

THE CLOISTER CHRONICLE

ST. JOSEPH'S PROVINCE

To the Province of St. Joseph has been assigned the territory of Kianning-Fu, in the Vicariate Apostolic of Foo-Chow, China, for foreign mission labors. This territory is presided over by the Dominican Bishop Msgr. Aguirre, O. P., who is on his way to this country to confer with Very Rev. Father Meagher about the work to be undertaken.

On April 23, Very Rev. E. G. Fitzgerald, O. P., S. T. M., received the profession of Brothers Reginald Bertrand and Hyacinth Kaszczuk, Lay Brothers, and clothed in the habit Mr. Joseph Billington, and Mr. Faustino Carbone, who will be known in religion as Brothers Alphonsus and William, respectively. On May 18, Brother Antoninus Mooney, also a Lay Brother, made his profession.

Sixty members of the Immaculate Conception Chapter of Dominican Tertiaries made their profession at the House of Studies, Washington, D. C., on Sunday, April 30, the feast of St. Catherine of Sienna. Very Rev. E. G. Fitzgerald, O. P., S. T. M., received the profession, and delivered a panegyric on St. Catherine in which she was held up as a model to all Tertiaries who are occupied with the busy affairs of our work-a-day world. A group picture of all members of the chapter was taken, and with the chanting of Solemn Compline and Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament this epoch making occasion was concluded.

Very Rev. E. G. Fitzgerald, O. P., S. T. M., Prior of the House of Studies, Washington, D. C., delivered a special sermon before the members of the Plantation Club, Providence, R. I., during the Lenten season.

Most Rev. Archbishop Curley conferred the Sub-Diaconate on a class of eighteen students from the House of Studies, at St. Mary's Seminary, Baltimore, Md., on May 14.

The Rev. Brothers Angelus De Blas and Marcellinus Sanchez, of the Spanish Province of the Most Holy Rosary, were raised to the Diaconate by Rt. Rev. Bishop Shahan on May 21, the ceremony taking place in the Cathedral at Baltimore, Md.

After their ordination to the priesthood they will go to the Philippine Islands.

On May 25, the feast of the Ascension, the Rev. Brothers Dalmatius Enright, Chrysostom Kearns, and Urban Cahill, of St. Joseph's Province, and Angelus De Blas and Marcellinus Sanchez of the Province of the Most Holy Rosary—all from the House of Studies—were ordained to the Holy Priesthood by Most Rev. Archbishop Curley in the Cathedral of the Assumption, Baltimore, Md.

The title of Lector in Sacred Theology has been conferred on Father Andrew Pope of the California Province, and on Fathers George Smith, Boniface Stratemeier and Dominic Dolan, of St. Joseph's Province. Father Stratemeier also received the degree of Doctor of Philosophy at the Catholic University, Washington, D. C.

During March, the Very Rev. Manuel Herba, O. P., Provincial of Betica, Spain, while enroute to the outlying missions under his care, visited the House of Studies.

While in Washington to attend a conference at the Catholic University, Most Rev. Archbishop Moeller of Cincinnati stopped at the House of Studies. Shortly afterwards, the Archbishop left for Rome to attend the Eucharistic Congress.

Early in May, the Novices of the House of Studies spent a most enjoyable evening in the company of Very Rev. Jordan Raemakers, O. P., who for the past seventeen years has been engaged on the Porto Rican Missions. After a trip to Holland, to which Province he belongs, Father Raemakers expects to return to Porto Rico where he holds the office of Vice-Provincial.

The three-hundredth anniversary of the canonization of St. Teresa of Jesus was becomingly celebrated at the Sisters College, Washington, D. C. The academic sermon was delivered by Rev. Albert Muller, O. P., J. C. L. The ministers at Solemn Benediction, with which the exercises were concluded, were from the House of Studies.

Rev. Ignatius Smith, O. P., S. T. Lr., Professor of Thomistic Philosophy at the Catholic University, Washington, D. C., will

leave for Europe in the latter part of June to collect books and manuscripts on Thomistic doctrine and to obtain works dealing with modern problems.

Right Rev. Thomas J. Shahan, D. D., has been elected Rector of the Catholic University for the third consecutive time, by the Sacred Congregation of Studies. Bishop Shahan belongs to the Third Order of St. Dominic.

At the close of the scholastic year the Novices of the House of Studies will go to their summer home at Ocean City, Md., and will not return to Washington until the opening of the fall term.

Rev. Brother Urban Cahill, O. P., of the House of Studies, was called home during March by the death of his aunt. The Novices extend to him their sincere condolences.

Upon the invitation of Archbishop Mundelein of Chicago, the Dominican Fathers have taken charge of the parish of St. Pius, Chicago, Ill., with its nearby Chapel. Within the confines of the territory which the Very Rev. Raymond Meagher, O. P., Provincial, obtained from the Archbishop, is located the Croatian Parish of Holy Trinity, for which we have been asked to care. Rev. D. A. Casey, O. P., S. T. Lr., is in complete charge of all work at St. Pius, the Chapel, and Holy Trinity. He is assisted by Fathers Clement Gilroy, O. P., John Frense, O. P., Wenceslaus Piec, O. P., and Innocent Bojanic, O. P. Father Frense and Father Piec will work among the five thousand Polish families in the parish and Father Bojanic will administer to the Croatians at Holy Trinity. Fathers Casey and Gilroy will attend to the English speaking part of St. Pius parish.

Most Rev. Archbishop Messmer of Milwaukee has asked the Dominican Fathers to organize at Madison, Wis., a new parish dedicated to the Most Blessed Sacrament. Rev. J. R. Clark, O. P., until recently a member of the Southern Mission Band, took up the work after a physical collapse forced Rev. Louis Rumaggi, O. P., to withdraw from a pioneer task in which he was eminently successful.

Very Rev. Raymond Meagher, O. P., S. T. Lr., LL. D., Provincial, recently concluded his canonical visitation of the Domini-

can houses at Kansas City, Denver, Johnson City, and Memphis, and while enroute conferred with Archbishop Mundelein of Chicago about Dominican activities in that city.

Very Rev. M. J. Ripple, O. P., P. G., National Director of the Holy Name Society, and Very Rev. J. H. Healy, O. P., P. G., Head of the Eastern Mission Band, have gone to Rome to present to the Holy Father artistic folders containing the names and photographs of all the members of the Holy Name Society who received Holy Communion for his intention on May 12, the Holy Father's birthday. Before returning to this country Fathers Ripple and Healy will make a pilgrimage to the Holy Land.

To Rev. J. B. Kelly, O. P., who celebrated his silver sacerdotal jubilee at Philadelphia, Pa., on March 12, the Novices tender their sincere greetings and good wishes.

Rev. T. a'K. Reilly, O. P., S. T. Lr., is to be the spiritual director and conductor of an American pilgrimage to Europe.

Rev. P. A. Maher, O. P., and Very Rev. R. P. Cahill, O. P., P. G., of the Southern Mission Band, conducted a most successful Lenten mission in San Antonio, Texas, at St. Mary's Church, the largest in that city.

On March 20, Brother Martin Rabbitt, O. P., a professed lay-brother, died at St. Rose Convent, Springfield, Ky., and was laid to rest in the community cemetery.

Rev. Alfred Sibila, O. P., of Aquinas College, recently delivered an interesting and erudite lecture to the members of the Newman Club of Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio, on "Cardinal Newman, the Apologist."

Rev. G. I. Conlan, O. P., until recently pastor of St. Patrick's Church, Columbus, Ohio, has been appointed vicar of Holy Trinity House, Somerset, Ohio, and manager of the Rosary Press, from which the publications of St. Joseph's Province are issued.

Rev. J. B. Hegarty, O. P., S. T. Lr., formerly of Holy Rosary Church, Minneapolis, Minn., and the first Dominican to receive the Lector's degree (S. T. Lr.) in this country, has been appointed pastor of St. Patrick's Church, Columbus, Ohio. On

Sunday, March 12, Fr. Hegarty commemorated the twenty-fifth anniversary of his ordination to the priesthood. The Novices extend to him their hearty felicitations.

His Eminence D. Cardinal Dougherty, Archbishop of Philadelphia, laid the corner stone for the new Dominican Church of the Holy Name of Jesus, Philadelphia, on Sunday, May 7. Invitations to the ceremony, issued by Rev. G. R. Scholz, O. P., pastor, were accepted by many Fathers of the Province and by all of the pastors of Philadelphia. The sermon was delivered by Rev. T. L. Crowley, O. P.

Plans for the new Dominican Church of the Sacred Heart in Jersey City, N. J., have been approved by the Very Rev. Father Provincial. They have been drawn by Ralph Adams Cram of Boston and call for a Gothic structure seating about twelve hundred. Rev. M. T. McNicholas, O. P., pastor, hopes to begin construction in the near future.

Rev. Walter G. Moran, O. P., formerly spiritual director of the Third Order at St. Vincent's Church, New York City, has been appointed pastor of St. Raymond's Church, Providence, R. I. Father Moran is well qualified to carry on the excellent work of his predecessor, and brings to his new duties a reputation which augurs well for the success of his charge.

The students of Providence College, Providence, R. I., made their annual retreat under the direction of Very Rev. E. G. Fitzgerald, O. P., S. T. M.

At the Rhode Island State Convention of the Knights of Columbus, a new scholarship of \$2500 was given to Providence College, this being the second scholarship given by them to that institution.

Very Rev. W. D. Noon, O. P., S. T. M., President of Providence College, conducted a retreat at the Church of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, Providence, R. I., during the week of April 23.

The first formal concert of the Providence College Glee Club was held in Elks' Auditorium, Providence, R. I., on May 7, and was well received.

Rev. F. J. Twohig, O. P., conducted the exercises of the annual retreat for the students of Aquinas College in St. Patrick's Church, Columbus, Ohio.

Rev. C. L. Davis, O. P., of Aquinas College, was one of the principal speakers at the turning of the first sod for the new home of the Dominican Sisters of Perpetual Adoration at Cincinnati, Ohio, on Sunday, May 7.

Upon the invitation of Rt. Rev. John J. Dunn, Auxiliary Bishop of New York, the Dominican Fathers conducted a three weeks' mission in the Church of the Annunciation, of which the Bishop is pastor. The services were conducted by Fathers Healy, Schwertner and Foley.

Through the columns of the New York Sun of April 25, under the caption "Proof and Credulity," Rev. C. J. Callan, O. P., S. T. Lr., took Sir Arthur Conan Doyle to task for the unqualified and unproved statements he made in beginning his spiritistic campaign in the United States.

In addition to their usual mission work, the Fathers of the Western Mission Band have given retreats at Wheeling, W. Va.; Rosary College, River Forest, Ill.; The New Columbus College, Sioux Falls, S. Dak.; De LaSalle Institute, Minneapolis, Minn.; Bethlehem Academy, Faribault, Minn.; Sinsinawa, Wis., and Dubuque, Ia.

PROVINCE OF THE MOST HOLY NAME

April 25th, Very Rev. Father A. L. McMahon, O. P., S. T. M., Provincial, visited the House of Studies at Washington, D. C.

After successfully passing the examinations, Rev. Albert Muller, O. P., J. C. L., departed for California via New Orleans.

May 22nd, Rev. Aquinas McDonell, O. P., having completed the course of studies at Washington, left for assignment in the Holy Name Province. Father McDonell will visit St. Rose Convent in Kentucky and his home in Portland, Oregon before going to San Francisco.

Rev. F. A. Pope, O. P., S. T. Lr., after his vacation which he is spending in Canada, will follow a summer course at Columbia University, New York City. In the fall he will return to the Holy Name Province for assignment.

FOREIGN PROVINCES

His Holiness Pope Pius XI, like Pope Pius X and Pope Benedict XV, has reserved to himself the title of Protector of the Order of St. Dominic. This is a fact which will bring great joy, as well as pardonable pride, to the heart of every Dominican.

On March 18, Pope Pius XI granted an audience to all the Dominicans in Rome, including the professorial staff and student body of the Collegio Angelico. On this occasion the Most Rev. Master General thanked the Holy Father for having accepted the Protectorate of our Order, and the Holy Father, in turn, spoke very feelingly of the great work of the Order and especially of its great zeal for the Sacred Sciences. The Regent of the College, Fr. S. Zabo, O. P., and the other professors made their profession of obedience to the Holy Father, who had for each of them a word of encouragement. His Holiness then went around the large hall, blessing objects of piety and allowing each student to kiss his ring. The Apostolic Benediction was then given, and thus was concluded the first audience granted by Pope Pius XI to a religious corporation.

The Basilica of S. Maria sopra Minerva at Rome was the scene of many solemn and imposing ceremonies during the recent celebrations which marked the seventh centenary of the death of St. Dominic. The festivities were inaugurated on the feast of St. Catharine of Sienna by His Eminence Cardinal Fr  wirth, O. P. On May 2 a pilgrimage to the cell of St. Dominic at the convent of S. Sabina was made, and it was there that the formal opening of the Rosary Congress—which was continued on May 3 and 4—took place. The religious functions pertaining to the Congress were held in the Rosary Chapel at the Minerva.

May 5, 6, 7, were observed as a Solemn Triduum in honor of St. Dominic and, by a special concession of His Holiness Pope Pius XI, the Church of the Minerva was made a Papal Chapel on the concluding day of the triduum. On that day the Solemn Pontifical Mass was celebrated by His Eminence Cardinal di Bonzo, and was attended by the Sacred College of Cardinals, the Diplomatic Corps, the Patriarchs, Archbishops, Bishops and Dignitaries of the Holy See.

The Sacred Congregation of Rites has approved of a proper preface for the Mass of St. Dominic, which may be said not only on the feasts of the Holy Patriarch but also at votive Masses in his honor.

For the first time since its foundation the celebrated Dominican Biblical School at Jerusalem was visited by the Most Rev. Master General. He called there during April to conduct in person the canonical visitation.

Fr. Mariano Cordovani, O. P., one of the professors at the new Catholic University in Milan, was recently invited to Rome to deliver a course of lectures to the Roman Social League.

On Good Friday more than ten thousand people, from every walk and station of life and from various parts of the world, flocked to the Cathedral of Notre Dame, Paris, to hear the celebrated orator Père Janvier, O. P., deliver his discourse on the Passion.

Père Levigoureux, O. P., P. G., one of the founders of the Dominican Biblical School at Jerusalem, passed to his eternal reward on April 28, at the age of seventy-four.

The Most Reverend Master General recently addressed a congratulatory letter to Père Mortier, O. P., author of "La Liturgie Dominicaine."

Father Joseph Noval, O. P., Professor of Canon Law at the Collegio Angelico, Rome, has been appointed a consultor of the Sacred Congregation of Studies.

A Catechism of the Missions, by Father John Masip, O. P., which gives us the fruit of his twenty-five years' experience as a missionary in the Far East, has been published at Avila, Spain.

Father Kuhn, O. P., was one of the principal speakers at the celebration of the third centenary of the canonization of St. Ignatius and St. Francis Xavier, the exercises being held in the Basilica of the Sacred Heart, Paris.

The biographies of eight prominent Dominicans are given in the latest volume of the "History of French Literature," edited by the Benedictine Fathers.

Père Berthier, O. P., recently celebrated the golden jubilee of his religious profession. His life has been active and varied, and his pen prolific. Father Berthier has ever been a most ardent and profound student of Dante and his recent French translation of the *Divina Comedia* has given general satisfaction.

The recent brochure of Père Lamotte, O. P., on "St. Olaf and His Missionaries in the Twentieth Century," called forth the highest praise from Msgr. André du Bois, Archbishop of Rouen.

The English Dominicans have again come into possession of the convent, at Canterbury, which, in pre-reformation days, belonged to their Province. This convent is said to have been visited frequently by St. Thomas of Canterbury when he was Archbishop. It is still in a fair state of preservation, and the Fathers hope soon to restore it to something of its former glory.

The death of Very Rev. J. V. DeGroot, O. P., S. T. M., has taken from the Church Militant one of her most zealous defenders, and has robbed the Dominican Order of a highly respected and most devoted religious. Father De Groot died at Amsterdam, Holland on the 26th of February, in his seventy-third year. He will be remembered as a "saintly priest, a learned professor, a thrilling orator, a prolific writer and as a leader of youth," who did more, perhaps, than any other one person to restore the prestige of the Church in Holland. The example of his long and useful life, and the power of his written and spoken word, brought many persons to the True Faith.

Another great Hollander and Dominican who died recently was very Rev. Thomas Van den Acker, O. P., S. T. M.

Fr. Perquin, O. P., is the editor of "The Nev Voice," a weekly journal devoted to apologetical subjects, which recently made its first appearance at Amsterdam.

Father Hilaire Molkenboer, O. P., has been conducting an interesting series of lectures in Holland and Flanders, on St. Dominic in Art.

While assembled for a Solemn Triduum in honor of St. Dominic, the Dominican Tertiaries of Louvain celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of the profession of seven of their members, and the

twenty-fifth anniversary of eight others. A Mass of thanksgiving was celebrated by Father Bril, O. P., their present director, the sermon being delivered by Father Martin, O. P., a former director of the Chapter.

DOMINICAN SISTERS

St. Catharine of Sienna Congregation (Kentucky)

On April 7th, St. Catharine's celebrated its first centennial with befitting ceremonies. A Solemn High Mass was celebrated by the Very Rev. J. S. Wilburn, O. P., Prior of St. Rose, assisted by Fathers of that convent. Dominicans from other convents and the Dominican Novices were present in the chapel with the Sisters and students of the Academy. In the afternoon a pilgrimage to St. Rose Church, two miles from St. Catharine's Convent, was made on foot by the whole community and student body. At St. Rose, Compline was sung by the Fathers and Novices, the Sisters joining in the Salve and O Lumen at the end of this hour of the Divine Office. The sermon, embodying an historical sketch of the Congregation, was preached with characteristic eloquence by the Very Rev. L. F. Kearney, O. P., S. T. M. After Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament, the St. Catharine Community and student body of the Academy returned to their home. During the evening, pictures of the Convent taken at different stages of its development were shown to an audience composed of the members of St. Catharine and St. Rose communities. The Novices of the House of Studies extend to St. Catharine of Sienna Congregation most sincere greetings. May there be a continuance of the remarkable prosperity of the past in that sphere of activity so in harmony with true Dominican ideals.

The Rev. Edward O'Hearn, O. P., conducted a retreat for the young ladies of the Academy April 26 to 30.

Foreign Missionary Sisters of St. Dominic (Maryknoll)

Miss Clare I. Cogan, known to the Alumnae Associations in the United States as co-foundress of the International Federation of Catholic Alumnae, received the Dominican habit at Maryknoll on the feast of the Annunciation with nineteen other young women. Father Walsh, superior of the Maryknoll seminary, presided at the ceremonies of investiture.

Mt. St. Dominic Community (Caldwell, N. J.)

On Sunday, March 12th, a solemn reception of eleven postulants and the profession of three novices took place in the convent chapel. The Very Rev. John A. Hinch, O. P., prior of St. Antoninus' Convent, Newark, conducted the ceremonies in the absence of the Right Reverend Bishop.

Dr. James J. Walsh lectured before the pupils of the Academy on March 27th. A course of lectures on Rational Psychology was given to the Sisters by the Rev. Francis P. Lebuffe, S. J., of Fordham University.

The pupils of Mount Saint Dominic's Academy will present the "Arrow Maker's Daughter," an Indian pageant, modeled on Longfellow's story of Hiawatha, on the campus, June 8 and 9.

Governor Edward I. Edwards of New Jersey and prominent members of the State Board have accepted invitations to attend Class Day exercises which will be held Sunday June 11th. On this occasion the High School graduates will present a stained glass window to the Academy.

Congregation of the Holy Cross (Brooklyn)

Very Rev. Jordan Raemakers, O. P., of Porto Rico, and Rev. C. I. Cappellino, O. P., S. T. D., of the House of Studies, Washington, were among the clergy present at the ceremonies of reception for fifteen postulants into the Novitiate at Amityville on Easter Monday. Preparatory to receiving the habit the postulants followed the exercises of a retreat given by the Very Rev. M. L. Heagen, O. P., S. T. Lr.

Congregation of the Archdiocese of New Orleans

During the month of April, St. Catharine was especially honored by her devoted clients, the members of the Sienna Music Club, who carried out a special program and week of activities dedicated to the Maid of Sienna.

Under the auspices of the "New Orleans Item," the Dominican College orchestra broadcasted two concerts from the radio headquarters of that newspaper.

"As You Like It" was read for the faculty and students recently by Mr. C. E. Griffith, the Shakespearean reader.

St. Cecilia's Community (Tennessee)

Enroute to Memphis, the Very Rev. Father Provincial Raymond Meagher, O. P., S. T. Lr., made a short visit to St. Cecilia's Convent, Nashville, Tennessee.

The Very Rev. D. J. Kennedy, O. P., S. T. M., was called from Washington to the bedside of his sister, Sister Mary Alberta, because of her alarming illness. Her recovery now seems assured.

The Easter holidays closed with a retreat given by Father Madden, S. J.

St. Cecilia's Academy has been highly complimented for its share in the success of the Sacred Concerts given every Sunday evening under the auspices of the Knights of Columbus.

Dominican Sisters of the Perpetual Rosary (Summit, N. J.)

A large pilgrimage was made to the Rosary Shrine on April 2nd. The Rev. Thomas a'Kempis Reilly, O. P., sponsor of the Rosary Pilgrimage League, preached a sermon to the assembled pilgrims.

Dominican Sisters (Sinsinawa, Wisconsin)

On April 5th the students of Rosary House High School, Chicago, presented an original dramatization of Cardinal Newman's "Dream of Gerontius."

The retreat for the students of Rosary House was given during Holy Week by the Rev. D. A. Casey, O. P.

Dominican Nuns (Blauvelt, N. Y.)

One of the many works of mercy fostered by the Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of New York is the Catholic Centre for the Blind, the new home of which at 221-223 East Seventy-ninth Street, New York City, was blessed and formally opened on Saturday afternoon, March 25, by His Grace, the Most Rev. Archbishop Patrick J. Hayes. This work was inaugurated seven years ago and is at present under the the personal direction of Dominican nuns from Blauvelt with Sister Mary Ambrose as Superioress.

Portuguese Congregation of St. Catharine (California)

Sister Mary dos Santos, O. S. D., of Sacred Heart Hospital, Hanford, passed to her eternal reward on April 15th. Sister Mary was one of the original group of this Congregation to come to America. The Solemn Requiem Mass was sung by the Rev. John Galvin in St. Bridgid's Church.

Corpus Christi House (Duluth, Minnesota)

To meet the needs of the young people, the Sisters have organized the Tri-C. (Corpus Christi Centre) Dramatic Club. "The Roses of St. Dorothy" is the first play to be presented.

"Our Lady's Choir" has been established at the Corpus Christi House with six members. These Sisters are not received for study; nor do they recite the Divine Office. They will be busied with the domestic duties of the house and will say the Office of the Blessed Virgin in English, according to the Dominican rite.