

CITY PARISH NEWS

Interesting Budget of Happenings Gathered by Our City Reporters

Cathedral Notes.
Sunday, 22d, Communion Sunday for the Boy's Society of the Blessed Sacrament. Meeting of the Young Ladies' Sodality in the evening.

Wednesday 25th—Christmas Day, Holiday of Obligation. Masses as usual on Sunday. Mass at midnight and Solemn Pontifical mass at 10.30.

December 24th will be a fast day. Sunday 22d—First Sunday of the new year quarter on which day tickets for the midnight mass may be obtained.

Sunday 22d—Meeting of the District Committees at 4 o'clock in the Socially Hall. All are earnestly requested to attend this meeting.

Immaculate Conception.

Last Sunday at the meeting of the Young Ladies' Sodality, Rev. Father O'Hern of the Cathedral, described in very interesting words, the catechisms in which the early Christians held their services and buried their dead. To make it more interesting he showed the young ladies, pictures of the catacombs.

Cecilia Toole of Frost Avenue, was buried from this church on Monday morning.

Mrs. Fleming died at the residence of John Berrigan, 5 Kenmore Street Sunday evening. Mrs. Fleming was buried from this church on Wednesday morning.

At the meeting of the Young Men's Society next Sunday afternoon Rev. Father O'Neil will give a stereopticon lecture.

St. Michael's.
Sunday morning at 7 o'clock Mass the men and young men of the parish are invited to Communion.

The annual Christmas envelopes will be taken up Christmas morning. The Requiem Masses for this week were for Mrs. Munn and Mrs. Wahl.

The Masses for Christmas will be at midnight; Mass at 7:30, 9:15 and Solemn High Mass at 10:30.

The funeral of Mrs. Stophany took place Monday morning at 9 o'clock.

The funeral of Mr. Meisch took place Tuesday morning at 9 o'clock.

The funeral of Mr. Strebis, who died in Johnstown last Tuesday, was buried Thursday morning at 9 o'clock. Interment was at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery.

HOLY ROSARY.

The following officers were elected in Branch 546, L. C. B. A.: Spiritual adviser, Rev. Father Van Neas; past president, Mrs. Anna Brink; past vice-president, Mrs. Elizabeth Eling; first vice-president, Miss Christina Eilers; second vice-president, Mrs. Ester Downs; recorder, Mrs. Barbara Ludwig; assistant recorder, Miss Rose Gelsen; financial secretary, Miss Mary Sullivan; treasurer, Miss Theresa Spengler; marshal, Miss Mary Cook; guard, Mrs. Sophia Poo; trustees, Mrs. Anna Hatz, Mrs. Sophia Rogers, Miss Grace Sullivan, Mrs. Margaret Knope.

St. Boniface.

Next Tuesday will be the regular meeting of St. Joseph's Society. Requiem Masses were said this week for J. Ritz, A. Gutberlet, P. Schurr, A. Balzer and A. Beikirch.

The Staats-Verband mass meeting last Sunday evening was largely attended. Some very interesting addresses were made by A. Sigi, F. Horn, Rev. Eitel of St. Bernard's Seminary, F. Kluber, H. R. Glynn and Jos. Young.

St. Mary's.

The regular monthly meeting of the Confraternity of Mary was held Sunday afternoon in the church hall. Our 100 members were present at the meeting. Rev. E. A. Rawlinson, the spiritual adviser of the Society, delivered an interesting and instructive conference.

On Feb. 3 the following members assisted by their hands will entertain the Confraternity: Miss Kate O'Callahan, Miss G. McCort, Miss Laura Kester and Miss T. McGuire.

It was also decided on to present a play some time in February. There will be a special meeting Sunday morning after 9 o'clock Mass in the hall. The object of the meeting is to nominate officers for 1908.

Monday morning at 7 o'clock an anniversary Mass was read for Mr. and Mrs. Jeremiah Trant.

A Requiem Mass was celebrated for Mrs. Cherry Friday morning.

Robert McComb of Priem St. died Tuesday evening after a long illness. He was a graduate of the class of 1881 from St. Mary's School and was an active member of the Alumni. He possessed a kind and loving disposition and had many friends. He is survived by his mother and two sisters, Mary and Theresa McComb.

St. Joseph's.

Sunday will be monthly conference and communion day for the married men of the Holy Family and monthly communion day for the Sunday School girls.

The first Mass on Christmas Day will be at 5 o'clock. Then will follow Low Masses until 8 o'clock.

The children's Mass will be as usual at 9 o'clock and there will be a Solemn High Mass and sermon at 10:30 o'clock. In the evening at 7:30 o'clock there will be Solemn Vespers and Benediction. Confessions will be heard on Tuesday afternoon and evening. The members of the choir have been making special efforts, and it is said that the music on Christmas will be out of the ordinary.

This year special preparations are being made to make Christmas a day of joy for the poor, especially the children. Those who may wish to assist are requested to communicate with the rectory.

The usual quarterly meeting of the C. Y. M. A. will be held in the club rooms on Thursday evening.

St. Bridget's.

A month's mind Mass was celebrated Monday at 7.30 a. m. for Mrs. Mary Curtin, and Thursday at the same hour an anniversary Mass was celebrated for Sister Mary Alphonia Rampe.

The Confessions of the children who have not made their First Communion, were heard Wednesday afternoon.

Wednesday, Friday and Saturday being Ember days, were days of fasting and abstinence. Next Tuesday, being Christmas eve, will be a fast day.

Wednesday, Christmas day, Masses will be celebrated at midnight, 7:30, 8, 9 and 10:30 a. m. Solemn High Mass will be celebrated at midnight and at 10:30 a. m.

There will be no meeting of the Advisory Senate, L. C. B. A. this month.

Branch 27, L. C. B. A., held their meeting Friday evening. Arrangements were made for installation of officers Jan. 3, 1908.

The dramas given Monday and Friday evenings were very entertaining and well attended. We extend our thanks to those outside the parish who rendered assistance.

James Heveron of Emmet St. has accepted a position in the Postoffice as postal clerk. We wish him success in his new undertaking. In severing his connections with the office employees of Garson & Meyer, Mr. Heveron was presented with a handsome silk umbrella and two military brushes as a mark of esteem of his associates.

Sunday will be communion day for the men and boys of the parish. The choir is preparing some special music for Christmas.

The Misses Geraghty are spending the holiday vacation with relatives in Chicago.

Miss B. O'Rourke is visiting friends in Buffalo.

School closed Friday for the Christmas vacation.

SS. Peter and Paul.

Midnight Mass will be celebrated on Christmas eve and the other Masses on Christmas day will be the same as on Sundays. The choir has prepared special music for the occasion.

The H. S. Circle held a quilting party last Tuesday evening at the home of Miss Louise Bilger on Campbell St. Refreshments were served.

Miss Barbara Klier and Miss Regina Stellwagen entertained the J. A. Club with a chicken supper at the home of the latter on Maple St. last Sunday afternoon. Several games were played after supper and the honors were won by Miss Barbara Klier first and Miss Regina Stellwagen second. The music was furnished by a quartette composed of members of the club. Speeches were also made and selections rendered by some of the members of the choir of our church. The club wishes to extend their thanks to Miss Klier and the Stellwagen sisters for the evening's entertainment.

The following officers have been elected by the members of Branch 82, C. M. B. A.: Spiritual adviser, Rev. J. E. Gefell; chancellor, L. Schiltzer; president, J. Strassner; first vice-president, L. Amberg; second vice-president, C. Biedenbach; recording secretary, G. Schwarz; financial secretary, J. Enghlert; treasurer, P. Hargather; marshal, F. Biedenbach; guard, J. Barber; trustees, F. Hargather and F. Miller; delegates, John Strassner and Joseph Kraft.

Mrs. Elizabeth Dengler died last Sunday morning at her home, 316 Brown St., aged 63 years. She leaves her husband, one son. The funeral was held Tuesday morning at 8:30 from the house and at 9 o'clock from the church. Requiem Mass was celebrated by Rev. J. E. Gefell.

Corpus Christi.

Branch 139, C. M. B. A., will hold their regular meeting on Tuesday evening.

The Young Ladies' Sodality will hold a pedro party and social on Friday evening in the church hall.

Branch 251, L. C. B. A., will hold their regular meeting on Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock.

Following the annual custom Solemn High Mass will be celebrated at midnight on Christmas eve. Admittance will be by ticket only, which will be furnished to pew holders. The choir is preparing special music for this Mass as well as for the Mass on Christmas day. The Masses on Christmas day will be at 7:30, 8:30, 9:30 and 10:30 o'clock.

Chas. H. Crowley, state organizer of the C. M. B. A., has secured a class of forty-five candidates for the C. M. B. A. branch in Geneseo.

The initiation of this large class was held on Monday evening. District Deputy A. J. Young of Branch 139, C. M. B. A., was present and was one of the officers in charge of the initiation. Grand Secretary Ryan, as well as several of the other grand officers, were present.

Holy Family.

The Knights of St. Theodore and the Ladies' Auxiliary No. 18, are preparing for an elaborate banquet, to take place on the second Tuesday in January at the school hall.

The collection for the Home of the Aged amounted to \$500.

Five Minute Sermon

John's Mission and Preaching.

Isaias, in foretelling that the valleys would be filled up, the mountains made low, and the crooked ways straight, announced that the grace of God would remove all obstacles that make our salvation difficult; that by means of grace the weak and lowly would be filled with heavenly strength; that the proud would be humbled; that the erring would return to the straight path; that our affections would be regulated and our passions overcome. The history and annals of the Church show that this prophecy has been fulfilled.

We are to learn from all this that we should be strengthened in our holy faith by considering that everything regarding it had been prepared, foretold, and completed by the wisdom, power, and goodness of God. We should also learn from the words of St. John that the only means of participating in the graces of the nativity of Our Lord is to do sincere penance for sins committed, reform our ways, and return to God with all the affections of our heart.

Weekly Church Calendar

Sunday December 22—Gospel, St. Luke, iii, 1-16—St. Zeno, martyr.
Monday 23—St. Victoria, virgin and martyr.
Tuesday 24—SS. Thrasilla and Emilaina, fast.
Wednesday 25—Christmas.
Thursday 26—St. Stephen, first martyr.
Friday 27—St. John, apostle and evangelist.
Saturday 28—The Holy Innocents, martyr.

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| Blackboards—69c value—at 50c. | Moving Picture Machines, \$19.00 value—at \$17.25. |
| Shoo-Fly Rocking Horses, \$2.00 value—at \$1.00. | Tool Chests, regularly 25c—special at 15c. |
| Shoo-Fly Rocking Horses, \$1.75 value—at \$1.20. | Tool Chests, regularly 39c—special at 25c. |
| Shoo-Fly Rocking Horses, \$1.50 value—at \$1.10. | Tool Chests, regularly \$1.00—special at 70c. |
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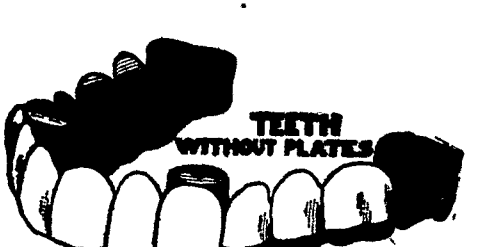
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