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CHILDREN'S PARTY ENJOYED

Children of the Sunday School classes enjoyed a Christmas play and party in the Church hall on Thursday afternoon, Dec. 23.

The play, "The Blue Vase," was the story of the Inn where Mary and Joseph were refused shelter. Dorothy Christastie and Lawrence Kolb portrayed Mary and Joseph. Others in the play were Marion Klegler, the Angel; Charles DesJardens as the Inn Keeper; Rachel, the Inn Keepers wife was played by Margaret Janowski and David, the son of the Inn Keeper was played by Charles Fields.

After the play Santa Claus came to the party and presented each child with candy and a gift.

OUTDOOR CRIB ATTRACTS

The large outdoor crib on the rectory lawn is again attracting many people. The figures of the Blessed Mother and St. Joseph kneeling before the Infant Savior, are bathed in soft red lights and a device hidden beneath the crib plays Christmas hymns.

This is the fourth year that the crib has been placed on the rectory lawn, but it has not lost its attraction for people from all walks of life, who come to gaze on the replica of the scene at Bethlehem and ask the blessing of the Infant Savior.

SODALITY PARTY

Members of the Sodality of Our Lady, held a Christmas party in the Church hall on Monday evening, Dec. 27. Gifts were exchanged by those present and refreshments were served by the committee. Mrs. Henry K. Budnick was in charge. At a short business meeting held before the party, plans were started for the annual banquet held by the Sodality.

NEW YEAR'S SERVICES

The Masses will be the same on New Year's Day as on Sunday, the first at 7:00 followed by one at 8:30 and another at 10:30. Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament will follow the last Mass. Confessions will be heard on Friday from 4:00 until 6:00 and in the evening from 7:30 until 9:00.

I'VE STOPPED HURRYING

By LUCIA MALLORY

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"If you aren't going home for Christmas, Lucia, we'd like to have you spend the day with us," my friend Blanche Varona told me. She had stopped at my desk in the children's library to give me that invitation.

"I'm planning to stay in Barnard, and I shall be glad to come," I responded, "but I don't see how such a busy person as you are finds time to share Christmas Day with anyone besides her family."

"I'll give you the answer in three little words," my friend replied, with twinkling eyes.

"And those three words are—?" I questioned.

"I've stopped hurrying! It was my little three-year-old Nancy who prompted me to do that," Blanche went on. "Last year I took her downtown during the week before Christmas to visit the toy shops. I wanted her to see the mechanical toys and the big dolls that are so much like real babies.

"Nancy enjoyed everything in the shops we visited, but the one thing that held her attention was a beautiful window in Keith's Department Store. It showed an exquisite reproduction of the manger scene—Mary bending above her Babe and shepherds kneeling to worship, while an angel stood in the background with uplifted hands. A bright star from above shed its glowing light upon the scene.

"Nancy stood in the snowy street and gazed long at the beautiful picture. At last she looked up at me with a satisfied smile and said, 'We like Christmas, don't we, Mother?'

"In that brief moment I looked at Christmas through the eyes of a little child and knew that in my hurry and flurry I had wandered pretty far from the shepherds and the Wise Men and the Babe whose coming they proclaimed. Lavish dinners, too much candy, countless greeting cards and expensive gifts were taking the place of the real blessing of Christmas for myself and my family.

"As Nancy and I walked home together, I resolved to limit my Christmas preparations to such things as I could do without strain—to give fewer and simpler gifts. I would talk it over with John—I knew he would agree—and instead of surfeiting our children with too much to eat, we would keep some other children from going hungry.

"You may be surprised at our simple Christmas dinner," my friend concluded, "but I'm sure we shall all enjoy it. Junior's science teacher, whose home is all the way across the continent, is coming, too, and little Miss Mulkey, who works at Stanton's and has no family of her own."

"Of course we'll enjoy your Christmas dinner!" I replied. "Just spending the day with you will be pleasure enough for those of us who can't go home to our own families. I like your plan of doing away with those Christmas preparations that take too much time and money. It isn't in keeping with the spirit of the day for Christmas to be a burden. I think Little Nancy has helped us all to find the best part of Christmas!"

Source of Learning

Human speeches and arguments will never teach us as much as we shall learn by humble recourse to God.—St. Ignatius Loyola.

Dirt is dirtiest upon the fairest spots.—H. G. Bohn.

FAMOUS CLOSE SHAVES By Barber Sol

St. Patrick's (Elmira)

NEW YEARS SERVICES:

The Masses on New Year's Day will be at 5:30, 7:30, 9:00, 10:00, 11:00 and 12:15. Confessions will be heard on Friday afternoon from 3:30 to 6:00 and from 7:30 to 9:00.

St. Casimir's (Elmira)

NEW YEARS SERVICES SET

The Masses on New Year's will be at 6:00, 8:00, 10:00 and 12:00. Confessions will be heard on Friday at 4:00 and at 7:00 in the evening.

Something Rotten

France was destroyed not by the materialism of Germany, but by the materialism of France. The German victory was a moral victory more than a military victory. Had there not been something rotten in the state of France, France would never have thus easily collapsed before the German attack. Here, as almost always in history, the external condition already invited it. All cities are in truth like John Bunyan's Mansoul, and can only be spiritually captured by the consent of their own inhabitants. —Christopher Hollis, London.

St. Cecelia's (Elmira)

FR. STANTON'S MOTHER DIES

The sincere sympathy of all the parishioners is extended to Father Stanton, whose mother died on Christmas afternoon. Mrs. Stanton's funeral was held at Immaculate Conception Church in Rochester on Wednesday morning.

NEW YEAR'S SERVICES

The Masses for New Year's Day will be the same as on Sunday. The first Mass at 8:00, the others follow at 10:00 and 11:30. Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament will follow the last Mass. Confessions will be heard on Friday afternoon at 3:30 and in the evening at 7:00.

He Will Listen

Converse with Our Lord, Who loves you, and Who can certainly take the place of every one else in your heart.—Jean de Bretenieres.

Among the safe courses, the safest of all is to doubt.—Spanish Proverb.

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