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Compiled by Lt. Chas. H. Mara

Holy Cross Auxiliary, No. 158 Auxiliary No. 158 was organized March 9, 1915 at Holy Cross Hall by Supreme President Teresa Renner and Deputy Organizer Mrs. M. Rosenthal with 48 new members...

QUESTION BOX

Who derives the benefit of Masses offered for a departed person who is no longer in Purgatory?

No one can give a definite answer to this question. The application of the merits of the Mass and indulgences to the souls in Purgatory depends upon the good pleasure of God...

May we pray to our deceased relatives, asking them to intercede for us?

Yes. It is the common teaching of theologians that the souls in Purgatory may help us by their prayers, though they can do nothing to help themselves.

How many vocations are there and is one to be considered a 'shirk' or who wishes to lead an independent life?

The highest and holiest vocation, given only to God's chosen ones, is the call to the religious life, where in pious men and women consecrate their lives to the service of God...

May a Bishop be transferred from one diocese to another?

Yes. For instance, the present Bishop of Detroit was formerly Bishop of Grand Rapids.

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SODALTALK

Recording the Activities of Rochester Parish Sodalities Union

Immaculate Conception Sodalists celebrated Mission Sunday with a Silver Tea. The Rev. John Lynch, C. S. R., guest speaker, in his address on the Medical Missions recounted incidents in his mission work in Puerto Rico.

The new Sodality paper, "Immaculata," published by the Immaculate Sodalists is splendid. Attractive posters announcing the membership drive now in progress show to what good advantage magazine covers and illustrations can be put.

Cathedral Sodality elections held recently are as follows: Prefect, Mary Keating; Vice Prefect, Helen Tomassini; Secretary, Doris Bennett; Treasurer, Jeanette Sullivan.

If you are engaged in furnishing a kitchenette for Church affairs take a leaf from St. Peter and Paul Sodalists' idea book. The Sodalists are planning to obtain at least part of their silverware by saving Kirkman's soap coupons—a clever idea!

Holy Rosary Sodality's Mercy Committee is planning a private card party to raise funds to carry on its work; and the Missionary group is busy making bandages and collecting Catholic magazines. The Sodality is arranging to present programs at the institutions within the next month.

Blessed Sacrament Sodalists will serve on the Guard of Honor for the entire day of October 29, Feast of Christ the King.

Holy Redeemer Sodalists are conducting a campaign to increase the number of monthly Communions on Sodality Sunday.

A costumed Halloween Party will be held in the parish hall, Friday, October 27, sponsored by the Sodalists. Prizes will be awarded for the best costumes.

Senior Group of St. Andrew's Sodality held its first meeting. Officers of the Senior group are: Prefect, Catherine Wendelgass; Vice-Prefect, Florence Oliver; Secretary, Catherine Fontana; Treasurer, Marie Cartento.

Officers of the Junior Group are: Prefect, Margaret Wendelgass; Vice-Prefect, Florence Oliver; Secretary, Clara Weidenborner; Treasurer, Anne Arehno.

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PRIEST 100 YEARS OLD Jerusalem—(NCWC)—The Community of the Maronite at Ente, Lebanon, has just celebrated the one hundredth birthday of its parish priest, Father Giorgis Kouri. Father Kouri was born in 1833 and, since 1873, has been the parish priest of Ente.

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WHAT IS POSSIBLE It may not be possible for every Catholic to be a Perpetual Member of the Society for the Propagation of the Faith, but practically all have the means to be at least Ordinary Members. There are millions of Catholics in this country and, to state it mildly, the vast majority of them are

not enrolled in the greatest mission-aid Society of the Church—the Holy Father's own—not even as Ordinary Members.

An Ordinary Member is one who contributes the sum of one dollar a year for the support of the Home and Foreign Missions and recites daily one Our Father, one Hail Mary and the invocation, "St. Francis Xavier, pray for us." The contribution is material and spiritual. Why should every Catholic be enrolled as a member of this Society?

1. Every Catholic is obligated to take an interest in the work of spreading the Kingdom of Christ on this earth.

2. The Society for the Propagation of the Faith is the Church's main official mission-aid Society. Membership in it, while not precluding other forms of assistance, should take precedence over all other mission charities.

3. The spiritual benefits with which the Church has enriched membership in the Society are very generous and we all need such benefits, for ourselves and our dear departed.

4. If the membership in the Society were what it should be, and might easily be, the tremendous problem of supporting our mission would come very near solution.

IT IS UNIVERSAL The Church of Christ knows no race nor color. At whatever point on the earth's surface man dwells, there the Church has a mission, yes, a duty. Will you not help her to fulfill that duty by becoming a member of the Society for the Propagation of the Faith, or renewing your membership at this time? The collection for the Missions will be taken up next Sunday. There is no greater act of charity in the world than aiding others to come to Christ. No one else ever lived who promised peace and eternal life. What a joy to your soul both here and hereafter to know that you have brought someone to Christ.

PLEASE Please pray for the success of our mission collection this year. If our people only knew the amount of good they could accomplish for their own souls and for the souls of others by enrolling as members of the Society for the Propagation of the Faith, many more would avail themselves of this great spiritual opportunity.

CONDITIONS OF MEMBERSHIP The conditions of membership in the Society are the recitation of daily prayer consisting of an Our Father, a Hail Mary, and the ejaculation, "St. Francis Xavier, pray for us." The charitable offering consists in giving annually the fees asked for the various memberships.

These memberships are as follows: Ordinary, \$1.00 a year; Special, \$3.00 a year (Family memberships); Perpetual, one offering of \$40.00 payable within a year.

Special attention is called to the Family membership, the offering for which permits the enrollment of nine other members of the family, living or deceased, in the membership.

STUDENTS RECEIVE AWARDS Paris—(NCWC)—In the entrance examinations for two of the most important of French educational institutions, the results of which have just been published, graduates of a Catholic preparatory school, the College Stanislas, reflected great glory upon their alma mater. The two applicants making the highest averages in examinations for both the Ecole Navale and the Ecole Polytechnique, in which graduates of public and private schools all over France participated, are alumni of Stanislas.

ROME—(NCWC)—A fractured collar-bone and two broken ribs were sustained by the Most Rev. Leon Classe, Vicar Apostolic of Uganda, in an automobile accident in Uganda, Central Africa. Uganda makes up the Belgian mandated territory on the eastern edge of the Congo, bordering Uganda and Tanganyika.

BISHOP FIRST MISSIONARY Onitsha, Nigeria—(NCWC)—The Most Rev. Charles Heerey, Vicar Apostolic of Southern Nigeria, has mounted the Benue River to Yola, a point to the north to which no missionary thus far has ever penetrated. Although his vicariate has the largest Catholic body in Nigeria, here are great sections of it which have not yet been explored.

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