ST. JOSEPH’S PROVINCE


In the chapel of the House of Studies on May 8th, the Rt. Rev. Thomas J. Shahan, S. T. D., rector of the Catholic University, raised to the subdiaconate Rev. Bros. Gregory Herold, Leo Lewis, Aquinas Gordon, Thomas Halloran, Edward Brennan, Dominic Morris, Benedict Dionne, Justin Kennedy, Leonard Callahan, Michael Barrett, Paul Doane, Ferrer Cassidy, Damian Goggins and Stephen Murray. On the same day minor orders were conferred on nineteen other novices.


Extensive plans are being made for the celebration this year of the six hundred and fiftieth anniversary of the foundation of the Holy Name Society. The national convention will be held in Washington, Sept. 19-21. The conferences will be held at the Catholic University, and a monster street parade will be held as a demonstration of faith. It is expected that 100,000 of the million and a half members of the Society will be present in Washington for the convention.


Rev. V. F. Kienberger, O. P., of the faculty of Providence College delivered an eloquent and spirited address on "Mothers" to the Queen’s Daughters of Providence on the feast of the Annunciation.
The sincere and heartfelt sympathy of the Novices is extended to Rev. J. C. Nowlen, O. P., and Bro. Andrew Nowlen, O. P., on the death of their mother.


Rev. J. R. Dooley, O. P., of the Western Mission Band, gave the annual mission at the Holy Cross Mission for Men, in Chicago, this year.

The demand for missions by the Fathers of the Eastern Band was so great this year that added missionaries had to be sought from the Southern and Western Mission Bands to assist in the labors.

By the death of the Rt. Rev. Louis S. Walsh, D. D., Bishop of Portland, Maine, the Dominican missionaries lost a staunch friend. For many years the Fathers of the Eastern Band have given the annual mission in the Portland Cathedral, as well as in many other parishes of the diocese.

A successful vaudeville entertainment and reception was held recently by the Blessed Virgin's Sodality of St. Vincent Ferrer's Church, New York, in aid of the American Dominican mission in Kienning-Fu, China, in charge of the Rev. A. P. Curran, O. P.

Highest praise is being given the work carried on by the Italian Dominican missionaries in Italian churches in the United States. These zealous missionaries were assigned to this work by the Master General the past winter, and have been continuously and actively engaged. During the summer they will give a number of retreats.

Rev. J. J. Durkin, O. P., has been assigned to the Southern Mission Band and Rev. A. C. Haverty, O. P., to the Eastern Band.

Among the Chicago churches at which the Fathers of the Western Band have given missions this spring are the Holy Name Cathedral, St. Andrew's, St. Justin's, St. Carthage, Our Lady of Solace, and the Church of St. Cyril, in charge of the Carmelite Fathers.

Rev. J. B. Logan, O. P., of the Western Band gave a retreat to the Poor Clare nuns at Rockford, Ill., early in the year.

The retreat program of Rev. Clement M. Thuente, O. P., well-known retreat-master for the spring and summer included retreats for the students of the St. Paul, Minn., seminary, one for the priests of the diocese of Des Moines, Iowa, four for Dominican Sisters, two for the Sisters of St. Joseph in Buffalo, two for laymen in Des Moines, and five for members of the Marianum, the association for priests' housekeepers, and one for superiors of the Sisters of Notre Dame, at Milwaukee.
Rev. W. D. Wynn, O. P., of the Western Mission Band gave the annual retreat for the Mission of Our Lady of Mercy, the Working Boys' Home in Chicago this year.


PROVINCE OF THE MOST HOLY NAME OF JESUS

Easter brought the return to San Francisco of the Missionary Fathers, after a most successful campaign in the Portland diocese.

During the week before Holy Week, a mission was preached in St. Patrick's Church, Sacramento, California.

The first mission in the new Italian Church of Saints Peter and Paul, San Francisco, was preached during Easter Week. Among the prominent preachers who occupied the pulpit during the week of the dedication of this new church was the Very Rev. Fr. A. L. McMahon, O. P., S. T. M., Provincial.

The Lenten course was given this year at St. Dominic's, San Francisco, by the Rev. Fathers B. Reilly, O. P., and A. Pope, O. P. A similar course was preached at St. Philip's Church, by the Rev. Fr. A. McDonnell, O. P. The Fathers also preached during Lent in St. Margaret's Church, Oakland, California.

Retreats were recently conducted at San Rafael, California, by the Rev. Fathers B. Allen, O. P., A. Muller, O. P., and A. Naselli, O. P., at Dominican College, High School, and Grammar School, respectively.

On April 24, 25, and 26, "The Hound of Heaven," a music-drama with a cast of six hundred players, was presented in the Civic Auditorium of San Francisco. This was the initial production of the music-drama, and dramatic critics of note have accorded the production great praise, while the newspapers of the western metropolis have issued a number of laudatory editorials. Perhaps its tremendous success was due to the fact that all proceeds are directed towards the new St. Dominic's Church, San Francisco.

FOREIGN PROVINCES


On March 4th, the Dominicans of Milan officially took possession of their magnificent convent of Our Lady of Grace under the direction of Very Rev. Hyacinth Leca, O. P., who was delegated by the Most Reverend Master General for that ceremony.
Very Rev. Edward Hugon, O. P., S. T. M., of the province of Lyons has been named a member of the commission to edit a catechism now in course of preparation for the use of the universal Church.

His Holiness, Pope Pius, has sent to the Very Rev. Albert Janvier, O. P., a special blessing with congratulations for the fruitful apostolate exercised by the zealous French Dominican during the many years he has filled the pulpit of Notre Dame, Paris.


Very Rev. John Perier, O. P., S. T. Lr., Provincial of Lyons, has returned to France after an extended visitation of the missions of the province in Tonking and Indo-China.

Rev. Thuribius Ardanza, O. P., penitentiary of St. Mary Major’s Rome, has been named master of novices for the Maronite monks of St. Isaias.

Very Rev. Ceslaus Rutten, O. P., S. T. M., of the province of Belgium, and a member of the Belgian Senate, has declined the portfolio of Labor and Industry in the new cabinet formed by Premier Thuenis.

A branch of the Third Order of St. Dominic composed wholly of secular priests was recently erected in the Basilica of the Rosary, at Prouille, France, under the direction of the Rev. Romanus Bonhomme, O. P., in the presence of the Bishop of Carcassonne.

During the month of March a course of lectures on the fundamental truths of Christianity were given at the University of Oxford by the Revs. Hugh Pope, O. P., and John Baptist Reeves, O. P., of the English province.

Rev. Dennis Mezard, O. P., of the Lyons Province, recently celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of his religious profession.

DOMINICAN SISTERS

Queen of the Rosary Convent (Amityville, L. I., New York)

On March 7th, the Rev. J. B. Dawkins, O. P., Professor of Dominican Chant in the Novitiate, celebrated a Solemn High Mass in the Novitiate chapel, commemorating the twenty-fifth anniversary of his ordination.

The Rev. V. F. Kienberger, O. P., conducted a retreat at Amityville during Holy Week, 140 nuns from Brooklyn and Long Island attending.

Thirty-three novices made their first vows, on April 24th, in presence of the Rt. Rev. Vicar General George Kaupert and a number of priests of the diocese.

On May 16th, fifteen Sisters celebrated the twenty-fifth anniversary of their religious profession.

The Lord has seen fit to call from their labors in rapid succession four Sisters of this community, namely: Sisters M. Leocadia, M. Austin, M. Carmelita, and M. Gregory. R. I. P.

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

On Tuesday of Holy Week, the Rev. Mother Mary Joseph, first Superior-General of the Maryknoll Sisters, returned from her visitation of the Maryknoll missions in the Orient. Last September, she left the States, accompanied by the third group of Sisters assigned to China. The Rev. Mother visited Japan, Korea, and the China Coast cities, being detained many weeks at the Yeungkong mission, on account of the bandits. Her return home has occasioned much joy and gratitude at Maryknoll.

On Easter Eve, a double ceremony took place in the convent chapel, when thirty-six Sisters pronounced their temporal vows and twenty postulants received the habit.

In their ranks the Maryknoll Sisters now have several Orientals, including one professed Sister from Japan, one Chinese Sister, three novices from Korea, and a Japanese postulant.

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

The old Home of the Servants of Relief for Incurable Cancer now has a branch house not far away, St. Joseph’s House, sheltering many contented male patients. This will be followed soon with another ward for the women sufferers.

Permission has been granted to keep the Most Blessed Sacrament in an oratory of the new building.

The Rt. Rev. James T. McIntyre, P. R., President of St. Joseph’s Seminary, Dunwoodie, New York, blessed St. Joseph’s House on the 24th of April, and the Sisters were delighted with the discourse of the Monsignor, who highly approves of their new arrangements in St. Joseph’s.

St. Rose’s Free Home on Jackson St., New York, continues to be filled with from eighty to ninety patients at a time, while the country Home has always forty to fifty sufferers.

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

The first Sunday of May was a day of great solemnity and ceremony at the Dominican chapel of the Perpetual Rosary, West Hoboken. The children had their May procession at 3:30 P. M. A Dominican Father presided and delivered the sermon. Before Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament, one of the little girls read an act of Consecration of all present to Our Blessed Mother, and then crowned the Statue.

Tertiary meetings are regularly held on the third Sunday of each month. At the meeting held on Palm Sunday, twelve prominent men and six ladies were received, while two of the members were professed. These meetings are well attended.
On the third Sunday of May, the opening of the Forty Hours' Devotion took place in the chapel of the Sisters.

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

On Sunday, March 2nd, the Forty Hours' Devotion opened in the chapel, and was conducted by Father John S. Moran, O. P., National Director of the Perpetual Rosary and Chaplain of the Monastery. The "Holy Hour" took place on Sunday afternoon and was largely attended by people coming from Philadelphia, Camden, and the surrounding districts.

From March 28th to April 5th, a solemn public novena in honor of St. Vincent Ferrer, O. P., took place at the Monastery. The daily devotions consisted of the singing of Compline, Rosary, sermon on the life of the Saint, special novena prayers, and hymn to St. Vincent Ferrer, followed by Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament, after which the relic of the Saint was given to the faithful for veneration. The sermon each day was preached by the Rev. Fr. John S. Moran, O. P. Pious clients attribute many cures and favors to the intercession of St. Vincent.

On April 6th and May 4th, the regular monthly pilgrimages were made to the Shrine of Our Lady of the Rosary, which is situated on the front lawn of the monastery grounds. On both occasions a sermon was preached by Fr. Moran, after which Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament was given, in the chapel. When the weather permits, Benediction is given at the Shrine.

On April 16th, 17th, and 18th, the Solemn Office of Tenebrae was sung by the Sisters, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, and was well attended by a large number of the faithful.

**Mount St. Dominic Academy (Caldwell, N. J.)**

In preparation for the religious reception and profession on March 25th, a retreat of ten days was conducted by the Rev. Fr. F. H. Dugan, O. P. Seven postulants were clothed with the habit, and eleven novices made their simple vows.

On March 28th, the Rt. Rev. Monsignor Francis C. Kelley, D. D., LL. D., President of the Catholic Church Extension Society, addressed the students of Mount St. Dominic Academy.

A retreat was given by the Rev. Fr. Richard, C. P., from April 7th to 11th, to the pupils of St. Dominic's Academy, Jersey City.

From April 15th to 19th, the Rev. Fr. Hyacinth Sullivan, C. P., of Holy Cross College, Dunkirk, N. Y., conducted a retreat for the students of Mount St. Dominic.

The students of Lacordaire, Montclair, entertained in a very fine musical recital, on April 24th.

The usual May Play, given by the pupils of Mount St. Dominic Academy, took place on May 9th and 10th.

During the months of July and August, the regular Normal Courses will be carried on at Caldwell.
A new Academy, “Our Lady of the Elms,” has been opened in Akron, Ohio. Applications have been accepted for schools in Verona, Dover, and Newark, N. J.

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

The Very Rev. Fr. R. P. Cahill, O. P., P. G., of the southern missionary band, conducted the retreat of ten days for the novices and postulants previous to the reception and profession on the 7th of March, when eight postulants received the habit and eight novices were professed. Eight Sisters pronounced perpetual vows at the Motherhouse, and others made their vows for life in the various missions to which they are assigned. In the absence of the Rt. Rev. Bishop Floersh, the Very Rev. Fr. J. S. Wilburn, Prior of St. Rose, officiated.

The retreat for the students of the Academy was conducted by the Rev. Fr. J. R. Fannan, O. P., closing on the feast of St. Catherine of Sienna, Patroness of the institution.

Just after midnight of Easter Sunday, the soul of Sister Adelle Kirby, in the ninth year of her religious profession, went to God. She had been ill for several months, and death came as a blessed release. A week later, Sister Thomasina Gilmartin died ten minutes after having received Holy Communion. She had served the community faithfully for thirty-nine years.—R. I. P.

Sacred Heart College (Grand Rapids, Michigan)

On April 22nd, the Rt. Rev. Bishop E. D. Kelly officiated at a public reception and profession ceremony, at which thirteen postulants were clothed in the habit of St. Dominic, while five novices took first vows.

The Rev. Fr. James W. Donahue, C. S. C., and the Rev. Fr. George S. Sauvage, C. S. C., were recent visitors at the college. Another interesting visitor was the Provincial of the Spanish Dominicans, the Very Rev. Fr. Serapio Tamayo, O. P., who gave the Sisters a most interesting talk on the work now being done in the Spanish Province of Manila, P. I.

Summer School will open July 1st, and will be in session for the six succeeding weeks. A special lecture course will be given by the Rev. Fr. A. Volkert, D. D., whose subject this summer will be, “General Ethics.” Dramatic reviews will be given by Mr. Frederick Paulding. The Rev. Fr. Thomas a’Kempis Reilly, O. P., will present to the Sisters some very important subjects of an educational value with reference to their rich Dominican heritage.

A three weeks’ Progressive Series Normal Course in piano teaching will be given at Marywood, July 21st to August 9th, and open to all Progressive Series Teachers. This course will be conducted by Mr. Arthur W. Van Eltinge, Bachelor of Music and Normal Instructor for the Art Publication Society, assisted by two of the Sisters on the regular college faculty.

A simple but impressive tribute to Our Blessed Mother was the May procession of the Academy and College girls, terminating in Mary’s statue being crowned and her altar enmassed in flowers.
The graduation exercises at Sacred Heart Academy, Marywood, were held on the afternoon of June 15th.

**St. Joseph’s College and Academy (Adrian, Michigan)**

The students greatly appreciated a lecture by Dr. O’Hagan, recently, in which he recited many of his own poems.

Early in May, St. Joseph’s Conservatory presented Miss Kathryn Mainville and Miss Isabel Hoersch, in graduation recitals.

Mr. Kellerman, Director of the Detroit Light Opera Company, gave a delightful concert, on April 6th, singing in English, Spanish, French and Italian. Mr. Kellerman’s daughter is a student in St. Joseph’s Conservatory.

The student’s annual retreat was given during the first week of May, the exercises being conducted by the Rev. Fr. William Flanagan of Whiteford, Michigan.

On Low Sunday, the Rev. Fr. William Westhoven, C. P., paid a farewell visit to his two sisters in the Dominican Order, as he is soon to leave for his life work in the Chinese mission field. The young missionary preached a very touching sermon, and gave his blessing to each Sister of the community, individually, before his departure.

That the spirit of the saintly foundress of St. Joseph’s, the Rev. Mother Camilla, still vivifies the institution is evidenced by the large number of postulants that have entered since her death. Five of these young candidates for the habit of St. Dominic were members of the graduating class of 1924 of the Academic Department, and one from the first year of the Collegiate.

The community sustained a great loss in the death of Sister M. Ida, one of its oldest and best loved members, who went to her reward on the 27th of April. R. I. P.

**Convent of St. Catherine (Racine, Wisconsin)**

The Rt. Rev. Monsignor Lochems, Spiritual Director of the community for the past fourteen years, passed to his eternal reward on March 12th. R. I. P.

The Very Rev. Fr. Clement Thuente, O. P., gave a retreat of three days, from April 27th to 29th, to the pupils of the Academy.

The Most Rev. Sebastian G. Messmer, D. D., Archbishop of Milwaukee, blessed the new St. Catherine High School, on May 21st. The new school, which is modern in every respect, will be co-educational and will accommodate six hundred students.

The community mourns the loss of Sister M. Rosine Ries, who died on April 22nd, after an illness of several months.—R. I. P.

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

The Rev. Mother Mary Ellerker, O. S. D., Prioress of Corpus Christi, left Duluth in the latter part of March, on a visitation of the houses of the Chapter in Trinidad, B. W. I. She arrived home in the middle of May.
The return of spring took the Sisters away to their out of town work in the missions. One Sister spent a week on the Indian Reservation at Nett Lake, Minn., where there are seven hundred pagan Indians.

The Magdalen House, opened by the Sisters two years ago, is doing much commendable work.

**Immaculate Conception Convent (Great Bend, Kansas)**

Rt. Rev. A. J. Schwertner, Bishop of Wichita, presided at the reception to the habit and profession services, held in the convent chapel, on Thursday morning, March 6th.

Prior to this celebration, the Rev. Fr. J. Moriarity, C. SS. R., conducted a retreat of ten days for the candidates.

On this happy occasion, the Rt. Rev. Bishop preached a forceful sermon, in the course of which an inspiring tribute was given the religious life.

A banquet was served to the Bishop and the visiting clergy by the Sisters, as well as to the parents and close relatives of the candidates.

**Sacred Heart Convent (Galveston, Texas)**

The new mission school at Whittier, California, reports a prosperous and successful year. At Riverside, California, a new school is now being planned. In January, another teacher was sent there, and owing to the increased attendance, more teachers will be needed in September.

At Beaumont, Texas, work is about to begin on a new high school costing $200,000.

Preparations are now in progress to celebrate the Silver Jubilee of the pastor, the Rev. Fr. E. A. Kelly, in whom the children have always found a friend.

The Texas Chapter of the International Federation of Catholic Alumnae held its annual convention in Galveston, May 14th and 15th, under the auspices of the Dominican and Ursuline Chapters of the city.

St. Agnes Academy, Houston, was recently honored by a visit from the Very Rev. Fr. Raymond Meagher, O. P., Provincial, when he gave a pleasant instructive lecture on his trip to China.

Twenty-three young ladies were graduated this year. One of last year's graduates from St. Agnes', one from Sacred Heart, and one from Riverside, California, entered the Novitiate this year.

Following the annual retreat, which opened June 8th, many Sisters began summer work at the Normals, Universities, and Art Studios in various cities.

On August 15th, Sisters M. Anna and M. Columba will celebrate their Silver Jubilee.

**Marymount Boys' Military Academy (Tacoma, Washington)**

The occasion of the first anniversary of Marymount Military Academy, a big school for little boys, was celebrated by a field day, May 30th.
The Academy was dedicated by the Rt. Rev. Bishop O'Dea, D. D., in the presence of the Rt. Rev. Abbot Oswald of St. Martin's Abbey, forty-six priests, representatives of all the religious communities of the diocese, and over one hundred people.

To Marymount was also transferred the Novitiate and Motherhouse from the city of Tacoma, which is two miles distant from Marymount.

Four postulants have recently received the habit of St. Dominic, and one novice has pronounced her religious vows.

**Congregation of the Queen of the Holy Rosary (Mission San Jose, Calif.)**

On the feast of St. Catherine of Sienna, the ceremonies of profession and reception to the habit took place in the chapel of the Motherhouse. The Rev. Fr. Aquinas McDonnell, O. P., presided and delivered the sermon. Present within the sanctuary were: the Rev. Father Vincent Smith, O. P., Albert Muller, O. P., and William Martin, O. P.

From Sunday evening, June 22nd, to Thursday morning, June 26th, a Dominican Father will conduct a retreat for young ladies, at the Motherhouse.

On March 26th, the Rev. Mother M. Salesia, one of the three pioneer Sisters who came from the Motherhouse at Brooklyn, in 1876, departed this life after a short illness of only a few hours.—R. I. P.

**Sacred Heart Hospital (Hanford, California)**

National Hospital Day was observed, on May 12th, at Sacred Heart Hospital. There were many interesting and entertaining features on that day.

Sister M. Reginald recently returned to the Motherhouse, St. Catherine's, Kenosha, Wisconsin, for a short visit. She was accompanied by a postulant from Hanford, who will enter the Novitiate at Kenosha.

Sixty children of St. Rose's School, Hanford, made their First Holy Communion, at the 9 o'clock Mass at St. Brigid's Church, Sunday, April 27th. Following the celebration of Mass, the new communicants were served breakfast by the members of the Sodality of the Blessed Virgin, on the lawns.

The Sodality of the Blessed Virgin held a reception of new members, at St. Brigid's Church, on Sunday, May 4th, when twenty young ladies joined the organization. The annual May procession followed Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament.

On this occasion, the Rev. Fr. J. Galvin delivered an appropriate and impressive address.