



# CLOISTER & CHRONICLE



## ST. JOSEPH'S PROVINCE

The intermediary chapter of the Fathers of the province was held in the House of Studies August 17-19.

On September 4th the Novices returned to the House of Studies from their summer home at Ocean City, Md. The annual retreat was begun Sept. 7th and continued until the 16th under the direction of Very Rev. Ignatius Smith, O. P., S. T. Lr.

In the presence of 12,000 parishioners and friends the cornerstone of the new Sacred Heart Church, Jersey City, was laid by Rt. Rev. John T. McNicholas, O. P., D. D., Bishop of Duluth, Minn., on Sunday, July 8th. Preceding the ceremonies a parade of several thousand members of various parish and civic organizations was held through the streets. The sermon on the occasion was delivered by the Very Rev. Ignatius Smith, O. P., Prior of the House of Studies, who, in a stirring address, told what the erection of a Catholic church means to the community. Assisting at the ceremony were Fathers of the province from all parts of the country. Rev. M. T. McNicholas, O. P., brother of Bishop McNicholas, is pastor of the church. The new edifice, which is of Gothic design, is one of the finest achievements in the life of Mr. Ralph Adams Cram, the famous architect who spent a whole year studying the famous Dominican churches of Europe to secure a thorough knowledge of Dominican architectural ideals.

On August 22 Rev. Paul Curran, O. P., and Bro. James Murphy, O. P., sailed from San Francisco for Kienning-Fu, China, the pioneer American Dominicans in the Chinese mission field.

On August 16, in the chapel of the summer home of the Novices, the following Novices pronounced their solemn vows in the hands of Rev. J. W. Owens, O. P., S. T. Lr., Novice Master, who was delegated by the Very Reverend Provincial to receive the professions: Bros. Maurice O'Moore, O. P., Charles Gainor, O. P., Richard King, O. P., Albert Drexelius, O. P., Anthony Foley, O. P., George Kinsella, O. P., Basil Sheehan, O. P., and Andrew Nowlen, O. P.

In the chapel of the House of Studies on September 8th Very Rev. Ignatius Smith, O. P., S. T. Lr., received the solemn professions of Bros. Gerald Corbett, O. P., Robert Lindsay, O. P., Martin Shea, O. P., William Roach, O. P., Christopher Perrotta, O. P., Philip Archdeacon, O. P., and Edmund Rocks, O. P.

On August 4th, the feast of St. Dominic, Bros. Gabriel Roberts, O. P., and Norbert Brown, O. P., after completing their year of novitiate as Lay Brothers, made their simple profession into the hands of the Very Rev. Ignatius Smith, O. P., S. T. Lr., Prior of the House of Studies.

Very Rev. M. J. Ripple, O. P., P. G., preached the retreat for the clergy of the Toronto, Ont., diocese, August 20-25th.

Rev. C. M. Thuente, O. P., has recently published a most instructive brochure on "The Holy Rosary, a Missionary Prayer," containing explanations of the prayers of the Rosary and of each mystery. The booklet has been adopted by the Catholic Women's Missionary Association with headquarters in Milwaukee, as a handbook for all those interested in the work of the foreign missions.

Rev. Michael Eckert, O. P., of the Eastern Mission Band, preached the novena for the feast of St. Dominic in St. Mary's Church, New Haven, Conn.

Rev. Cornelius McCarthy, O. P., of Providence College, gave a course in Ethics at the Sisters' Summer School which was held in Watertown, Mass., during the summer months.

Rev. E. J. O'Toole, O. P., of the Eastern Mission Band, preached a novena in honor of St. Ann July 17-26, in St. Mary's Church, Pittsburgh, before immense congregations.

Very Rev. T. L. Crowley, O. P., has been re-elected prior of St. Mary's Church, New Haven, Conn.

The report of the Western Mission Band for the year ending June 30th, 1923, shows 71 missions given, 45 retreats, 15 Forty Hours', 3 tridiums, 74 first Communions, 55 converts; total attendance at all services was over 49,000, and 129,213 Communions were given. During the year it was found necessary to call upon Revs. Charles Murray, O. P., of Denver, W. P. McIntyre, O. P., of Chicago, and J. R. Dooley, O. P., of Minneapolis, to help out in the work. Revs. C. M. Thuente, O. P., and W. R. Lawlor, O. P., were called upon to give retreats to the clergy of the dioceses of Des Moines, Milwaukee, Buffalo, Wichita, and Los Angeles. Rev. Robert Seson of the House of Studies gave two missions in Duluth after giving the retreat to the clergy of the diocese.

Because of the work entailed by the drive for the new diocesan seminary in Detroit, the retreats for the clergy of the diocese have been postponed for a year. Rev. J. H. Healy, O. P., P. G., head of the Eastern Mission Band, has been invited to give them next year.

A new edition of Bishop Gilmour's "Bible History and Church History" which has been widely used in Catholic schools for the past thirty-five years, is being issued by the publishing firm of Benziger Bros., New York City. At the invitation of the publishers, Rev. Thomas M. Schwertner, O. P., S. T. Lr., editor of The Rosary Magazine, has revised the work and brought it up to date by the addition of several new chapters.

On Nov. 18 Cardinal Dougherty will celebrate a Pontifical High Mass in the chapel of the Carmelite convent, Philadelphia, in honor of Blessed Theresa of Lisieux, "the Little Flower." Rev. Clement M. Thuente, O. P., will preach the sermon for the occasion.

The feast of St. Dominic was celebrated at the House of Studies this year with more splendor than ever before. In accordance with a custom as old as the Orders themselves, the Solemn Mass was celebrated by Franciscan Fathers, in the presence of the Apostolic Delegate, Archbishop Fumasoni-Biondi. The sermon of the day was delivered by the Rt. Rev. C. F. Thomas, Pastor of St. Patrick's Church, Washington. A special Mass was sung by the community of the House of Studies. Representatives

from the various religious communities and churches of the city were present, as were also a large number of Sisters who are attending courses at the summer school of the Catholic University. After the Mass a dinner was served to the guests in the community refectory. Toasts were made by Archbishop Fumasoni-Biondi, by the Very Rev. Raymond Meagher, O. P., S. T. Lr., provincial, and by the Very Rev. Ignatius Smith, O. P., S. T. Lr., prior of the House of Studies. The day closed with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

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The sincere sympathy of the Novices is extended to Bros. John Dominic Walsh, O. P., and Isidore Roberts, O. P., on the death of their sisters.

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Rev. Urban Cahill, O. P., of the House of Studies, has been assigned to the faculty of Providence College.

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Rev. P. A. Maher, O. P., gave the retreat to the Sisters attending the Summer School at the Catholic University this summer.

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Very Rev. Ignatius Smith, O. P., S. T. Lr., prior of the House of Studies, delivered an address on "Missionary Vocations" before the national convention of the Catholic Students' Mission Crusade at the University of Notre Dame, Indiana, on August 10th.

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Rev. Jordan Foley, O. P., P. G., gave the conferences at the annual retreat of the Fathers of the three mission bands at the House of Studies, August 25-31.

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Under the direction of the Rev. W. R. Lawlor, O. P., a retreat commemorative of the sixth centenary of St. Thomas was conducted for the Dominican Tertiaries of Chicago and vicinity at Rosary College, River Forest, Ill., August 15-19.

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#### PROVINCE OF THE MOST HOLY NAME OF JESUS

On Sunday afternoon, August 5th, the Rev. Edward J. Hanna, Archbishop of San Francisco, laid the cornerstone of the new St. Dominic's Church in San Francisco. Large numbers of clergy and laity were present at the ceremonies. San Francisco Council, 615, and California Council, 880, Knights of Columbus, attended in a body. The Knights of Columbus Band was also present for the occasion.

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The feast of St. Dominic was celebrated by a novena and a solemn triduum. The Franciscan Fathers preached the triduum, and also sang the Solemn High Mass on the feast of St. Dominic. The Rev. Father Victor White, S. J., preached on Sunday morning, August 5th, at the Solemn High Mass.

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The deacons of honor to His Grace on the occasion of the laying of the cornerstone were the Rev. Father Joseph Sasia, S. J., who preached when the old church was dedicated in 1887; and the Right Rev. Monsignor Connolly, who was one of the clergy present in 1887.

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Rev. Father McMullan, O. P., has been appointed rector of St. Dominic's Church, Los Angeles, California, to succeed Father Pius M. Driscoll, O. P., who is now the first pastor of the new Dominican parish of St. Mary Magdalen, Berkeley, California. On the feast of St. Mary Magdalen, the Dominican Fathers sang their first Solemn Mass in their new church of the University town. Father Driscoll was celebrant.

The Rev. Father William Martin, O. P., pastor of the Dominican Church, Hammond, La., visiting St. Dominic's Priory, San Francisco, represented the Holy Rosary Province at the exercises of the laying of the cornerstone.

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Portland, Oregon, gave a very warm welcome to the Rev. Father Stanislaus Olsen, O. P., S. T. Lr., when he was recently appointed President of Aquinas College. Father Olsen was for a number of years prior of St. Dominic's Convent in that city.

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An elaborate celebration was held at St. Dominic's, San Francisco, in July, when the Dominican Fathers held the Golden Jubilee of their foundation there. Many prelates and clergymen of the West were present for the festivities.

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The annual retreat for the Christian Brothers at St. Mary's College, Oakland, California, was recently conducted by the Rev. Father Bertrand Connolly, O. P. Father Stanislaus McDermott, O. P., gave the retreat for the Christian Brothers at Martinez, California.

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The Rev. Father Andrew Pope, O. P., S. T. Lr., conducted the retreat for the Dominican Sisters at the Academy of the Immaculate Conception, San Francisco, and the Rev. Father Humbert M. Palmer, O. P., recently preached the retreat at the Dominican College, San Rafael, California.

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### FOREIGN PROVINCES

On the occasion of the sixth centenary of the canonization of St. Thomas Aquinas His Holiness Pope Pius XI has addressed to the Christian world an encyclical extolling the virtues and learning of the Angelic Doctor. The Pope has also decreed that henceforth St. Thomas shall be called the "Universal Doctor" because of the universal applicability of his teachings.

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The historical medal presented annually by the Pope to the members of the Sacred College and other ecclesiastical dignitaries on the Feast of SS. Peter and Paul, June 29, this year commemorates the centenary of the canonization of St. Thomas. The medal is the work of the sculptor Mistruzzi, and bears on one side the image of the Pope, and on the other the image of St. Thomas, surrounded by Dante, Popes John XXII, Pius V and Leo XIII. The Latin inscription reads: "After Dante had sung his praises, John XXII in 1323 enrolled him in the catalogue of the saints. Pius V made him the Angelic Doctor of the Church, and Leo XIII declared him the heavenly patron of Catholic schools."

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By order of the Holy Father, the Pontifical Roman Academy of St. Thomas Aquinas has prepared a scientific program as part of the celebration of the sixth centenary of St. Thomas' canonization. The week chosen for the celebration is November 19-26, because the real date, July 18, is impracticable for academic celebrations in Rome, owing to the absence of the students at that time. The program has been drawn up by a committee under the presidency of Mons. Salvatore Talamo, who has been secretary of the Pontifical Academy ever since its foundation by Pope Leo XIII. During the celebration lectures will be given each day by some of the foremost authorities on Thomistic doctrine. The lecturers are: Archbishop Orazio Mazella, nephew of the late Cardinal Mazella, a renewed theologian; Father Cordovani, O. P., of the Catholic University of Milan; Doctor Grabman of Munich; Mons. Deploige, rector of the St. Thomas Institute,

Louvain. Cardinal Billot also is expected to give a lecture. These lectures will be given in the Hall of the Cancellaria, with the exception of the last one, on the closing day, Nov. 25, which will be given by Cardinal Laurenti in the presence of the Holy Father in the Vatican. The lectures will be in Latin, French and Italian. At the same time a convention of the members of the Roman Academy and the professors and representatives of the Catholic Institutes will be held to discuss the most important questions connected with Scholastic philosophy. Means will also be established for communication between the various centers of Thomistic and philosophical studies. During the week solemn religious services will be held at the Dominican church of the Minerva.

In June the Most Reverend Master General left Rome, accompanied by the Very Rev. P. M. Caterini, O. P., S. T. M., Procurator General of the Order, on a visitation of the Polish, Austrian and German provinces.

The Master General has named Very Rev. Pius Ciuti, O. P., of the Congregation of St. Mark, Vicar of the province of Naples.

Rev. Ansgar Sinnigen, O. P., of the convent of Berlin, has been elected secretary general of the union of the superiors of the religious communities in Germany which are engaged in foreign missionary work. Fr. Sinnigen succeeds the Very Rev, Frederick Schwager, S. V. D., the well-known historiographer of the missions.

Very Rev. Joseph Ballarin, O. P., S. T. Lr., has been elected provincial of the province of Betica, in Spain.

The Province of Lower Germany has lost one of its oldest members in the Rev. Vincent M. Aghina, O. P., who died recently at the age of eighty-three years.

Rt. Rev. Thomas Esser, O. P., titular bishop of Sinide and author of many popular works in Latin, Italian and German recently celebrated the golden jubilee of his ordination in Rome. On the day of the anniversary, Bishop Esser received a personal letter from the in Pope in which the Holy Father paid tribute to his learning and his labors.

On May 7th, in the presence of a large audience, Very Rev. Rosarius Welchen, O. P., S. T. M., took possession of the chair of scholastic philosophy in the University of Amsterdam, which had been made vacant by the death of Very Rev. J. V. De Groot, O. P., S. T. M.

Rev. Salvador Ruiz, O. P., S. T. M., has been appointed Regent of Studies for the college of Chiquinquirá, the House of Studies for the province of St. Antoninus, in Colombia.

Very Rev. Bernard Grech, O. P., has been elected provincial of the province of Crete.

The Most Reverend Master General has reappointed Very Rev. Lawrence Ceccarelli, O. P., S. T. Lr., vicar general of the Congregation of St. Mark in Florence.

Rev. Joseph Caicedo, O. P., S. T. Lr., regent of studies in the province of St. Catharine, Ecuador, recently celebrated the golden jubilee of his ordination to the priesthood.

Very Rev. Gonzales Proulx, O. P., S. T. Lr., professor of apologetics in the studium of Ottawa, has been elected provincial of Canada to succeed Rt. Rev. Raymond Rouleau, recently raised to the see of Valleyfield.

His Eminence Cardinal Fruhwirth, formerly Master General of the Order, has been named Proponent of the cause of beatification of the venerable servant of God, Valentine Paquay, a Belgian Franciscan who was born at Tongres in 1828 and died at Hasselt in 1903.

Rev. Leon Lotar, O. P., who was formerly secretary general to the governor of the Belgian Congo, was recently ordained to the priesthood and celebrated his first Mass in the convent of Brussels. Fr. Lotar will shortly return to the Congo as a missionary.

At the commencement exercises of the London University, Rev. Adrian English, O. P., of the English province, was awarded the highest prize for graduate work in psychology.

King George has given great gratification to the Catholics of London by sending a telegram of congratulation to the Fathers of the English province on the celebration of the seventh centenary of the foundation of the Dominican house at Holburn.

Among the eminent theologians who have been designated to prepare the doctrinal questions to be submitted to the next General Council of the Church is the Very Rev. Edward Hugon, O. P., S. T. M., of the province of Lyons.

In the most recent consistory held by the Pope, His Eminence, Cardinal Fruhwirth was named Camerlingo of the Sacred College.

Very Rev. Stephen Castillo, O. P., was recently elected provincial of Argentina.

In accord with resolutions adopted at the last Congress of the Third Order at Bologna, the Italian Catholics, directed by the Dominican Fathers, are organizing a national Holy Name Society along lines similar to those on which the Society is organized in the United States.

The new rule of the Third Order secular which has been definitely approved by the Sacred Congregation of Rites has just been made public.

The relics of Blessed Jordan of Pisa which since 1795 have been in the Church of St. Liborius at Colorno, in Parma, were recently returned to the Church of St. Catharine at Pisa which was restored this year.

## DOMINICAN SISTERS

### Rosary Hill Home (Hawthorne, N. Y.)

On June 22nd, the Servants of Relief for Incurable Cancer opened ground for a portion of the new fireproof home for the cancerous poor, and expect to occupy it this fall. The complete new home will be under construction next summer.

The annual retreat, in preparation for clothing and profession, September 14, was preached by the Very Rev. Clement M. Thuente, O. P.



**St. Dominic's Convent (Blauvelt, N. Y.)**

On July 2nd, the silver jubilee of four sisters—Sisters M. Imelda, M. Patrick, M. Peter and M. Aloysius, was celebrated. Holy Mass was offered by the Rev. Father Dugan, O. P.

The first retreat of the summer was conducted by Father Dugan, and at its close a General Chapter was held, when Rev. Mother Suso, formerly Prioress, was elected Rev. Mother Provincial, to succeed the late Rev. Mother Marcella.

The second retreat opened August 6th, and was conducted by Rev. Father Finnerty, O. P. At the close of this retreat the investing and profession of Novices took place. A number of Sisters pronounced their perpetual vows.

The third retreat opened August 19th, under the guidance of the Rev. Father Basil Saylor, O. P., S. T. Lr.

The Summer School Session of 1923 was very successful. The Sisters who were not studying at the Scholasticate in Blauvelt were working for academic degrees at Fordham University.

**Queen of the Rosary Convent (Amityville, L. I., N. Y.)**

About six hundred sisters made their annual retreat at the Novitiate House, Amityville, during the months of July and August. The retreats were preached respectively by the Rev. Father J. R. Higgins, O. P., Very Rev. S. R. Brockbank, O. P., and Rev. J. A. Jordan, O. P.

On St. Dominic's Day a memorable celebration was held in the novitiate chapel, Queen of the Rosary. A High Mass, according to the Dominican rite, was followed by Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament.

On September 1st, twelve novices took their first vows and fifty professed Sisters made their final vows.

The summer session at St. Joseph's, Sullivan County, was unusually well attended and post graduate courses were followed by some of the Sisters at Fordham University.

During the latter part of July, Amityville was visited by the Chapel Car St. Paul. Some of the Sisters had the unique privilege of assisting at Mass there and the Sisters were happy to entertain Rev. Fr. McGuinness and his confreres at breakfast and dinner at the convent.

**Congregation of the Most Holy Rosary (Newburgh, N. Y.)**

The General Chapter was held under the direction of the Right Rev. J. J. Dunn, Auxiliary Bishop of New York, at Mt. St. Mary's, Newburgh, N. Y., on July 7th.

As a result of the general elections, Mother M. Blanche, the superior of the Convent of Mt. St. Mary's, was elected Mother General of the Congregation. Sister M. de Chantal was elected the Vicarress General, and the other members of the Council are Sister M. Sebastian, Sister M. Guillelma and Sister M. Clare.

On August 23, the ceremony of perpetual vows took place at Mt. St. Mary's Chapel, when about forty-five Sisters pronounced their vows to Rev. Mother Blanche. The Rt. Rev. Bishop Dunn presided at the ceremony.

The Summer School was continued as in previous years at Mt. St. Mary's and in Sea Isle City. This year the Sea Isle Summer School was honored by a visit from the Right Rev. Bishop Dunn.

The Course in Methods in Primary Reading was given at the Sisters' Summer School of the Catholic University of America by Sister Mary Alma, Ph. D. Sisters from at least eight different communities took advantage of this work, an excellent feature of which was the demonstration class conducted by Sister M. Thomas Aquinas.

A series of charts for the preparatory work for the use of the First Reader of the Catholic Education Series has been compiled and demonstrated by Sister Thomas Aquinas, under the direction of Sister Mary Alma, Ph. D., at the Thomas Edward Shields Memorial School in Brookland, D. C. The charts are the result of many years of careful study and experiment in primary classrooms.

The annual retreats were conducted by the Dominican Fathers. The Rev. Fathers R. Higgins, O. P., and D. M. Galliher, O. P., preached the retreats at Sea Isle, while the one at Newburgh was given by the Rev. Father P. Cahill, O. P., P. G.

#### **Dominican Sisters of the Perpetual Rosary (West Hoboken, N. J.)**

On August 4th, feast of St. Dominic, the Conventual Mass was celebrated at 6:30 a. m., immediately after which the Most Blessed Sacrament was exposed. At nine o'clock a Mass was sung by the Rev. Father Cornelius, O. F. M., of the Church of St. Francis of Assisi, New York City. After Mass the Sisters chanted the beautiful responsory, "O Spem Miram," and then went in solemn procession to the statue of St. Dominic, which was placed before the choir grating amid flowers and lighted tapers, where each one knelt in turn and made devotional renewal of the sacred vows of her holy profession. After the ceremony another hymn in honor of St. Dominic was sung, and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament was given.

The beautiful feast of Our Lady's Assumption was signalized by the celebration of the silver jubilee of the religious profession of Sister Mary of the Nativity. At nine o'clock a Solemn Jubilee Mass was sung by the Rev. Father Ceslaus McEniry, O. P. Among the many gifts received by the Rev. Sister Jubilarian, the most appreciated was the blessing of Our Holy Father, Pope Pius XI.

On September 12th, feast of the Most Holy Name of Mary, four Novices pronounced temporary vows, and two postulants, Miss Mary Dahme, of Newburgh, N. Y., and Miss Mary Hoynes, of Jersey City, N. J., received the holy habit of the Order. A Dominican Father presided at the ceremony and the sermon was delivered by the Rev. Father Edward J. Donovan, pastor St. Patrick's Church, Bayshore, L. I.

#### **Mt. St. Dominic Academy (Caldwell, N. J.)**

The Rev. Father Charles Mulvey, O. P., gave the address to the graduates at the Academy, June 14th, on the occasion of the Commencement exercises.

The Class of 1923 gave as their parting gift a set of beautiful cathedral chimes to the chapel of their Alma Mater, Mt. St. Dominic Academy.



The Summer Class of children of the Academy lived, and had most of their exercises out-doors during school hours. Large and well-equipped playgrounds with a good gymnasium afforded them ample exercise, while their study hours were devoted to music, French, elementary subjects, and various kinds of handiwork.

The following Sisters of Caldwell, N. J., received degrees in June at Fordham University: Rev. Mother Avelline, B. S., Sister M. Aloysius, Ph. D., Sister M. Joseph, Ph. D., Sister M. Raymond, Ph. D., Sister M. Clare, M. A., Sister M. Servatia, M. A., Sister M. Andrea, A. B., and Sister M. Victorine, B. S.

The Community Summer Normal School for the Dominican Sisters of Caldwell opened June 30th, with an attendance of over one hundred Sisters. Various classes in the professional branches, high school and college work were successfully carried on, supplemented by a lecture course given by the leading educators of New York and New Jersey. About thirty received life certificates at the close of school.

A fifth century drama, "The Power of Woman," was given by the pupils of the Academy as their final work in dramatics for the scholastic year ending June, 1923. The drama was written by a Sister of St. Dominic, and can be purchased from Mt. St. Dominic Academy, on order.

#### **Dominican Sisters of the Perpetual Rosary (Camden, N. J.)**

From July 27th to August 4th, a solemn public novena in honor of St. Dominic took place at the Monastery of the Dominican Sisters of the Perpetual Rosary. The devotions, at three o'clock every afternoon, consisted of Compline, Rosary, special novena prayers, sermon, hymn in honor of St. Dominic, and Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament, after which the relic of St. Dominic was exposed to the faithful for public veneration. The life of St. Dominic was well brought out in the daily sermons, which were preached by Father John S. Moran, O. P., National Director of the Perpetual Rosary and Chaplain of the Monastery.

People came from far and near to take part in the novena, and these faithful clients of St. Dominic kept large numbers of vigil lights burning before his shrine in the sanctuary.

The novena closed with a Solemn High Mass at 10 a. m., August 4th. Father Boniface Hennig, O. M. C., pastor of the Franciscan Church, Camden, was celebrant of the Mass; Father P. J. O'Reilly, S. J., pastor of St. Joseph's Church, Philadelphia, acted as deacon, and Father Augustine, O. S. B., of South Carolina, was sub-deacon. The Rev. Doctor McCloskey, pastor of Sacred Heart Church, Camden, was master of ceremonies. The sermon was preached by Father Brendan C. Shea, pastor of the Church of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, Camden. Others present were Father Quinlan, pastor of St. Rose's Church, Haddon Heights, Father Corrigan and Father Henry of Camden.

#### **Dominican Convent (Albany, N. Y.)**

The ceremonies of reception and first vows at the Mother House of the Dominican Sisters of the Congregation of St. Catherine di Ricci, Albany, N. Y., were preceded by a retreat, conducted by the Rev. Father George Rudruf, O. M. C. The Right Rev. Bishop Edmund F. Gibbons, D. D., officiated at the ceremonies of August 4th. Among the candidates received was Miss Gertrude Houghton, a member of Holy Name parish, Philadelphia.

The Rev. Cornelius J. Crowley and the Rev. James P. Hanrahan made their profession as members of the Third Order of St. Dominic, in the Sisters' Chapel, on the feast of Sts. Peter and Paul.

The Rev. James P. Hanrahan conducted a recent retreat for members of the Third Order.

The vacation house for business women at Point Pleasant, N. J., was opened this summer. It accommodates about one hundred and thirty guests daily.

Sisters from Havana, Cuba, have been specializing in studies during the summer.

A new recreation hall and reception rooms are being added to the home for business women, Dayton, Ohio, conducted by Dominican Sisters from Albany, N. Y.

#### **St. Catherine Academy (St. Catherine, Ky.)**

The annual retreat at St. Catherine was conducted by the Rev. L. F. Finnerty, O. P., of the southern missionary band, during the ten days preceding the feast of St. Dominic.

On August 3rd, seven young ladies received the habit of St. Dominic in the convent chapel, and on the morning of the following day, five novices made first profession and several others renewed vows or pronounced them for life. The ceremonies were presided over by the Very Rev. Father Wilburn, O. P., Prior of St. Rose Convent, Springfield, Ky., who had been delegated by the Rt. Rev. Bishop Floerssh.

Sisters from St. Catherine attended summer classes at the Universities of Notre Dame, Creighton, Loyola, and Louisville, Catholic University of America and the Teachers' College, Lincoln, Nebraska. Courses for the certification of teachers were conducted at the Motherhouse, and college courses were given at Sacred Heart Academy, Watertown. The latter were presided over by the Rev. Father McCarthy, O. P., of Providence College.

#### **Dominican Sisters of the Perpetual Rosary (Catonsville, Md.)**

The ceremony of solemn blessing and dedication of a beautiful Perpetual Rosary Shrine was held at three o'clock Sunday afternoon, August 19th. The Rt. Rev. Msgr. C. F. Thomas of St. Patrick's Church, Washington, D. C., officiated, assisted by the Rev. Fathers H. H. Welsh, O. P., and E. L. Saupin, S. S.

Clergymen, Religious, and the general laity, numbering more than 8,000 persons, were present on this solemn occasion.

An impressive sermon was preached by the Rev. Father Stephen Sweeney, C. P., of St. Joseph's Monastery, who came from Canada for the celebration.

The statue, which is six feet high and of Italian marble, is the work of an Italian sculptor, and depicts St. Dominic on his knees receiving the Rosary from the Blessed Virgin who holds the Infant Jesus in her arms. This beautiful piece of art was donated by a prominent Baltimorean in thanksgiving for a cure of a spiritual nature.

There is held at the convent a continual series of novenas in honor of St. Thomas Aquinas. The next public service at the new Shrine will be held on Rosary Sunday, October 7th. The Sisters' Solemn Novena for the feast of the Holy Rosary will open on September 29th.

A painting of the Crucifixion, done by one of the nuns and valued at \$3,000 by art critics, hangs in the convent. Owing to the poverty of this community, the Sisters would appreciate a purchaser for this work of art.

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### **St. Cecilia's Academy (Nashville, Tenn.)**

Following the sixty-third annual Commencement exercises of the Academy in June, the Alumnae convened, with delegates from the Alabama chapter present.

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Property has been purchased for a new St. Cecilia Academy, a memorial to the foundress, Mother Frances Walsh.

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During the summer months Sisters studying for degrees attended Peabody College for Teachers, Nashville; Catholic University, Washington; and the American Conservatory of Music, Chicago. At the last named school Sister Mary Xavier received the degree of Doctor of Music, being the first nun to receive this, the highest honor of the Conservatory.

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Sister M. Miriam received her A. B. degree at Sisters' College, Washington, where Sister M. Fidelis became a candidate for the same honor in September.

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Early in the summer two postulants were clothed with the white habit of St. Dominic. Sister M. Maria received the black veil at the close of the annual retreat conducted by the Rev. Father P. J. Phillips, S. J., of New Orleans.

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On October 1st the Sisters of St. Cecilia Academy will open a new mission at Fortress Monroe, Va.

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### **Monastery of the Holy Name (Cincinnati, Ohio)**

Ground for the beautiful new chapel at Cincinnati was broken on June 10th. Besides a number of impressive speeches from local orators on that occasion, the Rev. Father L. F. Finnerty, O. P., delivered a forceful address.

The Sisters are very anxiously awaiting the day when their fondest hopes will be realized, and they will see the completion of their new chapel.

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### **St. Dominic's Monastery of the Perpetual Rosary (La Crosse, Wis.)**

On August 4th, feast of our Holy Father, St. Dominic, the Right Rev. Monsignor Rainer, ex-president of St. Francis Seminary, Milwaukee, celebrated Pontifical High Mass. The Rev. Father A. Murphy was deacon, and the Rev. Father M. M. Rupprechter, chaplain of St. Dominic's Monastery, was sub-deacon. A very masterly sermon was preached by the Rev. Father H. Leuther, confessor of the community. The Rev. Father A. Schuh was master of ceremonies. The Divine office was solemnly sung and the Most Blessed Sacrament was exposed until after Compline. At 8 p. m. Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament was given.

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### **Corpus Christi House (Duluth, Minn.)**

On the feast of Corpus Christi, the Right Rev. Bishop John T. McNicholas, O. P., D. D., of Duluth, officiated at the huge Corpus Christi procession held on the convent grounds.

Five Sisters sailed in June for Trinidad, British West Indies, to assist in the taking over of the large Industrial School for the care of delinquent girls, both black and white.

Ten of the wayward girls who are being cared for at the Corpus Christi House passed the final examinations in home nursing and received Red Cross certificates which will enable them to do practical nursing. Fifty-two girls and eleven babies have been sheltered during the year.

Catechetical instruction was given during the summer months at many stations, among them being: Marble, Taconite, Floodwood, Keewatin, Grand Marias, Cloquet, and Cook.

In two of the missions, sixty baptisms were brought about through the house-to-house visitations by the Sisters. In one of the missions, 250 children attended the daily instructions, some of the little ones coming a distance of eighteen miles to be present.

During the summer months five Sisters were professed, and three were clothed in the holy habit.

#### **St. Rose Hospital (Great Bend, Kansas)**

Seven postulants received the habit on June 9th from the hands of the Right Rev. Bishop Schwertner of Wichita, who also preached a very impressive sermon on the occasion.

On the same day, nine Novices were admitted into the ranks of the professed nuns, while Sister M. Annunciata, twelve years professed, pronounced her final vows, receiving the ring from the hands of the Right Rev. Bishop.

The Novitiate now numbers twenty-four, while the entire community numbers sixty-eight. Mother M. Bona is Prioress and Sister M. Blanche, Mistress of Novices.

Doctor Newcomb of Chicago, a member of the American College of Surgeons, recently paid a visit to St. Rose Hospital, and very favorably commended the rapid progress, staff conferences and laboratory service of the hospital.

The Rev. Father V. F. Kienberger, O. P., conducted the annual retreat, which opened on August 5th.

#### **Holy Rosary Hospital (Ontario, Oregon)**

The Rev. Mother Agnes is on a visit to Sacred Heart Hospital, Hanford, California, where Sister M. Josephine has assumed duties.

During the month of August Sister M. Thomas visited Holy Rosary Hospital, Ontario, Oregon.

Coming from Sacred Heart Hospital, Hanford, California, Sister M. Divine Heart is now laboring in Holy Rosary Hospital, Ontario, Oregon.

The Rev. Mother Catherine Clayton, former Superioress of Sacred Heart Hospital, Hanford, California, has been appointed Vicareess of this Congregation in America, and will succeed the late Mother M. Augustine Collins.

Holy Rosary Hospital, Ontario, Oregon, recently installed a splendid Victor X-ray machine.

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#### **Rosary College (River Forest, Ill.)**

The new college for girls at River Forest is making rapid progress, and now ranks on a par with the finest girls' colleges of the middle-west.

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During the summer months the Sisters of Rosary College conducted camps for Catholic girls, and this new line of work has given the Sisters great pleasure, to say nothing of the untold benefit the girls receive. Camp We-ha-kee, up on Green Bay, proved a splendid resort for scores of girls during the summer.

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From August 16th to 20th, a retreat for Dominican Tertiaries, Rosarians and Catholic women was conducted at Rosary College.

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#### **St. Clara College (Sinsinawa, Wis.)**

On August 4th, feast of St. Dominic, the Sisters celebrated the Diamond Jubilee of their foundation by the heroic Dominican, Father Samuel Mazzuchelli, O. P.

The Jubilee Mass on the occasion was celebrated by the Right Rev. Bishop McGavick of La Crosse, Wis., while the sermon was preached by Archbishop John J. Kane of Dubuque, Iowa. Clergy, laity and Sisters from various points were present for the elaborate festivities of the day.

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#### **St. Mary-of-the-Springs (East Columbus, Ohio)**

At St. Mary-of-the-Springs, the Rev. Mother Sephanie, O. S. D., was recently elected to the post of Prioress General of the Congregation, succeeding the Rev. Mother Miriam, O. S. D.

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Mother Stephanie has long been recognized throughout the country as an educator and writer of ability. Among her works are a number of Catholic plays, written for amateur production.

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#### **Congregation of the Queen of the Most Holy Rosary (Mission San Jose, California)**

The Congregation has taken charge of the parochial school at Fullerton, Orange County.

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On the feast of St. Dominic five Sisters celebrated the silver jubilee at the Mother House. The Rev. Father Albert Muller, O. P., celebrated the "Missa Cantata" on the occasion.

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On the feast of the Assumption of Our Blessed Lady, the Most Rev. Archbishop Hanna blessed the shrine erected on the convent grounds as a memorial of the "Golden Jubilee Year" of the beloved Mother Pia, O. S. D. The shrine is in honor of Our Lady, under the invocation of "Mater Dei."

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A remarkable event of the Jubilee Year was the final approbation of the Constitutions of the Congregation, which have been revised according to the normal of the new Canon Law.