

## CITY PARISH NEWS.

Interesting Budget of Happenings Gathered by Our City Reporters.

**CATHEDRAL.**  
In accordance with the privilege granted by our Holy Father, Leo XIII, the first mass of the new year will be celebrated at midnight.

There is a meeting of the Aid Society each Friday afternoon at 2.30 o'clock. All the members are earnestly requested to attend.

The third of a series of art lectures will be given before the members of the R. C. R. C. and their friends on next Tuesday evening. The speaker will be Rev. Ludlow Lapham of St. Bernard's Seminary.

James Duffy and James Cunningham are at home for their Christmas holidays.

Mr. Wm. Moran of New York city spent Christmas the guest of his mother, Mrs. Moran, of Ambrose street.

The Misses Rohr and Miss Burns of Buffalo, are guests of Rochester friends.

The engagement of Miss Katherine Kelly of East avenue, and Mr. Joseph Connell of Buffalo, is announced.

The funeral of Miss Nellie M. Cashman, who died on Friday of last week, was held Monday from the residence of her brother, John M. Cashman, 77 Kent street, and from the cathedral. Around the casket was placed many beautiful floral pieces, which almost concealed it from sight, testifying to the high esteem in which she was held. Among the larger pieces to be seen were two wreaths and standards from the M. J. Callahan association and the Mystic Circle, anchor and star from friends, anchor from Mr. and Mrs. Mathias Callahan, broken column from Maloney Bros.; wreath from Wright & Peters; lyre from sister; pillow from family; harp from Stephen O'Brien; basket of flowers from Fodd & Baneroff; wreath from Genesee Brewing company. The following were bearers: Messrs. Robert Crouch, William Lord, John Rowland, William Slattery, Hugh Hackett and Charles O'Connor. After the services, which were held in Lady chapel, the interment took place in Holy Sepulchre cemetery.

Mr. and Mrs. John J. Murphy are rejoicing over the arrival of a young son, and are receiving the congratulations of their many friends.

**ST. BRIDGET'S.**

The members of St. Anthony's society wish to thank those who kindly sent in donations for their Christmas baskets. A good substantial dinner was sent to every needy family in the parish. Twelve dollars in cash was also received, and several letters of kind Christmas greetings. Many toys were distributed among the children.

The Christmas midnight mass was celebrated by Father Hendrick, Father Gommenginger being deacon and Philip Golding sub-deacon. The choir, under the direction of P. J. Kenny, rendered excellent music. The Kyrie, Gloria and Agnus were from Giorza's mass; Credo and Sanctus, Gounod; Benedictus, Weber. The choir was assisted by Frank Hoffman, basso; P. A. Kearney and Joseph Mura, tenors; Mrs. Frank's little daughter sang the Christmas hymn. Miss Connell presided at the organ. A solemn high mass was also celebrated at 10.30.

Midnight mass will be celebrated at the closing of the old year, by special dispensation of our Holy Father. The mass for New Year's day will be announced Sunday.

The festival that opened last Tuesday evening will close next Monday night. It is being well attended, and it is expected a handsome sum will be realized. The different booths are tastefully arranged, and filled with many beautiful fancy articles. The different contests will close next Monday evening.

Dr. Killip is ahead on the first night's voting contest for a case of surgical instruments, but the friends of Dr. Tait claim their candidate will be more in evidence on the home stretch Monday night.

We are grieved to announce that Father Brennan has been quite ill for several days this week.

Sister Euphrasia, principal of our school, will celebrate her silver jubilee New Year's day.

Mr. and Mrs. John Buckley and Miss Quinlan of Utica were guests of Mrs. Catherine Burns on Christmas day.

Miss May Collins spent Christmas at Buffalo.

Mrs. K. J. Dowling spent her Christmas vacation at Washington, D. C.

The transport "Thomas," the vessel on which Miss M. L. Campin sailed last month, has reached Manila safely. All on board are reported well.

Miss Christine Galvin, pupil of the Sacred Heart convent, is spending her Christmas vacation at her home.

Miss Corienne McArthur, pupil of the Sacred Heart convent at Emmetsburg, is spending the holidays at her home.

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Joseph Connell of Buffalo spent Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Connell of Scio street.

Miss Catherine Powell, pupil at Nazareth, is spending her vacation with her aunt, Mrs. James Love.

**IMMACULATE CONCEPTION.**

The Columbian Reading Circle entertained Thursday evening with cards. From 8.30 to 10.30 o'clock p. m., about 80 young people played thirteen enjoyable games. The "king" prize was awarded Miss Josephine Frank, the winner of eleven games. Mr. J. Collins and Mr. William Baker won first prizes. A dancing party will be given in the near future by the members.

Next Tuesday evening the C. R. C. will continue reading "Hamlet."

Miss Anna Connor will start Saturday for an indefinite visit with her sister, Sister Mary Lydia of the Elmira convent.

The Young Men's club held a business meeting Sunday.

**ST. MARY'S.**

The diagrams of the pews will be distributed on Sunday.

There was a large attendance at the midnight mass, and the choir rendered some excellent music. The altar boys sang the "Adeste Fideles" before the mass, and were their new cassocks and surplices. The altar was very prettily trimmed, and the crib was in its place. A large sum was realized for the orphans. The names of the ushers were as follows: Messrs. Courneen, McAnally, Carey, T. P. Loughney, P. Cooper, Davin, Telling, T. B. Dempsey, H. Kennedy, J. O. Connolly, J. McNulty, Geo. Knapp, jr., and B. Dunn, jr.

There will be a midnight mass on New Year's eve.

The entertainment given by the orphans at the convent on Tuesday was very pleasing. Father Kiernan helped distribute the presents from the Christmas tree, and every one felt well repaid for the pleasure they had given the little ones.

Mrs. Martha McNally, widow of the late Michael McNally, died at her residence, 94 South Clinton street, on Sunday, Dec. 17th, after a short illness. She was for many years a faithful member of the parish and will be sadly missed by many of the parishioners. The surviving family, who are bereft of a kind and loving mother so suddenly, are four daughters, Katherine, J. and Theresa V. McNally, Mrs. M. A. Brodeur and Mrs. F. A. James. The funeral was held Wednesday morning from the church, when a solemn requiem mass was celebrated by Rev. James P. Kiernan, V. G., assisted by Rev. Thomas Hendrick of St. Bridget's church, Rev. Thomas Connors of this parish and Rev. Father Notabart of the church of Our Lady of Victory.

At the close of the services Miss Fanny Moran sang a solo, with much feeling, "A Message from the Sacred Heart." Interment was at Holy Sepulchre cemetery, the last blessing being given by Revs. J. P. Kiernan and Dr. Green. The bearers were Messrs. James Malcolm, John McDermott, Bernard Dunn, James Kennedy, Patrick Healy, and William Whitelocke. The floral offerings were numerous and beautiful, and testified in a most touching manner the high esteem in which the deceased was held by her large circle of friends.

Among the many beautiful floral tributes were a standard and star from Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Golding; Hosi Co. L. wreath, Chela Malcomb and Boone, standard and anchor; Miss O'Meara, palms and roses; Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Fox, wreath; Catherine Wells, cut flowers; Mrs. George Gelsmar, potted plant; Misses Sate and Monie McCort, ivy wreath and roses; Mrs. Charles E. Hall, potted plant; Mr. Harry A. Zimmerman, cut flowers; Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Hensberger, wreath; Mrs. B. Hoffman, cut flowers; Mr. and Mrs. Loris, wreath; Hook and Ladder company, No. 4 standard and cross; Misses K. Cawley and M. Simmons, spray of roses; Mrs. John Weiss, wreath; Messrs. Staub and Corrigan and girls, standard anchor; Mr. and Mrs. George W. Aldridge, wreath; Mrs. F. G. Patchen, spray of roses.

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## CATHOLIC SOCIETIES.

What is Transpiring in the Different Parishes.

Another pleasant evening was spent at the headquarters of Auxiliary 3, D. of E. in their rooms, Deane building, on Friday evening. After several games of polo, of which Miss Alice Ryan carried off the first prize and Mrs. Lynch the "hooby," the members and friends sat down to a sumptuous lunch, after which Mr. Peter Arthur and Mr. Welch highly entertained the members and visitors with songs and comic paraphrases, in which Mr. Walsh proved him to be no amateur, but able to compete with any of the leading vaudeville mimics. This, together with the skillful management of Medames Dixon, Goezman, McGrath and the Colston sisters, helped in no small way to make the entertainment a success. We were also glad to see with us many members of the Rifle company, and sorry that the rush of work at the holidays prevented more of them from being present with us. However, we thank all who helped, and hope to meet them all again after the new year.

At the last meeting of Company A two new members were admitted, and after a formal introduction of the new recruits the members decided that as the coming new year will mark the close of the century, they would keep the headquarters open for the members, where they can meet and watch the old year out and the new year in, and enjoy themselves before and after going to church by a quiet smoker for themselves and a few of their intimate friends, and they expect all comrades will be present at headquarters, as it is only natural to believe they will not all meet at the headquarters as the close of the next century. However, while we are here, let us live with the days joyous, and hopeful that each tomorrow may find us better than today.

**MATINEE RECEPTION.**

The West Side Dancing Club gave a most enjoyable matinee reception and ball at its hall, over No. 24 1-2 West avenue, Monday afternoon. About one hundred couples were on the floor during the afternoon. Those in charge were: Musical director, Thomas Cook; secretary and treasurer, Andrew Erhardt; manager, E. M. Nourse. The club will give another matinee dance on New Year's Day.

The Social Five are to hold a grand ball and cake walk at Fitzhugh hall New Year's night.

**JOSEPH P. DORRY.**

Joseph P., son of Mr. and Mrs. James Dorry of Churchville, died at the family residence in that village on Monday last. The young man was born in Brookport in 1878, but early removed to Churchville. After attending St. Mary's parochial school he spent four years at St. Andrew's preparatory seminary. He then went to Mt. St. Joseph seminary at Cincinnati, Ohio. While studying there his health gave out, but several months spent in the Adirondacks seemed to restore it. He returned to the St. Joseph seminary, but two weeks ago he returned to Churchville. His death inflicts a sore loss upon his parents, four brothers and four sisters, who survive him.

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