

ELOQUENT HOMILY ON PROPAGANDA

HOLY FATHER SAYS ITS WORK REPEATS THE ACTS OF THE APOSTLES

By N. G. W. C. News Service

The Holy Father's discourse, delivered at the Pontifical Mass of Pentecost, during the celebration of the third centenary of the establishment of the Congregation for the Propagation of the Faith, was one of the most impressive utterances of the new Pontiff. The full text of his homily is as follows: "The solemnity of the Feast of Pentecost is always beautiful and grand like Christmas and Easter Day; in these are the beginning and the crowning glory of the Redeemer; in Pentecost is the application of the Redemption extended to the whole world, to all nations, to all mankind. Coming forth from the Cenacle and guided by Peter, the Apostles carried thence the good tidings to the world, obeying thus the Divine inspiration: 'Euntes docete omnes gentes, prae-dicate Evangelium omni creature. They trustfully went forth teaching, evangelizing the world. To them, to their immediate successors, the pagan world opened out, it opened and became permeated by the Gospel truth. The pagan world listened first, then the mediaeval world and finally the modern world, up to our own times.

"And the Cross, from Golgotha passes to the Labarum, and from that to the glorious cupola beneath which we are gathered around the tomb of the Prince of the Apostles. Today's Feast of Pentecost is beautiful of a singular beauty; it is great, of a singular greatness; it is the third centenary of a renewed Pentecost, admirable in itself and truly divine. This new Pentecost had its cenacle in Rome; the chair of Peter was then occupied by a late successor of his, Gregory XV., in the place of the first apostles and the apostolic men of former days were a pleiad of great and holy men, Father Dominic of the Holy Spirit, Father Jerome of Narni, the Blessed Giovanni Leonardi of Luces, the Prolate Vives, and many others. January 1622 ushers in the beginning of 'Propaganda Fide.' The Bull dated June 22 of that same year (precisely three centuries ago) opens the history, the golden Book, the marvellous annals of the Propaganda, a truly but a true and splendid continuation of the 'Acta Apostolorum.

"THE WORK OF THREE CENTURIES "The fatal way, the dissolving, the corruption of the human element always accompanying in this world the divine one, the negligence, the sloth, of the friends of God, the malicious audacity of the instigators of evil, the bad example of the upper classes, the easy imitation by the lower class; the return to paganism in public and private life, had in the sixteenth century led to a loss in Europe the terrible storm of the Reformation, which was to wrench so many nations from the bosom of the Church.

"But God, always solicitous for the honor of His Church, wished to prove that His Saving Hand was not withdrawn, and that the treasures of His graces were not exhausted. And behold, He makes the century of the Reformation, the century of the Council of Trent, the century of the renewal of the ancient religious Orders, the century of the increasing of innumerable holy families, the 'golden age' of sanctity, the century which saw St. Ignatius, St. Charles Borromeo, St. Philip Neri, St. Francis Xavier and St. Teresa. This God did to compensate and almost console His mystic Spouse for the loss of so many nations, by the Foundation of the Congregation 'De Propaganda Fide.'

"Simple and great in its essential lines as well as the spirit which animates it, the Sacred Congregation of Propaganda was not improvised, but was the ripe fruit of that Apostolic experience which had guided the Church to the conquest of the world, from the earliest centuries to this day. The Congregation of Propaganda called together all the forces that existed for defence as well as for conquest—defence against the threatening advance of the Reformation; defence that should save and preserve for the Church the treasures of Christianity; conquest advancing to carry everywhere the light of the Gospel, the sanctity of the laws and to procure new churches for the Church. A magnificent array fighting on two fronts!

"On one side Fideliuss of Sigmaringen and a thousand others who follow him defending the truth of Catholic Faith against the errors of the Reformation; on the other front Francis Xavier, and, one can add, millions of new Apostles of every nationality come to carry to every corner of the earth the light of the Gospel of Jesus Christ; and together with the light of the Gospel who carry everywhere also the seeds of true civilization.

"After three centuries, from that tremendous height to which the hand of God conducted us, we are confronted by a spectacle of marvellous beauty. Millions of Confessors dedicating their whole life to the apostolate, confirming it by the example of their virtues; thousands of martyrs fallen in the very trench inundated with their blood, who give to Divine Justice the most solemn testimony that can

possibly be given, the testimony of blood; an incalculable number of nuns who carry in the midst of savage people the lilies and the thorns of their lives consecrated to God; thousands and thousands of virgins dedicated to God who follow the missionaries to contribute with them to the spread of the Gospel, even to the farthest limits of the earth.

"And together with these are millions of souls saved from the darkness of error, from the violence of barbarity. There are millions of souls amongst whom begins to shine again the image of God, which had almost disappeared. There are millions of souls on whose account the Heart of Our Saviour must no longer lament, because the fruit of Redemption is not lost for them.

WORK WHICH REMAINS TO BE DONE

"The third centenary of 'Propaganda' is today a worthy reminder of all this great work, and Our Heart is moved with joy and deep gratitude to God. Throughout the Church a hymn of glory and thanksgiving is addressed to the Heart of the Redeemer. "In order to measure the effects and to have this just standard of things, we need to attain certain points of view and reach certain distances. God has placed us in these conditions. Today the figures of the world's statistics have their own eloquence, and our hearts dilate at this eloquence, our spirit exults, because the spectacle it contemplates is grand and truly divine.

"But if our gratitude towards God and towards all the generous who become channels of his graces is unlimited, not so is Our joy. Venerable Brethren and Beloved children, much has been done, much has been gained, many are the souls saved, much glory has been given to God. But how many souls are still being lost, how many still for which the Redeemer's sacrifice is useless! There are multitudes as dense as the black Continent, as is immense India and China, there are dense crowds still waiting for the healing word of salvation.

"The missionaries of Propaganda, their guides the Bishops, their coadjutors, the catechists, the virgin missionaries consecrated to God, the holy militia of God is there before those crowds, but their number is not sufficient. Funds are wanting. Reflect, they are there, sure of victory, ready to give their life for it, but there are not enough weapons or ammunition. And the magnificent array is obliged to wait and meanwhile, others rush on over the field not their own, they usurp the post which is not due to them, reaping where they have not sown. It is a heartrending spectacle and this anguish was in the heart of Our venerated Predecessor and Father in Christ, his spirit turned towards the missionary works and he appealed to all the world to help such beneficial institutions, and he had promised that he would come today and that from this very same place he would address the whole world appealing, begging every Christian heart to aid the Holy Missions.

THE FERVENT APPEAL

"Venerable Brethren and Beloved children, it is also in the name of such a venerated Predecessor, that We turn to you and from this Apostolic outpost We send forth the call to all the Catholic world. Full of joy at the splendid vision of Christian apostolate, We, although so unworthy, feel We are the Vicar of Jesus Christ, who shed His blood for mankind, We feel deeper to the throbbing of Our Universal Paternity.

"Thus may Jesus Christ vouchsafe to grant Us for the salvation of souls, what yet remains to Us of energy and life! But let the world hear Our call and may all come to the rescue of the souls that Christ came to redeem and who still go wandering in error and barbarity. No one should be so narrow-minded as to remain cold before a miracle happened." Quite the opposite, for when the alarm was given all the Fathers and Brothers rushed to extinguish the fire. Seeing, however, that the flames had already made too much headway, they turned to rescue what they could of the church furniture and valuables. Clergymen know that there is a time to pray, but also a time to act. It is not true that 3,000 feet of hose were laid to reach the St. Lawrence River. Besides the aid of a fire engine, the water was drawn from four of the six hydrants about the premises, and use was made of the numerous fire extinguishers inside the monastery. Religious believe in engines as much as they do in churches.

"How is it that St. Ann could not save herself, after having saved so many others? So the Jews cried to Our Saviour on the Cross. He answered not, but the third day He arose from the dead. Christ did not perform the miracle the Jews called for, but only the one He Himself had chosen. Miracles, at St. Anne's, as on Calvary, "being extraordinary and undue intervention of God," cannot be expected, much less required, to happen in every occurrence of life. They depend wholly on God's free-will not on ours. St. Anne may have had a thousand reasons to permit the burning of her shrine, such as punishment for sin, exercise of faith, etc., or even the rebuilding of a more spacious and magnificent basilica. Before all these hidden possibilities who would dare to repeat: 'Why didst thou not save thyself?'

"The Fathers hope that with the help of every one of her friends throughout the continent, St. Anne, like her beloved grandson Jesus will rise from her ruins to a life of greater glory. Meanwhile pilgrimages will not be discontinued. A temporary wooden chapel, almost

humblest of the faithful can and must repeat: 'Quid retribuam Domino pro omnibus que retribuit mihi?' 'What can I offer the Lord in exchange for all the blessings received?'

"Here is the prayer propitious like no other. For the Faith that we have received from God, let us co-operate and give Faith to other souls. For the treasures of grace with which God has overwhelmed us let us co-operate by carrying these treasures to the utmost distances and to the utmost number of God's creatures. This is what today the Vicar of Jesus Christ asks of you, of all His children. This is why He does not hesitate to beg from all of you from this high position, asking all for help, alms, contributions.

THE BLESSING

"O venerable Brethren and Beloved children, may the Apostolic Blessing descend upon you and upon all our other children who are far away. May it descend upon the Confessors of the Faith who are at this hour fighting the battles of good on the frontiers of error and barbarity. May the Blessing descend upon those who offer them a helping hand, may it descend upon those worthy nuns who have from the silence of the cloisters thrown themselves into animation into the holy struggle. May it descend upon the first native mission clergy in whom so many hopes are placed. May it descend upon all who generously lend their aid to the Holy work of the Propagation of the Faith who on this occasion, in this solemn third centenary, with unanimous action have come forward to surround eagerly the Holy See and place themselves within touch of the Vicar of Jesus Christ, to offer Him always more generously their precious contribution. May it descend upon the ineffable work of the Holy Infancy which has brought so many select flowers to the Divine Lamb of God. May it descend upon all those works which concur in the spread of the Christian Faith, and particularly may it descend upon the Missionary Union of the Clergy, which is expanding with such abundant fruit. "May the missionary spirit kindle today in the hearts of all ecclesiastics, and rise and inflame all so that the good seed of Divine Grace fructify in every soul. Finally, may this Blessing, transformed in prayer, reach to the throne of God and repeat the words that gather during these days in the Heart of the Church and emanate from Her lips: 'Ut omnes errantes ad unitatem Ecclesiae revocare et omnes infideles ad Evangelium lumen reducere digneris, te rogamus aucti nos!'

THE FIRE AT ST. ANNE DE BEAUPRE

FATHERS IN CHARGE CORRECT FICTITIOUS REPORTS

So many "fictitious reports" and so much "misleading comment" have appeared in newspapers and magazines about the recent fire at St. Anne de Beaupre that the Redemptorist Fathers in charge of the Shrine have been moved to give in the current issue of "America" what they call the "authentic facts" in the case. The fire, say the Fathers, did not originate "by a curious irony of fate," in a pyramid of crutches. Quite the contrary: these were the very last things burned, being farthest away from the vestry, where the fire started. No procession of any kind was organized, "in which, though the priests prayed against the flames no miracle happened." Quite the opposite, for when the alarm was given all the Fathers and Brothers rushed to extinguish the fire. Seeing, however, that the flames had already made too much headway, they turned to rescue what they could of the church furniture and valuables. Clergymen know that there is a time to pray, but also a time to act. It is not true that 3,000 feet of hose were laid to reach the St. Lawrence River. Besides the aid of a fire engine, the water was drawn from four of the six hydrants about the premises, and use was made of the numerous fire extinguishers inside the monastery. Religious believe in engines as much as they do in churches.

MEMORIAL SHRINE OF THE CANADIAN MARTYRS

PILGRIMAGE SEASON—JULY AND AUGUST

We call Canadian Martyrs the five Jesuits—John de Brebeuf, Gabriel Lalemant, Anthony Daniel, Charles Garnier and Noel Chabanel—who preached the Gospel to the Hurons and suffered unparalleled torments—and death for the faith in 1649-1650. The story and sufferings and martyrdom of those heroic Apostles, makes one of the most sublime and touching pages in the whole history of Canada. But the fact that these heroic pioneers of the Cross lived and suffered and died in our province, gives their careers a more than passing historic interest for us Canadian Catholics of Ontario.

The Huron Country of the "Jesuit Relations" might now be roughly described as all the land included in the circle formed by the towns of Orillia, Barrie, Collingwood, Midland and Waubausene. In the midst of the country crimsoned with the blood of those heroic martyrs a shrine was erected to their memory. The shrine is of more and more surpassing interest since the introduction of the Cause in Rome for their beatification. Numbers of pilgrims visit the Shrine every year. Many cures have already been reported as being obtained at the Shrine. The 1922 pilgrimage season will begin on Sunday, July 16, and last till Sunday, September 10. On weekdays, Low Mass is said at 9 o'clock, and on Sundays, High Mass at 11. A moment spent at the Shrine on a pilgrimage day is never forgotten. The natural beauty of the place and the deep spirit of piety manifested, leave a lasting impression.

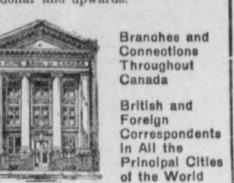
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DEATH OF A RELIGIOUS

It is with the deepest regret and heartfelt sorrow we announce the death of Mother Madeleine Gordon, a Religious of the Sacred Heart who spent many years of her useful and unselfish life in the City of London and who has recently been at the Sault Au Recollet where she died on Sunday morning, June 25th. Perhaps we should not consider as sad the death of a dear one consecrated to Our Lord for so many years, nevertheless Mother Gordon's countless friends, her numerous pupils and all who knew her and loved her cannot but grieve and mourn that she has passed from our midst and will never again meet us with her saintly, cheerful and encouraging advice. For years she labored amongst us never ceasing in her unselfish regard for her under her care and always by her wonderful influence drawing others nearer to the Sacred Heart of Our dear Lord where she had pledged her life and her heart.

Not long ago one of her former pupils had the privilege of a visit with her and her unceasing request was that we should all remember her and pray for her when she was called to her reward.

Many indeed will be the petitions sent to the Throne of God that Mother Madeleine Gordon be taken close to the Heart of Our Divine Lord; undoubtedly there she will still plead for those who loved her on earth and who will never forget her in death.

CARDINAL LOGUE SAYS MUCH CRIME IN IRELAND IS DUE TO INTEMPERANCE

Serious minded Irishmen are concentrating upon temperance propaganda and reform. It is felt that there is laxity in the enforcement of the existing licensing laws, that there are too many saloon stores and that intemperance is accountable for many offences against peace and order. In Armagh diocese a Temperance Congress attended by 300 delegates was held. Cardinal Logue presided. His Eminence observed that a great deal of the rapine, cruelty and murders that had marked the last few terrible years were due to the fact that intemperance was prevalent among those who participated in the struggle on both sides. No matter how the political issues were settled they could not hope for any noteworthy progress so long as indulgence in drink was so general throughout the country. Papers on various aspects of the problem were read and discussed. In these, temperance instruction in the schools was advocated and restrictive legislation urged. Archbishop O'Donnell delivered an address in the course of which he stated that the best method of promoting temperance was through the schools.

OBITUARY

MRS. LOUISE MCHILGARGEY

Death of Mrs. Louise McIlhargey occurred June 29, at her residence 1103 Seyburn Ave., Detroit. She was the younger sister of the deceased Madam Nangle of the Sacred Heart order. Solemn High Requiem Mass was celebrated at St. Charles Church by Rev. M. Burke, S. J., as celebrant and Fathers Nash and Finnigan, assistants. Mrs. McIlhargey leaves to mourn her great loss, her husband, two daughters, Marie and Laura, her mother, Mrs. Jane Nangle, two sisters and brothers. May her soul rest in peace.

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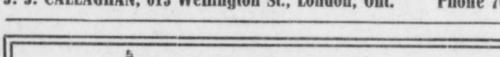
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