

THE CATHOLIC CHURCH EXTENSION SOCIETY OF CANADA

URGENT APPEALS

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE SOCIETY

Father Reidel asks for a chapel at Sinnett, Sask., where Catholics are few and without means. Mass has been celebrated from time to time during twelve years in a hall which he says is no longer a fit place in which to offer the Holy Sacrifice.

Father Baillargeon of the Diocese of Prince Albert and Saskatchewan begs assistance for two missions, Arly and Herschel. The former possesses a church devoid of furnishings—no vestments of any kind; the latter has not even a church and Mass has to be said in the hotel. He describes the people as pious and exemplary Catholics.

Father Hilland comes with a request for \$300,000 with which to finish the interior of a little church at Morton, Man. A few years ago Father Hilland was given charge of the Catholic families, mostly German, Austrian and Polish, in that district, and so great has been his success that with much work and sacrifice a nice little church has been constructed but he has never been able to finish the interior. Lately the Sisters of Service have taken schools in the vicinity and a priest has been appointed to care for this and some other missions. What was all right for services in summer will not do for the cold Western winter, and if the people are to have Mass during the winter months the church must be finished on the inside with shiplap to keep out the cold.

We have just received a letter which begins as follows: "I have just finished reading in the CATHOLIC RECORD, your weekly appeal for funds, and I have never read this column but that a certain sense of guilt possesses me, partly from my own negligence in giving to the support I should to the Society, but more so because of the lack of support and the indifference shown to the Society by people in general. Outside of the small contribution given once a year, on Catholic Church Extension Society Sunday, apparently little or no further heed is paid by many to your weekly appeal to have Mass during the winter months the church must be finished on the inside with shiplap to keep out the cold."

The writer has sized up the situation most accurately and having at last corresponded to the grace which, each time he read, prompted him to perform an act of charity, he sent us a cheque for Extension work.

How many people there are just like him! They are able to do something for Extension and willing too. They read our appeals and intend to make a donation, but just put it off and neglect to correspond with the impulse to perform a work so necessary and to which so much blessing is attached. Of course, they fail to realize the urgent necessity of money to carry on Extension work. I am speaking only of those who are able to understand the condition of Catholics in the missionary districts of Canada, there would be no scarcity of funds. Read carefully the appeals which come, try to imagine yourself in the place of those poor, neglected Catholics and correspond quickly with the inclination you feel of giving then assistance. It is the grace of God prompting you to do good.

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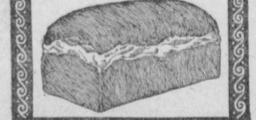
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OBITUARY

MRS. JOHN M'CARTHY

After an illness of some months, one of the oldest residents of New Erin, in the person of Mrs. John McCarthy, passed peacefully to her reward on Wednesday, November 19th. The deceased lady was born in New Erin on January 9th, 1854, the only daughter of the late Denis McCarthy and Rose Murphy. In 1886 she married John McCarthy, a native of Skibbereen, County Cork, Ireland. Of this marriage three children survive, one son, Denis, and two daughters, Ellen and Rose, all of whom were present at her death. Sister Murphy, of the Grey Nuns, Winnipeg, a cousin of the deceased, was unable to be present for the funeral. Mrs. McCarthy's life was mostly spent in her home surroundings—a devoted wife and mother, and above all an ardent Catholic—it was a great consolation for every one that she received the last rites of the church on the eve of her demise, and that she passed into eternity on the feast-day of the beloved St. Elizabeth of Hungary. Mrs. McCarthy's life of zeal and devotion is well summed up in these beautiful lines:

"Playing through life a perfect part, Unnoticed and unknown, Seeking no rest in any heart Save, in only God's alone."

The funeral which was largely attended was held from St. Joseph's Church, Huntingdon, where the deceased had been a life-long member. The Solemn Requiem Mass was sung by the Pastor, Reverend J. A. Derome.

The pall-bearers were: Messrs. R. S. Peeny, P. A. Donahoe, Walter J. Walsh, Arthur Rankin, James Murphy and Fred Rabideaux. May her sweet spirit rest in peace.

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