ST. JOSEPH'S PROVINCE


Professions  On the 8th of February, at St. Joseph’s Priory, Somerset, Ohio, the Very Rev. E. M. Hanley, O.P., received the first simple profession of Brother Gerard Thayer, O.P., and of Brother Ignatius Perkins, O.P.

On the 1st of March, Fr. Hanley received the solemn profession of Brother Kevin O'Connell, O.P.

On the 1st of March, at the Dominican House of Studies, Washington, D.C., the Very Rev. C. H. McKenna, O.P., received the solemn profession of Brother Richard Long, O.P.

On the 13th of March, Fr. McKenna also received the temporary profession of Brother Donald Raymond, O.P.

Vestitions  On the 2nd of April, Easter Sunday, the Very Rev. E. M. Hanley, O.P., Prior of St. Joseph’s Priory, Somerset, Ohio, clothed Brother Joachim (Eugene F. Vandergrift), Brother Ceslaus (Gerald J. Moore), and Brother Gabriel (Francis M. Rodriguez) with the habit of the Lay-Brothers.

Discussion  The Rev. T. A. Collins, O.P., of Providence College was leader of a discussion at Holy Cross College. The subject of the discussion was "Authority and Christology in Contemporary Protestant Thought;" the occasion was the regional meeting of the Society of Catholic College Teachers of
Sacred Doctrine. Fr. Collins insisted that Catholic theologians today have an obligation to become acquainted with the more important current positions of Protestant theologians. Citing the present Protestant concept of authority as one which could be a serious stumbling block in any negotiations between Catholics and other Christians, he urged study of Protestant thought on the part of Catholic teachers as a prelude to that understanding "which is essential to any progress toward Christian unity."

Laboratory Plans are underway for a new research laboratory building to be erected at Providence College. The laboratory is being made possible through a grant of nearly $125,000 given to the College by the National Institutes of Health to help finance the project. In addition, other grants have been received from industries, foundations, and "matching funds" programs. The purpose of the building is for research in the health sciences.

Centennial Francis Cardinal Spellman on April 30th presided at a Dominican Solemn Mass celebrating the fifth centennial of the canonization of Saint Catherine of Siena. The Mass, offered on the feast of the saint, was part of a two-day convocation of Dominican tertiaries at St. Catherine of Siena Church in N. Y. Lay members of the Third Order came from all parts of the eastern half of the United States to honor their patroness.

Study Groups The Rev. J. D. Keating, O.P., has been instrumental in setting up a course of religious study for the membership of the Mothers Circles, an organization composed of 300 young married women in New Haven, Connecticut. Father Keating's plan calls for the members to meet in small groups of ten or so, to carry out one of the purposes of this organization, namely, to devote themselves to the study of the principles of the Faith and their application to daily family life.

Prison Retreat At the request of the local chaplain, a three day retreat was given to the prisoners of Virginia State Penitentiary in Richmond by the Rev. C. J. Breitfeller, O.P. The retreat was given in April. Prior to the retreat the Rev. N. R. Reid, O.P., and the Rev. D. F. Sheehy, O.P., as well as Fr. Breitfeller visited the institution and spoke with the inmates. Afterwards they were luncheon guests of Auxiliary Bishop Hodges of Richmond.

Guest Speaker As part of the series, "Distinguished Lecturers in Science," Providence College presented Gordon L. Brownell in a lecture entitled "Nuclear Physics and Medical Research." Dr. Brownell is director of the Physics Research Laboratory of the Massachusetts General Hospital. This series of talks was conducted in conjunction with the Honors Science Program of Providence College.

Drama Award In recognition of his contributions to the Catholic Theater during the past twenty-five years, the Rev. E. U. Nagle, O.P., has been designated as the Silver Jubilee recipient of the Father Dineen Award of the National Catholic Theater Conference. The award will be made at the Conference's Convention in New York this summer.

Newman Club The Rev. W. A. Stickle, O.P., Chaplain of the Catholic Student Center of the University of Virginia, was the Catholic representative for the "Religious Emphasis Week" at two institutions during the winter. He spoke at Potomac State College in West Virginia, and V.P.I. in Virginia.
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Missionaries  The community in Concepcion, Chile, was increased by the presence of the Rev. W. L. Smith, O.P., who arrived in Concepcion on the 6th of January. Father Smith is proficient in Spanish, having studied it extensively, including studies last year at the Catholic University in Puerto Rico. At the end of March, Brother Richard Long, O.P., returned to Pakistan. Accompanying Brother Richard was Brother Mark Schratz, O.P. Brother Mark is working in Karachi, while Brother Richard returned to the hospital work in Bahawalpur.

Marriage Forum  The opening lecture in the 15th annual Providence College Marriage Forum, drew the largest audience in the Forum’s history; 875 young men and women were present. The Forum is sponsored jointly by the Department of Sociology and the Office of the Chaplain. The Chairman is the Rev. T. H. McBrien, O.P.

Meeting  St. Stephen’s Priory, Dover, Mass., sponsored a Symposium recently at the Town House of Dover. The featured speaker was the Rev. R. Smith, O.P. His subject was “St. Thomas Aquinas and Paul Tillich on the Existence of God.” The panelists included Professor Clarence Shute of the University of Mass.; Professor Woodrow Sayre of Tufts University, and Professor John Lavely of Boston University.

Atomic Science  The Rev. W. A. Murtaugh, O.P., is attending the Summer Institute for Physics Teachers conducted by the Oak Ridge Institute of Nuclear Studies and the Oak Ridge National Laboratory in cooperation with the United States Atomic Energy Commission.

Lenten Course  The Lenten Course at the Reformatory for Men at Lorton, Virginia, and the Reformatory for Women with its adjacent Youth Center for Girls was given this year by the Very Rev. J. D. McMahon, O.P. Father McMahon’s own experience as a prisoner of war have given him useful insight into the outlook and problems of prisoners. The series was well attended.


At the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, on the feast of St. Thomas, the Rev. J. H. Loughery, O.P., celebrated the Solemn Mass. Father Loughery was assisted by the Rev. G. V. Hartke, O.P., and the Very Rev. G. C. Reilly, O.P.


The Rev. T. A. Collins, O.P., conducted a weekly series of lectures at the University of Rhode Island on “The Christology of St. Thomas.” This was the first
time a course in Catholic theology was given on the U.R.I. campus. There were over 150 students attending.

Appointment  The Very Rev. W. D. Marrin, O.P., Provincial of St. Joseph's Province, recently announced the appointment of the Rev. J. R. Coffey, O.P., as Archivist of the Province. Previously Father Coffey had been assistant to the Very Rev. V. F. O'Daniel, O.P., until Father O'Daniel's death.

Science Talk  At a recent meeting of the Belmont Forum in Boston, the Rev. W. A. Wallace, O.P., spoke on the subject "Science and the Future of Mankind." The Forum is a group of Catholic professional laymen in the Boston area. Following the talk was a panel discussion with leaders in the fields of medicine and industry intended to encourage more Catholics to enter these professions.

Pakistan Retreats  The Rev. E. J. Hyde, O.P., recently have over 15 retreats in both East and West Pakistan. He returned to the States shortly after Easter. Before leaving he gave the retreat to the missionaries of St. Joseph' Province in West Pakistan. After the solitude of mission-station life, it was a rare opportunity for most of them to live a full community life, including sung Community Mass and sung Compline each day.

Novena  The Oratory of St. Joseph recently sponsored a radio novena to St. Joseph. The English language version of the novena was given by the Rev. J. M. J. Davis, O.P., who is presently studying in Montreal. The program was carried coast to coast throughout Canada.

Meetings  The third annual meeting of the Dominican Educational Association was held at Atlantic City from April 4th to 7th. The main address of this session was given by the Rev. W. A. Hinnebusch, O.P., on "St. Dominic and Education in the Dominican Order."

At the same time, during the National Catholic Educational Association meetings, the Very Rev. R. J. Slavin, O.P., presided at a "Problem Clinic for College Presidents."

Publication  The Life of the Mystical Body by the Rev. P. L. Hanley, O.P., of Notre Dame University was recently published. This work, designed for the laity, is a study that seeks to combine both the speculative and practical aspects of the doctrine of the Mystical Body in order to instruct the faithful in the meaning of the metaphorical language of Sacred Scripture.

New Church  Plans are under way for the construction of a parish Church in Karachi, which will include a National Shrine to Our Lady of Fatima. A parish fund-raising drive for $100,000 is under the direction of the Rev. D. A. McCaffrey, O.P.

Lenten Statistics  During the Lenten season at St. Vincent Ferrer Church, N. Y., five priests were needed daily to hear confessions before the noon-day Mass, and another four were required to distribute Holy Communion at the Mass. About forty thousand Communions were distributed during Lent.

Testimonial  The Rev. J. R. Smith, O.P., was recently honored for thirty years of service at Aquinas High School, Columbus, Ohio. Over 300 friends and former students attended the testimonial banquet held in his honor.
Condolences The Fathers and Brothers extend their sympathy and prayers to the Rev. Richard Butler, O.P., on the death of his brother; and to Brother Brendan Kelly, O.P., on the death of his mother.


Degree On the 16th of March, the Most Rev. Leo Binz, D.D., conferred the biretta and ring of Master of Sacred Theology upon the Very Rev. Joachim J. Hagan, O.P., J.C.D., in recognition of his services to the Archdiocese of Dubuque. Among those present for the ceremony at the Archbishop's residence was the Provincial of St. Albert's Province, the Very Rev. Edmund Marr, O.P., S.T.M.

Lectures On the 9th of March, at the Dominican House of Studies, River Forest, Illinois, the Very Rev. Alan Keenan, O.F.M., Provincial from Edinburgh, Scotland, addressed the Dominican community, seminarians from Mt. St. Bernard Seminary, and members of the faculty of Loras College on mental disease and pastoral counselling.

At the invitation of the faculty of divinity, the Rev. Sylvester F. MacNutt, O.P. delivered a series of three lectures on the philosophy and theology of St. Thomas at the University of Dubuque during February. Large crowds from the Presbyterian university attended the talks.

Retreat The Rev. Thomas Joyce, O.P., of St. Joseph's Province, preached a six-day retreat at St. Rose Priory, Dubuque for priests of St. Albert's Province engaged in the parochial apostolate. The retreat was attended by more than twenty-five Fathers.

Dominicana

Feast of St. Vincent

Solemnities in honor of St. Vincent Ferrer were held at the House of Studies, River Forest, from the 7th until the 10th of April. A triduum of sermons was preached by the Very Rev. Gerard Joubert, O.P. On the 10th of April, a Solemn Mass was celebrated by the Very Rev. John T. Bonee, O.P., and a sermon was delivered by the Rev. Norbert Stanza, O.F.M. In the evening, the finalists of the annual St. Vincent Ferrer Oratorical Contest were held under the direction of the Rev. J. T. Bonee, O.P., Professor of Sacred Eloquence. The finalists in the contest were: Brothers Sylvester Shaw, O.P., Joachim Culotta, O.P., Gabriel Stephen, O.P., Frederick Humber, O.P., Cyril Lademesser, O.P., and Bernard Stratman, O.P.

HOLY NAME PROVINCE

Ordinations

On the 18th of March, in the Chapel at St. Patrick’s Major Seminary, Menlo Park, California, the Most Rev. Merlin J. Guilfoyle, D.D., Auxiliary Bishop of San Francisco, ordained Brother Anselm Vick to the Diaconate and Brothers Benedict DeMan, Philip Valera, and Bede Wilks to the Subdiaconate.

Condolences

The Fathers and Brothers of the Province of the Holy Name extend their sympathy and prayers to the Very Rev. P. J. Kelly, O.P., of St. Albert’s College, on the death of his mother.

Jubilee

The Fathers and Brothers of the Province also wish to extend to the Very Rev. P. J. Kelly, O.P., their congratulations on the occasion of his 25th Anniversary as a priest. The occasion was marked at St. Albert’s College in Oakland with a Solemn Mass in his honor.

New Arrivals

The Province welcomes Maltese Fathers A. C. Xuereb, O.P., and M. Camilleri, O.P., who will work here in the Western States.

Regents Meeting

During early April the Fathers and Brothers of the Holy Name Province welcomed the Regents and Lectores Primarii from St. Joseph’s and St. Albert’s Provinces for the annual Regents’ meeting for the American Provinces.

Third Order Convocation

The members of the Province are preparing for a memorial convocation of the Provincial Third Order members to be held at the Dominican Convent in Mission San Jose, California, on April 30. The Very Rev. Joseph M. Agius, O.P., Prior Provincial will preside. The Convocation will honor St. Catherine of Siena on the occasion of the 500th anniversary of her canonization. Means of participation by Tertiaries in the lay apostolate will be the main subject of the discussions.

Receptions

On April 10 in the Chapel of St. Albert’s College the Very Rev. Joseph M. Agius, O.P., Provincial clothed with the Habit of the Dominican Lay-Brother the following young men: Brother Damien Jones, Brother Xavier Shields, Brother Ambrose Huggins, and Brother DePorres Beers.

Farewell

On April 15 the Fathers and Brothers of St. Albert’s College gathered to bid farewell to the Rev. Q. E. Moriarty, O.P., of St. Albert’s Province. Father Moriarty has returned to work in his own Province having completed his Theology training at St. Albert’s College in Oakland.
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Palestine  After a long illness Pere Louis H. Vincent, O.P., died December 30th, 1960. Pere Vincent was the last of the founding fathers of the L'Ecole Biblique. He entered the Order of Preachers in France at the age of 18 and a year later went to Palestine where he spent his whole life except for two world wars. During the First World War he served as chaplain and during the Second War he served as parish priest. He is known as the father of Palestinian Archeology. For a time he was editor of the Revue Biblique and wrote countless articles and book reviews for the Revue Biblique and other periodicals.

Milan  At the invitation of the Rev. P. Favaro, S.J., the Rev. Augustine Cocognac, O.P., director of the review "Sacred Art," gave a series of lectures concerning the problems of sacred art. At Lyons Fr. Cocognac presented a biblical concert. About twenty of his selections were used—all of which were inspired by biblical themes.

Paris  The three Dominican Provincials of France have made plans to celebrate the centenary of the death of Pere Lacordaire. They constituted an inter-provincial committee to arrange for the celebration. The most important ceremonies during the centenary will be: the erection of commemorative plaques in the churches where he preached and the solemn translation of his remains to the Cathedral of Notre Dame in Paris. The Post Office of France has issued a commemorative stamp. The possibility of naming a street in Paris after Pere Lacordaire is also being discussed.

Kienow  The Rev. Dominic Chang, O.P., Pro-Prefect Apostolic of Kienow, China and member of St. Joseph's Province, is still in prison. His health is not good. He is able to receive U.S. $10 per month to buy medicines. The Kienow Church, long held by the Communists, has recently been demolished. St. Albert's Church and rectory were recently pulled down by the Communists in order to provide the site for a new factory.

Mexico  On the 29th of January, in the magnificently renovated Temple of St. Dominic, in Mexico City, the Mexican Province of St. James was officially established. For the past fifty years Mexico has been a Vicariate of the Province of Spain. Before the Revolution there were hundreds of Dominicans in four Provinces throughout Mexico. The ruins of huge Dominican Convents, more than three-hundred years old, are still in evidence in many outlying areas.

On the 31st of January, the Master General presided at the vestition of 17 young Mexicans in the Dominican habit. This ceremony took place in the chapel of the new Novitiate and House of Philosophy in Leon, a large city north of Mexico City.

Torino  Under the direction of the Rev. Fr. Spiazzi, O.P., the Superioresses General of the Dominican Congregations in the Province of St. Peter Martyr recently held a meeting in order to intensify the reciprocal collaboration between Fathers and Sisters in the fields of the Dominican Apostolate.

Peru  A local commercial company has recently given grants to two Fathers in order that they may attain licenses as civil air pilots. The two missionaries, who are already taking lessons are the Rev. Jose Aldamiz, O.P.,
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and the Rev. Martinez Gea, O.P. They will be the first priests in Peru to have air licenses.

Africa

The Rev. Reginald Kessler, O.P., a Swiss missionary in Bukavou is now travelling throughout Europe obtaining scholarships for the Congolese students. Fr. Kessler thinks it is absolutely necessary for these students to have Christian training because the Communists already have offered their services. Moscow has already offered the President of Kivu more than a hundred scholarships for Africans who would be willing to go to U.S.S.R. to study.

Hungary

The Dominican Bishop of Veszprem, the Most Rev. J. Badalik, O.P., D.D., is still imprisoned with the Bishop of Vacz, the Most Rev. M. Petery, D.D. Both Bishops have been allowed no visitors.

Holland

The Dutch Dominicans recently published the "Book of the Hours." The work is a condensed version of the Divine Office of the Order of Preachers and can be used as a substitute for the Little Office of the Blessed Virgin. It contains the offices for the liturgical cycles of the year and the main feasts. With the permission of their superiors, Sisters may say this Office instead of the Little Office of the Blessed Virgin.

Germany

The Rev. Luke R. Malik, O.P., recently opened at Dusseldorf, Germany, a student-center for Asian and African students. It is the intention of Fr. Malik that this center will give them a friendly atmosphere and familiarize them with Christianity.

LETTERS FROM PAKISTAN

Multan

The weather in Pakistan is beautiful at present. It is a perfect time for Mother Kevin, O.P., the Superior-General of the Sparkill Dominican Sisters, to visit the Multan diocese. A welcome is being prepared for Easter week. Congratulations to Brother Richard Long, O.P., who made his Solemn Profession in Washington on the 1st of March. Brother Mark Schratz, O.P., came to Pakistan with Brother Richard in March. Welcome to both Brothers. Bro. Mark is needed for the work in Karachi, while Brother Richard returned to the hospital work in Bahawalpur.

Rt. Rev. A. L. Sheerer, O.P., Bishop Multan

Fatimapur

The investment of the Church with a priest is never a small matter, so this village is now in a state of orderly revolution. It involves curtailing unjust land possessions (land is the stock and bond of finances over here), solving the pressing problem of inadequate water supply (How long does it take for water to irrigate one acre of your soil?" is ultimately the key question to all the economic conditions of a villager), and trying to please a hundred outer stations with administration of the sacraments. On the whole, it is not conductive to boredom, and one sleeps well at night, if for no other reason than exhaustion.

Fr. George JIYestwater, O.P.

Karachi

His Grace, Joseph Cordeiro, Archbishop of Karachi, has approved plans for our parish church, which will include a beautiful National Shrine for Pakistan to Our Lady of Fatima. Plans are being drawn up by the
architect, and Fr. Daniel McCaffrey, O.P., has begun mobilizing the parish for a concentrated fund-raising drive for 5 lakh rupees (500,000—about $100,000).

Fr. Timothy Carney, O.P.

Hasilpur Many have asked why my 3rd change of address in three years. The reason for it is because of the boarding school in Hasilpur. The Bishop decided that even though much of my time was spent on tour, I should supervise the boarding school as much as possible. During the early months of the fall, when 9 of my boys were sick, I had all the worry of a physical father. If it had not been for the help of our Father-Doctor and the Sisters in Bahawalpur, I would have had to close the school. Now, thank God, they are all back in good health.

Fr. Ferrer Arnold, O.P.

Fatimapur Our school has more than a hundred children in attendance. They come from a distance of a few hundred feet to several miles. Their problem (like that of their parents) is to have sufficient food to walk the distance. To partially assist the families in this regard, a school feeding program of rice or wheat cakes in the morning (literally a “Communion Breakfast,” because it takes place right after Mass), an dthe same in the evening, with a substitute “coffee break” of powdered milk and a vitamin pill around ten o’clock in the morning seems to be a helpful answer: It certainly increases school output of study and scholarship.

Fr. George Westwater, O.P.

Karachi On the 18th of February an important milestone in the history of the Church in Pakistan was passed when the Dominican Nuns of Perpetual Adoration were solemnly enclosed by His Grace, Joseph Cordeiro, Archbishop of Karachi. These 10 arrived in Pakistan from Hollywood, California, December, 1959, and have spent 14 long, discouraging months ironing out difficulties before they could be enclosed. Having experienced first-hand the aimless red tape and frustrating delays that mark Pakistani life, the prayers of these devout, cloistered nuns will most certainly be more fervent.

Fr. Timothy Carney, O.P.

Hasilpur Before Christmas, I completed visiting all my 90-odd villages and now I am on my 2nd round of visiting, and also preparing for the Confirmation tour of the Bishop. In one place where “His Lordship” will visit, it will be the first time that they have ever seen a Bishop. I was the first priest ever to visit that area 2 years ago. This shows the tremendous growth of “my parish” during the 3 years I have been working here. When I started, there were just 300 parishioners; now there are 1,400. Half of my new parishioners are old Catholics who have moved down from the Punjab, but I baptized nearly 500 souls who were formerly Hindus or Sikhs. By the help of your prayers, God has blessed our work during these 3 years.

Fr. Ferrer Arnold, O.P.

LETTERS FROM CHILE

Concepcion Of all the works of the Province, we have the unenviable distinction of having the most Communists and hostile Masons in our parish, even though we do have many fine Catholics too. Father David Butler has
started to work in the worst of the Communist sections, holding weekly meetings and Mass on Sunday; there are about 40 in attendance from among the many thousands in the area. These people lack instruction; we give them relief and the Communists give them only promises. Father James Burke is teaching religion 13 hours a week to 350 pupils in a school operated by well-disposed Protestants. Many of the students are the children of Masons. Father William Smith and myself will concentrate more on the parish while these other necessary activities go on.

In the political election of March, the people of this area freely elected 1 Communist Senator and 2 Communist Deputies, combining this with the Radical or Masonic party, the Church lost out 3 to 2. Nationally the Radicals are in control of the government. If this seems like the twilight of the Church in Chile, we trust the government harassments may not be so dark as in other countries before the coming of the dawn.

Fr. Thomas Nagle, O.P.

THE SISTERS' CHRONICLE

Monastery of Our Lady of Grace, North Guilford, Connecticut

The Most Rev. John F. Hackett, D.D., Auxiliary Bishop of Hartford, presided at the ceremony on March 25th in which four sisters received the Holy Habit. They were Sister Marie of the Compassion and Sister Marie Anne Therese of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, formerly of New Haven; Sister Moira of the Eucharist, from New York City; and Sister Marie of the Trinity from Mont-de-Marsan in France. Rev. Pierre Lachance, O.P., of Fall River, Massachusetts, gave the sermon. Rev. Charles Hewett, Pastor of St. Bernadette's Church in New Haven, was present and Rev. Randall Blackhall, also of New Haven, sang the Mass.

Rev. Raymond Schouten, S.J., now on the Mission Band of their new Buffalo Province, came to see one of the sisters and gave us a conference on March 8th. Sister Madeleva, C.S.C., President of St. Mary's College, Notre Dame, Indiana, visited our Monastery the week-end after Easter.


Immaculate Conception Convent, Great Bend, Kansas

Mother Mary Francesca, Sister Mary Hyacinth, Junior Mistress, and Sister Mary Lucille, assistant to the Novice Mistress, attended the western regional Formation Conference held in Chicago, March 21-22.

Brother Thomas Burke, O.P., Sokoto Prefecture, Northern Nigeria, was the honored guest of the Community during March. As a result we were privileged to see several sets of slides—some on the Dominican Mission in Bolivia, but the greater number were pictures in connection with the Dominican Missions in Nigeria, principally Gusau and Yelwa, staffed by the Sisters of the Congregation. Brother Thomas highlighted the slides, not only with informative explanations, but also with touches of clever wit and humor.

Sister Mary Gerard, chemistry and mathematics instructor at the I. C. High at the Motherhouse, has been awarded a Shell Merit Fellowship for a summer long advanced seminar at Stanford University.
Sister Mary Irene's article, "The Race Problem: Does it Concern Teachers?" was published in the winter issue of the Dominican Educational Bulletin.

May 16, the Most Reverend Bishop Marion F. Forst, Dodge City, presided at the dedication of the addition to the St. Catherine Hospital, Garden City, Kansas.

The Preparatory students of the I. C. High at the Motherhouse presented a Centennial Program commemorating the one hundredth anniversary of the Statehood of Kansas.

A native Nigerian priest, the Reverend Brian Usanga, visited at the Motherhouse, April 8.

A series of lectures on Communism was given at the Motherhouse by Sister Margaret Mary, instructor of philosophy at the I. C. College.

A special feature commemorating Saint Thomas day was the presentation by the Theology Class of a 13th Century Disputation on Virtue; The Speech class gave informative discourses applying Thomistic principles as evidenced in the 20th century life of a Sister teacher, nurse, homemaker, ruler, and subject.

April 23, the Kansas Chapter, 'Mary Queen of the Universe,' of the Thomist Association, held the 7th annual spring meeting at the Immaculate Conception Convent where the 1960-61 lecture series by the Rev. Denis Mary McAuliffe, O.P., took place. The Most Reverend Bishop Marion F. Forst offered the Holy Sacrifice and preached the sermon; then followed the renewal of the Consecration of TTA to the Holy Apostles Peter and Paul, the chapel services closed with Solemn Benediction. Guest speaker at the breakfast meeting was the Reverend Philip Lamberty, O.P., Marymount College, Salina.

Master Sergeant Otto Faustman, Supervisor of Instructors, German Air Force, an employee of NATO, visited his aunt, Sister Mary Augustine here and gave a lecture on Guided Missiles.

The Reverend Louis M. Shea, O.P., Superior of Our Lady of Lourdes Mission, Yelwa, Nigeria, is visiting at the Motherhouse. The Community feels privileged that Father will make the Convent Rectory his headquarters while he is on his tour collecting funds for the African Missions.

Congregation of Saint Catharine of Siena, Saint Catharine, Kentucky

Upon completion of the two-year course at Immaculate Heart of Mary Hospital in New York, Sister Mary Agnes became a certified anesthetist in last December.

On the Feast of Saint Raymond of Pennafort the community joined in a Mass of Thanksgiving with Sisters M. Ambrose and Louise on the occasion of the seventy-third anniversary of their religious profession.

The New England Conservatory of Music has granted the Master of Music degree in Piano Pedagogy to Sister Mary John.

Sisters Rose Imelda and Francine attended the National Association of Secondary School Principals in Detroit from February 11-15; Sisters Patricia and Mary Eva participated in the Louisville Biblical Institute on March 19.

Holy Week services at Saint Catharine were celebrated by the Reverends Jerome Conroy, O.P., G. J. O'Rourke, O.P., James Kilkenny, O.P., and Neil Austin, O.P.

During the Easter week Father Jerome Conroy, O.P., as well as Sisters M. Joachim and Agatha, were present for the convention of the Catholic College Teachers of Sacred Doctrine in Boston, April 3-4.

The congregation was represented at the N.C.E.A. meeting in Atlantic City by Sisters Albertus Magnus, Theodore, Charles Mary, Ulicia, Thomas a Kenpis, Muriel, Marie Therese, Mary Esther, Jean Marie and Sheila Marie.
Sister Sheila Marie addressed the D.E.A. on the subject, "How the Dominican Spirit May Be Exemplified in Subjects Other Than Religion on the Elementary Level."

Sister Jean Marie was elected secretary-treasurer of the D.E.A. for a two-year term at the general meeting on April 6.

On April 23 and 24, Sister Emil, I.H.M., Ph.D., well-known author and lecturer on Sister Formation, addressed Saint Catharine sisters and assisted the congregation in formulating its Juniorate program.

Sister Patricia, recently appointed Junior Mistress, and Sister Thomas a Kempis, newly appointed Postulant Mistress, will assume their offices in the fall.

Sister Mary Margaret was in attendance at the Catholic Library Convention in St. Louis; Sisters Matthias and Catherine Elizabeth spoke at the Kentucky Language Conference in Lexington on April 28, 29.

From July 17-21 Sisters Ann Rita, Novice Mistress, and Thomas a Kempis will participate in the Fordham Workshop for Mistresses.

Sisters Clarita, Albertus Magnus and Jean Marie will represent the College Faculties at the August 4-22 Institute held at Marquette.

Mother Mary Julia and Sister Mary Ellen will join with the Major Superiors at Notre Dame from August 16-19.

Sisters M. Joachim and Noreen will be present for the August Workshop held at Notre Dame on Community Finances.

From August 25-September 5, Sisters Leonarda, Paschala, Ann Miriam and Patricia will participate in the Institute on Formation for Mistresses at Albany, N. Y.

Sisters Albetina Huston, Margaret Mary Kily and Rose Filiatreau died recently, R.I.P.

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

Sisters Mary Peter, Clare, Roberta, Conrad, Bernadette, Hyacinth, Eugene, Carmel, Germaine, Diane, and Kathleen attended the National Catholic Educational Association Convention in Atlantic City.

Sister Mary Kevin and Sister Mary Felix attended the Conference of the National College Teachers of Mathematics held in Chicago.

Sister Mary Magdalen attended the Conference of the Modern Foreign Language Materials Development Center held in New York.

The Five Hundredth Anniversary of the Canonization of St. Catherine of Siena was jointly celebrated by the Dominican Fathers and Dominican Sisters. After the High Mass in St. Anthony of Padua Church, the Dominican Tertiaries of St. Anthony Parish held an informal reception.

Sister Mary Hildegarde attended the National Catholic Music Education Association Convention in Milwaukee.

The Fifty-first Commencement exercises of St. Mary's Dominican College were held. The commencement address was given by Mr. George N. Shuster, former President of Hunter College, New York. At the Graduation Mass, Rev. Father Paul G. Hinnebusch, O.P., Chaplain, was Celebrant; Rev. Father John G. Mastro- son, O.P., Deacon, and Rev. Father Timothy Gibbons, O.P., Subdeacon. The Baccalaureate Sermon was given by Rev. Father M. D. Cutcliff, S.J., of Dallas, Texas.

Reverend Father Dominic Tamburello, O.P., celebrated the Graduation Mass of St. Mary's Dominican High School. The Graduation Address was given by Rev.
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Father Claude J. Stallworth, S.J., and the honors were conferred by Rt. Rev. Msgr. Henry C. Bezou, Archdiocesan Superintendent of Schools.

Sister Mary Louise attended the special meeting on Teacher Education sponsored by the Association of American Colleges. The meeting was held in Washington, D.C.

Reverend Father S. A. Rossetti, O.P., of Zanesville, Ohio visited the Community during the Easter holidays.

Sister Mary Gabriel Lynch, O.P., died on Easter Sunday in the 51st year of her religious profession, R.I.P.

Monastery of the Blessed Sacrament, Detroit, Michigan

On March 4th the Community was happy to welcome Mother Mary of Jesus as their Priorress.

During Passion Week the Most Rev. Joseph Cordeiro, D.D., Archbishop of Karachi, Pakistan visited the Monastery and after offering Holy Mass his Excellency visited the Sisters in the parlour delighting them with news of their Cloistered Sisters, first Foreign Foundation in his Diocese.


On April 16th, in a ceremony after Vespers, Miss Florence Figura, formerly an anesthetist at St. Francis Hospital, Detroit, received the Holy Habit. Very Rev. John Weier officiated and preached the sermon. Many friends of the Community and a large number of the Clergy attended. Sister received the name of Sister Mary Rose of the Holy Spirit.

Congregation of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, Caldwell, N. J.

Acknowledging the fact that the third “R” is in a state of change, the Sisters of St. Dominic of Caldwell conducted a Workshop Series in five different centers for Sisters and lay-teachers who teach the subject in their forty elementary North Jersey Schools. Plans for the series were made by Sister M. Margaret, Supervisor of the Dominican Sisters’ Elementary Schools. The workshops were held for five consecutive weeks.

The Honors Committee and The Siena Scholars of Caldwell College for Women are sponsoring The Honors Convocation on Sunday, April 30, 1961, at Rosary Hall Auditorium, Caldwell, New Jersey. The Symposium rendered by Siena Scholars will be on Saint Catherine of Siena—Christian Humanist. The Convocation Address will be delivered by Alice Curtabay Rynne; her topic will be, “Saint Catherine of Siena: Her Relevance Today.” Ten members of the Class of 1963 will receive Siena Medals, and six members of the Class of 1964 will become probationists.

Several Caldwell Dominicans from the Elementary, Secondary and Collegiate levels attended The National Catholic Educational Convention and the Dominican Educational Convention held in Atlantic City during Easter Week.

Sister M. Loretta Claire, addressed the Alumnae Association of the All Souls Hospital Training School, Morristown, N. J., on the occasion of their Communion Breakfast. Her topic was “As Sisters See Their Sisters in the World;” Sister Loretta Claire has been asked to give the same address to the Catholic Daughters of America, Verona Court, when they hold their Communion Breakfast in May.
Monastery of Our Lady of the Rosary, Summit, New Jersey


Rev. Francis X. McCue, of Little Flower Parish, Berkeley Heights, New Jersey, was appointed in February to give a monthly conference to the Community. The first conference was given on February 21.

On March 25, feast of the Annunciation, Sister Maria of the Cross, made Solemn Profession. The ceremony took place immediately after the "Missa Cantata" which was celebrated at 10 o'clock by our Chaplain, Rev. Joseph R. Cainen, O.P. The Very Rev. Monsignor Joseph A. Costello, Vicar of Religious, was the delegate for His Excellency, the Most Reverend Thomas A. Boland, Archbishop of Newark, and gave the sermon on the occasion. Also present in the sanctuary was the Rev. John P. Callahan of Holy Innocents Church in Brooklyn, New York.

Monastery of the Perpetual Rosary, Union City, New Jersey

All the ceremonies of Holy Week were carried out. The Passionist Fathers celebrated the Vigil Ceremonies that preceded the Solemn Mid-night Mass.

Reverend Anthony A. Jurgelaitis, O.P., of Providence College, R.I., said Mass and visited with the Community.

The Provincial Director of the Third Order, Reverend Francis N. Wendell, O.P., visited the men's Chapter of St. Dominic.

The Annual Communion Breakfast which is to take place April 23, will have Reverend Jordan Ertle, O.P., as the guest speaker. The Breakfast will take place in the Chapel Hall of the Convent.

"An Artist's Notebook," by Sister Mary of the Compassion appears in its second printing.

Reverend Michael Jelly, O.P., of Providence College, visited with the Community and sang Mass.

Congregation of the Holy Cross, Amityville, New York

About one hundred Sisters attended the N.C.E.A. Convention in Atlantic City during Easter Week. A very large number also attended the evening conferences of the Dominican Educational Association at the Ambassador Hotel.

Eight Sisters received N.S.F. Grants in Mathematics for the Summer of 1961. They will attend Fordham University, Catholic University of America, Catholic University of Puerto Rico, the University of Puerto Rico and Brooklyn College.

Five Sisters received N.S.F. Grants in Science and will attend Catholic University of America, Boston College, New York College and St. John's University. One Sister also received a grant from the Carnegie Corporation to attend a Summer Institute sponsored by the University of Rochester on Latin America.

Reverend Ferrer Smith, O.P., S.T.M., conducted a four week Institute on Dominican Spirituality on four Sundays during Lent, at Dominican Commercial High School Auditorium.

Dominican Commercial commemorated its Silver Jubilee of foundation with several functions over a period of months.

Sister Mary Edward, will celebrate her seventy-fifth anniversary of Reception of the Habit on May 3. Five Sisters will commemorate their Golden Anniversary and eighteen Sisters will celebrate their Silver Jubilee during the next few months.

Sister M. Albina, died recently. R.I.P.
During Easter Week the Sisters of our Community attended many conventions and conferences held throughout the nation.

Reverend Mother Lawrence Marie, attended special sessions at Atlantic City for Major Superiors and members of the Sister Formation Group at the National Catholic Educational Association Convention. Sister M. Adelaide, and Sister M. Clarissa, represented the Dominican College of Blauvelt at this Convention. Present also were Sister John Dominic, Community Supervisor of Schools, and the Principals of our schools from New York and Providence. These Sisters were present at the Dominican Educational Association Convention also.

Sister M. Redempta, and Sister Rita Miriam, attended the National Convention of the Society of Catholic Teachers of Sacred Doctrine at Boston.

Sister Mary Ruth and Sister Miriam Camillus, attended a meeting in Albany for Science and Mathematics teachers. Sister Wilhelina attended the Catholic Library Association National Conference at St. Louis.

Sister Mary David and Sister M. Dominic represented the Dominican College at the American Catholic Philosophical Association Convention at Buffalo.

On March 7th Reverend Robert McKenna, O.P., gave an inspiring talk on Saint Thomas Aquinas.

Sister M. Athanasius, O.P., died recently. R.I.P.

Mount Saint Mary, Newburgh, New York

Mother M. Leo Vincent, Priorress-General of the Congregation of the Most Holy Rosary, has announced the matriculation of its first class of lay students into the Mount Saint Mary College of Newburgh. Formerly functioning as a teacher-preparation college for Sisters, the institution has broadened its scope to that of a liberal arts college.

Four million dollar construction will begin in early Spring for the erection of the first two buildings to be erected: Guzman Hall and Aquinas Hall. A third proposed building, Siena Hall, will follow shortly.

Aquinas Hall is the academic building and is designed to accommodate five hundred students. It will contain all administrative offices, all classrooms, and an entire story devoted to science laboratories including faculty research areas. A library wing will house a library of two stories and mezzanine floor. A second wing will consist of a large and modernly appointed auditorium seating twelve hundred with adjacent drama and music departments; and also dining facilities for both students and faculty. A well-equipped nursing arts department is included in the planning.

Guzman Hall will be the novitiate. It will accommodate one hundred persons and includes a beautiful chapel, instruction rooms, infirmary, auditorium and other desirable features. Siena Hall will be built to accommodate the members of the Juniorate. A fund raising drive completed in March of '59 more than doubled the expected goal and makes possible the erection of these first buildings of the master plan. Ferrenz and Taylor of New York are the architects. Occupancy by September, 1962, has been established.

Recent deaths among the Sisters have been: Sisters Agnes Frances Flynn, Innocentia Hubschmitt, Marie Thomasine Blum, Grace Annita Bohan, and Anna Marie Crangle. R.I.P.
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Congregation of St. Mary of the Springs, Columbus, Ohio

Several of the Sisters attended the N.C.E.A. and the D.E.A. at Atlantic City during Easter Week.

On April 16, Dr. Richard Pattee lectured to the students and faculty on "The Far East—What Future?"

On the same date the College Concert Choir and the Kenyon College Men's Choir joined in a concert at Kenyon College. The featured number was the Bach Cantata: "Christ Lag in Todesbaden."

The College will celebrate the fifth centennial of Saint Catherine of Siena with a Solemn High Mass in the Chapel of Christ the King. This will be followed by the crowning of Our Lady at 4:15. That evening, on the Erskine Series, the Reverend James B. Walker, O.P., will lecture on "Saint Catherine of Siena: A Saint for Our Age."

The final Erskine Series will feature the Concert Choir with Mr. Henry Ruffin soloist, May 14.

Sister M. Estelle of Albertus Magnus College has published a book on Margaret of Savoy Wbeat and Cockle. Sister will do research in Europe this summer to complete the Savoy trilogy which she is planning.

Sister Maryanna of the College of St. Mary of the Springs will give a course in Creative Writing to a community of Dominican Sisters in Dublin, Ireland, this summer. Sister will also address the Conference of Convent Secondary Schools, in Dublin, on "Using Your Talents in the Apostolate of the Classroom." This address will be given June 22. During a ten-week stay, Sister Maryanna plans to do interviewing and research in England, Ireland, and France.

Sister M. Casilda Fitzimmons, O.P., died April 7.

Monastery of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, Lancaster, Pennsylvania

On January 24, Sister Mary Gerard of the Rosary pronounced her final vows. The Right Reverend Monsignor Tighe, V.F., presided at the ceremony and the Reverend Thomas Haney preached the ceremony.

On February 13, Sister Mary Dominic of Jesus and Sister Mary Pius of the Eucharist pronounced their temporary vows, and Miss Rosaria Fregapane received the holy habit and the name of Sister Mary Veronica of Jesus. The high Mass preceding the ceremony was sung by Reverend Mercurio Fregepane, brother of the new novice. Another brother, Brother Rufino, T.O.R., assisted and served his brother at the holy Sacrifice. Right Reverend Monsignor Charles Tighe, V.F., presided and the sermon was preached by the Very Rev. John B. Walsh, O.P., the Monastery Chaplain.

The Community was honored on the Feast of Saint Thomas Aquinas by having the Most Reverend George L. Leech, D.D., Bishop of Harrisburg, offer the Community Mass in their Chapel. Bishop Leech is a member of the Third Order and claims St. Thomas is his Patron in the Order.

Congregation of St. Cecilia, Nashville, Tennessee

Sister Miriam Walsh and Sister Dominica Gobel attended the NCEA Convention in Atlantic City the week after Easter. They also attended the DEA meetings that were being held at the same time.

Sister Johanna Purdy graduated from St. Joseph's School of Nursing in Memphis, Tennessee on March 1.
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On April 16, Sister Margaret Boeckman and Sister Augusta (Massa) attended the dedication of the new St. Gertrude Church in Madeira, Ohio.

The Sisters from the nearby parochial schools of Nashville and the Nashville Dominicans attended the triple celebration of Our Most Reverend Bishop William L. Adrain on April 17. This marks his Excellency's golden jubilee of ordination and his silver jubilee as a consecrated Bishop.

Miss Katie Martin, a senior of St. Cecilia Academy-at-Overbrook won first place in the Davidson County division in the United Nations contest. She has been awarded a trip to New York City.

The last session of St. Cecilia Normal School will be held at the convent this summer. In September, 1961, it will be merged with the new Aquinas Junior College, under the latter name, and all classes will be at the new site on the Overbrook campus in West Nashville.

Immaculate Heart of Mary Province, Kettle Falls, Washington

Rev. Mother Fabiola, Prioress General of the Poor School Sisters of St. Dominic, Speyer, Germany, was re-elected for a third term at the General Chapter held in Speyer, March, 1961.

Representing the American Province at the General Chapter were Mother Garina, Provincial Superior, Mother Jucunda, Ex-Provincial, and Sister Loyola.

Sister Igmara, St. Martin's Hospital, Tonasket, Washington, and Sister Pretiosa, Mount Carmel Hospital, Colville, Washington attended the Sister Formation Retreat held at Convent Queen of Angels, Mt. Angel, Oregon, the week of April 17, 1961.

In Our Lady of the Valley Convent Chapel on May 31, 1961, four novices made first profession and seven postulants received the Habit of St. Dominic.

Congregation of St. Catherine of Siena, Kenosha, Wisconsin

On January 23, 1961 the Reverend Clement M. Breen, O.P., began a ten-day retreat at the Motherhouse.

From January 20 to February 3, Sister M. Anthony, Executive Housekeeper for St. Catherine’s Hospital, Kenosha, attended conferences in St. Louis sponsored by the Catholic Hospital Association in cooperation with St. Louis University. Sister M. Bernard who has charge of maintenance problems in the hospital also attended this institute.

Mother M. a’Kempis, Mother General and Sister M. Vincent, Viceress and Administrator of St. Catherine’s Hospital attended a meeting of the American College of Hospital Administrators in Chicago which began on February 2. Both are members of the College. They also attended a program for hospital administrators sponsored by the Catholic Hospital Association held in St. Louis early in March.

Sister M. Virginia, Procuratrix for the Motherhouse, went to Cincinnati to participate in a Catholic Hospital Association sponsored workshop in cost accounting March 14, 15 and 16.

Sister M. Dolorosa, Supervisor of Laboratories of St. Catherine’s Hospital attended a two-day workshop in serology at the State Laboratory in Madison on March 9 and 10.

The Motherhouse sent representatives to speak at the C.Y.O. vocation day for sixth, seventh and eighth grades at St. Joseph’s High School in Kenosha held on March 17 and also to the vocation day at St. Pius School in Milwaukee on the following Sunday.
At the 42nd annual convention of the Wisconsin Hospital Association in Milwaukee March 15, 16 and 17, Sister M. Vincent, Administrator of St. Catherine's Hospital was elected a member of the Board of Trustees of that organization.

Sister M. Aquinas attended a Dietetic Convention in Milwaukee early in April.

In anticipation of its centenary celebration in 1962, the Community undertook an extensive program of alteration and renovation in the Motherhouse chapel this spring.

Mother Albertine and Sisters Euphrosine, Eunice, Eleanore, and Mary Magdalen attended the Midwest Regional Meeting of the Sister-Formation Conference in Chicago on March 21 and 22. Sister Mary Magdalen presided as chairman of the general discussion on the afternoon of the second day.

At the winter meeting of the Wisconsin Chapter of the American Association of Teachers of German held at Dominican College, Sister Michaelinda gave a demonstration-lecture on the subject "Four Basic Changes in Modern Language Learning."

Sister Walter Reginald addressed a recent assembly of the Milwaukee Archdiocesan Association of Mathematics and Science Teachers on "Modern Mathematics."

His Excellency, the Most Rev. William E. Cousins, D.D., Archbishop of Milwaukee, presided at the Dedication Ceremonies for the New Dominican College at 4:00 p.m. on April 30.

Recent deaths in the Community include Sisters Angelica Weiland, Wilfrida O'Neill, Osanna Garrigan, and Petrina Zeiler. R.I.P.

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

The Mazzuchelli and Dubuque chapters of St. Clara Alumnae attended a High Mass on Laetare Sunday which was offered by the Very Reverend Timothy M. Sparks, O.P., who also preached the sermon. At the breakfast which followed, Sister M. Cyrille, O.P., of Rosary College spoke on "The Catholic Woman in the World Today."

On the feast of Our Lady of Pity, March 24, five theologians from Saint Rose Priory, Dubuque, gave a Dramatic Reading on "The Problem of Suffering" for the convent, novitiate, and academy groups.

Thirteen golden jubilarians and thirty-one silver jubilarians returned to the Motherhouse to participate in the liturgy of Holy Week. At the solemn High Mass on Easter Sunday offered for the intentions of the jubilarians, the Very Reverend J. B. Walker, O.P., also preached the sermon. A pilgrimage to the grave of our Founder, the Very Reverend Samuel Charles Mazzuchelli, O.P., in Benton, Wisconsin, and to New Diggings, the site of one of the 25 churches he built as a Missionary Apostolic, and a program in the evening completed the Jubilee observance.

The Most Reverend Edward C. Daly of Des Moines, Iowa, accompanied by the Very Reverend Anthony Norton, O.P., prior of St. Rose Priory, visited the Motherhouse on April 14.

To offer Mass for the repose of the souls of Mother Mary Samuel and of Sister M. Richard, bursar general for twenty-nine years, the Very Reverend James B. Connolly, O.P., P.G., returned April 16-18 to Saint Clara Convent where he had been chaplain for ten years.

To commemorate the fifth centenary of the canonization of Saint Catherine of Siena, a retreat based on her life, spirituality, and apostolate was conducted by the Very Reverend J. L. Callahan, O.P., for the Convent and Novitiate from...
April 23-30. Traditionally, Rosary College, River Forest, Illinois, observes College Day on the feast of St. Catherine of Siena. This year His Eminence, Albert Cardinal Meyer celebrated a Pontifical High Mass at which the Most Reverend Edward C. Daly, O.P., preached the sermon. At Edgewood College of the Sacred Heart, Madison, Wisconsin, the Very Reverend Francis Wendell, O.P., editor of the "Torch" and eastern provincial director of the Third Order of St. Dominic, offered Mass and preached the sermon for the Dominican Third Order members of Madison on April 23. The following day he addressed the college faculty and students on "In the Footsteps of St. Catherine Today." Miss Barbara Kluth, graduate of Pius XII Institute, Florence, Italy, gave an illustrated lecture on April 17 on "The Siena of St. Catherine."

Sisters Mary Donata, Marion, Geraldine, Agnes Regina died recently. R.I.P.