The Fathers and Brothers of the Province extend their sympathy and prayers to the Rev. A. P. Bachand, O.P., and to the Rev. L. D. Ross, O.P., on the death of their mothers; to the Rev. F. R. Prout, O.P., on the death of his father; and to the Rev. W. T. O'Shaughnessy, O.P., on the death of his sister.

The Most Rev. T. S. McDermott, O.P., Provincial of the Province of St. Joseph, has been named Vicar General of the Dominican Order upon the death of the late Master General, Emmanuel Suarez, O.P. On July 14, the newly appointed Vicar General sailed for Rome aboard the S.S. Independence with the Very Rev. J. A. Nowlen, O.P., Prior of the Sacred Heart Priory, Jersey City. Fr. McDermott is the first American Provincial in the history of the Dominican Order to be so honored.

The cross “Pro Ecclesia et Pontifice” has been bestowed by His Holiness Pope Pius XII on the Very Rev. V. R. Burnell, O.P., P.G., Prior and Pastor of St. Mary’s Priory, New Haven. Archbishop Henry J. O’Brien of Hartford formally conferred the papal decoration in St. Mary’s Church on August 4th, the Feast of St. Dominic. This honor, indicative of outstanding service to the Church, has been given to Fr. Burnell for his work as retreat master, missionary, and as pastor of Churches in Chicago, Detroit and New Haven.


Following an address given by Rev. R. F. Conway, O.P., on August 11th, at the Dominican Villa, the Rev. J. F. Whittaker, O.P., Master of Students, received the Solemn Profession of the following students: Brothers Paul Geary, Leo Slanina, Daniel Cassidy, Francis Fontanez, Andrew Newman, John Dominic Logan, Aloysius Butler, Fabian Sheehy, Anthony Vanderhaar and Clement Boulet. At the same time Brothers Hilary Intine, Angelus Murphy, and Gregory Doherty renewed their Simple Profession for another year.

The Most Rev. T. S. McDermott, O.P., Vicar General and Provincial, has announced the election of the Very Rev. R. M. Rascher, O.P., as the Prior of St. Louis Bertrand Priory, Louisville, Ky.

The Rev. C. J. Breitfeller, O.P., has been appointed as Chaplain of the Penal Institutions for the District of Columbia.
**ST. ALBERT’S PROVINCE**

The Fathers and Brothers of the Province extend their sympathy and prayers to the Very Rev. R. T. A. Murphy, O.P.; to the Rev. W. B. Murphy, O.P., on the death of their mother; and to the Very Rev. T. M. Sparks, O.P., on the death of his brother.

On June 29, the Rev. Cajetan Chereso, O.P., was ordained to the Holy Priesthood in Naples, Italy. Fr. Chereso was ordained upon completion of his second year of theology at the Angelicum, Rome.

On May 23, the Most Rev. Loras T. Lane, D.D., Auxiliary Bishop of Dubuque, conferred the Subdiaconate upon the following: Brothers Denis Zusy, John Baptist Schneider, Andrew Miehls, Anthony Leary, Thomas Aquinas Morrison, David Staszak, Timothy Sullivan, Clement Collins, Edmund Bidwell, and Luke Sablica. The ceremony took place in the chapel of St. Rose Priory, Dubuque, Iowa.

Bishop Lane on the same day conferred the minor orders of Exorcist and Acolyte upon the following brothers: Peter Martyr West, Jude McGovern, Hyacinth Maguy, Emmanuel Holzer, Gerald Siebert, Simon Trutter, Philip Cantlebary, Bartholomew Ryan, Barnabas Berigan, Urban Goss, Kilian Downey, Alphonsus Mainelli, Boniface Schmitt, Charles Norton, Edward O’Connor, Cyril Fabian, Chrysostom Geraets, Malachy Cumiskey, and Henry Hofman.

On August 2, the Very Rev. G. T. Kinsella, O.P., Prior of St. Peter Martyr Priory, Winona, Minn., clothed Brother Alexis Dyson with the laybrother’s habit. At the Dominican House of Studies, River Forest, Ill., on August 8, Brothers Pius Kocialkowski and Joseph Marie Kilikevice, laybrothers, received the habit from the Very Rev. G. R. Joubert, O.P., Prior.

The Very Rev. J. A. Driscoll, O.P., was reelected Prior of St. Rose Priory, Dubuque, Iowa, on June 3.

From June 28 to July 30 more than seventy priests, both diocesan and religious, and professed brothers attended the third annual summer session of the Institute of Spiritual Theology at the Dominican House of Studies, River Forest, Ill. The Very Rev. J. R. Gillis, O.P., is the director of the Institute. Graduation was held on July 28. His Eminence, Samuel Cardinal Stritch, Archbishop of Chicago, offered the Mass and conferred the diplomas. The Very Rev. Paul Philippe, O.P., director of the *Institutum Spiritualitatis* at the Angelicum, the Very Rev. Fathers Philip Mulhern, O.P., and Ferrer Smith, O.P., of the Pontifical Faculty of Theology, Dominican House of Studies, Washington, and the Rev. Albert Plé, O.P., editor of *La Vie Spirituelle*, were guest professors of the Institute.

The staff of the Albertus Magnus Lyceum for Natural Science— the Very Rev. W. H. Kane, O.P., and the Rev. Fathers J. D. Corcoran, O.P., B. M. Ashley, O.P., R. J. Nogar, O.P., J. T. Bonée, O.P., and Augustine Wallace, O.P.—conducted a six-week institute and workshop at St. Xavier College, Chicago, Ill., from July 22 to August 4. At the request of St. Xavier College, the Lyceum faculty is cooperating with the College faculty to develop an integrated program of
liberal education from kindergarten through college. The purpose of the institute this summer was to prepare teachers for the teaching of the liberal arts and of natural science in such a program.

CANADIAN STUDENT

The Rev. Rosaire Champoux, O.P., of the Province of St. Dominic in Canada, has been assigned to St. Rose Priory, Dubuque, Iowa, for theological studies.

On June 4, the Most Rev. Henry P. Rohlman, S.T.D., Archbishop of Dubuque, presided at the groundbreaking ceremony for the new House of Theology at Dubuque. When completed the new building, housing 250, will be the largest Dominican priory in the United States. The Very Rev. Edward L. Hughes, O.P., Provincial, greeted the Archbishop and assisted him in the ceremony which was attended by many representatives of the Archdiocese of Dubuque and by the Dominican sisters of the area.

HOLY NAME PROVINCE

On June 11, Fathers Eladio Neira-Zamora, O.P., of the Philippine Province, Francis F. Cassidy, O.P., and Byron L. Thomas, O.P., received the sacred priesthood, conferred by the Most Reverend John J. Mitty, D.D., Archbishop of San Francisco. The ordinations were held at St. Mary's Cathedral.


At the House of Studies, July 4, Brother Mark O'Leary received the habit of the lay-brothers from the Very Rev. Patrick J. Kelly, O.P., Prior.


SISTERS' CHRONICLE

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

On March 21st, double ceremony of Reception and Profession took place. Miss Rita Lambert of Bridgeport, Conn., was clothed with the holy habit and received the name of Sr. Mary Catherine of the Sacred Heart. On the same day Sister Marie Therese of the Child Jesus pronounced Temporary Vows for three years. The Rev. John B. Affleck, O.P., preached the sermon.

Another reception to the habit took place on July 4th. Miss Yvonne Marie Allen of St. Louis, Missouri, was given the habit by Rev. Leo S. Cannon, O.P., who acted as delegate of His Excellency, Archbishop Thomas A. Boland. She was given the name of Sister Marie Aquinas of the Holy Eucharist. The preacher for the occasion was the Rev. Patrick Molloy.

Congregation of St. Mary of the Springs, Columbus, Ohio

A solemn Requiem Mass was offered June 9 in the convent chapel for Sister M. Antonia Healy, O.P., who died June 6 at the St. George Hospital, Cincinnati, in the forty-ninth year of her religious profession. R.I.P.

Rev. Mother M. Aloyse will launch a drive early next spring for $700,000 for the new Infirmary to be erected at the Motherhouse.

During July and August, Sisters Rose Marie, Rose Dolores, Margaret Ann, and Mary Kenneth conducted Confraternity of Christian Doctrine classes and took the census in outlying districts of the diocese.

Sister M. Lucia, president of Albertus Magnus College, New Haven, Conn., has been appointed regional subchairman for the Sister-Formation Conference in New England sponsored by the college and university department of the National Catholic Education Assn.

Sister Marian was awarded a graduate scholarship in Music by The Catholic University of America.

Sister Maryanna acted as discussion chairman of Creative Writing at the Workshop on Rhetoric and Poetic sponsored by Viterbo College, LaCrosse, Wisconsin, August 15-21.

Sisters Thomas Aquin and Margaret Ann will receive the degree of Doctor of Philosophy from the Institutum Divi Thomae in September.

Sacred Heart Convent, Houston, Texas

One of the students of St. Agnes Academy in Houston won a $4,000 scholarship offered by the National Bank of Commerce of the City. A Junior St. Agnes Student who was representing the school at Girls' State in Austin, was selected as Governor and as a Texas representative to Girl Nation.

Our Sisters will teach in two new schools which are opening in September: Saint Joseph's School in Port Arthur, Texas; and Saint Gregory's School in Whittier, California.

In addition to Sisters studying in various colleges in Texas and California, some of the sisters have attended the Institute of Dominican Spirituality in Columbus, Ohio, the College Administrators' Workshops in Washington, D. C., and several are enjoying the hospitality of the Nashville Dominicans while attending Peabody College.

The Golden Jubilee of Five Sisters and the Diamond Jubilee of one was cele-
bated on the Feast of Our Lady’s Assumption.

A Group of girls from Lufkin, Texas, have visited the Convent. They were recently organized under the name of “Dominicanettes” by some of the Sisters who were teaching vacation school at various places in East Texas. The purpose of their organization is especially to pray for religious vocations, to develop their own spirituality, and to do all possible good for God and His Church in their community.

**Dominican Sisters of the Perpetual Rosary, Lancaster, Pennsylvania**

The Chapel of the Monastery having been named a Marian Chapel by our Most Rev. Bishop, many Parish Groups have made pilgrimages during the months of May and June.

May Crowning services took place on May 30th and were attended by a large gathering, including two pilgrimage groups, the Sodality of St. Anthony’s Parish in Lancaster, and the Mother’s club of St. Joseph’s Parish in Lancaster. The devotions were conducted by Rev. Charles Weaver, Chaplain of the Sisters. Catholic High School Seniors from Lancaster High also attended the devotions.

Forty Hours Devotions opened in our Chapel at high Mass on Sunday, June 19th and were brought to a close on Tuesday, June 21st.

Miss Clare Spinella of Fair Lawn, New Jersey, was clothed in the holy Habit on Friday, July 16th. A high Mass was sung by Miss Spinella’s brother, the Rev. Michael Spinella, C.Ss.R. The clothing ceremony which followed immediately after was presided over by the Right Rev. Monsignor Schweich, V.F., assisted by Rev. Charles Weaver, Chaplain. Father Spinella preached the sermon. Also present were the Rev. Charles Allen, Pastor of St. Ann’s Church, Lancaster, Rev. James Clancy, C.Ss.R., and the Reverend Cormac Shanahan, C.P. Miss Spinella received the name of Sister Mary Dominic of the Rosary.

**St. Cecilia Congregation, Nashville, Tennessee**

Sisters of the St. Cecilia Congregation studied in the following colleges during the summer: St. Mary’s Dominican College, New Orleans; St. Mary of the Springs College, Columbus, Ohio; DePaul University, Chicago; Siena College, Memphis; George Peabody College for Teachers, Nashville, and in the St. Cecilia Normal School.

Vacation schools were conducted by the Sisters of the St. Cecilia Congregation in Copperhill, Harriman, Lebanon, and Lafollette, Tennessee. The objective of these summer schools was to prepare children for the reception of their first Holy Communion, and to teach Catechism to the older children.

On the feast of St. Dominic, August 4, the Most Rev. William L. Adrian, D.D., celebrated Mass in the St. Cecilia convent chapel.

The annual retreats for the Sisters of the Congregation were conducted by the Rev. Joseph A. Manning, O.P., of St. Joseph’s Priory, Somerset, Ohio.

Sister Mary Clement Temne, O.P., and Sister Hildegarde Maddux, O.P., received the Master of Arts degree from George Peabody College for Teachers, Nashville, at the convocation held on August 17. Sister M. Clement, O.P., is principal of St. Mary’s School, Phoebus, Virginia, and Sister Hildegarde, O.P., is principal of Assumption School, Nashville.

Miss June Ann Hester and Miss Geraldine Zang received the Dominican habit in the St. Cecilia convent chapel on August 15. The Rev. Joseph Manning, O.P., presided at the ceremony of investiture.

On the feast of St. Augustine, August 28, five young ladies entered the St. Cecilia novitiate.

Two new schools will be opened by the Sisters of the St. Cecilia Congregation in the fall of 1954: Our Lady of Mt. Carmel School, Warwick, Virginia, and St. Paul's School, Tullahoma, Tennessee.

**Congregation of the Most Holy Cross, Everett, Washington**

A diamond jubilarian and seven silver jubilarians received the congratulations of their community, relatives and friends, June 13th, at St. Dominic Convent.

Sister M. Raphael Gresch, who came to Washington in 1894 from Holy Rosary Convent, New York, celebrated her diamond jubilee of profession. Until her retirement eight years ago Sister Raphael was actively engaged in the various works conducted by the community. Those celebrating their silver jubilees were Sister M. Edwina Sweeney, Sister M. Leona Stein, Sister Miriam Kahl, Sister M. Kevin Ryan, Sister M. Anastasia Briggs and Sister M. Agatha Sweo. With the exception of Sister Miriam and Sister Leona who are engaged in hospital work, these sisters are engaged in the work of teaching in the various schools conducted by the community.

Sister M. Johanna Zaat, a member of this silver jubilee group, died just a week after their twenty-fifth anniversary of profession. R.I.P.

In an impressive ceremony, fourteen postulants were clothed in the habit of Saint Dominic and began their Novitiate on June 13th. Because of the large class, the ceremony traditionally held in the Motherhouse chapel, took place in Our Lady of Perpetual Help parish.

Four novices made their first profession and five other religious pronounced their final vows, June 14th at the Motherhouse chapel. The four novices who made first profession were Sister Mary Bernard Pinsch, Sister Frances Maureen Nelson, Sister Alice Marie Schmidt, and Sister M. Josepha Vangel. The five young religious who made final profession were Sister M. Jordan Person, Sister M. Jeanette Corwin, Sister M. Augustine McLean, Sister M. Caroline Minnick and Sister M. Angelica McGuire.

Sister M. Jude White and Sister M. Damian McNeil renewed first vows.

Sister Mary Joseph and Sister M. Helen have been named to the Faculty of the new co-instructional Blanchet High School to be opened in Seattle, in September, 1954. Sister Mary Joseph will teach music and Sister Helen will have charge of the library.

Eighteen sisters attended the course in Dominican Spirituality conducted at the College of San Rafael, California, in August.

A large residence very near the Motherhouse in Everett has been purchased and will serve to house the growing number of postulants with which God has blessed the community.

Sister Mary Joseph and Sister M. Damian spent a month at St. John's Abbey, Collegeville, Minnesota, studying Gregorian Chant music.

Rev. Dennis Foudy, S.S., of St. Edward's Seminary in Kenmore, Washington, conducted a class each week in Theology, for the novices and young professed sisters.
Monastery of Our Lady of the Rosary, Summit, N. J.

More than five hundred clients of Our Blessed Lady attended the thirty third Solemn Coronation Pilgrimage held on Sunday May 2; Rev. David J. Pathe of Villa Marie Claire, Hohukus, N. J., was the guest preacher for the occasion. During May and June approximately six hundred pilgrims representing twelve different groups visited the Shrine.

Rev. William L. Whalen, O.P., conducted the annual retreat to the Holy Ghost from May 30 to June 6.

Sister Mary Patricia of the Trinity, O.P., died on June 26. R.I.P.

The Sisters have just published a combination Fifteen Saturdays and Five First Saturday booklet. The Sisters also plan to re-edit and publish Saints and Saintly Dominicans by Father Thomas á Kempis Reilly, O.P.

Our Lady of the Elms, Akron, Ohio

On May 16, Sister Mary Dominic, O.P., died. R.I.P. The funeral was held May 19th in the convent chapel with the Rev. Paul Elsen, O.P., of St. Dominic's, Youngstown, Ohio, officiating. Burial was in the Sisters' plot in Holy Cross Cemetery.

Retreat was conducted June 9-15 by the Rev. C. W. Sadlier, O.P. Father Sadlier also conducted courses in theology at the Motherhouse during the summer session.


Reception and Profession ceremonies were held at St. Bernard Church on August 4. After a low Mass offered by Rev. T. Schaefer of Washington, D. C., at 10:00 a.m. The Most Rev. Floyd L. Begin, presided at clothing of eight postulants who received their names in religion as follows: Lucille Flasco, Sister Mary Natalie of Jesus Crucified; Ada Trexler, Sister Mary Amata of Our Lady of Perpetual Help; Clara Weakland, Sister Mary Daniel of the Infant Jesus; Margaret Dempsey, Sister Mary Brendan of the Sacred Heart of Jesus; Susan Lamert, Sister Mary Joanne of the Most Blessed Sacrament; Carol Beesing, Sister Maria of the Most Holy Rosary; Ruth Gill, Sister Mary Magdalene of the Most Precious Blood; Mary Ellen Paulus, Sister Mary Damian of Christ Crucified.

The ten novices who made first profession were: Sisters M. Thaddeus, M. Stephanie, M. Timothy, M. Bonaventure, M. Josette, M. Carolyn, M. Martina, M. Philomena, M. Immaculata, M. de Montfort.

A number of our Sisters received their degrees from the following colleges: St. John's College, Cleveland, Akron University, Siena Heights College, Adrian, Michigan and Kent State University, Kent, Ohio.

Corpus Christi Monastery, Hunts Point, Bronx, New York

On May 9th, Miss Patricia Connolly of Mt. Vernon, N. Y., was clothed with the holy habit of St. Dominic, receiving the name of Sr. Mary of the Sacred Heart. The Rev. Charles P. McHale of Tuckahoe, N. Y., delivered the sermon.

The annual Pre-Pentecost Retreat (June 3-5) was preached by the Rev. J. A. Foley, O.P., of Youngstown, Ohio.
Dominicana

Congregation of the Dominican Sisters of St. Catherine of Siena, Kenosha, Wisconsin

Rev. Damian Smith, O.P., Editor of The Dominican Bulletin was Chaplain at St. Catherine's Hospital, during the month of July, while Rev. F. Mundschau was on his vacation.

In honor of the Marian Year the Sisters held special devotions at the Grotto of Our Lady of Lourdes on each Saturday in May. A Holy Hour was held at the Grotto during the months of July and August on special days.


Congregation of the Queen of the Holy Rosary Mission San Jose, California

Ground breaking ceremonies for the new Sisters' chapel and infirmary building were held on the afternoon of May 3. Rev. John Leal, Pastor of St. Joseph's Church, officiated. He was assisted by the Rev. P. C. Egli, O.P., Motherhouse chaplain, and the Rev. D. J. Woolf, O.P. Music for the occasion was provided by the Junior Sisters' Choir under the direction of Sister Mary Bertha, O.P.

His Excellency, the Rt. Rev. Thomas Wakida, former Bishop of Yokohama, was the guest of the Sisters at the Motherhouse the week-end of May 29-31. His Excellency celebrated the conventual Mass in the Sisters' Chapel the morning of Monday, May 31.

Summer Sessions at Queen of the Holy Rosary College were formally opened on Monday evening, June 21, with an address by the Rev. John T. Foudy, Assistant Superintendent of Catholic Schools in the Archdiocese of San Francisco.

On Thursday, June 24, the Motherhouse chapel was the scene of the combined ceremonies of First and Final Profession. Eight novices—Sisters Marian, Kevin Marie, Claudia, Estelle, Benedict Marie, Mary Jude, Augustine, and Francine—pronounced their vows for one year, and seven sisters—Sister Mariella, Mary Anne, Mary Robert, Mary Peter, Mary Cabrini, Hyacinth, and Alphonse—pronounced final vows. The ceremonies were preceded by a Solemn High Mass, at which the Rev. Stanley J. Reilly, Pastor of St. Nicholas Church, Los Altos, presided, as representative of His Excellency, the Archbishop. Solemn Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament concluded the liturgical services of the day.

Graduation exercises and official closing of the Summer Sessions were conducted in the Motherhouse Chapel on Thursday evening, July 29. The Very Rev. Joseph J. Fulton, O.P., Provincial of the Holy Name Province, presided and delivered the sermon for the occasion.

On Friday morning, July 30, the “Month's Mind” of the death of the late Very Rev. Master General, Father Emmanuel Suarez, O.P., was observed. A Solemn Mass of Requiem was offered at 8:30 a.m. in the Motherhouse Chapel, by the Very Rev. Joseph J. Fulton, O.P., Provincial He was assisted by the Rev. Paul Egli, O.P., and the Rev. Vincent Fontana, O.P.

On Wednesday, August 11, three postulants received the holy habit of St. Dominic. They were Miss Joan Bascom of Pasadena, California, Miss Patricia Madden of Portland, Oregon, and Miss Betty Jo Cotton of San Francisco, California.
On Thursday, August 12, Sisters Mary Xavier McCarthy and Marie Kathleen Richardson pronounced their First Vows.

The annual Jubilee celebration for seventeen of our sisters was observed on Sunday, August 15. A Solemn Jubilee Mass of Thanksgiving was celebrated at 9:30 a.m. After Vespers of the day the one diamond, six golden, and ten silver jubilarians repeated once again, the formula of their profession.

The Sisters were: Diamond Jubilarian—Sister M. Bernarda; Golden Jubilarians—Sisters Edarda, Walburga, Notburga, Callista, Blandina and Pulcheria; Silver Jubilarians—Sisters Theophane, Maureen, Celeste, Camilla, Corina, Refugio, Verona, Emmerama, Erharda, and Willibalda. Ad Multos Annos!

Sixty-four of the Sisters of our congregation attended the Institute on Dominican Spirituality, conducted at Dominican College, San Rafael from August 9 to 21.

**Dominican Nuns of the Perpetual Rosary, Buffalo, N. Y.**

The corporate Communion which concluded the year's activities of the Immaculate Heart Chapter took place in the Monastery chapel on the fourth Sunday of June. The Missa Cantata was celebrated by Rev. Thomas Shepherd, prior of the Holy Spirit Chapter for priests.

On July 10th, one Choir Nun, Sr. Mary Agnes of the Infant Jesus, and one Lay-Sister, Sr. Mary Joseph of the Infant Jesus, made profession of temporary vows.

The annual festival of our Holy Father, St. Dominic was celebrated once again in the chapel of the Monastery by the Franciscan Fathers of the city. The Solemn Mass was preceded by an outdoor procession of the officiants and a large number of the clergy. The sermon was preached by the Very Rev. Ermin Klaus, O.F.M., Guardian of the Monastery at Timon High School. Tertiaries of both Orders and friends of the Community filled the chapel to capacity.

At the request of His Excellency, the Most Rev. Joseph Burke, Bishop of Buffalo, a Missa Cantata was broadcast from the Monastery each Sunday of August. The chaplain, Very Rev. Albert Drexelius officiated, the Nuns singing the Gregorian chant of the Order.

A delegation of men Tertiaries, led by their director, appeared on television on the Diocesan Rosary Hour, "Men of Prayer."

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

The community lost two Sisters in death recently. Sister Mary Mark Simon died on February 22 and Sister M. Gundisalva Lentz on March 27. R.I.P.

Rev. Raymond Scullion, O.P., preached the early summer retreat at the Motherhouse. A three-day retreat for postulants and aspirants was conducted by Rev. Edw. Conley, O.P., at the close of the first semester in January.

Sisters Madeline, Sebastian, Eunice, and Mary Magdalena attended the Institute of Dominican Spirituality at St. Mary of the Springs, Columbus, Ohio, in June.

Rev. W. B. Mahoney, O.P., was a guest teacher at Dominican College during the summer session.

Rev. Mother Mary Cleopha and several Sisters attended the Solemn Memorial Mass for the Most Rev. Emmanuel Suarez, O.P., at St. Pius Church, Chicago, on July 10.

Sisters M. Caroline and M. Louise observed the sixtieth anniversary of religious profession on August 5. Sisters M. Alice, Dorothy, Patricia, Clotilda, and John
Chrysostom observed their golden and thirteen Sisters their silver jubilee of religious profession on the same day.

Thirteen Sisters made their first profession of vows and thirteen Sisters their final profession on August 15. On August 17, sixteen young women received the habit of the Order.

**Congregation of the Most Holy Name of Jesus**
**The Dominican Sisters of San Rafael, California**

At St. Catherine's Convent, Benicia, California which was founded in 1854, the second Motherhouse of the Congregation in California, a Centennial celebration was held on April 24. There was a Solemn High Mass of thanksgiving with the Provincial, Very Rev. Joseph J. Fulton, O.P., as celebrant. Rev. John J. Walsh, O.P., preached the sermon for the occasion.

Summer sessions have been held in three of the schools: one at St. Catherine's for boys and girls of elementary school age, one at Santa Catalina School, Monterey, for girls in grammar and high school, and at the Dominican College of San Rafael both an undergraduate and a graduate program. The Pacific Coast Branch of the Catholic University of America also had a graduate program at the Dominican College. To the regular college work there was added this summer the Leadership Courses of the Confraternity of Christian Doctrine. The graduation exercises of the Summer Session in San Rafael were held on Friday, August 6. The Most Rev. Robert J. Dwyer, Bishop of Reno, presided. Both Bachelor's and Master's degrees were conferred as well as Certificates for completion of the Confraternity course.

For the repose of the soul of Most Rev. Emmanuel Suarez, O.P., a Mass of Requiem was sung in the Chapel of the Motherhouse on July 3, and on the same day in the Novitiate Chapel of Santa Sabina Convent. On July 12 there was a Solemn High Mass of Requiem in St. Dominic's Church, San Francisco with the Most Rev. John J. Mitty, Archbishop of San Francisco presiding. A large number of Sisters from San Rafael were present at the Mass.

A student of St. Rose Academy, San Francisco, won honors at the San Francisco Bay Area Science Fair. She received first prize in the Girls' Physical Sciences, and the State Grand Prize in all divisions. She and her instructor, Sister Maria, O.P., were sent to the National Science meeting at Purdue University.

At the end of July a regional meeting of the Sister-Formation conference was held in Immaculate Heart College in Los Angeles. Mother M. Justin, O.P., Mother General, and Sister M. Thomas, O.P., were present.

**Saint Catherine of Siena Congregation, Saint Catherine, Kentucky**

During May the art department of the College and Academy, under the direction of Sister Alberta, put on exhibition the madonna masterpieces of the medieval artists, a Marian Year study of the various inspirations found in the Virgin-Mother of Jesus.

Sister Venard has completed a very helpful pamphlet entitled "Calling All V. I. P's." The purpose of the book is to intensify children's realization of the fact that they are children of God. (Very Important Persons.)

On June fourth His Excellency, the Most Rev. J. A. Floersch, D.D., kindly granted the Motherhouse the privilege of having Exposition of the Most Blessed Sacrament on the First Friday of each month.

The Dominican Fathers and Brothers of St. Rose Priory participated in the Corpus Christi procession of June seventeenth.
The Rev. Justin McManus, O.P., opened the retreat for the members of the General Chapter on the eve of Corpus Christi and closed the exercises on the Feast of the Sacred Heart.

Preceding the election of the Major Superiors of the Congregation, the community assembled for a Holy Hour. At the close of this adoration His Excellency, the Most Rev. J. A. Floersch entered the chapel where he addressed the Sisters, then presided at the ceremony of selecting the following Superiors: Mother Mary Julia Polin, Mother General, Sister Margaret Elizabeth Walsh, Vicaress, Sister Mary Mary Ellen McTeague, Secretary General, Sister M. Leonarda Yilk, Sister Mary Charles Moranville, Sister Joachim McDonald, Bursar General.

On the Feast of St. Dominic the community observed the silver jubilee of religious profession of: Sisters Alice Marie, Agnes Regina, Brigeda, and Anna; on August twenty-sixth the golden jubilee of Sister Irene.

Sister Stella Maris, Librarian of Saint Catherine Junior College and Academy, was a member of the faculty of Rosary College, Chicago, for the summer session.

On August fourteenth, twenty-six aspirants were clothed in the holy habit of St. Dominic. The Rev. Thomas V. Liske, pastor of St. John Berchmans Parish, Chicago, Illinois, preached.

On the Feast of the Assumption, the first profession of ten novices, renewals and finals of professed Sisters were made to the Rev. M. S. Willoughby, O.P., chaplain, representing the Archbishop.

During the summer 68 Sisters conducted eight centers of Christian Doctrine in Porto Rico and thirty such centers in the southern and western states.

New elementary schools opened this September are: Sacred Heart, Jeffersonville; Saint Luke, Ogalala, Nebraska; Our Lady of the Wayside, Arlington Heights, Illinois.

Sisters of the community taught in more than forty religious vacation schools.
On May 29, Sister Mary Rosaria, O.P., sister of Sister M. Jarlath, O.P., died at St. Joseph's Hospital, Wellington, Texas. R.I.P.

Mt. St. Mary-on-the-Hudson, Newburgh, New York


The retreat at the Motherhouse preparatory to the Investiture on June 14 and the Profession of Novices was given by the Very Rev. Matthew Hanley, O.P. Rev. Terence Sullivan, O.P., of Providence College, is on the faculty of the Sisters Summer School Session at Mt. St. Mary.

Players Incorporated will present Moliere's *Le Bourgeois Gentilhomme* in the Mt. St. Mary Auditorium on October 27. This will be the sixth year in which the Players have appeared at the Mount and the second year in which one of Moliere's dramas has been the choice.

A Sisters' Infirmary, a 90-foot extension with wing of the present Administration Building, is making marked strides toward completion in mid-winter.

Three golden jubilarians—Sisters Regina, Fosario and Villana—celebrated the fiftieth year of their Profession in the Community.

In your charity pray for the souls of Sister Agnes Mary, who died on April 29 in the thirtieth year of her religious profession and of Sister Regina Concepta, who died on July 5 in the forty-first year of her profession.

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

The annual May Pilgrimage for Peace was held on Sunday, May 16, with approximately three thousand attending. Rev. John B. Mulgrew, O.P., S.T.Lr., Chaplain, was Master of Ceremonies. The sermon was preached by the Rev. Charles Quirk, O.P., Professor of Economics at Providence College. Rev. Laurence Doucette, Pastor of St. Louis Church in New Haven, was celebrant of the Solemn Benediction.

Private pilgrimages have included St. Mary's Auxiliary of Meriden, whose pastor preached the sermon and whose curate led the rosary. The Summer Religious School of St. Patrick's Farmington, under the direction of the Sisters of Mercy, held their closing session at the Monastery with 106 children attending. A group of Children of Mary from Norwich, under the leadership of their Director, spent a day of recollection at the monastery.

The second High Mass and Communion Breakfast of "The Lady of Grace Crusaders" was held on Sunday, June 27, with 72 members attending.


Recent guests have included the Most Rev. Stephen J. Donahue, Auxiliary Bishop of New York, whose informal talk was much appreciated, and Sister M. Madeleva, C.S.S.P., President of St. Mary's College, Notre Dame, Indiana, who entertained the nuns with her talks on Chaucer and on the Maritain Theory of Poetry illustrated with her own poetry.

Congregation of St. Mary, New Orleans, Louisiana

The Rev. John M. Gaines, O.P., conducted the spring retreat in Rosaryville, the House of the Novitiate, June 6-15. At the close of the retreat the following
postulants received the habit of St. Dominic: Rae Martin, Sister Mary Margretta; Jean Zeringue, Sister Mary Rose Agnes; Patricia Ford, Sister Mary Corinne; Jane Conzelmann, Sister Mary Perpetua; Kathleen Cummings, Sister Mary John Dominic; Margaret Ann O'Quinn, Sister Mary Frances Therese; Ellen Green, Sister Mary Michaeline; Catherine Notariano, Sister Mary Stephane. Temporary Vows were taken by Sister Mary Christopher Vauthier, Sister Mary Andre Quigley, Sister Mary Camillus Cox, Sister Mary Anthony D'Geralamo, Sister Mary Matthias Neitzschman, Sister Mary Cabrini Rando, and Sister Mary Maureen Vedros. Perpetual Vows were pronounced by Sister Mary David Stier.

The Rev. Richard Butler, O.P., conducted the annual retreat at St. Mary's Convent, July 26-Aug. 4th.

The Institute of Dominican Spirituality was attended by Sisters Mary Francesca, Rita and Paul, O.P., at Columbus, Ohio, and by Sisters Mary Aimee and Edward, O.P., at San Rafael, California.

The third annual graduation exercises of the Theological Institute of St. Mary's Dominican College were held on July 23. Rev. Anselm E. Vitie, O.P., Chaplain of the College and director of the Institute celebrated the Mass and Rev. Leo M. Shea, O.P., of the College faculty addressed the graduates among whom were Sisters Mary Agnes, O.P., Helen, O.P., and Jude, O.P., of St. Mary's Congregation. On the same day the College conferred the Bachelor of Arts degree upon our Sisters Fidelis, Giles and Florita, O.P., and the Bachelor of Science upon Sister Mary Luke, O.P.


On August 16, Sister Mary Assumpta Warden, O.P., pronounced Temporary Vows in the Novitiate Chapel in Rosaryville.

The Sisters at St. Mary's had the pleasure of a recent visit of the Provincial of St. Albert the Great Province, the Very Rev. Father Edward L. Hughes, O.P.

Sister Mary Augustine Blake, O.P., died on June 9 in the forty-fifth year of her religious profession. R.I.P.

Holy Cross Congregation, Amityville, N. Y.

On July 4 at the Queen of the Rosary Chapel, Rev. Eugene J. Crawford, Spiritual Director of this Congregation was invested in the robes of Papal Chamberlain by Right Rev. Msgr. William J. McKenna, P.A., Visitor General of Religious Communities in the Diocese of Brooklyn.

Groups of Sisters attended the Summer School Sessions at St. John’s University, Brooklyn; Fordham University, New York City; Pius X Institute of Music; Manhattanville College; Providence College, Rhode Island; Catholic University of America, Washington, D. C., St. Louis University, St. Louis, Missouri; Catholic University of Puerto Rico, Ponce; and Sacred Heart College, Santurce, Puerto Rico. A large group of Sisters also attended courses in the Community Summer College at Saint Joseph’s, New York.

In the interests of Catholic youth during the summer, Sisters supervised work in eleven Catholic Camps: Camp St. Josephs for Boys and Girls, Saint Josephs, Sullivan Co., New York; St. Agnes Villa, Wurtsboro; Camp Hayes, Goddefroy, N. Y.; Camp Dineen, New Palz, New York; Camp Wahkonda, Mt. Marion, Sagerties, N. Y.; Camp Villa St. Joseph, Hacketstown, New Jersey; the Brooklyn Diocesan Camps Molloy and Immaculata, Mattituck, N. Y.; and three Day Camps
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of the Catholic Youth Organization in Whitestone, Cresthaven and Wyandanch, New York.

On July 11, the Rt. Rev. Dr. T. Tharayil, Bishop of Kottayam, a Dominican tertiary, visited the Mother House at Amityville, in company with Rev. Sister Lewis, M.D., of the new Dominican Congregation in Rome. They also visited St. Catherine's Hospital, Brooklyn, and Mary Immaculate Hospital, Jamaica.


Many Sisters of this congregation, including Rev. Mother Adelaide and Rev. Mother Claudia, attended the first of the ceremonies marking the fiftieth anniversary on July 26 of the coming of the Dominican Fathers to Puerto Rico from Holland.

On August 4, Very Rev. Msgr. Eugene J. Crawford presided at the Ceremony of Reception at which fifty-one postulants received the Dominican Habit. Thirty Junior Professed pronounced their Final Vows on August 6 and sixty novices made their First Vows on August 7. At both Profession ceremonies, Msgr. Crawford presided.

Sister M. Joseph Anthony, O.P., died recently at the Motherhouse. R.I.P.

Dominican Retreat House, Convent of Our Lady of Prouille, Elkins Park, Pennsylvania

At the General Chapter held at the Motherhouse from July 6th to the 9th Very Rev. Mother M. Emmanuel was elected Mother General.

The Novices and Postulants attended a six week course in the Theological Virtues and Psychology. Rev. Robert Prout, O.P., of Providence College conducted the classes.

After the Community Mass on August 4th Sister M. Edward pronounced her perpetual vows and Sister M. Christopher pronounced temporary vows. Later in the morning following a Solemn High Mass Sister M. Joanna and Sister M. Mark received the Holy Habit.

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

Mother Rose Xavier was elected Mother General of the Congregation at the General Chapter held in July at the Motherhouse in New York City. Other community officials elected were, Mother Mary Reginald, vicarress, with the following councilors: Sister Mary Ann, Sister Maire and Sister Mary Consilii. Sister Mary Geraldine is general secretary and Sister Mary Regina, bursar general. The General Chapter conferred on Mother Mary Reginald, the retiring Mother General, the honorary title of Mother for life. Mother Reginald has been appointed prioress of the Motherhouse in New York. Sister Mary Gemma is the new local superior in Ossining, New York where Mother Rose Xavier was local superior until her election.

Sister Clara Marie and Sister Marie attended the Dominican Institute of Spirituality held at St. Mary of the Springs, Columbus, Ohio.

The Rev. Lawrence Monahan, newly ordained and a distant cousin of our foundress, Mother Mary Walsh, said one of his first low Masses for the Sisters of
the novitiate house on May 26th. Several other young priests said their first low Masses at Ossining convent.

The feast of Corpus Christi was observed with Triple Benediction out of doors. Msgr. Daniel J. Donovan from the New York Chancery officiated and Father Bernard King, O.P., preached the sermon.

The Reverend Robert Green of the Maryknoll Fathers and author of *Calvary in China* spoke to the Sisters on the need for prayer for our fellow Catholics suffering for the Faith.

Forty Sisters attended the Requiem Mass for the Master General held at St. Vincent Ferrer’s church. A high Mass for the deceased was sung at the Novitiate chapel in Ossining, while Masses and the Office of the Dead were offered in all our houses.

Sister Mary Antoninus McManus died July 27 in the 39th year of her religious profession. R.I.P.

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

Four new houses have been opened by the Maryknoll Sisters in recent months. Two in the Philippines, one in Japan and one in the United States.

Three Sisters have begun work in Dulawan, Cotobato, Philippines, conducting a school. Two others in Caloocan, Rizal, will be in charge of a hostel for students of an agricultural college.

The new house in Japan is in Uji Yamada, stronghold of the Shintoist religion. Here in the States, a group of Sisters will staff a non-segregated general hospital, formerly St. Vincent’s maternity hospital and orphanage in Kansas City, Mo. It is now being remodeled.

Sister Mary Lucrezia (Maniscalco) died on April 2 and Sister Mary Zita (McDermott) died on April 27th. R.I.P.

On May 8th, nine Sisters made final vows in different missions.

The Fiftieth Departure Ceremony of the Maryknoll Sisters took place on July 11th. Bishop Raymond A. Lane, M.M., presided at the ceremony and Msgr. Vincent W. Jeffers, New York Director of the Society for the Propagation of the Faith, was the guest speaker. This year’s assignment list includes fifty-five Sisters departing for missions overseas or on the Pacific Coast.

**Congregation of the Most Holy Rosary, Sinsinawa, Wisconsin**


Sister Reparata Murray died on June 16, Sister Helene Clancy on July 16, and Sister Rebecca Kearsn on August 5. R.I.P.

Classes in ethics and theology were conducted during the summer session by Rev. Mark C. Verschure, O.P., and Rev. Edward M. Robinson, O.P., respectively. Courses in Latin, French, history, educational psychology and literature were given by members of the community. On July 25, a distinguished guest, Very Rev. Paul Philippe, O.P., addressed the students.

On July 1, high Mass of Requiem was offered by Father Connolly for the Most Rev. Emmanuel Suarez, O.P., Master General.

High Mass on the feast of St. Dominic was celebrated by Father Verschure.
Most Rev. William P. O'Connor, Bishop of Madison, presided, preached, and, assisted by Father Connolly, later invested forty-four postulants with the Dominican habit. Fifty-one priests and many secular guests witnessed the ceremonies.

After a high Mass sung on August 5 by Rev. James Bartek of Omaha, Father Connolly officiated at rites admitting forty-two novices to first profession and forty-two professed novices to final vows.

Summer activities of the Congregation included the staffing of sixty-five rural catechetical centers, three park recreational centers in Chicago, and one parish recreational center in New York; also the providing of instructors in Educational courses for eight non-Dominican Sisters' study centers.

Two new elementary schools were opened this fall, St. Mary's Menominee, Illinois, and Mother of Consolation, Oregon, Wisconsin; also, one high school, St. Mary's, Greenwich, Connecticut.

In the recent death of Most Rev. Paul A. Skehan, O.P., Procurator General, our Congregation loses a valued friend who always extended the services of his office in a spirit of true fraternal generosity.