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Friday, April 14, 1916.

**Holy Week.**

Catholics are reminded by the march of time that another ecclesiastical year is passing. Advent is passed and Christmas is a memory. The Lenten season of 1916 is nearing its close and Holy Week, the solemn season of all, is upon us.

In the days approaching, we shall re-enact the scenes of Gethsemane, Calvary and the Resurrection. We shall, with Peter rehear the denial of our Lord. We shall re-hear the fickle and cowardly Pilate order Christ to crucifixion and release Barabbas to the misguided mob. We shall travel the Way of the Cross and weep with the saints and martyrs throughout the Savior's agony. We shall feel a shudder through our very souls as He gives up the ghost.

And then will come the watch beside the Holy Sepulcher and the joys of Resurrection morn. Surely Catholics are privileged to enjoy real and satisfying religion. How thankful we should be that we are what we are and how earnestly we should strive to make ourselves worthy of the great privilege vouchsafed.

It is the wish of the Catholic Journal that each and all of its readers may realize to the utmost what Holy Week means to the Church and to Catholics in general.

**May It Come True!**

An enthusiastic Catholic gentleman in conversation the other day said: "It may sound like a Utopian dream but Rochester is fast attaining to the position of the best advertised city in the country along certain ideal lines, with its fine hospitals, magnificent churches, wonderful endowed benefactions, a splendid community spirit that the Catholic activities of Rochester may continue to keep step with those of their non-Catholic neighbors. "Already we have one of the great theological seminaries for the education of Catholic students for the priesthood. Our Catholic school system, both primary and secondary, ranks as the very best in the United States. Our churches are magnificent and our parochial equipment, in the main, second to none.

In two respects are we lacking and the generosity of the Catholic laity may be depended upon, I am sure to remedy this in the near future. We need a centrally located Catholic community clearing house, where all can assemble, with gymnasium, swimming pools, a commodious theater and assembly hall, an up-to-date and available library of not only Catholic reading material but stocked with carefully selected reading material of a general nature. This would keep Catholic young men and women in acquaintance with each other and decrease the evil of mixed

marriages. The second need is a Catholic college to which our boys and girls who crave higher education and whose parents would gladly provide were there a Catholic institution located in Rochester to which could go the graduates of the Cathedral high school, Nazareth Academy and Sacred Heart academy. True, this programme would entail expense but there are Catholic men in Rochester whose spare resources combined, could finance, and equip and lay the foundation of an initial endowment of a Catholic Institute and of a Catholic University of Rochester."

The Catholic Journal earnestly hopes that this dream may come true and, if the generous impulses of the Catholic laity of Rochester were touched by the proper person, there is no reason why it could not. Once launched, there is brains and force and financial acumen among the Catholic laity to make the projects as successful, in every way, as those inaugurated by our non-Catholic neighbors.

**Then and Now.**

In view of President Wilson's present predilection toward government armor plate factories and a government owned merchant marine, the following extracts from an article written for the "American Lawyer" by Dr. Woodrow Wilson, of Princeton University, three months after Theodore Roosevelt retired from the White House are certainly illuminating if not interesting at this time:

"A passion for regulative legislation seems to have taken possession of the country of late; but it came upon it so suddenly, so much more like an impulse of impatience than like a deliberate purpose, that there is every indication that the careful thinking upon which it should have been founded will succeed it after it has spent its force, rather than accompany and give form and direction to it.

"Governmental control, which we are undertaking so extensively and with so light a heart, sets up, not a reign of law, but a reign of discretion and individual judgment on the part of Government officials in the regulation of the business of stock companies owned by innumerable private individuals and supplying the chief investments of thousands of communities. I can see no radical difference between governmental ownership and governmental regulation of this discretionary kind. There is no logical stopping place between that and the actual conduct of business enterprises by the Government. Such methods of regulation, it may be safely predicted, will sooner or later be completely discredited by experience."

**Politics.**

It is plain that the American people are to have a surfeit of candidates for the balance of 1916. With an ex-president in the limelight as an avowed candidate for renomination as president; with hundreds of earnest supporters demanding the candidacy of a United States Supreme court judge who steadfastly declines to give even the faintest inkling of his own preferences in the matter; with the renomination of the present incumbent of the executive mansion in the Empire State a self-avowed candidate for renomination and re-election, the voters the Empire State are assured of plenty of political excitement in the next few months.

It is to be hoped that there may be free and open discussion without acerbity or rancor and that liberal decision may be reached that will redound to the best interests and conserve all possible advantages to the people of the entire country and the State of New York.

**Holy Redeemer.**

Sunday morning at the seven o'clock mass the Young Ladies' Sodality will receive Holy Communion in a body.

The funeral of Mrs. Margaret Lintz took place Monday morning at 9 o'clock. She leaves to mourn her loss, her husband, John Lintz; two sons, Edmund and Frederick; two daughters, Delphine and Margaret; two brothers, William Bockringer of San Francisco, Cal., and Julius Bockringer of this city.

On Monday morning at 8 o'clock a requiem mass was said for Alumnus. Tuesday morning at 8 o'clock a month's mind requiem mass was said for Loretta Lintz.

Wednesday morning a week's mind mass was said for Mrs. Margaret Lintz.

Wednesday at 7.30 o'clock there was an English sermon, Rosary and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament and Friday evening Stations of the Cross.

**Resolutions.**

Division No. 7, A. O. H., is again called upon to mourn the loss of a faithful and honored member in the demise of Lawrence G. McGreal. He was ever ready with good counsel and deeds for the welfare of the Ancient Order of Hibernians, and always took an active part in the doings of the organization. Such members are not only a credit to Hibernianism but an example to the younger members.

To the bereaved family we extend our heart felt sympathy.

It is ordered that a copy of this memorial be entered on the minutes and also be published in The Catholic Journal.

Owen Smith  
 Owen Ward  
 W. J. McGrath  
 Committee.

Whereas God in His Infinite Wisdom has been pleased to remove from our midst our beloved brother, Francis J. Hehir, be it

Resolved, That we, the members of Division No. 7, A. O. H., do hereby express our heart felt sorrow and extend to the bereaved family our sincere sympathy for while they mourn the loss of a loved one, we mourn the loss of a faithful member. Be it further Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be entered on the minutes and published in The Catholic Journal.

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**Spring Flowering Bulbs.**

The suggestion of spring is best conveyed by the flowering bulbs at Neun's. You will find rare kinds of tulips, narcissus, hyacinths, lilies of the valley, etc. H. P. Neun, 9 North St., and West Main St., in Hotel Rochester. Adv.

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**Our Question Box.**

Ques. Is it ever allowed to promise under oath, in secret societies or elsewhere, to obey another in whatever good or evil he commands?

Ans. It is never allowed to promise under oath, in secret societies or elsewhere, to obey another in whatever good or evil he commands, for by such an oath he would declare ourselves ready and willing to commit sin, if ordered to do so, while God commands us to avoid even the danger of sinning. Hence, the church forbids us to join any society in which any false religious ceremony or form of worship is used.

In general, we are forbidden to join (1) All societies condemned by the church; (2) all societies of which the object is unlawful and the means used sinful; (3) societies in which any false religious ceremony or form of worship is used.

Ques. Why were not also the moral laws of the Jews abolished when the Christian religion was established?  
 Ans. The moral laws of the Jews could not be abolished by the establishment of the Christian religion because they regard truth and virtue and have been revealed

by God, and whatever God has revealed as true must be always true, and whatever He has condemned as bad in itself, must always be bad.

Ques. Is one religion as good as another if we believe we are serving God?

Ans. That is an excuse which some give for neglecting to seek, and embrace the true religion. Another subterfuge is that we should live in the religion in which we were born. We show that these excuses are false and absurd because (1) It is false and absurd to say we are in error after we have discovered it; (2) because one religion is as good as another if the Jewish religion, nor the apostles have preached against heresy.

Some of the more essential religious truths we must know and believe:

(1) There is but one God, and He will reward the good and punish the wicked.

(2) In God there are three Divine Persons: the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost and these Divine Persons are called the Blessed Trinity.

(3) Jesus Christ, the second Person of the Blessed Trinity, be-

came man and died for our redemption.

(4) The grace of God is necessary for our salvation.

(5) The human soul is immortal.

**They Remember The Missions.**

From the nature of the different alms sent to the mission cause it will be seen that Catholics are learning more and more to remember this branch of Church work in times of especial emotion. Voluntary offerings are frequently contributed, and memorials gifts are not rare.

A grateful daughter sent an offering of twenty dollars in gold for a ciborium in memory of her father, recently deceased. This was his last gift to her, and as a beautiful act of filial devotion she converted it into spiritual help for his soul.

From a mother, who had just lost a dear baby, was received the contents of the little one's bank, three dollars, to purchase some outcasts for a mission orphanage.

A convert sends one dollar each month in gratitude for the gift of faith.