

for the chapel attached to the beautiful church at Mount Melleray.

The interesting ceremonies of profession and reception took place in the convent of Warrenmount, Dublin, on the 31st ult. His Grace the Most Rev. Dr. Murray officiated, assisted by Rev. M. Keogh. The Very Rev. Richard Colgan, Rev. M. Dorgan, Rev. Chas. O'Connell, Rev. N. Farrell, Rev. Mr. Tay, &c., were also present. The Rev. Michael Burke, of St. Vincent's College, preached a most appropriate sermon on the occasion. Miss Hoffmann was received, and Miss Hussey professed, by his grace. The archbishop afterwards gave a solemn benediction of the most holy Eucharist. A splendid *dejeune* was given to the clergy and a select number of relations and friends.

The feast of the Nativity of the blessed Virgin Mary (on Friday the 8th inst.) was observed with the usual devotion in the various churches and religious houses in Dublin. A solemn benediction of the most holy Sacrament was given at the usual hour after the holy sacrifice.

The feast of St. Nicholas, of Tolentine C., was observed with great devotion in the church of St. Nicholas, Francis street, on Monday last. A solemn high mass was celebrated, assisted by a splendid choir; an eloquent sermon was preached on the festival of the day; and the benediction of the most holy Sacrament terminated the pious exercises of the festival in this parish. The bell attached to this church is one of the finest perhaps in Ireland.

Miss Delany made her solemn profession, in the convent of the Presentation, Georges-hill, Dublin, on Friday, the 8th inst. The Very Rev. Dr. Yore, V. G., on the unavoidable absence of the archbishop, now on this visitation, performed the interesting ceremony, assisted by a large number of clergymen, among whom were the Rev. Messrs. J. Smith, O'Connell, O'Reilly, M'Mahon, &c.

The bulls for the consecration of the Right Rev. Dr. McNally, late prefect of the Dunboyne establishment, R. College, Maynooth, have been received by the Venerable Bishop of Clogher, Right Rev. Dr. Kernan. The time and place of the consecration have not yet been decided on.

The Rev. Christopher Burke, of the Metropolitan Church, Dublin, left for the Eternal City on Monday evening last, per the Kingstown steamer.

The Rev. Dr. O'Reilly, lately of Paris, has arrived in Dublin, in excellent health and spirits.

The Rev. Charles O'Reilly, from Trinidad, has arrived in Dublin, in good health. In a few days he proceeds to Paris, where he will remain for some time, previously to his return to Trinidad.

The first communion of children took place in the church of St. Nicholas, Francis street, on the feast of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary. The venerable pastor, Rev. Dr. Hannagan, assisted by his zealous clergy, officiated on this interesting occasion, and addressed the young and tender objects of his religious care in eloquent and affecting terms.—*Correspondent of Tablet.*

MARINERS HYMN TO THE BLESSED VIRGIN.

Ave Sanctissima!

'Tis night-fall on the sea;

Ora pro nobis!

We lift our souls to thee!

Watch us while shadows lie

O'er the dim water spread;

Hear the heart's lonely sigh,

Thine, too, hath bled!

Thou that hast looked on death,

Aid us when death is near!

Whisper of heaven to faith;

Sweet mother, hear!

Ora pro nobis!

The wave must rock our sleep,

Ora, Mater, ora!

Star of the deep!

MRS. HEMANS.

The following is a Latin version in Hexameter and Pentameter verses:

Vespero nigrescit pontus, Sanctissima, salve,

Pro nobis ora! plena decore Parens!

Dum pelago incumbunt tenebræ, tu posce salutem;

claud ignara mali! pectora mæsta lava

Spectasti mortem, morituris mitte juvamen!