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## St. Patrick's Cathedral Radio Hour

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bloody, from whence the blessing of this morning was derived, still they are caught through the eye of faith to view the same spectacle, unbloody, which bespeaks no glory instead of ignominy. Subjectively and objectively they will see in a few moments, by clean obliteration through sacrificial rite, Christ extend His hands, bow His head and die—sacrificially for them. They will see again into the life of another work and carry themselves worthily of their surname, Christian.

Oh! can you wonder at their scornful demeanour? They realize, as only a real follower of Christ can, that here before their very eyes is re-enacted mystically the tragedy of all times. Christ redeems the world unsparingly by the obliteration of the truths of faith. Christ applies, as the High Priest of men, the grace which He purchased so that earth and heaven might be reconciled. Christ reigns as the Divine King in the spiritual kingdom which He founded in the hearts of lovable men. Yes, here before their vision Christ becomes the teacher, the priest and the shepherd of their souls and the souls of their united brethren.

No explanation is necessary to clarify either attitude or attention. The little prayer-book in the vernacular, which they have now in hand, tells so plainly the meaning of these peculiar ceremonies which the altar-Church—the priest—who has ascended the altar, is about to perform.

**The Divine Truth**  
Christ, whose sacrifice upon the Cross, taught both by word and deed the divine truth. Must not he who assumes the dignity of the teacher, the priest of the God-man, likewise prepare to serve the hearts of these simple souls by the prophetic teaching in the light and wisdom of faith? For repeating what an eminent author was said: "The ministry of Jesus Christ continues to live throughout all time, and in the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass moves around the earth to serve the hearts and eras of humanity. In the Holy Sacrifice wherein Christ appears as the victim, which upon the altar of the cross allowed itself to be consumed by the torments of death, is seen here also as the Heavenly Teacher of man. As vic- tim, He is veiled under the material appearance of bread and wine. His voice is concealed, and yet ever present by the voice of His messengers in Holy Scripture, in the Epistles and the Gospels." Again, did not the Saviour, by His sacrificial act, enter into glory and thereby establish His supernatural Kingdom and eternal dominion? Just so, by the Offering and Consecration of the Mass, together with the Communion, does He not become the High Priest of men and, as a meek King, take possession of the heart and seek to extend and consolidate the Kingdom of God through the dominion of grace and love in such souls?

One can imagine with this aspect of the Mass before these happy souls that there is opened an historical review of Him who established this

## St. Elizabeth's Social Circle Card Party, Tea

St. Elizabeth's Social Circle held a card party and tea Monday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock at the Catholic Women's Club.

Mrs. Ella Sullivan, chairman, was assisted by Mrs. F. B. Hall, Mrs. J. Kavanaugh, Mrs. Bernard Stern, Mrs. G. A. Dancy, Mrs. William J. Smyth, Mrs. Catherine Donaghy, Mrs. J. McDermott and Mrs. Marian Wilson.

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## Chicago Priest Finds Colonies On Farms for Stranded City People

Chicago, Feb. 12.—The Rev. Stanislaus A. Praybys, assistant pastor of St. Stephen's Church in this city, is busy organizing "back-to-the-farm" movements for stranded city people, and he already has established several successful colonies.

Father Praybys is of Polish origin. He is busy now with a colony in Baldwin County, Ala., which he is encouraging the migration of city families of the migrant type. Feeling that only those who really will stay on the land, once they get there, should be encouraged, Father Praybys takes a great deal of pains in their selection.

Most of the families are Polish, and as a general rule they are people who came from the Midwest in their native country. The families may be of any nationality or religious faith, the priest says.

Father Praybys intends to build a church near the town of Foley, Ala., to serve the colony. He started the colony over a year ago and now has between 1,000 and 2,000 families installed, but says he could use 1,000 more—a total of perhaps 20,000 more souls. He recently left New York with five families, who had been previously stranded here, and for whom he was able to make special arrangements with the transportation companies. In the five was one of a contractor, and of a salesman and another of a tailor.

Much of the work is fruit bearing—orange, peach and vegetable—particularly potatoes.

Father Praybys is on a special leave of absence from his parish to carry on this work. He has previously established similar colonies in California, Texas and on a site near Chicago.

## Loss in Vatican Library Crash May Not Exceed Two Thousand Books

New York, Feb. 12.—In the crash of the Vatican Library roof last December no more than 2,000 volumes were damaged, according to a brief report from Rome just made to the Vatican.

Murray Butler, president of the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, on the subject of the Carnegie Endowment's cooperation with the library, says:

"The disaster of Dec. 21, 1929, when the roof of the Vatican Library collapsed, has been a serious loss to the library. It has damaged more than 1,000, and perhaps 1,500, volumes. The loss of manuscripts has been particularly serious. The main entrance and the secondary entrance were damaged. A large number of manuscripts containing notes and lists of card law have been destroyed. A number of printed books in addition to 1,000 volumes have also been damaged. Involving 1,500 more volumes were damaged. The damage to the library is estimated at \$100,000. The library has been closed since Dec. 21, 1929, and the damage has been fully repaired on Feb. 12.

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our faith for leaving in the celebration of Mass a means of renewing confidence in Him after all that He suffered in His thorny career of redemption? If belief in Him can be brought from a scriptural narrative, as to His presence upon earth in fact, what is present there from acknowledging Him now as living really in spirit? After all, Christ abided a cycle of time in flesh—thirty-three years—and what to Him is three living an eternal life upon the altar of His Church in an ecumenical, Adept, Christ-Lord, and Eastern-side, where Christ, as a real mystically, as He was some twenty centuries ago?

Do you suppose for one instant that those who have seen the glory of God in the natural which greeted them on the way to the home of the spiritual equality, as easy in that which is before them when the altar and in the liturgy of His Church? How do you reckon this, as an institution of men and the children of men? Ah! if so, what darkness days have befallen earth. Darker indeed than that which engulfed the pre-Christian and man, but not less and could have seen, if they would, but who can see now and will not? His adoration, praise, thanksgiving and petition ceased from the face of the earth because the Saviour ascended into heaven. His sacrificial relation to their heaven and earth, which by the disappearance of the corporal presence of the Messiah from amongst men? Strange would be such a plan of redemption, for therein would be revealed a favor, a plan of grace, and a consolation for many.

But God, who is God of all, and what is for one is for all, a little is to be wondered at that the Church to which these faithful souls have come to worship finds a glory in the Mass which is not of earth, which elevates the spirit far above, which elevates to the blue vault above.

**Worship and Veneration**  
Yes, this Mass at which they assist procures for the most High a worship and a veneration which is unobtainable elsewhere. How poor and deficient would be the service in which the altar is absent. With a heart that exclaims, "Behold, O Heavenly Father, to Thee we owe infinite praise on account of Thy infinite majesty; because of Thy numberless graces and benefits, we owe infinite thanks; for the innumerable offenses we have committed against Thee, we owe infinite atonement; because of our manifold needs and dangers we owe Thee tribute of our humble supplication; but all our acts of praise, of thanksgiving, of atonement and of supplication, how miserable are they not, and how unworthy to be offered to Thee! Still we unite them to Thy Sacrifice of praise, thanksgiving, propitiation and petition of Thy Son, Jesus Christ, infinitely pleasing to Thee, with which we offer them to Thee, imporing Thee that for His sake Thou wilt graciously accept this our unworthy homage, with all that we are and have, and be merciful and favorable to us!"

Oh! how the Church takes those faithful about the altar of the year in this Mass. She enters into the spirit and joy of the season; she takes on the sorrowful aspect, yes, compelling the chalice of sorrow to be drained to the bitter dregs; she elevates even to the highest heaven; she surrounds the altar with her spiritual glory, and for what else save to honor and place before the vision the majesty of the Eucharistic sacrifice.

Indeed, one would become of the earth earthy if it were not for such a sublime means of faith. Oh! think it not a vain or useless act. Look not upon it as a man-made institution, but rather see, as these holy souls do, underneath ceremony and action a meaning as deep seated as is religion itself. View it from the standpoint of an inexhaustible treasure from whence flow benefits and blessings, and through which calamities and curses, fully deserved, are withdrawn. As it were, the sacrifice of the Mass becomes the golden peace-bow which connects the riches of heaven with the poverty of the earth.

To the Altar of God  
Ah! wise truly are those who have time to spare for God's manifestation of His love for them. Thrice blessed are they who hearken to voice of God when it calls out in clarion notes from the belfry of the Church. Yes, indeed, they go to the altar of God, to the God who will

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