

Catholic Book Week Tribute

(The value of good books cannot be summed up in terms of money, nor in terms of anything except the pleasure, excitement and joy they afford. One of our downtown pastors has contributed largely to the pleasure of the children of our schools and so we pay a tribute to him during Catholic Book Week.)

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HIGHEST ARMY OFFICER ON HAWAIIAN ISLAND IS DAILY COMMUNICANT

MARYKNOLL, N. Y. — The highest army officer on the island of Maui, Hawaii, is a daily communicant, as is another high-ranking officer, and the highest naval officer there receives the Sacraments frequently, according to the Maryknoll Sisters here. A letter from Sister Mary Xaveria Wittman, of Erie, Pa., who is stationed at St. Anthony's School at Wailuku, Maui, tells of the fine example of American Catholic soldiers stationed at Maui, saying "the number of service men receiving Communion here each Sunday is a great edification to the parishioners." "Priests in Hilo report the same," the letter states, "saying there has been an increase in the Communion of the local men there owing to the example of the soldiers." She adds that 500 service men received corporately one Holy Name Sunday One non-Catholic officer, who goes to Mass at St. Anthony's every Sunday. Sister writes, but the following sign on the bulletin board on Pentecost Sunday "Say, you Catholic men one more Sunday to make your Easter duty get busy" Sister Xaveria adds that this officer was educated in a Catholic school. The Maryknoll Sisters in Maui serve a breakfast for service men after Sunday's Mass without charge. Besides the school, the Sisters conduct a school at Wailuku. There are 7 Maryknoll Sisters on Maui. They all cooperate with the Catholic army and navy chaplains to provide hospitality and recreation for the boys in service there.

Bishop From Panama

San Antonio. — As the climax of the solemn novena for a just world peace, a Solemn Pontifical Mass was celebrated in San Fernando Cathedral by the Most Rev. Joseph M. Preclado, Bishop of Coton, Panama. Bishop Preclado, the former pastor of San Fernando Cathedral, came here from California where he was preaching and conferring Holy Orders.

'GOOD CATHOLIC—GOOD AMERICAN'



Five-year-old Jackie Shea, of Cambridge, Mass., aided by his mother, reads and re-reads the new famous letter which struck the hearts of all Americans, the first and last letter from his hero daddy, Commander John J. Shea, U. S. N., assistant air officer on the U. S. S. Wasp, reported killed in action when that airplane carrier was lost in the recent battle around the Solomon Islands. "He a good Catholic and you can't help being a good American," counseled his father. (N.C.W.C.)

Funeral Rites of the Week in Auburn

St. Alphonsus

Helene Powers Muldoon, wife of J. Francis Muldoon of 126 East Geneva St., died at Mercy Hospital Tuesday afternoon, after an illness of one week. Mrs. Muldoon was born in Statesville Falls on Aug. 10, 1904. She has resided in Auburn for the past 18 years and was a communicant of St. Alphonsus Church. Mrs. Muldoon is survived by her husband, two children, Caroline and Diane; two sisters, Mrs. Edward Cronauer of Statesville Falls and Mrs. A. E. Larose of Auburn; her father, Thomas Powers of Auburn, and by one brother, Gregory Powers of Washington, D. C. The funeral of Mrs. Muldoon was held from her late home on Friday morning with services at St. Alphonsus Church. A prayer was offered at the house by Rev. Frederick G. Straub. At the church a solemn High Mass of Requiem was sung by Rev. John Merklinger with Rev. Gerard Amann as deacon and Father Straub as sub-deacon. The Very Rev. Dean John A. Conway was in the sanctuary. The burial service was read by Father Merklinger. Burial was in the family plot in St. Joseph's Cemetery where the committal service was read by Father Straub, assisted by Fathers Amann and Merklinger. Bearers were George Wilson, Charles Schell, Hebert Hockeborn, John Cronauer, Abraham O'Hara and Edward Cronauer, Jr. Mrs. Katherine Long of 150 Cottage St., wife of Nicholas Long, died at Mercy Hospital on Wednesday. She suffered a fall on Saturday and failed to rally. Mrs. Long is survived by her husband, four sons, Peter J. Long, John P. Long, Joseph P. Long and Francis N. Long, all of Auburn, and one granddaughter, Katherine Long of this city. The funeral services were held from the home on Saturday morning where a prayer was offered by Father Straub and a solemn High Mass of Requiem was sung at St. Alphonsus Church by Rev. Gregory Dugan with Rev. Gerard Amann as deacon and Rev. John Merklinger as sub-deacon. Rev. Dr. W. E. Cowan, Pastor of St. Mary's and Rev. Frederick G. Straub was in the sanctuary. Burial was in the family plot in St. Joseph's where the burial service was read by Father Straub. Bearers were John Ganey, Edward Ginnity, Joseph Furlong, George Ehrenman, John Reisdorf and Edward Hopper. Mrs. Mary McGarr Aston, widow of Joseph P. Aston, died at Mercy Hospital on Wednesday after a brief illness. She has, however, been in failing health for some time. Mrs. Aston was born in Auburn and was a communicant of St. Alphonsus Church. She is survived by one son, John J. Aston of Auburn; three sisters, Mrs. John Conway and Miss Jeanie McGarr, both of Auburn, and Miss Kathryn McGarr of Newark, N. J. The funeral was held from

the home, 203 Lewis St., on Saturday morning.

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WEDDINGS IN AUBURN

St. Hyacinth's

Miss Josephine Hays, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Hays of 126 Broadway St., and EFC Thomas J. Noonan, U.S.A., were married in St. Hyacinth's Church on Saturday. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Conrad Miller, O.M.C. Members of the Holy Family Society, Thomas J. Noonan of 122 1/2 North St., and the late Mrs. Corrie McCabe Noonan, is stationed at Camp Young, Idaho, Calif. The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, was attended by her sister as maid of honor, and the Misses Rose Conley and Edythe of Fulton, cousin of the bride, were bridesmaids. After the wedding breakfast, the couple left for New York.

Arrive - Lakeside

Miss Stella Lukowski, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dominic Lukowski of 24 Palisade St., and Thomas Corporal Andrew Aronson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Aronson of 28 Park Place, were married on Saturday morning at St. Hyacinth's Church. Rev. Conrad Miller,

D.M.C. conduct sister's funeral

Miss Jean Aronson, sister of the bridegroom, was held in health and "Corporal Andrew Aronson, brother of the bride, was held in health. A wedding breakfast was served at the Oberon Hotel and a reception was held at the home of the bride.

Holy Family

Miss Mary Kathryn Anderson, daughter of Mrs. James Anderson of 14 Ottawa St., and the late James Anderson, and Thomas E. Conklin, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Conklin of Middlebury, N. Y., were married on Saturday morning in Holy Family Church. The ceremony was performed by Very Rev. Dean John A. Conway, pastor of the church. Miss Mary Kathryn Anderson was held in health and John E. Anderson, brother of the bride, was held in health. A reception was held at the home of the bride. The bridegroom, who is a member of the grand jury at Middlebury, N. Y., will soon leave for service with Uncle Sam.

Holy Spirit Made Apostles Spiritual Leaders of World

By Linus Riordan

After Our Lord ascended into heaven, the Apostles, fearful that they might be put to death like their Master, returned to Jerusalem and locked themselves in the upper chamber, where, following Jesus' instructions, they remained for nine days, steadfast in prayer.

"And when the days of the Pentecost were drawing to a close," St. Paul relates in the Acts of the Apostles, "they were all together in one place. And suddenly there came a sound from heaven, as of a violent wind coming, and it filled the whole house where they were sitting. And there appeared to them parted tongues as of fire, which settled upon each of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in foreign tongues, even as the Holy Spirit prompted them to speak (Acts II, 1-4).

Almost unbelievable was the change effected in the Apostles. No longer were they mere worldly-wise croakers of the world; they were men of God, filled with the power of the Holy Spirit. They had been ignorant. The Holy Spirit taught them all truth. As the Advocate from heaven promised by Jesus rested in the form of fiery tongues over each one of that fearful group, He removed the cloud of ignorance that had hidden from their intellects the truths of Christ's doctrine.

They had been full of imperfections and subject to sin. The Holy Spirit cleansed their hearts and confirmed them in grace. He made them the salt of the earth and the light of the world that was to shine before men, leading them to the Eternal Father. They had been weak and timid. The Holy Spirit gave them backbone of steel and inspired them with the greatest courage to suffer all torments, even death itself, in their mission of preaching the saving doctrine of Christ to a world sunk in the mire of paganism, idolatry and superstition.

Regenerated by the grace, knowledge, and supernatural strength the Holy Spirit had bestowed on them, the Apostles could now see clearly their mission: To preach the Gospel of Christ to all men. Brave and fearless they left their hiding place in the chamber and descended into the street of Jerusalem and began to preach, upholding Christ as the long-awaited Messiah, the God-Man who had been crucified, but who rose again and ascended into heaven and who is man's only hope for salvation. Peter on that first day converted 3,000 persons.

From that time on, the Apostles were tireless in spreading the teachings of Jesus. From Jerusalem

they traveled to all parts of the then known world. The great mission began. The Apostles, the leaders of the world and through them was propagated the faith that changed the history of the world. Before the death of the last one of the Apostles, St. John, the Church founded by Our Father was firmly established on the earth.

The light and strength that the Holy Spirit instilled in the Apostles on Pentecost were to remain with the Church forever. The Holy Spirit came to earth to perfect the mission of Jesus Christ. His mission was not to be brief. He was to sanctify and govern the Church until the end of time. Only when the Church has fulfilled completely its purpose of its existence and all men have been called before the judgment seat of God will His work on earth be finished. "And I will ask the Father," Jesus said, "and He will give you another Advocate to dwell with you forever, the Spirit of truth whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees Him nor knows Him. But you shall know Him, because He will dwell with you and be in you" (John XIV, 16-17). — The Western Catholic.

Canadian Ministers Pay Tribute To Priest

WINDSOR, Ont. — When Rt. Rev. Most. F. X. Laurendeau, Dean of Windsor, died last week, many tributes to his memory were sent by the Rev. H. Palmer Westgate, President, on behalf of the Essex County Council of Churches. This tribute from the Protestant ministers said, in part: "His true Christian spirit, manifested in his kindly disposition, his interest and willingness to cooperate to his fullest strength in any movement for the uplift of humanity and good of the community, and above all his zeal for his Master, endeared him not only to his own people but to the whole City of Windsor."

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St. Monica's, Rochester

Mrs. Anne Elger, formerly of Auburn, widow of Antoni Elger, died Sunday at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Harold May, 228 Weldon St., Rochester. Mrs. Elger is survived by two daughters, Mrs. May of Rochester and Mrs. Russell Fraser, also of Rochester; two sons, Edward Elger of Clayton and Francis Elger of Rochester; a brother, Frederick Elger of Auburn, and by seven grandchildren. Funeral services were held on Wednesday at St. Monica Church in Rochester. Burial was in St. Joseph's Cemetery, Auburn.