

#### ST. JOSEPH'S PROVINCE

With this issue the work of editing DOMINICANA will be assumed by a new staff. For the past two years the work has been carried on by a zealous and capable organization composed of Bros. Martin Shea and Charles Gainor, Editors, Bro. Leonard Callahan, Literary Editor, Bros. Theodore English and Robert Lindsay, departmental writers, and Bro. Christopher Perrotta and Alphonsus Fincel, business managers. Their work was marked by an earnest devotion to duty which will serve as a guidon for their successors. The success which DOMINICANA attained under their administration attests their competence, and on behalf of the Novices and our readers we extend to them our sincere thanks and appreciation for their excellent service.

The present staff of DOMINICANA is as follows: Rev. Father A. B. Cote, O. P., Editor; Bro. Bernardine McCarthy, Assistant Editor; Bro. Augustine Skehan, Literary Editor; Bro. Jerome Dewdney, Cloister Chronicle for St. Joseph's and Foreign Provinces; Bro. Gerard Martin, Chronicler for the Holy Name Province and Dominican Sisterhoods, and Bros. Cyril Dore and Celestine Rooney, business managers.

The Novices wish to extend their heartfelt sympathy to Rev. D. M. Galliher, O. P., on the death of his father, to Rev. J. W. Owens, O. P., on the death of his mother, to Rev. Matthew O'Connor, O. P., on the death of his sister, and to Bro. Stanislaus Kennedy, O. P., on the death of his mother.

On December 8th, Bro. Antonius M. Brady made his solemn profession into the hands of the Very Reverend Prior, Ignatius Smith, O. P., in the chapel of the House of Studies at Washington, D. C. Fr. Smith also received the solemn profession of Bro. Paul Spalding on February 4th.

Two young men, John Vincent Lonergan and Dennis Burke, were recenlty vested with the lay brothers' habit by the Very Reverend Prior at the House of Studies. The reception of the former took place on January 18th, and that of the latter on February 15th. Their names in religion are Bro. James and Bro. Matthew, respectively.

Very Rev. L. P. Johannsen, O. P., was appointed to the post of Novice Master at St. Joseph's Priory, Somerset, Ohio, on November 16th, succeeding Rev. W. D. Sullivan, O. P., who has been assigned to St. Dominic's Church, Youngstown, Ohio. Fr. Johannsen was also made Sub-Prior of the same convent on January 3rd. Before his appointment to St. Joseph's Priory, Fr. Johannsen was a member of the faculty of Aquinas College, Columbus, Ohio.

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Rev. Thomas Joseph McMahon received the habit of our Order at St. Joseph's Priory on February 6th. Fr. McMahon was ordained May 31, 1924, at Davenport, Iowa, for the diocese of Omaha.

A gymnasium and thirteen new classrooms will soon be at the disposal of the faculty of Aquinas College as a new building which will provide those facilities is in course of construction.

The Rev. John A. Jordan, O. P., professor of Greek at Providence College, has succeeded Rev. Gaston Levell, O. P., as President of Aquinas College. Fr. Levell has resigned on account of ill health, and has returned to Providence College where he formerly taught French and Spanish. Rev. P. P. Heasley, O. P., has become professor of Greek at Providence College.

On the retirement of the Rev. Jordan Donovan, O. P., as Prefect of Discipline at Aquinas College, the Rev. Laurence Vanderheyden, O. P., has taken that position.

The annual public exercises in honor of St. Thomas Aquinas, the Angelic Doctor and Patron of Catholic Schools, were held in the House of Studies on the evening of March 7th, the feast of the Saint. The special feature of a very interesting programme was a formal discussion in which Bro. Gregory Herold defended, and Bro. Justin Kennedy opposed the thesis : "Tota quantitas dimensiva Corporis Christi est in Eucharistia." Bro. Leonard Callahan read a paper entitled "The Obligation of the Twentyfour Thomastic Theses," and Bro. Damian Goggins dwelt on "The Results of the Centenary in Honor of St. Thomas Aquinas." Both papers were well-ordered and instructive. Musical numbers, four selections by the Novitiate orchestra, and three vocal numbers by the Novitiate Octette, added to the enjoyment of a delightful evening.

The annual visitation of the Provincial of St. Joseph's Province, Very Rev. Raymond Meagher, O. P., S. T. Lr., to the House of Studies was made on February 16th and 17th.

Rev. Fathers J. B. Logan, O. P., J. C. Timony, O. P., and J. R. Dooley, O. P., of the Western Mission band, have been doing mission work in the Oklahoma diocese during the past six weeks.

Since Christmas, Rev. Q. F. Beckley, O. P., has been ill at St. Mary's Hospital at Rochester, Minn.

A retreat for the Sisters of the Holy Cross was conducted by the Rev. D. A. Wynn, O. P., of the Western Mission band, at Salt Lake City, Utah, about the beginning of the year.

During the months of January and February, Rev. W. R. Lawlor, O. P., carried on mission work in New York City and at Newark, N. J.

Bro. Dominic Keane made his simple profession to his Prior, Very Rev. J. S. Wilburn, O. P., at St. Rose Priory near Springfield, Ky., on January 16.

Rev. T. M. Schwertner, O. P., S. T. Lr., conducted the annual retreat at St. Rose Priory near Springfield, Ky. The retreat began on December 11th and closed on the 19th.

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Lenten courses of sermons are being given by the following Fathers of the House of Studies: Very Rev. Gregory Fitzgerald, O. P., S. T. M., at St. Patrick's Church, Washington, D. C.; Very Rev. Ignatius Smith, O. P., S. T. Lr., Sacred Heart Church, Jersey City, N. J., and at the Soldiers' Home, Washington, D. C.; Rev. Basil Saylor, O. P., S. T. Lr., at St. Peter's Church, Baltimore, Md.; Rev. Boniface Stratemier, O. P., S. T. Lr., at St. Francis de Sales Church, Mt. Ranier, Md.; Rev. Dominic McShane, O. P., S. T. Lr., at the Sacred Heart Church, Jersey City and the three hours' service at St. Vincent Ferrer's Church, N. Y. C.

The Very Rev. Fr. Provincial has appointed Rev. Robert L. Rumaggi, O. P., of St. Mary's Church, New Haven, Conn., to take charge of the Poor Boys' Fund, an institution established by the Very Rev. Provincial for the maintenance of young men studying for the priesthood.

Very Rev. M. J. Ripple, O. P., P. G., has been recuperating in Florida, from illness resulting from the strain of the Holy Name Convention last fall.

At St. Antoninus' Church in Newark, N. J., a drive for funds will soon be under way for the erection of a new school. Plans are also being arranged for a fitting commemoration of the 50th anniversary of the Church to be held during the month of May.

Rev. M. T. McNicholas, O. P., pastor of the Sacred Heart Church, Jersey City, N. J., has been in Rome during the past several weeks attending the celebration of the Holy Year.

The new Dominican House of Philosophy being erected at River Forest, near Chicago, Ill., has been put under roof. Progress toward its completion has been going on steadily, so that there is every reason to expect that it will be ready for occupancy in September.

In connection with St. Pius' parish in Providence, R. I., a new school has been under construction. It will soon be ready to take care of the growing needs of that parish.

St. Peter's Church at Memphis, Tenn., is now undergoing interior repairs and plans are made for its redecoration.

The exterior structure of the new Dominican Church in Kansas City will soon be completed.

Rev. Francis McCadden, O. P., who was a member of the last contingent sent to the Chinese Mission Fields, has returned to this country because of poor health. He is at present at St. Francis' Hospital, San Francisco.

Rev. Paul Roach, O. P., has succeeded the late Very Rev. Francis Kearney, O. P., S. T. M., as pastor of St. Thomas Church, Zanesville, Ohio.

After twelve weeks of absence due to poor health, Rev. William Owens, O. P. S. T. Lr., has returned to the faculty of the House of Studies, Washington, D. C.

#### Dominicana

With the New Year an intensive campaign was begun to finish the work of providing new windows for St. Rose Church, Springfield, Ky. The work of restoring old St. Rose Church has been in progress for the past three years and is rapidly nearing completion. When the new windows are in place the last large item in the work of renovation will have been finished.

# PROVINCE OF THE MOST HOLY NAME OF JESUS

Owing to the serious illness of his mother, Bro. Leo Lewis, O. P., left the House of Studies early in December for San Francisco. On December 21st, the dignity of the Holy Priesthood was conferred on him privately by the Most Reverend Edward J. Hanna, D. D., Archbishop of San Francisco, at Menlo Park Seminary in the presence of the seminarians and a few relatives. Father Lewis celebrated his first solemn Mass at midnight, Christmas, at St. Dominic's, San Francisco. To the newly ordained, the Novices of the House of Studies wish to extend their hearty congratulations!

Very Rev. A. L. McMahon, O. P., S. T. M., Provincial, and Rev. Alphonsus Riley, O. P., his socius, returned to San Francisco early in January from the General Chapter in Rome.

On Feb. 10th, Bro. Thomas Halloran, O. P., left the House of Studies for St. Dominic's Priory, San Francisco. It is hoped that a change in climate will be conductive to restoring Bro. Thomas to his original state of health. The Novices assure their former companion in the novitiate of their prayers and best wishes.

## FOREIGN PROVINCES

The Rev. Joachim J. Berthier, O. P., one of the founders of Fribourg University, died at that institution on December 21st, after a short illness. Fr. Berthier had been Professor of Theology at Fribourg, Consultor of the Congregation of Studies at Rome, and was more recently engaged in reediting his work on the Divine Comedy. R. I. P.

In the consistory held December 18th, at Rome, the Holy Father appointed two new Dominican bishops. The Very Rev. Constant Lagae, O. P., was named Titular Bishop of Tricala and Vicar Apostolic of the Belgian Congo, while the Very Rev. Sebastian Thomas, O. P., of the Province of Toulouse was made Ordinary Prelate of Conceicao, Brazil, with the title of Titular Bishop of Platee.

His Eminence, Andrew Cardinal Fruhwirth, former Master General of the Order of Preachers, has succeeded the late Cardinal Giorgii as Grand Penitentiary. Cardinal Fruhwirth celebrated the sixtieth anniversary of his religious profession on September 4th.

On the 8th of December the Holy Father received in audience the Prior Provincials of the Order of Preachers and their socii who were assembled in Rome for the general chapter of the Order. The Very Rev. Master General, Lewis Theissling, addressed the Sovereign Pontiff briefly, assuring him of the continued devotion and loyalty of the Order to the Holy See, and asking his blessing upon the Order. The Pope responded to the Master General's remarks, thanked him for his expression of goodwill, and imparted his blessing upon the Asters. Five chapters, in as many provinces, were held abroad recently for the election of Provincials. They resulted in the following selections: Very Rev. Bede Jarrett, re-elected in the English Province; Very Rev. Peter Louven, elected in the German Province; Very Rev. Louis Fanfani, elected in the Roman Province; Very Rev. Hilary Tapie, elected in the Toulouse Province, and Very Rev. Salvator de Francesco for Triniacria in Sicily.

At a solemn assembly held in Toulouse, at which the Archbishop of that city was present, Bishop Giray of Cahors pronounced a vibrant and eloquent discourse on "The Apostolate of Pere Lacordaire to Youths." Bishop Giray pointed out that, besides the work of rebuilding the French Province of the Order of Preachers, Pere Lacordaire exercised a special providence over the young men and women of France.

Permission to celebrate the feast of Blessed James Greisinger, a Dominican lay-brother of Ulm, Germany, has recently been granted to the Diocese of Rotterburg, within whose limits lies the native town of the beatified friar.

The Very Rev. Laurence Shapcote of the English Province, preached a series of five sermons to the missionaries of Kenya and Uganda Colonies, East Africa, from the 10th to the 29th of June.

It has been announced that Father King, O. P., of New Castle-on-the-Tyne in the English Province, will preach the Lenten sermons at Lourdes Church, New York City.

Her Majesty, Queen Wilhelmina of the Netherlands, recently conferred upon the Master General of the Order, the title of Knight of the Order of Neerlandsche Leeuw.

Rev. Vincent Laporte, O. P., of the Province of Toulouse, expired on December 19th. Fr. Laporte was known as a lover of the sacred liturgy and was instrumental in producing many liturgical books for use in the Order, such as the Vesperale, Libellum Completorii, and the latest Breviary. His death occurred in his eightieth year, the 58th year of his religious profession. R. I. P.

# DOMINICAN SISTERS

#### Convent of the Queen of the Rosary (Amityville, New York)

In accordance with the Holy Father's Encyclical on St. Thomas, the Rev. C. M. Thuente, O. P., preached a Solemn Triduum in honor of the Angelical on Dec. 29, 30 and 31st, at the Queen of the Rosary Novitiate.

On Feb. 12th, in the Church of the Most Holy Trinity, six Sisters of this Congregation celebrated the 50th anniversary of their profession. The preacher on this occasion was the Rev. T. M. Schwertner, O. P., Editor of The Rosary Magazine. The Venerable Jubilarians are Mother M. Perpetua, O. S. D., and Sisters M. Pancratia, M. Casimir, M. Baptist, M. Sybillina, M. Magdalen, O. S. D.

St. Catherine's Hospital sustained a severe loss November 25th in the death of its Superior, Mother M. Cornelia Lang, O. S. D. Sister M. Imelda Rittman, O. S. D., assistant to the deceased was placed in charge.

The Million Dollar Drive for the new Mary Immaculate Hospital, Jamaica, was a great success, and excavation work is already under way.

## Dominican Sisters' Mother House (Albany, New York)

At the close of the annual Retreat given by Rev. E. A. Baxter, O. P., at the Mother House, the Feast of St. Catherine de Ricci was marked with the Profession of Gertrude Houghton of Philadelphia, known in religion as Sister Mary of the Holy Name, and the reception of Margaret Mahoney of New York, known in religion as Sister Mary, Help of Christians.

Within the course of a year, there have been conducted, at the Mother House, a number of well-attended Retreats.

The Sisters have opened another house in West Philadelphia, known as the St. Catherine de Ricci Branch of the Dominican Guild, offering a hospice for ladies and business women.

The Sisters in Cuba have purchased from the Delegate and improved a famous house in El Vedado, a suburb of Havana. This residence, in which they have been conducting a boarding school for the past twentyfive years, served as the home of General Gomez during the Spanish-American War.

On the southern coast of the Island, in Cienfuegos, they have acquired property, once the site of the Spanish Colonial Hospital, on which they have begun to erect a well-equipped, up-to-date boarding school.

Their Constitutions have been revised during the past year and placed before the Sacred Congregation by the Right Rev. Thomas Esser, O. P.

## Congregation of St. Rose of Lima (Hawthorne, New York)

The ten days' retreat was preached by the Rev. C. M. Thuente, O. P., who also officiated at the profession of three novices.

On the Feast of the Exaltation of the Cross, a Silver Jubilee was observed for the two foundresses of the religious work for cancerous poor, Mother M. Alphonsa Lathrop, O. S. D., and Mother Rose Huber, O. S. D. A banquet was served under tents in the garden of Rosary Hill Home to 175 friends and relatives of the Sisters. The announcement was then made that a gift of \$50,000 had just been received from a wealthy friend of the community.

The large fireproof Rosary Hill Home will be begun and finished in 1925, even if a mortgage is necessitated. A fireproof annex was completed six months ago and shelters the feeblest patients.

# Dominican Sisters of St. Catherine's Convent (Fall River, Mass.)

On January 17th, the Sisters celebrated the Golden Jubilee of Reverend Mother Gertrude, O. S. D., Vicaress General of the Congregation. Mother Gertrude is one of the two surviving foundresses of the Dominicans in Fall River.

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

The Midnight Mass of Christmas was sung by the Rev. Father Feely, O. P., who also said two low Masses immediately afterwards. The Chapel was filled to its capacity with relatives of the Sisters and friends and benefactors of the Community.

On the third Sunday of January, ten men and nine women were received into the Third Order by Rev. Father Spence, O. P., Spiritual Director of the Tertiaries. The Third Order is progressing, and from now on, separate meetings will be held on the third Sunday for the women, and the fourth Sunday for the men, in the basement Chapel, which is now called Tertiaries Hall.

A solemn Novena preparatory to the Feast of the Annunciation will begin on March 16th and end on the Vigil of the Feast.

#### Dominican Sisters of the Perpetual Rosary (Camden, New Jersey)

The Rev. Brendan C. Shea, Pastor of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church, Camden, and formerly Chaplain of the Monastery, has been received into the Third Order of St. Dominic by Father Moran, O. P. After the ceremony, Father Shea sang High Mass in the Dominican Rite.

From Dec. 16th to Christmas, the annual solemn Novena, in honor of the Birth of Our Lord, took place. Each day, public devotions were conducated by Rev. John S. Moran, O. P., National Director of the Perpetual Rosary and Chaplain of the Monastery.

On Christmas Eve, the Sisters sang the Divine Office at 11 p. m. The Genealogy was solemnly sung after Matins, and was followed by High Mass at midnight, then Lauds were sung.

On December 27th, Miss Sarah Glenn of Philadelphia, received the Habit of an Extern Sister from Father Moran, O. P., and was given the name of Sister Mary Margaret of Hungary.

From January 12th to the 21st, Father C. F. Christmas, O. P., conducted the annual retreat.

## Dominican Sisters of Perpetual Adoration (Cincinnati, Ohio)

On December 11th, Sister Mary of Jesus, O. S. D., passed to her eternal reward. She had been a nun for 36 years and was one of the ten Dominican Sisters of Perpetual Adoration who came to Cincinnati ten years ago from Newark, N. J., to establish the Holy Name Monastery. Sister Mary was the first of this band to die. R. I. P.

Owing to difficult conditions, it has been decided to postpone building operations for the new Chapel until 1926.

## St. Catharine Academy (Springfield, Ky.)

Miss Reta Present, Pianist, gave a most pleasing concert to the student body and the faculty on November 19th.

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A "welcome home" was tendered Mother Bernadette, O. S. D., on November 20th. An operetta, "The Feast of the Little Lanterns," was wellrendered by the music class.

"The Gifts We Bring," a Christmas Play, was given a few days before holidays.

On February 2nd, Sister Magdalen Norton, O. S. D., and Sister Francis O'Mahoney, O. S. D., celebrated the Golden Anniversary of their Profession. Both Sisters are still doing active work in two of the largest schools in Chicago.

# Sacred Heart Academy (Springfield, Illinois)

A recital illustrating characters from Dickens was presented by Reverend Dawson Byrne this winter at the Sacred Heart Academy.

The DeMarco Harp Ensemble gave a musical program as the concert number in the series of recitals given every year in the auditorium. The recital was open to all music lovers of Springfield, as well as to the pupils of the Academy.

Miss Carol Robinson, an eminent pianist enjoying international repute, gave a brilliant recital at the Academy the 20th of January.

The annual retreat held for the pupils of the Academy was conducted by the Rev. J. R. Dooley, O. P.

The Reverend William T. Sloan, who has been recently appointed in charge of the "Society of the Propagation of the Faith" in the Springfield Diocese by the Right Reverend James A. Griffin, D. D., has his office located in the chaplain's residence at the Sacred Heart Academy.

The midnight Mass and usual Christmas services at the convent this year were conducted by the Reverend Michael Griffin of the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception.

During the holiday season, Sister Alexia, O. S. D., Sister M. Sienna, O. S. D., and Sister Bernardo, O. S. D., of St. Catharine's Convent, Kentucky, were guests of the Sisters.

Sister M. Raymunda, O. S. D., and Sister M. Joselita, O. S. D., of St. James Parochial School, St. Louis, Mo., attended the ceremony of vesture at the convent on January third.

Rev. J. C. Gilroy, O. P., preached the retreat held prior to the ceremonies of vesture and profession at the convent in January.

On Saturday, January 3rd, five young ladies received the habit from the hands of the Right Rev. James A. Griffin, D. D. After this ceremony, nine novices pronounced their vows to Rev. Mother M. Vincent, O. S. D.

Recently, Sister Mary Josephine Meagher, O. S. D., one of the six founders of the Congregation of Our Lady of the Sacred Heart, died of influenza. The deceased was a relative of Rev. Mother M. Vincent, O. S. D., Mother General of the Congregation, and of the Very Rev. Raymond Meagher, O. P., S. T. Lr., Provincial of St. Joseph's Province. The Rt. Rev. James A. Griffin, D. D., bishop of the diocese, celebrated the requiem Mass, assisted by Very Rev. Father Meagher, O. P., and prominent priests of the diocese. R. I. P.

#### St. Joseph's College and Academy (Adrian, Michigan)

St. Joseph's College and Academy is constructing a spacious auditorium, the basement of which will contain a well-equipped gymnasium.

Twenty-four young ladies were received into the Order at the semiannual reception held on Dec. 30th, with Bishop Plagens officiating. Since that date, three members of last year's graduating class and seven of the students, who have been in attendance during the present year, have joined the community.

On Feb. 2nd, Dr. Frederick Kinsman, the noted convert scholar and lecturer, was a guest at St. Joseph's and delighted the faculty and students with his lecture on the early Christian martyrs. Seumas McManus, the well-known writer and lecturer, will appear at the College in the near future.

Students of the Academy figured prominently in the Lighting Contest conducted by the International Lighting Committee. Misses Lillian Luma, Marian Pecor and Margaret Elum received the first, third and fourth prizes, respectively, for the city of Adrian.

### Sacred Heart College (Grand Rapids, Michigan)

New Year's Day was one of special rejoicing for two of the members, Sister Mary Amanda and Mary Rose, who celebrated their Silver Jubilee.

The privilege of granting State Normal certificates to students completing the prescribed courses has been granted by the State to Marywood, and plans for the opening of a Normal School are well under way. Up to the present time, only Junior College courses have been offered.

Marywood is rejoicing in the acquisition of a beautiful collection of paintings imported from Rome.

The Rev. L. J. Finnerty, O. P., visited Marywood recently and addressed the Sisters and students.

The Semester Examinations were followed by the annual Students' Retreat, conducted by the Rev. D. Wetta, C. SS. R.

## Convent of St. Dominic (Blauvelt, New York)

On January 6th, an impressive ceremony took place in the Chapel of St. Dominic's Convent when four novices pronounced their vows of religion in the Sisterhood, and seven postulants were clothed with the white habit. The Rt. Rev. Msgr. Chidwick preached the sermon on this occasion. The reception and profession were preceded by a retreat conducted by the Rev. James A. Mackin, O. P.

# St. Catharine's Hospital (Kenosha, Wisconsin)

At the close of the annual retreat conducted by Father Logan, O. P., four Sisters pronounced their first vows, one Sister made perpetual vows, and one postulant received the habit.

At the close of a ten days' retreat conducted by Rev. C. M. Thuente, O. P., three Sisters pronounced their final vows, and another Sister made her first profession.

Sisters Mary Agnes, O. S. D., and M. De Ricci, O. S. D., who went to Ireland in search of postulants, returned recently with applications from twenty new aspirants. The rigid immigration laws prevent the admission of these young women at once, but seven set sail for this country the first week in February.

## Congregation of the Eucharistic Heart (Great Falls, Montana)

In January, Sister Mary Joseph, O. S. D., died after a brief but helpful career with the community. Sister Mary Joseph, who was a very talented, industrious, self-sacrificing religious, came from Germany with Reverend Mother M. Teresa, O. S. D. She made her first vows July 22nd, 1924, and was the first postulant in the little Community still in its infancy, founded only in October, 1922. R. I. P.

# Sacred Heart Hospital (Hanford, California)

Rt. Rev. Bishop McGinley of Monterey and Fresno presided at the renewal of temporal vows of five Sisters. His Lordship afterwards greeted the Sisters in their Community room, and also visited the patients in the Hospital. He was assisted at the ceremony by Father Crowley, Chancellor of the diocese, and by Fathers John Galvin and W. McLaughlin.

One of the most important changes in the Hospital Staff has been the addition of Sister M. de Ricci, O. S. D., as surgical nurse in place of a secular nurse.

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

The Fiftieth Anniversary of the profession of the Venerable Mothers Seraphina, Amanda, and Felicitas was celebrated on the feast of the Purification. They are the pioneers of the Congregation who were sent with the present Reverend Mother from the Motherhouse, Holy Cross Convent, Brooklyn, N. Y., to build up a new Congregation on the Pacific shores.

The feast was celebrated by a Missa Cantata, the Reverend Aquinas McDonnell, O. P., being the celebrant. Father McDonnell also delivered the sermon in which he very apty summarized the history of the Congregation and alluded to the active part taken by the jubilarians in its development.

Present in the sanctuary were the Rev. Chaplain, Pastors of the neighboring parishes, Rev. Father Jepson, S. S., President of the new St. Joseph's Diocesan College, and the Rev. Father Kunkel, S. S. The most noteworthy gift was the Papal Benediction and the Blessing of the Most Rev. Master General to each one of the Venerable Mothers.

### Congregation of the Most Holy Name of Jesus (San Rafael, Calif.)

During December, 1925, the Dominican Sisters of the Congregation of the Most Holy Name of Jesus will celebrate their Diamond Jubilee at San Rafael, California.

During the past year, the Community has suffered the loss of four of its most beloved members, Sister M. Irene Lord, late librarian at San Rafael, Sister M. Gregory Davis, superintendent of the X-ray office of the Dominican Hospital in Stockton, Sister M. Benedict Hall, and Sister M. Paul Ward, the last two being religious in the Order for more than fifty years.

The Dominican College of San Rafael now registers one hundred and fifty students. A new dormitory, an assembly hall, and a physics building fitted with all the equipment essential for laboratory and lecture courses have been recently added to the College campus.

At a May fete, 1924, the pupils of the grade and preparatory schools took part with the students of the College in the revival of a mediaeval miracle play. The principal representations in the pageant were that of Adam and Eve in the Garden of Eden, Noah and the Ark, and Abraham's Sacrifice of Isaac.

In August, 1924, the Dominican College of San Rafael, already accredited by the University of California, won a new accreditation from the State Board of Education at Sacramento. Under the supervision of the department of education, the students are now trained in practice teaching, and the College is empowered to grant state certificates to teach in the elementary and secondary schools of California.

On January 6th, the Silver Jubilee of Sisters M. Patricia Mahoney, M. de Chantal Enright, M. Carmelita Sturla, and Sister M. Francesca Harkins. was celebrated at the Mother House at San Rafael.

In August, 1925, the Sisters will undertake the care of a new parochial school to be opened by the Dominican Fathers at Eagle Rock, Los Angeles.