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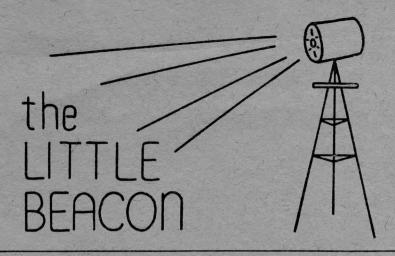
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Out of the intricate white flowers of snow That fall tonight, I fashion fragile lace; Taking the stars' while spears that seem to glow With knowledge, I will pin it down in place. Using the midnight sky of strange still blue I will arrange the background for a dream; Curving my hands with care, as if I knew Its lovely flame might burn, I set the gleam Lighting your deep warm eyes to jewel the part Just to the left of center...in that place, Softly I rest the crimson of my heart That trembles with such joy in your embrace!

--Reprinted



FEAST OF SAINT SCHOLASTICA

Who is Saint Scholastica? And what does she mean to

Saint Scholastica was the twin sister of Saint Benedict. They were born in 480 A.D. Saint Benedict wrote the Holy Rule which, with some modifications for time and place, is being followed by Benedictines today. Saint Scholastica with the help of her brother founded a religious community for women known as the Sisters of Saint Benedict. This year, 1980, Benedictines world wide are celebrating 1500 years of work and prayer.

What do you know about these Sisters? About a hundred years ago, the first Benedictine Sisters came to the United States from Eichstatt, Bavaria and settled in Pennsylvania.

In 1857, a few Sisters came to St. Joseph, Minnesota, which is today the largest Benedictine Convent in the world.

The Sisters tried to satisfy the most urgent needs of the time and place. Schools were established—elementary, secondary, nursing schools and a college. Besides teaching, the Sisters instructed altar boys, trained choirs, taught additional religion classes for children unable to attend Catholic schools and did many other things that needed to be done in the communities. The Sisters also went to foreign missions; they taught and cared for the poor in China until the communist advance forced them to take up residence in Formosa and Japan. They went also to begin work in Puerto Rico and in the Bahama Islands.



Saint Benedict's Rule devotes an entire chapter to the care of the sick.

The Saint Cloud Hospital was started by the Sisters in 1886 and is now co-sponsored by the Diocese of St. Cloud. The Sisters of Saint Benedict now sponsor three hospitals: two in Minnesota (St. Cloud and New Prague) and one in Ogden, Utah. Closely allied with the work in the hospital is the care of the aged at St. Benedic, t's Center. Sisters also help staff other parish-sponsored nursing homes in the Diocese of St. Cloud.

As the community of Sisters at the Convent of Saint Benedict multiplied, independent and affiliated priories were established. Within the past 30 years, the independent motherhouses were established in the diocese of Bismarck, North Dakota; St. Paul, Minnesota; LaCrosse, Wisconsin and Seattle, Washington. The Sisters continue to serve needs of the Church in the spirit of Saint Benedict and Saint Scholastica which has a 1500 year history.

Can you see now why the Feast of Saint Scholastica is a great day in this Hospital? She, without any doubt, is very much interested in the work of the Sisters who follow the Rule her brother wrote.

So rejoice with us on this day! Yes, and pray with us, too! SAINT SCHOLASTICA, PRAY FOR US!

Sunday: Catholic: 6:00 a.m., 8:00 a.m.

10:30 a.m. (Patients'Mass), 4:00 p.m.

Weekday Mass: Monday -- 10:30 a.m., 7:00 p.m.

Tues., Thurs., Sat -- 6:30 a.m.

Wednesday -- 10:30 a.m., 4:00 p.m.

Friday -- 10:30 a.m., 4:00 p.m.

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Confessions: Mon., Wed -- 7:30 p.m.

Patient confession by request.

Fr. Alfred Stangl

FEBRUARY

- F First Sunday of Lent comes on the 24th reminding us of the season of repentance and conversion.
- E Evening light gets longer as the days are longer.
- B Birthdays of our nation's leaders are celebrated with a holiday.
- R Remembering is the key word on Ash Wednesday
 We remember that we are dust.
- U Uneventful is the month with many people getting the February blahs.
- A Anxiously we await the coming of spring in the middle of winter.
- R Resolutions are in for Lent. We all try to do better.
- Y Year of 1980 is a leap year so we get an extra day this month. Enjoy these 29 days!!