

CITY PARISH NEWS.

Interesting Budget of Happenings Gathered by Our City Reporters.

ST. MARY'S

Resolutions on the death of Father Kiernan were adopted by the following: C. M. B. A., L. C. B. A., the trustees, Santa Maria Reading circle, Young Men's Bible class and the choir.

Masses for Father Kiernan have been as follows: Monday, at 7.15, by the 4th grade children; Tuesday, at 7.15, L. C. B. A., Branch 246; Wednesday, 7.15, Santa Maria Reading circle; Friday, 7.15, A Friend; Saturday, 7.15, the choir. Next week, Monday, at 7.15, Rosary Society; Tuesday, 7.15, Willing Helpers; Wednesday, 8 o'clock, Band 2 of the Rosary society.

The children will receive their first communion to-morrow at the 8.30 o'clock mass.

The confirmation class has been organized. Any one wishing to join will please make application immediately. Confirmation will take place June 17.

Father Sheridan of the Syracuse diocese will act as Father Connor's assistant until a pastor has been appointed.

The school collection taken up last Sunday was the largest ever received.

Confessions will be heard every morning from 6.30 until 7.15 o'clock in order to give those who have not made their Easter duty an opportunity to do so.

ST. BRIDGET'S

We are pleased to see Father Hendrick out again after his illness.

Father Bresnihan of Churchville, a welcome visitor at St. Bridget's, was at the rectory Wednesday.

Rev. Dr. Ryan of St. Bernard's seminary celebrated the 9 o'clock mass and preached at the 10 o'clock service last Sunday, on account of the illness of Father Hendrick.

The May party given under the auspices of the Young Men's society last Tuesday was a very pleasant affair and well attended.

Next Sunday is communion Sunday for the men and boys.

A high mass of requiem was celebrated Friday morning at 8 o'clock for Father Kiernan.

A requiem mass was celebrated Saturday at 8 a. m. for Mrs. Ellen Riley, late member of the Purgatorial society.

Our school children are preparing to give a fine entertainment at the close of the school year. It will take place at St. Michael's hall.

At the last meeting of Branch 27, L. C. B. A., four new members were initiated. After the meeting a card party took place. Three prizes were given and won by Mrs. Newman, Mrs. Arker and Miss Helena Carroll.

John Geraghty of Chicago was the guest of his sisters, the Misses Geraghty of Joseph avenue, this week.

Miss Murray of Ithaca is the guest of Miss Margaret Rauber of Gorham street.

The fortnightly Pedro club will meet at the home of Miss Lucy Fitzgerald next Monday evening.

CORPUS CHRISTI.

There was a seventh day requiem mass celebrated on Monday morning at 10 o'clock in this church for Rev. James P. Kiernan.

Branch 139, C. M. B. A., received three applications for membership at their last meeting.

Mr. and Mrs. John McFarlin of Scio street are rejoicing over the advent of a young daughter, born on May 20th.

The funeral of Mrs. William Sidney was held from the family residence, No. 46 Pennsylvania avenue, on Wednesday morning at 10 o'clock, and at 10.30 from this church. The mass was celebrated by Rev. J. J. Leary.

On Tuesday morning at 8 o'clock there was a requiem high mass celebrated for John Glanton. This mass was offered up by Branch 139, C. M. B. A.

Next Wednesday morning at 5.30 Branch 251, L. C. B. A., will have a requiem mass offered up for the repose of the soul of the late Rt. Rev. James P. Kiernan.

In memory of Very Rev. James P. Kiernan Branch 251, L. C. B. A., have adopted suitable resolutions.

As the next regular meeting of Branch 251, L. C. B. A., falls on Decoration day, it will be postponed to the following night.

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION.

The Forty Hours' devotion came to a most successful close Wednesday morning, many hundreds of people having availed themselves of the opportunity of receiving unusual blessings. Sunday evening vespers and benediction were held with an interesting sermon by the Rev. Father Brophy.

Services were held Ascension Thursday.

A large class of children will receive their first communion in June.

The pupils of Sister M. Austin gave a very pleasing recital in the school hall Thursday evening.

Miss Mame Commerford is visiting friends in New York city.

The Aid Society will entertain with cards Monday evening.

CATHEDRAL.

On Saturday morning of last week a requiem mass, the request of the pupils of Nazareth academy, was offered at the convent chapel for the repose of the soul of Father Kiernan. During this week the masses at this church for the repose of the soul of Father Kiernan have been as follows: On Monday at 6 a. m. a mass, the request of the School Alumni association; on Tuesday, at 8.30 a. m., a mass, the request of the pupils of the Cathedral school; on Wednesday, at 7 a. m., a mass, the request of the choir; on Friday, at 6 a. m., a mass, the request of St. Thomas Guild, and on Saturday, at 7 a. m., a mass, the request of the priests of the cathedral. On next Monday, at 7 a. m., a mass, the request of the Rochester Catholic Reading Circle, will be celebrated.

The commencement exercises of the Nazareth Academy are announced for the evening of June 19th.

The Rochester Catholic Reading Circle met Friday evening, at which time the following resolutions were adopted: The members of the Rochester Catholic Reading Circle meet in sincerest sorrow to express their sense of personal grief in the death of Father Kiernan. The closing of this perfect life has been to us the loss of a friend of the truest sort, a guide and an inspiration.

Earnestly devoted to whatever tended to further the best interests of Catholic education and culture, his influence has been widely and constantly felt in the Reading Circle movement. In our own circle, from its beginning until so recently, he was the loved and honored leader, giving encouragement always in wise suggestion and ready sympathy, so that the thought of his presence will ever be a cherished memory to us.

Thanking God for the abiding influence of his beautiful life, we bow with unquestioning resignation, even in the spirit of him we mourn, before the Divine will. Let it be our privilege to assist at the sacrifice of the mass on Monday morning, May 28th, at 7 o'clock, as a last tribute to one who must be chiefly remembered as the perfect priest of God.

'They murmur on earth 'De profundis,' The low chant is mingled with sighs; 'Laudate' rings out through the heavens, 'The dead priest hath won his faith's prize.' Mrs. John B. O'Connor, Corlaine L. Mahon, Anna J. Casey, committee.

On Thursday, the feast of the Ascension, the masses at the Cathedral were at 5.30, 6.15, 7, 8 and 9.30 a. m. The 8 o'clock mass was celebrated by the Rt. Rev. Bishop, and a large class of boys and girls received their first holy communion.

ST. BONIFACE.

Mr. George Schwab and Miss Lillian A. Nunnold, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Nunnold, were united in marriage last Tuesday evening at St. Boniface church. The ceremonies were performed by Rev. Frederik Rauber. They will be at home after June 15th at 12 Comfort street.

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PERSONALS.

Miss Hendrick, whose poem 'The Soiling of the Green' was recently published in the Boston Pilot and Catholic Journal, has received a complimentary letter from the Boer Envoys, through their secretary M. de Bruyn.

GATES WILL BE CLOSED.

Beginning Sunday, the gates of Ontario Beach park will be closed for the summer season, and the former admission fee of 10 cents will be charged for those not going on the Central trains. The season will open to-morrow.

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