

Crosses Country

EPOKANE.—Journeying across the country from the Valley parish in the Diocese of Spokane, where he served as pastor, the Rev. Edmund McGrath, commissioned in the Army, has reported at the chaplain's training school at Harvard University. A native of Ireland, Father McGrath came to this country in 1908 and was ordained in 1917.

Holy Childhood Association

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In the April edition of the "Annals of the Holy Childhood" there was "A Message from Your Children." Just in case all of you did not read it, here it is:

"You know me well. You will find me on the wall of your classroom, smiling from your memory, or standing on your desk. I am your teacher. In your presence I am safe. I am honored. I am respected. Once, I was honored because in countries far distant—in China, Mexico, Hawaii, the Islands of the West Indies—I looked down from walls that echoed the laughing laughter of school children. These walls housed hundreds of children under the care of the Holy Childhood Association. These walls no longer exist. I no longer possess a job of similar and native work. The world war devastated homes of innocent children in battle with me. These years, since an hour and bright but now they are closed in death—death that came from the skies. These walls are now silent. These walls are now shattered. These walls were built before me. Now I lie buried with them, while their pure souls have taken flight to Heaven.

When you work for the Holy Childhood, you work for me. Please continue and give in more your labor, for your new walls must be built for me to keep my little ones from abandoned children and their souls in your prayers and desire within these walls. Work that I may see your walls of new Holy Childhood Organizations and be anchored in the hearts of my little ones in the pages work."

Here are some more of the returns that have come in since our week for the Chapel Drive:

Marion's class	\$100
St. Peter and Paul	\$200
Sacred Heart, Parkside	\$100
Holy Trinity, Webster	\$200

Now for the missions. We have proof of some excellent work in the missions from some of our schools.

Do you know how many missions St. Peter and Paul's school have in their credit for this year? 100, yes, one hundred and three. And do you know what they have said? "Don't think we have stopped working. You will hear from us again in June." Many of the children have saved enough pennies to buy a paper baby alone. All of us are very proud of you, boys and girls.

Here is another school which has been working very hard for the missions. St. Michael's sent in a check for \$100 for missions. This is sacrifice money from the children. This proves that they are very deeply interested in the missions and saving of souls for Christ. I just can't find words to thank you for this splendid mission work.

The children of Holy Ghost School, Colchester, have sent in their dues for the Holy Childhood in the amount of \$8. The pupils of the Eighth Grade 2 of Corpus Christi have paid their dues, too.

Here is a note from Sister Evarista of Holy Trinity School, Webster. Sister tells me that the First and Second Grades wish to adopt a little colored girl to be baptized Clara. That's grand, boys and girls.

I received some grand news from St. Alphonsus School, Auburn. Before Lent the Sixth Grade sent in some money to ransom a paper baby. At that time they said that they wished to adopt at least three babies during Lent. They accomplished what they set out to do. They now wish to ransom a Chinese girl, an Indian boy, and a little girl from Burma. When you make up your minds to do something, you certainly do it. Don't you, boys and girls?

The Third Grade have been working hard, too. They have saved enough pennies to adopt a little Chinese baby girl. At baptism this baby will receive the beautiful name of Mary.

Keep up the good work, boys and girls. Remember, you just have May and June to do your mission work before school ends. I know if you read the "Message from Your Crucifix" very carefully, you will work even more zealously to save these souls for Christ.

Every week that is scrupulously kept in the end and the month or thereof shall go with a dedication, 14, p. 20.

Recreation Camp

END OF LUNCH.—The St. Paul's Recreation Unit, under the direction of the St. Paul's Recreation Unit, has concluded a successful session.

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