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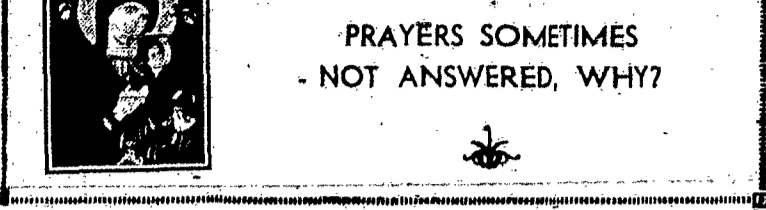
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Our Lady of Perpetual Help Devotions



PRAYERS SOMETIMES NOT ANSWERED, WHY?

By THE REV. WILLIAM A. DOHERTY, C. S. R.
(Written exclusively for the Catholic Courier, official diocesan newspaper, by Father Doherty, Rector, Father in charge of the Masses of Wednesdays at St. Joseph's Church being conducted in honor of Our Lady of Perpetual Help and in preparation for the Feast of the Immaculate Conception.)
A little lad's blue eyes search the door for visitors that are sure to come. He is lying in a hospital bed, wondering. He is wondering about the future, his future that once held for him a joyous life replete with heroic deeds of love, of courage, of virtue. They are not lost now but to him those deeds are blurred. He had looked down the avenue of dreams and the pagantry of life had thrilled him. Now his boyish eyes are filled with realities.
Little Joe (that is not his name) would not have to take that trip. Relatives and friends veritably stormed the bulwarks of Heaven, laid siege to God's own heart far off land of oblivion he went and while there, strange things happened to him. When he returned to the world of glorious light the consciousness of what had happened bewildered his innocent mind. The full realization of a terrible fact burst upon him. Fading from his great big manly mind was the glories and the thrills of calling signals and rushing down the white-striped field to the shouts and applause of hero-worshippers. Going were the soft, complacent joys of watching the little white ball sail over the center field boards as the crowds cheered Bambino II. But the fine spirit, the splendid courage, the heroic manliness that gave birth to these inspiring dreams—were they fading? No one would ask that question if they knew this little hero. Of course they were not. They were increasing, growing grander all the time. Handicaps make no difference to the soldier of saints and martyrs. Disappointments are merely passing shadows. They intimidate the weaklings. They spur on the stout of heart.
Leave World Blessed
Joe is destined for great things. Like the boy saints of other centuries he will leave the world blessed. A thousand times for merely having faced upon it, and the lives that he has touched how they will shine more brightly. The future holds a wealth of good things for Joe himself. Success will be his in all his endeavors. The soul that is filled with the spirit of God is like a magnet that produces wonders and miracles. Joe is one of those lads that can strike that happy medium between his God and his play-fellows. The love for his Savior makes his love for them gentle and meek and mild. Joe is a red-blooded American boy that has a fine appreciation for sports and pastimes that keep his mind and his body healthy and virtuous. That is why it looks hard to us to see him lying there now deprived of a necessary part of his body. No one wanted to see him go to the hospital, but it was God's Holy Will. Joe himself was the least perturbed of all.
One day a car drove up to his home and two men got out. They went up to his room, smiled down at him and said: "Well, Buddy, guess you're going back with us." "Am I?" said Joe, then with an easy smile, "That's O. K. I'm ready," as he tossed aside the baseball he had been fondling.
We were all praying that Joe

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God Loves That Boy
As we gaze upon the youth in his hospital bed, we feel a torrent of consoling thoughts flood into our minds. We know, we are convinced, that God loves that boy, soul and body, with an immense, unfathomable love. The favor that we blind mortals asked for Joe must have interfered with the unquestionable plans of God. From now on I shall ask Joe to pray for me. One so intimately friendly with the All-powerful King of Heaven will have untold influence both with Him and the Mother of His Divine Son.
We are not going to stop praying for Joe, however. We are going to continue and more than that we are going to ask you to pray also. You have not the pleasure of knowing him, but your prayers should not be withheld on that account. We want to see Joe back with his playmates very soon. That is what we are asking from God and Our Blessed Lady now. Join in with your most fervent prayers, please.

Nazareth Academy Sodality To Hold Christmas Dance
A Christmas Dance will be held in the auditorium of Nazareth Academy, Thursday, December 28, sponsored by the Sodality of Our Lady.
Margaret Larkin is General Chairman of the affair. The following members of the S. S. C. are assisting her in the final preparations: Tickets, Sabina Lyons, Marion Schantz; Decorations, Julia Marie Gentry, Margaret Grant; Lounge, Margaret Hendricks, Lois Hannah; Publicity, Bernadette Welch, Ruth Weber; Checking, Norman Ransom; Francis Richards; Patron and Patronesses, Dorothy Nash.

Little Women' Film Coming to Palace Has Universal Appeal

One of the strangest settings ever constructed for a talking picture was built by RKO Radio Pictures as part of the background for the dramatization of Louisa Alcott's epic, "Little Women" appearing this week beginning Friday, December 1, at the RKO Palace Theatre. It was a reproduction of the Alcott home in Concord, Mass., where most of the action takes place. It was as much like the original home as a pea to a pea with the unique exception that the inside of it was, in the act of production, 20 miles from the outside of it.
Katherine Hepburn, whom the public is rapidly accepting as one of the truly great of the screen, has the role of the lovable, lovable, intangible Jo in "Little Women". Amy is played by Joan Bennett, Meg, by Frances Dee, and Beth by Jean Parker. Into the clothes and character of the dashing Laurie comes Douglas Montgomery. Paul Lukas is the lumbering, lovable Fritz Bhaer, and John Davis Lodge is Brooke who marries Meg.
The elaborate production of "Little Women" has been made without dramatic license and rings true to the original in every respect. George Cukor is the director.

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Columbus Civic Center Activities
Monday—December 6
BALL ROOM:
Flower City Orchestra Rehearsal, 8 p. m.
FAIRLOR A:
American Association of Social Workers, 7 p. m.
Tuesday—December 5
AUDITORIUM:
Catechetical Mission Card Party, 8 p. m.
Wednesday—December 6
BALLROOM:
Ladies Auxiliary Knights of St. John Initiation.
Thursday—December 7
BALLROOM:
K of C. Council Meeting, 8 p. m.
FAIRLOR A & B:
Catholic Daughters of America Meeting, 8 p. m.
FAIRLOR B:
Azalea Club Meeting, 2 p. m.
AUDITORIUM:
K of C. Boxing Show, 8:30 p. m.
Friday—December 8
FAIRLOR C:
Vic Club Meeting, 2 p. m.

Mercy High Notes
Raymond F. Leman, executive vice president of the Lincoln Alliance Bank, addressed the American History Class, Wednesday morning. The subject under discussion was the Country's Monetary Problems.
The Book Week project of the Economic Geography Class of Our Lady of Mercy High School has been on display at several Rochester parochial schools. It was sent to Mount Carmel school where it was on display for a week. Noreen Sullivan, '34 and Mary Gaimbrone, '36 addressed the grammar school students and explained their booklets on railroads and wheat.
This past week the display has been transferred to St. Mary's school and Marian Walsh, '35 and Ruth Listman '35 spoke at this school.
This week the display will be moved to St. John the Evangelist's school. Betty Baker, '36 and Marion Stauder, '35 will represent the high school class at this school.
A Thanksgiving assembly was held at Our Lady of Mercy High school on the afternoon of Wednesday 29. The following program was presented:
Old Glory Selection — * * * * *
Orchestra — Tocadeo
President's Thanksgiving Proclamation — Dorothy Burns
The Landing of the Pilgrims — Brown
Student Body
Thanksgiving—Its origin and meaning — Margaret Mary Duffy
The Londonderry Air — Goodall
The Glee Club
Reading, "A Thanksgivingless Thanksgiving" — John Arnold
Beverly McLaughlin
Orchestra Selection.

Couple Observe 50th Wedding Anniversary
Mr. and Mrs. Frank Werner of 40 Roycroft Drive celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary Tuesday by attending an anniversary high Mass in Holy Redeemer Church celebrated by the Rev. F. William Stauder, pastor. They were married November 28, 1883 in Holy Redeemer Church by the late Father Oberholzer. They have five children, Mrs. Charles Humes, Mrs. Frank Fox, Mrs. Harry Caswell, Albert Werner, and William Werner (deceased). All of the children were also married in Holy Redeemer Church and of the 11 living grandchildren, four have been graduated from Holy Redeemer School.
Mrs. Werner is 55 years old and Mr. Werner 75 years of age, and both are in excellent health.
A supper was held Tuesday evening for the children and grandchildren of the jubilarians at which they received congratulations and good wishes of children and friends.

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SODALTALK

Recording the Activities of Rochester Parish Sodality Union

The meeting of the Central Council of the Parish Union is scheduled for Tuesday evening, December 12. Plans for the coming year will be discussed.
Blessed Sacrament Sodality observed their General Communion Day, Sunday, November 25. Their Masses and Communions were offered for the deceased relatives of the Sodality. A Communion breakfast followed. The Rev. Wm. O'Connell was the guest speaker. In the course of his lecture, Father O'Connell outlined the development of the drama as it exists fundamentally today from the liturgy of the Catholic Church. This was but one instance of the contribution of the Catholic Church to the arts and sciences. He encouraged the sodalists to develop a good taste in art and literature, to become active and interested sodalists.
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Auxiliaries Extend Sympathy to Their Supreme President
Officers and members of all AUXILIARIES of the Knights of St. John in New York District No. 1 ask that their sympathies be extended to Supreme President, Mrs. Teresa Ganster and her niece, Miss Camilla Haselauer of this city who were seriously injured in an automobile accident recently in Kentucky.
Mrs. Ganster who was on official visits to auxiliaries in the south has returned home and she and her niece are showing improvement. Hope was expressed for their speedy recovery.

Newman Club To Hold Joint Meet
A joint meeting of the University of Rochester Newman Clubs, men and women, to be held in Cutler Union Wednesday, December 6, it is announced by the Rev. G. Stuart Hogan, advisor.

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