

Sacristan 25 Years Is Honored by Pope

Lady of Lourdes parish and mother of a recent Nieman Fellow at Harvard University has been decorated here by Bishop Duane G. Hunt of Salt Lake with the medal Pro Ecclesia et Pontifice for exceptional service to the Catholic Church.

Her son, William McDougall Jr., former ace foreign correspondent for the United Press, is the author of two books dealing with his experiences as a prisoner of the Japanese, 1942-1945.

The citation, accompanying the award by Pope Pius XII, says in part: "For 25 years Mrs. McDougall has acted as sacristan at the Church of Our Lady of Lourdes, going over at 5:30 each morning to open the church and prepare for the first Mass."

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At Our House Inside on 'Outside' Nuns

By MARY TINLEY DALY

It was Sunday afternoon at the Catholic Home for Aged Ladies — the long awaited Sunday afternoon. Archbishop O'Boyle would be there, the chapel was shining and flower bedecked, and there was a tea table laden with all sorts of good things.

Company doesn't come often to the Home for Aged Ladies but this was a special occasion: official welcome to the archdiocese of the Carmelite Sisters for the Aged and Infirm, the sisters who were Mary Daly to care for the ladies.

Of recent years the activities of various Catholic Sisterhoods have been glamorized in novels and movies: Sisters conducting orphanages, teaching school, and in missionary fields — all lively forward-looking projects.

THE BABIES they tend in orphanages have the perennial charm of babies, and there's always the possibility that one may grow up to a Bishop, or President of the United States, or another Babe Ruth. Teaching, too, has this forward-looking approach — the molding of citizens of tomorrow — and so does missionary work.

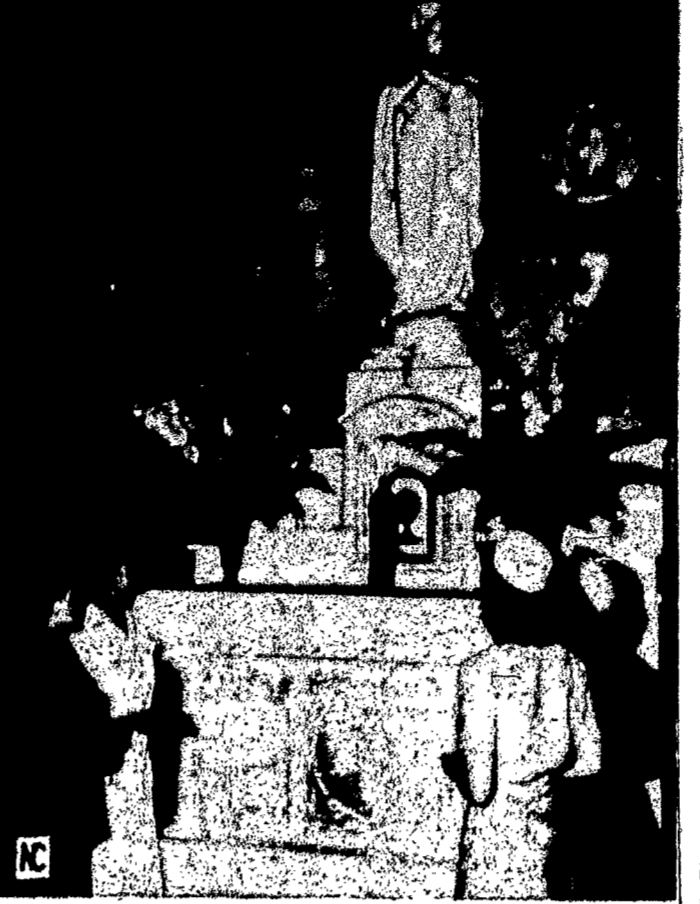
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TO OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY



Four young servicewomen in Uncle Sam's peacetime armed forces recite the rosary before the statue of Our Blessed Mother in the Nativity Church, Washington. Reclination of the rosary, honoring Our Lady of the Rosary, to whom October is dedicated, was sponsored by the USO-National Catholic Community Service.

Veteran Maryknollers Work in New York's Chinatown

New York — (NC) — Right here in "little old New York" four Maryknoll priests are back in Chinese mission work. They have been assigned to conduct the Transfiguration parish in the heart of New York's Chinatown.

Pope Gives Arab Children Vacation

Rome — (CIP) — Six hundred Arab refugee children from Palestine are enjoying summer vacations in the Lebanon Republic as a result of a gift of the Holy Father, according to a "Fides" dispatch from Beirut.

Devil Worshipers

Yes, you can still find them in the land that Jesus loved. The good pastor of Habbaniya in Iraq has just instructed and received into the Church two converts from this diabolic sect.

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Pilgrim Virgin Draws Thousands

Ogdensburg, N. Y. — (NC) — Churches were so crowded during the visit of the "Pilgrim Virgin" Fatima statue in the Ogdensburg diocese that several thousand people were unable to attend the services honoring Our Lady of Fatima.

As has happened elsewhere on the two-year pilgrimage of the statue through the United States, confessions in the diocese were filled during the statue's visit. An average of seven priests heard confessions each evening at the churches where the statue remained.

Miss Craven Weds

Washington — (NC) — Miss Ruth Craven, executive secretary of the National Council of Catholic Women since September, 1944, has resigned that post to become the wife of Dr. George Rock, dean of the Graduate School of Arts and Sciences of the Catholic University of America.

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Three Altars

This morning, a letter from Fr. Gasparini in Asmara, Eritrea tells us that he and all his people are praying for the opening of his Church on Christmas Day.

God's Worker at Eighty

That grand old soul—Mother Guigne of the Ladies of Nazareth writes us in her own hand "Every day I discover new heartaches—but the worst of them all is the unbelievable poverty and squalor of some of our poor Churches and their altars."

Angel of God

That familiar scouter to our Guardian Angel (created October 2) which we learned and loved in childhood, is taught to every child who comes to any of our Orphan Asylums in the Near East.

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