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CITY PARISH NEWS.

(Interesting Budget of Happenings Gathered by Our City Reporter)

CORPUS CHRISTI.

Sunday, being the third Sunday of the month, the usual collection for the school will be taken up at all the masses. Envelopes were distributed on Sunday for this purpose.

Wednesday, Friday and Saturday of next week are ember days, and therefore fast days.

The names of those contributing to the coal fund were distributed on Sunday.

The coal collection for 1901 amounted to \$203.

On Wednesday evening Branch 251, L. C. B. A. held their annual nomination and election of officers with the following result: President, Miss Mary Molloy; first vice president, Mrs. J. Hehir; second vice president, Miss Anna Conlon; recorder, Miss Ella Molloy; assistant recorder, Miss Alice McCaffrey; financial secretary, Charlotte O'Grady; treasurer, Miss Nellie Gallary; marshal, Mrs. Mary Mahon; guard, Mrs. Mary Frawley; trustees, Mrs. Mary Casey, Mrs. Elizabeth Foley. Hereafter the regular meetings of Branch 251, L. C. B. A., will be held on the second and fourth Wednesdays of each month.

At the regular meeting of Branch 129, C. M. B. A., the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Spiritual adviser, Rev. D. J. Curran; chancellor, T. J. Nighan; president, Henry Gallagher; first vice president, R. Hilley; second vice president, George Hauser; recording secretary, John Dunn; assistant recording secretary, A. J. Young; financial secretary, W. L. Peaseley; treasurer, T. Mitchell; marshal, Fred Tyler; guard, M. Legler; trustee, T. J. Nighan, D. Frawley, John Carmody; delegates to Central Council, H. B. Reynolds, John M. Ritz.

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION.

The feast of the Immaculate Conception was celebrated in this church last Sunday with appropriate ceremonies. Solemn high mass was celebrated by Rev. William Gleason, Rev. E. J. Hanna, D. D., acting as deacon and Rev. L. Finley as sub-deacon. Rt. Rev. Bishop McQuaid preached the sermon, being attended by Rev. A. O'Neill, pastor, and Rev. J. M. Rawlinson of St. Mary's. A chorus of sixty voices, accompanied by a full orchestra, provided music.

Rev. Michael M. Meagher Council, C. W. B. L., elected the following officers Thursday evening: Chancellor, Mrs. Ella Curran; president, Mrs. B. Youman; first vice president, Mrs. E. Hughes; orator, Miss Mary Donovan; secretary, Miss Kittie Griffin; collector, Miss Margaret Powell; treasurer, Miss Jennie McGill; marshal, Miss M. Stroger; guard, Mrs. O'Callaghan; trustees, Mrs. McGuire, Mrs. Donovan, Mrs. O'Neill.

During the last week \$550.50 was paid toward the subscription.

Anna Birmingham, daughter of the late John and Mary Birmingham, died Sunday at the family residence, 21 Glasgow street. The funeral took place on Tuesday morning at 9 o'clock.

The funeral of Mrs. Catherine Hogan was held from the residence of her brother, John Jaeger, No. 98 Clinton street, on Wednesday morning at 9 o'clock.

A Month's Mind mass was offered up on Monday morning for Mrs. Ann Dolan, and on Saturday morning for James McCaffrey.

To-morrow the 25 cent school collection will be taken up.

Sunday will be Communion Sunday for the Children of Mary. There will also be a meeting in the afternoon after vespers.

Miss Minnie Harper and Mr. William Purcell were married Nov. 27th by Rev. William Gleason. Mr. and Mrs. Purcell will reside in Buffalo.

Mrs. M. A. Ferguson and James Nellis of Milwaukee, Wis., were united in marriage on Monday last.

At the entertainment given Thanksgiving \$205.60 was realized.

BLESSED SACRAMENT.

There was a meeting of those interested in the success of the carnival to be given for one week commencing January 20th, at Fitzhugh hall, on Monday evening last at St. Mary's hall. Although the weather was unfavorable there was a large attendance. There will be another meeting on Monday evening at the same place. One of the tables will be in charge of St. Mary's alumni. Mayor Rodenbeck will open the carnival. It is expected that Mrs. Roosevelt will send an article to be disposed of at the carnival. There will be music each evening, also a musical programme which will be varied each night. Luncheon will be served each day from 11.30 until 2 o'clock, and dinner from 6 to 8. The contestants for the prize doll are Mable Gay, Teresa McGrath, Catherine Fitzgerald and Marion Kohl.

HOLY MASSES.

Rev. Charles S. Hoff, C. B. R., son of Joseph Hoff, 179 Hudson avenue, celebrated his first solemn high mass at the Holy Redeemer church last Sunday at 10.30 o'clock. The Knights of St. Louis, together with the school children dressed in white and carrying natural lilies in their hands, and the boys' Angelus guard formed a procession of escort for the young priest from the parochial residence to the church. Many flowers and garlands were placed around the church, and it was a pretty sight to behold. Relatives and friends to the number of 125 occupied reserved seats in the center aisle. As the procession advanced in the church the choir sang "Veni Creator." The officers of the mass were: Celebrant, Rev. Charles S. Hoff; Rev. E. Oberholzer, M. R., arch-deacon; Rev. Joseph Schuon, deacon; Rev. Joseph Straub of Springfield, Ill., sub-deacon; Rev. Joseph Miller, Webster, N. Y., and Rev. Jacob Staub masters of ceremonies. In the sanctuary were the following clergymen: Rev. Dr. Wirth and Maguire; Rev. Peter Eitel, J. E. Schellhorn, L. Hoff-schneider, T. Szadinski and Brother Ignatius from Ilchester, Md. Rev. William Kessel, rector of St. Joseph's church, preached an eloquent sermon on the "Priesthood and Its Trials," which touched the hearts of the people very much. Father Hoff administered holy communion to his relatives, and after the mass blessed the whole congregation, after which the Te Deum was sung and the procession again formed to escort the clergyman to the parochial residence, where a banquet was tendered the new priest, the visiting clergymen and the family of Rev. C. Hoff, by Rev. F. Oberholzer, who baptized Father Hoff when he was a child. The choir, under the direction of Joseph Hoff-schneider and Mr. Mesmer organist, with the assistance of an orchestra, rendered Ludwig's mass in an excellent manner. A trio, "Ave Maria," by Miss Mary Saunders, Mrs. E. Frank and Frank Mesmer was finely rendered, as were the solos by Frank Mesmer, John Gluck, Miss Saunders and Mrs. Frank. Solemn high vespers was sung by Father Hoff at St. Joseph's church at 7.30 o'clock. The deacon was Rev. L. Schwab; sub-deacon, Rev. J. Dango; master of ceremonies, Rev. I. Schmitt.

The funeral of Joseph Stahley of Clifford street will take place to day at 8 o'clock.

The funeral of Mrs. Mary Weiden-born will be held at 9 o'clock this morning.

CATHEDRAL.

The many admirers of Mr. Henry Austin Adams will be delighted to know that another opportunity of hearing him lecture will be afforded them at Cathedral hall on January 30th. His subject is not yet announced.

Rev. Dr. Hanna will give the third of his series of lectures before the Nazareth alumnae on Monday evening.

The members of the R. C. R. C. met on last Saturday evening at the home of Miss Louise Moran. The paper was prepared by Miss Frances McIntyre. The date of the next meeting will be announced.

The Perpetual Help society met at the hospital on last Wednesday. Their next meeting will be Wednesday, January 8th.

Rev. Charles Hoff, C. B. R., who was ordained on the 8th inst. at Ilchester college by Cardinal Gibbons, celebrated mass at the Nazareth chapel on Monday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Barry, Jr., arrived in Rochester on Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Austin Brennan of New York are the guests of Rochester friends.

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Branch 62, L. C. B. A., elected the following officers at a regular meeting held Thursday evening, Dec. 5th. Spiritual adviser, Rev. Dr. Sinclair; past president, Anna Brueckel; president, Elizabeth Christie; first vice president, M. Reichenberger; second vice president, Mrs. Sprague; recorder, Louise Bilger; assistant recorder, Lena Renaud; financial secretary, Louise Mayer; treasurer, Lena Boppel; marshal, Catherine Baum; guard, Anna Foss; trustees, Anna Zuern, Theresa Schreiner, Victoria Kuder, Mary Renner, and Maria Clay; board of appeals, past presidents A. Stellwagen, E. Meyers and Elizabeth Christie.

Forty Hours devotion was opened in this church on Friday morning, Dec. 6th, with high mass at 6 a. m., closing Sunday evening with procession of the school children. A special feature of the exposition was the beautifully decorated altars.

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