



ST. JOSEPH'S PROVINCE

SYMPATHY

The Fathers and Brothers of the Province extend their prayers and sympathy to the Revs. W. J. Olson, O.P., J. C. Gunning, O.P., C. C. Andres, O.P., C. R. Alger, O.P. and W. P. Alger, O.P., J. M. Murphy, O.P., R. M. McCaffrey, O.P. and to Bro. Daniel Neilan, O.P., on the death of their mothers; to the Revs. C. V. Fennell, O.P., B. G. King, O.P. and W. C. Burke, O.P., on the death of their fathers; to the Very Rev. R. L. Rumaggi, O. P. and Rev. F. C. Foley, O.P., on the death of their sisters, and to the Most Rev. J. T. McNicholas, O.P., D.D. and to the Rev. J. V. Fitzgerald, O.P., on the death of their brothers.

MASTER GENERAL'S VISIT

The Most Rev. Emmanuel Suarez, O.P., S.T.Lr., J.U.D., arrived in New York by plane on Jan. 15 to begin his official visitation of the North American provinces. This is the Master General's first visit to this country. On the day of his arrival, in his first official act here, he conferred the degree of Master in Sacred Theology on the Most Rev. Paul A. Skehan, O.P., Procurator General of the Order. The following day Father Suarez visited the Studentate in Washington where he delivered a short allocution in Latin to the assembled Students. Later he left for New York.

On Sunday, January 18, the Master General presided at a large gathering of Nuns at Solemn Compline in St. Vincent Ferrer's church, New York City. Between five and six hundred Nuns were present. Later in the day he departed for California where he presided at the Provincial Chapter of the Holy Name Province.

After his visitation of the California province, His Paternity will travel eastward visiting the Provinces of St. Albert the Great and of St. Joseph. Later he will visit the Province of St. Dominic in Canada.

DEGREE CONFERRED

Following a Solemn Pontifical Mass celebrated in the Chapel of the Dominican House of Studies in Washington on Jan. 15 by His Excellency, the Most Rev. Amleto G. Cicognani, D.D., Apostolic Delegate, Father Suarez, Master General of the Order, conferred the degree of Master in Sacred Theology on the Most Rev. Paul A. Skehan, O.P., S.T.Lr., J.C.D., Procurator General of the Order. Fr. Skehan, who holds the second highest position in the Order, was formerly professor on the Pontifical Theological Faculty at the House of Studies. The Very Rev. T. S. McDermott, O.P., S.T.Lr., LL.D., Provincial, assisted at the conferring of the degree. The sermon during the Mass was preached by the Rev. Matthew Hanley, O.P., Master of Students. Following the conferring of the degree, the Master General addressed those present.

CONGRATULATIONS

Dominicana offers sincere congratulations to Rev. Frs. L. L. Farrell, O.P., J. D. Walsh, O.P. and H. C. Boyd, O.P., who were recently honored with the degree of Preacher General. The title was conferred because of the distinction they have achieved as outstanding

Dominican preachers. The Provincial Chapter held last October petitioned the Master General and his Council that these degrees be bestowed.

ELECTIONS AND APPOINTMENTS The Rev. V. M. Raetz, O.P., has been elected and confirmed as Prior of St. Antoninus', Newark, N. J. The re-election and confirmation of Rev. B. P. Schaffer, O.P., as Prior of St. Dominic's, Washington, D. C., has been announced. The Rev. T. C. Nagle, O.P., has been appointed Procurator and Master of Lay-Brothers at the House of Studies, Washington, D. C., by the Very Reverend Provincial.

ORDINATION Bro. Louis R. Durrell, O.P., Student from Adelaide, Australia, of the Vicariate of the Holy Cross of the Province of Ireland, was ordained a deacon on Feb. 6 at the Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington. The ordaining prelate was the Most Rev. Michael J. Keyes, S.M., D.D.

LECTURES The Rev. P. F. Mulhern, O.P., has concluded a series of lectures on Church History at the School of Theology for Laymen conducted by the Faculty of the Dominican House of Studies at Washington. Lectures on Sacred Scripture are now being given by the Rev. W. A. McLoughlin, O.P. The Rev. Frs. J. C. Kearney, O.P., E. F. Smith, O.P., and H. I. Smith, O.P., are conducting the course in Apologetics which will conclude the present School for Laymen.

The Rev. T. U. Mullaney, O.P., of the House of Studies is conducting a series of ten Lectures on Moral Theology at the Washington Catholic Library. These informal lectures are based on the *Summa* of St. Thomas.

CHURCH UNITY OCTAVE The Church Unity Octave Series, sponsored annually by the Catholic University Conference of Clerics and Religious, was held from Jan. 18th to the 25th at the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington. Brothers from the House of Studies served as ministers at Benediction given by the Most Rev. Michael J. Keyes, S.M., D.D., Titular Bishop of Areopolis, on Wednesday night, Jan. 21.

MISSIONS The Mission Academia at the House of Studies in Washington held its annual elections on Jan. 2. The following Brothers were elected officers: Hyacinth Putz, President; Timothy Carney, Secretary; Andrew Stickle, Librarian. The elections were approved by Rev. Theodore Smith, O.P., the Moderator. The retiring officers are: Bros. Hugh McBrien, Hyacinth Putz and Sylvester Willoughby.

Recent speakers at the Academia meetings included Fr. Gordon Fournier of the White Fathers, Missionaries of Africa, who spoke on his society's work in Central Africa and Fr. Vincent McCauley, C.S.C., Superior in Washington of the Bengalese, the Holy Cross Fathers Foreign Mission Society. Fr. McCauley, a former missionary in India, spoke of the work of his society there. The Rev. T. C. Nagle, O.P., former missionary to Trinidad, was guest speaker on Feb. 6.

The Rev. Frs. J. J. Ryan, O.P., and L. R. Dolan, O.P., have arrived in China to begin their first missionary labors there.

Recent speakers at the meetings of the Mission Academia of St. Joseph's Priory have been the following former missionaries in the Province of Fukien, China: Rev.

Frs. Michael Barrett, O.P., Constantius Werner, O.P., and Aquinas Gordon, O.P.

1948 STAFF The following Students comprise the new *Dominicana* staff for the current year: Terence O'Shaughnessy, Editor; Theophane O'Brien, Associate Editor; Michael Murphy, Book Review Editor; Hyacinth Putz, Associate Book Review Editor; Jerome Conroy, Cloister Chronicle; Ferrer Kopfman, Sisters' Chronicle; John Dominic Scanlon, Business Manager; Sylvester Willoughby, Circulation Manager; Benedict Joseph, Associate Circulation Manager.

VISITORS The Very Rev. Hyacinth Oger, O.P., Prior of a new convent in Brussels, Belgium, visited the House of Studies and told of the work of his province in post-war Belgium. The Rev. Dominic Moreau, O.P., of the Province of St. Rose of Lima, Belgium, visited with the Fathers and Brothers for a few days. He spoke to the Brothers on Jan. 16 of his work as a missionary in the Belgian Congo.

ST. ALBERT'S PROVINCE

SYMPATHY The Fathers and Brothers of the Province extend their prayers and sympathy to the Very Reverend J. I. Reardon, O.P., Brother Richard Butler, O.P., and Brother Francis Kelly, O.P., on the death of their mothers; to Brother Benedict Ashley, O.P., and Brother Malachy Dooley, O.P., on the death of their fathers.

VISITATION The Most Reverend Emmanuel Suarez, O.P., Master General, began visitation of the Province of Saint Albert on February 2, 1948. While at the House of Studies he was honored with a special scholastic program. Assisted by the Most Rev. Paul A. Skehan, O.P., Procurator General, and the Very Rev. Timothy Sparks, O.P., Socius for North America, he presided over the *ad gradus* examinations in theology given to ten members of the Province. During his Chicago stay he received the Honorary Doctor of Law degree from DePaul University.

ELECTIONS The Very Rev. E. M. Cuddy, O.P., has been elected Prior of Holy Rosary, Minneapolis, Minn. The Very Rev. J. I. Reardon, O.P., has been elected Prior of St. Pius, Chicago, Ill.

HOLY NAME PROVINCE

MASTER GENERAL On January 19, the Most Reverend Emmanuel Suarez, O.P., Master General of the Order of Preachers, accompanied by the Most Rev. Paul A. Skehan, O.P., Procurator General, and the Very Rev. Timothy M. Sparks, O.P., Socius for the North American Provinces, arrived at St. Albert's College, Oakland, California, and spent several days there, during which time he made the Canonical Visitation of the Convent.

PROVINCIAL CHAPTER The Ninth Provincial Chapter was held at St. Albert's College from Tuesday, January 20 to Saturday, January 24. The Most Reverend Master General, Emmanuel Suarez, O.P., presided at the Provincial Election and announced the appointment of the Very Rev. Benedict M. Blank, O.P., as Prior Provincial of the Province of the Holy Name.

On January 23, at the College of the Immaculate Conception, Ross, California, the corner stone for the new Novitiate building was laid. The Most Reverend Master General presided over the ceremonies and was assisted by the Very Rev. Provincial, Benedict M. Blank, O.P., who acted as Deacon, and the Very Rev. W. G. Martin, O.P., Prior of the Novitiate, who was Subdeacon.

On January 25, the Most Reverend Master General presided over a gathering of the various Sisterhoods of the Archdiocese, the members of the Third Order, and numerous friends of the Dominican Order, at St. Dominic's Church, San Francisco, California. Solemn Compline was sung by the Students and Fathers after which there followed Solemn Benediction. The Master General addressed the entire assembly and a sermon for the occasion was delivered by the Rev. Matthew Osbourn, O.P.

SISTERS' CHRONICLE

Dominican Nuns of the Perpetual Rosary, Syracuse, N. Y.

The Rev. J. C. Osbourn, O.P., Chaplain of the Monastery and Director of the Third Order Chapter, has organized a splendid library in the Tertiary Meeting Rooms. The library is open every day at certain hours, and many of the laity avail themselves of this opportunity of reading good books.

The Novena in honor of Our Lady of Lourdes was conducted by Rev. J. C. Osbourn, O.P., and was very well attended.

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

On December 13, Sister M. Joseph Damian pronounced her final vows. The Rev. Thomas L. Graham, Administrator of the Church of Our Lady of the Angels, Bronx, preached the sermon for the occasion and was the celebrant at Benediction which closed the ceremony.

Other priests present were: Rev. William J. Ward, Rev. J. S. Kennedy, O.P., and Rev. J. J. Durkin, O.P., chaplain.

On January 26, Sister Marie and Sister Mary Jordan celebrated the twenty-fifth anniversary of their profession.

Congregation of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, Akron, Ohio

The Community recently assumed the charge of teaching in two new parochial schools: Sacred Heart of Mary School, Harrisburg, Ohio, and the newly-established St. Agatha's in East Cleveland, Ohio.

Two retreats were conducted during the Christmas holidays. The Rev. D. C. Kane, O.P., a faculty member of the University of Dayton, preached the one at St. Dominic's Convent, Youngstown, Ohio; the Rev. L. A. Arnoult, O.P., of St. Mary's College, Notre Dame, conducted the other at St. Vincent's Convent in Akron.

St. Catherine Convent, Fall River, Mass.

On December 8, Sister Mary William Kelly, O.P., Sister Marie Immaculee Thibault, O.P., and Sister Louis Bertrand Gaudette, O.P., made their First Profession.

On the Feast of Christmas, Sister M. Cecilia Buren, O.P., celebrated her golden jubilee of Profession.

On December 28, Rev. D. D. Moreau, O.P., gave an illustrated lecture in the Auditorium of the Dominican Academy, showing his achievements and experiences of twenty-six years of missionary work in the Belgian Congo.

From February 13-22, the annual retreat at the Motherhouse was preached by Rev. Stanislaus Viau, O.P., of Lewiston, Me.

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

On December 8, Mrs. Adele M. Swan, Mrs. Margaret Bracker, Mrs. Mary Bernstein and Mrs. Mary Wright were received as Dominican Tertiaries by the Rev. E. L. Phillips, O.P., Chaplain of the Monastery.

On December 9, the Most Reverend James A. McNulty, D.D., Auxiliary Bishop of Newark, presided at profession ceremonies for two novices. The sermon for the occasion was preached by Rev. V. C. Donovan, O.P.

On February 13, Rev. William Furlong, of Seton Hall College, presided at the investiture ceremony of one postulant and the final profession of one of the novices. The preacher on this occasion was the Very Rev. J. E. O'Hearn, O.P.

Convent of St. Dominic, Blauvelt, N. Y.

During the Christmas holidays, the Community was honored by a visit from Rev. Denis Lewis, O.P., a native of India, who presently is touring the country in an effort to collect funds for establishing a house of the Order in India where the natives may be trained and educated for the priesthood. Father Lewis said the Sisters' Mass each morning and on New Year's Eve conducted the Holy Hour. At this service, Father Lewis delivered an inspiring sermon on the Blessed Sacrament, his first to an English-speaking audience. It also marked the first time in ten years that he had occasion to say the Rosary in English.

On New Year's Day, Father Lewis gave an interesting sermon to the children of the Institution and begged their prayers for India, its missionaries, and for the suffering children in other parts of the world.

Sisters of St. Dominic, Racine, Wis.

On November 2, Sister Mary Paula Fox, O.P., died at the age of ninety-two, more than seventy-two of which were spent in religion. On November 16, Sister Mary Floretta Price, O.P., died in the eighteenth year of her religious profession. On January 13, Sister Mary Ottilia Behnke, O.P., who had been Infirmarian at the Motherhouse for thirty-five years, died in the fifty-eighth year of her religious profession.

The Rev. T. a'K. Reilly, O.P., conducted a retreat for the Sisters at the Motherhouse during the Christmas holidays.

The Rev. R. W. Barron, O.P., gave a three-day retreat to the postulants and aspirants at the close of the first semester.

On January 5, the Community assumed the charge of cooking for the Dominican Fathers at St. Pius Priory, Chicago.

Congregation of the Holy Name, San Rafael, Calif.

On December 26, Rev. Gerald Vann, O.P., who has been lecturing in the United States since August, opened a ten-day retreat at the Motherhouse. Most of

the Sisters returned from their mission houses for the privilege of making the retreat under the celebrated English Dominican writer.

On January 27, the Most Rev. Emmanuel Suarez, O.P., Master General of the Order of Preachers, accompanied by the Most Rev. Paul A. Skehan, O.P., Procurator General of the Order, the Very Rev. Timothy H. Sparks, O.P., Socius to the General, and the Very Rev. Benedict M. Blank, O.P., Provincial of the Holy Name Province, visited the Sisters at the Motherhouse. After a tour of the campus, the Master General was welcomed by the students in the College Auditorium. A number of Dominican Fathers were present for the program and the dinner which followed.

Sacred Heart Convent, Houston, Tex.

On November 29, Sister M. Peter Aughey passed away after a brief illness. The funeral Mass on December 2 was offered by Rev. Fr. Ruth, C.S.B., and the final absolution imparted by His Excellency, the Most Reverend C. E. Byrne, D.D.

On December 9, temporary vows were pronounced by Sisters M. Amelia Akers, M. Virginia Rodriguez, John Marie Ingram, M. Karen Chevrier, M. Gertrude Pena, M. La Salette Posky, M. Benedict Prado and M. Laurencia St. Marie.

On January 7, fourteen members of the faculty of the new Sacred Heart Convent were honored with a luncheon given at the Convent. A very timely address for the occasion was given by the Very Rev. R. E. Kavanah, O.P., who eulogized the pioneer Dominican foundresses in the country, from whose humble beginnings have sprung more than thirty Dominican Communities.

The assembly hall, named St. Catherine Hall, was recently completed and makes an attractive addition to the college campus.

Corpus Christi Monastery, Menlo Park, Calif.

On January 26, the Sisters were honored by a visit of the Most Rev. Emmanuel Suarez, O.P., Master General of the Order of Preachers. Accompanied by the Most Rev. Paul A. Skehan, O.P., Procurator General, and the Very Rev. Timothy H. Sparks, O.P., Socius to the General, His Paternity graciously accepted the invitation to visit the enclosure, where he was greeted by the chanting of the antiphon, *O Lumen*, by the entire Community assembled in the Chapter Hall. Following a brief introduction by Fr. Skehan, the Master General spoke a few words of zealous encouragement in his native Spanish and then imparted the Papal Benediction as well as his own blessing. Individual greetings followed, and then His Paternity visited the regular places of the Monastery, particularly the nuns' library and the newly-completed cloister and refectory which greatly pleased him. After stopping at the vault to pray for the deceased members of the Community, the Master General and his party left the enclosure.

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

On Rosary Sunday, a procession was held through the Rosary Glen with a vast throng of Rosarians reciting the Rosary. The sermon for the occasion was given in the Glen by Rev. G. J. Rourke, O.P. The devotions, conducted by the Chaplain, Rev. J. S. Moran, O.P., concluded with the distribution of blessed roses and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

From October 17-26, the annual retreat was preached by Rev. J. A. Manning, O.P.

On October 26, Sister Mary Camillus Conway, O.P., of Lansdowne, Pa., pronounced her first vows. At the same ceremony, Miss Mary Tobin (Sister Louise Marie of the Holy Rosary, O.P.), of Syracuse, N. Y., and Miss Margaret Kane (Sister Mary St. Jude of the Holy Face, O.P.), of Binghamton, N. Y., received the habit. The sermon was delivered by Rev. J. A. Manning, O.P., followed by Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament with Rev. J. S. Moran, O.P., celebrant; Rev. Vincent Gallagher, pastor of the Church of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Upper Darby, Pa., deacon; and Rev. Andrew Lenahan of St. Benedict's Church in Philadelphia, sub-deacon.

Congregation of the Most Holy Cross, Everett, Wash.

Five Sisters from Seattle and Everett attended the Pacific Northwest Regional Conference of the Catholic Library Association which convened in Portland Ore., December 29. Each Sister took an active part in the program, addressing the assembly and discussing library problems at the symposium which followed later in the day.

Sister Mary de Paul's Collection of Catholic Authors is now being exhibited in the Catholic libraries and Catholic high schools in Honolulu.

The girls of Holy Angels High School in Seattle won first place at the Seattle College Annual Forensic Tournament which was held in December. In an oratorical contest conducted at the same time, they took second honors.

On January 29, the Most Rev. Emmanuel Suarez, O.P., Master General of the Order of Preachers, accompanied by the Most Rev. Paul A. Skehan, O.P., Procurator General, and the Very Rev. Timothy H. Sparks, O.P., Socius of the General, visited Blessed Sacrament Priory in Seattle. The Sisters and school children assembled in the Church to hear His Paternity and receive his blessing.

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

On January 26, the Most Rev. Emmanuel Suarez, O.P., Master General of the Dominican Order, accompanied by the Most Rev. Paul A. Skehan, O.P., Procurator General, and the Very Rev. Timothy H. Sparks, O.P., Socius to the General, spent several hours at the Motherhouse. One of the Sisters delivered an address of welcome in Spanish, to which His Paternity replied in Latin which was translated by Father Sparks. After the Master General imparted the Papal Blessing and his own, each Sister of the community was given an introduction.

The Master General also visited the Sisters at Flintridge, Pasadena, and Holy Rosary Convent in Portland.

On February 15, about sixty members of the Young Ladies Institute, District No. 3, attended a day of recollection given at the Motherhouse by Rev. L. M. Osbourn, O.P. The schedule for the day consisted of Mass, four conferences, the question box, recitation of the Rosary, spiritual reading and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

On March 7, Rev. L. M. Osbourn, O.P., gave a day of recollection to a group of women from San Jose in the Sisters' Chapel at the Motherhouse. A special feature of this exercise was a meeting of Tertiaries and those interested in joining the Third Order of St. Dominic.

Congregation of the Most Holy Rosary, Sinsinawa, Wis.

Death claimed four members of the Community: Sister M. Bertranda Curran, Sister M. Loyola Gleason, Sister M. Helen Stokes and Sister M. Editha Martin.

Recent guests whose visit left the Sisters and pupils with a grateful sense of values received included: the Rev. Gerald Vann, O.P., who explained the role of modern women in remaking a better world; the Very Rev. Timothy H. Sparks, O.P., who discussed *The Message of Fátima*; the Rev. F. N. Georges, O.P., who retold the appealing story of Blessed Martin de Porres; and Mr. Robert Heywood, a faculty member of the University of Chicago and Rosary College, who spoke on *The Liturgy of Advent*.

The Very Rev. Peter R. O'Brien, O.P., Provincial of the Province of St. Albert, sang the high Mass on the feast of the Purification. After the Mass, six postulants received the holy habit from the hands of Rev. J. B. Connolly, O.P., Chaplain of the Convent. Then followed the reception sermon by Rev. B. P. Pendis, O.P., who also preached the preparatory retreat. Also present at the ceremony was Rev. R. W. Mulvey, O.P.

On March 7, the following Sisters observed the golden jubilee of their reception of the habit: Sister M. Philippa Rogan, Sister M. Ambrosine Furlong, Sister M. Carita Cavanaugh, Sister M. Veronika Keating, Sister M. Elizabeth McGowan, and Sister M. Faber Drumm.

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

The Maryknoll Sisters will soon assume charge of a hospital in Manapla, Occidental Negros, Philippines. Two Sisters left in January to begin the foundation, and others of the group assigned will follow shortly.

Communist activity in Manchuria made it necessary to withdraw the Sisters stationed there to a place of safety. The nine Sisters stationed at Fushun have departed for Maryknoll convents in Japan, South China and the Philippines.

Largely through the efforts of Sister Susanna and Sister Bernadette, two Japanese Sisters of the Community, twenty-one Japanese were baptized in the Maryknoll Sisters' Chapel in Los Angeles on December 21. By visiting the homes and instructing the people in the faith, these two Sisters have done much to open the way for the Church among the Japanese of the city. During the same month, sixty-nine individual instructions were given in addition to almost four hundred class instructions.

A catechumenate at Ai Tch'a, South China, has resulted in the baptism of thirty families—practically the entire town. Several years ago, a young girl was brought from this pagan town to Siaoloc where she entered a Catholic home as a future daughter-in-law. After instructions in the faith by the Maryknoll Sisters there, she became an apostle to her own family and relatives back in Ai Tch'a. Recently, one of the Sisters conducted the catechumenate and found almost the entire population of the town eager to embrace the faith.

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

The spring retreat, ending on March 5, was conducted by the Very Rev. J. D. Walsh, O.P.

On the afternoon of March 6, the ceremony of investiture was held in St. Catharine Chapel. The Rev. J. R. Clark, O.P., Chaplain officiated and the Very Rev. J. D. Walsh, O.P., preached the sermon. The following received the holy habit: Sister Anita Marie (Agnes Bondine, Memphis, Tenn.), Sister Ann Catharine (Alice Boone, Springfield, Ky.), Sister Ann Robert (Jeanne Gray, Cambridge, Mass.), Sister Ignatius Marie (Ruth Clifford, Brockton, Mass.), Sister Louis Mary (Dorothy Briggs, East Weymouth, Mass.), Sister Mary Bernadette (Theresa Deeney, Lowell,

Mass.), Sister Mary Siena (Theresa McManus, Lynn, Mass.), Sister Paula Marie (Mary Elizabeth Duffy, Medford, Mass.), Sister Rita Maureen (Elizabeth Gary, Brooklyn, N. Y.), Sister Rose Dominic (Rose Speckner, Louisville, Ky.) and Sister Shiela Marie (Eileen Pendergast, Brooklyn, N. Y.).

On March 7, following the High Mass, first profession of vows was made by the following: Sisters Marie Celine Daly, Mary Faith O'Malley, Rosaire Curran, Josepha Buckley, Bernadette Marie Lynch, Rose Ann Hanley, Deborah Flynn, Eucharie Geiger, Verita Pendleton, Martin de Porres Miles, Mary Pius Worland, Thomas Mary Clifford, Catharine Thomas Perkins, Mary Leah Morrill and Mary Cabrini DeBruler.

The Sisters and the students in the college and the academy recently enjoyed a recital by the internationally known composer, Henry Cowell.

Dominican Nuns of the Perpetual Rosary, Rome, Italy (American Foundation)

The Community was honored by recent visits from the following Church dignitaries: His Grace, the Most Reverend John F. D'Alton, D.D., Primate of all Ireland; His Excellency, the Most Reverend John Kyne, Bishop of Meath; His Excellency, the Most Reverend Eugene O'Callaghan, Bishop of Clogher; His Excellency, the Most Reverend Joseph McCormack, Bishop of Hexham and Newcastle, England; His Grace, the Most Reverend Michael McGrath, Archbishop of Cardiff; His Grace, the Most Reverend Donald A. Campbell, Archbishop of Glasgow; and His Excellency, the Most Reverend Bartholomew Eustace, Bishop of Camden, N. J., who celebrated the Community Mass for the Nuns.

On November 23, His Excellency, the Most Reverend Martin S. Gillet, O.P., ex-Master General of the Order and now Titular Archbishop of Nicea, celebrated the Community Mass. He was assisted by the Very Rev. P. M. Caterini, O.P., ex-Procureur General of the Order, and Rev. Dominic Frangipane, O.P., Chaplain of the Monastery.

The Midnight Mass at Christmas was sung in the Monastery Church by the Very Rev. Michael Browne, O.P., who also officiated at the Office of Matins and Lauds, sung by the Nuns. Among the many faithful present at both services was His Excellency, Dr. J. P. Walsh, Irish Ambassador to the Holy See.

The first Rosary Pilgrimage in the new Monastery Church was made with great fervor by a large gathering. The Rev. J. H. Servente, O.P., of the Holy Name Province, celebrated the Mass, and Rev. P. M. Caterini, O.P., ex-Procureur General, preached the sermon.

Immaculate Conception Convent, Great Bend, Kans.

On October 15, Rev. Godfrey Juelich assumed his duties as the new Chaplain of St. Rose Hospital.

Sister M. Alfonsa, O.P., and Sister M. Antonina, O.P., attended the 12th annual convention of the Midwest Unit of the Catholic Library Association which met at the Lillis High School, Kansas City, Mo., October 17-18.

Mother M. Cleopha, O.P., Mother General of the Sisters of St. Dominic at Racine, Wisc., was a visitor at the Motherhouse, October 29-30.

December 8, six aspirants were taken up as postulants.

Sister M. Thomas, O.P., and Sister M. Catherine, O.P., of Chicago, were visitors at the Motherhouse, December 15-18.

The Very Rev. Father Robert, Provincial of the Passionists, conducted a retreat for the nurses of St. Rose Hospital and the working girls, December 18-20.

On the Feast of Christmas, the Community enjoyed the privilege of Midnight Mass and two other High Masses. The third Mass was broadcast through the courtesy of the Carillon Bells System.

On December 31, Rev. C. W. Quinn, C.S.S.R., an army chaplain, visited the Motherhouse.

On the evening of January 6, in a program given in the Convent auditorium, eighteen freshmen of the St. Rose Hospital Nurses Training School received their caps. The address for the occasion was delivered by Dr. M. F. Russell.

On January 8, Rev. Father Eugene, O.F.M.Cap., Chaplain of the Convent, blessed the new laundry.

On January 15, a High Mass of Requiem was offered in the Convent Chapel for Mother M. Antonina, O.P., Foundress of the Community.

St. Mary of the Springs, Columbus, Ohio

Three members of the community died within one month: Sister Euphrasia Mergin on October 30; Sister Rita Francis O'Neill on November 15; Sister Lucina Murphy on November 30

On October 30, Rev. Gerald Vann, O.P., delivered two lectures in the college theater. The first, *Symbolism and the Health of the Soul*, was primarily for the students; the second, *Prayer and Politics*, was open to the general public.

On November 14, Rev. J. B. Schneider, O.P., gave a talk on China to the student body and the sisters.

A two-day conference of the Catholic Youth Council of the Diocese of Columbus was held at the College of St. Mary of the Springs on November 29-30. His Excellency, the Most Reverend Michael J. Ready, Bishop of Columbus, gave the closing address and was celebrant at solemn Benediction given in the Chapel of Christ the King.

Sister Irmina and Sister Dorilda of Albertus Magnus College, New Haven, attended the convention of the New England Association of College and Secondary Schools held in Boston, December 12-13. At one of the meetings of the Catholic College section, Sister Irmina read a paper on *Liberating and Liberalizing the Natural Sciences*.

Sister Mary Urban and Sister Margaret Ann attended the convention of the American Association for the Advancement of Science held in Chicago, December 26-31. At one of the meetings of the Zoologist section, Sister Mary Urban read a paper on *The Effect of an X-Chromosome Deficiency on the Development of Drosophila Melanogaster*.

Sister Mercia and Sister Rita Mary attended the joint convention of the American Historical Association and the American Catholic Historical Association held in Cleveland, December 27-29.

Sister Amelia and Sister Maryanna attended the Modern Language Convention held in Detroit, December 29-31.

On January 13, His Excellency, the Most Reverend Joseph Attipetty, D.D., Archbishop of Verapoly, India, spoke in the college theater on the trials and needs of the mission area under his care.

The College of St. Mary of the Springs announced the publication of *Three Saints' Lives* by Nicholas Bozon, edited by Sister Amelia, present head of the French Department. This work was published by The Franciscan Institute, St. Bonaventure, New York.

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

On December 14, following a High Mass by the Right Reverend Monsignor Bernard A. McKenna, the annual communion breakfast for retreatants was held at the Dominican Convent of Our Lady of Prouille, Elkins Park, Philadelphia. The principal speaker was Rev. J. J. McLarney, O.P., whose address was an appeal to all the women of the world to accept their vocation as spiritual mothers of mankind. The four-hundred twenty retreatants were also addressed by Carol Jackson, co-editor of *Integrity*, who set forth her views on the evils of secularism.

At this breakfast, awards were made by Rev. Joseph P. Whearty to those most outstanding in the work of retreats during the past year. Statistics reveal that 12,641 women made retreats at Our Lady of Prouille in 1947, an increase of 1,378 over the previous year.

On January 18, Sister Mary Inviolata passed away in the forty-sixth year of her religious profession.

From January 31-February 9, Rev. J. A. Manning, O.P., conducted the Sisters' retreat at the Loretta, Dayton, Ohio.

On February 2, Rev. J. S. McCormack, O.P., a faculty member at the University of Dayton, initiated a series of lectures and informal discussions on Theology at the Loretta, Dayton. The group, composed of laypeople as well as students of theology and philosophy, represents a good cross section of Catholic thinking in Dayton. The text chosen for the series is the fourth volume of *A Companion to the Summa* by Rev. Walter Farrell, O.P.

On February 13, Rev. H. A. Burke, O.P., concluded the Sisters' retreat at Our Lady of Prouille, Elkins Park. The feast, that of St. Catherine de Ricci, Patroness of the Congregation, was celebrated with a Solemn High Mass sung in the Convent Chapel by Rev. William Atkinson, O.M.I., of New York, who was assisted by Rev. Joseph A. Daley and Rev. John T. Green, both of Philadelphia. This was followed by the ceremonies of reception and profession at which one Sister made final profession, seven Sisters made temporary profession of vows, and eight postulants received the habit. His Excellency, the Most Reverend Archbishop George Caruana presided at the Mass and ceremonies.

February 13 was also the occasion of the silver jubilee of the religious profession of Sisters Mary Lucy, Mary Regina and Mary Bernarda.

Three more in a series of lectures on *The Word*, sponsored by the Dominican Retreat House at Elkins Park for those who are not of the faith but who desire to obtain a clear and simple explanation of the principles and practices of Catholicism, were held in the past three months. These talks were given by: Rev. George E. O'Donnell, who explained *The Blessed Virgin's Role as the Mother of the Word*; Rev. Thomas J. Kelley, D.D., spoke on *The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass*; and Rev. G. V. F. Hartke, O.P., who explained *The Timelessness of Truth, the Word Eternal*.

The Rev. H. M. Oger, O.P., Dominican Prior of La Sarte, Huy, Belgium, who is touring the country in the hope of securing financial aid for the erection of a House of Studies and a Retreat House for priests and laymen in his native country, recently visited the Sisters at Elkins Park and told them some of the outrages inflicted on his people during the War, and of the constant battle of the Belgian clergy against Communism.

Another Belgian Dominican, Rev. Dominic Moreau, O.P., who spent twenty-six years in the mission fields of the Belgian Congo, visited Our Lady of Victory Convent, Philadelphia, and spoke to the members of the Dominican Guild.

Congregation of St. Mary, New Orleans, La.

Recent visitors to the Dominican College were: Rev. F. N. Wendell, O.P., who favored the faculty and students with an interesting talk on *Jocism*; Rev. J. F. Connell, O.P., who lectured on *Devotion to Our Lady of Fátima*; and Rev. J. W. Buckley, S.M., Vice-rector of Notre Dame Seminary, who gave a graphic description of present-day Europe as he saw it on his way to the General Chapter of the Society of Mary at Rome.

The Rev. J. M. Nugent, O.P., conducted the annual retreat for the college students.

The Rev. H. W. Rockwood, S.J., directed the day of recollection for the Junior Newman Clubs of New Orleans which convened at the Dominican College. Dominican College was hostess to the Third Order of Mary for their monthly day retreat which was preached by Rev. F. X. Kane, S.M.

The showing of *Vocation to the Dominican Priesthood* by Rev. W. J. Conway, O.P., was deeply appreciated by the faculty and students.

Sister M. Austin, O.P., was elected President of the Galvez Chapter of the American Association of Teachers of Spanish and Portuguese.

The members of the executive committee of the Louisiana Colleges Conference were recent guests of Sister M. Vincent, O.P., secretary of the committee for the semi-annual meeting.

Dominican College was represented at the Louisiana Teachers Association convention at Alexandria by Rev. J. R. Comeau, O.P., head of the Religion department. Sister M. Joan, O.P., Home Economics, and Sister M. Austin, O.P., Romance Languages department.

Sister M. Louise, O.P., president of the College, and Sister M. Kevin, O.P., head of the Mathematics department, attended the National Catholic Rural Life Conference at Lafayette, La.

Sister M. Louise, O.P., and Sister M. Vincent, O.P., head of the Philosophy department, were present at the Public Relations Conference at Brookhaven, Miss.

Sister M. Gertrude, O.P., and a group of Home Economics students participated in the Workshop of Province V, National Home Economics Association at Memphis, Tenn.

Sister M. Peter, O.P., was a member of the panel which discussed the paper read by Rev. Gerald Frey, director of the Archdiocesan Confraternity of Christian Doctrine, at the Regional Meeting of the National Confraternity held in Biloxi, Miss.

Developing Social Habits in the Primary Grade Child was the topic of an address given by Sister M. Edward, O.P., to the Archdiocesan Teachers Institute.

The Mothers Club of the schools of Our Lady of Lourdes and St. Matthias were recently favored with a talk on *Fostering Religious Vocations* by Mother M. Dominic, O.P.

The Catholic School Music Guild held its monthly concert in the College Auditorium. Participating in the concert were the Schola Cantorum, Notre Dame Seminary, Woodwind Ensemble, Loyola University, the Newman Club Glee Club, Louisiana State University, Ursuline College, and the Glee Club of the Dominican College. Sister M. John, O.P., is chairman of the college section of the Guild.

The Little Singers of Paris, under the direction of their Abbé-Founder, also participated in the concert.

The Rev. Conrad Gohmann, of New Albany, Ind., honored the Dominican College by celebrating Mass daily in the College Chapel during the entire length

of his visit in the South.

On the eve of the Epiphany, Rev. B. A. Arend, O.P., presided at the reception of the Habit by Miss Una Claire Bourgeois (Sister M. Denis) of Baton Rouge, and Miss Gloria Bomar (Sister M. Jerome) of New Orleans.

On the feast of the Epiphany, the Rt. Rev. Columban Thuis, O.S.B., Abbot of St. Joseph's Abbey, presided at the temporary profession of Sisters M. Veronica Miceli, Jane Frances Brou, Albertus Doskey, Rose Bowen and Pius Puleo.

The Rev. E. C. Lillie, O.P., presided at the temporary profession of Sister M. Raphael McNamara on the feast of the Purification.

Holy Cross Congregation, Amityville, N. Y.

On January 22, Mother M. Hilaria, O.P., passed to her eternal reward. Mother Hilaria was Sub-Prioress of the Congregation from 1928 to 1937. From 1901 to 1943, she served as a member of the General Council, and in 1910, she was Superior-Vicar of the pioneer group of Sisters who began the mission foundations in Puerto Rico.

Since St. Dominic's Day, seven other Sisters passed away: Sisters Bibiana, Theresa, Feliciania, Cesla, Fulgentia, Jodoca and Constance Marie. Five of the Sisters were octogenarians and two were over seventy years of age.

On October 22, at the Crusade Assembly in Bishop McDonnell Memorial High School, His Excellency, Most Reverend Mar Ivanios, of Trivandrum, India, bestowed his blessing on the Sisters and the students.

On November 2, the Rt. Rev. Monsignor G. A. Metzger, V.F., Spiritual Director of the Congregation, broke ground for the new Dominican Commercial High School Convent in Jamaica. Sister M. Rose Gertrude, O.P., Principal, announced that permission has been given by the Ordinary to retain the school chapel after the completion of the convent.

On November 15, about thirty teachers of Science of the Congregation attended the Catholic Round Table of Science in Bishop Loughlin Memorial High School. Sister Mary Dominic, O.P., was one of the speakers at the meeting.

On November 16, with the approval of His Excellency, the Most Reverend Thomas E. Molloy, S.T.D., Bishop of Brooklyn, perpetual adoration of the Blessed Sacrament was inaugurated at the Queen of the Rosary Convent, Amityville, by the Chaplain, Rev. E. J. Crawford.

On January 4, Rev. J. J. Dietrich, Chaplain of St. Joseph's Convent, died after a brief illness.

Mother M. Anselma, O.P., Prioress General, and Mother M. Adelaide, O.P., left to visit five of the Congregation's missions in Bayamon, Catano, Isabela, San Juan and Yauco, Puerto Rico.

During the week of January 11, many schools under the supervision of the Sisters of the Community conducted pilgrimages to the Monastery Church of the Immaculate Conception, Jamaica, to venerate the new statue of Our Lady of Fátima.

On January 18, delegations of Sisters from the mission houses within the New York metropolitan area attended the Compline service at the Motherhouse in Amityville which served as a welcome to the Most Rev. Emmanuel Suarez, O.P., Master General of the Dominican Order.

From February 2-14, three retreats were given for the Sisters: the one at Water Mill, N. Y., was for Superiors; the other two at Amityville and St. Joseph's were for those Sisters who were unable to make one the past summer because of scholastic endeavors.

Three of the Community's convents in the diocese of Brooklyn celebrated jubilees within the past few months. About forty Sisters who had entered the Congregation from St. Leonard's Parish, Brooklyn, returned for a Mass of Thanksgiving on the occasion of the Diamond Jubilee of the Church. St. Dominic's Convent and Home for girls in New Hyde Park celebrated fifty years of service, and St. Patrick's Convent, Huntington, rounded out twenty-five years.

Joyce Martinez of St. Bartholomew Convent, Elmhurst, was recently chosen to play the leading role in the drama of *Our Lady of Fátima* by Rev. E. U. Nagle, O.P.

The Greater New York Chapter of Hospital Pharmacists, whose members are composed of Sisters from New York, New Jersey, Long Island, Staten Island and Brooklyn, held its November meeting at Mary Immaculate Hospital, Jamaica. Sister M. Jeanette, O.P., is vice-chairman of the Chapter.

Recent visitors included: Rev. P. P. Walsh, O.P., who spoke on the progress of the Church in the South; Rev. John Klocke, S.J., Director of the National Institute for the Blind, who encouraged further translations of prayers and good books into Braille; and Rev. George Haye, Director of the deaf in the Diocese of Brooklyn, who presented case histories to the Sisters in order to promote greater interest in the apostolate among the deaf Catholics.

Representatives of the Congregation attended the New York-New Jersey Unit of the Catholic Library Association meeting; the convention of the National Catholic Press Association; the Conference on School Publications of New York University; the meeting of the New York Federation of Science Teachers at the Brookhaven National Atomic Laboratories; and the regional conference of the National Catholic Business Education Association.

Sister M. Celeste, O.P., and Sister Cherubim Rita, O.P., discussed courses in Applied Physics and Applied Chemistry at the regional meeting of the Department of Secondary Schools of the National Catholic Education Association.

Sister M. Teresa Gertrude, O.P., will conduct a course on School Publications in the School of Journalism of Fordham University during the coming summer school session.