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In time of temptation continue the good thou hast begun before temptation.—St. V. Ferrer.

Prayer for the dead is more acceptable to God than for the living; for the departed soul is in greater need, being no longer able to help itself.—St. Thomas Aquinas.

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**AT A CHRISTMAS CRIB IN JAPAN**



This little Japanese miss listens to the explanation of the Crib of Bethlehem as given by a Sister of the Divine Heart of Jesus. Founded at Akita by the Holy Ghost Sisters from Steyl, Holland, this congregation of native Japanese Sisters now has a total of 33 members. (NC-Fides photo.)

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**Custom of Three Christmas Masses Said To Be Based On Tradition Of Savior's Birth At Midnight**

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all Masses on Sundays and Feast Days of the year.

Today, Catholics at Bethlehem hold their liturgical commemoration of Christmas in a different way.

**IN JERUSALEM TODAY**

Today, in the afternoon of Christmas Eve, the Latin Patriarch of Jerusalem leaves his residence accompanied by the Canons of the Holy Sepulchre and makes his solemn entry into the Basilica of the Nativity. The three solemn Pontifical Masses which the Latin Patriarch sings are not sung in the Basilica of the Nativity, but in the adjoining Franciscan Church of St. Catherine, which is the parish church for Bethlehem Catholics of the Latin Rite.

**To Bethlehem By Way Of Lourdes**

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who tends the candle-stand and keeps guard at the Grotto when all the pilgrims have left.

In the silence, broken only by the rippling of the river, and the darkness, relieved by the golden light of the dancing candle-flame, we stood before the altar in the Grotto.

"Let us say three Hail Marys for our dead comrades," said a priest.

When they were ended: "Disons trois aves pour nos camarades defunts," said another priest.

Afterwards there was a De Profundis in Latin.

Among us there were clergy who were prominent in the Association of Priest Ex-combatants. A word from them caused the candle man to open to us the gates of the Grotto. We went in and as the new day was born kissed the Rock on which Mary had stood.

And in that deep, cold wave, formed in the Rock of Massabeille, peace was in the hearts of men who in the heat of battle had faced one another in hatred. Our hearts were in Bethlehem.

And in that cave at Lourdes Our Lady looked down over the tabernacle before which we had sung her praises, prayed for our dead and pledged our peace: just as she had watched over Her Son at Bethlehem.

Perhaps you will see why the sight of a crib will always take my mind back to a night at Lourdes, when tired men, full of a new resolve went to salute the King of Peace, through Mary His Mother.

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However, during the Midnight Mass before the Gospel is sung, the Patriarch and all the clergy leave the Church of St. Catherine and march in procession to the Holy Grotto, carrying a statue of the Christ Child which is placed on the exact spot where the Nativity of Our Lord took place. There the Deacon sings the Gospel of the day. Then the Patriarch and the clergy return to the Church of St. Catherine and proceed with the Mass.

From midnight until the afternoon of Christmas Day, Masses are said without interruption by Catholic priests of the Latin Rite in the Grotto at the Altar of the Cradle. Pilgrims from abroad as well as large representations of the faithful from all parts of Palestine attend the Catholic observances of Christmas in Bethlehem.

The Greek Orthodox still celebrate their Christmas in Bethlehem in the month of January, according to our calendar.

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**K. of C. Will Take Christmas Cheer To Bath Soldiers' Home**

Rochester Council, Knights of Columbus will join with Councils in Binghamton, Elmira, Corning and Bath to provide a day of Christmas cheer and entertainment for disabled veterans at the Soldiers' home in Bath on Saturday, Dec. 29.

Knights from Rochester will go by bus leaving Columbus Civic Center Building at 1 p. m. and returning at 11:30 p. m. They will be headed by James M. Ryan, Jr.

The delegations will take with them cigars, cigarettes, candy, chewing gum, pipes, magazines, books, puzzles and other donations. A program of entertainment will be presented at the Home.

Contributions for the disabled veterans are being made in Rochester to Financial Secretary Paul A. Predmore, Columbus Building.

Committee assisting general chairman Ryan consists of Otto A. Shults, treasurer; William J. Woerner, transportation; Charles F. Raymond, entertainment; Paul A. Predmore, arrangements; and George M. Andrews, Frank M. Beaucaire, Dr. Judson F. Brown, Harold R. Dorsey, Alfred J. Doud, Anthony F. Fudstoss, J. Marcus Graham, Theodore R. Huber, John C. Graham, Joseph L. Metz, J. O'Neill, John F. Sharkey, C. Vincent Wiser, Frank C. Toomey and Charles G. McMahon.

All Knights of Columbus are invited to make the trip.

God gives each one of us sufficient grace ever to know His holy will and to do it fully.—St. Ignatius.

**THE CHRISTMAS CANDLE**

In the Name of God the Father, Of the Son and the Holy Ghost! May the light of our Christmas Candle

Reach those who need it most. We'll place it here in the window, And open the shutters wide, And we'll pray for the ones who wander

Through the gloom of the night outside.

We offer our prayer in memory Of that night long, long ago When Jesus and Mary and Joseph Were out in the wind and snow. With no one to give them succor Save the beasts in a lowly shed, And the shepherds whose steps were guided

By a Star in the sky overhead, O bountiful Babe of Bethlehem! Look down on the homeless poor, And lead their feet through the darkness

Up here to our open door. Where the kindly light of our candle Sheds forth a welcoming glow, For the sake of the Gift God sent us One Christmas long ago.

—Brian O'Higgins in "Knights of St. John"

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**REMINDER OF SAVIOUR'S CRIB**  
(By N. C. W. C. News Service)

At a time when the Christmas celebrations in royal palaces of Europe were revels of great lavishness and extravagance, monks in humble monasteries sat at table, each with a bundle of straw beside him to remind him of the hay in Our Saviour's crib in Bethlehem.

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