

CITY PARISH NEWS

Interesting Budget of Happening Gathered by Our City Reporters

ST. PETER & PAUL'S

On Tuesday morning at 8 o'clock, a requiem mass was said for Rev. Dr. Sinclair.

On Saturday a high mass, was celebrated for the members of the Altar Society.

Our schools closed and the children are enjoying their Christmas vacation.

After the meeting last of Br. 62 several games of pedro were played and the prizes were won by Mrs. Margaret Ochs, Miss Mamie Rausch, Margaret Regar and Louise Meyers.

Solemn high mass was celebrated at midnight and at half past ten o'clock on Christmas day. At the opening of midnight mass, the male chorus sang Holy night, with Miss Yawman and Miss M. Vay rendering the solo parts.

St. Mary's

The regular meeting of Branch 246 of the L. C. B. A. which was to be held on Jan. 1st, will be postponed until Saturday evening, Jan. 2. The installation will take place on the third Friday of Jan.

A pedro party will be held at the residence of Miss Alice Monahan 33 Hamilton St. on Wednesday evening Dec. 30.

The last regular meeting of the Confraternity was held last Sunday afternoon. There was a large attendance.

ST. FRANCIS XAVIER

First annual reception and dance of St. Francis Xavier Alumni Association will be given at the parish hall, Thursday evening Jan. 7th.

HOLY ROSARY

A committee elected December 7th by the parishioners of Holy Rosary church, in Lexington Ave. lately finished its work by turning over to Rev. J. G. VanNess a testimonial of their sympathy and a purse of \$1,119.75. Father VanNess has been ill for some time and the doubly acceptable token of love and sympathy affected him greatly. He wishes to thank all those persons who combined in making the gift.

On the committee were J. H. Weis, president; L. J. Kelly, sec.; F. J. Nugent, treasurer; Rev. Father Fitzsimons, and Messrs. Ryan, Herron, Julian, Yauchzi, Feeley, Downs, Eilers, Hobson, Shannon, Lechleitner, Ragen, Smith, Yauchzi, Sullivan, Cook and Culhane. The presentation was made on December 15th.

CORPUS CHRISTI

The diagram of the pews will be distributed on Sunday.

An anniversary high mass was celebrated on Wednesday morning at 8 o'clock for Rev. James J. Leary, the first pastor of this church.

Michael Carmody died on Wednesday evening at the family residence 1389 Main St. East aged 71 years. He is survived by one daughter Catherine, four sons John W. James E. Michael F. and Thomas H., all of this city, two sisters and one brother, Mrs. Malloy of Niagara Falls and Bridget and James Carmody of Ireland. Funeral services were held on Saturday morning at 8.30 from the house and at 9 o'clock from the church.

Mrs. Catherine Flynn died Tuesday at her home 200 Scio St. She leaves two sons, Louis J. of Lorkport and Edward J. of this city and two daughters, Mrs. C. Hogan of Medina and M. C. Flynn of Rochester. The funeral services were held on Saturday morning at 9 o'clock from the church.

ST. MICHAEL'S

Sunday at the 7:30 mass the girls of the Christian Doctrine class will receive holy communion.

The requiem masses for this week were for Mary Horsh, Anna Behnlein, William Schacter, Elizabeth Heberger.

The Young Ladies Sodality will have their meeting Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock.

There will be vespers Sunday evening.

St. Boniface

An anniversary high mass was said for Mr. and Mrs. Balzer and the deceased of the family.

Mr. Seibolt our organist is seriously ill we wish him speedy recovery.

We regret to report the death of Mr. Henry Hall who died after a very short illness Thursday morning at his residence in Sanford St. aged 66 years. Mr. Hall

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was trustee of our church for over 12 years. He leaves his wife one daughter Mrs. Hackett and one son Jos. Hall.

Cathedral

The Boy's Sodality of the Blessed Sacrament is invited to receive holy communion Sunday.

Monday was Bishop Hickey's feast day and in honor of the occasion the school children presented an entertainment for the bishop in the parish hall.

The Cathedral Grammar and high schools closed Tuesday and will reopen after a vacation of two weeks.

Under Frank J. Houghes direction the Dramatic Circle is rehearsing a comedy, "Why Smith Left Home." The play will be given about the first week in Jan. New Year's day will be the first Friday in Jan. and confessions will be heard Thursday afternoon and evening.

St. Andrew's Seminary closed Wednesday for a two weeks vacation.

The offering taken up on Christmas day was for the benefit of the orphans.

The funeral of Miss Anna Schubert, who died last Sunday at St. Mary's hospital was held Wednesday morning in Lady Chapel at 10 o'clock. She leaves two sisters Mrs. Samuel H. Rohr and Mrs. Joseph Meyer and two brothers John and Charles Schubert.

BLESSED SACRAMENT

Prayers of the congregation were offered last Sunday for Mrs. Benj. Furlong and Minnie Gay.

The postponed meeting of the Young Ladies Sodality will be held on Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock and of the Holy Name Society on Thursday evening at 7:45.

High masses of requiem were offered on Tuesday for the Foley family of Brighton; and on Wednesday for the Leary family.

The retreat given last week closed last Sunday.

A large number approached the sacraments and the parishioners are to be congratulated on having had Father Sheehan conduct so successful a retreat.

On Tuesday and Wednesday evenings Dec. 29 and 30th the Dramatic Association will present the 3 act comedy David Garrick. It will be preceded by a one act farce, Miss Katherine Burns is the directress and some of the best talent in Rochester have been secured for this well known production. A large number of tickets have already been sold.

Cook Opera House

J. H. Moore will bid farewell to the old year and welcome the new year with the kind of a vaudeville bill that has made both the name of Moore, and the Cook Opera House, so well and favorably known to the amusement seekers of Rochester. The two principle stars on the bill are W. C. Field, the famous juggler comedian, and S. Miller Kent, who will present for the first time in this city his new comedy skit "Marriage in a Motor Car." The two star acts run to comedy, as well as Charles Kenna, the "Farrir," who will bring an entire new line of talk; Conroy, LeMaire & Co., who are appearing in Rochester for the first time in their whiteface and blackface comedy "A King for a Night," and the A. B. C. D. Girls, who have a singing and dancing act interspersed with comedy. In the way of acrobatics the management presents LaVeen, Cross & Co., in their scenic production "Roman Sports and Pastimes." Patrons of the Cook Opera House need not be told what the singing feature of the bill is when it is known that Spencer Kelly and Frederick Rose are on the bill. The performance will be opened by Cunningham & Marion, comedy acrobats.

ABURON, N. Y.

The funeral of the late Patrick Doyle took place from the Holy Family church on Monday morning. The services were largely attended by the friends of the deceased. The casket was draped with a large American flag and many fine designs of floral pieces. The funeral mass was read by Rev. E. J. Dwyer of the church, who also conducted the funeral service after the mass. The hearers were all old, friends and members of the G. A. R. of the city. Burial was made in St. Joseph's cemetery.

All of the churches of the city celebrated Christmas day by special music by the choir. The several choirs were augmented by new voices and the music rendered was the finest ever heard in the city. The Christmas sermons that were delivered were the best ever heard. At each of the churches Christmas cribs are on exhibition which remind one of the birth of Our Savior. At the St. Aloysius church the new crib that was presented to the church was shown for the first time.

The Parochial schools of the city are enjoying the weekly vacation in honor of Christmas.

St. Mary's congregation has been presented with a fine statue of St. Sebastian by a donor whose name has been withheld. The purpose of the presentation is for creating interest by the boys of the church to honor St. Sebastian who is a favorite saint with boys. The statue will be formerly presented to the congregation on Jan. 20th with special services.

The funeral of Mrs. Anna Mohr was held from her late home on Monday morning. The services were conducted at St. Mary's church by Rev. Patrick Smyth, who also conducted the burial services. During the mass appropriate solos were sung by the choir. The remains were laid to rest in St. Joseph's cemetery.

Baker Theatre

For New Year's week at the Baker Theatre, Vaughan Glaser and his company are going to play two separate bills; one in the afternoon and one at night. At the matinee which will be on Tuesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday, they will continue what has been one of the most popular plays that they have ever presented, "Little Lord Fauntleroy." This will give all the children who have not had an opportunity of seeing this before of going this week. In the evenings they will present one of the best and most hilarious comedies ever written, "The Man From Mexico."

This week will introduce to Rochester theatregoers two new members of the company, Miss Eliza Warren who will play character parts and dainty Miss Minnie Williams who will be seen in the ingenue roles. The scenic equipment will in every way be up to the Glaser standard and every member of the company will be seen in a congenial part.

St. Mary's Hospital

Patients in Hospital Dec. 1, 1908: 99; admitted, 188; births, 12; deaths, 10; discharged, 124; in hospital Dec. 1, 115.

Charity patients, 18; private, 88; city, county and town, 24; ward pay, 35; total, 115. Total number of calls, 84; hurry, 16; transferred to St. Mary's hospital, 54; homes and stations, 20; other hospitals, 5; not taken, 5.

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Five Minute Sermons

In today's Gospel we are told of the presentation of the young Anna, made when the Child Jesus was presented in the temple in compliance with the law which required the presentation of every first born.

Simon recognized in Jesus Christ the Son of the Holy Father and therefore adored and glorified Him and awaited His blessing and the application of His hands and grace. He then did not bless Christ; he blessed Joseph and Mary, to whom he foretold the heavenly favor and grace relative to their high office and to the arduous duties imposed on them.

Anna said that the Child was indeed the expected Messiah, the Son of God, chosen in our flesh; that He came to take away the sins of the world and to redeem the human race from the slavery of Satan and from eternal death. All this she told in those plain words who, resting on the faith of the patriarchs and trusting in the promises of the prophets, believed and hoped in the Christ to come, unwisdomed from Him the redemption of afflicted Israel.

If we begin from childhood to lead a holy life and persevere, as Simon and Anna did, in good works, we can, like them, present to our breasts Jesus Christ in spirit and truth; we will obtain light, and be able to make Him known to many.

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