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Great Cathedral In Mexico City In Bad Condition

Foundations Have Crumbled and Repairs Will Probably Cost More Than \$1,000,000—Religious Services Have Been Postponed

Mexico City, Aug. 9.—Mexico City's great Cathedral, the largest and oldest on the American continent, is in a bad state of repair, and the building of religious services in the cathedral has been postponed. It has been closed for weeks, while engineers have been making tests of its foundations. Repairs, it is estimated, will cost approximately \$1,000,000, and it will require about a year to do the work.

Underground currents, which infest Mexico City, have caused much damage. Beneath the Cathedral it is planned to sink great caissons down to the underground currents, and into these pour tons of cement for the combined purpose of damaging the destructive waters and of supplying a solid base for the Cathedral supports.

Once this is done, the workmen will attempt to straighten the inside supports of the building and will try to rectify in some respect the slanting walls. Cracks caused by the settling will be patched later.

The Cathedral, occupying one entire side of the national plaza or Zocalo, is probably the most famous monument of the Conquistadores of New Spain. Started soon after the conquest on the site of, and with stones taken from, a great Aztec pyramid, the shrine was more than a hundred years in building. A large part of it is constructed of heavy volcanic stone, brought to the spot by

ASSES FOR WEEK

(There is only one oration unless others are directed. The Gloria and Creed are said only when directed. The preface is common unless another is directed.)

August 11. The 12th Sunday after Pentecost. Green vestments. Mass is proper to the Sunday. Gloria. Commemorate Sts. Tiburtius and Susanna. The 3rd oration is of all the saints. 4th is the one ordered by the Bishop. Creed. Preface of the Trinity.

August 12. Monday. Feast of St. Clare. White vestments. Mass is proper to the Feast with the Gloria. The 2nd oration is the one ordered by the Bishop. Creed. Preface of the Trinity.

August 13. Tuesday. Feast of Sts. Hippolytus and Cassian. Red vestments. Mass is proper to the feast. Gloria. The 2nd oration is of all the Saints, the 3rd is the one ordered by the Bishop. A Votive Mass is permitted.

August 14. Wednesday. Vigil of the Blessed Virgin. Purple vestments. Mass is proper to the Vigil. Commemorate St. Eusebius. The 3rd oration is of the Holy Ghost, the 4th the one ordered by the Bishop.

August 15. Thursday. Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin. White vestments. Mass is proper to the feast. Gloria and Creed and preface of the Blessed Virgin.

August 16. Friday. Feast of St. Joachim. White vestments. Mass is proper to the feast. Gloria and Creed. Preface of the Blessed Virgin.

August 17. Saturday. Feast of St. Hyacinth. White vestments. Mass is proper to the feast. Gloria. Commemoration of the Octave of the Assumption (second day) and one of the Octave day of St. Lawrence. Creed.

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Sioux Receive Into Their Tribe Jesuit Camp Boys

St. Francis, So. Dak., Aug. 9.—Out on the Prairie, no far from the Jesuit Mission center, a strange ceremony was held recently when 54 boys from the Catholic Camp de Sioux Tribe, Chief Bear Dog officiated, and by his son, Edmund. The Chief told of the days when the Indians owned all the land, of the coming of the white men. The Sioux, he said, had asked for the "blackrobes" (Jesuits) so their children might be educated and receive religious instruction. He concluded by urging his hearers, Indian and white, to be true to their faith. Then, he said, they also would be good citizens.

At the initiation ceremony each boy was led before the Chief, who would observe him closely and then consult with his Council. Then, rising, he would address the candidate in the Sioux tongue, giving him his Indian name. Some of the names were: Lean Deer, Spotted Bear, Fat Prairie, Chicken, Lone Wolf and Brave Heart.

Weekly Calendar

Sunday, August 11.—Sts. Tiburtius and Susanna, Martyrs. St. Tiburtius was a sub-deacon who was betrayed to the persecutors, condemned to many torments and at length beheaded on the Lavican Road three miles from Rome, where a Church was afterward built. St. Susanna was a noble virgin, said to have been a niece of Pope Caius. Having made a vow of virginity she refused to marry and on this account she was accused as a Christian and suffered a cruel martyrdom.

Monday, August 12.—St. Clare, Abbess. Inspired by St. Francis, founded an order in a miserable house outside of Assisi. She was joined by her sister and later by her mother and other noble ladies. When the Saracen army of Frederick II was ravaging the valley of Spoleto her convent was miraculously preserved from harm when she caused the Blessed Sacrament to be placed in a monstrance above the gate facing the enemy. She died in 1253.

Tuesday, August 13.—St. Radegunda, daughter of the King of Thuringia, against her will was compelled to become the wife of Clovis, King of Soissons. She continued the practice of great virtue at Court and finally obtained permission to retire to a monastery. She died in 587.

Thursday, August 15.—The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. This feast, a holy day of obligation in the United States, commemorates the happy departure of the Blessed Virgin from this life and her translation into the kingdom of her Divine Son.

Friday, August 16.—St. Hyacinth, Apostle of Poland and Russia, received the habit of the Friar Preachers from the hands of St. Dominic himself. He is credited with having worked numerous miracles including that of restoring life to a dead youth at Cracow. He died in 1257.

Saturday, August 17.—St. Liberatus and six monks, martyrs, gave up

Stations of Cross In Anglican Church Removed by Bishop

Rector and Lay Committee in Jamaica Act Under Protest; Statues of Blessed Virgin Also Banned

Kingston, Jamaica, August 8.—After maintaining their position for some time, the rector and lay committee of the Anglican Kingston Parish Church bowed to the command of their Lord Bishop and removed the Stations of the Cross, which had been the cause of all the trouble. At the same time, in obedience to the Bishop, they removed the statues of the Blessed Virgin which also were in the church. The articles have been stored in the vestry pending the result of a new application for permission for their retention which the church authorities will make.

The decision to remove the Stations came as a result of a command by the Bishop, Rt. Rev. Cecil Carter, who gave the rector of the church until noon of June 15th to remove the Stations as well as the statues of the Blessed Virgin.

The decision was reached at the close of a novena to the Holy Ghost being conducted in the parish church. The building was packed on the closing night when it became known that the rector and his advisors would make their final pronouncement.

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Cottage Type Bungalow Makes Ideal Design for Narrow Lot

Floor Plan:
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BED RM. 10'0" x 10'6"
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The cottage type bungalow contains only four rooms and bath. However, the living room is designed so that it makes a combination living and dining room. This is an excellent design for a home to be built on a narrow city lot; it is only 26 feet wide and 28 feet deep.

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Home! There is magic in that word. It brings thoughts of a place that is your own—a place where you and yours are happy—a place where you forget your cares and business problems—where your wife may rear your children and where, as they grow into young manhood and womanhood, they may have their friends. Home it once brings to mind the comfort and companionship that is found only in one's own fireside.

Then, too, there is the mental picture of the grounds surrounding the home. The lawn is smooth and velvet; there are flowers in beds along the walk and the driveway; at the back is the garden where you may grow vegetables for the family table.

Truly there is magic in the word "home." Thoughts of home may be turned into a realization of a home of your own by firmly resolving that you will have a home, a lawn and flowers, and a garden.

Building a home is a considerable undertaking but millions of other American families have achieved homes of their own, and what millions have done, those who have not yet secured a home of their own, may do.

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Every Room in House
Has Undergone Changes
Every room in the American home, with the exception of the kitchen, has been changed within the last decade. The sitting room is a living room now. The lowly back yard has become a sunken garden. The porch is a terrace. The bathroom is a recreation room. The sunroom responds as a solarium. But it is impossible to disclose of hide a stove or a sink and so in these days of super-efficiency in the home, the only kitchen change possible is to find additional uses for the room.

"Fifty-four per cent of this country's 20,000,000 housewives live in rented homes, and so the changes they desire in their kitchens must be made by themselves," says the household research bureau of *Progress*.

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