school, and the other to increase the accommodation of the parish school of St. Benedict's by the addition of one large classroom over the stage. Both schools are under the control of the Sisters of St. Joseph. The plans have been approved by the Education Board's architects, and the work should be well under way in the course of a few weeks.

## DIOCESE OF CHRISTCHURCH

(From our own correspondent.)

June 16.

Father O'Hare has returned to Kumara, his health being very much benefited by his visit to this city.

Rev. Dr. Kelly, Editor of the N.Z. Tablet, was a visitor to Christchurch during the week, and was the guest of his Lordship Dr. Brodie.

Miss Kathleen Goulding has been appointed secretary to the Catholic Girls' Hostel and Club, replacing Miss W. Harrington, who is retiring from the position

The collection in aid of the Seminary Fund took place on Sunday, June 8, at the Cathedral. A circular by the Bishop on the subject was read, and the amount realised was upwards of £60.

Students of St. Bede's College, in the Wednesday competition under Rugby Union football rules, played their initial game last week with Christ's College, and had a handsome win- 29 points to nil.

The annual parade and Holy Communion of the members of the M.B.O.B. Association take place on Sunday morning next, at the 9.30 o'clock Mass in the Cathedral. The chaplain and officers request a full muster.

A number of children of the Woolston portion of the Cathedral parish made their First Holy Communion on Sunday in their own church (St. Anne's), which was crowded on the occasion. They were afterwards entertained to breakfast by their teachers, the Sisters of the Mission.

His Lordship the Bishop leaves this week on a visit to Auckland. He will remain there about a month, and will be the guest of Bishop Cleary at Ponsonby.

The Sacrament of Confirmation was administered on Monday evening last by his Lordship the Bishop at the Cathedral to a number of adults, chiefly converts recently under instruction with the local clergy.

Rev. Brother Emilian left Christchurch on Wednesday evening for Fiji, via Auckland. A great many friends and we'l-wishers were on the railway platform to say good-bye, which they did with regret. Brother Emilian was very popular, and his return, restored to health, will be eagerly looked forward to. The boys at the school presented him with a nice hand-bag as a token of their good will.

Marist Oid Boys on last Saturday scored five wins out of six contests. Seniors defeated High School Old Boys by 9 to nil. The Marist team was not so strong as usual, and J. Mullins, the brilliant back, unfortunately had his ankle sprained. Third grade beat Albion by 33 to nil. Fourth grade were good enough to notch 32 points against 6 scored by Christ's College. Fifth grade, playing Sydenham, won by 16 to 5; whilst Sixth grade put up 50 points against Albion, who were unable to score at all. The juniors lost to Linwood by 33 points. This team has had very little luck this season, so far, but with assistance that will be forthcoming should be a better side in the second round. They are game anyhow.

The programme at the fortnightly meeting of the Celtic Club, held on last Tuesday evening, took the form of a mock mayoral election. Three candidates were nominated—Messrs. J. Flannelly, M. Kennedy, and T. P. O'Rourke. The candidates touched upon many matters of interest in municipal politics, and introduced others that were altogether new. Various questions were put to them, some of which were of a

most amusing nature. The answers, however, forthoming with a promptitude that showed the speakers' keen knowledge of municipal and social affairs. On a vote of the audience Mr. O'Rourke was elected, Mr. M. Kennedy just beating Mr. Flannelly for second place. Advantage was taken of the presence of Rev. Brother Emilian to wish him au revoir on the eve of his departure for Fiji on a health trip. The eve of his departure for Fiji on a health trip. president (Mr. J. Curry), in wishing Brother Emilian God speed, spoke of the active and willing assistance he had always given in the interests of parochial institutions, and asked him to accept a watch, as a small token of the great regard and respect in which he was held. Father Long added his meed of praise to the guest of the evening, and mentioned the assistance he had received, when requiring aid, in many of the functions which, he as a priest, had to take in hand. Brother Emilian, said Father Long, possessed great tact as a teacher and as a guide of the boys, and personally he (the speaker) felt he was losing a companion as well as a friend. It was his sincere wish that Brother Emilian would return to Chrischurch fully restored to health, and with new vigor to carry out the good work for which he had shown himself so admirably suited. Messrs. J. M. Coffey and M. Grimes, on behalf of the Hibernian Society, and Mr. H. Sloan, representing the Addington portion of the Cathedral parish, endorsed all that had been said by the previous speakers. A short musical programme concluded the evening.

## Timaru

(From our own correspondent.)

June 14.

Father Moloney, S.M., ex chaplain to the Forces, is at present in Timaru, pending the return of Father Murphy, S.M., who is at present on his way to New Zealand

Fathers Whelan and Langley, C.SS.R., have just concluded a most successful renewal mission at the Church of the Sacred Heart. At every Mass, and also at the evening devotions during the week, very large numbers attended, and the mission concluded on Sunday evening, when a most impressive sermon was preached by Father Whelan, followed by the renewal of Baptismal Vows.

On the afternoon of Sunday, 25th ult., at the invitation of Rev. Mother, the members of St. Anne's Guild and of the Sodality of the Children of Mary met at the Convent of the Sacred Heart. An excellent musical programme was rendered by the pupils, after which a dainty afternoon tea was dispensed by the Sisters of the Sacred Heart, bringing to a conclusion a most enjoyable afternoon.

## **ELTHAM ART UNION**

The drawing of the Art Union in aid of St. Joseph's, Eltham, took place on Whit Monday. The following are the winning numbers:—

Ist prize—B3343 (Kariori). 2nd prize—D2331 (Kingston, Invercargill). 3rd prize—A202 (Oamaru). 4th prize—B1284 (Geraldine). 5th. prize—A4293 (Masterton). 6th prize—C2362 (Wellington). 7th prize—A3776 (Manuka Creek, Dunedin). 8th prize—B4794 (Hawera). 9th prize—B297 (Washdyke, Timaru). 10th prize—C2135 (Auckland).

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