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CALENDAR FOR NEXT WEEK.

APRIL.

- 25 Low Sunday. Octave of Easter.
- 26 Monday.—Saints Cletus and Marcellinus, Martyrs.
- 27 Tuesday.—St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen, Martyr (transferred from the 24th).
- 28 Wednesday.—St. Paul of the Cross, Confessor, Founder of the Passionists. Commemoration of St. Vitalis, Martyr.
- 29 Thursday.—St. Peter, Martyr.
- 30 Friday.—St. Catherine of Sienna, Virgin.

MAY.

- 1 Saturday.—Sts Philip and James, Apostles.

CITY AND ELSEWHERE.

Branch No 52 of the C.M.B.A. hold a regular meeting in Unity Hall, McIntyre Block, this evening.

St Mary's court No 276 of the Catholic Order of Foresters hold a regular meeting in Unity Hall on Friday evening.

The members of the various Catholic societies connected with St. Mary's Parish are requested to assemble at the school house on Sunday morning next not later than 8 o'clock to proceed thence to the Church and receive Holy Communion in a body.

Large congregations attended each of the city Churches at the closing service of Holy Week, and all the people seemed to participate with the utmost fervor and devotion in the various offices of the church. On Easter Sunday both the churches were occupied by hundreds of worshippers from early hour until late at night. The number of communicants was especially gratifying.

The chanting of the various offices of Good Friday at St. Mary's Church by the Brothers was a revelation to those who had the happiness of assisting at the service. Rarely do Winnipeggers hear the plain chant rendered with such precision and solemnity, and the fact that plain chant is, after all, the most appropriate and effective music which can be used in the service of the Church was certainly most forcibly and agreeably brought home to those who were present.

The choir of the Immaculate Conception were without the assistance on Sunday last of their talented organist, Mrs Geo. Germain, who is at present spending a short holiday with her father in Montreal. Her place was filled at High Mass by Miss. E. Russell, whose home is in Minneapolis but who has spent the winter in the city visiting her brothers, Messrs F. W. and H. A. Russell.

On Tuesday next the election of a member to succeed Hon. Hugh John Macdonald in the House of commons will be held here.

The candidates are Mr. Jameson, Government, and Mr. E. L. Taylor who runs as an Independent representative. Not much interest is apparently taken in the event by the general public, who seem to feel that no matter which of the two wins it will make but little difference at Ottawa and that neither of them would be likely to make such a record that the citizens would wish to retain them beyond the term of the present parliament.

At the regular meeting of the Catholic truth Society held at St. Mary's School-house last week a most interesting paper on the last years of Mary, Queen of Scots, was read by the President, Mr. J. A. McInnis. He touched on the main points of her 18 years imprisonment showing the indignities she suffered at the hands of her jailers and by order of the jealous and hypocritical Queen Elizabeth and tracing the events which led to her execution he showed that Mary really died for her religion and because her enemies thought her death was necessary for the success of the new Church which had been founded by the monster

Henry VIII and which was being forced upon the unwilling people by that brutal monarch's no less brutal and inhuman daughter, Elizabeth.

Short speeches on the various points raised were made by several of members and a hearty vote of thanks was tender Mr. McInnis at the close.

Rev. Father Chartier, S.J., Rector of St. Boniface College went to Treherne to hold the Holy Saturday and Easter Sunday services there.

Rev. Father Grenier, S. J., preached at the Immaculate Conception Church last Sunday evening.

The water is still rising slowly. Some cellars are already flooded. People do not, however, seem to anticipate any disastrous inundation.

Rev. Father Defoy, assistant priest at the Immaculate Conception, is a musician and has presided at the organ of Mrs. Germain's absence in the east.

The congregation at the Church of the Immaculate Conception were much gratified to see that Mr. Leon Cherrier had so far recovered from his recent severe illness that he was able to take his accustomed part in the Good Friday service, viz, carrying the canopy over the Host as it was taken in procession from the place of repose to the High Altar. One and all trust that he may speedily recover his old time health and vigor and that he may be spared for many years yet.

A beautiful feature of the Holy Week services at St. Boniface Cathedral was the singing of the Passion by three priests on Good Friday. Rev. Father Cloutier took the part of the narrator, which is by far the longest, Rev. Father Gravel sang the words of Our Lord, and Rev. Father George all the other direct quotations contained in the eighteenth and nineteenth chapters of St. John's Gospel.

St. Mary's Church.

The Holy Week services were largely attended in St. Mary's Church. For the first time, the Tenebrae office was chanted. On Wednesday evening, before the beginning of this most solemn and impressive ceremony, the Rev. Pastor explained the meaning of the office, particularly of the Lamentations of Jeremiah.

On Thursday holy Communion was given at four different times to a large number of people.

The altar of Repose, prepared with exquisite taste by the Sisters of St. Mary's Academy, presented a beautiful sight with its rich decorations and its garden of natural flowers, which were generously offered by members of the Congregation. A large number of pious persons visited the church in the afternoon and late in the Evening.

At the Evening service, the Rev. Father O'Dwyer delivered an eloquent and touching sermon on the Institution of the Adorable Eucharist.

The morning service on Good Friday brought to church another large gathering.

The chant of the Passion was feelingly rendered and the Congregation seemed to be deeply impressed. At three o'clock when the people assembled once more for the stations of the cross, the mournful appearance of the church was well calculated to bring to their mind the sad scene of Calvary. The walls were draped in black and a large cross, with winding sheet, stood on a rock in front of the main altar. At the Evening service the church was again filled to the doors, the Rev. Father Guillet preached a very impressive sermon on the Passion of the Saviour. After the sermon, the choir sang the "Stabat Mater" & the service was ended by the veneration of the relic of the true Cross.

The service on Saturday began at 8 o'clock; Father McCarthy officiated; the twelve prophecies were chanted; the long series of the beautiful ceremonies of Holy Saturday lasted two hours and thirty minutes.

The Brothers of St. Mary's school, together with the pupils, took an active part in the singing of the Tenebrae and of the Prophecies.

The Rev. Father. Blais officiated on Easter Sunday; he was assisted by Rev. Father McCarthy as subdeacon and Rev. Father O'Dwyer as deacon. The sermon was given by Rev. Father O'Dwyer, who took for his text, "This is the day which the Lord hath made let us be glad and rejoice therein." (Ps. 117. 24).

The altar was again magnificently adorned by the good Sisters of St. Mary's Academy.

The musical part of the services was very fine. The choir under the leader-

ship of Mr. Louis Bouche rendered with skill Gounod's "Messe Solennelle," the chorus of thirty voices being assisted by Miss Pridham whose voice is full of feeling & sweetness and Messrs. Arnold and Crick. At High Mass the following pieces were given with admirable effect: Organ prelude, Albert Evans; Introit, Old Gregorian chant; Kyrie Eleison; Gloria in Excelsis and Credo, Gounod; Ave Maria, Mascagni, Miss Pridham; Sanctus, Benedictus and Agnus Dei, Gounod; organ postlude, Albert Evans. At Vespers the psalms were sung in Gregorian, followed by Dubois Regina Coeli; at Benediction Faure's Tantum Ergo, preceded by Gounod's Sanctus; after Benediction the Laudate Dominum was Gregorian, and Mr. Albert Evans played one of his own sorties.

Letellier & St. Pie.

The predicted flood has come. For the last ten days the Red River has been steadily rising from two to three feet daily. The last day or two the ice has been going by, but the River steadily increases, all the coulées are full, the low land is underwater, and some of the houses have water in them already. All the farmers along the Red River are busy moving their hay, machinery, etc., some even their animals, and the water is close to many houses, and if it continues to rise for two or three days, it will be in most of them, and those who are fortunately situated on high ground will betake themselves "to the upper regions" where their neighbors will be forced to join them.

There was much disappointment among the people of the parish at the roads being too bad for the Retreat which should have taken place in Passion week, the Reverend Father Blais coming to Letellier to preach it. On Passion Sunday very few were able to reach church and those were mostly men on horseback. Palm Sunday, however, was lovely and the church was full; the roads were comparatively good, but the rising flood will prevent the St. Pie people from attending Holy Week services, and probably keep them all at home for more than one Sunday, as although they can go from house to house by boat, the watery way does not lead to the church door at Letellier.

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