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Consecrated

MSGR. LOUIS DRAGO, Secretary General of the Superior Council of the Propagation of the Faith, who has just been consecrated Bishop of Tarquin and Civitavecchia, near Rome.

Catholic Women Colonial Frolic On Next Friday

Period costume, from Colonial times down to the present will be worn by guests at the Colonial Frolic to be held next Friday evening, April 22nd, in the Columbus Ball Room.

Prizes will be offered for costumes and for cards, and tickets will admit guests for dancing from 9 to 12 o'clock at 8 or both. Music by Frank Shroyer, Mrs. Winifred M. Ryan, Grace Lynch and Mrs. Elizabeth D. Ryan.

When You Make Your Will

Always, in every Diocese, there are churches and institutions which have heavy financial burdens, and whose work is handicapped by these burdens. When you make your will, the best way in the world, to help these needy ones is to insert a paragraph something like this in the will:

"I give and bequeath to the Most Rev. John Francis O'Hem, D.D., Bishop of the Catholic Diocese of Rochester, N. Y., or his successors in office, the sum of \$_____ to be used at his or their discretion for the work or the institutions of the Diocese."

If you are interested in some particular church, charity or institution a clause like this may be added: "I am interested particularly in _____"

Bequests, large or small, are a great blessing to religion, and it is highly edifying to read of them in any will. No Catholic will should be without one or more such bequests.

St. Patrick's Cathedral Radio Hour

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My dear friends, the prayers at the foot of the altar and thence to the Introit are unchangeable. But the Introit varies from time to time in accordance with the seasons and seasons of the ecclesiastical year. Of course this introductory prayer does not directly touch the Sacrifice, but is an actual preparation for it by infusing into the minds of those present holy thoughts, devout affections and good resolutions, to dispose them worthily for the celebration of the Great Mystery.

The purpose of the Introit then is to enlighten and strengthen our faith and thereby produce greater spiritual results from participation in the Holy Mystery. These prayers or Psalms are intended to give a suitable expression to the ecclesiastical celebration of the day or feast during which the Mass is offered.

In its present form the Introit is an abridged Psalm, concluding with a Psalm Verse and "A Gloria be to the Father." This antiphon is generally taken from the psalter of the Old or New Testament and only rarely composed by the Church herself. It may be said of the Introit that it is a key note to the entire celebration; it is indicative of joy or sorrow in the Mass of Holy Saturday and the principal Mass of the vigil of Pentecost. The Introit is omitted. The reason for such omission is perhaps that the preliminary ceremonies constituted a whole or joint service with the Mass.

What the priest intones the first words of the Introit in Masses of the day he makes the Sign of the Cross upon himself but over the altar in Masses for the dead. Thereafter the celebrant would indicate a desire that the fullness of the blessing of the Sacrifice might fall entirely to the share of the suffering souls. The Introit always reads on the Epistle side of the altar and with the hands of the celebrant joined devoutly before the bread, so signifying and manifest the priest's prayerful disposition.

Now what is the object and meaning of the Introit? To understand this clearly we must recollect that the Introit with the Gradual, Offertory and Communion, forms the four places belong to the Chants, which the choir sing in the name of the people accompanying the Eucharistic Sacrifice. They are but remnants of longer Chants, which consisted of whole Psalms read whilst the priest was going to the altar, or as in the Mass of the Faithful, whilst the people were presenting their offerings or receiving Holy Communion.

At the beginning of the fifth Century these Chants were already in existence in the Roman Church. Of these Chants the Communion probably was the most ancient and the Introit Psalm the latest. They found their way into the Mass prayers only after judicious selection. The Church year with its feasts, holy seasons of prayer and its seasons of penitence, and determined their adoption. For inasmuch as the celebration of Mass is most intimately connected, interwoven with and dependent upon the mystical cycle of the year, we may say that they were intended to impress and represent truly the idea of the first or fundamental thoughts relative to the Sunday or holy day. Hence, it follows in view of this plan that the Introit would be

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The quarterly meeting of the board of directors of the Rochester Diocesan Council of the N. C. C. W. will be held at Corning on April 14th.

The following Rochester women are planning to attend the meeting: Mrs. Joseph Flannery, Mrs. Louis A. Whalen, Mrs. Emily O'Donnell, Mrs. Perry Burke, Mrs. Alice Kirk, Mrs. Teresa Ganster, Mrs. J. J. Lucey, Miss Cecelia M. Yawman, Mrs. Louis A. Langlois, Mrs. William Rosenbach, Mrs. Elizabeth Dean, Mrs. John F. Kelly, Mrs. Arthur C. Pross, Mrs. Katherine Donohue, Mrs. John J. Kelly, Mrs. Maria M. Reardon.

Knights of St. John, Fourth Degree, Set Annual Supper Date

Rochester Chapter No. 4, Fourth Degree, Knights of St. John, will hold an "Old-fashioned Supper and Social" at St. Michael's Hall on Saturday evening, April 18, at 7:30 p. m.

A program of entertainment is being arranged by the committee in charge. This is an annual affair with the Fourth Degree members of the Knights of St. John and always attracts a large attendance.

Local Commandaries Plan Military Ball

Arrangements are being made for a military ball by St. Michael's Commandary No. 40 and St. John's Commandary No. 41 to be held at St. Michael's Hall, Clifton Avenue, North on Thursday, April 21st.

An orchestra will provide music for dancing. The knights will appear in full dress uniforms which will lend color to the occasion. Tickets will commence at 50c.

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Federations Will Discuss Local Plan

"Rochester's Unemployment Plan" will be discussed at a joint meeting of the Rochester Branch, Catholic Central, Y. M. C. A., and Catholic Women's Federation in St. Joseph's Hall, Franklin Street, Sunday afternoon, April 17, at 3 p. m.

Discussion will be led by President Joseph T. Otto, of the men's organization and chairman of the executive committee, former County Judge Philip H. Donnelly. A large crowd is expected to attend.

Japs and Chinese Visit Pope Pius

Vatican City, April 15.—A group of Chinese and Japanese university students from Germany visited Pope Pius last week, and in the circumstance that they had come in one body the Pope said he saw "a clear sign that definite peace is coming in the Orient."

Thursday evening at the Club House the Big Sisters will meet. Friday afternoon hostesses for the Bridge Tea are: Mrs. Charles E. Merry, chairman; Mrs. William Kelly, Mrs. J. J. Kane, Mrs. Joseph Marcella, Mrs. John O'Connell, Mrs. Frank Gillespie, Mrs. Joseph S. Manucci, Mrs. Clarence A. Little, Mrs. Thomas Dunn, Mrs. Mary Ayers, Mrs. Rose McArroy, Mrs. M. M. Hayes, Mrs. William McCarthy, Mrs. Lynn Turner. Mrs. William H. Rosenbach is in charge of the Baked Food Sale.

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