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EDUCATE THE BOYS.

It is a sad fact that boys, in general, are withdrawn from school says the Young Catholic Messenger, just at an age when learning comes easy to them. So very many parents are so materially inclined that they consider any job that brings a few dollars sufficient reason for considering their boy's education completed. "He is thirteen years of age and has made his first communion, and the money he brings comes handy these times."

Such parents look only at the present; they never stop to consider that thus they very materially lessen the future well-being and usefulness of their boys, and their own. How different it is with girls; not only are they permitted to pass through all grades of the parochial school, but proportionately, so many of them are given the advantages of a higher education. And why is the exception made with girls? It is almost solely and alone that they may pass for the normal school and later on become a "School ma'am." And for the sake of this one chance, this single position, the girl is given the benefit of a higher education. But the boy, the poor boy, he is fitted for life if he can only struggle along, if he just makes a living.

Now, parents, just consider one moment the injustice and inconsistency of this plan. See the chances that are open for your boys, the many, the great, the responsible positions that are open to an educated young man. Leaving religion aside, just think of the various functions he may hold in education, in law, in politics, in journalism, in banks, in clerical work, in the industrial, the manufacturing, the commercial world. There are a thousand and one lucrative positions open to young men with an education. A man without a good education is handicapped in any position or occupation. Experience is a great acquirement, but experience with a good education makes the ways and means of subsistence almost a surety.

The future well-being of a child is of more moment than the few penny dollars just now, and appeals most earnestly to parents, if any way possible, to furnish their boys a superior education even in preference to their girls. Boys, later on, as men as heads of families, must earn the money to support families, to maintain schools and churches. The world, so to say, rests on them. And why should not they be best qualified to do that? Why should their work be made as difficult as possible? Why not make it easy for them? And where do you look to when old and incapable to work? Is it to the poor house, or to public charity? Or do you not hope that you may be sheltered under the comfortable roof of your children, enjoy your meals with them, and pass your old age in peace and happiness, surrounded by grateful and loving children. Is it not far wiser then to have an eye on the future rather than that simply to look at present gain?

And when we are done with our life-lasting toys, Dear Father, take care of thy children, the boys. And just now in vacation is the best time to give this thought a very serious consideration.

## HOW TO HEAR MASS

To hear mass is to hear the whole mass and consequently the command obliges all to be present at the celebration of the great sacrifice from beginning to end. Whoever is absent through his own fault, is guilty of sin, and the sin will be greater the greater part of the mass that he is absent from. And if he be absent during any of the four principal parts of which the mass is composed, he sins grievously and does not comply with the obligation no more than if he had been absent during the whole of the sacrifice; so that he would be under the necessity of hearing mass again that day if the opportunity of doing so again presented itself.

To understand this we must remember that the celebration of the mass is divided into four parts. The first part is the preparation of the people, which is from the prayer that the priest recites at the foot of the altar, until the end of the gospel. The second part is the preparation of the matter of the sacrifice, that is from the gospel to the sanctus. The third part is the action of the sacrifice, which is from the sanctus to the pater noster. And the fourth part is the communion, that is, from the pater noster to the end of the last gospel.

Now, in order to fulfill the obligation of hearing mass, we must be present at all these four parts, as they are all necessary for the integrity of the sacrifice.—The Catholic Sentinel

## THE LATE FATHER NEVINS.

The Solemn Funeral Observed Attributed by Archbishop Corrigan.

The Rev. Aloisius Russell Nevins of the Community of the Paulist Fathers, died on Sunday morning August 13, at the home of his physician, Dr. H. Robinson, 352 West Fifty-eighth street. Born in the Protestant Episcopal Church and brought up in the ministry of that Church, he at an early age became convinced that the true Church was the Catholic Church. He joined it and became a zealous missionary in its service for the remainder of his life. He succeeded in winning over several of his early friends in society, and even his mother, who at his conversion showed much opposition to his action and felt great distress when he was won over, and was baptized into the Catholic Church when on her deathbed.

The funeral of Father Nevins took place on Wednesday morning from the church of the Paulist Fathers at 115 1/2-ninth street and Columbus avenue. Not only was the occasion marked by the large number of the members of this parish, rich and poor, who attended the services, but it was distinguished by the presence of about fifty of the leading Catholic clergymen of New York, headed by Archbishop Corrigan. The office was begun at 9 A. M., the vocal music being furnished by a male choir of eighty voices. The Rev. Fathers Walter Elliott and Thomas E. Burke chanted the service, and the lessons were read by Father Elliott, Father John Hughes and Father T. V. Menton. The celebration of the Requiem Mass began at 10 o'clock, the Rev. George M. Searle being the celebrant. Father John J. Hughes was the deacon, Father T. V. Menton, subdeacon, and Father Thomas E. Burke, master of ceremonies. The Rev. Peter J. O'Callaghan, of the Paulist Fathers, preached the sermon. Archbishop Corrigan gave the absolution. The body of the dead priest, which, during the services, rested in a coffin in the main aisle, was interred in the vaults of the church.—Sunday Democrat.

## Rules for Assisting at High Mass.

Be in time. Have prayer book or beads. Stand at the "Agnus." Kneel from the beginning of Mass until the "Gloria." Stand whilst the celebrant is reciting the "Gloria." Sit whilst the celebrant sits. Rise with the celebrant and stand during the singing of the prayers until the Epistle. Sit from the beginning of the Epistle to the Gospel. Stand during the chanting of the Gospel. Make the sign of the cross on forehead, lips and breast at the beginning of the Gospel. Sit until the reading of the Gospel by the preacher. Stand whilst the preacher reads the Gospel. Sit still and listen to the sermon. Stand whilst the Creed is being said. Sit when the celebrant sits. Rise with the celebrant and stand whilst he sings "Dominus vobiscum" and "Oremus." Stand when incense is given. Stand at the singing of the "Preface." Kneel from the "Sanctus" until the priest takes the wine and water after communion. Stand until the "Oremus" and "Te igitur" are sung. Receive the blessing kneeling and make the sign of the cross. Stand at the Gospel, making the sign of the cross on the forehead, lips and breast. Remain in your pew until the priest has left the sanctuary.—Journal of St. Ignace's Church.

The excellent state of the health of the Pope was shown a fortnight ago, when His Holiness instructed Cardinal Rampolla to announce definitely that a consistory would be held in December, making the beginning of the fete of the holy year, which the Pope wishes to have specially distinguished.

## MOUNT ST. SEPULCHRE.

The New Franciscan Monastery and Novitiate at Washington.

A notable event will occur at Brookland, Montgomery County Maryland on September 17th, when the Franciscan monastery and Novitiate, now being completed, will be dedicated.

The new establishment will be named Mount St. Sepulchre. Cardinals Gibbons will perform the dedication ceremony. He will be assisted by some of the most prominent members of the American hierarchy. Archbishop Ireland is expected to deliver the dedication address. In addition to the church dignitaries there will be a large number of diplomatic representatives present. A grand review of the Catholic societies will also be a feature of the occasion.

Arrangements have almost been completed for the removal of the community from the charge having been approved by Rome. It will be under the direction of the Rev. Father Geoffrey Schilling, Provincial of the order. He will also serve as superior at Mount St. Sepulchre. The Commissariat was instituted many years after the founding of the order. Its duty is to guard and protect the various places in Palestine that have been made sacred by the memory of Jesus Christ.

The new structure is said to be without an architectural comparison in the United States being an imitation of the monasteries of the Middle Ages. The structure is rectangular and with ornate ornamentation built of plain red brick with the tower facing the east.

At both ends of the transept will be found altars. The altar at the east end is to be the most magnificent. Under the apse is to be the entrance to the crypt of the Poor Souls from which is an underground passage similar to the Roman catacombs. It leads to the two crypts. Both however are accessible from the main church.

Mount St. Sepulchre is affiliated with the Catholic University and clerics who have pursued their regular course will be enabled after their profession to complete their higher studies there.

## SHUN FORTUNE TELLERS

Their Habitations Are Den of Falseness and Deceit.

It would be impossible for us to add any religious weight to the instruction of the catechism with which ordinary Catholics are sufficiently well acquainted but we can tell them some things that they possibly do not know.

We can tell them that the police of this city could inform them of the character of these fortune tellers and that it will become a Christian maiden to be seen within their doors. Not infrequently they are the hired panders of the most hideous vice. Innocent maidens have had reason to rejoice the day they first crossed those evil thresholds.

Decadent disgraced families can point to the fortune-teller as the steps in crime, and as the French truly say "It is the first step that costs."

Matches, honorable and reputable, deserving apparently well of God and man, have been broken through silly ambitions awakened by greasy cards; the way has been designedly paved to wrong-doing through the foul confederation of libertinism with the Madame Hag who pretends to read your destiny.

If, then, you deem yourself wiser than the Church that prohibited this recourse, pay to worldly appearances the respect you deny divinely appointed authority, and for your reputation's sake never enter those dens of falsehood and iniquity.

Shun the black brood!—Augustinian.

## GENERAL LONGSTREET.

The Heroic and Noble Example of Priest and Nun Led Him into the Church.

A very touching picture, now to be seen at Atlanta, Ga., suggests how Gen. Longstreet became a Roman Catholic. The picture represents a battery in active service on the battlefield. Some distance away is a Sister of Mercy in her spotless garb of a nurse, resting on another nun, with a musket ball through her breast. Soldiers are gathered about them, looking with pitying glances upon the sorrowful scene. Underneath is written, "An Innocent Victim."

During the war Gen. Longstreet had a number of Louisiana regiments in his corps and they were nearly all Catholics. In those fierce battles in Virginia the priests and nuns would go to the front line, where grape, canister and musket balls were flying like hail, and frequently Gen. Longstreet could observe a priest administering extreme unction to a dying soldier far out on the front, where the dead were piled in heaps and the ground was soaked in blood. The general was so profoundly impressed with the thorough devotion of these good people that he connected himself with the Church of Rome.

The erection of a permanent Apostolic Delegation in Ireland is being considered at Rome.

## APPEAL TO PARENTS.

THE DUTY OF FOSTERING RELIGIOUS VOCATIONS IN CHILDREN.

He Who Hinders a Divine Vocation Does an Injury to God, to the Child and to Himself—A Great Blessing is the Compensation to God of a Son or Daughter.

Rev. John D. Walsh, S. J., of St. Joseph's church at San Jose, Cal., delivered recently an instructive discourse on the duty of parents, which so many neglect, of fostering priestly and religious vocations in their children. Having discoursed earnestly and boldly on the sublime functions and tremendous powers of the priesthood, Father Walsh asks pointedly:

What did Christ at the age of child from becoming a priest if God calls him? Nay, where is the parent who should not have the ambition of having a son a priest?

"Why did Christ at the age of twelve remain in the temple three days without leave of His parents? And when gently remonstrated with for causing them so much sorrow, meekly replied: 'Did you not know I must be about my Father's business?' Why, this, but to convey the lesson that when God calls, no one whatever, not even a parent, has a right to interfere? The rights of a human parent over his child are limited and conditional. God's entirely absolute. He and not the human parent is the Author of life, the human parent is the steward and guardian; he the absolute Master. He can call away the child in various ways—for example by death by marriage by a supernatural vocation, and the parent has no right to murmur. True he may feel it acutely for a time but if he acts generously with God his will will be an immense reward. He may postpone for a little his child's departure with a view of testing the vocation but when the child is unmistakably called and his spiritual director after careful examination pronounces it a true vocation to oppose it further would render one's self guilty in the sight of God.

"Come, follow Me," Christ says to that chosen son, "I forbid you to be a parent." Can anything be more shocking? And whoever opposed God and prospered? Sad instances might be cited where children thus opposed by their parents disgraced their afterwards led the worst way and looked them down with gray hairs sorrowing to the grave. I would the call of God is entirely too risky.

"Blessed is he who is foolish. Let a man want to go to Manila with odds against him of returning alive and it shall right. Let him wish to marry, and though according to Holy Writ, he must leave father and mother and cleave to his wife and family again, it is all right. But let him only want to go and become a priest, and then lo! the lamentations! 'Oh, my God, fancy each mother suddenly transformed into a new Jeremiah. 'Oh, my son, will he be lost to me forever? I'll never see him again! He'll surely die! He'll cease to love me! He'll forget me!' And all such foolish nonsense.

"Have I not heard mothers go on like that, but after a while when they began to realize what it was to be the mother of a priest or a religious—when they began to feel the bright halo of glory encircling their brow—when they began to experience all the blessings of heaven it brought them on when they became proud of their child in the convent or the sanctuary, and their constant prayer was that nothing should happen to send that favored child back home to them.

"If you advance the trite saying, 'Good people are required in the world,' I answer, certainly, but not all the good. Nor are all the good wanted in the sanctuary, but only those whom God honors with the call. Neither do we want the no-use-for-anything boys—the dullards. We must not grudge the first and best to God. To offer Him the worstlings of the flock would be an unpardonable outrage. It was for this He rejected first the sacrifices of the Jews and then themselves. The best and brightest are wanted and will be afterwards the light of the world and the salt of the earth."

"He who hinders a divine vocation does an injury to God, to the child and to himself. To God inasmuch as he robs Him of that child's special service to which He has every right and title; of all the glory that the young man would give God and His Church, and of all the souls which he would bring to the feet of Jesus, souls which now most probably will be lost.

"An injury to the child by depriving him of the greatest and highest happiness on earth, that of following out his heaven-sent vocation. By depriving him further of an immense harvest of heaven's merits and in consequence of a glorious crown and throne—the crown of a saint, the throne of an apostle.

"And you have injured yourself here, to say nothing of the hereafter. You have deprived yourself of all those special graces and blessings which God was ready to shower down upon you had you generously devoted your child to His service.

"Tell me how many prayers does your married son or your son in Manila say for you every day? How many penances does he undergo for you? How many Masses does he offer for you? How many Communions? Don't deceive yourself, my dear parent, you could count them all on the fingers of one hand. I have met some who got one Mass said for shame sake for a departed mother, but never a second, and I have met some others who got no Mass said at all, and who, moreover, refused even to offer a Communion for their mother's soul.

## THE GOSPELS

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At that time, Jesus said to His disciples: "No man can serve two masters. For either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will sustain the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and mammon. Therefore I say to you be not solicitous for your life, what you shall eat, nor for your body, what you shall put on. Is not the life more than the meat, and the body more than the raiment? Behold the birds of the air, for they neither sow, nor do they reap, nor gather into barns; and your Heavenly Father feedeth them. Are not you of much more value than they? And which of you by taking thought can add to his stature one cubit? And for raiment why are you solicitous? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow: they labor not, neither do they spin. But I say to you that not even Solomon in all his glory was arrayed as one of these. And if the grass of the field, which is today, and to-morrow is cast into the oven, God doth so clothe, how much more you, O ye of little faith? Be not solicitous therefore, saying: What shall we eat, or what shall we drink or wherewith shall we be clothed? For after all these things do the heathen seek. For your father knoweth that you have need of all these things. Seek ye therefore first the kingdom of God and His justice, and all these things shall be added unto you."

"So, you see, you consult your own best interests when you give a child to the Church. You can't put out your money at a higher interest or deposit it in a safer bank than to devote it to the training and education of a boy—whether your own child or not—for the sacred priesthood.

"Make it your care, then, my dear parents, but especially you mothers, to foster the seeds of vocation in your children's hearts in the early spring of life. Water them with many prayers and Communions. Keep the bright garden of your child's soul carefully weeded of every vicious habit, and plant there in the seeds of every virtue. Watch over his companions. Infuse in him great piety by word and example. Train him to habits of obedience. Consecrate him from early infancy to Jesus and his Immaculate Mother, to whom pray ardently that your son may be blessed with a priestly vocation. Let him serve at the altar. When he manifests a desire to be a priest, let him know how pleased you are that you have long prayed for this. Inspire him with a lofty conception of the priesthood.

"In this way you will be moulding the character of your child and directing his young steps towards God's sanctuary. Yours will then be the consolation of seeing your son ascending the altar of God and lifting up for you the chalice of salvation. And when death comes you will be able to say: 'The mother of St. Augustine full of the consoling assurance that whoever forgets you when you are dead an angel be his friend or relative— you are leaving behind you one child at least who day and night will send up for your departed soul before the Throne of Mercy prayer and penance and sweet sacrifice—Michigan Catholic.'

The Hon. and Rev. Basil Fielding, D. D. has returned to England, having completed his studies in Rome. He will be stationed in the diocese of Birmingham where is the family seat of the Dunhags.

The memorials to the late Mr. George Mount, president of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul and Dr. Luke Wright, will take the form of offerings to the new Cathedral at Westminster.

Archbishop Williams of Boston has gone to Rochester, N. Y. where he will be the guest of Bishop McQuaid for some time. For many years the Archbishop has spent a portion of the summer with the Rochester prelate.

A London correspondent reports the conversion of the Rev. A. E. Gledhill, Anglican curate of Hoosac. He relates furthermore that Mr. George C. Willinson, Doctor of Literature of the Mount Union College, a well known author, has been received into the church together with his wife and children.

The Rev. William O'Brien, P. D. S. J., will be the preacher of the retreat at St. Joseph's Seminary, Dunwoody. The first retreat begins August 27 and ends September 2. The following Monday the second retreat opens and ends September 9.

Rev. Father Nicholas Ward, C. P., of St. Joseph's Pastoral Monastery, has concluded retreats for the Christian Brothers at Rock Hill and at Ammendale.

The dates selected for the Priests' Eucharistic Congress are October 18 and 19 and the place will be Overbrook Seminary, near Philadelphia, Pa. The annual meeting of the Archbishops will be a week previous at Washington, D. C.

It is not often that a priest beholds his mother admitted to a sisterhood. Says a London correspondent: Recently, at the Convent of the Visitation, Harrow, to which Mgr. Dunn is chaplain, his mother, Mrs. Dunn, was solemnly clothed by His Eminence Cardinal Vaughan.

The following interesting fact regarding the reception of his orders by Leo XIII. has recently been made public. He received minor orders in 1834, and in 1837, when in his 27th year, he was made a sub-deacon and on the final day of the same year he was ordained a priest by Cardinal Odescalchi, who afterwards resigned his rank in the sacred college to become an inmate of a Jesuit novitiate.

The Catholics of Waterville, Me., have purchased one-half of the Kennebec Agricultural Society's property, known as the Nelson Trotting Park, and will convert the same into a cemetery.

Rev. Paul Geyer, pastor of the German Catholic Church of the Sacred Heart in Eau Claire, Wis., formerly vicar general of the diocese of LaCrosse, died suddenly of apoplexy last Tuesday.

Last Tuesday Mother Theopila, Mother Superior of the Sisters of Notre Dame, in Maryland, known in the world as Miss Crescentia Bower, celebrated the golden jubilee of her entrance into the order at Baltimore, Md. She is the only one of a class of four left.

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The object of these words of Christ was to reprove the extreme anxiety and attachment for the riches of this world, and besides to exhort us to place our trust in divine Providence.

## Weekly Church Calendar

Sunday, August 27—Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost. St. Matt. vi. 24-33. St. Joseph, Calanctus, confessor. Monday, 28: St. Augustine, bishop and doctor. Tuesday 29: Beheading of John the Baptist. Wednesday 30—St. Rose of Lima virgin. Thursday, 31: St. Isabel, virgin. Friday September 1—St. Giles, abbot. Saturday, 2: St. Stephen, king and confessor.

## ST. MICHAEL'S CELEBRATION

EDITOR CATHOLIC JOURNAL.

As it was promised in last week's issue of our good Catholic family paper, the CATHOLIC JOURNAL, that much of its space would be devoted to the twenty-fifth anniversary of St. Michael's Church of your city, it may not be amiss for the writer to dwell on that subject or its bearings—for what Catholic is not interested in the jubilees and festivities of our Holy Mother the Church the world over? Hence, the readers of the JOURNAL, in every parish, can share in spirit, if not in person, the joys, the exultations and gladness with the members of St. Michael's Church. Such celebrations, when brought to the knowledge of the true Catholic, never fail to awaken in his breast sentiments of love, reverence, and the feelings of an ardent nature that should characterize the actions of every individual who prides in the name of Catholic. Such a title is a special privilege and grace from Almighty God. Verily, by God's grace we are Catholics and not alone by our intrinsic worth or merit we are such. In this one influence alone, the most absolute and essential of all others—what thanks do we render to God Almighty? God forbid ours should be of the blackest ingratitude! Hence, the brightest jewel in the diadem of our glory is the title of a Roman Catholic. Aye, with a true ring about it, that will indicate that we are true, proud, and vindicative of that Church—Apostolic! In reality, She needs no earthly vindication; for Her course in the mission of Her Founder began with His Life, and to know no interruption before the consummation of time. Hence, that measurement (time) is subject to the Author of Time Himself. What consolation, then, should fill the heart of every Catholic who ponders on the sublimity and mission of the Church of God! Regardless of all earthly obstacles, that Church will fulfill Her mission to the end of time, as Christ Himself has so declared. Her children's mission is to obey Her laws in every essential, thereby adding honor to the Church and securing salvation—the final and happy result of the true Catholic. H. O. C.

## COOK'S OPERA HOUSE.

For the opening, August 28th, the Cook Opera House is offering the best bill known to vaudeville—Dolan and Lenhar, in their comedy skit, "A High Toned Burglar," the great big Biograph with new motion pictures, including Brooklyn Bridge, How Tommy Payed a Joke on His Dad, Launch of the Oceanic, Feeding the Pigs, Ice Yachting, Passing Under a Ladder, The Southern Gate of the Highlands, High Hurdle Jumping, Farmer Preparing to Entertain Harvesters, Gould's Gogs, De Haven & Mae, juvenile comedians, Johnson & Dean, King and Queen of Cool Town, Felbow, skit, imitator; Bros. Abacco, acrobats; Marsh & Sarella, dancers and singers. Two continuous performances of this bill of varieties will be given at Cook Opera House every afternoon next week. Priced always 10c, 15c, 20c.

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