SAINT JOSEPH'S PROVINCE


The following Students form the *Dominicana* staff for the current year: Fabian Cunningham, Editor; Robert Gannon, Associate Editor; Kevin Carr, Book Review Editor; Patrick Reid, Associate Book Review Editor; Mark Joseph Davis, Cloister Chronicle; Peter Gerhard, Sisters' Chronicle; Antoninus Fallon, Circulation Manager; Hyacinth Kopfman, Assistant Circulation Manager; Paul Haas, Business Manager.

**NEW STAFF**


Bro. Peter Gerhard, O.P., received the First Tonsure and the four Minor Orders at the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, Washington, D. C., January 31-February 2.

The Very Rev. T. S. McDermott, O.P., Provincial, has announced the re-election of the Very Rev. V. M. Raetz, O.P., as Prior of St. Antoninus Priory, Newark, N. J., and the reappointment of the Rev. H. A. Kelly, O.P., as Pastor of St. Raymond's Church, Providence, R. I.

The eighteenth annual observance of the Chair of Unity Octave was held at the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, Washington, D. C., January 18 to 25. The Dominican Students served as ministers at the services on January 23.


On January 10, Fr. Dominic Moreau, O.P., of the Province of St. Rose in Belgium, gave a brief talk about the missions in Africa.

The Rev. M. T. Smith, O.P., presided at the annual elections of the Mission Academy at the House of Studies, Washington, D.C., on February 1. The following officers were elected: Brothers Raymond Daley, President; Patrick Reid, Secretary; and Gregory Fay, Treasurer.

SAINT ALBERT'S PROVINCE


The Very Rev. Leo T. Dolan, O.P., has been made Prior of St. Pius Priory, Chicago, Illinois.

Bro. Irenaeus de Alvear of Madrid, Spain, was clothed with the clerical habit on October 22 at St. Peter Martyr Priory by the Very Rev. V. R. Hughes, O.P.

The Very Rev. V. R. Hughes, O.P., received the simple profession of Bro. Henry Hohman, O.P., on December 14, at St. Peter Martyr Priory, Winona, Minn.

HOLY NAME PROVINCE

The Fathers and Brothers of the Province extend their sympathy and prayers to the Rev. Vincent Cavelli, O.P., on the occasion of the recent death of his father.

The Rev. Edward G. McMullan, O.P., resident chaplain to the sisters of St. Mary's of the Valley Convent, Beaverton, Oregon, died there on Nov. 23, 1950, at the age of 64. Fr. McMullan was formerly pastor of St. Peter Martyr's Church in Pittsburg, Calif. On Nov. 27, a Solemn Requiem Mass was celebrated in St. Dominic's Church, Benicia, Calif. The Very Rev. Benedict M. Blank, O.P., was celebrant; the Rev. Gregory Anderson, O.P., deacon; and the Rev. Bertrand Moore, O.P., subdeacon. Interment was in the Dominican cemetery at Benicia.

The Rev. John Dominic Maher, O.P., died on Dec. 16, 1950, in St. Mary's Hospital, Stockton, Calif., at the age of 96. Fr. Maher, a jubilarian in his 77th year of religious profession and 73rd of priesthood, was born in Manchester, Eng-
land, took his novitiate and studies in Woodchester, England, and his lectorate at Louvain. With the completion of his studies, Fr. Maher volunteered for the Congregation of California, and arrived in Benicia in 1872. In a recent census Fr. Maher was listed among the oldest living priests in the U.S.A. Solemn Requiem Mass was celebrated in St. Dominic's Church, Benicia, Dec. 19. The Very Rev. Benedict M. Blank, O.P., was celebrant; the Rev. Gregory Anderson, O.P., deacon; and the Rev. Bertrand Moore, O.P., subdeacon. The Very Rev. Patrick Condon, O.P., preached the sermon. Interment was in the Dominican cemetery, Benicia.

The Rev. Gerard Martin, O.P., has been appointed pastor of the Church of St. Peter Martyr, Pittsburg, Calif.

On Nov. 23, 1950, our first Provincial, Very Rev. A. L. McMahon, O.P., S.T.M., of the Province of St. Joseph, visited our House of Studies in Oakland, and addressed the assembled Fathers and Brothers. Fr. McMahon was Vicar General of the Congregation of California from 1907 to 1912, and Provincial of the Province of the Holy Name from 1912 to 1917. He was accompanied by the Rev. Gregory Moran, O.P.

On Nov. 23, 1950, Bro. Hyacinth McDougall received the habit of the laybrother from the Very Rev. Patrick Kelly, O.P., in the Convent of St. Albert the Great, Oakland.

The Most Rev. M. Giovanni Lottini, O.P., Commissary General of the Supreme Congregation of the Holy Office, died on Friday, January 5, at the age of 91, after forty-five years of service with the Sacred Congregation. Fr. Lottini entered the Dominican Order as a member of the Congregation of San Marco in 1875. He served successively as professor of philosophy, apologetics, and theology; was Vicar General of the Congregation; and in 1905 was called to the service of the Holy Office. He was the author of several works of theology and philosophy, and shortly before his death published a special arrangement of the Imitation of Christ. The solemn funeral Mass took place on Monday, January 8, in the basilica of Santa Maria sopra Minerva, with the Master General officiating, and many high ecclesiastics attending.

Australia and New Zealand, formerly a vicariate of the Irish Province, has been erected into a new province under the title of the Province of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. The Very Rev. Mannes Cussen, O.P., former Vicar, has been named the first Provincial.
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Sacred Heart Convent, Springfield, Ill.

On January 3, following a ten-day retreat preached by Rev. Philip Pendis, O.P., River Forest, Illinois, fifteen postulants received the Dominican habit and eight junior professed sisters pronounced perpetual vows. His Excellency, Bishop William A. O'Connor, D.D., officiated at the services and preached the sermon. On the following day fourteen novices made profession of temporary vows.

The number of hospitals conducted in the South was brought up to three with the opening of a new hospital in Rogers, Arkansas, early in January.

Over one hundred Tertiaries attended a Day of Recollection conducted by Rev. Jude Nogar, O.P., on March 11.

Mother M. Imelda, O.P., and the Sisters of this convent will be hostesses to the Ninth Dominican Mothers General Conference to be held on March 29, 30, 31.

Holy Cross Congregation, Amityville, New York

Reverend Mother M. Chrysostom, O.P., and Reverend Mother M. Dafrose, O.P., were delegated by the Rt. Rev. Superintendent of Catholic Schools of the Diocese of Brooklyn to attend the two-day Conference-Clinic on Basic Skills in Secondary Education conducted by the State Education Department of the University of the State of New York.

Sister M. Colombiere, O.P., has been awarded a Scholarship in the Art Department of the Brooklyn Institute of Arts and Sciences. Sister Mary José has been awarded the Medal of the Hispanic Society of America for Graduate Work in Spanish for her dissertation: "Gustavo Adolfo Becquer: An Interpretation and Analysis of His Rimas." The medal was presented at the February meeting of the Association.

The Association of Lay Catechists sponsored by His Excellency Most Rev. Bishop James E. McManus, C.SS.R., of Ponce, Puerto Rico under the direction of Sister M. Dominga, O.P., progresses steadily. His Excellency has applied to Rome for the establishment of a canonical novitiate. The Sisters in Puerto Rico were in the center of the recent uprising there. The Convent of St. Thomas Aquinas in San Juan in particular was surrounded by the fire of machine guns and explosives. None of the Sisters were hurt.

His Excellency, Most Rev. Bishop Conrad De Vito, O.F.M., of the diocese of Luchnow, India, visited the Sisters of St. Agnes Convent, Rockville Center, N. Y., recently.

The Inter-County Blood Bank of Mary Immaculate Hospital received unqualified commendation from civic, professional and lay sources for its assistance in the recent train wreck of the Long Island R.R. trains at Richmond Hill, New York.

Sister Jane Dominic, O.P., graduated from St. Joseph's Hospital School of Nursing, Syracuse, N. Y.

Among recent visitors to the Mother House were: Rev. James Asip, Asst. Director of the Propagation of the Faith, Diocese of Brooklyn; Rev. Patrick P. Walsh, O.P., who spoke on his tours with the Motor Chapel throughout the South; His Excellency, Most Rev. Bishop Francis Benedict Cialeo, O.P., of Multan-Pakistan, India. From India Rev. Mother M. Anselma, O.P., Prioress General, received word
of the death of His Excellency, Most Reverend Alexander Chulaparambil, Bishop of Kottoyam, India, a friend of the Congregation for almost forty years.

Since the last issue of *Dominicana* Sisters M. Joseph Anna, Dulcissima, Alcantara and Emily Dolores have departed this life.

Sisters from St. Catherine's and Mary Immaculate Hospital took part in the "Workshop on Hospital Problems" conducted by the Catholic Hospital Association in St. John's University, Brooklyn.

**Congregation of St. Catherine of Siena, Racine, Wisconsin**

The Rev. Dominic Moreau, O.P., from the Belgian Congo, visited St. Catherine's in November and showed pictures of the life and work of the priests and seminarians and Sisters laboring among the natives of the Congo.

A 55-voice choir from Boystown, Nebraska, gave a concert of sacred, classical, and popular selections in St. Catherine's Auditorium on Nov. 15.

About 400 delegates from surrounding states attended the Regional Convention of the Catholic Press Association held at St. Catherine's High School on Nov. 11.

Debaters from high schools in Illinois, Iowa and Wisconsin took part in the Midwest Catholic Speech League Trophy Tournament held at St. Catherine's on Jan. 20.

The Rev. P. M. Clancy, O.P., conducted the annual retreat for the Sisters of the Motherhouse during the Christmas vacation.

The mid-semester retreat for postulants and aspirants was preached by the Very Rev. E. A. Baxter, O.P., and for the students of Dominican College by the Rev. J. I. Reardon, O.P.

Sister M. Blandina Thelan, O.P., died on Jan. 27, in the forty-seventh year of her religious profession.

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

The retreat for the college students was given Nov. 19-21 by Rev. C. E. Hayes, O.P., assistant pastor of St. Dominic's, New Orleans.

During the recent Diocesan Reading Institute, Sister M. Peter, O.P., presided at several of the sessions, and Sister M. Louise, O.P., read a paper "Introducing Recent Juveniles."

On Nov. 28, in honor of Mother M. Dominic, the college students presented a play, "Saint Maria Goretti" and the high school enacted "The Holy Year Prayer, 1950" in pageant.

Sisters M. Vincent, Louise, Alexidia, Teresa, Immaculata and de Lourdes attended the southern regional meeting of the National Catholic Educational Association in Richmond, Va.

First vows were pronounced on Jan. 6 by Sisters M. Raymond Frank, Virginia Bourgeois, Alessandra Toledana, Zita Roussel, Edmund Gibson and Mark Torres. The Very Rev. B. A. Arend, O.P., Pastor of Holy Ghost Church, Hammond, La., officiated.

On Feb. 2, Sister Mary Alberta and Sister Mary Raphael McNamara made final profession in the chapel of St. Mary's Convent. Rev. Anselm Vitie, O. P., Chaplain, officiated and preached the sermon.

At a meeting of the General Council on Jan. 21, Sister Mary Liguori Fuhr was elected member of the Council and Secretary General to replace Sister M. Bonaventure Exnicios who died on Rosary Sunday.
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St. Cecilia Congregation, Nashville, Tenn.


The annual retreat for the students of St. Cecilia Academy was given by the Rev. John C. O'Shea, S.S.J., pastor of Holy Family Church, Nashville, Feb. 21-23.


Sister Mary James Alsobrook and Sister Mary George Barrett made first profession of vows in the St. Cecilia Chapel on Mar. 7. The Most Rev. Bishop Adrian presided.

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

Marking 25 years of profession as Maryknoll Sisters, 27 Sisters celebrated their Silver Jubilee on mission stations throughout the world, uniting on Feb. 2 the various profession days. The Sisters are stationed in Hawaii, the Philippines, China and Ceylon and on missions for the Japanese on our Pacific Coast.

Forty postulants entered Our Lady of Maryknoll Novitiate at Valley Park, Mo., on Feb. 1. They will receive the habit on Sept. 8.

On Dec. 8, Miss Helen Winters (Sister Bernard Marie) and Elvera Berberich (Sister M. Anne William), both of Ohio, received the Dominican habit at the novitiate house, Queen of the Rosary-on-the-Hudson, Ossining, N. Y. The Rev. Albert A. Pinckney, Pastor of the Church of St. Theresa of the Infant Jesus, Briarcliff Manor, N. Y., presided at the ceremony and preached the sermon.

Other priests present were: The Rev. E. Hayes, Pastor of St. Augustine's Church, Ossining, N. Y.; Rev. W. J. Ward, Rev. F. G. Frey; Rev. T. A. Donnellan; and Rev. J. Cuniffe, all of New York; Very Rev. L. P. Johannsen, O.P., Chaplain to the Novitiate; Rev. W. G. Cummings, O.P., Chaplain at Eagle Park; Rev. G. B. King, O.P.; Rev. F. N. Wendell, O.P.; and Rev. D. E. Casey, O.P., of St. Vincent Ferrer's Church, N. Y.

Sisters M. Perpetua, Francis, and Mannes also observed the twenty-fifth anniversary of their profession on Dec. 8.

On Sunday, Feb. 4, the Dominicanettes, 90 in number, celebrated their fourth

Immaculate Conception Convent, Great Bend, Kansas

America's Pilgrim Virgin statue of Our Lady of Fátima was enshrined for the veneration of the faithful of Great Bend and surrounding territory at the Immaculate Conception Convent on the evening of Dec. 23. The Marian Hour at 8:00 p.m. was attended by a capacity crowd that filled not only the chapel but the auditorium as well. The Rt. Rev. William C. McGrath of the Scarboro Foreign Mission Society who accompanied the statue spoke on the nature of the Message of Fátima and the interpretation of the Fátima prophecies in the light of recent history. A part of the Marian Hour was the outdoor candlelight procession in which the statue was carried and escorted by the Fourth Degree Knights of Columbus in full regalia. The Hour was concluded with solemn benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

On Christmas Eve all the patients in St. Rose Hospital, conducted by the Sisters, were privileged to see and venerate the famous Pilgrim Virgin statue. The statue was escorted to the threshold of each room under the direction of the Rev. D. E. Stringer, who supervises the public veneration of the statue of Our Lady.

St. Mary of the Springs, Columbus, Ohio

The congregation lost two members by death recently: Sister Eugenia McGrath died in New York City on Nov. 10; Sister Margaret Wildman at St. Mary of the Springs on Jan. 30.

The annual Diocesan Youth Conference was held at St. Mary of the Springs Nov. 25-26.

A one-day religion institute was held on Dec. 8 at St. Mary of the Springs for the Sisters of the congregation teaching in the vicinity. Speakers included the Rev. Francis Brown, principal of Catholic Central High School, Steubenville, Ohio; Rev. Julian J. Schaefer, pastor of St. Mary's Church, Lancaster; Rev. William J. Connor, of Immaculate Conception Church, Columbus; Rev. Ambrose Freund, of St. Nicholas Church, Zanesville; and Rev. James Vincent Martin, O.P., of St. Joseph Priory, Somerset.

On Jan. 2, forty-two Dominican Brothers from the House of Studies in Somerset, accompanied by Rev. William F. Cassidy, O.P., Master of Students, spent the day at St. Mary of the Springs. In the afternoon the Brothers presented the play, City of Kings, by Rev. Urban Nagle, O.P.

Sisters Rita Mary, Thomas Albert, Maryanna, Florita, Francis Borgia, and Maris Stella, of the faculty of the College of St. Mary of the Springs; and Sisters Vincentia, Mary Leah, and Marie Louise, of the faculty of Albertus Magnus College, attended various educational conventions during the Christmas holidays.

Sister Angelita, president, and Sister Charles Ann, dean, of the College of St. Mary of the Springs; and Sister Coralita, president, and Sister Francis de Sales, dean, of Albertus Magnus College, attended the thirty-seventh meeting of the Association of American Colleges held from Jan. 8-12 at Atlantic City.

The annual three-day retreat for the students of the College of St. Mary of

The celebration of the Golden Jubilee of St. Mary's High School, New Haven, Conn., began with a solemn pontifical Mass celebrated in St. Mary's Church by His Excellency, the Most Rev. Henry J. O'Brien, bishop of Hartford. Attending the event from St. Mary of the Springs were three former prioresses and principals of the school, namely, Sisters Clementine, Justina, and Marie de Lourdes. Sister Berenice, who was prioress and principal during the time that the new school was built, also came from New York City to attend.

Monastery of Our Lady of Grace, North Guilford, Conn.

The Monastery of Our Lady of Grace in North Guilford, Conn., which celebrated the fourth anniversary of its founding on Jan. 21 of this year, received as a Christmas gift from the Holy Father through His Excellency, Henry J. O'Brien, D.D., Bishop of Hartford, the privilege of Solemn Vows and Papal Enclosure. Since the Monastery, which maintains both perpetual adoration and the perpetual rosary, has always observed the Second Order Rule, and since the renovations of the farmhouse and barns which house the Community were so made as to permit full monastic observance, there were no last-minute preparations necessary except the inclusion of several additional acres in the cloister garden.

The ceremony of transition to Solemn Vows occurred on Feb. 10, with Bishop O'Brien officiating as representative of the Holy Father. Twelve perpetually professed Nuns took Solemn Vows at that time, with papal enclosure becoming effective when Bishop O'Brien received the vows of Very Rev. Mother Mary of Jesus Crucified, O.P., Prioress. The last two co-foundresses, who were postulants at the time the foundation was made, will make solemn profession in April when their period of temporary vows will be completed. The Community at that time will number 38.


After reading a cablegram of congratulations from Very Rev. Emmanuel Suarez, O.P., Master-General, Bishop O'Brien read a cablegram from the Holy Father, Pope Pius XII, extending congratulations and authorizing Bishop O'Brien to impart the Papal Blessing to the members of the Community and to all attending the ceremony. The ceremony closed with the Papal Blessing.