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**Weekly Church Calendar**  
SUN. Oct. 15.—Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost. Gospel, St. Matt. xvii, 23-35. The King's Account. Feast of Maternity of B. V. M.  
MON. 16.—Blessed Victor, Pope and Conf. 17.—St. Margaret Mary Alacoque.  
TUES. 17.—St. Luke, Evangelist.  
WED. 18.—St. Peter of Alcantara, Conf. Fri. 20.—St. John Cantius, Priest and Conf. SAT. 21.—St. Ursula & Comp., VV. & MM.

### THE ROSARY.

We call the attention of our readers to the Encyclical of our Holy Father on the rosary, part of which we give in this issue. Like all the messages of Pope Leo XIII it is admirable, both in style and sentiment.

The holy joy which we experienced at the opening of the fiftieth anniversary of our episcopal consecration was still more agreeable increased when we saw the Catholics of the whole world unite with us, like children with their father, in a common and striking manifestation of faith and love. Penetrated with gratitude we discover and note in this fact a special design on the part of Divine Providence at once of supreme favour to us and of great blessing to the Church. For this benefit we also feel a desire not less intense of thanking and extolling the august Mother of the Saviour, Our good and powerful mediatrix with God.

Always and in every way during the long years and events of Our life we have experienced the protection of her maternal and exquisite charity which continues to manifest itself to us in a manner more and more luminously striking. She pours into our soul a heavenly sweetness and fills it with a confidence quite supernatural. We seem to hear the very voice of the Queen of Heaven encouraging us in the midst of our crosses, helping us with her counsels in the steps to be taken for the common good of the faithful, urging us to move the Christian people to piety and the practice of all the virtues. Several times in the past it has been a pleasure and a duty to us to respond by our sons to those desires of Mary.

Among the happy fruits which, under her auspices, our exhortations have produced it is fitting to point out the Great Development of the devotion of the Holy Rosary, the new confraternities erected under that name, and their constitution of old ones, the learned writings published with that object to the great profit of the faithful and even certain works of art of remarkable merit and richness inspired by that very thought.

Today urged by the voice of the Blessed Virgin Mother repeating to us "Gloria ne cesses"—"Cry out and cease not to cry out." We are happy, venerable brethren, to confer with you anew on the Holy Rosary of Mary at the approach of that month of October which we have consecrated to this touching devotion enriching it with numerous indulgences and graces. Still, the immediate object of Our words at present is not to bestow new praises on that excellent form of prayer, but chiefly to move the faithful to have recourse to it with piety; We wish rather to remind them of certain very valuable advantages flowing from the Devotion, and wonderfully appropriate to the present condition of men and things, for we are thoroughly persuaded that from the recitation of the Holy Rosary, practised in a way to produce its full effects, will follow not only for individuals in particular, but for the whole Christian Republic the most valuable advantages.

There is none who does not know that it is a fulfillment of the duty of our

Supreme Apostolate. We have striven, as we are ready to do again with the help of God, to labour for the happiness and prosperity of society. Often we have warned those who have the power not to make laws or apply them except in the spirit of the Divine thought. We have exhorted those whose genius, merit, nobility of blood or fortune has raised them above their fellow-citizens to bring their united intelligence and power to bear in labouring more efficaciously to strengthen and defend the common interests; but in civil society, such as we see it constituted to-day, there are numerous and multiplied causes which weaken the bonds of public order and turn people aside from the way of honesty and good morals.

These causes seem to us to be chiefly the three following: namely, aversion to a humble and laborious life, horror of all that causes suffering, and forgetfulness of future happiness, the object of our hope.

We see with sorrow—and even those who only judge everything by the light of human reason and according to utilitarian principles recognize and deplore it along with us—that a deep wound has stricken the Social Body, since we see neglected, and as it were disdained, the duties and virtues which adorn the simple, common life. Hence, in effect, at the domestic hearth, that obstinate resistance of children to the obedience which nature itself imposes on them, and that impatience in bearing every yoke other than softness and voluptuousness.

Hence in man, condemned to toil, that seeking to withdraw and fly from all painful labor, that profound discontentedness with his lot, that aiming at a higher rank, those thoughtless aspirations after an equal partition in property, and other ambitions of the same kind, which cause people to desert the country to plunge into the tumult and pleasures of large cities. Hence that disturbance of the equilibrium between different classes of society, that universal inquietude, those hatreds and poignant jealousies, those flagrant violations of right—in fine, those unceasing efforts of all the deluded to disturb the public peace by seditions and uprisings, and attack those very people whose mission it is to protect them.

### AN IMPORTANT DECISION

The following interesting decision has recently been handed down at Rome, says the Roman correspondent of the News: The Vicar-General of the diocese of Cahors, France, has submitted to the S. Congregation of Rites the following dubium, praying for a speedy solution thereof: "Because of the perversity of the times, it frequently occurs that, having no one to serve Mass, the priest is compelled to abstain from offering the Holy Sacrifice, unless he avails himself of the ministrations of a woman. But as the doubt prevails if there exist in such case the real necessity whereof there be question in the decree of the S. Congregation of Rites, bearing date August 27, 1836, the petitioner asks:

"If the case can be considered of pressing necessity when the priest cannot celebrate Holy Mass and when that celebration be requisite neither to the fulfillment of the precept nor to the administration of the Sacraments to the sick? The S. Congregation, sharing the opinion of the Pro-Perfector of Pontifical Ceremonies, returned answer to the negative.

"And to the dubium:—If the Priest, after arranging carefully within his reach everything necessary to the celebration of the Holy Sacrifice, in order that women shall not serve at the Altar, may have recourse to the services of a woman merely for the responses? The S. Congregation of Rites answered, affirmatively, 'in case of pressing necessity,' referring the petitioner to the afore-mentioned decree of August 27, 1836:

Anarchists are the only logical infidels. If there is no God, there is no use for law or order. Confusion and license are as sensible and as praiseworthy if God be eliminated from our calculation.

Ask yourself: Have I paid my year's subscription to the CATHOLIC JOURNAL.

### ELOQUENT AND TRUTHFUL

How deep an insight into the human heart must the late Cardinal Manning have had! The quotation given below is from the great English churchman:

Remember that no penitent soul can perish. And no soul that loves God can be lost. Let us read the traces of God's loving hand in all our ways—in all the events, the changes, the chances of this troubled state. It is God that dispenses all. Any suffering in this world rather than to perish in the world to come. Any shame now rather than shame before Christ at his coming with the holy angels. To doubt of God's love brings winter into the soul; to feel it feebly and faintly is, as the cloudy and churchy sky, which hinders the ripening influence of the light. Remember that falls are not always by the grosser sins which the world takes count of; but by spiritual sins, subtle and secret, which leave no stain upon the outward life. We are sent into this world that by our own will and choice we should determine our eternal portion. Our eternal state will be no more than the carrying out of what we are now. Many of the saints, like St. Charles Borromeo, confessed every day. We wonder what they could find to accuse themselves of. It was because they were saints that they saw so much where we see so little. The will fell by the unbelief of Eve, the first virgin; and was restored through the faith of Mary, the second virgin. The first Eve listened to the tempter, and fell; the second Eve listened to the angel, and believed.

### PUNISHMENT—NOT BRUTALITY

Enough has been learned of the methods of Supt. Brockway to prove that he is an unfit man to place in charge of a body of prisoners. Some men, when dealing with criminals, seem to imagine that the state will sanction any abuse which they feel disposed to heap upon the unfortunate men in their care. This erroneous view springs from the equally fallacious idea that the object of punishment is to obtain revenge upon the criminal. Society punishes the criminal with no such intent. It is to reform him and to deter others from following in his footsteps that the criminal is deprived of his liberty. Neither of these objects can be attained by brutal methods of punishment. Missionaries do not torture pagans while trying to convert them. The criminal should be punished, enlightened, reformed if possible, but he should not be made a subject for brutal keepers to vent their bad tempers upon.

Some unworthy person has deceived the esteemed *Catholic Sentinel*, of Portland, Oregon. It recently published, as a contribution by a writer signing himself I. R. L., an excellent article telling how the Sacrifice of the Mass is celebrated every hour of the day—the difference in time allowing this to be done. The same article was written by the lamented John Gilmary Shea for the *Catholic News* about three years ago.

"The CATHOLIC JOURNAL says that a branch of the A. P. A. has been established in Rochester. No one doubts that there are impurities in the food, but the appearance of tolls is news."—*Catholic Citizen*.

The comparison made by our contemporary is an apt one. The A. P. A. is a gathering of all the venom in the national body. Like the nauseating exorcism mentioned by the Citizen, the A. P. A. is only a temporary evil. It will vanish in a short time and leave only a scar to tell that it has existed.

Previous to the recent meeting of Catholic editors at Chicago it was said that such a meeting would bring about better feeling among the brethren. Judging from a perusal of the papers whose editors attended the convention has indeed caused better feelings to exist.

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### Catholic Societies.

*Official Organ C. M. B. A.*  
All communications to this department should be addressed to Bro. T. H. Donovan.

Central Council held a regular meeting last Thursday evening. It was resolved to make an earnest effort to increase the membership of the association in this city.

To this end three members were added to the organization committee, and that committee was instructed to get down to work as rapidly as possible.

A very able report was handed in by the committee having the July reunion in charge, showing that the net profits amount to over \$300, and if all the money due for tickets is paid, the amount will be nearly \$400.

Germania Hall was beautifully decorated with flags, bunting, and evergreens Monday evening, the occasion being the twentieth anniversary of the Knights of St. George. Palms and potted plants gave the stage almost a tropical appearance. On all sides were suspended the national colors, while at the left of the stage was a beautiful society emblem.

The evening's entertainment opened with an overture by the 54th Regiment Band. Vocal selections, solos, duets and trios were well rendered by Miss C. Bella Pulver and Philip Fried and W. F. Brace. Each number was encored. At least 1,000 persons were in attendance. At the conclusion of the musical programme dancing was in order until a late hour. The Committee of Arrangements consisted of Valentine Lochner, Joseph Meist, Anton Karp, Joseph May and Jacob Kleb.

The idea of founding the society originated with a number of young men of St. Michael's congregation, whose object was to aid needy widows and orphans. The requirements for membership were that a candidate should be a practical Catholic, able to speak the German language and of sound mind and body. The society has never been hampered in its healthy growth and financial good standing by sickness and death. The membership of the society is now 100. The treasury contains \$8,700 and 1,500 has been paid out to widows and orphans of deceased brethren.

The religious part of the celebration of the twentieth anniversary of the Knights of St. George took place Sunday morning at 10 o'clock at St. Michael's Church. The Society, commanded by Captain H. F. Wegman, marched from Central Hall through North Clinton to the church, headed by the 54th Regiment Band, and escorted by the staff of the Roman Catholic Uniformed Union to the church where solemn high Mass was celebrated by Rev. F. Pascalar, assisted by Rev. P. Hartman, S. J., and Rev. H. Regenbogen.

The sermon was preached by Rev. Father Hartman, of Buffalo, and was most appropriate for the occasion. The church was richly decorated with exotic plants and flowers. The choir, assisted by a full orchestra, rendered excellent music. The following members of the Field and Staff of the Roman Catholic Uniformed Union were present: Col. W. H. Schlick, Lieut. Col. John Rauber, Paymaster General, Joseph Stallknecht; Major Patrick Cooper, Adjutant; Joseph P. Leinen; Staff officers, F. X. Feery, Leo Sanders, F. F. Seibert, Rudolph Vay, Joseph Voit, J. P. Smith, Dominick Kraft, Fred Kleinhaus.

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