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October	November	December
1 T Remigius, B.	1 F All Saints	1 S Elisha, B., Natolia
2 T Guardian Angels	2 S All Souls	2 M Peter Chrysologus, Dr.
3 T Gerard, Abbot	3 S Hubert, B.	3 T Francis Xavier, C.
4 F Francis of Assisi	4 M Charles, B.	4 M Barbara, V. M.
5 S Placidus, M.	5 T Felix, M.	5 T Sabbas, Abbot, Crisp.
6 S Bruno, C.	6 M Leonard, Abbot	6 F Nicholas, B., Dionisia
7 M Justina, V. M.	7 T Wilfrid, B.	7 S Ambrose, Dr., V. M.
8 T Bridget, W.	8 F Godfrey, B.	8 S Immac. Concept.
9 M Denis, M.	9 S Ursinus, B.	9 M Gergonia, V., Julian
10 T Francis Borgia, C.	10 S Justus, B.	10 T Melchior, Pope
11 F Placidia, V.	11 M Martin, B.	11 M Damasus, Pope, Jea
12 S Marcellian, B.	12 T Lambert, B.	12 T Cormac, Abbot
13 S Edward, King.	13 M Benedictine All Saints	13 F Lucy, V. M., Jodocus
14 M Callistus, M.	14 T Benedictine All Souls	14 S Nicetas, B., Eutropia
15 T Theresa, V.	15 F Benedictine All Souls	15 S Maximin, Abbot
16 M Gail, Abbot	16 S Othmar, Abbot	16 M Adalard, C., Albina, V.
17 T Hedwigis, W.	17 S Gertrude, Abbess	17 T Rega, Abbess
18 F Luke, Evang.	18 M Odo, Abbot	18 S Rufus, Ember Day
19 S Godeswida, Abbess	19 T Elizabeth, W.	19 T Natus, Abbot, Chea
20 M Wendelin, Abbot	20 F Presentation B. V. M.	20 S Thomas, Ember D.
21 M Ursula, V.	21 T Cecilia, V. M.	21 S Honoratus, M., Jutta
22 T Corbula, V. M.	22 F Cecilia, V. M.	22 M Hartmann, B., Victoria
23 M Severin, B.	23 S Clement, P. M.	23 T Adam and Eve, Vig.
24 T Magloire, B.	24 S Chrysogonus, M.	24 T Christmas
25 F Chrysanthus, M.	25 M Catherine, V. M.	25 T Stephen, M., Jarlath
26 S Bernard, B.	26 T Conrad, B.	26 F John, B., Fabiola, W.
27 S Florentius, M.	27 M Virgil, B.	27 S Holy Innocents
28 M Simon and Jude, Ap.	28 T Rufus, M.	28 S Thomas of Canterbury
29 T Narcissus, B.	29 F Brendan, Abbot	29 M Annyia, V. M., Rainer
30 M Germanus, B.	30 S Andrew, Ap.	30 T Sylvester, P., Columba
31 T Wolfgang, B. Vig.		

A Suggestion

We are informed by a letter from Bishop Budka that the government has at last granted him permission to publish his Ruthenian Catholic paper again, under condition that it be made bi-lingual, namely that, aside of the Ruthenian text, the English translation must be printed.

Whoever is at all conversant with the conditions among the Ruthenians, knows that a Catholic paper for them is absolutely necessary in order to help keep these people in the Church. The lack of priests for them is so great that it is impossible for all of them to be attended properly, there being only about 25 priests for a Ruthenian Catholic population of a quarter of a million in this country.

We know in a general way of the great trials and sacrifices the devoted Bishop Budka and his heroic priests are undergoing. We know that they are not only slandered and persecuted by enemies of the Catholic Church who are trying to do away with the shepherds in order that the unguided flock may fall an easy prey to their depredations, but we also know that there are among the Ruthenians themselves bad men, who do everything possible to put obstacles in the way of the zealous Bishop and who try to slander him in the eyes of the world. We have been handicapped, however, until now in our attempts to get a real insight into the conditions under which this zealous bishop is laboring with his devoted missionaries, because of our inability to understand the language of the Ruthenians and thus to realize their mentality and the dangers of perversion with which they are threatened.

Now there is a splendid chance for us to gain this knowledge. The fact that all which is published in their newspaper is accessible to us, because its translation into English must accompany the Ruthenian text, gives us the opportunity of studying these our Catholic Brethren who are living in such large numbers among us and are nevertheless strangers to us on account of the barrier of language. Every priest, every Catholic teacher, every educated lay person should use this opportunity, which will pass away after the conclusion of the war, to become acquainted with our Ruthenian brethren, with their ways of thinking, with their good qualities and with their defects. Thus we shall be enabled to take a sympathetic brotherly interest in them, to help them overcome the difficulties with which they are contending, and to defend them against the slanders of their and our enemies of the Faith.

Let us all, therefore, send good Bishop Budka AT ONCE a subscription of two dollars for his Catholic Ruthenian newspaper and let us regularly and carefully read each issue of that paper. In doing so, we shall derive great advantages ourselves, by opening up for ourselves a wealthier mine of knowledge, and at the same time we shall perform a most meritorious deed by assisting this St. Paul of the Ruthenians in the arduous and expensive work of preaching by the printed word to those of his flock whom he cannot reach by the spoken word. Surely, God will look upon every dollar we spend for this purpose with as much pleasure as if we had donated it for the heathen missions in Africa or Asia.

Let us not delay, but send to the good bishop at once the following Order Form with our name and address and accompanied with \$2.00:

Rt. Rev. N. BUDKA, D. D.,

511 Dominion Street,
WINNIPEG, MAN.

My Lord:—

Enclosed please find the sum of two dollars as subscription to your Catholic Ruthenian newspaper, which I would ask you to have forwarded regularly to my following address:

Name.....
Street and Number.....
Post Office and Province.....

Religious News

PRINCE ALBERT, Sask.—The Rev. Father Tossier, O.M.I., who has been pastor of the parish of Duck Lake for nearly two years, has been transferred by his superiors to St. Paul des Metis, Alberta. He is succeeded by the Rev. Father Husson, O.M.I., formerly director of the Indian School at Saddle Lake.

—The community of Grey Nuns at St. Paul's Hospital, Saskatoon, suffers a severe loss through the death of Sister St. Leone, who succumbed to a severe attack of Influenza on Monday morning. She contracted the disease in the exercise of her duties as nurse and was called to her heavenly reward at the early age of 28 years.

—On the feast of All Saints, the first holy Mass was celebrated in the new Church of the German Russian settlement northeast of Viscount by the new pastor, Rev. Father Nicolet. A large number of the faithful received the holy Sacraments on the occasion, so that the pastor was busy from 8 to 11 o'clock in the morning, hearing confessions. The church is a fine frame structure costing about \$3000, and there is not a cent of debt encumbering it.

—On Oct. 24th, the Rev. Father Sayer of Prince Albert, who had been delegated for this purpose by the Bishop, solemnly blessed a new bell which had been donated to the church at Richard by Mr. E. Richard.

REGINA, Sask.—From the daily papers we learn that Rev. Father Boivin, assistant secretary of the Archbishop, who had been sent to Ponteix to help the pastor of that place, who was confined to bed with the influenza, contracted the disease and succumbed to its attacks.

—Sister Margaret, one of the Dominican Nuns of the community at the Archbishop's residence, also died of the prevalent epidemic last week.

ST. CLOUD, Minn.—The Benedictine Abbey of St. John's at Collegeville suffered the loss of two promising young members by influenza and pneumonia last week. Fr. Godfrey Gans, born March 31st 1889 and professed July 13th 1914, a subdeacon, died on November 4th and the deacon, Fr. Fabian Ethen, born June 3rd 1890 and professed on July 19th 1913 followed him in death on November 7th.

MILWAUKEE, Wis.—On Nov. 28th the diocese of Milwaukee will celebrate the 75th anniversary of its erection, which took place on that day in 1843. The first bishop Rt. Rev. John M. Henni, who had, some years previously founded the Cincinnati "Wahrheitsfreund", the first German Catholic newspaper in America, was consecrated in 1844, and made archbishop in 1875. After his death in 1881, he was succeeded by archbishop Michael Heiss. He again was followed by archbishop F. X. Krauthauer. On the 60th anniversary of the erection of the diocese, Nov. 28th the present incumbent, archbishop Sebastian Messmer was made archbishop.

ST. LOUIS, Mo.—On Oct. 29th archbishop Glennon solemnly blessed the new building of Arcadia College, the institution of the Ursulines at Arcadia, Mo.

FRIBOURG, Switzerland.—Father Francis Jordan, founder and superior general of the Salvatorian Fathers died at the age of 70 years at Tanvel near this city on Sept. 8th. He was born at Gurtweil in Baden and was ordained priest at the age of 30. Three years later he founded the congregation of Salvatorians, which furnishes missionaries for Assam (India) and South America. It also has a province in the United States, with 33 priests and numerous scholastics, novices and brothers.

EINSIEDELN, Switzerland.

—A great sensation was caused by the alleged miraculous cure of a young man who had been suffering for a long time and who was suddenly and completely cured from lameness in the Holy Chapel at Einsiedeln on Sept. 16th. A thorough examination of his case is being made by the physicians who had been treating him for months previous to the cure. The result of the investigation is to be published later.

POITIERS, France.—Msgr. Louis Humbrecht, bishop of Poitiers has been appointed archbishop of Besancon. He was born on Aug. 28th 1853 at Gebweiler in Alsace and has been bishop of Poitiers since 1911.

Rom.—The Pope has appointed Msgr. Henry Praszdiecki bishop of Podlachia in Poland and Msgr. Margan Fulman Bishop of Lublin, also in Poland. Both these Sees have been without bishops for years. Two ancient bishoprics within the former territory of Russia are again to be revived, namely the archbishopric of Riga and the bishopric of Kamieniec in Podolia. Msgr. Count Edward O'Rourke, vicar general of Minsk, is to be Archbishop of Riga, and Msgr. Peter Nankowski Bishop of Kamieniec.

—Msgr. Ratti, Visitor Apostolic for Poland, is also to be appointed Visitor Apostolic for Russia.

—A Decree of the Sacred Congregation in virtue of which an Ordinary for refugee priests, seminarists and laymen dispersed in the various dioceses of Italy is appointed has been issued. The decree refers to the difficulties that subjects experience in communicating with their respective Bishops, and also to the insufficient authority of the Bishops of the dioceses in which the refugees have found a place of residence. Consequently, a Bishop resident in Rome, having full jurisdiction, is appointed by the Holy Father. This prelate is the Most Rev. Paolo Pierpaoli, Archbishop of Chalcide, late Delegate Apostolic to Venezuela, now Canon of St. Peter's.

Death of Father Vachon, O.M.I.

The Catholic Church has suffered a great loss by the unexpected death of Father Leander Vachon, O.M.I., Pastor of the parish of North Battleford, who was taken away by pneumonia following influenza on the evening of Nov. 4.

Father Vachon died a martyr of duty. He had been unwell for several days with influenza, but his pastoral zeal did not permit him to spare himself. Whilst ill himself, he drove out to the Asylum to administer the Sacraments to a sick member of his flock. On this trip he caught a cold, which brought on pneumonia, to which he succumbed within a short time. His superior, Father Grandin, provincial of the Oblates, who had at once come to visit the sick Father, arrived in time to administer to him the consolations of our holy religion. The dying Father retained consciousness to the last. The funeral took place on the morning of Nov. 6, Very Rev. Father Grandin officiating.

The deceased Father was born at Beaulharnais, Prov. Quebec, in 1864. At an early age he decided to become a priest in the Congregation of the Oblates of Mary Immaculate. After completing his studies at the Oblate University in Ottawa, he was sent to the Indian Missions of the west. In 1889 he was ordained priest at St. Albert by the late Bishop Grandin, after which he labored for many years in the Indian and Halfbreed Missions, being stationed first at the Sweet Grass Reserve, near Delmas, and then at St. Laurent. When the influx of white settlers to Sas-

katchewan began in the beginning of this century, he was stationed at Prince Albert with the task of bringing in Catholic settlers from Quebec. Later on, he was made pastor of the parish at Saskatoon, where he built the present fine church. His last post was that of pastor at North Battleford, where he has labored for a number of years.

Father Vachon was a man of exceptional ability and was highly respected and beloved by every one. His loss will be keenly felt not only by the Oblate Fathers, one of whose most prominent members he was, and by the whole diocese of Prince Albert, but far beyond the boundaries of our province. May God reward him a hundredfold the labors which this faithful servant has performed during nearly a lifetime in his vineyard!

St. Peter's Colony

MÜNSTER.—During the past week the following moneys poured into the office of St. Peter's Bote to be used for the following pious causes: \$10.00 from a good lady at Dead Moose Lake for the orphanage at Prince Albert; \$5.00 from a kind reader at Humboldt for the same purpose; from a good lady in Humboldt \$1.00 for Father Egenolf, O. M. I., and \$2.00 for the Ursuline Sisters for their new convent at Bruno. God bless the supporters of the Church and its beneficent institutions!

—St. Peter's Bote is in receipt of a neat correspondence from St. Benedict, which we would have published gladly, had the writer but given his or her full name. We cannot publish correspondences, unless we know exactly who is their author. If the correspondent, however, prefers to use as signature to his correspondences or articles a pseudonym or his initials, he is at liberty to do so, but he must give, in every single case, to the editor of St. Peter's Bote his full name.

—The Ven. Fr. Philip, O. S. B., returned to Münster from Bruno last week. Dr. Duval found it necessary to cut off the first joint of his injured thumb, but this amputation will not render him unfit to receive Holy Orders in due time. Happily also, the injured thumb is on his left hand.

—The Saskatoon Daily Star was asked by one of its readers: "Please tell me which states are known as the New England States." Without hesitation the "erudite" organ of Saskatoon on its editorial page, in its issue of November 6th, answered: "Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Connecticut, New Hampshire, Vermont, Delaware." This answer is only partially correct.

Had the editor of the "Saskatoon Daily Star" taken a course in one of the parochial schools of St. Peter's Colony, which in the past he was ever so ready with a bunch of howlers to attack and malign, he could have answered with one of the pupils in these schools correctly: Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, Rhode Island and Connecticut.—The above mentioned erroneous answer of the "Star" is only again proof of the superficiality of our daily papers; and, of course, our big dailies "need not" correct the mistakes they make.

—On Nov. 8th the Rev. Fathers Casimir of Dead Moose Lake and Bernard of Annaheim paid a short visit to their confreres at the Abbey.

—The weather of the past week was again exceptionally fine, the nights being somewhat cold—the government thermometer at the Abbey registered 1 degree above Zero in the night of Nov. 8th—but the days were beautiful and comparatively warm. Undoubtedly, the beautiful weather is a godsend for this perilous time of the epide-

mic. Thus far there have been very few cases of influenza at Münster and the surrounding country. Ed. Bruning had quite a severe attack of the malady last week, but is much improved now. At Annaheim the disease has rapidly spread since last week. Entire families have been attacked and some cases are reported serious. At Watson, Engelfeld and Humboldt conditions seem to be even worse. Despite the fact that the churches at Watson were closed at the time when the epidemic was in its incipient stage, its spread could not be checked. In its recent issue the Watson paper says: "Influenza made rapid strides in Watson this week. Nearly every house is affected, stores are short of help and business nearly at a standstill. The King George hotel is practically a local hospital." Humboldt has the same experience, though the churches there were closed since Oct. 20th. If people believe in an Almighty God, His attributes and His promises made to mankind, surely, Almighty God who loves every creature endowed with an immortal soul with infinite love, should be invoked and besought in times of a universal calamity. Be it also remembered that visitations like the present one are a sign of God's infinite goodness towards men, His beloved children. Death, for a good Christian and Catholic is not a misfortune. Death is the most powerful preacher and teaches man to be ever prepared to meet it and the eternal Judge. Man is not created for this life but for the life to come. And in order to convince man of this truth, death singles out, as it were, in the present epidemic the most powerful among men and claims the most robust among them, so as to drive home this truth in the most forcible manner. Let, therefore, everyone heed the warning of Our Lord: "Be ye prepared."

—Francisca Xaveria Ollerich, a baby girl of Mr. and Mrs. John Ollerich, was buried in St. Peter's cemetery Nov. 11th. The child was born about 10 days before its death.

—Mr. John Mainzer had the misfortune to break his right leg again, this time right below the hip. This is the third time he is having a fractured leg.

—The gripple has still a grip on the Pilla family. All are in bed, excepting Mr. A. H. Pilla and his son Leo. They are, however, not seriously ill. Mr. K. Stollenwerk and Miss Elizabeth Ehrenreich have also been attacked. The latter was taken to the hospital at Humboldt, Sunday, for adequate treatment.

—STRAYED from my place near Münster about 3 weeks ago: three Berkshire pigs, each weighing about 80 lbs. Finder please inform Fred Wedewer, Münster.

—The report has reached Münster that Mr. Vincent Barry, a brother of the deceased Dr. J. I. Barry, has died Monday of this week of pneumonia following an attack of influenza.

HUMBOLDT.—Recent casualty lists contained the name of Lieut. J. W. Lowes, of Saskatoon, as having been killed in action. He enlisted in the spring of 1915. Lieut. Jack Lowes was one of the first residents of Humboldt, coming here in the year 1904, and establishing a business in partnership with R.J. Kepkey. Soon after Mr. Kepkey retired from the firm, and Mr. Lowes conducted the business for several years on his own behalf. He was elected overseer the second year after Humboldt was incorporated into a village and successfully conducted municipal affairs until 1906, when the corporation took on the status of a town. In 1908 he disposed of his interests here and moved to Saskatoon, where he conducted a successful gent's furnish-

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