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ST. JOSEPH

Tomorrow is St. Joseph's Day. It is naturally one of the brightest feasts in the Church calendar...

But St. Joseph is for all, not for a favored few. He is the Patron of the Universal Church...

The divine wisdom chose Joseph among all men as fitted for the office of Head of the Holy Family, Guardian of Christ...

Joseph's life was blessed by the nearness of Jesus and Mary. Joseph's death was made joyful and happy by their presence at his passing...

FOR AMERICA!

Loving service for our boys injured in battle, lonely in prison, homeless in camp or on board ship, is the constant ministrations of the Red Cross...

Our little ones in the parochial schools match the interest and generosity of their elders in their devotion to the Red Cross Drive...

ARCHBISHOP SPELLMAN AND HIS CHAPLAINS

It is an empty calling to be leader of all the Catholic Chaplains in our Army and Navy. It is a very active office beginning with the selection of priests for chaplain duty...

Now North Africa finds him imitating his Commander in Chief in personal visitation of his Chaplains and the men under them.

JESUS ON THE MOUNTAIN

Lent brings us first the picture of Jesus on the Mountain of Temptation. Mt. Quarantal in the desert region west of Jericho...

Lent is its 2nd Sunday also shows us Jesus on the Mountain, now on the Mountain of the Transfiguration. Idle curiosity of the devil, wicked curiosity, remained unsatisfied on Mt. Quarantal...

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The Vincentian Fathers of Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal Novena Band have issued this poster to posters throughout the country to enlist volunteers for 'Mary's Kneeling Army'...

The Catholic Church And Electric Toasters

Is it more important that a man have an electric toaster or that he keep the Ten Commandments? Which is the mark of greater culture?

In fact, we're getting all fubbed up, and it's just because someone asked us, last week, why Catholic countries are so backward.

When he spoke of France as a Catholic country, we had to admit at once that there are about 30,000,000 of the French who don't even make their Easter duty.

For the sake of argument, though, we allowed that having money might mean progress and that lack of it could mean being backward.

He said he had been thinking of England, which is Protestant and prosperous. We reminded him that Spain had once been prosperous and Catholic.

You can see that our argument didn't get very far. We think we had the last word, though.

We know a sweet young thing who thinks that all well-aged wines are made of elder berries.

San Diego In Wartime

By REV. DANIEL A. LORD, S.J.

I reached San Diego by the single track that still carries a lone spur of the Santa Fe into the city, expecting to find a small town.

San Diego is one city where nobody bothers to look up when a giant bomber skims the tops of the houses. This goes on all the time, and it you happen to be phoning at the moment, you wait until the bomber has passed.

It doesn't take much imagination to grasp what has happened to housing facilities as a consequence of the 100 per cent rise in population.

The food situation as a consequence is pretty difficult too. You never get with a group of people who do not immediately start talking about the shortage.

QUERIES AND REPLIES

Is It True That the Catholic Church Would Force People To Revoke Catholicism If They Could Do So?

This certainly is not true. No one may be added to the Church by force. You would not be admitted to the Catholic Church...

Interior conversion is absolutely essential for admission into the Catholic Church on the part of every one possessing the use of reason.

When we speak of making America Catholic we mean merely that every Catholic should spend his effort to present the truth of our Holy Faith to the non-Catholic mind and endeavor to convince that mind of the moral necessity of accepting it.

St. Paul speaks eloquently of the truth which makes the true Christian, yet he says: 'He looks in the Lord always; again I say, rejoice.'

Along The Way

Incidentally, Father James Keane, that splendid Servite who gave to the nation the Novena of the Sorrowful Mother, is now editing the Southern Cross, the diocesan paper.

If you want to see California climate exactly the way the press agents and chambers of commerce assure us it is, visit San Diego. But you'd better wait until there is standing room once more.

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Feast Days

- Sunday, Mar. 21 - ST. BENEDICT, ABBOT. Monday, Mar. 22 - ST. CATHERINE OF SWEDEN. Tuesday, Mar. 23 - ST. VICTORIAN AND OTHER MARTYRS. Wednesday, Mar. 24 - ST. GABRIEL, ARCHANGEL. Thursday, Mar. 25 - THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY. Friday, Mar. 26 - ST. LUNGIER. Saturday, Mar. 27 - ST. JOHN OF EGYPT.