

**CITY PARISH NEWS.**

Interesting Budget of Happenings Gathered by Our City Reporters.

**ST MARY'S**

Father Kiernan has taken a similar stand with Rev. Father Gillen, of Paterson, N. J., with reference to rice throwing at weddings. At the High Mass Sunday morning he announced the bans of matrimony between three couples and then said: "If any of the friends of the persons soon to be married are in the church I hope they will pay close attention to what I am about to say. In future, at all weddings celebrated in this church I want rice left at home. Rice throwing is an abominable pagan custom, and it has no place at Catholic weddings. At all events, I will not tolerate it in the church. At one of the recent weddings rice was thrown all over the church steps and those would be smart persons who threw it could not wait until the bridal party left the church because it was found in the vestibule of the church. This must not occur in the future. If it is repeated, I shall speak in far different terms from the altar."

The prayers of the congregation were offered Sunday last for the repose of the soul of Father Haire, of Olean, who died several days ago.

The diagrams which were distributed last Sunday showed that three sittings to let, and they were taken after the 10:30 Mass.

Father Kiernan's class in Christian Doctrine showed a large increase in attendance Sunday last. The young men are manifesting a great interest.

Devotions are held every evening, at 7:30 o'clock, during the month of October. They consist of the Rosary, followed by Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

John Cochrane and Mary McMahon were married Wednesday morning at 7:30 o'clock by Father Connors.

John Cullen and Catherine Gray were married Wednesday afternoon.

Father Kiernan was in Buffalo during the past week attending the anniversary ceremonies of Very Rev. M. P. Connerly, Vicar General of the Buffalo diocese.

John Schlosser and Catherine McMullen were married Wednesday afternoon. Father Connors performed the ceremony.

Mrs. Jane Schooley, of Broadway, is in New York.

Jas. T. Kennedy spent last week in New York.

The Willing Helpers Society held their first meeting of the season Monday evening last. A large number were in attendance. All members are earnestly requested to attend. The next meeting will be held Monday evening, October 16th.

Miss Mamie Gaffney died Monday morning at the family home, 7 Scio street. Miss Gaffney was for several years a teacher at No. 14 school. Her kindly disposition and ready sympathy won for her many friends. Her thoughtfulness and unselfishness towards her family make her loss deeply felt. Miss Gaffney's illness began about two years ago and, although she was obliged to leave school, she remained cheerful, hopeful and uncomplaining to the last. Her funeral took place Thursday morning at 9 o'clock.

**IMMACULATE CONCEPTION**

A retreat for the Rosary Society, Children of Mary and the other women of the parish was ably conducted by Father Ryan, of the Cathedral, the first three days of the week. The morning and evening services were equally well attended.

Devotions in honor of St. Joseph are being conducted during this month every evening in the church.

Thursday evening confessions were heard and Communion administered Friday morning to the usual large number who receive the first Friday of each month.

The Y. M. C. A., of this church, held a business meeting Sunday.

The golden jubilee of this church will be celebrated in December. Fitting services and celebrations will mark the date, and the progress the school and church have made in the fifty years will be printed in a little book, which will be a most desirable souvenir. Among other interesting data, the book will contain the subscription list for the jubilee year. The church debt will, undoubtedly, be much decreased.

Thursday afternoon occurred the marriage of Miss Kittie S. Davin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Davin, of 417 Plymouth avenue, to Mr. Joseph L. Tompkins, of this city. A reception followed at the home of the bride at which many beautiful presents were received. After a western trip Mr. and Mrs. Tompkins will reside at 5 Violetta street.

**ST. MICHAEL'S.**

The Forty Hours' Devotion closed Sunday evening with procession of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction. The following priests were present: Father Netzel, of St. Francis X-

vier; Father Rauber, of St. Boniface; Father Hofschneider, of Holy Redeemer; Father E. Gefell, of the Cathedral, and Father Gerun, a Jesuit, of Buffalo. Twenty-two hundred people received Communion during the three days' devotion. Among them were the Knights of St. Michael, Commandery No. 40, Auxiliary No. 45, and the Young Men's Catholic Club, who attended in a body in honor of their patron saint.

**CATHEDRAL.**

Professor and Mrs. O'Connor have returned from a three months' trip to Chicago, Indianapolis and West Baden Springs. While in Chicago they attended the University during the summer term.

To-morrow will be the first anniversary of the consecration of the Cathedral. The Calendar, which is usually ready for the first Sunday of the month, has been reserved for the occasion.

During the month of October there will be, besides the regular 7 o'clock Mass, a Mass each morning at 8 o'clock and the Rosary and Benediction each evening at 7:30 o'clock.

The men of the parish are expected to receive Holy Communion Sunday morning at the 7:30 o'clock Mass.

The meeting of the Sacred Heart Society will be Tuesday evening, at 7:30 o'clock.

Rev. Bishop Burke, of Albany, was a guest at this church last Sunday.

Mrs. B. F. Martin is at Saranac Lake.

Miss Helen O'Reilly is the guest of Toronto friends.

**ST. BRIDGET'S**

A Confirmation class for those who are employed through the day was organized Monday evening.

During the month of October the week-day Mass will be at 7:45 o'clock, and the Rosary will be recited after Mass each morning.

A handsome four-day lamp has been donated to St. Anthony's altar, and a similar one has been promised to the altars of the Blessed Virgin and the Sacred Heart, by members of the congregation.

The service last Sunday evening was very impressive. The new statues were blessed by Father Bresnihan, of Churchville, assisted by Father Hendrick. Father Bresnihan delivered an instructive sermon from the text, "I have loved the beauty of Thy house and the place where Thy glory dwelleth." The church presented a very beautiful appearance with its many electric lights and brilliantly lighted altars. The choir rendered some fine music under the direction of P. J. Kenny, Miss Connell presiding at the organ.

Miss Margaret Riley, of Hand street, is seriously ill.

The sympathy of Branch 27, L. C. B. A., is extended to Mrs. E. B. McGowan, Supreme President, on the death of her mother, who died at her home, in Buffalo, last week.

William Lennon, of Buffalo, spent Sunday at his home here with his father, Bernard Lennon, of Emmett street.

J. Leo Fee has returned from his trip to New York.

Miss Anna Hogan spent this week in New York.

The prizes at the card party given by Branch 27, L. C. B. A., were won by Miss Hattie Spears, Miss J. B. Preston, Mrs. Fox and Miss Molz. The party was an enjoyable affair.

The Advisory Senate, L. C. B. A., met at the home of Mrs. John McParlin, 77 Prince street, Friday evening. The next meeting will be held at the home of Miss Mary T. Byan, 58 Charlotte street.

At a meeting of the Cardinal Newman Reading Circle, held last Monday evening, it was decided to have a course of reading, by members of the circle, of Shakespeare's works, beginning Monday evening, October 16th, with "Macbeth." One musical number will be rendered and a paper on "Current Topics" will be read at each meeting.

**HOLY APOSTLES.**

John L. Kernan, a prominent member of this parish, is seeking the nomination for Sheriff on the Democratic ticket. Mr. Kernan has never before sought public office. His friends have made a canvass of the county and feel confident that he will be successful in the convention and prove a strong candidate. He has been employed by the lumber firm of C. T. Crouch & Son for several years and is well known in this vicinity.

**ST. JOSEPH'S.**

Next Sunday morning, at 10:30 o'clock, the Forty Hours' Devotion will open with Solemn High Mass, followed by procession of the Blessed Sacrament. The closing will take place Tuesday with procession and Benediction. It is hoped that frequent visits to the Blessed Sacrament will be made during these days.

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**CATHOLIC SOCIETIES.**

What is Transpiring in the Different Fraternities.

**Hibernian Rifles.**

The company met at its headquarters Tuesday evening and formally opened the fall season by appointing M. J. Connors, W. J. O'Brien, D. Mahoney, N. Downs and Daniel Slatery to make arrangements to hold their annual ball Thanksgiving Eve, in A. O. H. Hall.

The greatest surprise the boys have had in a long time was the announcement of the marriage of First Lieutenant John Cullen. But the genial lieutenant not only surprised them by his marriage, but also sent an invitation to all the members to be present at his home to enjoy themselves on the occasion and, after accepting the invitation, as a mark of the esteem the young man is held in by his comrades, they delegated Captain Quinn-Livian, Sergeant Connors and Corporal O'Brien to purchase a suitable present to be presented to Mr. and Mrs. Cullen as a token of their appreciation for the unceasing labor of Lieutenant Cullen in behalf of the company for the last fourteen years, and it is the wish of the entire command that the future of the genial lieutenant and his fair partner be one continuous journey of sunshine over all their walks in life's pathway, and may success and prosperity, health and happiness forever encircle their cot, not like the rose, to bloom and wither, but like the evergreen, to last forever.

During the last quarter there have been new members added to the company who are bidding fair to outdo the older ones in point of attendance. The boys were sorry to see Comrade James J. Lee forced, on account of his business, to resign from the company; still we hope, on a change in his vocation, he will soon be with us again. While the best of friends must part, the organization must go on forever.

The company will meet again for the regular monthly uniform drill Tuesday, October 10th, at 8 p. m.

The following resolutions were adopted at the last meeting of Division 7, A. O. H.:

Resolved, That in the death of Brother Lawrence the Division loses an esteemed member, that we extend the family our sincere sympathy in this hour of affliction and sorrow, and that we commend them for consolation to that Divine Power who doeth all things well; be it

Further Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the bereaved family, spread on the minutes of our meeting and published in THE CATHOLIC JOURNAL.

Committee, W. H. McDonald, James O'Malley, W. T. O'Connor.

**C. W. E. L.**

Trinity Council, 150, C. B. L., held their first reception and card party at the Durand building Thursday evening. Dancing and refreshments followed after the prizes had been distributed to the winners in the card games and a short musical programme was given. The committee in charge were Mrs. J. W. Roach, Mrs. T. Brennan and Mrs. H. Fitzpatrick.

A New Undertaking Establishment.

Mr. B. V. Logan, a prominent citizen and a member of the Immaculate Conception parish, will engage in the Undertaking business at No. 5 Plymouth avenue, commencing Monday next. Mr. Logan is the first man to pass the examination of the embalming board and the State Board of Health, both of which are now necessary by law for a person to engage in the Undertaking business. Mr. Logan will have an elegant new hearse and ambulance wagon, of the James Cunningham make, and other accessories necessary for conducting a first class funeral.

He has been a resident of this city all his life, having been born in Frankfort. For the last ten years he has been employed as meter reader in the city water works department. He is a member of the C. M. B. A., Division 3, A. O. H., and some of the labor organizations, and has many friends and acquaintances.

**Big Male Chorus.**

The big male chorus, which is being formed under the auspices of the C. Y. M. A., is progressing finely. One hundred and fifty names are now on the roll, and about 50 or 60 more are needed. The names of the churches and clubs represented are as follows: The C. Y. M. A., Y. M. I., C. Y. M. C. Club of Immaculate, St. Mary's choir, Corpus Christi, and about 75 other members not connected with choirs. The chorus will be named at the first meeting, which will be in two weeks.

**PERSONAL.**

Wm. G. Reid and Anna C. Dailey, of East avenue, are spending their vacation in New York and Boston.

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