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Youth Section

Holy Childhood Association

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ST. THERESE (THE LITTLE MISSIONARY)

By Mary Ann DeLaura

On January 2, 1873 in Rue St. Blaise, France, a baby girl was born. Two days later she was christened Marie Françoise Theresse Martin. Little Theresse was a lovely affectionate child. She brought great joy to her parents and her four sisters.

At the age of four years Theresse's beloved mother died; she then chose her sister, Pauline, to take the place of her mother.

These longed to receive our Lord in Holy Communion but according to custom, she had to reach the age of eleven before she could receive our Lord.

At the age of fifteen Theresse decided she was ready to enter the convent; she had many troubles before she could do so.

The superior of the convent thought she was too young so she had to wait until she was sixteen.

On her clothing day Theresse wished for snow. The day was mild and clear outside. In the afternoon it started to snow.

She spent nine years in the convent and during this time and all the other years she spent on earth, few people had ever heard about her.

Not long after her death she was canonized. People from all over the world came to her shrine to see her.

St. Joseph

This year May 8 will be kept as the solemn Feast of St. Joseph, Patron of the Universal Church.

St. Joseph is the patron of a happy death. His own death, before Jesus began His public life, must have been beautiful, with Jesus and Mary to comfort him.

JOE AND JUDY



A Crown for Our Lady

By Sister M. Marcellina, O. S. U.

MARY LILY slipped through the hedge which separated the boarding school grounds from the sanitarium. The man sitting by the brook smiled a welcome.

"Good afternoon, Mr. Soldier," said the little girl. "I can stay a long time today. The girls have all gone home for the week-and Sister Coletta is here the cook."

All the others just boarded and went home sometimes to their parents for vacation. The school spoke of her school work, her playmates, her friends and always in her talk he stressed the beauty of her Faith as it touched every part of her life.

He remembered the first day she had come through the hedge. He had found this quiet spot at the very end of the sanitarium grounds where he could get away from everyone. He had come there often, wishing to be alone.

"I've been exploring for treasure," she said that first day, and I found you. What's your name? Mine's Mary Lily.

"Oh, I'm just a soldier," he said. "I don't know your name. He didn't know who he was. He had forgotten everything before that painful day when he was picked up on the battlefield. His wounds were healed now, but his memories were gone."

"Then I'll call you Mr. Soldier," Mary Lily decided quickly. "And I'll come to see you whenever I can."

He did not expect to see her again. Mary Lily told Sister Coletta that evening about her adventure. She never knew that Sister Coletta had inquired most carefully at the sanitarium and was assured that the child was perfectly safe. They hoped Sister would let her come often. This was the first time this soldier had shown an interest in anything.

MARY LILY only knew that every day when she possibly could, Sister Coletta gave her permission, and she hurried through the woods to the break in the hedge to visit Mr. Soldier.

Sometimes Mr. Soldier talked to Mary Lily. More often he sat silent and still and listened to the little girl's conversation. He learned a great deal about the child as the warm days came and went.

She was the only one of all the girls, Mary Lily told him, who really belonged to the sisters.

Word Scramble

Did you know that birds do special work in controlling insects, according to the kind of bird, feet, body and wings each type possesses?

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In this word scramble you will find the names of some of our friendly bird helpers.

Some of the wood destroyers, which eat the seeds of woods, to help the farmer and gardener, are the DOWNY, WOODPECKER, KILLDEER, and PHOENIX.

Birds who eat insects which are on the ground have large straight bills for picking up food. Watch the BIRD, WREN, and LARKSPRING at work as ground caretakers.

You have no doubt watched the bark cleaners at work. Have you seen the CHIPPY, WOODPECKER and DEERHORN?

St. John

Although St. John, the Beloved Disciple, did not die a martyr's death, he lived to a very old age in exile on the Island of Patmos.

By the favor of God, St. John came forth unhurt from the tortures the Emperor ordered him to undergo. When the Apostle refused to adore the Roman gods he was plunged into a vessel of boiling oil. This cauldron of oil, with fire burning beneath it, was set up just outside the gate of the city of Rome known as the Porta Latina, or Latin Gate.

From the name of the place this feast gets its title. The Christian later built a church at the Latin Gate where St. John had been miraculously saved from death.

Answers

- 1. Name of this puzzle. 2. Opposite of No. 3. Also. 4. Tavern. 5. Commit an error or mistake. 6. Reason between winter and summer. 7. Property in general. 8. In the near future. 9. Rules established by authority. 10. Brook. 11. Guardian or protector. 12. Light. 13. Supposing that. 14. Move backwards and forwards. 15. Short word meaning advertisement. 16. Nickname for Albert. 17. Myself. 18. Exclamation of joy.

Bishop D'Alton Named

DUBLIN - (NC) - Consecrated less than four years ago, Bishop John F. D'Alton of Meath, Ireland, has been named as Archbishop of Armagh and Primate of all Ireland, according to word received here from the Holy See.

50,000 Prague Children Suffer from Tuberculosis

New York - (NC) - Fifty thousand children in the Prague area under 14 years of age are suffering from tuberculosis, and as many as 50 per cent of the others, particularly in the urban areas, are pre-tubercular and in need of special feeding and medical attention.

The children need milk. Monsignor Zlamal said. "Nearly all of the cows in the area have been killed or stolen. Institutions for children need the most elementary things, such as bed linens. All donations of infant supplies are a Godsend. Medicines and medications are lacking. We hope the United States will help with these items and also with X-rays units to detect and control the spread of tuberculosis."

Housing Brings Crime--Msgr. O'Grady

Hopelessly inadequate housing in which individuals and families are packed together under most horrible conditions that make decent living, and above all decent family living, impossible.

Such conditions make law enforcement a most difficult task. The Monsignor said, since they are incompatible with wholesome and decent family life and people packed together in inadequate and unsanitary quarters, struggling for a bare existence, full prey to such forces of disintegration as "vice and crime" and "racial tensions".

Of course, something could be accomplished by the adoption of an understanding attitude on the part of law officers. A policeman who makes a real effort to help delinquents "has something that all policemen need in these days. He can reach the hearts of tough boys and can get next to them.

He can do so without surrendering to their whims and fancies. He can be fair without being cruel. His road will not always be easy but there is no easy road to tough youthful offenders against law and order."

These local housing authorities have since 1937 constructed 155,000 housing units in 400 U. S. cities.

"I believe," he said, "that Rochester is one of the very few cities of its size in the United States that does not have a housing authority. Rochester is known throughout the country for its fine community spirit, for its great progress in the physical sciences, for its progressive and enlightened business interests. I am sure that Rochester will now want to give more and more attention to these finer things that make for the rebuilding of neighborhoods, for the building of family life."

"These are common problems in all our large American industrial cities. They are the challenges our cities must face if they are to survive."

"This is the great challenge that all our planners must face: what are we going to do with our city dwellings that will give our family life an opportunity to survive and to prosper?"

Honolulu Mass Draws 10,000 For Centennial

Honolulu - (NC) - More than ten thousand faithful gathered at the foot of the towering 10,000-foot volcanic mountain of Haleakala on the island of Maui to assist at the Pontifical Mass marking the centennial of the founding of the first permanent mission on the island.

Archbishop Amleto Giovanni Cicognani, Apostolic Delegate to the United States, pontificated at the open air Mass in the Kahala Fair Grounds and Bishop James J. Swagney of Honolulu preached the sermon. Archbishop John J. Mitty of San Francisco, Metropolitan of the Hawaiian Islands; Bishop Apollinaris Baumgartner, O.F.M. Cap. Vicar Apostolic of Guam, and the Very Rev. Jules Verhaeghe, Provincial of the Sacred Heart Fathers, were present in the sanctuary.

Among those present at the Mass were the Rev. Cyril Eraly, S.S.C.C. cousin to Father Damien and pastor of the Hans district where Helle Koselos lies buried; Louis Boeynaems, nephew of the late Bishop Boeynaems; Rudolph Verammen, pastor of Lahaina, the original landing place of the Sacred Heart Fathers; Furtado Mathen, a native priest and member of the Holy Ghosts; St. Daniel O'Leary, secretary of Bishop Baumgartner; and many Chamorro priests on Guam, Sister Isabelle, who was rescued by submarine from the northern Solomons during the Japanese occupation, and numerous representatives from various States on the Islands.

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