

DIocese of London

RELIGIOUS PROFESSION AND RECEPTION AT THE URSULINE CONVENT, 'THE PINES,' CHATHAM, ONT.

On Saturday, Dec. 28, a large number of friends and relatives of those aspiring towards religious perfection, witnessed the solemn profession of three novices and the reception into religion of four young ladies, at the Ursuline Monastery of 'The Pines,' His Lordship Rt. Rev. Michael Francis Fallon, O. M. L. D., Bishop of London, officiating.

This double ceremony is one which never fails to impress, breathing as it does, reverence for the sacredness of a life consecrated to God, within the cloistered precincts of a convent, and one in which the smallest detail is so highly symbolic of some exalted and idealized spiritual truth.

At the appointed hour, preceded by all the religious in procession, the four young ladies about to take the first step towards worldly renunciation, and the novices, eager to make a consecration of their sacrifice, entered the chapel and knelt before the tabernacle, the postulants to beg the holy habit of St. Ursula, and the white-veiled aspirants admission to the vows of profession, viz., poverty, chastity, and instruction.

Holy Mass was celebrated by Rev. Thos. Moylan, C. S. B., of Assumption College, Sandwich; Father Ford, of Bothwell, and Father Doe, of Windsor, acting as deacon and sub-deacon, with Very Rev. Father James, O. F. M., Superior of the Franciscan Monastery, Chatham, Master of Ceremonies.

The sermon, a profound and logical exposition on the life of the evangelist, was delivered by His Lordship Bishop Fallon, who laid before the privileged auditors a lucid and comprehensive explanation of the obligations assumed by those whom God, by special predilection, has called aside to desert the ordinary pursuits of life.

Taking for his text the words of sacred scripture, "What doth it profit a man to gain the whole world and lose his own soul," His Lordship pointed out in words of wisdom and inspiration, the sublimity of a religious vocation, and especially did he emphasize that in these modern days when laxities pervade the so-called social world, render life within its sphere scarcely compatible with purity of heart and conscience, those who have been singularly favored by a higher call, should deem themselves all too unworthy to be the happy recipients of so signal an honor.

And, he concluded, addressing those before him with heart and inspiration, "I bid you, altar, you should at all times cherish your call to an order, which has for a past history centuries of noble work accomplished by illustrious women who renounced all to bring name, distinction and talents in raising the Order of Ursuline to the exalted position it holds in the Church to-day."

"No one can ever tell you why you have been chosen in preference to million of others, or why you have been attracted to strive with all your heart and soul to follow the example and embrace the spirit of the daughters of St. Ursula. No man or woman ever was, or ever will be, worthy in the smallest degree of a life safeguarded by monastic enclosure, and it is therefore for that very reason that I exhort you to correspond with unbounded generosity and courage to the graces Almighty God has given you."

In conclusion, Bishop Fallon paid a kindly tribute to the Community of Ursulines by expressing his heart-felt appreciation of their earnest and loyal endeavors to aid both materially and spiritually in the work of Catholic education in his diocese. Particularly did he commend the Ursuline spirit of simple obedience and reverence, and his earnest prayer was that God would continue to bless their work and to enlarge their numbers sufficient to embrace other fields of labor he hoped to place before them.

After the Mass the postulants left the chapel to exchange their beautiful bridal gowns of rich white satin for the more sombre habit of the Order.

Those taking the black veil were: Sister Mary Irene, London; Sister M. St. Peter, Tilbury; Sister M. Zita, London. The young ladies received into the order were: Miss M. Theresa Hogan, Hildesheim, Ont.; in religion Sister M. Angela; Miss Nano Moylan, Toronto, Ont.; Sister M. Rose; Miss Theresa McGillies, Cornwall, St. Andrews W.; Sister M. Isabel; Miss Mary Kathleen Flynn, London, Ont.; Sister M. Miriam.

Present in the sanctuary were Rev. Father Brady, Wallaceburg; Rev. Father Parent, Tilbury; Rev. Father Hermingford, O. F. M., Chatham; Rev. Father Murray, Assumption College, Sandwich; Rev. Father Valentin, St. Joseph's Hospital, London; Rev. Father Robert, Walkerville.

ed by Fathers Tobin and McCollough, celebrated Mass. At the appointed time five aspirants, dressed in white and wearing white veils and wreaths of white flowers, walked down the aisle preceded by two little girls similarly attired, and made a request to be received into the order, after which they returned to their rooms and after donning the habit of the sisters, returned and made their vows.

Bishop Fallon preached the sermon, taking for his subject: "What doth it profit the man if he gain the whole world and suffer the loss of his soul?" "Doubtless these young women are thinking of this subject, when making a request to be received into the order," said he. "For what will it profit anyone if they attain riches, nobility and the highest station in this life if they lose their souls. These young women take three vows, one of obedience, one of chastity and one of poverty, and I think those three things are very necessary in this world to-day. Obedience is grievously needed in the world to-day. I see disobedience everywhere I go, more than I did twenty years ago and in the vow of obedience these young aspirants have no will of their own, and promise to obey their superior implicitly the will of their superior.

After the ceremony the relatives of those received were entertained at dinner. Those received into the order and their names are: Miss Mary Walsh, London, Sister Mary Edith; Miss E. McGuire, Dresden, Sister Mary Blanche; Miss G. Troy, Toronto, Sister Mary Leonard; Miss A. Moran, Sister Mary Winifrida; Miss S. McDonald, Ridgeway, Sister Mary Madeline Sophia.

Other priests who assisted were Monsignor Aylward, Fathers Murray, West, Bench, Valentin, Foley, Hodgkinson and Laurendeau.

CORK AND STREET PREACHERS

To the Editor of CATHOLIC RECORD: Sir.—A Mr. Randall Phillips, "of Ireland," sees "tears streaming down the faces" of old people in Cork when he is preaching; and because they never heard the gospel before. The late Dr. Salmon, of Trinity College, advised his divinity students, anxious to put pastoral theology in practice, to hire an old woman and preach at her. "Of course," he added, "it wouldn't be very pleasant for the old woman." And Mr. Phillips may have found that it makes her cry. She is singular, if she exists; as the clerk said to a rector in a Catholic part of Ireland, announcing that his reverence need not have service one day, "for she's sick," that is, the congregation.

All of us in Cork have seen these street preachers on Sunday afternoon. They stand where St. Patrick street meets the Grand Parade, one or two or three of them, and (I speak literally) two or three young folk near: I think I never saw anything like six. Some six policemen stand dotted about between the preaching and singing and the peaceful Christians standing or passing on the pathway out of word and carnal. One never felt as much inclined to weep at the sight of the preachers' gesticulations, as one might at the preacher writing his poor conscience into lying. One wished to think him and them honest in our easy judging Munster way. But your man must have his tongue in his cheek, and a tear, not of sorrow, in his eye, as he leans at each coin from each Saskatoon dupe.

A policeman one day, indeed, told me that the people thought the preachers a bad lot, abusing and insulting the religion of near nine tenths of Cork. And he added, that the people drew a distinction between them and the Salvation Army, criers also in a wilderness, who keep decent tongues in their heads anyway.

"Liars, wordy persons and drunkards," Carlyle's Stout Catholic Abbot Samson specially hated. So let us all hate. W. F. P. STOCKLEY, Dec. 15, 1912. Cork, Ireland.

CHURCH OF OUR LADY

In the evening of the last Sunday of Advent Father Drummond preached on "The Apostolicity of the Church." His text was: "How shall they preach, except they be sent?" (Rom. x. 15.) Apostolicity is the mark or note by which the Church of to-day is recognized as identical with the Church founded by Jesus Christ upon the Apostles. This note is supremely important because it is the surest indication of the true Church of Christ, it is the most easily examined, and it virtually contains the other three marks, namely, Unity, Sanctity and Catholicity.

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Apostolicity of doctrine requires that the deposit of faith committed to the Apostles shall remain unchanged. Since the Church must be infallible in its teaching, it follows that if the Church of Christ still exists it must be teaching His doctrine. Hence Apostolicity of mission is a guarantee of Apostolicity of doctrine. Apostolicity of mission means that the Church is one, continuous, moral body, possessing the mission entrusted by Christ to the Apostles, and transmitted through them and their lawful successors in an unbroken chain to the present representatives of Christ upon earth, and especially to His Vicar, the Pope. This authoritative transmission of power in the Church constitutes Apostolic succession. This Apostolic succession must be both material and formal; the material consisting in the actual succession in the Church, through a series of persons from the Apostolic age to the present; the formal adding the element of authority in the transmission of power. No one can give a power which he does not possess. Hence, in tracing the mission of the Church back to the Apostles, no lacuna or break can be allowed, no new mission can arise. The Apostles who received their mission from Christ, handed it on to those whom they had legitimately appointed (2 Tim II. 2), and these again selected others to continue the ministry. An uninterrupted succession of bishops legitimately possessing the power of jurisdiction is necessary to Apostolicity, for legitimate authority is essential to the transmission of the unaltered faith from its origin in the God-man. A man-given mission is not authoritative.

The common non-Catholic objection to these fundamental principles is that they might do well enough for the benighted Middle Ages, but that some new church concept must be found for our progressive age. But are we progressive in anything but machinery and scientific appliances? Have any minds arisen of late years that can compare with Aristotle and Aquinas? This objection is all based on the amiable delusion that the higher faculties of the human mind are undergoing great and progressive improvement. No, we have to take our religion from the infinite God, because there is not the slightest chance of our becoming equal or superior to Him. And He has laid down the scheme of uninterrupted communion with one central authority.

The history of the Catholic Church from St. Peter to Pius X, is a strong proof of its Apostolicity, for no break can be shown in the line of succession. From "Difficulties of Anglicans," by Cardinal Newman, the preacher quoted three sentences: "Say there is no church at all if you will, and at least I shall understand you; but do not meddle with a fact attested by mankind." "No other form of Christianity but this present Catholic communion has a pretence to resemble, even in the faintest shadow, the Christianity of antiquity viewed as a living religion of the stage of the world." "The immutability and uninterrupted action of the laws in question throughout the course of church history is a plan note of identity between the Catholic Church of the first ages, and that which now goes by that name."

For full development of this vital question Father Drummond referred his hearers to the articles "Apostolic Succession" and "Apostolicity" in the "Catholic Encyclopedia," which is to be found in the Guelph Public Library.

WISE KINGS

The word Epiphany means "manifestation," and it has passed into general acceptance throughout the universal Church, from the fact that Jesus Christ manifested to the eyes of men His divine mission on this day first of all, when a miraculous star revealed His birth to the kings of the East, who, in spite of the difficulties and dangers of a long and tedious journey through deserts and mountains almost impassable, hastened at once to Bethlehem to adore Him and to offer Him mystical presents, as to the King of Kings, to the God of heaven and earth, and to a man with feeble and mortal. The second manifestation was when going out from the waters of the Jordan after having received baptism from the hands of St. John, the Holy Ghost descended on Him in the visible form of a dove, and a voice from heaven was heard, saying, "This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased." The third manifestation was that of His divine power, when at the marriage feast of Cana He changed the water into wine, at the sight whereof His disciples believed in Him. The remembrance of the three great events, concurring to the same end, the Church has wished to celebrate in one and the same festival.

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BYRON.—In St. Joseph's Hospital Hamilton, Ont., Dec. 7, after one week's illness from acute appendicitis Jeremiah William Byron aged thirty two years. May his soul rest in peace!

ROCHE.—At her residence in Watford on Dec. 19, 1912, Mrs. John Roche, native of Queenstown, Ireland, in the eighty-fifth year of her age. May her soul rest in peace!

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