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Church Calendar

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| December | January | February |
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| (1) M. Eulogius, Edmund | (1) T. Circumcision | (1) S. Januarius, B. M. |
| (2) T. Bibiana, D. M. | (2) P. Macarius, Ab. | (2) M. Purification of B. V. |
| (3) W. Francis Xavier | (3) S. Genevieve, D. | (3) T. Blaise, B. M. |
| (4) T. P. Chrysologus, Barb. | (4) S. The Holy Name | (4) W. Andrew Corsini |
| (5) P. Saba, Abbot | (5) M. Telesphorus, P. M. | (5) T. Agatha, D. M. |
| (6) S. Nicholas, B. | (6) T. Epiphany | (6) T. Titus, B. C. |
| (7) S. Ambrose, Archb. | (7) W. Lucian, M. | (7) S. Romanus, Ab. |
| (8) M. IMMACUL. CONCEPT. | (8) T. Severinus, Ab. C. | (8) S. John de Matha, C. |
| (9) T. Eusebia, D. M. | (9) P. Julian and Basilissa | (9) M. Cyril of Alexandria, B. C. |
| (10) W. Eulalia, Melchisedech | (10) S. Agatha, P. | (10) T. Scholastica, D. |
| (11) T. Damasus, P. | (11) S. Hyginus, P. M. | (11) W. Our Lady of Lourdes |
| (12) P. Valery, Synesius | (12) M. Arcadius, M. | (12) T. Founders of Servites |
| (13) S. Eusebius, Abbot | (13) T. Potitus, M. | (13) P. Catherine de Ricci, D. |
| (14) S. Nicetas, And. Bob. C. | (14) W. Hilary, B. C. D. | (14) S. Valentine, M. |
| (15) M. Florence | (15) T. Paul, First Hermit | (15) S. Gaudentius and Jovita |
| (16) T. Eusebius, Adelheid | (16) P. Marcus, P. M. | (16) M. Onesimus, B. |
| (17) W. Olympia, Ember | (17) S. Anthony, Ab. | (17) T. Flight into Egypt |
| (18) T. Rufus | (18) S. Peter's Chair at Rome | (18) W. Ash Wednesday |
| (19) P. Nemesius, Ember | (19) W. Holy Family | (19) T. Conrad, C. |
| (20) S. Philogonius, Ember | (20) T. Fabian and Sebast. | (20) P. Eleutherius, B. |
| (21) S. Thomas, Ap. | (21) W. Agnes, D. M. | (21) S. Severinus, B. M. |
| (22) M. Isidore, Beno | (22) T. Vincent and Anastas | (22) S. Peter's Chair, Antioch. |
| (23) T. Serenus, Victoria | (23) P. Raymond of Pennafort | (23) M. Peter Damian, B. C. D. |
| (24) W. Emiliana, Vigil | (24) S. Timothy, B. M. | (24) T. Ethelbert, K. |
| (25) T. Christmas | (25) S. Conversion of St. Paul | (25) W. Matthias, Ember |
| (26) P. Stephen | (26) M. Polycarp, B. M. | (26) T. Felix III, P. C. |
| (27) S. John Evang. | (27) T. John Chrysostom | (27) P. Marg. Cor. Ember |
| (28) S. Holy Innocents | (28) W. Flavian, M. | (28) S. Romanus, Ab. |
| (29) M. Thomas Becket, B. M. | (29) T. Francis de Sales, B. C. | |
| (30) T. Sabina, David, Kg. | (30) P. Martina, D. M. | |
| (31) S. Sylvester, P. | (31) S. Peter Nolasco, C. | |

| FEASTS OF OBLIGATION | FASTS OF OBLIGATION |
|-------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| New Year, Thursday, 1. Jan. | Ember Days, 25, 27, 28. Feb. |
| Epiphany, Tuesday, 6. Jan. | 26, 28, 29. May |
| Ascension, Thursday, 13. May | 15, 17, 18. Sept. |
| All Saints, Monday, 1. Nov. | 15, 17, 18. Dec. |
| Immaculate Conception, Wed. 8. Dec. | Lent, 18. Feb. to 3. April |
| Christmas, Saturday, 25. Dec. | Vigils, 22. May, 14. August, |
| | 31. Oct., 24. Dec. |
| OTHER FEASTS | FIRST DAY OF EACH MONTH |
| Septuagesima, Sunday, 1. Feb. | 1. Jan. Thursday 1. July Thursday |
| Ash Wednesday 18. Feb. | 1. Feb. Sunday 1. Aug. Sunday |
| Good Friday, 2. April | 1. March Monday 1. Sept. Wednesday |
| Easter Sunday, 4. April | 1. Apr. Thursday 1. Oct. Friday |
| Pentecost Sunday, 23. May | 1. May Saturday 1. Nov. Monday |
| Corpus Christi, Thursday, 3. June | 1. June Tuesday 1. Dec. Wednesday |
| Sacred Heart, Friday, 11. June | |
| All Souls, Tuesday, 2. November | |
| First Sunday of Advent, 28. Nov. | |

POPE PLEADS FOR PRISONERS OF WAR.—Cardinal Amette has been intrusted by Pope Benedict to convey to Premier Clemenceau the wishes of many German families, made known to the Holy Father, that their relatives who have been prisoners in France for five years, be allowed to return home for Christmas. The Socialist Deputies of Italy have urged the Government to endeavor to induce France to send home all the remaining prisoners of war, saying that it is "an atrociously uncivilized fact that a hundred thousand German war prisoners still are kept to work in a state of substantial slavery."

BISHOP KINSMAN RECEIVED INTO THE CATHOLIC CHURCH.—Cardinal Gibbons announced recently that Bishop Frederick J. Kinsman, former head of the Protestant Episcopal Diocese of Delaware, was received into the Catholic Church on Sunday, November 23rd, at the Cathedral in Baltimore. Bishop Kinsman resigned as Bishop of Delaware in July. In a letter to the Rt. Rev. Daniel S. Tuttle, Presiding Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church, he said that he could not reconcile the teachings of the Episcopal Church in the matter of holy orders and sacraments with his own views.

HATS OFF TO QUEBEC.—There are no better Canadians than the people of the province of Quebec. Indeed, the French-Canadian,

(to use the hyphenated term) is the original Canadian. None has a better right to the national appellation. The habitants of Quebec is for Canada first, last and all the time. He has been here a long time and this is the only country he knows. In a practical way, France has no greater interest for him than has any other country. That makes him more truly Canadian than the people of any other race in the Dominion. His interests are here and here only. For Canada he will work and fight and suffer. It was the native feeling of Canadianism which prompted his objection to conscription. He did not concern himself with quarrels originating 3,000 miles away and resented the application of force for the strengthening of Canadian arms overseas. The average man in Ontario believes that the French-Canadian is ignorant and priest-ridden and does exactly as he is told. That belief is false and the lie has been spread with malice aforethought and for political purposes by the press and public men of other parts of Canada. The extent to which it was done in 1917 was nothing less than a national crime. The habitants of Quebec are just as intelligent as the average man in Ontario. The educated man in Quebec and assuredly the Quebec members of Parliament are, in many ways, superior to their fellow-Canadians. They speak both languages fluently and extremely well, are better

informed about Ontario than we are regarding Quebec and are broad-minded to a degree. Nor are they dominated politically by the priesthood. It may be that they follow their leaders more trustfully than do we. Perhaps they have more justification for doing so. In these days of unrest in all the other provinces, it is a relief to turn to the old province and its people. The most significant statement we have heard for a long time and a surprising one as well, was that made recently by a Unionist member of Parliament. "Quebec will yet save Canada," said he. "She is the balance wheel of the whole works. She is not carried away by every wave of sentiment or passion or passing fad—economically, politically, morally or religiously." Quebec has fixed convictions. Her people are safe and sane. In all the world's turmoil, the citizens of the ancient province attend to their affairs as usual. They are industrious, thrifty and God-fearing. They maintain their rights and respect those of their neighbors. The people of Quebec know where they are going. They know how to live and we suspect they know better than most of us, how to die. Hats off to the French-Canadians—true Canadians all.

Religious News

PRINCE ALBERT, Sask.—On the 27 of November there died at Laval, France, the Rev. Father Gasté, O.M.I., who had been an Indian missionary from 1861 to 1901 at Caribou Lake, about a thousand miles north of Prince Albert. At this lake he founded an Indian mission and remained its zealous apostle until failing health forced him to give up his beloved work and take up his residence in the Bishop's palace here. He then became superior of the Oblates, chaplain of the Sisters of St. Joseph during the absence of his bishop, administrator of the diocese. About ten years ago he returned to France, his native land. Father Gasté was born Oct. 11, 1830, at Andonville, diocese Laval, France; ordained priest at Séz in 1855, entered the Oblate Community in 1860, but came to America before the completion of his novitiate, pronouncing his religious vows at St. Boniface, Man., on the 30th of May 1861 and then immediately left for the far north. All who knew Father Gasté admired his deep piety and his zeal for the evangelization of the Indians. May the Master, in whose vineyard he labored so zealously for forty years, give him Eternal Rest.

REGINA, Sask.—Rev. Father Heinrich, who went to Alsace-Lorraine in April of this year to visit his old home, returned last week accompanied by his sister, who will be his housekeeper at Quinton, Sask. Father Heinrich left for Quinton after paying a short visit to Archbishop Mathieu at the palace here.

KITCHENER, Ont.—Rev. Father Reitzel, of St. Jerome's College, has been appointed to succeed Rev. Father Benninger, at St. Theresa's Church, Elmira.

GRAND FORKS, N. D.—A most regrettable accident was the cause of the death of Sister Mary Rinalda, of the Sisters of St. Joseph here. Sister Rinalda was about to step from the automatic elevator in St. Michael Hospital, when the elevator suddenly started, throwing the nun backward, her head being struck and crushed by the impact with the top of the door.

BOYD, Wis.—The Rev. Constantine Nau of the LaCrosse Diocese celebrated on Nov. 27 his silver jubilee as pastor of St. Jerome's Parish here. Father Nau supervised the erection of a new church at Edson, which was one of his missions for many years. In the dis-

trict formerly under his jurisdiction there are now six parishes with resident pastors. Father Nau founded the St. Ann's Parish at Stanley and managed the building of the first church.

HARTFORD, Conn.—Rev. John F. Murray, whose appointment as Auxiliary Bishop to Bishop Nilan was reported last week, is chancellor of the Diocese of Hartford. Bishop-elect Murray was born in Waterbury, Feb. 26, 1877. He completed his classical and philosophical education at Holy Cross College, Worcester, Mass. Because of his brilliant success at Holy Cross, he was selected by Bishop Tierney as one fitted for university training, and he was accordingly sent to Louvain, where he again distinguished himself. He was ordained priest April 14, 1900, by Msgr. J. F. Van der Stappen, Auxiliary Bishop of Mechlin. For three years he was professor of Latin, Greek and German at St. Thomas Seminary, and in 1903 was appointed chancellor.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal.—Rev. Joseph Maria Neri, the widely-known blind Jesuit priest and scientist, who installed the first electric lights seen upon the streets of San Francisco, died at the University of Santa Clara on November 17. He was born in Novara, Italy, Jan. 16, 1836.

ROME, Italy.—In the current issue of "La Civiltà Cattolica" appears an article contributed by Father Briccarelli, S. J., on "Ruins of Art and Lessons of War." Father Briccarelli deals with the ravages of war committed in the Diocese of Treviso alone. A short time ago the Bishop of Treviso, Msgr. Longhin, published a work containing 86 photographs of churches and landscapes along the banks of the Piave River, comparing their present state with that before the war. In the area referred to by the bishop, 47 churches have been utterly destroyed. Thirty campaniles have been demolished. Organs have been destroyed, large numbers of church bells have been melted down, and many precious books and manuscripts have entirely disappeared. In many cases, Father Briccarelli states, priceless works of art that have come into being during the course of centuries have been wrecked and made into absolute rubbish in a few hours. In Northern Italy alone more than 7,000 church bells have been taken away and melted down.

St. Peter's Colony

WATSON.—Rev. Father Michael Ott, of Münster, was the honored guest of Rev. Father Dominic from Dec. 6 to Dec. 8. On the latter date Father Abbot held services at 10.30 and preached a very instructive and appropriate sermon on the Immaculate Conception. Rev. Father Chrysostom, parish priest of Münster, spent a few days in Watson, the guest of Rev. Father Dominic.

We congratulate Messrs. Wm. Smith and Jos. Felix on their election as Town Councillors. Messrs. Jas. Smith, Frank Vossen and Thos. Gormican are school trustees.

Mr. Philley is successor to Jos. Vossen in the agency for the International Harvester Machine Co. Mrs. Philley was formerly organist in our church here and it is rumored she will again take up the good work. Mrs. Anstett will reside with her daughter, Mrs. Philley.

The Bazaar given by the Ladies' Aid of the Sacred Heart Parish was held as previously announced in St. Peter's Bote on Dec. 8, the Feast of the Immaculate Conception, after services. In spite of the cold weather the attendance was very good and the financial results correspondingly so. The officers of the Ladies' Aid were instrumental in raising the Parish

Fund by \$703.12, \$620.70 of which were the net proceeds of the bazaar. The parish owes thanks to all who helped to make the bazaar such a pleasing success, especially to the members of the Ladies' Aid who so cheerfully and zealously gave their time and labor.

Mr. Jos. Vossen has gone to the Clinic at Rochester, Minn.

Messrs. Peterman, Lockinger and Hammers have returned from a successful hunting trip.

Mr. Jno. Vossen has moved into his new residence.

Miss Mayrand of Howell has taken a position as stenographer in the local bank here. We know her to be a good musician and expect her to be a valuable addition to our prospective choir. —Corr.

Mr. T. F. Schindler and family are taking an extended trip to the United States for Christmas and New Year and then on to Los Angeles, Cal., for a stay of three months, whence they expect to return again to Saskatoon by the middle of March.

Mr. G. H. Cameron was re-elected Mayor for the town of Watson on Dec. 8.

100 cars of grain have been shipped from Watson this season. The elevators contain over 100,000 bushels and half the farmers are still waiting for an opportunity to ship or sell.

128 cars of baled hay have been shipped from Watson this season. These shipments are attracting the attention of stock raisers in less favored districts and will be an important factor in attracting settlers to Company lands still vacant around here.

ST. GREGOR.—With the thermometer ranging from 35 to 40 below zero these days, the very best friend we have is the heating apparatus, and it surely keeps a man busy carrying wood and shoveling coal to keep the home in comfort.

Mr. Joseph Schwartz who boarded the train on Saturday for Engelfeld and Watson returned on Sunday.

Mr. G. M. Myles of Humboldt visited his relatives and friends on Saturday and Sunday. George always seems to have a good feeling for his old homestead north of town where he "bached" many a day while doing his homestead duties.

Mr. John Raab transacted business in Humboldt the forepart of the week.

Mr. Martin Schmitt who has a farm about 8 miles north of St. Gregor, left for his former home in Minnesota to spend the holidays under the parental roof. We hope to see him back soon with a better half, as Martin is too busy a farmer to continue "baching." —Corr.

ANNAHEIM.—Mr. Kunz has been elected Reeve of St. Peter's Municipality, for the eighth time in succession, by a large majority, showing how trustworthy a character the public recognize him to be. May he repeat his election successes many times over. The newly elected councillors for the municipality are: Div. 2 John Raab (by acclamation); Div. 4 Thomas Massey (by a majority of 6, his opponent being Mich. Foushe); Div. 6 Nick Schuler (by acclamation). The figures for the Reeve election are:

| DIV. | M. KUNZ | ST. PAPPENFUS |
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| 1 | 19 | 8 |
| 2 | 46 | 1 |
| 3 | 107 | 13 |
| 4 | 42 | 35 |
| 5 | 40 | 15 |
| 6 | 18 | 1 |

MÜNSTER.—The C.N.R. passenger trains were run most of the time last week in two sections, it having been found that one train of the ordinary length was too great of a load for the locomotive to pull on those cold days, we were going through.

Two more boys, Peter and William Mainzer of Münster, are

taking instruction at St. Peter's Abbey. The upstairs of the Abbey building has been fitted up as a temporary college.

Do not forget to visit my Candy Store. My choice Christmas Candies, Nuts and Toys will gladden the hearts of your little ones. Also got in a good supply of fresh Groceries. Sugar on hand, brown and white.

CAROLINE MAMER, MÜNSTER.

We have been told that some people were afraid that some awful cataclysm might befall the earth during this or next week and that a cold wave with temperatures as low as 70 and 90 degrees below zero might prevail in the Canadian Northwest, because during this critical period all the planets with the exception of the earth would be more or less placed in a line to the sun. We may assure our kind readers that the hand of God Almighty is still piloting the stars so that they need not fear a collision among them. Mr. Foster of Washington, D. C., takes great pains in forecasting the weather and he gets paid for it. Sometimes he strikes it quite successfully, many a time, however, he is entirely wrong. Often he contradicts the statement, he has made the week before. For instance, on Dec. 5, he said that warm waves would reach the plains sections (to which Saskatchewan must be counted) by Dec. 8 and again by Dec. 13. But the fact is that by Dec. 8, one of the coldest waves Saskatchewan has ever experienced in December reached the plains. Foster was wrong again in forecasting a warm wave for Dec. 13 because on Dec. 12-14 inclusive the minimum temperature was far below zero and even the maximum showed 11 below zero. The weather prophets are about as reliable as the war prophets. The peculiar position of the planets is not a novelty. It happened before. No mishap occurred then. Why should God let one of them slip out of His almighty hands this year? We might, however, kind reader, caution you against reading the sensational papers. They are no good. They pretend to be scientific and to know everything. It is not so. You remember the time when these same sensational newspapers, a couple of years ago, predicted a calamity, by hinting at the possibility that the tail of Halley's comet would brush the city of New York and greatly damage if not completely destroy it. Did anything happen? Did you then even see the dreaded comet at all? Therefore, keep your balance and let the sensational papers waste as much printer's ink as they like.

Father Leo of Bruno was a visitor at the Abbey on Sunday of this week.

Wednesday, Friday and Saturday of this week are days of fast and abstinence, because this week is ember week. Wednesday, Dec. 24, being the vigil before Christmas is likewise a day of fast and abstinence.

The following contributions were received by the St. Peter's Bote during the past week: For the Orphanage at Prince Albert: From a reader at Pilger \$5.00 " " " Münster 9.00 " " " Beachamp 10.00 " " " Humboldt 5.00 " " " reader at Dana 10.00 " " " Bruno 5.00 " " " lady at Raymond, Ia. 10.00 The lady from Iowa also sent \$40 for Father Egenolf and \$50 for Father Brabender. Another lady at Münster also contributed \$3.00 for Father Egenolf. God bless them all!

Nic. Huls who disposed of his farm to Jos. Boehler of St. Gregor, intends to go within the near future to the United States where he expects to reside.

Mr. A. H. Pilla and a number of other ninruds of this and