

THE CLOISTER CHRONICLE

Province of St. Joseph

The Very Rev. E. G. Fitzgerald, O. P., S. T. B., has been reelected prior of the House of Studies. The Very Rev. Augustine Waldron, O. P., S. T. M., has been elected sub-prior.

The feast of our Holy Father St. Dominic was observed with traditional solemnity at the Novitiate summer home in Ocean City, Md. Rev. Fr. Albert O'Brien, O. F. M., of St. Bonaventure's Seminary, Alleghany, N. Y., sang the Solemn High Mass. In the evening a select program was given under the direction of Mr. Charlemagne Koehler, M. A., Professor of Oratory.

Renewed in health after a summer at the seashore the novices left Ocean City September 5th. On their arrival at the House of Studies they were joined by twelve novices from our Philosophy House, the venerable Priory of St. Rose, Springfield, Ky.

Rt. Rev. Bishop McNicholas, O. P., D. D., conducted the missionaries' retreat at the House of Studies, beginning the last week in August. The community retreat, which opened September 5th, was given by Fr. C. M. Thuente, O. P.

Fr. V. C. Donovan, O. P., Professor of Plain Chant, has taken up special studies in ecclesiastical music under the Benedictine Fathers at Isle of Wight, England. Before leaving this country he gave summer courses to a number of Dominican Sisters' communities.

On September 8th the Very Rev. D. J. Kennedy, O. P., S. T. M., celebrated his thirty-fifth anniversary of ordination to the holy priesthood; and on November 10th Rev. Fr. B. C. Murray, O. P., will observe his silver jubilee. To both Fathers the novices most heartily extend their congratulations.

The Fathers of the Intermediate Chapter of St. Joseph's Province will meet at the House of Studies on the first Saturday after the Feast of the Most Holy Rosary.

The Very Rev. J. R. Heffernan, O. P., was reelected prior of St. Vincent Ferrer's, New York City, and the Very Rev. J. A. Hinch, O. P., P. G., of St. Antoninus', Newark, N. J.

The following parish changes have been made throughout the Province: Fr. E. J. Farmer, O. P., has been assigned to St. Dominic's, Washington; Fr. W. G. Scanlon, O. P., has been appointed pastor of Holy Rosary, Houston, Texas; Fr. J. L. Pasorelli, O. P., pastor of St. Peter's, Memphis, Tenn.; Fr. J. D. Fowler, O. P., chaplain at Eagle Park, Ossining, N. Y.; Fr. T. S. McDermott, O. P., S. T. Lr., pastor of Holy Name, Kansas City, Mo.; Fr. W. L. Whalen, O. P., has been assigned to Holy Rosary, Houston, Texas; Fr. A. P. Curran, O. P., to St. Thomas', Zanesville, Ohio; Fr. P. R. Carroll, O. P., to St. Pius', Providence, R. I.

Fr. Q. T. Beckley, O. P., J. C. B., has been assigned to the faculty of Aquinas College, Columbus, Ohio.

Providence College opened September 15th. The faculty is made up of the Very Rev. D. A. Casey, O. P., President, Frs. F. G. Level, O. P., J. A. Jordan, O. P., H. P. Cunningham, O. P., A. H. Chandler, O. P., D. M. Galliher, O. P., F. A. Howley, O. P., J. J. Welsh, O. P., L. C. McCarthy, O. P.

Four Fathers stationed at St. Pius' and St. Raymond's, Providence, will teach the classics at the Christian Brothers' Academy of La Salle. They are Frs. P. L. Thornton, O. P., E. J. Donovan, O. P., T. F. Conlon, O. P., and P. R. Carroll, O. P.

Since June 10th Fr. C. M. Thunte, O. P., has given fourteen retreats, eight of which have been to the reverend clergy, and three to the laity. The Very Rev. Fr. Healy, O. P., P. G., gave two retreats to the Albany priests at the Franciscan Monastery, Rensselaer, N. Y. Fr. John Dominic Wildenberg gave the retreat to the priests of the Ogdensburg diocese. During the month of September Very Rev. D. J. Kennedy, O. P., S. T. M., Regent of the House of Studies, preached the two retreats of the clergy of the diocese of Cleveland.

Very Rev. Ignatius Smith, O. P., S. T. Lr., gave the first retreat that has been held in San Francisco for the Catholic nurses. About five hundred nurses attended. At the close of the retreat an organization was formed now known as "The California Guild of Catholic Nurses."

Fr. Raymond Lawler, O. P., has been appointed Head of the Western Mission Band.

Fr. Francis Feeley, O. P., has been added to the missionary forces. Frs. O'Neil, Haverty, O'Toole and Baxter have been assigned to the Eastern Mission Band. Frs. Foley and Fannan, who have been recuperating from a very serious illness will begin the mission season with the other members. The season of 1919-1920 will open September 7th and all will be engaged with only an occasional rest till June.

Fr. John Dominic Wildenberg, O. P., is visiting his home in Belgium.

Province of the Holy Name of Jesus

Solemn Requiem Mass for the repose of the soul of the Rev. T. P. Henry, O. P., who died in San Francisco on the 31st of July, was celebrated at St. Dominic's Church on August 2d. Very Rev. A. L. McMahon, Provincial of the Holy Name Province, was celebrant of the Mass. He was assisted by Rev. J. A. Hunt, O. P., as deacon, and Rev. W. T. Lewis, O. P., as subdeacon.

The Feast of St. Dominic, which occurred Monday, August 4th, was celebrated the following Sunday with all pomp and solemnity. Rev. J. A. McKeon, O. P., who returned to his home parish from the East, was celebrant of the Mass on the day of the great feast. The sermon was delivered by the Very Rev. E. G. Fitzgerald, O. P., Prior at Washington, D. C.

Rev. V. H. Palmer, O. P., has arrived in San Francisco from Washington, D. C., where he has been completing his theological education, and has been appointed assistant at St. Dominic's church, San Francisco.

The year 1869 saw the first public manifestation in honor of Our Lady of Lourdes, in which the Church took part. Fifty years have passed, and in all parts of the world stand memorials to our Lady. On July 20 a grotto and beautiful statue of Our Blessed Mother, situated to the east side of St. Vincent's church, Vallejo, California, were blessed by the pastor, Rev. J. D. O'Brien, O. P.

A new Ostensorium, valued at \$9,500, has been donated to St. Dominic's church, San Francisco, by Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Kirk and Miss Miller, benefactors of the Dominican Order. The

jewel-insetting is principally of diamonds and opals. It was solemnly blessed Sunday evening, August 10, and carried in procession of the Blessed Sacrament by Very Rev. A. L. McMahon, O. P., S. T. M. The Misses Keane and Miss White have also given jewelry for the making of a beautiful chalice for this church.

Foreign Provinces

A General Chapter of Definitors will be held next year in the Convent of St. John the Baptist, Corias, Spain. The date set is the Vigil of Pentecost, May 22d. Some important business will be transacted owing to the recent changes in Canon Law.

Frs. Bede Jarrett, O. P., and Eustace O'Gorman, O. P., continue to give public lectures in London on the Summa of St. Thomas.

Very Rev. Raymond Mary Rouleau, O. P., S. T. M., late Regent of Studies at the Convent of St. John the Baptist, Ottawa, has been elected Prior Provincial of St. Dominic's Province, Canada.

A significant incident took place on the 15th of March in Flavigny, France, when some American soldiers replaced on the pedestal from which it had been removed a statue of Père Lacordaire.

Père Mainage, O. P., has been awarded the "Prix Mondyon" by the French Academy for his book, "Les Mouvements de la jeunesse catholique française au XIX siècle."

Fr. Paul Dorhme, O. P., who was decorated by the French Government during the war for some archeological discoveries in the trenches of the Orient has recently returned to Jerusalem, where he has since been elected prior of St. Stephen's.

Fr. Ceslaus Rolin, O. P., S. T. M., late Regent of Studies at our college, Louvain, was elected Prior Provincial of the Belgian Province of St. Rose.

On May 22d Fr. Lawrence Peach, O. P., chaplain for the nuns at Carisbrooke celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of his ordination to the holy priesthood.

Fr. L. Ferretti, O. P., has published the life of Bl. Antony della Chiesa, O. P., who is of the family of the present Holy Father, Pope Benedict XV.

The five hundredth anniversary of the death of Bl. John Dominic, O. P., cardinal and reformer of the fifteenth century, was commemorated with great splendor in the various scenes of his labors, especially in the church of St. Dominic built by him at Fiesole, Italy. His letters in complete edition have been published by Canon Angelo Latini of Florence who is also writing a biography of the saint.

The spiritual counsels of Fr. Desqueyrous, O. P., the late Procurator General have been published by Père Denis Mézard, O. P.

The venerable Dominican church of Santa Sabina, Rome, which was taken from the Order in 1870, has been restored to its original form. At the civil inauguration on June 22d Professor Manoz, Superintendent of Monuments, expressed the hope that the magnificent cloister would also be restored and occupied by our Fathers. Both are at present being used as a fever hospital.

Dominican Sisters

The annual retreat of the Community of St. Mary of the Springs, Shepard, Ohio, was given from June 30 to July 9 by Very Rev. M. L. Heagan, O. P., S. T. Lr., ex-provincial of St. Joseph's Province.

On July 6, at St. Mary of the Springs, Very Rev. M. L. Heagan, O. P., clothed seven aspirants with the white habit of St. Dominic. His Lordship, Rt. Rev. J. J. Hartley, D. D., presided at the first profession and the renewal of vows on July 10. Forty-one members took part in the ceremony.

The Alumnae Association of St. Mary's held its annual meeting July 24th. The distinguishing feature was the book-shower for a Philomathean Library.

One hundred boys from St. Vincent Ferrer School, New York City, took part in a demonstration of Gregorian Chant given recently at the Convent of the Sacred Heart, Manhattanville,

to illustrate Justine Ward's method of teaching music. This method will be adopted in all the schools taught by the Sisters of St. Mary of the Springs.

The Sisters of Holy Rosary Hospital, Ontario, Ore., recently had receptions to the habit, professions and final vows. Rt. Rev. Bishop McGrath, D. D., officiated; Rev. A. M. Skelly, O. P., conducted the retreat.

The Summer School of the Brooklyn Dominican Sisters at Joseph's, Sullivan Co., N. Y., surpassed last year's record both in the number attending and the work accomplished.

Eight Sisters of this Community attended a Normal Course in music given at Albany by the director of music at the Sisters' College, Washington, D. C.

The spelling contest for public and private schools in Nassau County was won by pupils of St. Agnes School, Rockville Centre, L. I., taught by Dominican Sisters of the Brooklyn Diocese.

During the month of July three retreats were held at the House of Novitiate, Amityville, given respectively by three Dominican Fathers.

On July 10, twelve Sisters of the Brooklyn Community celebrated their silver jubilee of profession. On August 12, Sr. Dominic Sander celebrated her golden jubilee.

Since the last issue of *Dominicana*, death claimed Sr. Callista, O. S. D. R. I. P.

The annual retreat of the Dominican Sisters of Louisiana, July 26-August 4, was given by Father Volz, from St. Joseph's Province, at the Mother-House in New Orleans, to which the Sisters from the missions return for vacation.

A short time ago the Dominican Sisters of New Orleans lost one of their two surviving foundresses, Sr. M. Osanna, who died in the ninety-sixth year of her age and the seventy-sixth year of her religious life. The New Orleans Sisters also sustained another great loss in the death of Sr. M. Vincent Ferrer, who died in the forty-ninth year of her religious profession and the seventy-fourth year of her age. R. I. P.

Rev. Father Thuente, O. P., favored the Dominican Sisters of New Orleans with a short series of conferences on: "The Religious Life," "The Dominican Vocation," "Dominican Educators" and "St. Thomas Aquinas."

His Grace Most Rev. J. W. Shaw, D. D., Archbishop of New Orleans, presided at the clothing of seven aspirants with the habit of Our Holy Father St. Dominic, on the Feast of the Sacred Heart. The Feast of the Visitation witnessed the simple profession of Sr. M. Catherine of Sienna.

Sr. Vincentia of the Congregation of the Queen of the Most Holy Rosary, California, passed to her eternal reward on May 30, having been a member of the Community for nearly thirty-nine years. R. I. P.

In July, at the Novitiate in Mission San Jose, California, six postulants were clothed in the Dominican habit, four novices were admitted to first profession, and thirty-eight novices were found worthy to pronounce their final vows.

An extensive addition was made to the Immaculate Conception School in San Francisco during vacation. This building will be occupied by the small boys of St. James' parish.

The annual retreat at the Immaculate Conception Convent, San Francisco, Calif., July 6-13, was given by Rev. Father Noon, O. P., S. T. M.

Impressive ceremonies accompanied the celebration of the silver jubilee of seven Dominican Sisters of the Congregation of the Most Holy Rosary at Mission San Jose, California, on August 4th. Rev. A. S. Chamberlain, O. P., conducted the religious exercises, and delivered an inspiring sermon.

Sr. M. Evangelist passed away on the beautiful Feast of Pentecost this year. She was professed in 1871, always a beloved member of the Community of the Dominican College, San Rafael, California. R. I. P.

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