

Thoughts For Our Time

By His Eminence Cardinal McGuigan

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THE FIRST EASTER

"At that time, Mary Magdalen, the mother of James and Salome, bought spices, that they might go and anoint Jesus. And very early on the first day of the week, they came to the tomb, when the sun had just risen. And they were saying to one another, 'Who will roll the stone back for us?' And looking up, they saw that the stone had been rolled back, for it was very large. 'But on entering the tomb, they saw a young man sitting on the right side clothed in a white robe and they were amazed. He said to them, 'Do not be terrified. You are looking for Jesus of Nazareth who was crucified. He has risen, He is not here. Behold the place where they laid Him. But go, tell His disciples and Peter, that He goes before you into Galilee; there you shall see Him, as He told you.'—(Mark xvi, 1-7). In these few, simple words, St. Mark relates the story of the first Easter—the story of the Resurrection of Jesus Christ, the Son of God, from the dead. Like the brightness of the morning sun, it pierces the darkness of the night of Good Friday, and the twilight of Holy Saturday, and causes the spontaneous overflow of joyful and triumphant "Alleluia" which fill the hearts and souls of all Christians on this, the greatest of Christian feasts.

Easter, like Christmas, has been exploited to all its commercial advantages in a materialist world. It is the time of new fashions in dress, of friendly greetings and of rejoicing in the verdant newness of nature. And unfortunately, many lose sight of its real meaning and significance—the fact that it is primarily a Christian feast of joy, because it celebrates the triumph of Christ over death and establishes the most convincing proof of His Divine Mission. It is the greatest of all the miracles of Our Divine Saviour, and without it "our faith is vain, and we are still in our sins." (St. Paul, 1 Corinthians xv, 7). It proves conclusively that Christ is the Son of God and that He has completed the work of man's redemption from sin. But Easter Sunday should mean more to us than a strengthening of our faith. It should also enlighten our hope, because in seeing Christ rise from the dead, we will look forward with hope to our own resurrection, for we, too, shall one day rise to eternal glory. If we follow Christ in His life of virtue and holiness.

There is, however, one lesson which we learn from this feast of Christ's resurrection, which we often overlook, and it is that of our resurrection from sin to a life of godliness. Easter was the time in the ancient Church when converts were baptized into the Faith to begin a new Christ-like life; and it can also be for Christians who already possess this faith, the occasion for rising from a life which has not been wholeheartedly devoted to the service of God, to a life of closer imitation of Him Who is our model and our Saviour. As St. Paul says, "For Christ, our Passover has been sacrificed, therefore let us keep festival, not with the old leaven, nor with the leaven of malice or wickedness, but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth." (1 Cor. v, 7-8).

Easter may be, therefore, a time for us to take stock of our spiritual lives to see just how much we merit the name Christian or follower of Christ; to see whether we are fulfilling the primary purpose of our lives—to know, love and serve Almighty God; to see how much we make His Commandments and teachings vital principles in our lives; to see whether our Christian life is more than a Sunday dress.

For Christianity is really a vocation—a calling to a life which bases itself not simply on natural goodness, but on supernatural godliness, which is the work of Divine grace and the virtues of Faith, Hope and Charity. It is to this life we must rise with Christ from the mire of materialism, selfishness and pleasure. This is the resurrection toward which we must strive and we wish to be truly the followers of the risen Christ.

If we have learned this lesson and put it into practice in our lives, then this great feast of Easter becomes a living, personal reality for each of us. It ceases to be a meaningless springtime holiday, and becomes an event of capital importance. It acquires a much deeper significance. It becomes a feast of triumph and of joy—triumph over sin and death, joy in living our lives in following Christ and looking forward to a union with God for all eternity.

This is the true meaning of Easter. This is what gives the feast its true significance in the lives of Christians. This is what gives us, as followers of Christ, the realization that we are united with Our Divine Saviour not only in His life and death but also in His Resurrection. It is all this which enables us to exclaim with the Church in the true spirit of Christian joy: "This is the day which the Lord hath made; let us rejoice and be glad in it." (Psalm 117).

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ENGAGEMENT.—Mr. and Mrs. Charles Reid, Suffolk, P. E. I., announce the engagement of their daughter Ella Viola to Albert Altonne Chagnon, son of Mr. and Mrs. Leon Chagnon, Truro, Nova Scotia. Marriage to take place April 18th.

HONESTY REWARDED.—The happy recipient of a reward for his honesty was John MacNeill of South Milton, who, when on his way home from school a few days ago, picked up a wallet containing a considerable sum of money. The owner of the wallet was found to be Mr. Preston Ford of Oyster Bed Bridge.

ENGAGEMENT.—Mr. and Mrs. Grover H. Coffin, Morell, P. E. I., wish to announce the engagement of their daughter, Catherine, to Joseph Bernard son of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Pelot, Ottawa, Ont. The marriage will take place May 2nd, 1953, at St. Thomas Aquinas Church, Ottawa, Ont.

SERIES OF TALKS ON CHILD CARE.—Sponsored by the Association of Nurses of P. E. I. Speakers are Miss Madeline Plander, R. N., Montreal and Dr. Maureen Roberts, R.N., Halifax. Attendance open to Mothers of young children, April 7, 9 and 10, 8:00 P. M. at St. James Kirk Hall. Registration \$1.00. Tickets available at Hughes Drug Store.

PERSONALS

Friends will regret to learn that Mr. and Mrs. Jim Beers of Cornwall are confined to their home through illness.

Mrs. Kenston MacKinnon, post-mistress at Cornwall, is ill at her home, and her friends hope that she will soon be well again.

PRINCE STREET SCHOOL

The following is the honor roll of Prince Street School for February and March.

- Grade X — 1. Arline Larter; 2. Roberta Todd; 3. Ruby Weatherbie. Grade IX (A): 1. Sandy MacLean; 2. Sandra Currie; 3. Ralph Kennedy. Grade IX (B): 1. Gordon Sturdy; 2. Herbert Irving and Arnold Llewellyn; 3. Janet Carver. Grade VIII (Horton): 1. Beverley Block; 2. Carol Thompson; 3. Frances MacPherson. Grade VIII (MacBeath): 1. Barle Warren and Barbara Worth; 2. Donald Mill; 3. Charles Munroe. Grade VII (Aitken): 1. Susan Whitehead; 2. Shirley MacPherson; 3. Joan Korrey. Grade VII (MacCaul): 1. Fay Hickox; 2. Elizabeth Munn; 3. Carl Pickering. Grade VI (Toombs): 1. Donald Johnston and Eileen Diamond; 2. Jamie Paterson; 3. Sondra Sutherland and Sandra Squarebriggs. Grade VI (Ferguson): 1. Raymond MacLean; 2. Diane Bennett; 3. Roger Michael. Grade V (Fullerton): 1. David Rogers; 2. Diane Burgoyne; 3. Catherine Genge. Grade V (Bryant): 1. Dorothy Ann Gillis; 2. Pamela Stewart; 3. Marlene Steals. Grade IV (MacInnis): 1. Fred Davison and David Keenan; 2. Stanley Bryenton; 3. Jean Court. Grade IV (Brehaut): 1. Mildred Dykes and Raymond Wenn; 2. Albert Bryanton; 3. Judy Hipperson. Grade III (Brehaut): 1. Judy Gay; 2. Brian Wonnacott; 3. Carol Thacker. Grade III (Hansen): 1. Allan MacKay; 2. Gloria Waller; 3. Diane Lancaster. Grade II (Macdonald): 1. Anne Gillies; 2. James Burnett; 3. Florence MacWilliams. Grade II (Pound): 1. Donnie Stevenson; 2. Clara Lavers; 3. Claudia Bryanton and Alan Cotton.

IN MEMORIAM

In sad and loving memory of Mrs. Louis Bryanton, who departed this life April 5th, 1942. Gone is the face we loved so dear, Silent the voice we loved to hear, 'Tis said, but true, we wonder why, The best is always the first to die. Inserted by her daughter Thelma and son-in-law Hayden.

IN MEMORIAM

In loving memory of James L. Davidson, who departed this life April 6th, 1944. We miss him in the morning, And when evening shadows fall, But when we walk down memory's lane, We miss him most of all. Always Remembered by Wife, Son, Daughter and Grand-daughter Myrtle.

Card Of Thanks

Having sold my business, the Rose Marie Beauty Shoppe, to Miss Thelma Burns, I wish to thank my customers for their patronage and solicit a continuance of the same for my successor. Miss Burns is well qualified to carry on the business in the same efficient manner as in the past. Lily B. Aitken.

BULLETINS FROM BIRDLAND

By WINIFRED E. WILSON



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Bluebirds! To the old or middle-aged what memories that word evokes! Once more we see old apple orchards with stumps and decayed, gnarled tree trunks, and flashes of brilliant blue popping in and out of the holes. To the youth of to-day the word brings little more than a reminder of the phrase "bluebird of happiness"; the Bluebird is merely a symbol. Why should this be?

For generations the lovable Bluebirds built their homes in ready-made cavities, as neither their bills nor their feet are suitable tools for excavating. Before our forefathers settled in America, Bluebirds used chiefly holes in trees made either by Woodpeckers or by the gradual wearing away of the trunk in the process of aging. Then man began to put up wooden houses and barns for himself, and friendly Bluebirds appropriated any little crevice about the rafters through which they could squeeze and which led to a room large enough for a small nest of grass and 4 to 6 eggs slightly more than 3/4 inch long. Soon wooden fences were put up, and as they weathered more holes became available. Presently people began to make small houses especially designed for birds. Forty years ago, carrying a considerable sum of money, the owner of the wallet was found to be Mr. Preston Ford of Oyster Bed Bridge.

Several factors have contributed towards our, vastly changed conditions. In past times, Bluebirds shared cavities with Tree Swallows and House Wrens. Then English Sparrows were imported, and they took over most of the holes about our buildings. Later, Starlings were brought into the country, and these hardy, pushing newcomers usurped the remaining holes. Even the little houses, with measurements made expressly to fit Bluebirds, have been taken over by one or other of the imported species.

Neither has man helped matters by becoming tidy and up-to-date. Gone are the old wooden fences with their convenient cavities. These have been replaced by unfriendly wire. When trees develop holes a tree surgeon is called. If the damage is not too great, the bad part is removed and copious creosote is used to fill the space. Otherwise the trees are cut down. And so our Bluebirds are fast disappearing, hounded by the progress of civilization. The low, flowing warble, resembling the voice of the Robin, but softer, sweeter, is seldom heard as the snow melts from our fields. Gentle, sky-blue birds with pinky breasts are seldom seen. Orchards, their favourite nesting grounds, where they paid rent by feeding their young on injurious insects, are being replaced by giant apartment houses.

New Glasgow And Vicinity

While little Leith Orr was visiting at a neighbor's the other afternoon, he captured a beautiful gold-r and black butterfly, which surely points to warmer weather near at hand.

Mr. Austin Gallant had the misfortune to have his barn burnt down recently. The fire was thought to be caused by spontaneous combustion. Mr. Gallant also lost his house by fire a few years ago.

Congratulations are in order for the Glee Club instructor, Mr. Wm. Rogers, on being chosen to compose music to be used during Coronation week.

Congratulations are again in order, this time to Mrs. Joseph X. Dolron who recently was the lucky winner of fifty dollars.

Mrs. Frank Hobbs visited her summer cottage Wednesday, March 25th.

Miss Lorna Keating had, as her guest recently her sister, Mrs. Freda.

The many friends of Mr. Jeremiah Peters were sorry to hear of his acute illness, and will be pleased to learn he is almost fully recovered.

Mrs. Lowell Wyand is confined to her bed with a virus condition. Her host of friends will look forward to an early recovery.

Mr. George Andrew, of the Y. M. C. A. staff spent the March 29th week-end at his home here. Mr. Blair Andrew has added another trotter to his stable — "For-ever Yours Guy." This mare was purchased by Mr. R. L. Mosen of Edmonton from Mr. Myron McArthur. A recent letter from Mr. McMillan who, along with Mrs. McMillan, have been spending the winter months in the Southern States, and are now in Phoenix, Arizona, stated that they expected to be back home April 8th.

Deepest sympathy is being extended to the family of the late Angus Peters, who will mourn the loss of a loving husband and father.

Mrs. Wm. Nicholson and two little sons are having a pleasant stay with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Gill.

Mrs. C. S. Dingwell is spending some time in Halifax, where she

Strange But True

By F. H. MacArthur

The reindeer prefers moss to other foods and when once beyond the limits of the Arctic fringe, moss grows everywhere. It is the natural vegetation of the country, so thick that even in summer, when the snow melts, the reindeer travel over one vast carpet of snow covered food.

These hardy animals are equipped with snow-scrapers which enable them to sweep aside the snow and reach their food.

The goat is to Syria what the milk cow is to this Island. Instead of sending milk around to customers in bottles as our milkmen do, the Syrian dairyman leads his flock of goats down the street, and after receiving an affirmative answer to the Syrian equivalent for the call of "milk-ho" selects his goat and milks it in the street before the customer's eyes.

If the customer fancies milk from one animal more than another he has only to mention his preference.

Natural death in the animal world is a phenomenon which scientists have yet to solve. Do they never die, or what becomes of their bodies? For animals that have died a natural death are seldom found.

Hunters tell us they frequently run across the remains of animals that have died from gunshot wounds; but no self-dead animals are to be found in these graveyards.

The same curious thing may be said of birds. They must die a natural death in untold numbers. What becomes of their bodies? Of this scientists at the present time have no idea.

It is a strange fact that on Spitzbergen it is easier to find the vertebra of a giant lizard of the Tiras than the bones of seal, walrus, or bird which has died a natural death.

Another curious fact is that animals antipathic, have a range as wide or wider than the instinctive dislikes of man. The sight of a camel for example, will simply disgust a horse. A horse gets along well with elephants and most other domesticated animals, but the smell of camel disgusts and frightens them.

Hounds will hunt a fox or wolf with their hair standing on end, though the same dogs hunt deer

That Body Of Yours

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If the eyes are "straightened" early in life and used together there is a much better chance of developing good vision in both eyes than if they are left until several years later.

Despite the fact that the operation is a delicate one, it does not affect the child very much. The patient is usually allowed to go home the second day following the operation and without a dressing on either eye.

While eye exercises are useful in some cases, both before and after operation, this is not always necessary. It has been found that the best time to correct crossed eyes is before the child is three years of age because then his develops his own pattern of seeing without the use of eye exercises.

I am passing this information along to parents because there is nothing gained by waiting; even if the eyes later correct themselves, damage to the mind and the emotions may occur if child goes through school life with crossed-eyes.

ELLEN'S DIARY

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brisk step he passed beyond our line of sight.

He met trouble at Alderlea. There a young and promising hope of stable was so miserable as to require professional care. When? How? To this brood of ours! As it happened, tonight, in an old spring story; rain and dark together, and a machine mired; a tractor to take its place in the relay, and then damp, muddy passage for both Doctor and farmer. And the sick? It is too soon yet to expect improvement. At the same time, there was a hopeful ring in James voice when we talked to him, some minutes ago.

And the knee? James chuckled, "I'm afraid that was a minor consideration today, Ellen."

Not exactly blue was this Monday but still one where little worries crept in.

Until tomorrow — Diary — Good-night.

went by plane, and is the guest of her aged father Mr. Huntley.

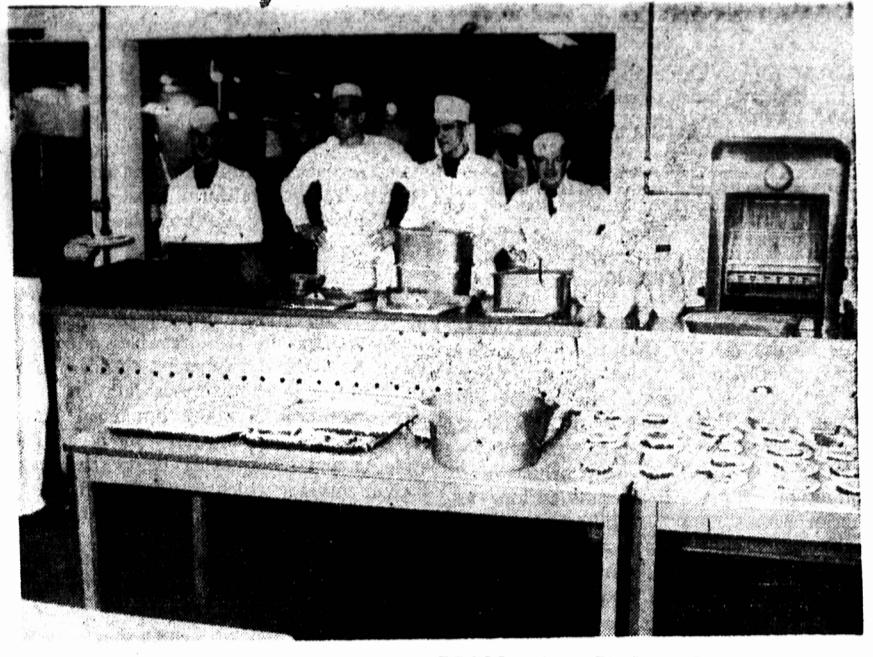
Mr. and Mrs. Harold Dickleson had as their guest recently their daughter, Mrs. Claude McLeod, and little son.

Mrs. Millard Nicholson, Mrs. Millar Orr and Mrs. John Pursey spent a pleasant afternoon the week of March 23rd at the Andrew home, where a quilting bee was the main entertainment. —AY

Largest ship afloat is the Queen Elizabeth, 83,673 tons, about 2,000 tons more than her sister-ship the Queen Mary.

Advertisement for Barbour's Stabilized Peanut Butter, featuring the text "A smoother, richer spread!" and "Barbour's STABILIZED PEANUT BUTTER".

Completes Course At Camp Borden



A number of prospective army cooks are shown above having completed Basic Cook Course 65 serial at Camp Borden, Ont. From left to right are Pte. Tremblay, of the Royal 22nd Regt., Montreal; Pte. Montgomery, R.C.A.C., Camp Borden; Pte. Leach, P.P.C.I.I., Calgary; Pte. Melvin Lawlor, of Charlottetown, P.E.I., Seaforth Highlanders. Shown in the background is Instructor Beauchamp of Montreal. Pte. Lawlor is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Lawlor, Edward St.

colored people. The mere sight of the 700 population to fly into a rage.

Did these animals recognize in the colored visitors their natural enemies? The dark-skinned men who have hunted them for countless years in the jungle and the bush, and with whom their own parents did battle when they were captured and carried into captivity? Who can tell.

Some brutes can be frightened into a faint just as humans can. A tame monkey has been known to drop down in a dead faint when suddenly confronted with a snake. This sounds almost human, doesn't it? Yet the fact remains that rabbits and some other animals become paralyzed when suddenly confronted by their enemies.

Donkeys dislike dogs even more than cattle do, and, if loose, seldom lose a chance of kicking or biting them. I once saw a donkey chase a small dog into a stream, follow it in, and kill it with its forefeet.

Keepers of Zoos will tell you that those animals which exhibit marked likes and dislikes for visitors have the strangest hatred to

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