

CITY PARISH NEWS

Interesting Budget of Happenings
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ST. BRIDGET'S.

Father Kavanaugh made an earnest appeal to the congregation in behalf of the Easter collection.

The amounts raised by the different band leaders and their assistants amounted to over three thousand dollars.

Wednesday was the feast of the Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin.

The subject of the sermon on Wednesday evening was "Is Marriage a Failure?"

Thursday at 7:30 a.m. a requiem mass was celebrated for Mrs. Catherine Troy, at the request of the Rosary Society.

Friday morning at 7:30 an anniversary mass was celebrated for Mrs. Ann McFadden.

A meeting of the Senate of the L.C.B.A. was held Monday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. John Phillips of Chicago were visiting friends here this week. Mrs. Phillips was formerly a member of this parish.

Mrs. J.C. Fee entertained a few friends at luncheon Saturday in honor of Miss Bertie O'Rourke, who expects to sail for Europe, Easter Saturday.

The Library Basket donated to the Class of 1906 was worn by Miss Elizabeth Elliott.

CORPUS CHRISTI.

An anniversary high mass of requiem was celebrated on Monday morning at 8 o'clock for Mrs. Bridget Slattery.

The diagram of the pews will be distributed to the congregation on Sunday at all the masses.

Extensive preparations are being made for the Easter festival to be held in the church hall Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday evenings of Easter week. It is some time since anything of this sort has been attempted and everyone should try and make this a most successful undertaking.

SS. PETER & PAUL'S.

A month's mind requiem mass was said on Monday morning for Rev. Dr. Sinclair.

On Wednesday morning, the feast of the Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary, a high mass was celebrated for the members of the Woman's Society.

On Thursday morning a requiem mass was said for Rev. John Ege, at the request of Br. C. R. of St. Mary's College, North L.C.B.A. The Branch adopted resolutions on the death of Father Ege at the last meeting and a copy was sent to the family.

A large number of members of this parish attended the funeral of Rev. Father Ege last Monday morning. The members of the Y. M. C. C. acted as honorary bearers. Rev. E. J. Gefell and Rev. F. Schied were among the active bearers.

HOLY FAMILY.

The funeral of Sophia Frank took place from her late residence on Colvin street, Saturday morning at 9:15 from the house and 9 from the church. Solemn requiem mass was celebrated by Rev. D. Laurenzis M.R., assisted by Rev. J. Gefell as deacon and Rev. A. Ziegler as sub-deacon.

The funeral of Anna Mary Geoltz took place from the home of her parents Saturday morning at 7:30 from the house and at 8 o'clock from the church.

The funeral of Ursella Gallisdofer took place from the home of her grand-daughter on Hague St. Monday morning at 8:30 from the house and at 9 o'clock from the church.

ST. BONIFACE.

St. Herman's Benevolent Society will meet next Wednesday evening at the school hall.

The boys of the Christian Doctrine Class will receive holy communion next Sunday morning at 8:30 o'clock mass.

Extra collection will be taken up next Sunday for the benefit of the new school hall.

Requiem masses were said this week for A. Rothmund, Mr. and Mrs. Schwert and one offered by St. Anthony's Society.

Republican State Convention

Special rates to New York and return April 9th and 10th. \$10.25 via New York Central, \$9.35 via West Shore R. R. Tickets good returning until April 13th. City Ticket Office, 20 State Street.

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CATHEDRAL.

Sunday evening a sermon will be delivered by Rev. Father George V. Burns on "Devotion to Blessed Virgin."

Wednesday evening, April 1st, sermon on "Matrimony" by Rt. Rev. T.F. Hickey.

First Friday devotions next week. Masses at 6, 7, 7:30 and 8 o'clock.

Confession will be heard next Thursday afternoon and evening. Stations of the Cross Friday evening.

On Sunday, April 5th, a retreat for the men will open. All men are earnestly requested to attend.

ST. MICHAEL'S.

Sunday morning at the 7:30 o'clock mass the members of the C.Y.M.C. will receive communion in a body; also the young men of the parish.

Requiem masses were said this week for Mr. and Mrs. Wolff, Agnes Rolland and Mrs. Margaret Shug.

Regular meeting of the Young Ladies Sodality will take place Sunday after vespers.

Branch 104, L.C.B.A. extends sympathy to their financial secretary, Elizabeth Ege, on the death of her brother, Rev. John Ege.

The funeral of Rev. John Ege, formerly assistant rector of St. Peter and Paul's church, who died recently in Redlands, Cal., was held Monday morning from this church. Many priests were present in the sanctuary. Rev. Emil Cefell and Rev. Michael Krieger chanted the office of the dead. Father M. J. Thies of Dunkirk, cousin of the deceased, celebrated the solemn requiem high mass assisted by Rev. J.A. Thies, C.S.S.R. of St. Mary's College, North East, Pa., as deacon, and Rev. D. Laurenzis of Holy Family church as sub-deacon. Rev. Matthias J. Hargather was master of ceremonies. Members of the clergy acted as bearers and interment was in Holy Sepulchre Cemetery.

ST. MARY'S.

Special meeting of the Confraternity of Mary Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock in the church hall. All members are requested to be present.

An illustrated lecture on "Ben Hur" by Rev. Joseph S. Cameron will be given on Monday evening April 27th, at St. Mary's hall in South St., under the auspices of the Confraternity of Mary. The proceeds will be used for the poor of the parish.

A Pretty Easter Gift

Baby's photograph or yourself taken by A. L. Lehnker at 24 State St., over White Kitchen.

Weekly Church Calendar

Sunday March 29—Gospel, St. John, vi, 1-15—St. Jonas and Companions, martyr.
Monday 30—St. Climacus, abbot.
Tuesday 31—Bl. Nicholas Van de Flue, confessor.
Wednesday April 1—St. Hugh, bishop and confessor.
Thursday 2—St. Francis of Paola, confessor.
Friday 3—The Most Precious Blood.
Saturday 4—St. Isidore, bishop, confessor and doctor.

Forty Hours Devotion

The devotion of the "Forty Hours" will be held in the churches of the diocese of Rochester as follows:
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Five Minute Sermon

The Miracle of the Loaves and Fishes

We must admire the great desire of the multitude to hear the words of Christ and to be with Him—a desire that caused them to undergo willingly the fatigue and inconvenience of the journey and to lay aside their worldly cares. We must deplore the negligence of so many Christians, who show no desire to follow Christ in the way of salvation and to hear His word announced by His ministers.

The multiplication of the bread in the desert and at the time when Easter was near at hand is said by Catholic theologians to be a figure of the Blessed Sacrament with which the whole Christian church would celebrate the Christian Easter, and which would feed and nourish the whole world in the desert of this life, as the multitude was fed beyond the Jordan, in feeding that multitude Christ enlightened our faith, increased our gratitude, and favored us in favoring them.

We should learn to give thanks when we take our meals. As the people received the food from the hands of Christ, so also do we receive it from God alone in the ordinary way of His providence, for without His blessing the earth would be barren and unproductive. Jesus then thanked the Eternal Father for having placed Him in such a situation as to provide for the people by a miracle that would benefit both their souls and bodies. In the same manner must we thank God when we are able to assist the poor, and the most sincere and meritorious thanksgiving is to be prompt and generous in helping them for God's sake.

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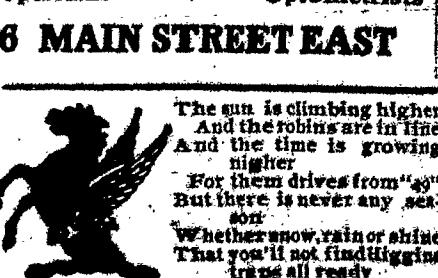
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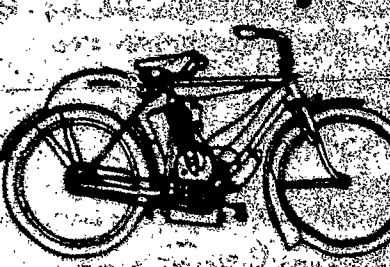
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