

HOLY FAMILY, Auburn

MIDNIGHT MASS

AUBURN—“O God who hast made this most sacred night to shine forth with the brightness of the true light, grant, we beseech thee, that we who have known the mystery of His light upon earth, may enjoy also His happiness in heaven. The Midnight Mass at Holy Family will be a Solemn High Mass. The doors of the Church will open at 12:30 for the Midnight Mass. The hours of the Masses on Christmas morning will be at 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12:15 o'clock.

Thursday, the Vigil of Christmas will be a day of fasting and abstinence. Confessions will be heard from 3:30 until 6:00 and from 7:30 until 9:00.

MASS FOR NEUVENEMENT

As a Christmas gift from the Rosary Society to the members of Holy Family Church who are in the armed forces of the United States, a high Mass will be offered on Thursday morning at 8:30.

ALTAR BOYS

Altar Boy appointments for Sunday, Dec. 27, are as follows: 8 o'clock, Eugene Holzner, Robert Vail, Richard Heffernan, Richard Woods, David Graney and Edward Lesno; 7 o'clock, Edward Cullen, Joseph Ryan, John Vail, Martin Dillon, Paul Cullen and John Cullen; 8 o'clock Mass, William Kenney, Gerard Frank, John Mohan, Richard Walton, Maurice Cowan and William McMahon; 9 o'clock, James Cuddy, Thomas Wall, Bernard Horan, Paul Luckern, David Wallen and Robert Ryan; 10 o'clock, Michael Impaglia, Raymond Riordan, Richard Bower, John Walker, John Lawler and James McLean; 11 o'clock, Charles

We can pray without clothing our thoughts in words, and God will understand our heart's desire. Next to Mary, St. Joseph is the most powerful Saint and advocate in heaven.

McKeon, James McGinn, John McDonnell, Martin Dillon, Francis McMahon, Edward Foley, Robert Dunn, Richard Ringwood, Bernard Cullen, William Mason, David Dillon and Edward Cuddy, 12:15 o'clock, James Fitcher, Edward Wiskell, George Duta, Robert Wilson, Joseph Fitzpatrick and John Meehan.

Opposition To Atheistic Communism Must Continue, Says Card. Villeneuve.

TORONTO—Canadians, while admiring the valor of the Russian people in their resistance to the common enemy, must continue to protect their country against atheistic Communism. “The propagation of which would engulf our people in class struggle and revolution,” His Eminence Rodrigue Cardinal Villeneuve, Archbishop of Quebec, declares in a letter received by J. S. McLean, chairman of the Canadian Aid to Russia Fund.

“Christian charity naturally inclines our souls to aid them (the Russian people) in their troubles, to alleviate the misery of all those who suffer as victims of an unjust war,” the Cardinal said. “There is, for those who demur, the admirable example given to the world by Pope Pius XI, who 20 years ago organized a commission to aid the Russians in all sorts of privations. Today, again, if our help should serve to lift them out of a deeper misery we should not hesitate to procure some relief for them, as a mark of our sympathy and most sincere attachment.”

ENTER INTO GLORY

This is what our Heavenly Queens says to us from her stary throne. “Suffer patiently, suffer sweetly, suffer joyfully, with great and loving hearts; then you will enter into glory.”

ST. MARY'S, Auburn

CHRISTMAS SERVICES

By MARYROSE BARRON
AUBURN—“And on earth peace to men of good will” the angels sang on the hills of Bethlehem nearly two thousand years ago when the Infant of Bethlehem came to bring joy and peace to the world. As the Prince of Peace celebrates His Birthday, he looks out upon a world, singing of a White Christmas, a Christmas which He hopes might be white in the sense of goodness, and finds a Red Christmas a Christmas filled with hatred and strife and bloodshed. A Christmas in which everything is rationed except the Christ Child's love. So in 1942 the world finds the Infant Jesus not in a stable, as of long ago, but in the Tabernacle of the Catholic Church, an Infant Jesus still asking for a place in the hearts of men and being told once again as St. Joseph was told on that First Christmas Eve: “There is no room.” And once again in the distance we hear the Angels singing “And on earth peace to men of good will.”

In 1543 A. D. Fra Giovanni wrote a letter which expresses a Christmas thought which today is quite appropriate for a Christmas Greeting in the midst of a war torn world: “There is nothing I can give you which you have not; but there is much, very much, that while I cannot give it you can take. No heaven can come to us unless our hearts find rest in it today. Take Heaven! No peace lies in the future which is not hidden in this present little instant. Take Peace! The gloom of the world is but a shadow. Behind it yet within our reach is joy. There is radiance and glory in the darkness could we but see, and to see, we have only to look. I beseech you to look.

“Life is so generous a giver, but we, judging its gifts by their covering, cast them away as ugly or

heavy or hard. Remove the covering and you will find beneath it a living splendour, woven of love by wisdom with power. Welcome it, grasp it, and you touch the Angel's hand that brings it to you. Everything we call a trial, a sorrow or a duty; believe me, that Angel's hand is here, the gift is there and the wonder of an overshadowing Presence. Our joys, too, be not content with them as joys. They, too, conceal divine gifts.

“Life is so full of meaning and purpose, so full of beauty beneath its covering that you will find earth but cloaks your Heaven. Courage then, to claim it, that is all! But courage you have, and the knowledge that we are pilgrims together, wending through unknown country. And so, at this time, I greet you not quite as the world sends greetings, but with profound esteem, and with the prayer that for you, now and forever the day breaks, and the shadows flee away.”

The Midnight Mass on Christmas Day at St. Mary's will be a Solemn High Mass and will be celebrated by the pastor, the Rev. Dr. William E. Cowan, and the other officers of the Mass will be St. Mary's assistant priests. The Choir has spent weeks in preparing a program in keeping with the Feast of Christmas. The doors of the Church will open at 11:30 on Christmas Eve and the Choir will sing Christmas Hymns until Midnight. Immediately following the Midnight Mass there will be a Low Mass during which Holy Communion will be given.

The Masses on Christmas Day will be celebrated at 6:00, 7:00, 8:30, 9:30, 11:00 and 12:15 o'clock. The 11:00 o'clock Mass will be a Solemn High Mass.

The Midnight Mass will be broadcast over WMBO through the courtesy of the local management.

The priests of the Church, Dr. Cowan, Father McNamara, Father Hicky and Father Tormey, wish all of you here and all our men and women in the Service everywhere a Merry and a Joyous Christmas, and wish that all the blessings that are Christmas may always be in your hearts.

Thursday, the Vigil of Christmas, will be a day of fasting and of abstinence. Confessions will be heard on Thursday afternoon and Thursday evening, commencing at 7:15 o'clock.

GIFTS FOR COUNTY HOME

The committee of the Holy Name Society of which Louis Loutt is chairman will meet at the rectory at 10:00 o'clock on Christmas morning to take their gifts to the men at the County Home. The Rosary Society will bring their gifts and present an entertainment at the Home on Monday evening, Dec. 28 at 7:30. Mrs. Kinsella is in charge of the entertainment. The Rosary Society also held their Christmas Party on Monday evening in Lyceum Hall. Instead of the usual gifts this year each member brought a gift which was distributed to a child who otherwise would have no Christmas Gift.

FRIDAY NIGHT PARTY

The usual Friday Night Party of St. Mary's will be held on Wednesday, Dec. 30, at 8:30. This party has been changed to Wednesday because New Year's Day comes on Friday.

STUDENTS PARTY

The High School Students of St. Mary's Parish held an enjoyable Christmas Party on Thursday evening. The high schoolers assembled in Lyceum Hall at 8:00

St. Alphonsus Parish CHRISTMAS SERVICES

AUBURN—There will be Midnight Mass at St. Alphonsus Church and this Mass will be a Solemn High Mass. There will also be a Mass offered at 7:00 o'clock and at 1:40 o'clock and the Masses on Christmas Day will be celebrated at 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10:00 o'clock. The 9 o'clock Mass is the Children's Mass and will be followed by Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament. The children will sing the responses to the Mass and will receive Holy Communion. Thursday, the Vigil of the Feast of Christmas, will be a day of fasting and of abstinence. Confessions will be heard in the afternoon from 4 until 6 o'clock and in the evening from 8 until 8 o'clock.

CHURCH ENVELOPES

The church envelopes will be delivered to those parishioners who live in the city immediately after Christmas. Those people living in the country districts, are asked to kindly obtain their own sets next Sunday, Dec. 27, in the Sacristy after the Masses.

MISSALS ON HAND

A new Christmas supply of Father Stedman's Missals has been obtained. This Missal is one of the best for Sunday and in the better bindings is a most acceptable Christmas present. Some colored Rosaries may still be obtained and Service Medals are also obtainable at the Rectory.

Bishop Finds 'Legion Of The Family Rosary'

BRISBANE, Australia. — In a Pastoral Letter to his priests and people, the Bishop of Maitland, the Most Rev. E. Gleason, C.S.S.R., describes the blessings conferred on the faithful by means of the Rosary—the highest of all devotions to Our Lady.

For the purpose of promoting this devotion daily in the family and of fostering united prayer there, the Bishop has set up a “Legion of the Family Rosary,” in which heads of families are to be enrolled in parish churches.

“She will tell you,” he writes, “that if failure ever appeared, it comes in any land lost their dignity became the slaves of Communism, irreligion, or sensuality, the reason was that the Rosary had ceased to be heard within them.”

Dedicates Army Camp Hall To Heroic Nurse

FORT McCLELLAN, Ala.—The Most Rev. Stephen J. Donahue, Auxiliary Bishop of Los Angeles, journeyed to this camp to officiate at the dedication of a new nurses' recreation hall.

The building is named in honor of Julia Lide, Alabama's only nurse who gave her life in World War I. The hall is also a tribute to Col. George A. O'Connell, A.M.C., who harbored the hope that some day a monument would be erected to the memory of the “forgotten woman” of the battlefield.

o'clock and then went on a Sleigh Party which was followed by dancing in Lyceum Hall after riding through the streets of the city for an hour and a half. The program came to a close with the serving of refreshments.

SS. Peter and Paul's, Auburn

SALVAGE DRIVE SUCCESS

AUBURN. The recent Salvage Campaign of SS. Peter and Paul's Ukrainian Catholic Church turned out to be a huge success. Enough money was realized to send Christmas packages to all the boys of the parish who are overseas. In addition to this sum, various parishioners contributed sufficient funds to enable the committee in charge to send gift packages to every man in the service who is a parishioner.

There are 124 men of the parish serving with Uncle Sam.

Special thanks is given to Michael Durniak for assistance in conducting the Salvage Campaign, to Michael Figo and to Emil Sawaryn and to the Young Ladies Sodality for packing all packages which consisted of...

shaving cream, soap, tooth paste and cigarettes.

Great assistance was given by the church committee and the pastor, Rev. Michael Lysiak who helped by co-operating and by the parishioners who contributed money and scrap to make this undertaking the great success it was.

Many letters of appreciation have been received from the men in the service who have received the gifts expressing their thanks to the people back home who thought of them at the Christmas Season.

All these letters will be answered and sent to the men in the service. This project will be taken care of by the Young Ladies Sodality. Andrew Chowancy, chairman of the Scrap and Gift Committees, expressed his thanks today to all...

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