

Archbishop Invokes St. Rose As 'Good Neighbor' Patroness

LIMA—"Today when so much is being said and written about the Good Neighbor policy, it seems to us fitting, as an evangelical policy, to invoke St. Rose of Lima as the 'Rose of Good Neighborliness' because neighborliness has its beginning and perfection in the charity of Christ Our Lord."

This suggestion was made by the late Rev. Pedro Pascual Farfan, archbishop of Lima, in a Pastoral issued on the Feast of St. Rose of Lima whom Pope Clement X, in 1670, declared to be the "principal and universal Patron of all the provinces, kingdoms, islands and regions of terra firma of all America, the Philippines and the Indies." "Of that good neighborliness which smoothes resentment and serapancies among nations and peoples, one might say that like others of the same name, it unites them in a fraternal embrace, mutual cooperation and reciprocal aid, and leads them in turn to the Common Father whose benedictions assure the spiritual as well as material progress," the pastoral says.

"May our St. Rose of Good Neighborliness," the Pastoral concludes, "always keep peace among the nations of this Continent, and extending her compassionate gaze to the fields of Europe and elsewhere where battles are now raging, wash a torrent of celestial rain to quench the fires of war on all fronts and cause to germinate instead the olive of peace in the justice and charity of Christ."

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Priests in Final Tribute To Fr. William Rafferty

More than 80 priests of the diocese joined with parishioners of St. Patrick's Church, Mt. Morris in a final tribute to the Rev. William A. Rafferty, pastor, who died unexpectedly on Monday, August 28, 1944, at St. Gabriel Sanatorium.

The High Mass of Requiem on Friday, August 31 was celebrated by the Rev. John A. Smith, of St. Mary's, Corning. Father Smith was assisted by the Rev. Arthur A. Le May, Chaplain at the U. S. Veterans' Facility, Bath, as Deacon and the Rev. Charles P. Riefer of Sacred Heart Church, Perkinsville as Subdeacon.

Other officers of the Mass were: Master of Ceremonies, the Rev. Lawrence B. Casey; Second Master, the Rev. Dominic J. Grasso; Acolytes, the Rev. Francis W. Mason and the Rev. Joseph E. Esser; Thurifer, the Rev. George J. Schmitt.

Preaches Eulogy
The Rev. Bartholomew L. Quirk of St. Patrick's, Seneca Falls delivered the eulogy. Father Quirk recalled efforts of the revered Father William Rafferty, uncle of the deceased, in arranging his nephew's entry into St. Andrew's Seminary. Father William Rafferty, he said, soon endeared himself to his fellow students. His sterling qualities were quickly evident and his years in preparation for the Holy Priesthood continued to accentuate these priceless characteristics.

In the classroom, on the baseball field, in the company of other students, Father Rafferty was known for his kindness, his sense of fair play, his indomitable interest in the welfare of others. "The qualities," Father Quirk recalled, "won for him the admiration and esteem of priests and people. His greatest interest was in the young and he never lost an opportunity wherein to bring the teachings of the Master to the children."

Father Rafferty was appointed pastor of St. Patrick's, Mt. Morris in 1928. Up to the time his failing health necessitated a trip to the Mayo Bros. Hospital in Rochester, Minn., Father Rafferty was never away from his parish on a Sunday or a Holy Day of Obligation.

Father Quirk concluded his remarks, assuring the people of St. Patrick's that the Bishop and priests of the diocese joined with them in their prayers that their "beloved pastor might find eternal rest."

Prelates Attend
In the Sanctuary also were the Rt. Rev. Msgr. William M. Hart, V.G., the Rt. Rev. Msgr. William F. Bergan, Chancellor of the diocese; the Rt. Rev. Msgr. Joseph S. Cameron.

Other priests attending included:
The Reverend Fathers John A. Albert, E. T. Dougherty, Francis W. Luddy, Edward H. Hartmann, J. N. Margott, Roy F. Hearty, John J. Burke, D. H. Sullivan, Andrew T. Diastet, Adolph J. Schneider, Henry J. Berbecker, John B. Crowley, James F. Slatery, Joseph V. Curtis, J. H. DeVaney, John O'Beirne, James B. Keenan, and William Frank.

The Reverend Fathers William W. Heisel, Charles E. Muckle, John M. Sellinger, W. H. McPaden, William Robin, Walter Fischer, William Brien, Edward M. Scheid, Edward T. Mcagher, John M. Ball, Joseph Balcerak, Joseph T. Guilford, Lawrence Gannon, Leo Schwarz, John J. Treacy, Harold F. Rogers, William J. Devereaux, John S. Randall, Michael E. Hynes, Robert A. Koleher, Arthur F. Florack, Patrick A. Kelly, Hubert A. Bischoff, Raymond P. Nolan, Emmett F. Magee, C. A. VanderMeulen, C.S.S. OC., Raymond M. Lynd and Edward K. Ball.

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Charges Catholics Persecuted Orthodox Proved To Be False

LONDON. — (RNS-Wireless) — Charges that Roman Catholics persecuted Orthodox members of Polish forces in Great Britain have been found to be without foundation by an impartial commission created to investigate the allegations.

The Commissioners consisted of the Rev. J. E. Dankin, Dr. J. A. Douglas, and the Provost of Edinburgh Cathedral, and were named at the request of Dr. William Temple, Protestant Archbishop of Canterbury, and Dr. Arthur J. MacLean, Primate of the Scottish Episcopal Church.

Given every facility for confidential interviews, the Commissioners declared themselves "unanimously and completely satisfied that no discrimination has been exercised by Polish Roman Catholics against Orthodox White Russians and Ukrainians in Great Britain on account either of religion or their race."

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