

CITY PARISH NEWS.

Interesting Budget of Happenings Gathered by Our City Reporters

ST BRIDGET'S

The lecture delivered by Rev. Dr. McGuire last Sunday evening under the auspices of the Ladies' Aid Society was listened to with much pleasure. The Rev. Doctor gave a beautiful discourse on "The Love of God for His own Sake," and a very practicable one on "The Love of our Neighbor for God's Sake."

The storm of Monday evening also prevented many from listening to an interesting and amusing lecture delivered by Rev. Dr. Hanna before the Cardinal Newman Reading Circle. The subject of the lecture was "Charles Lamb," and his humorous stories, given in Dr. Hanna's usually humorous style, gave great pleasure to all present.

An anniversary mass was offered last Monday morning for the repose of the soul of Mrs. O'Connor, mother of Rev. Arthur O'Connor, of Brooklyn.

Tuesday morning the first annual mass for the donor of St. Anthony's altar was offered by Father Hendrick upon the new altar. The first annual mass for John Kelly and other deceased members of his family was celebrated last Wednesday morning.

A month's mind mass of requiem was offered for the repose of the soul of John Kelly Friday morning.

Father Breenihan was called to Syracuse the early part of the week to attend the funeral of his aunt, Mrs. Julia McCarthy, of La Fayette, also to Auburn to visit his mother, who had a serious attack of heart trouble.

Sister Gertrude and Sister Mary John, of St. Mary's Hospital paid a visit to our church and expressed themselves much pleased with the many new improvements.

Miss Johanna Morrissey, of Seneca Falls, formerly of this parish, spent several days this week with friends here.

Little Miss Eleanor Lill, who, with her parents, have gone to Chicago to make their home there, will be missed, as she was a favorite at St. Bridget's.

Services will be held next Sunday evening at 7:45. A sermon will be preached on "The Veneration of Images." The choir will render some special music upon the occasion.

The officers of Branch 27, L. C. B. A., were very pleasantly entertained at the home of Vice-President Mrs. E. Lotzpike, of Frank street.

The alumni of the Catholic Summer School will hold a meeting in our city about December 28th.

Mrs. K. J. Dowling and Miss Louise McKearney will spend Sunday at Seneca Falls, the guests of Father O'Connor.

A progressive pedro party will be given by the members of Branch 27, L. C. B. A., upon the evening of December 30th. A general invitation is extended to all sister branches and friends of the organization.

At the last meeting of Branch 27 the following officers were elected: President, Mrs. M. Cunningham; 1st vice-president, Mrs. E. Lotzpike; 2nd vice-president, Miss K. Welch; recording secretary, Miss Mary Clancy; assistant recording secretary, Miss Mary Moreland; financial secretary, Miss Nellie McCarthy; treasurer, Miss Margaret Managan; trustees, Miss Nellie Clancy and Miss J. B. Preston; marshal, Miss Veronica Frauel; guard, Miss Margaret Cullen; delegate, Miss Susie R. Quinn; alternate, Miss Mary T. Ryan.

ST. MARY'S

The funeral of Private James A. Kelly of Company C, 202nd Regiment, who was shot by a soldier at Camp Haskell, Ga., took place Tuesday morning from the residence of his father, 32 Savannah street, and St. Mary's church. The remains were buried with military honors. The returned volunteers and the national guardsmen attended the funeral, and the bearers were members of deceased's company.

Brief services were conducted at the home, 32 Savannah street, at 9 o'clock, after which the casket was taken to St. Mary's church on South street, where solemn requiem high mass was celebrated by Rev. Father Kiernan, assisted by Father Farron, deacon, and Father Thomas Connors, sub-deacon.

The father of the young soldier, James J. Kelly, received a communication from Captain Frank S. Sidway, commanding the dead soldier's company, in which he gives a detailed ac-

count of the circumstances attending the tragic affair, which proves beyond all doubt that Private Kelly was merely an onlooker and had nothing to do with the melee which caused his death. A letter was also received from the regimental chaplain, who spoke in high terms of the deceased soldier's death.

CORPUS CHRISTI

Mrs. Margaret Doran, widow of Michael Doran, died at her late residence, 164 University avenue, last Sunday, aged 70 years. Deceased was born in Ireland and came to this country forty-three years ago. She is survived by four daughters and one son, and three grandchildren. The members of the bereaved family have the sympathy of many friends and the remembrance of a saintly mother to console them. The funeral took place from the church at 10 o'clock Tuesday morning.

The building formerly known as the Home of Industry, where the late Mother Hieronymo did such noble work for the worthy poor, has been converted into a home for aged ladies. There have been many improvements in the interior of the large building, and many features added that will give comfort to the ladies who will in future make it their home.

The new institution will come in touch with many families, in whom there are those who need special care. The new home is being organized under the auspices of the Sisters of St. Joseph.

An adjourned meeting of the ladies of the different parishes will take place in the new home for aged ladies, formerly the Home of Industry, on East Main street, at 3 o'clock next Sunday afternoon, for the purpose of discussing the best plans to raise the money for the institution. This will be a good opportunity for all to see the improvements that have been made in the building. It is expected that there will be a large attendance.

ST. STANISLAUS'

The centennial of the birthday of Adam Mickiewicz and the sixty-seventh anniversary of the Polish revolution were both celebrated by the Polish congregation of St. Stanislaus church Sunday afternoon. The church was filled up to the doors. In the center sat the various societies, all in uniform. There were thirty-five men of the Knights of St. Stanislaus, twenty-five Knights of St. Kosciuski, sixty members of the St. Joseph society, and seventeen men of St. Casimir society. The societies made a fine appearance in their bright uniforms.

The address was delivered Rev. T. Szadzinski, who spoke in glowing words of the heroic efforts of the Poles to secure their freedom. The first Polish revolution broke out November 29, 1830. The speaker also alluded to the life of Mickiewicz, known as the "Homer of Poland." Interesting addresses were also delivered by Valentine Nowak, Vincent Wegner, John Dientara, Joseph Cioanowski, Anthony Kwiak and Matthias Ostrowski.

ST. FRANCIS XAVIER

The women's week of the mission at St. Francis Xavier's came to a close with an abundance of graces bestowed on many. The bearing of lighted tapers, and congregational singing, with renewal of baptismal vows, took place on Sunday morning.

A neat little rosary of one decade is among the pretty novelties in church goods sold by Father Rheids and Mayer during this mission.

We had a pleasant call lately from Rev. Father Netzel on his pastoral rounds in taking the census of this parish.

The Misses Streb of Jennings street, have kindly aided us in translating certain German notes. Miss Florence Streb has accepted a position in the State Industrial school.

The new storm doors on St. Bridget's are a good improvement, and afford shelter, during the present season.

Through the kindness of Father Hendrick we received the Catholic Home Annual, also St. Michael's Annual, very good family almanacs published at Milton, Pa.

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Mrs. M. J. McMahon of 600 Plymouth avenue expects to return to Rochester, this week.

HOLY FAMILY.

Mrs. Justina Murr, aged 69 years, died while attending the service at this church last Sunday. The deceased had suffered from asthma for some time, and it is thought that the exertion of walking through the storm was the cause of her sudden and fatal attack. Upon entering the church the deceased lady took her seat, but in a few minutes, feeling faint, she retired to the vestibule and sat in a chair. Friends noticing that she was breathing with difficulty sent for a physician, but she died before his arrival. Coroner Kliendienst was notified and he ordered the body removed to the residence of her daughter, Mrs. Albert Stebbins, No. 428 Jay street. Mrs. Murr was a resident of this city for many years and had been an attendant of this church since its estab-

lishment. Deceased is survived by three daughters, two brothers and one sister. The funeral was held Wednesday morning.

DEATH OF SISTER MARY VINCENT'S

On Wednesday of last week a sad message came to Sister M. Vincent of the Order of Mercy on South street. It was one of the saddest of all messages, announcing the death of her father, Mr. Patrick Doyle, of Syracuse. Sister Vincent hastily journeyed to her stricken home to comfort and console her sorrowing kindfolk. All that can relieve the sadness of death was present in the death of Patrick Doyle. Like the patriarchs of old he died full of days and good works, and with his numerous offspring about him. The close of his life was like the calm, peaceful close of summer's day. No storm shook him, no sorrow oppressed him. He had lived the full course of human life, four score and four years. Ten surviving children stood about his bedside, and with the life of every one of these he could be well contented. The wife of his youth stood there, also, and his last audible accents were the whisper of her loved name. No one could minister to him but her. She had been the angel of his home, a faithful, strong woman. He had never a sorrow from her, as from his children. As the falling eyes of the venerable man rested on that silent group an expression of deep satisfaction lit up his pale face. It seemed as though he would say: "I desire in peace for my work is finished and my children are what I have ever wished them to be."

Patrick Doyle was born in Waterford county, Ireland, in 1824. He came to this country in 1847, and in the following year married Miss Ellen McLaughlin, who bore him ten children, James, John, Robert and Thomas Doyle, of Chicago, Mrs. Chas. McNeil, Mrs. Wm. Mahan, Agnes, Mary and Nellie Doyle, of Syracuse, and Sister M. Vincent, of Rochester.

Since his marriage the deceased lived in Syracuse, where he was actively engaged in contracts in stone work for many years. He was prosperous in business and leaves his family well provided for.

The funeral obsequies took place on Saturday, December 4th, at 10 o'clock, and was celebrated by Very Rev. Mr. Kennedy, assisted by Revs. Burns and Dougherty. There were present in the sanctuary Rev. Dr. Lynch, of Ithaca, Very Rev. Father Kiernan, V. G., of Rochester, Revs. Grimes, O'Shea, Donnelly and Connerford, of Syracuse. The Sisters of Charity, Sisters of St. Joseph, Franciscan Sisters and Sisters of Mercy were in attendance at the funeral. The line of mourners was very long, as twenty grandchildren survive the deceased.

Patrick Doyle and his faithful wife celebrated their golden jubilee on the Thursday of the week preceding his death. He never spoke of the event. It seems that God preserved him to see his large family assemble for that grave event and then sent a gentle summons to him to come, and peacefully he composed himself and dropped asleep in the Lord. May he rest in peace. "Happy they who die in the Lord." He was a man whose life and death are servicable to mankind.

DEATH OF MRS. REGINA BERLE.

On the 3rd inst., at her home in Churchville, N. Y., occurred the death of Mrs. Regina Berle, at the age of 70 years. The deceased was a native of Alsace, France. When twenty-three, she was married to Mr. J. Hines. Coming to America with her husband fifty years ago, they settled in Rochester, but later moved to Churchville, where the family has ever since resided. By the death of Mr. Hines the care of a young family devolved upon the mother. By a second marriage to Mr. Berle, the family grew to number ten children, eight of whom live to mourn the death of Mrs. Berle, the loss of a worthy and devoted mother. Mr. Berle died in 1882.

Mrs. Berle is survived by two sons, John F. and Joseph Hines, (two, Michael and Frederick having within recent years preceded their mother to the grave); and six daughters, namely: Sister Agnes, Superior General of the congregation of St. Joseph of this diocese, Mrs. Margaret Diamond, Mrs. Philip Reynolds, Sister M. Irene of Auburn, Mrs. Charles F. Holmes of East Syracuse, and Miss Caroline Berle of Churchville. Eleven grandchildren also survive.

The funeral services were held in St. Vincent's church, of Churchville. Rev. George Elster of Caledonia, a kinsman of the deceased, officiated, assisted by Rev. Frederick Rauber of St. Boniface church, at deacon, and Rev. T. Ryan of Bergen, as sub-deacon, the pastor Rev. D. Curran, being master of ceremonies. Present in the sanctuary were also Rev. T. F. Hickey, rector of the Cathedral, and Rev. Emil Gell. The Churchville school, assisted by the Bergen choir, in rendering the mass of requiem. Interment took place in St. Vincent's cemetery.

The family have the sincere sympathy of a wide circle of friends who unite in according the deceased the praise given by the wise man in holy writ to the valiant woman: "Favor is deceitful and beauty is vain; the woman that feareth the Lord, she shall be praised. Ecc. XXXI, 30."

CATHOLIC WOMAN'S BENEVOLENT LEAGUE.

Organization of Father Stewart Council No. 126.

Another Council was added to this growing organization on the 1st of December in the school hall of St. Mary's parish. This addition to the order was due to the efforts of Supreme Deputy Mrs. Anna Powell, and on the above date this council was started on its course of benevolent charity. It will be named Father Stewart Council No. 126, and thus will perpetuate the memory of that saintly prelate who was respected and loved by all.

The ladies chosen to fill the respective offices of this council are well known and respected, and as they start with the right spirit and enthusiasm there is no doubt but that Father Stewart Council will in time be the largest order in the parish. The following are the officers elected: President, Mary E. Nier; vice-president, Margaret Martin; chancelor, Mary A. Weston; organist, Margaret Connor; secretary, Elizabeth Don; collector, Elizabeth McDermott; treasurer, Ellen M. Galan; nurse, Anna Driscoll; Margaret O'Neil and Mary A. Doran; guard, Sarah Sweeney; marshal, Catherine E. McMonomy.

The fact that there is no assessment this month, thus making but seven assessments his year of 1898; considering this fact and the careful, wise and economical management of its funds by the supreme officer makes this order at once both reasonable in price and safe and reliable in character.



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