ST. JOSEPH’S PROVINCE

CLOISTER SYMPATHY


SILVER JUBILEE


CENTENARY

On May 11 and 12, St. Peter’s Church, Memphis, celebrated its centenary. On Sunday, May 11, a solemn pontifical Mass was celebrated, the Most Rev. William L. Adrian, D.D., Bishop of Nashville, pontificating. Those assisting were: Rev. Thomas F. Nenon, deacon; Rev. M. L. Kearney, subdeacon; Rt. Rev. Louis J. Kemphues, arch-priest; Very Rev. R. L. Rumaggi, O.P., and Rev. L. M. Shea, O.P., deacons of honor to His Excellency. The preacher was the Very Rev. Walter Farrell, O.P.

In the afternoon, solemn Benediction was given by the Franciscan Fathers of St. Mary’s Church, Memphis.

On Monday, May 12, the Centenary Pontifical Requiem was celebrated in the presence of Bishop Adrian, the Most Rev. E. J. McGuinness, D.D., Bishop of Raleigh, pontificating. Those assisting at the Mass were: Rev. Joseph W. Cunningham, deacon; Rev. Louis J. Janesko, subdeacon; Rev. Anthony G. Kraf, C.P.P.S., arch-priest; the Very Rev. Leo A. Arnoul, O.P., and Rev. Robert H. Grant, O.P., deacons of honor to His Excellency, Bishop McGuinness; Rev. John Schnell, O.F.M., and Francis J. Tighe, S.S.J., chaplains to His Excellency, Bishop Adrian. The preacher was the Very Rev. William R. Lawler, O.P.

VISITOR

On May 9, the Very Rev. Silvestre Sancho, O.P., Rector of the Pontifical University of St. Thomas, Manila, visited the Students in the House of Studies, Washington, D.C., and gave a very interesting talk on conditions in the Orient and in Spain. Most interesting of all was his account of his discovery of the body of Father Paredes, the martyred Dominican of Spain, former Master General of the Order.

GOLDEN JUBILEE


The following Brothers received subdeaconate on June 7 at the Subdeaconate National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington: Brothers Justin Dillon, Peter Craig, Anthony Ballard, Joseph Ryan, John Way, Maurice Robillard, William Duprey, Regis Barron, Francis Kelly, Lawrence Hart, Richard Dolan, and Nicholas Halligan.
On Sunday, May 25, in the chapel of the House of Studies in Washington, Brother Chrysostom Curran was ordained to the priesthood by the Most Rev. Michael J. Keyes, S.M., D.D.

On Thursday, June 5, in St. Dominic's Church, Washington, the following Brothers were ordained to the priesthood by the Most Rev. Michael J. Curley, D.D.: Augustine Gately, Bertrand Soeldner, Albert Rossetti, Raymond Maloney, Louis McQuillan, Jordan Reicher, Edward Dominic Garry, Valerian Lucier, Timothy Quinlan, Pius Sullivan, and Hyacinth Conway.


At 3:30 P.M. on the same day there was a regional Convention of the Third Order of St. Dominic, presided over by the Very Rev. T. S. McDermott, O.P., Provincial of the Province of St. Joseph. An address of welcome was given by the Rev. R. E. Vahey, O.P., National Director of the Third Order; the Preacher was the Rev. J. J. McElravey, O.P., President of Aquinas College High School, Columbus, Ohio. Solemn Compline was sung by the Novices from St. Rose Priory, Springfield. Solemn Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament was celebrated by the Very Rev. Peter O'Brien, O.P., Provincial of the Province of St. Albert.

On Monday, May 19, there was a Solemn High Mass of Thanksgiving celebrated by the Very Rev. William R. Lawler, O.P. Father Lawler was assisted by the Rev. Damian Grady, O.P., National Director of the Third Order; the Preacher was the Rev. F. J. Baeszler, O.P., Pastor of St. Patrick's Church, Columbus, Ohio.

On Tuesday, May 20, there was a Solemn High Memorial Mass celebrated by the Rev. Francis P. Gorman, O.P., of the Church of St. Peter's, Memphis. Father Gorman was assisted by the Revs. G. B. Connaughton, O.P., and D. T. Chang, O.P. The Preacher was the Rev. William D. Sullivan, O.P., Director of the Central Mission Band.

The following Fathers have volunteered as chaplains with the U.S. Army and have been called to active duty: Fr. T. M. Smith, O.P., assigned to Camp Eustace, Virginia; Fr. J. A. Fleming, O.P., on duty at Fort Monmouth, New Jersey; Fr. J. A. Sullivan, O.P., on duty at Camp Thomas, Kentucky.

On March 7, the House of Studies was raised to dignity of a Studium Generale with the Very Rev. H. W. Kane, O.P., as Regent of Studies and the Rev. T. M. Sparks, O.P., as the Bachelor of Studies.

The Rev. F. A. Fox, O.P., of the Province of St. Albert, is observing the silver jubilee of his ordination to the priesthood.

On May 10 and 11, the following received the First Tonsure and the first two Minor Orders from Bishop O'Brien: Brothers Raul Diaz, Jerome McMullen, Vincent Whalen, James McHatton, Fabian Larcher, and Edward Conley.
On May 11, the following received the Subdeaconate at the House of Studies: Brothers Gerald Masterson, Victor Nadeau, Dominic Brady, Michael Dempsey, Eugene Klueg, George Forquer, Leonard Curtiss, Joachim Hagan, Stephen Redmond, Bede Van Buren and Charles Hayes.

On June 7, in the Chapel of St. Thomas Aquinas Priory, the Most Rev. Samuel A. Stritch, D.D., Archbishop of Chicago, elevated the following to the priesthood: Thomas Aquinas Dymek, Bernard Malvey, Matthias Robinson, Matthew Cuddy, Philip Pendis, Norbert Morgenthaler, David Burke, Leo Kelly, Damian Smith and Clement Johnson.

On March 24, Mother M. Amanda passed to her eternal reward. Mother Amanda, together with our Foundress, Mother Pia, and her companion Mother Selesia, came West to establish the foundation of our Congregation in 1876. May her soul rest in peace.

On April 5, the Philosophy class under the direction of Rev. J. M. Agius, O.P., gave a symposium on “Happiness According to Thomistic Principles.”

Sister M. Louise and Sister M. Redempta represented our Congregation at the meeting of the National Catholic Educational Association which was held at New Orleans, April 16-18.

Sister M. Dolorosa and Sister M. Alberta attended the meeting of the Mothers General of the Dominican Congregations in the United States, held at Caldwell, New Jersey.

Mother Mary Joseph, O.P., the present and first Prioress General, returned to the Motherhouse on April 24 after an official visitation of the Maryknoll convents in the Orient. During her visitation the Mother General visited China, Japan, Philippines and Hawaiian Islands.
Dominicana

At the first General Assembly of the newly-organized Catholic Education Association of the Philippine Islands, Sister Mary Caritas McCabe of Worcester, Mass., was elected Vice-President and is now serving on the Board of Governors arranging for the association's first convention to be held in Manila during the month of May.

Sister Mary Colman of Wilkesbarre, Pa., and Sister Miriam Thomas Thornton of Waterloo, Iowa, both members of the Faculty of Maryknoll Normal College, Manila, P. I., received the degree of Master of Arts from the University of Santo Tomas, Manila.

Sister Virginia Therese Johnson of Brooklyn, N. Y., a member of the Faculty of Maryknoll High School, Honolulu, has written a history of Hawaii, which is to be used in the five schools taught by Maryknoll Sisters in Hawaii.

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

On March 9, Sister Clara Marie, pronounced her first vows. Sister Maureen and Sister Mary Mercedes made their final Profession and two Sisters renewed their vows. The Very Reverend Monsignor Michael A. Reilly presided at the ceremony.

Saint Catharine Junior College, St. Catharine, Ky.

Sister Theresa Webb departed this life on Jan. 25, the fifty-sixth year of her religious profession.

At the beginning of the second semester a three-day retreat for the students of the Junior College and the Academy was conducted by Rev. W. D. Sullivan, O.P.

The sisters in Washington, D. C., have moved to the new house of studies recently built at 1215 Otis Street, N.E. The new building, modern in every way, will afford increased facilities for study at the Catholic University not only to the sisters of St. Catharine, but to other sisters from communities which do not have residence in Washington.

Forty hours' Devotion conducted by Rev. J. C. Coudreye, O.P., was held at St. Catharine beginning Sunday, May 11.

At the Commencement Exercises which will take place on Tuesday, June 10, diplomas will be awarded twenty-seven graduates of the Junior College and fifteen of the Academy. Rev. R. G. Ferris, O.P., will be the Commencement speaker.

Plans are being made for a six-weeks' summer school at St. Catharine, beginning June 20.

The annual May fete, traditionally presented on the campus, will be held on Sunday, May 18.

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

Rev. F. N. Wendell, O.P., Associate Editor of THE TORCH, conducted the Easter Retreat at Queen of the Rosary Academy.

The Novitiate was honored by a visit from Rev. W. D. Sullivan, O.P., and Rev. P. P. Walsh, O.P., of St. Louis Bertrand Priory, Louisville, Ky.

Last month twenty-five sisters celebrated their twenty-fifth anniversary in God's service, and three golden Jubilarians are being honored this month.

The Community was represented at the Conference of the Superiors of the Dominican Sisterhoods held at Caldwell, N. J. After the Conference we had as our guests Rev. Mother M. Aloysius, Prioress General, and Sister Gabriel, Novice Mistress, of Great Bend, Kansas.

The recent guest speakers at the monthly meetings of the Blessed Francis Capillas Mission Unit established in the Novitiate House, were Rev. William Farrell, Chaplain of the Seamen in Brooklyn, Rev. Patrick Toomey, M.M., recently of China, and Miss Irene Komora of the New Institute of Social Order founded by Rev. John S. Delaney, S.J.

The Community mourns the loss of Sisters Anacleta, James Marie, Meinrada and William Joseph. May God grant them eternal rest.
Sacred Heart Convent, Houston, Texas

The feast of the Annunciation was the occasion of a threefold ceremony, the Silver Jubilee celebration of thirteen Sisters, the profession of five novices and the reception to the habit of six postulants.

At six o'clock, a High Mass was offered by Rev. J. W. Conway, O.P., for the following Jubilarians: Sisters Miriam McMillan, Ursula Murphy, Adeline Tierney, Juliana Gully, Brendan Thompson, Agatha O'Keefe, Edmund Kelley, Anthony O'Donoghue, Grace Hughes, Stephena Zagst, Raymond McGettrick, Therese O'Regan, and Anselm Cominsky.

At eight-thirty, the Most Rev. C. E. Byrne, D.D., LL.D., celebrated Mass after which Profession and Reception took place. The sisters who made their first Profession were: Sisters Chrysostom Miller, Thomas Aquinas Coburn, Justin Farineela, Thomasine Evans, and Edwardo Daly. The postulants who received the habit were: Sisters Consuella, Marjorie Rogers; Rose Mary, Dolores Perusina; Marietta, Barbara Fletcher; Mary Daniel, Elizabeth Greger; Mary Raphael, Mary Rose Bordages; Mary Joseph, Margaret Roach.

On March 26, the Rev. J. P. McCarthy celebrated High Mass in the Convent Chapel for his aunt, Sister Mary Grace and the other twelve Jubilarians.

The Mother Priorress General, Mother M. Angela and the Assistant, Sister Mary Agnes, attended the Conference and Retreat of the Mothers General of the Dominican Communities held at Caldwell College, Caldwell, New Jersey.

Sisters M. Perpetua, O.P., M. Carmel, O.P., Loyola, O.P., attended the Convention of the National Catholic Educational Association held at New Orleans April 15 to 19.

A Dominican pupil of Sacred Heart Academy, Galveston, Ann Marie Hubbell, won the State prize of the Essay Contest sponsored by the Catholic Daughters of America.

St. Catherine Convent, Fall River, Mass.

The following celebrated their silver jubilee: Sisters M. Dominica, M. Villana, M. Frances, M. Antoine, M. Emilie.

Sister Gertrude and Sister Flore-Aimee pronounced their first vows; Sister M. Aline and Sister Raymond-Beatrice, their final vows.

Very Reverend Mother M. Joseph, Priorress General, accompanied by Rev. Mother M. Madeleine, Vicaress General, attended the 5th Conference of the Mothers General of the Dominican Sisters of the United States at Caldwell College, Caldwell, N. J.

St. Mary of the Springs, Columbus, Ohio

On Easter Monday, His Excellency, Most Reverend James J. Hartley, presided at the Solemn Mass commemorating the Golden Jubilee of Sisters Mary Andrew, Angelica and Anselma. The Bishop imparted to the Jubilarians and to the entire Community the Apostolic Blessing received from Pope Pius XII.

Sisters Aloyse and Maryanna attended the National Catholic Educational Association recently held in New Orleans. The latter, at the request of Rev. William R. Kelly of New York City, lead in the discussion of the paper of Dr. Donald Connors of Fordham University.

Mother Stephanie and Sister Aquin attended the Conference of the Dominican Mothers General held at Caldwell.

Sister Antoninus Roche died March 12, in the sixty-seventh year of her religious profession. Sister Mary Gilbert Gaffney died March 19 in the fifth year of profession. R.I.P.

Dominican Sisters of the Perpetual Rosary, Camden, New Jersey

On Sunday, April 27, the semi-annual Retreat for the Tertiaries was con-
ducted by the Rev. J. S. Moran, O.P. The Rev. A. C. Tierney, O.P., of Holy Name Church, Philadelphia, gave the Conferences. About one hundred members made the Day’s Retreat. Eight new members were received and seven members made profession in the Third Order.

The Annual Public Novena in honor of Our Lady of the Rosary of Pompei, was conducted May 3 to 11, by the Rev. J. S. Moran, O.P.

On May 4, the Ceremony of the Crowning of the statue of the Blessed Virgin took place in Rosary Glen. The statue was enshrined in a new Grotto, which has since been the center of fervent devotion for many clients of Our Lady of the Rosary. An inspiring sermon on “Mary, Our Mother” was delivered by the Rev. D. E. Casey, O.P., of St. Antoninus’ Church, Newark. Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament took place in Rosary Glen.

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

The annual retreat sponsored by the Alumnae was conducted by Rev. R. E. Kavanah, O.P.

A meeting of the Inter-Racial College Conference convened in the college auditorium. Representatives from various southern colleges and church groups participated.

The spring session of the Southern Conference of the American Philosophical Association was held in the college auditorium. The Rt. Rev. Columban Thius, O.S.B., presided. "Academic Freedom" was the subject of the paper read by Rev. Dr. Andrew Smith, S.J.

Under the auspices of the Alumnae, Rev. T. A. Townsend, O.P., conducted an open forum. The question discussed was: Does the Catholic Church approve of totalitarianism?

"Winston Churchill" by Rene Kraus was the book reviewed by Rev. R. E. Kavanah, O.P., for the literary group of the Alumnae.

Sixty-eight sisters from various Dominican congregations in the United States were the guests of the convent during the recent convention of the National Catholic Educational Association. Rev. L. C. Gainor, O.P., took advantage of the gathering to speak on the Dominican spirit.

On June 15, four sisters will pronounce their final vows, five will make first profession, and six postulants will receive the habit in the novitiate chapel at Rosaryville. Rev. T. F. Conlon, O.P., is to be the retreat master for the occasion.

*Immaculate Conception Convent, Great Bend, Kansas*

On March 20-23, the Very Rev. R. P. O’Brien, O.P., Provincial of St. Albert’s Province, honored the Community with a visit.

Sister M. Immaculata, O.P., and Sister M. Marcella, O.P., attended the Teacher-Training Conference held at the Kansan Hotel at Topeka, April 4. The meeting was called by the State Department of Education for the purpose of promoting a closer cooperation between teacher-training institutions and the State Department of Education.

Mother M. Aloysia, O.P., and Sister M. Gabriel, O.P., attended the Dominican Sisters Conference, held at Caldwell, N. J.

Delegates from the Community were present at the Diocesan Advisory Board Meeting of Sisters held at Wichita, April 26. Topics relative to recent school legislation, teachers’ certifications, and library regulations were discussed.

The Community was well represented at the Second Regional Catechetical Congress of the Province of St. Louis held at Wichita from April 29-30.

Sister M. Maurice, O.P., librarian at St. Rose Hospital, acted as Vice-Chairman at the annual spring meeting of the Wichita Diocesan Unit of the Catholic Library Association held in Wichita, May 10. Sister M. Marcella, O.P., led a discussion on “Children’s Literature for Crippled Children in Hospitals.”

His Excellency, the Most Rev. Christian H. Winkelmann, S.T.D., presented
the diplomas to the thirteen graduates of St. Rose Nursing School at the graduation exercises held at St. Rose Church on May 19.

Mt. St. Dominic, Caldwell, N. J.

From April 17 to 20 the Conference of the Dominican Mothers General was held at Caldwell College, Mt. St. Dominic, Caldwell, N. J. The retreat was conducted by the Very Rev. F. G. Horn, O.P., S.T.M., Chaplain, St. Agnes’ Convent, Sparkill, N. Y.


The officers: Rev. Mother M. Stephanie, O.P., president; Rev. Mother Mary de Lourdes, O.P., vice-president, and Rev. Mother Mary Joseph, O.P., secretary and treasurer, were succeeded by Rev. Mother M. Gerald, O.P., Rev. Mother Mary de Lourdes, O.P., and Rev. Mother M. Romana, O.P.

In 1943, the Conference will be held at Mt. St. Mary’s Convent, Newburgh, N. Y.

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

Sister Mary Martin of Jesus pronounced her perpetual vows, and Sister Mary Vincent of the Blessed Trinity her temporary vows, at a profession ceremony on April 24. The Rev. W. F. Cassidy, O.P., was delegated to preside at the ceremony. The sermon was preached by the Rev. Silvio De Luca, C.P.

The May Crowning took place in the chapel on Sunday, May 4. The Rev. E. U. Nagle, O.P., conducted the devotion and preached the sermon on this occasion.

The annual spring novena in honor of Blessed Martin was held from May 26 to June 3.

Congregation of the Most Holy Rosary, Adrian, Mich.

The Siena Heights Dramatic Guild staged three performances of their fifth annual passion play, "The Lord of Death," by Marguerite Allotte de Fuye, the first at Eastern High School Auditorium, Lansing, Michigan, on the afternoon of Sunday, March 30, and the others in the College auditorium on April 5 and 6.

On March 31 the school band of St. Philip Neri Parish, Chicago, presented a program in Walsh Hall.

The Rev. Francis Van Antwerp of St. Ambrose Parish, Detroit, celebrated a high Mass in Holy Rosary Chapel on April 23. Music was furnished by the St. Ambrose boys’ choir.

Siena Heights College and St. Joseph Academy will hold joint Commencement exercises on Tuesday, June 10. His Excellency, the Most Rev. Edward Mooney, D.D., Archbishop of Detroit, will confer the degrees and diplomas, and the Very Rev. J. J. McClarney, O.P., will give the address to the graduates.

Sister M. Laurine, O.P., of Siena Heights College, Adrian, Michigan, and Sister Regina Marie, O.P., Barry College, Miami, Florida, will attend the Seminar sponsored by the Sign Magazine at the University of San Marco, Lima, Peru, this summer.

Reverend Mother Mary Gerald, O.P., was chosen as a member of the National Panel to determine the winners of "The Sign Las Americas Medals"; one will be awarded to the citizen of Latin America who makes the richest contribution to spiritual Pan-Americanism; the other to the North American who excels in like fashion.
Sisters of Saint Dominic, Racine, Wisc.

Death has claimed two of our beloved Sisters this spring. Sister Mary Malania Schloesser, O.P., died March 4 in the twenty-third year of her religious profession. Sister Mary Monica Strobl passed into eternity on April 2 R.I.P.

Eight Sisters from the Motherhouse attended the Thomistic Course of Lectures at Racine for this scholastic year. They were given by the Rev. V. R. Hughes, O.P., of River Forest, Illinois.

A play, THE POET OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT, written by Sister M. Birgitta, O.P., for the occasion was presented as part of the program for Reverend Mother Mary Romana's feast day. Postulants, aspirants, and college girls composed the cast.

Albertus Magnus College, New Haven, Conn.

An Academic Mass, sung by the Rev. F. G. Level, O.P., chaplain of the college, opened the celebration of the feast of St. Thomas. In the afternoon, the Rev. G. A. Hinnebusch, O.P., addressed the student body on the subject of "Struggles of Thomism in the Present Day."

The crowning of the statue of Our Lady and the traditional May Day festivities took place on May 18. The sermon before Benediction was delivered by the Rev. E. M. Hanley, O.P., of the Dominican House of Studies, Washington, D.C.