SAINT JOSEPH'S PROVINCE

Cloister Sympathy


Appointments

The Rev. J. S. O'Connell has been appointed Pastor of Holy Name Parish, Valhalla; the Rev. E. D. Grady has been appointed Pastor of St. Mary's Parish, Johnson City.

Provincial Procurator

The Rev. A. B. Davidson has been appointed Procurator for the Province of St. Joseph.

Tonsure and Orders

On Dec. 18, at the Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D. C., Bro. John Way received tonsure from the hands of the Most Rev. J. M. Corrigan, Rector of the Catholic University. On the following day the same Brother received the first two Minor Orders, those of Porter and Lector.

Staff

The new DOMINICANA staff for the coming year has been announced: Bros Justin Dillon, Editor; William Duprey, Book Reviews; Peter Craig, Cloister Chronicle; Regis Barron, Sisters' Chronicle; Richard Dolan, Business Manager; Anthony Ballard and Lawrence Hart, Circulation Managers; Nicholas Halligan. Dominican Calendar.

SAINT ALBERT'S PROVINCE

Cloister Sympathy

The Fathers and Brothers of the Province of St. Albert the Great extend their sympathy to Brother Valerian Flynn on the death of his mother.

Father Dugan

The Rev. F. H. Dugan, former Pastor of Holy Rosary Church in Houston, Texas, died on February 20.

Anniversary

On December 22, the Province of St. Albert celebrated its first anniversary. The Very Reverend Father Provincial delivered a sermon at the Community Mass in the House of Studies, River Forest.

Diaconate

On December 21, in the chapel of the House of Studies at River Forest, the Most Rev. B. J. Sheil, Auxiliary Bishop of Chicago, ordained the following to the Diaconate: Brothers Thomas Aquinas Dymek, Bernard Malvey, Matthias Robinson, Matthew
Cuddy, Philip Pendis, Norbert Morgenthaler, David Burke, Damian Smith, Leo Kelly, Alphonsus Dolan and Clement Johnson. The Reverend Fathers T. G. Kinsella and W. J. Curran assisted the Bishop.

On December 18, at the Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D. C., the Most Reverend J. M. Corrigan, Rector of the Catholic University, bestowed tonsure on the following theologians of the Province of St. Albert: Brothers Martin Scannell, Thaddeus Lawton, and Thomas McNicholas. On the following day these Brothers received the first two Minor Orders, those of Porter and Lector.

On January 27, 1941, the Rev. Walter Farrell addressed the students in their Common Room. The Rev. H. C. Graham also addressed the students on the work of the Holy Name Society in the Army Camps.

The Rev. P. R. Carroll has been appointed head of the Northwest Mission Band. The Rev. F. L. Vander Heyden has been appointed Pastor of Holy Rosary Church, Houston, Texas. The Rev. T. H. Dailey has been appointed Procurator of the House of Studies, River Forest. The Rev. Cyril Therres has been transferred to St. Pius Church, Chicago.

SISTER'S CHRONICLE
St. Mary of the Springs, Columbus, Ohio.

A completely equipped science building, St. Albert Hall, is now being erected on the college campus.

On February 25, Henry C. Wolfe, veteran of Town Hall in New York City and contributor to leading magazines, gave the last lecture in the Erskine Lecture Series. He discussed the question, "What Next in World Affairs?"

Sisters Frederica, Mary Lawrence, and Mercedes celebrated their golden jubilee in December, 1940. In April, 1941, Sisters Mary Andrew, Angelica and Anselma will celebrate their fiftieth anniversary.

Mother Stephanie, O.P., will send six Sisters to China in June, 1941, if foreign conditions are favorable at the time. The following Sisters have been chosen, Sisters Consilio, Dorita, Rose Agnes, Mary Martha, Corinne and Mary Kenneth.

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

Sister Mary Lucy, O.P., pronounced her first vows on December 8. The Very Rev. Monsignor M. A. Reilly presided at the ceremony.

On New Year's Day the community observed the golden jubilee of Sister M. Frederica, O.P., of St. Mary of the Springs College, Columbus, Ohio. Sister Frederica, the first Novice Mistress of the Dominican Sisters of the Sick Poor, 1910-1913, was present at the solemn Mass of Thanksgiving which marked the event. The celebrant of the Mass was the Rev. P. A. Maher, O.P., with Rev. W. D. Sullivan, O.P., and Rev. G. G. Cummings, O.P., as deacon and subdeacon.

Rev. W. D. Sullivan, O.P., preached the sermon for the occasion.
Congregation of the Most Holy Cross, Everett, Washington

In January, the Rev. A. B. Dionne, O.P., conducted a retreat at St. Dominic's Motherhouse, Everett, and presided at the profession ceremony. Sister M. Albertina, O.P., librarian of the Holy Angels Academy, Seattle, was appointed local chairman of the Oregon-Washington Regional Unit of the Catholic Library Association.

Two Sisters of Newman Hall, on the University of Washington Campus, attended the convention of the Northwest Province of the Newman Club Federation held in Portland, Oregon.

His Excellency, the Most Rev. E. D. Howard of Portland presented to the assembled students the problem, "How to Overcome Indifferentism in Catholics."


St. Cecilia Convent, Nashville, Tennessee.

The annual retreat for the students of the Academy was given by the Most Rev. William L. Adrian, D.D.

On March 7, Sister Mary Gregory Wise of Chattanooga, Tenn., and Sister Mary William McGregor of Evansville, Indiana, pronounced their first vows.

The Most Rev. William L. Adrian, D.D., was present on both occasions.

The Nashville Catholic Library Association held its monthly meeting at St. Cecilia Academy. Sister Mary Esther, O.P., of the St. Cecilia Community, is secretary of the Association.

Sisters of St. Dominic, Racine, Wis.

Sister M. Walburga Gemeinder departed this life on February 6, at the age of sixty-four in the thirty-ninth year of her religious profession.

St. Catherine's Convent has just published the revised prayerbook, the Angel of Aquino. It contains all the prayers of Saint Thomas, all his beautiful hymns in both English and Latin, the Mass in honor of the Blessed Sacrament composed by St. Thomas and a Mass in honor of St. Thomas, besides a method of assisting at Mass while saying the Rosary. The mysteries of the Rosary are correlated with three sets of meditations.

The Rev. A. C. Therres, O.P., of River Forest conducted a retreat at St. Catherine's convent during the Christmas holidays.

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

During December God called to their eternal reward three of our Sisters. Mother M. Petra, associated as pioneer principal of St. Agnes Academic School, Rockville Centre, Long Island, died at St. Agnes Convent. Sisters M. Camilla and M. Caroline were both laid to rest on Christmas Eve.

On December 13, the members of the Blessed Francis Capillas Mission Unit were given an impressive exposition of the condition of religion in Mexico by Miss Margaret McGill who cited her personal experiences during a recent sojourn in that country.

On Holy Innocents day, the novitiate entertained Rt. Rev. Monsignor George A. Metzger, Dean of Southern Long Island, with a Christmas play and pageant.
On December 30, Rev. Celestine Staab, O.S.B., gave the novices and postulants an instructive and timely talk on the liturgy of the three masses for Christmas. The feast of the Purification was the day of entrance into the convent of eleven postulants. At present the postulancy numbers thirty-six members. Twenty eight novices are preparing for profession.

**Dominican Convent, Mission San Jose, Calif.**

On November 6, Rev. G. L. Clark, O.P., gave an exposition of the Catholic view of evolution.

On November 28, Dr. Arthur Fearon, author of The Two Sciences of Psychology, lectured on Psychology. During the evening of January 10, Rev. R. E. Vahey, O.P., Editor-in-Chief of The Torch, entertained the community with a spirited talk on Blessed Martin de Porres, as well as the closely-allied racial problem of the present day in Catholic America. An inspiring conference on the present need for sanctity in religion was delivered by the Rev. Matheo Crawley-Boevey, SS.CC., on February 3.

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

Mother Mary of the Immaculate Conception passed to her eternal reward on Christmas Day, in the forty-first year of her religious profession. Sister Mary Joseph of the Sacred Heart observed the silver jubilee of her religious profession on February 6. A solemn Mass of thanksgiving was sung by the Very Rev. J. J. Jordan, O.P., assisted by the Rev. N. F. Georges, O.P., and the Rev. R. E. Vahey, O.P. The sermon was delivered by the Rev. J. A. Driscoll, O.F.M. The male choir of St. Joseph's Church, in Union City, which is in the care of the Passionist Fathers, sang at the Blessed Martin novena devotions on Tuesday, February 18.

**Sacred Heart Convent, Houston, Texas**

The Mother Prior-General, Mother M. Angela, and a number of the Sisters attended the impressive rendition of the Stabat Mater by the choir of the Holy Rosary Dominican Church in Houston. Mass offered by His Excellency, the Most Rev. C. E. Byrne, D.D. in the convent chapel and the Papal Blessing as well as that of the Apostolic Delegate, His Excellency, the Most Rev. S. G. Cicognani, on the feast of the Immaculate Conception were the joys of the golden jubilee celebration of Sisters M. Reginald Carey and M. Veronica Groome; at the same time, Sisters M. Rosalie Roessler and M. Rosalia Roessler celebrated the silver jubilee of their profession; Sister M. Clement Johnson made her simple profession and Sisters M. Benignus Galiano and M. Ceslau Bielamowicz received the habit of St. Dominic. On the feast of the Annunciation thirteen members of the community will celebrate the silver jubilee of their profession. The Very Rev. R. A. Burke, O.P., conducted the annual retreat of the High School students of St. Agnes Academy, Houston, Texas, the last week of January. The Rev. R. E. Vahey, O.P., and the Rev. C. P. Wilson, O.P., visited the Motherhouse and Novitiate. Father Vahey gave an informal talk to the Sisters and the novices urging the spread of devotion to Blessed Martin de Porres and greater interest in the circulation of The Torch. February 9, the Rev. Father Keller, M.M., gave an interesting lecture on the present day war conditions, and Father Damien's life, stressing the
method used by the Communists and the counter method of Christianity which is love as exemplified in Father Damien's heroic sacrifice.

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

On December 28, Sisters M. Ursula, Fidelma, Bonaventure, Aida, Elizabeth and Osanna celebrated the silver jubilee of their religious profession in the chapel at Marymount. In 1914, these Sisters entered the Novitiate temporarily established at Crosshaven, Co. Cork, Ireland. Since then, they have labored nobly for God's cause in this diocese, formerly Nesqually, now Seattle.

Mass for the jubilee was offered by the Chaplain, Rev. J. J. Toner. Sisters from the various missions came to offer felicitations and prayers.

Sister M. Edwardine has received her Master's degree from the University of Seattle.

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

The college's annual retreat was conducted by Very Rev. L. A. Smith, O.P.

On Wednesday, December 18, the new gymnasium was solemnly dedicated. His Excellency, the Most Rev. J. F. Rummel, Archbishop of New Orleans, presided. Rev. A. M. Townsend, O.P., acted as master of ceremonies.

Sister Mary Cecelia celebrated the twenty-fifth anniversary of her religious profession on February 14 at Paulina, La.

**Immaculate Conception Convent, Great Bend, Kansas**

On December 8, His Excellency, the Most Rev. C. H. Winkelmann, Bishop of Wichita, together with a large number of the clergy, convened for the blessing and laying of the cornerstone of the new Motherhouse now under construction. The cornerstone is a block of Silverdale stone. On the front is a seal of the Order bearing the words *Laudare, Benedicere et Praedicare*.

From December 16 to the vigil of Christmas a novena was conducted by the Rev. J. M. Smith, O.P., chaplain at the Motherhouse.

From December 29-31, the Forty Hours devotion was held in the convent chapel. By special permission from the Most Rev. Bishop, the Sisters had the privilege of nocturnal adoration of Our Lord exposed in the Blessed Sacrament.

On January 27, a Requiem Mass was sung in the convent chapel for the repose of the soul of Mother Antonina, Foundress of the community.

St. Rose Hospital and St. Catherine's Hospital were represented by delegates at the Nurses' convention of the Kansas State Sodality Union, held at St. Elizabeth's Mercy Hospital, Hutchinson, Kansas.

**Mt. St. Mary-on-the-Hudson, Newburgh, N. Y.**

In your charity remember the souls of Sister M. Immaculata Jerson, O.P., who died on November 27, in the thirty-sixth year of her religious profession, Sister Clement Marie Borel, O.P., who died on January 27, in the thirty-third year of her religious profession, and Sister M. Martha Schlenker, O.P., who died on February 6, in the forty-fourth year of her religious profession.

The Rt. Rev. Monsignor T. J. McDonnell, Ecclesiastical Superior of the community, gave at the Motherhouse a screen and radio version of the lives of the missionaries. On two occasions the Rt. Rev. William C. McGrath, Prefect Apostolic of Lishui, Chekiango, has given vivid portrayals
of life in the Orient. The Mission Unit of the Academy has profited greatly by these presentations.

His Excellency, the Most Rev. J. E. Kearney, Bishop of Rochester, visited the Mount on December 19.


**Congregation of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, Akron, Ohio**

The Rev. M. A. Murray, O.P., of St. Joseph’s Priory, Somerset, is serving in the capacity of chaplain at Our Lady of the Elms during the absence of Rev. T. J. Taylor.

The Rev. J. J. McLarney, O.P., of Columbus, Ohio, will preach the annual Holy Week retreat. The retreat will begin Palm Sunday and continue throughout the week.

Final profession of the Sisters this year will take place in the Elms chapel on the 19th of June.

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

On December 8, feast of the Immaculate Conception, the Tertiary-Perpetual Rosary retreat was made by one hundred members. The Very Rev. P. A. Ehnen, O.P., Sub-prior of the Holy Name Priory, Philadelphia, gave very inspiring conferences.

Ten new members were received and three members made profession in the Third Order.

The Rosary retreat coincided with the opening day of the Forty Hour’s Devotion held at the Shrine and the anniversary of the first Mass of the Camden community foundation.

The annual novena to Our Lady of Lourdes was conducted by the Rev. J. C. McDonough, O.P. Devotions were held in the grotto which is a replica of the grotto of Lourdes. The relic of St. Bernadette was venerated after every exercise.

The closing of the novena was marked by an impressive candlelight procession, at the evening devotions, when a statue of Our Lady of Lourdes was carried on a litter by four men, members of the Third Order of St. Dominic.

**Dominican Sisters of the Perpetual Rosary, Rome, Italy**

The annual retreat was conducted by the Very Rev. T. E. Garde, socius of the Master General.


His Eminence, Lorenzo Cardinal Lauri, the Protector of the Institute, makes weekly visits to the community.

**Congregation of the Most Holy Rosary, Adrian, Michigan**

On January 7, the Most Rev. S. S. Woznicki, Auxiliary Bishop of Detroit, presided at the investiture of eighteen young women in the habit of St. Dominic, and the profession of seventeen novices. The ceremony was preceded by a pontifical Mass celebrated by the Most Rev. E. F. Hoban, Bishop of Rockford, Ill. The sermon was preached by the Rev. E. C. LaMore, O.P., head of the department of philosophy at Siena Heights College, Adrian.

On February 4, His Excellency, the Most Rev. Amleto Giovanni Cicognani, Apostolic Delegate to the United States, dedicated the newly completed Barry College, Miami, Florida. Barry, the first Catholic college for women in Florida, is staffed by the Adrian Dominicans.