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Diocesan Celebration of the Silver Anniversary of Pope Leo XIII

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“The liberty of thinking and publishing whatsoever each one likes, without any hindrances, is not in itself an advantage over which society can wisely rejoice. On the contrary, it is the fountainhead and origin of many evils.”

- Pope Leo XIII

The year 1903 was the 25th Anniversary of the coronation of Pope Leo XIII. For the Catholic citizens of Columbus, Ohio the celebration was a major event.

Pope Leo XIII, who was pope from 1878 to 1903, was born Gioacchino Pecci at Carpineto, Italy on March 2, 1810. His father, Colonel Domenico Pecci, had served in the army of Napoleon. His mother, Anna Prospero was a member of the third order of St. Francis.

He received his earliest education from the Jesuits at Viterbo, and completed his education at Collegio Romano. He graduated in 1832 as doctor in theology at the age of twenty-two, and then entered the Accademia dei Nobili Ecclesiastici, a college in which clergy of aristocratic birth are trained for the diplomatic service. He also studied canon law and civil law at Sapienza University. Two years later Pope Gregory XVI appointed him a domestic prelate.

Gioacchino Pecci was ordained a priest on December 31, 1837, and a few weeks later he was appointed apostolic delegate of the small papal territory of Benevento, Italy. His success there led



Pope Leo XIII, who formally initiated the social teaching of the Church in Rerum Novarum.

to his appointment in 1841 as papal delegate of Perugia.

He held this post for only eighteen months, but in that brief period he gained a reputation as a social and municipal reformer. In 1843 he was sent as nuncio to Brussels, having been consecrated titular Archbishop of Damietta on February 19, 1843. In January 1846, at the request of the people of Perugia, he was appointed archbishop. There he served for 32 years. On December 19, 1853, Pope Pius IX appointed him Cardinal. He spent the next 25 years restoring churches, promoting education of the clergy, and advocating social reform.

When Pope Pius IX died on February 7, 1878, Cardinal Pecci was unanimously elected the 256th pope by the assembled conclave of Cardinals. His coronation as Pope Leo XIII occurred in the Sistine Chapel on March 3, 1878. Elected pope at the age of 68, Leo was not expected to hold the post long or to make any great changes. His pontificate, however, lasted 25 years. Leo XIII is best known for his social encyclical *Rerum Novarum* and his encyclical *Testem Benevolentiae Nostrae*, condemning the heresy of Americanism.

The Planned Event

Early in 1903 the Columbus Catholic community decided to commemorate the anniversary of Pope Leo's coronation in the form of a major parade of Catholic societies and a gathering at the Columbus Auditorium. (On the northeast corner of Goodale and North Park, the auditorium had a seating capacity of 8,000. It collapsed under a heavy snow load February 18, 1910).

Jerry O'Shaughnessy was appointed the grand marshal of the parade assisted by John J. Lawler, Jr. They would be in charge of both the parade and the assembly afterward.

The program was planned for Sunday, March 1, 1903 and participants in the parade were instructed to assemble at Marquette Hall at the corner of Fourth and Main Streets in downtown Columbus.



Jerry O'Shaughnessy, Grand Marshall

The line of march for the parade, beginning at 1:30 PM, would be west on Main Street to High Street; North on High Street to Goodale; and then west on Goodale to the auditorium.

Participants were advised to be on time, as the ceremonies at the auditorium would be starting promptly at 2:30 PM. All Catholic laymen were invited to participate in the parade whether or not they were affiliated with an organized Catholic society. The organizing body for the commemoration was the Federation of Catholic Societies. The following was the planned program of the parade:

The First Division:

- Platoon of police
- Grand Marshal Jerry O'Shaughnessy and staff; chief of staff, John J. Lawler Jr.; aides, Henry Laufersweiler, Thomas J. Dundon, T. J. O'Neil, Ferdinand Thomas, James Kearney, John Luckhaupt, John J. Mahoney, John R. Hellenthal, Joseph A. Egan, August Deitlein, T. J. Bergin, Nicholas Hennis, J. C. Finneran, Julius Dotter, Lawrence A. Doyle, John A. Deibel, W. S. Connors, Peter Miller, Jerry Anglim, A. K. Rarig and Patrick Crowley.
- Columbus Battalion Band
- Colonel George J. Rodenfels and staff
- Fourth Regiment Uniform Rank, Knights of St. John
- Columbus Grays Cadets, Captain Oberdean commanding
- Beneficial Branch, Knights of St. John
- St. Francis Xavier Society
- St. Paulus Society
- Division A, No. 98, Knights of St. George
- Division B, No. 98, Knights of St. George
- All other societies from Holy Cross, St. Mary's and St. John Evangelist's churches not mentioned above.

The Second Division:

- Marshal Michael J. Barry; chief of staff, Joseph J. Staley; aides: J. M. Roan, William Seidenstricker, P. J. Elliot, Henry Yahn, John Crow, Henry Butler, Charles Conroy, Phillip Vogel, John J. Cook, M.



The Hibernian Rifles march up High Street in front of the Statehouse.

Abel, James J. Cannon, M. Lovener, T. M. McCabe, Jr., Charles J. Deibel, M. E. Langdon, William F. McNamara, T. J. Hartley, John F. McNamee, J. C. Huston, Andrew Murphy, James Mulligan, and Dennis Murphy.

- Fourth Regiment Band
- Hibernian Rifles, Captain Hilary C. McAlister commanding
- Ancient Order of Hibernians, Divisions 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5
- Council 400, Knights of Columbus
- Catholic Order of Foresters: St. Joseph Court; Columbus Court; Buckeye Court; Hemsteiger Court; St. John's Court; Holy Family Court; St. Dominic's Court; and Emmet's Court.
- Holy Name Society

All organized Catholic societies not mentioned in the published plan were asked to report to the grand marshal at Marquette Hall at 1:30 sharp to be assigned places in the parade. Anyone not affiliated with an organized society will be assigned places in the parade. It was also ordered in the instructions that all aides would be mounted on horseback, with a uniform to consist of a black soft hat.

The Big Event

The event was held on Sunday, March 1, 1903.

The *Ohio State Journal* reported that the event celebrated by the Federation of Catholic Societies and the members of the various Catholic churches in the city, was "one of the grandest ceremonies ever rendered by members of the Catholic Church in Columbus."

The parade, which stretched from the High Street viaduct (over the railroad, north of Naghten Street now Naitonwide Blvd.) to Town Street, was composed of 4,500 members. It had formed, as planned, at Marquette Hall on Main Street and marched north on High Street arriving at the Columbus Auditorium in time for the program.

J. J. Murphy and his assistants had elaborately decorated the balcony of the Chittenden Hotel for the occasion. The Chittenden Hotel was located at the northwest corner of Spring and High Streets. The balcony served as the reviewing stand for the parade. This balcony was over the main, High Street, entrance to the hotel and based on old photographs of the hotel it extended over the sidewalk. The dignitaries in the reviewing party were as follows:

Rt. Rev. Henry Moeller, D.D., Bishop of Columbus; Judge Matthew O'Doherty of Louisville, Ky., the guest of honor; Monsignor Francis X. Specht; Rev. M. M. Meara; Rev. C. R. Rhode; Rev. Dennis A. Clarke; Rev. Dr. Soentgerath; Rev. T. J. O'Reilly; Rev. D. P. Horney; Rev. Colbert; Rev.



The Chittenden Hotel at Spring & High, reviewing stand for the parade.

Keilty; Rev. Kelly, Rev. Dr. Hugenroth; Rev. Seiffert; Rev. Hugh Ewing; Rev. C. F. Kessler; Rev. Hanna; Rev. A. J. Johnson; Rev. J. C. Goldschmidt; Rev. Weissinger; F. W. Howard and J. J. Murphy.

At the close of the parade the reviewing party was driven to the auditorium and occupied reserved seats on the stage.

The program for the ceremonies at the Columbus Auditorium was as follows:

“Onward Christian Soldiers,” Fourth Regiment Band

“Gloria,” Columbus Battalion Band

“The Sabbath Day,” male chorus

Invocation: Rt. Rev. Henry Moeller, D.D

“Heavens are Telling,” grand chorus of church choirs

“International Medley,” Columbus Battalion Band

“Leo XIII, the Glory of Our Age,” Hon. Matt O’Doherty

“Gloria,” Mozart’s Twelfth Mass, mixed chorus

Benediction by Rt. Rev. Bishop Moeller

“Te Deum,” by entire audience

“America,” Columbus Battalion Band.

Bishop Moeller, before the invocation, expressed his personal gratification at the way in which the societies and members of the churches had turned out on such an important occasion. He communicated special commendations received from the Apostolic Delegate Archbishop Diomedeo Falconio, OFM (delegate from 1902-1911) and from James Cardinal Gibbons to the Federation of Catholic Societies for their splendid work in arranging for the celebration. Bishop Moeller gave a brief account of the career of the pope and called the whole assembly to its feet to pray. The prayers are believed to have been the Leonine Prayers that Pope Leo XIII added to the end of the Mass.

The keynote speaker and guest of honor was Judge Matthew O’Doherty, a prominent Kentucky jurist, Catholic speaker and politician from Louisville, Kentucky.

Judge O’Doherty commented after the service, “One of the grandest sights I ever beheld in my life

was when, responding to a nod from Bishop Moeller, the entire auditorium of nearly 8,000 persons arose with one accord, and, with heads bowed, repeated one of the most beautiful prayers in the service of the Catholic Church.”

In the keynote address of the afternoon Judge O’Doherty said, in part, “We are gathered here today as children of the one holy Catholic and apostolic church, to do honor to him who by divine appointment sits in the chair of St. Peter; to one whose name is loved and revered wherever worth is honored, or virtue is respected; to the philosopher, statesman, priest and pontiff, Leo XIII, Servant of the Servants of God, and saint, as I verily believe, of saints.”

“We are here to give public expression to our gratitude to almighty God, that in a perilous age he placed in charge of Peter’s bark one who has been in very truth a light in heaven to guide it mid the storms that have assailed it, and to renew our thanks and our gratitude that in the dawn of the new century upon which we have entered, as the clouds are rifting, we behold his venerable form still on the quarterdeck and hear his clarion voice as of old, carrying words of hope and encouragement to the whole human race, bidding all to look upward and heavenward. It is heard and respected by millions who unfortunately do not share our faith, but who share with us the reverence and respect which true nobility of character ever commands.”

Just before the benediction by Bishop Moeller, John T. Hart read and submitted the following resolutions, which were adopted unanimously by “a rising vote.”

Whereas, It has pleased Almighty God to favor the church by prolonging in a wonderful manner the life of our beloved Father Leo XIII; therefore be it,

Resolved: That we return grateful thanks to God the giver of every good gift, for the many blessing bestowed on us during the long and illustrious pontificate of Leo XIII;

Resolved: That we extend our heartfelt congratulations to our Holy Father on this auspicious occasion and tender him the public

expression of our loyalty, affection and submission; and

Resolved: That we look forward to the time when the Vicar of Christ shall be entirely free and untrammelled in the exercise of the prerogatives of his exalted office.

Bishop Moeller followed the resolutions with a benediction. The commemoration concluded with the entire auditorium audience singing "America." Judge O'Doherty was entertained at dinner that evening by Bishop Moeller at the bishop's residence.

Pope Leo XIII

On March 3, 1903 Pope Leo XIII celebrated his jubilee in St. Peter's Basilica with more than usual

pomp and splendor. Unfortunately, the Holy Father did not survive to see another year of his papacy. Pope Leo XIII died of natural causes on July 20, 1903. He was buried in St. Peter's Basilica and in 1924 was re-interred in St. John Lateran Basilica in Rome.

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March 7, 1857

SOMERSET, Feb. 27th, 1857.

MESSRS. EDITORS:—Having had the pleasure on the evening of the 23d of being present at St. Joseph's College during a celebration honoring our country's Patriot, I have presumed to trespass upon your columns in gratitude for the happiness and favors experienced on the occasion. The evening was grand; and the College, large and spacious, with the American flag floating patriotically above it, never appeared more beautiful.

An hour or so after a refreshing supper, we were invited to the Debating Hall by the enticing strains of the St. Joseph's Philharmonic Society, where for three hours we were most agreeably entertained by the College Dramatic Association. The "Irish Yankee, or Birth-Day of Freedom," Brougham's chaste and exciting drama, was most admirably executed, and those who personated its characters well merited the untiring applause of the auditors. After this and more rich and spicy music from the orchestra, the amusements of the evening were terminated by the representation of the laughable farce, "The Clock Maker's Hat,"

[The program included an oration on Washington

delivered by G. M. Drake. Those taking parts in Brougham's play were Turenne Meyer, W. T. Dittoe, W. T. Nealis, B. P. Reed, W. E. Reed, R. H. O'Hara, J. A. Williams, J. H. Hergenrether, H. I. Blaire, J. W. Sligar, J. P. Grant, T. F. Kiney, and D. Farnan. Those in the comedy were J. J. Kirk, W. E. Reed, H. I. Blaire, W. T. Nealis, J. W. Sligar, C. H. Boulitt, and J.H. Hergenrether.]

April 18, 1857

A notice is printed of the death of Johanna Purcell, mother of the Archbishop, on April 15 at Rose Cottage near the Ursuline Convent, Brown County, in her 92nd year. She "had the happiness of receiving the last absolution and indulgence from Rev. Dr. Rosecrans, who was providentially in the Cottage at the time of her departure."

Subscribers, First Quarter, 1857 (name, post office, date of issue)

George Arnold, Lancaster, Jan. 10

Rev. F. Bender, Newark, Feb. 7

J. F. Bidenharn, Malaga, Feb. 21

Rev. C. H. Borgess, Columbus, Jan. 10

Michael Boyle, Mt. Vernon, Feb. 28
 Denis Corcoran, Mt. Vernon, Feb. 28
 Thomas Craydock, Oakfield, Feb. 7
 James P. Dautremont, Wheelersburg
 Rev. J. D. Duffy, Circleville, Jan. 31
 Patrick Duffy, Steubenville, Jan. 31
 L. H. Dugan, Duncan's Falls, Feb. 21
 Wm. M. Edwards, Chauncey, Jan. 17
 P. B. Ewing, Lancaster, Feb. 7
 Hon. Thos. Ewing, Lancaster, Jan. 17
 Jac. Fink, Somerset, Jan. 10
 Thomas Finley, Senecaville, Jan. 17
 James Fish, Pomeroy, Feb. 21
 Chris. Gallagher, Temperanceville, Jan. 10
 Jno. Gallagher (following Chris.), Jan. 10
 John Hand, Taylorsville, Feb. 21
 R. J. J. Harkins, Duncan's Falls, Jan. 17
 James Henon, Circleville, Jan. 3
 J. W. Hilliard, Monroe County, Jan. 31
 John J. Jackson, Somerset, Jan. 17
 Rev. J. M. Jaquet, Temperanceville, Jan. 31
 Rev. H. Lange, Lancaster, Jan. 3
 Denis McConnell, Chillicothe, Jan. 17
 James McGinnis, Steubenville, Feb. 21
 P. McMullen, McLun, Jan. 24
 Jno. McNamee, Columbus, Jan. 24
 Francis Mattingly, Zanesville, Feb. 21
 Rev. Mr. Monaghan, Chapel Hill, Feb. 21
 Luke O'Brian, Taylorsville, Jan. 31
 Wm. O'Driscoll, Columbus, Mar. 14
 Ralph Payne, Mt. Vernon, Feb. 7
 John Poulton, Graysville, Feb. 21
 Edward Smith, Circleville, Jan. 31
 Joseph P. Smith, Lancaster, Jan. 10
 Jacob Snider, Rehoboth, Feb. 21
 Simeon Snider, Somerset, Feb. 7
 Andrew Stanton, Wilksville, Feb. 21
 Rev. C. Thienpont, Steubenville, Feb. 7
 Rev. Mr. Thisse, Chillicothe, Feb. 7
 Moses White, Mt. Vernon, Jan. 10
 D. M. N. Wilson, Columbus, Jan. 10
 A. Zimmer, Portsmouth, Mar. 28

April 25, 1857

MARRIED, on the 21st inst., by Very Rev. Edward

Purcell, WILLIAM MARSHALL ANDERSON, Esq., to
 Miss ELLEN RYAN, daughter of Christopher Ryan,
 Esq., of Urbana.

May 2, 1857

CONVERSION.—On the 26th day of April, Mrs.
 Martha Anne Weily, wife of John Geddey, was
 solemnly received in the bosom of the Catholic
 Church, by Rev. D. M. Winands, Pastor at Canal
 Dover. Mrs. Weily was a member of the Thunker's
 Church, of which her father was a preacher.—
Communicated.

SISTER Ann (Ann McDaniel), grand daughter of
 Mr. Edward Gallagher, Guernsey County, Ohio, died
 of consumption, in the Convent of the Sisters of
 Notre Dame, Cincinnati, on the 29th of April, aged
 24 years.

May 9, 1857

DIED at his residence, ten miles from Zanesville,
 after having received all the last sacraments, on the
 morning of Holy Thursday, Mr. WILLIAM
 MATTINGLY, in his 78th year.

The deceased was for very many years a most
 faithful and edifying member of the congregation of
 St. Thomas' Church, Zanesville. He was zealously
 engaged in the erection of a church near his own
 dwelling, with the help of his pious relatives and
 friends, when God called him to his reward. May
 he rest in peace!

May 16, 1857

Rev. PHILIP FOLEY, formerly a priest of this
 diocese, died in the Hospital of the Sisters of Charity
 in St. Louis, on 1st May. R.I.P.

DIED.

- at Woodsfield, Ohio, on the 28th of April, Mr.
 Daniel Daugherty

- at Woodsfield, Ohio on Easter Sunday, Elisha
 Leek

June 6, 1857

The most Rev. Archbishop purposes to visit the

Churches of Chillicothe, Pomeroy, Wilkesville and Mount Vernon during the month of August.
June 13, 1857

Information Wanted

Of Ann Larkin, who left Zanesville, O., last spring on her way to Chicago. Her brothers are very anxious to find her out, ...any information sent to them, in care of James Kinsley, Valley Furnace, near Morgantown, Va., will be thankfully received. When this girl was last heard from she was in Cincinnati.
June 20, 1857

Pastoral Appointment.

Rev. William T. O'Higgins, born in Ardagh, Ireland,

recently from the missions of Demerars, British Guiana, where he was ordained, has been appointed by the Most Rev. Archbishop Pastor of the church of St. Lawrence, Ironton. We congratulate the Catholics of Ironton on this, we hope, auspicious appointment, from which we anticipate much spiritual and temporal advantage to them and to religion in that portion of the diocese.

June 27, 1857

Premiums awarded at Mount St. Mary's College, June 24, include: Second Class, 3d Premium - John George Reinhard, Columbus, O.

(To be continued)

Pupils Enrolled at the Columbus Catholic College, 1883

A history of Bishop Watterson's short-lived Catholic College for boys was presented in the *Bulletin* of Sept., Oct., and Nov., 1996. With that history we included a list of the school's students, as far as they could be determined at that time. Recently, we discovered in the Diocesan Archives the financial journal of the school, as it existed in the old Medary Mansion at Northwood and High, for the years 1883 to 1885. The first pages contain a list of the students, apparently made as they enrolled for the start of classes in 1883. In addition to being a complete list of the school's initial 36 students, it contains much more identifying information, including age, religion, whether a day scholar or a boarder, parent or guardian, and home address. Only twelve of these 36 were identified previously.

Of these students, 33 were Catholics and 3 Protestants; 19 were from Columbus, seven from Pittsburgh, one from Sutersville, Pa., two each from Lancaster, Delaware, and Newark, one from Pomeroy, and one from Little Rock, Ark. Twenty-four were boarders, nine were day scholars, and one was a half-boarder. The ages ranged from eleven to nineteen, with the majority of the boys being between 12 and 16 years old. The oldest student was Charles F. Kessler from Lancaster, who was ordained a priest for the diocese in 1895.

Headings are: Date, Name, Parent's Name, Age, Rel. Additional data includes status and address.

Sept. 10 Wm. G. Wolfel, Joseph 16 C Day scholar 306 East Fulton St.

Sept. 10 Joseph Kelly, John 13 C Day Scholar 26 Chestnut St.

Sept. 10 Louis Seitz, Father Jessing 13C Boarder

Sept. 10 Wm. Clauter, Fr. Jessing 17 C Boarder [Re-entered at end of list, with parent listed as "Mrs. B." and address Pomeroy, Meigs Co., Ohio]

Sept. 10 Chas. Faler, Paul 11 C Boarder 246 North High St.

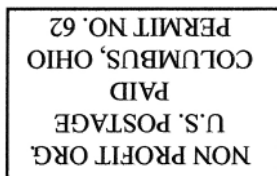
Sept. 10 James A. Sullivan, Daniel E. 15 C Day Scholars

Florence " " " 12 C

Sept. 10 Eugene Byrne, John 13 C Boarder 154 North High St.

Sept. 10 Hugh McCue, Morris 14 C Boarder 44 Ross St., Pittsburg Penn

Sept. 10 Charles H. A. Watterson, W.A.J. 16 C Boarder 12 Bluff St. Pittsburg, Penn.
 Sept. 10 Bernard Burns, Mrs. A. Burns 15 C Boarder
 Thomas “ “ “ 16 C Boarder
 James “ “ “ 12 C Boarder 66 Ross St.
 Sept. 10 Thomas P. Palferman, Dr. Paul 13 P Boarder 62 Ross St., Pittsburg Penn.
 Sept. 10 Wm. Chambers, Thomas 16 P Boarder Sutersville, Penn.
 Sept. 10 Wm. Devlin, Mrs. Mary Casey 12 C Boarder Cor. 5th Ave & Seneca St., Pittsburg, Pa.
 Sept. 10 John Doyle, Mrs. Thomas 16 C Boarder Star Bakery, Newark, O.
 Sept. 11 Patrick A. Collins, Miss Mary 14 C Day Scholar 96 West Rich St., Columbus
 Sept. 10 J. H. Wagner, Mrs. Jennie 18 C Boarder Lancaster, Ohio
 Sept. 10 Frank C. Mulvehill, Mrs. Elizabeth 15 C Boarder Girls Industrial Home, Delaware, Ohio
 Sept. 12 Joseph A. Egan, Patrick 12 C Half-Boarder 40 West Naghten St.
 Sept. 12 Edward H. Jacobs, Mrs. Margaret E. 12 C Day Scholar 99 South Front St., City
 Sept. 12 Wm. C. Kuster, Mrs. Joseph 14 C Boarder Newark, Ohio
 Sept. 12 Edward Costigan, John 12 C Day Scholar Armstrong St., Columbus
 Sept. 24 J. E. Joyce, James 15 C Boarder Little Rock, Ark.
 Sept. 10 Marshall Olds, Joseph 16 C Boarder
 Joseph Olds, “ 12 C Boarder 80 Jefferson Ave.
 Sept. 10 Chas. F. Kessler, John H. 19 C Boarder Lancaster, Ohio
 Sept. 10 Edward Lynch, Mrs. Mary 13 C Day Scholar 112 N. 8th St., City
 Oct. 9 Charles Minton, John 14 C Day Scholar
 Nov. 10 Francis Dutoit, Mr. F. E. Dutoit — P Boarder 169 Lexington Ave.
 Nov. 14 Peter Kelly, Bernard 15 C Boarder
 Leo Wolfel, Charles 11 C Boarder
 Sylvester Wolfel, Charles 191 North 7th
 Nov. 21 James J. Doyle, Michael 17 C Boarder (Miss Ellen Leahy) Delaware, O.
 Nov. 23 Thomas Graney, Michael 12 C Day Scholar East 5th Ave., City



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