

St. Mary's Cathedral, Sydney

CENTENARY CELEBRATIONS.

The celebrations in connection with the centenary of St. Mary's Cathedral, which concluded on Monday last (says the *Catholic Press* for October 27), will be recorded as one of the brightest pages in the history of the Catholic Church in Australia. Never before has there been such a brilliant and distinguished gathering in Sydney of prelates and clergy from all parts of the Commonwealth and New Zealand as that which assisted in the memorable centenary celebrations. Never before has the mother Church of Australia witnessed more inspiring scenes. Huge and devout congregations attended all the ceremonies at the Cathedral, which commenced on Friday morning, and concluded on Monday morning, when his Grace the Archbishop of Sydney pontificated at a Solemn Requiem for all the benefactors of St. Mary's during the past hundred years.

The prelates and clergy who attended the memorable celebration included his Excellency the Apostolic Delegate, his Grace the Archbishop of Sydney, his Grace the Archbishop of Melbourne (Most Rev. Dr. Mannix), his Grace the Archbishop of Brisbane (Most Rev. Dr. Duhig), his Grace the Archbishop of Adelaide (Most Rev. Dr. Spence), his Grace the Archbishop of Perth (Most Rev. Dr. Clune), his Grace the Archbishop of Wellington, N.Z. (Most Rev. Dr. Redwood), his Grace the Coadjutor-Archbishop of Hobart (Most Rev. Dr. Barry), his Lordship the Bishop of Armidale (Right Rev. Dr. O'Connor), his Lordship the Bishop of Goulburn (Right Rev. Dr. Gallagher), his Lordship the Bishop of Lismore (Right Rev. Dr. Carroll), his Lordship the Bishop of Maitland (Right Rev. Dr. P. V. Dwyer), his Lordship the Bishop of Wilcannia-Forbes (Right Rev. Dr. Hayden), his Lordship the Bishop of Wagga Wagga (Right Rev. Dr. J. W. Dwyer), his Lordship the Bishop of Bathurst (Right Rev. Dr. O'Farrell, C.M.), his Lordship the Bishop of Rockhampton (Right Rev. Dr. Shiel), his Lordship the Vicar-Apostolic of Cooktown (Right Rev. Dr. Heavey, O.S.A.), his Lordship the Bishop of Dunedin (Right Rev. Dr. Whyte), his Lordship the Bishop of Ballarat (Right Rev. Dr. Foley), his Lordship the Bishop of Sandhurst (Right Rev. Dr. McCarthy), the Bishop of Port Augusta (Right Rev. Dr. Norton), the Right Rev. Monsignor P. L. Coonou, P.P., V.G., Right Rev. Monsignor J. P. Moynagh, P.P., V.F., Rev. Mgr. J. O'Gorman, P.P., Right Rev. Mgr. H. McDermott, P.P., Right Rev. Mgr. P. Byrne, P.P., Right Rev. Mgr. J. Collins, P.P. (Archpriest), Right Rev. Mgr. O'Haran, Right Rev. Mgr. Hayden (President of St. Patrick's College, Manly), Right Rev. Mgr. T. King, Very Rev. Fathers Malachy (Provincial of the Passionist Fathers), Bertrand (Superior of the Passionist Fathers), J. Chevreuil (Provincial of the Marist Fathers), J. Barry, Adm. (St. Patrick's Melbourne), Very Rev. Dean Carey, P.P., Very Rev. Dr. M. J. O'Reilly, C.M. (Rector, St. John's College, within the University), Very Rev. Fathers W. J. Lockington (Provincial of the Jesuit Fathers), F. S. McNamara (Commissary-Provincial of the Franciscan Fathers), P. Cullen (Provincial of the Vincentians), A. Perkins (Provincial of the Missionaries of the Sacred Heart), Rev. Dr. Kelly (Editor of the *N.Z. Tablet*), and clergy from various parts of the Commonwealth, Tasmania, and New Zealand.

Friday Morning's Ceremonies

His Grace the Archbishop of Sydney presided at High Mass at 10 o'clock on Friday morning. The celebrant was his Grace the Archbishop of Adelaide (Most Rev. Dr. Spence). He was assisted by the Very Rev. Dean Carey, Adm. (St. Patrick's Cathedral, Melbourne); the deacon was Rev. J. Cleary, and the sub-deacon, Rev. F. O'Toole (students from St. Patrick's College, Manly). Rev. Father P. Crowley was master of ceremonies, and he was assisted by Rev. J. Morrissey and Rev. J. Gellie (St. Patrick's College, Manly). His Grace the Archbishop was attended at the throne by the Very Rev. Father P. Cullen, C.M., Very Rev. Father Treacy, C.S.S.R., and Rev. Father P. B. Kennedy, O.F.M.

A choir of 150 voices, under the direction of Mr. John B. Doyle, sang Beethoven's Mass in C, with orchestral accompaniment. Miss Winifred Howard (soprano), Miss

Addie Macinnes (contralto), Mr. Edmund O'Ryan (tenor), and Mr. H. Cosgrove were the soloists. At the Offertory, Mr. Cosgrove sang Neukmon's "Confirma Hoc Deus," which the late Mr. F. J. Hallewell sang in the Cathedral on the opening day. In addition to the Mass music, the choir was heard in Stadler's "Ecce Sacerdos," and in the Handel "Hallelujah Chorus." The Intriot, Gradual and Communion, were Gregorian. Mr. H. B. Dawkins was at the organ, and Mr. W. J. Grieve was the leader of the orchestra. Signor Pagnotti, the flautist, was one of the players at the Triduum under the late John A. Delany in 1882.

Father Thorry and Pioneer Priests.

Taking as his text "Unless the grain of wheat falling into the ground die, itself remaineth alone; but if it die it bringeth forth much fruit" (John xii., xxiv), his Grace the Archbishop of Perth (Most Rev. Dr. Clune) delivered a masterly discourse on the pioneer priests of Australia.

Saturday Morning's Ceremony

At 10 o'clock on Saturday, his Lordship the Bishop of Maitland (Right Rev. Dr. P. V. Dwyer) pontificated at Solemn High Mass. The Archbishop of Sydney presided, being assisted at the throne by the Very Rev. Father Dunne, P.P. V.F., and Very Rev. Father Perkins, M.S.H.; Very Rev. Father P. B. Kennedy, O.F.M., was assistant-priest at the throne. His Excellency the Apostolic Delegate occupied the throne on the Epistle side of the sanctuary, and was attended by Rev. Father Gatzemeyer and Rev. Father P. Piquet, S.M. The deacon was Rev. V. Cleary; Rev. J. McGovern, sub-deacon; and Rev. Father P. Crowley, master of ceremonies.

The sermon was preached by the Most Rev. Dr. Barry, Coadjutor-Archbishop of Hobart. Choosing the following text, "When your children shall ask you what mean these stones, you will answer them that they were set as a monument of the children of Israel for ever" (Book of Joshua, 4th chapter, 6th verse), he spoke at length on the subject of the centenary of St. Mary's.

Sunday's Ceremonies

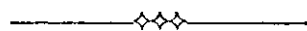
Sunday was the really big day of the celebrations. An immense congregation filled the stately Cathedral at 11 o'clock, when his Excellency the Apostolic Delegate celebrated Pontifical High Mass, with the Rev. Father R. Collender, P.P., as assistant priest. The deacon was the Rev. M. Morrissey, and the sub-deacon, Rev. J. Leonard. His Grace the Archbishop of Sydney presided, and was attended at his throne by the Very Rev. Father W. J. Lockington, S.J., and the Very Rev. Father P. Treand, M.S.H. The assistant deacons of the Mass were the Rev. Dr. Farrelly and the Rev. Father Gatzemeyer. Rev. Father P. Crowley was master of ceremonies, assisted by Rev. O. Steele and Rev. T. Considine. The procession from the presbytery, around the Cathedral, to the College street entrance, in which archbishops, bishops, prelates, priests, and Papal knights took part, was very imposing.

After the Gospel, his Grace the Archbishop of Brisbane preached on the text: "Lift up thy eyes round about and see. All these are gathered together; they are come to thee. . . Thou shalt be clothed with all these as with an ornament; and as a bride thou shalt put them about thee." (Isaiah, c. 49, v. 18.) The theme of his fine discourse being the religious progress of one hundred years.

The Cathedral was again crowded in the evening, when his Grace the Archbishop of Sydney gave Pontifical Vespers. The assistant priest was Rev. Father Gatzemeyer; the assistant deacon, Rev. J. Leonard, and Rev. J. Gellie. Rev. Father P. Crowley was master of ceremonies, assisted by Manly students.

Rev. Father J. Egan preached the sermon. Taking for his text: "Behold from henceforth all generations shall call me blessed, because He that is mighty hath done great things to me, and holy is His name." (Luke 1, 48-49.)

In conclusion of the ceremonies in connection with the greatest commemoration in the history of Australasia, the choir rendered Romberg's "Te Deum."



Our Lord has for us a love so unsearchable, so tender, that He wishes us to share in all He does. The Creator of the Universe awaits the prayer of a poor soul to save a multitude of other souls, ransomed, like her, at the price of His Blood.—The Little Flower.