary Editor; Bro. Chrysostom McDonald, Associate Literary Editor; Bro. Bertrand Nieser, Cloister Chronicler; Bro. Celestine Taylor, Associate Cloister Chronicler; Bro. Clement Nagle, Chronicler for Dominican Sisterhoods; Bro. Ambrose Fitzpatrick, Business Manager; Bro. Valerian Reichart, Associate Business Manager; Bro. Arnold Morrison, Bro. Alphonsus Turzick, and Bro. Pius Wilson, Circulation Managers.

Congratulations are also due to Bro. William Curran, who has had charge of "The Dominican Calendar" in the past year. His successor is Bro. Leo Regan.

**Cloistral Changes** Since the last issue of DOMINICANA the Very Rev. J. B. Walker, assistant archivist of our province of the Order, was elected Prior of Immaculate Conception Convent, Washington, D. C. The Rev. J. B. Taylor, and the Rev. W. P. Alger, have been appointed Vice-Rector and Treasurer respectively of Aquinas College High School.

The following assignments have been made: the Very Rev. Justin McManus, to Sacred Heart Rectory, Jersey City; the Rev. E. A. Baxter, pastor of Holy Name Rectory, Kansas City, Mo.; the Rev. J. H. Foster, pastor of St. Mary's Rectory, Johnson City, Tenn.; the Rev. W. H. Olson,

and the Rev. A. C. Therres, to St. Thomas Aquinas Convent, River Forest, Ill., the latter as Procurator; the Rev. M. N. Connell, to St. Dominic's Church, Youngstown, Ohio; the Rev. E. B. Leary, to St. Peter's Rectory, Memphis, Tenn.; the Rev. R. W. Byrnes, to St. Dominic's, Denver, Colo.; the Rev. L. A. Arnoult, to St. Rose Priory, Springfield, Ky.; the Rev. E. C. La More, to Immaculate Conception Convent, Washington, D. C.; the Rev. J. A. Simones, to Fenwick High School, Oak Park, Ill.

Among the Laybrothers, Brother Vincent Wild, has been assigned to St. Antoninus Priory, Newark, N. J.; Brother Angus McFarland, who made profession of simple vows on December 24 at St. Thomas Aquinas Convent, River Forest, Ill., has been assigned to the House of Studies in Washington, D. C.

#### Cloister Visitors

His Excellency, the Most Rev. J. E. McCarthy, D.D., Bishop of Portland, Maine, was a guest at the Immaculate Conception Convent, Washington, D. C., on Wednesday, January 13. His Excellency addressed the Theological Students.

Thursday evening, February 4, the Very Rev. B. C. Werner, Vicar Provincial of the Dominican Missions in China, gave an illustrated lecture, at the Dominican House of Studies, Washington, D. C.

Dr. Herbert Schwartz, Professor of Music at the University of Chicago, and Dr. Jerome C. Kerwin, Dean of the School of Social Science at the University of Chicago, lectured last December at the House of Studies, River Forest, Ill.

#### In Our Schools

Aquinas College High School, Columbus, Ohio, has one of the largest enrollments of lay students in its history. Twenty-five of the students are enjoying the benefits of the National Youth Administration Student Aid Program.

They are working on several projects profitable to the school under the direction of the Fathers of the faculty.

#### With Our Professors

A lecture series consisting of five free public lectures on "Current Social Problems," under the auspices of the Thomistic Institute of Providence College, was delivered in the main auditorium of Harkins Hall, by the Fathers of the Providence College Faculty. This series of lectures began on December 6, and was completed on January 10.

A series of seven lectures on the same subject was conducted at Pittsfield, Mass., by the Fathers of Providence College. During the Lenten Season another series of lectures dealing with "Catholic Social Action," is being given at Providence College.

The Rev. D. M. Galliher, of Providence College, was chosen a member of the executive committee of the National Conference of Church-Related colleges.

The Rev. Ignatius Smith, dean of the School of Philosophy, at Catholic University, was elected vice-president of the American Catholic Philosophical Association.

The Rev. V. C. Donovan, on Monday night, February 8, began a series of five lectures on the Liturgy, in the lower church of St. Vincent Ferrer's, New York City.

The Rev. C. J. Kearney, of the House of Studies, Washington, D. C., is giving a course in Psychology at Dumbarton College.

The Rev. W. H. Kane and the Rev. H. T. Sparks, represented the House of Studies, River Forest, Ill., and the Rev. Ignatius Smith and the Rev. J. R. Slavin, represented the House of Studies, Washington, D. C., at the recent convention of the Catholic Philosophical Association held at the Hotel Sherman in Chicago.

The Rev. J. J. McLarney, has been invited to prepare a series of five sermons on the Blessed Sacrament to be delivered over the Nation-Wide Program of the Catholic Hour, following the completion of the series already in progress.

On December 22, the Rev. L. C. Gainor, pastor of St. Dominic's Church, Youngstown, Ohio, attended the executive committee meeting of the Secondary School Department of the National Catholic Education Association, held in Chicago. Father Gainor was president of Fenwick High School, Oak Park, Ill., for six years.

The Rev. R. E. Vahey, was present at the investiture ceremony of Right Rev. Thomas J. McDonnell, national director of the Society for the Propagation of the Faith, who was invested as a Domestic Prelate by His Eminence Cardinal Hayes, Sunday, January 10.

The Rev. C. L. Davis, last February 10-14 conducted the retreat for the priests at Catholic University, Washington, D. C.

The Rev. T. G. Kinsella is conducting an Introduction to Philosophy course at Rosary College, River Forest, Ill.

The Rev. F. J. Baeszler, the President of Fenwick High School, Oak Park, Ill., spoke on the radio at the Midday Service Program of station WGN, Chicago, during the week of January 11.

The Rev. J. J. Dillon, President of Providence College, spoke at the annual banquet of the La Salle Academy Alumni Association, held at the Naragansett Hotel, Providence, R. I., Jan. 31.

The Rev. L. E. Nugent, of Fenwick High School, Oak Park, Ill., on Jan. 30, read a paper entitled "Added Facilities for Going to Confession in Our High Schools and Colleges," at a meeting of the Moderators of CISCA.

The Rev. J. J. McLarney spoke to the members of the Catholic Poetry Society of Chicago on the "Poetry of St. Thomas Aquinas," Monday, Feb. 8.

### **Catholic Thought Association**

The aim of the Catholic Thought Association is to take the doctrines of St. Thomas Aquinas, expressed in his *Summa Theologica*, and apply them in a practical way to modern day problems.

At the new National Headquarters of the Catholic Thought Association, 34 East 61st Street, New York, a series of twenty lectures on "The Pursuit of Happiness," is being given by the Rev. W. R. Farrell. These lectures are given on Friday evenings. The series began November 6 and will continue till the middle of May.

The Rev. L. C. McCarthy recently completed a series of fourteen lectures on "Ethics" at the National Headquarters of the Catholic Thought Association. This course was divided into General, Business, Family, and Governmental Ethics. The lectures were delivered on Monday evenings.

The Rev. V. C. Donovan recently completed two series of lectures at the National Headquarters. The one series of lectures entitled "Roots and Branches," was intended to give a sound intellectual foundation in Catholic principles. The other series, entitled, "Liturgy," treated all the general phases of the Liturgy.

The Very Rev. Peter O'Brien, is conducting a series of lectures on "Thomistic Ethics," under the auspices of the Catholic Thought Association, at the Calvert Club Library, Chicago, Ill. These lectures began February 3 and will continue until May.

The Rev. G. C. Reilly is delivering a series of lectures of the Catholic Thought Association, at Nazareth College, Nazareth, Ky.

The Rev. J. J. McLarney, is conducting a series of lectures at Fenwick High School, Oak Park, Ill., on "Ethics and Current Moral Problems."

The lectures began January 8 and will continue on successive Fridays until March 19.

The Rev. J. R. Slavin, is conducting at the Williard Hotel, Washington, D. C., a series of ten Thomistic Lectures, sponsored by the Catholic Thought Association. The nature of this course is of a general introductory character, in order that the foundations of Thomistic thought as regards the social, political, and moral nature of man may be established. The lectures began January 10 and will continue until May. Father Slavin is also giving a series of Thomistic Lectures at Princeton University. This course began February 14 and will continue until April 25.

**The  
Blackfriars'  
Guild**

The aim of the Blackfriars' Guild is to teach Catholic Doctrine by way of the drama and the theatre. The Guild strives to teach a moral, a lesson, a virtue, which underlies each play it produces.

As a result of a Blackfriars' play, presented at the Catholic University last summer, the "Institute of Dramatic Arts," of which the Rev. E. U. Nagle is Director, was begun at the Catholic University.

The following courses are to be given during the coming Summer Session of the "Institute of Dramatic Arts," at the Catholic University: Organizing and Directing the Little Theatre; Organizing and Directing the Adolescent Theatre; Directing the Children's Theatre; Set Design, Construction, and Lighting; Stage Make-up; Playwriting; The History of the Drama.

The Providence Chapter of the Blackfriars' Guild presented last January two one-act plays in Guildhall, Providence, R. I. Last December the same Chapter presented in Guildhall, Providence, R. I., a three-act play entitled, "When the Red Army Marches"; in Harkin's Hall, Providence, R. I., a three-act play, entitled, "The World Waits." And last February the Providence Chapter presented another three-act play, entitled, "The Whiteheaded Boy."

The Louisville Chapter presented at the Columbus Auditorium last December, a three-act play entitled, "The Joyous Season;" and last February the same Chapter presented at Mercantile Hall, "Catherine the Valiant."

The Washington Chapter presented last December at St. Paul's Auditorium "The Joyous Season"; and last February, "The Divorce Question."

**Holy  
Name**

Sunday, January 10, 1937, the Very Rev. T. S. McDermott, Provincial of St. Joseph's Province, spoke to the Holy Name Societies of the country over the nation-wide hookup of the Columbia Broadcasting System on "The Holy Name Society and the Future."

**Queen of  
The Rosary**

At St. Dominic's Church, Washington, D. C., the first novena of Holy Hours in honor of Mary, Queen of the Rosary, closed Thursday evening, December 3. The following Thursday evening, December 10, a second Novena of Holy Hours in honor of Mary, Queen of the Rosary began, with the Very Rev. E. G. Fitzgerald as preacher.

During the Lenten season, the solemn Holy Hour at St. Vincent Ferrer's, New York, will include the Rosary Novena, the perpetual Novena in honor of St. Vincent Ferrer, and a special series of sermons based on the petitions of the Our Father.

**St. Jude**

The Very Rev. J. W. Owens and the Rev. J. B. Hughes conducted the Novena to St. Jude Thaddeus, January 24-February 1, at St. Pius Church, Chicago, Ill.

The Very Rev. J. B. Walsh, conducted a Novena to St. Jude Thaddeus at St. Dominic's in Detroit, Michigan.

**Blessed  
Martin**

Devotions in honor of Blessed Martin are held every Tuesday at 4 and 8 p. m. at the Blue Chapel of the Dominican Sisters of the Perpetual Rosary, Union City, N. J.

The Rev. E. L. Hughes gave the opening series of fifteen talks on the mysteries of the Rosary and Blessed Martin, at Blue Chapel Shrine.

The Rev. E. L. Hughes is conducting a series of fifteen radio talks, entitled "The Rosary and Blessed Martin," over Station WLWL, on Friday nights at 7 o'clock. The radio series began January 1.

The Rev. J. C. Kearns is preparing the first American life of Blessed Martin de Porres.

**Western  
Band**

The Fathers of the Western Mission Band, under the Rev. L. L. Farrell, have the following schedule during the Mid-Winter and early Spring:

*Missions:*

Chicago, Ill., Holy Cross Mission—for the unemployed.

Chicago, Ill., St. Thomas of Canterbury Church.

Chicago, Ill., Holy Angels Church.

Kensington, Chicago, Ill., St. Anthony's Church.

East Dubuque, Ill., St. Mary's Church.

Cicero, Ill., Our Lady of the Holy Mount.

Sterling, Ill., St. Mary's Church.

Chicago, Ill., Holy Rosary Church (Italian).

Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada, St. Mary's Cathedral.

Chicago, Ill., St. Anselm's Church.

Chicago, Ill., San Callisto's Church (Italian).

Abilene, Kansas, St. Andrew's Church.

Kenosha, Wisc., St. James' Church.

*Novenas:*

St. Louis, Mo., Our Lady Help of Christians Church.

Champaign, Ill., St. Mary's Church.

St. Louis, Missouri, Annunciation Church (Ave Maria Shrine).

Oak Park, Illinois, St. Giles' Church.

*Forty Hours:*

Waukegan, Ill., St. Anastasia's Church.

*Retreats:*

Milwaukee, Wisc., Dominican Sisters of the Perpetual Rosary.

St. Louis, Missouri, St. Mark's High School (girls retreat).

*Tre Ore:*

Chicago, Ill., St. Brendans' Church.

Chicago, Ill., St. Pius' Church.

*Special Sermons:*

Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada, St. Mary's Cathedral.

Chicago, Ill., St. Brendan's Church.

Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada, St. Mary's Cathedral.

**Third  
Order**

On January 17, the Rev. E. L. Hughes preached at the Third Order Regional Meeting held at St. Antoninus' Church, Newark, N. J. He spoke on "The Rôle of the Dominican Tertiary in the Catholic Program for Peace."

Last December the Rev. E. L. Hughes organized the first Chapter of Colored Tertiaries in this country in Harlem, New York City. He spoke

at the Colored Laymen's Communion Breakfast, January 17, held at the Harlem Y.M.C.A.

### China

On February 19, 1937, the Very Rev. B. C. Werner, the Vicar Provincial of the Dominican Missions in China, along with the Revs. A. L. Scheerer, B. H. Scheerer, and J. E. Hyde, sailed on the *Empress of Canada* for the Mission fields in Fukien, China. Solemn departure services for these four Dominican missionaries were held Thursday night, February 11, at St. Vincent Ferrer's Church, New York City.

### Other Activities

The new St. Thomas Aquinas Church, located at 3 Burton Woods Lane, Avondale, Cincinnati, was formally dedicated Sunday afternoon, December 20. His Excellency, the Most Rev. John T. McNicholas, O.P., Archbishop of Cincinnati, officiated at the ceremony, assisted by the Very Rev. J. W. Owens and the Very Rev. J. P. Aldridge, as deacons of honor. The Very Rev. T. S. McDermott, Provincial, was present for the dedication.

A new three-story Sisters' convent for St. Dominic's parish, Youngstown, Ohio, is being erected. It is expected to be ready for occupancy by September 1.

### A Tribute

At the Seventeenth Annual meeting of the American Catholic Historical Convention in Providence, R. I., last December, the Secretary, Msgr. Peter Guilday, paid tribute to the late Rev. Charles M. Daley, and characterized his death as a real loss to Catholic historical scholarship.

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## SISTERS' CHRONICLE

### Albertus Magnus College, New Haven, Conn.

The President and the Registrar attended the annual meeting of the Association of American Colleges in Washington, D. C.

On February 8, the College had the honor of welcoming Father B. C. Werner, Vicar Provincial of the American Dominican Missions in China. His informal illustrated lecture was most interesting and instructive.

Members of the Italian Club were invited by the Italian Club at Yale University to take part in *La Dolce Vita* by Farpenella. The play will be presented early in March.

On March 6, the New England regional meeting of the Students' Federation of the Catholic Association for International Peace, under the joint sponsorship of Providence College and Albertus Magnus, will be held here.

The Social Science Club will send representatives to the Model League of Nations at Harvard University and Radcliffe College on March 12 and 13. Albertus is to represent Rumania in the various committee meetings of the League.

The annual meeting of the Vocational Guidance Organization of Connecticut teachers is scheduled for April 3 at the college.

### Monastery of the Blessed Sacrament, Detroit, Mich.

On January 13, 1937, the late Most Rev. M. J. Galligher, D.D., presided over the canonical election of the Prioress. Mother Mary of the Infant Jesus, O.P., was elected to the office for a second term of three years.

### **Corpus Christi Monastery, Menlo Park, Calif.**

Under the guidance of Mother Prioress the nuns have translated into English, *Chez les Dominicaines du Grande Ordre*, a book which was released by the Dolphin Press, Philadelphia, under the title *The Dominican Nuns in Their Cloister*. It is an excellent and attractive volume that will be welcomed by all those who are interested in the hitherto hidden life and work of the Cloistered Dominican Nuns. The last three chapters are devoted to a history of their foundation in this country.

### **Sacred Heart Convent, Houston, Texas**

Forty Hours' Devotion in the Mother House Chapel on December 29, 30 and 31, in preparation for the New Year was conducted by the Basilian Fathers Nigh, Murphy and Higgins.

January 2, 1937, Mass was offered for the community by a newly-ordained Basilian, Father Wey, who received his early education in All Saints Parochial School under the direction of the Dominican Sisters.

His Excellency, the Most Rev. Christopher Byrne, D.D., LL.D., paid a visit to the community January 5, 1937.

The High School Department of Saint Mary's School, Port Arthur, conducted by the Dominican Sisters, has been formally recognized by the County School Board. The school has a registration of about one thousand pupils.

The Dominican Sisters of St. Mary's School, Taylor, received the pleasant news that their pastor, the Rev. Theodore Drees, had been chosen Chaplain of the Texas Senate, the first Catholic priest to be so honored in this State.

The Bible Study Class conducted by the Mother Chapter of the Dominican Alumnae at Sacred Heart Academy, Galveston, resumed its meetings with a greatly increased membership this year. The weekly lecture course on the Liturgy, conducted by the Rev. T. T. Cronin, and sponsored by the Alumnae, has been resumed and great interest is manifested by the increased attendance at these lectures.

A number of the Dominican Sisters, teaching in Galveston, Houston, Beaumont, and Port Arthur, are continuing courses under the professors from the University and from the State Teachers' Colleges.

### **Congregation of St. Thomas Aquinas, Marymount, Tacoma, Wash.**

On December 29, 1936, Sister M. Baptista and Sister M. Evangela celebrated the Silver Jubilee of their profession. High Mass was celebrated by Rev. Joseph F. Brennan, Chaplain. The musical program was rendered by the Sisters' choir.

Rev. V. F. Palmer, O.P., conducted a Triduum, prior to the ceremony of the final profession January 29. Sister M. Aquinata, Sister M. Patrick, Sister M. Consolata, and Sister M. Carmella made their final vows.

### **Monastery of Perpetual Rosary, Syracuse, N. Y.**

The Novena in preparation for Christmas opened on December 16 with daily exercises in the afternoon and evening, and was very well attended. The Midnight Mass on Christmas was celebrated by W. P. Doane, O.P., and the Mass was sung by the Rosary Shrine Girls.

### **Congregation of St. Mary, New Orleans, La.**

The Seventy-Sixth Anniversary of the coming of the Dominican Sisters to New Orleans coincided with the patronal feast of the Prioress of St. Mary Convent, Sister M. Elizabeth Englert. A gala celebration was

held. Mass and Benediction were offered to give praise to God for His blessings. The Dramatic Orchestra, and Glee Clubs collaborating, a delightful and artistic program was given in the College Auditorium.

Rev. C. O'Meara, S.M., recently a guest of the community gave an illustrated lecture on "Missionary Life in the Solomon Islands."

A delegation of Sisters (Mother Catherine, Sisters M. Berchmans, Kevin, Anthony, Theodosius, and Marae) attended the Commemorative Exercises in honor of the Silver Jubilee of Consecration of His Excellency, Most Rev. John M. Laval, D.D., auxiliary Bishop of New Orleans.

Rev. Father Carault of Barcelona, a Chinese Missioner, guest of the local Spanish Dominican Fathers, addressed the Faculty and the Student Body on "The Actual and True Conditions in Spain," and revealed the falsity of the stories of the press. Having been a friend of the former Master General Father Paredes, O.P., and having been acquainted with Father Noval, O.P., both known and revered by all Louisiana Dominicans, Father Carault's talk had a special interest for his listeners.

#### **Mother House and Novitiate, Caldwell, New Jersey**

Monthly Conferences on the Vows were given by Very Rev. M. L. Heagen, O.P.

Rev. J. B. Rooney, chaplain, recently offered Mass in the convent chapel for the intention of the members of St. Dominic's Guild. A Communion breakfast followed.

Seton Hall College Extension Courses are being followed by many members of the community.

#### **Convent of St. Catherine, Racine, Wisconsin**

Rev. J. S. Considine, O.P., of the Dominican House of Studies, Washington, D. C., conducted the annual retreat during the Christmas recess.

The Very Rev. C. M. Thuente, O.P., was the guest of the community the first week in January.

#### **Saint Clara Convent, Sinsinawa, Wisconsin**

Three Sisters of Saint Dominic from Sinsinawa conduct a school for negro children in the mission parish of Blessed Martin of Porres, Columbia, South Carolina. One hundred and ten children are enrolled in the school, of whom only ten are Catholics. On Christmas morning these negro children devoutly sang the Mass of the Angels. His Excellency, Bishop Emmet Walsh of Charleston, S. C., recently paid a visit to the school and was greatly pleased with the work of the Sisters under the direction of Father Weiland, O.P.

Sister M. Benvenuta, O.P., of Rosary College, has received from Paris the bound copies of her Doctor's thesis *Gustave Planche*, required by the University of Fribourg, Switzerland.

Sister M. Aurelia, O.P., received her degree of Doctor of Philosophy from the University of Wisconsin, her major subject being Medieval and Modern History.

The Faculty of Rosary College are continuing during the scholastic year 1936-37 the program of Education for Leisure which was inaugurated two years ago. From three hundred to four hundred adult students have registered for the different courses of lectures given in the evenings, and all manifest great interest and appreciation of the work.

The lectures and conferences, given to the students and faculty of Saint Clara Academy by Mr. Arnold Lunn in early December, were of unusual value both from the viewpoint of literature and religion.

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

Sister M. Aquin, O.P., led the discussion of "Catholic Effectiveness in the Teaching of English," at a recent meeting of representatives from the Catholic colleges in Michigan held at the University of Detroit. Sister delineated the main features of the new course in Freshman English being given this year for the first time at Catholic Junior College, Grand Rapids, Mich. The special characteristic of the course is the series of lectures and readings on Christian culture which form the basis for the work in writing. This course is the first unit in the Integration program for students at Catholic Junior College, which is under the direction of the Dominican Sisters.

**Convent of the Immaculate Conception, Chicago, Ill.**

The Home of Our Lady of the Rosary for Convalescents, was opened in Justice, Ill., by the Polish Dominican Sisters whose Motherhouse and Novitiate are located at 3609 N. Kedvale Ave., Chicago, Ill.

The Sisters also conduct a Day Nursery and attend the sick in private homes. They have established in America the League of Mary, Queen of the Most Holy Rosary, to foster devotion to the Mother of God. Already membership in the league is widespread throughout the country.

On March 18, the Sisters will commemorate the fiftieth anniversary of the death of their saintly Foundress, Mother M. Columba Bialecka.

**Dominican Nuns of the Perpetual Rosary, Catonsville, Md.**

The Holy Hours on Thursday evenings from December 10 to February 4 were offered for the extinction of Communism. The Nuns' Choir sang at the Requiem Mass offered on December 14 for the repose of the souls of the deceased relatives, friends, and benefactors of the community. The following day a Mass was offered for all the living friends and benefactors. On Christmas eve the entire Divine Office was sung followed by three Masses at midnight. December 31, after the Holy Hour and all day January 1, there was Exposition of the Most Blessed Sacrament to make reparation for the outrages offered our Divine Lord during this season. January 3, the Feast of the Holy Name, Solemn High Mass was sung by the Rev. Leonard Henry, O.F.M., of Mt. St. Sepulchre, Washington, D. C. January 5, St. Mary's Industrial School Boys under the direction of the Rev. Bro. Edward Joseph sang the Mass. There was Solemn Benediction after Mass. February 7, the Rosary Pilgrimage was conducted by the Rev. Francis G. Driscoll, assistant at St. Bernard's Church, who preached and concluded the service with Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament.

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

The Feast of the Epiphany was the twenty-fifth anniversary of the arrival of the future Maryknoll Sisters at the tiny center for foreign mission work begun by the late Bishop James A. Walsh and Father Frederick Price in Westchester County, New York. On February 14, the seventeenth anniversary of its final approval by Rome, the community numbered 455 professed Sisters, 59 Novices, and 16 Postulants.

Rose, onetime abandoned Loting baby, was recently received into the Mary Immaculate Novitiate at Kongmoon, South China. Fifteen years ago, as little Mooi, Rose was the first child to be rescued and baptized by Father McShane of Maryknoll and was reared in the Loting orphanage under the care of the Sisters.

Under the direction of the Rev. Robert Cairns, M.M., Pastor at

Sancian, the Maryknoll Sisters are opening a mission house on this island where St. Francis Xavier died. The work will be chiefly with the women and is being initiated by two Sisters who have already lived some time in China. Because of its isolation and poverty and the fact that its folk have been reluctant to accept and slow to learn the truths and ways of Christ, Sancian is a particularly and peculiarly difficult mission territory.

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

The year 1937 witnesses the eighty-fourth anniversary of the founding of the Dominican Order of Nuns in Brooklyn.

On January 1, His Excellency, the Most Rev. Thomas E. Molloy, D.D., Bishop of Brooklyn, visited the Novitiate House of the Order at Amityville and officiated at Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament.

The following young ladies entered the Novitiate as Postulants on February 2: Misses Grace Smith, Elizabeth Flanagan, Frances Lindsay, Helen Curl, Margaret M. Rogers, Anne Weber, Anna Spejenskowski, Mary Downey, Dorothy Halliday, Concetta Amplo, Rita Cannon, Margaret Lipp, Anna Parente, and Anna Schwint.

#### **St. Catharine's Convent, St. Catharine, Ky.**

Rev. B. C. Werner, O.P., Vicar Provincial of the American Dominican Missions in China, gave the Sisters and Novices an evening's entertainment by showing his pictures of China and relating some of his experiences there. A few days later Father Werner addressed the students of the Academy and College, telling them much of interest concerning China and the mission work. Both Sisters and students greatly appreciated Father Werner's visits and lectures.

The three Dominicans lately assigned to mission work in China, Fathers A. L. Scheerer, B. H. Scheerer and J. E. Hyde were entertained at St. Catharine's before they left Kentucky to make preparations to sail from the United States.

Sister M. Michael and Sister Aquinata passed examinations at Catholic University, Washington, D. C., in January and completed the work required for the Ph.D. Degree. Sister M. Michael majored in English, and Sister Aquinata in History.

#### **Immaculate Conception Convent, Great Bend, Kan.**

For the celebration of Rev. Mother's feast day, December 8, two High Masses were celebrated and the Blessed Sacrament was exposed until noon. In the afternoon a musical program was rendered by the students of Holy Family High School.

Sister M. Maurice, O.P., B.S., represented the Training School at a meeting of Librarians at Saint Mary's College. Sister read a paper on "The Hospital Library."

Rev. T. J. Smith, O.P., Director of the Sodality at the Hospital and five delegates attended the State Convention at Halstead. Miss M. Younger of the Training School was elected State President.

#### **Mount Saint Mary-on-the-Hudson, Newburgh, New York**

On January 10, in Saint Patrick's Cathedral, New York City, the Rev. Thomas J. McDonnell, National Director of the Propagation of the Faith and Ecclesiastical Superior of the Community since the death of the Most Rev. Bishop Dunn in 1933, was invested as a Domestic Prelate by His Eminence, Cardinal Hayes, with the title of Right Reverend Monsignor. Following the investiture and the reading of the Papal Brief by the Very

Rev. Msgr. J. B. O'Reilly, National Director of the Catholic Near East Welfare Association, Msgr. McDonnell celebrated the Solemn High Mass. The Very Rev. Msgr. W. A. Griffin, National Treasurer of the Propagation of the Faith, delivered the sermon. The Cardinal, Msgr. McDonnell, and Father Hammar of the Cathedral parish, spoke briefly before a large group of Bishops, Monsignori, visiting priests, Brothers, Sisters, and laymen who filled the Cathedral.

Malton Boyce, M.M., of the Department of Music at the Catholic University, entertained the Sisters with a concert on November 30.

A Solemn High Mass, according to the Dominican rite was celebrated at midnight at Christmas in the convent chapel by Rev. F. G. Level, O.P., of Providence College.

On January 3, the Pius Tenth Liturgical Choir of Manhattanville, New York City, sang at Benediction in the chapel.

Rev. R. E. Vahey, O.P., conducted a three-day retreat for the students of the Mount, January 22-24. He aroused much interest in the cause of Blessed Martin and in the Tertiary Movement.

#### **St. Cecilia Academy, Nashville, Tennessee**

The Most Rev. William L. Adrian, D.D., Bishop of Nashville, Tenn., in order to secure a name for his new residence in East Nashville, inaugurated a contest among the girls of the Catholic High Schools of Nashville. A St. Cecilia student, Miss Margaret Burke, was the happy winner of the prize for the most appropriate name. The Bishop's home will in future be known as "Marymount-on-the-Cumberland."

Miss Irene Charters, Dayton, Ohio, entered the St. Cecilia Novitiate on January 30.

#### **The Congregation of the Most Holy Name of Jesus, San Rafael, Calif.**

The Liturgical Arts Society of N. Y. has judged the newly remodelled chapel of the Dominican Convent of San Rafael worthy of the second award in a National contest held at the end of a three years' study of the renovation of church interiors.

#### **St. Catherine Hospital, Kenosha, Wisconsin**

Very Reverend C. M. Thuente, O.P., conducted a mid-year retreat from January 8 to January 17, 1937. This Retreat, dedicated to the Holy Family, was held preparatory to the final profession of Sr. M. Bartholemew and Sr. M. Stanislaus on February 12, 1937. On December 8, 1936, Sr. Mary James made final profession at the Sacred Heart Hospital, Hanford, California.

#### **St. Catherine's Convent, Fall River, Mass.**

In November, the Community was honored by a visit of His Excellency Most Rev. Marie-Joseph Lemieux, O.P., first Bishop of Sendai, Japan.

Brother Andre, C.S.C., of St. Joseph's Oratory, Montreal, P. Q., paid a visit to the Sisters shortly before his death.

On December 8, 1936, Sister Rose-Antoinette Gravel made her first vows. The Profession was presided over by Very Rev. M. Joseph Archambault, O.P. Rev. Antonin Bissonnette, O.P., delivered the sermon.

On the feast of St. Thomas, Aline St. Denis from Plattsburg, N. Y., and Beatrice Lapalme from New Bedford, Mass., will receive the habit of St. Dominic. Two Novices from Acushnet, Mass., will make their first vows.

## OBITUARIES

On December 27, 1936, in Foochow, Fukien Province, China, Sister M. Hildegarde Sapp, O.P., died in the fortieth year of her religious profession, after an illness which lasted one month. She was the first American Dominican to die in China. For twenty years she prayed to serve God in the mission field and her request was granted on March 21, 1935, when she said farewell to her beloved Motherhouse, Saint Mary-of-the-Springs, Columbus, Ohio, and departed for China. Before her death Sr. Hildegarde had the consolation of learning of the release of her nephew, Rev. J. Clarence Burns, M.M., who had been held captive by Chinese bandits for ten months. May she rest in peace!

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During the Christmas season two Sisters of the Congregation of Saint Catharine of Siena were called to their reward. Sister Theodosia McDonald, a native of Somerville, Mass., and a professed member of the community for twenty-three years, had been teaching in East Boston, Mass., when she was stricken with heart trouble the first week in December. Brought to the Motherhouse in Kentucky for rest and treatment, she died on December 18, 1936.

Sister Regis Carraher, a native of Ireland, entered the Novitiate from Belmont, Mass., and was professed thirty-two years ago. She died of pneumonia at Waverly, Mass., on December 28, 1936. Both Sisters were buried in Saint Catharine's Cemetery. May they rest in peace!

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Sister M. Cecilia Renn, O.P., died at the Convent of the Visitation, 856 W. Garfield Blvd., Chicago, Ill., on October 12, 1936. Sister M. Coletta Lawler, O.P., died at the St. Clara Convent, Sinsinawa, Wis., on January 25, 1937. May they rest in peace!

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Sister Mary Francis Dolan, O.P., died on December 3, 1936, in the forty-fourth year of her religious profession. Sister M. Dolores Austin, O. P., died on January 4, 1937, in the tenth year of her religious profession. Both were members of the Community at Mt. Saint Mary-on-the-Hudson, Newburgh, N. Y. May they rest in peace!

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Sister M. Casper Henze, O.P., died at Marywood, Grand Rapids, Mich., on December 21, 1936, in the seventeenth year of her religious profession. She had been teaching in the Grand Rapids diocesan parochial schools until a few months before her death. May she rest in peace!

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Sister M. Regina Reuter, O.P., died at Saint Benedict the Moor Mission on December 19, 1936, in the fifty-fourth year of her religious profession. The funeral Mass was at St. Catherine's Convent, Racine, Wis. Sister Regina was superioress of Saint Benedict's School. May she rest in peace!

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Sister M. Constantia Stern died November 15, 1936, at Amityville, N. Y., in the forty-third year of her religious profession. She spent the greater part of her religious life working for orphans. Her requiem was celebrated at the Dominican Novitiate Chapel at Amityville and her burial took place in Holy Rosary Cemetery on November 18, 1936. Sister Loretta Angela Coleman passed away after a very short illness on December 22, 1936. She was a teacher in Holy Ghost School, New Hyde Park, N. Y. Her requiem was celebrated in Holy Ghost Church on December 26 and

her burial took place in Holy Rosary Cemetery, Amityville, N. Y. Sister was in the fourteenth year of her religious profession. Sister Honora Feinen passed away at Mary Immaculate Hospital January 9, 1937, in the forty-fourth year of her religious profession. She was organist and music teacher in St. Rose Industrial School for Girls at Melville. Her requiem was celebrated in the Novitiate Chapel at Amityville on January 12. She was buried in Holy Rosary Cemetery on the Novitiate grounds. May they rest in peace!

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Sister M. Dorothy Burkhard, O.P., Immaculate Conception Convent, Great Bend, Kansas, a student in the Training School, passed to her eternal reward on January 19, 1937. She was in the second year of her religious profession.

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Sister M. Lawrence Gourd departed this life on August 27, 1936. Sister Raymond Lapointe went to her eternal reward October 21, 1936. Both were members of St. Catherine's Convent, Fall River, Mass. May they rest in peace.