

Assistant went to meet the train; 8.28 a.m. After all the greetings in the Hall everybody went into the Chapel of the Blessed Sacrament for a short Thanksgiving which Mother took. A talking day. High wind & dust got up at 5 p.m. & slight rain. Warner. Solemn Evensong & Votives 6.30 p.m.

Sunday Octave Day, Trinity IX.
August 22nd

Sunny P.M. 7 a.m. A grey day with some rain & towards the evening it got very cold & there was some hail! Sister J. Helen & Sister Joyce came over from the School for the day to see the three Sisters. Miss Webb came for a few nights from Cramond town. Mother saw all the three Sisters individually. Solemn Evensong & Sermon, 6.15 p.m.

Monday.
August 23rd.

No Mass. Sister Rosemary had a day in bed to get completely rested. Sister Christina started to work at St. Margaret's & Sister J. Augustine helped in the house. Mother & the Assistant went to Pretoria in the morning to get things for the three Sisters. Africane class & gym class as usual.

Tuesday.
Aug. Bartholomew.

Sunny P.M. 7 a.m. S^r. Christina & S^r. Esmé went to Pretoria. Miss Klam Brooksie came; also

August 24th. Madame Max.

Wednesday.

Aug. St. Hilda V.

August 25th.

Mass. 7.15. The SWALLOWS returned in the morning. Sister Rosemary & Sister Christina in Retreat. Madame Max with three of her assistants worked hard all day at the Sisters' clothing.

Thursday.

August 26th.

Mass. 7.15. Mother had a box of gillies! Mother went to the School for two nights & drove in after dinner taking S^r. Tom, S^r. Christina, S^r. J. Augustine & S^r. Rosemary with her. The latter to remain at the school.

the others came just to see everything & have tea there. S^r. D. Helen returned with S^r. T. Swan in the School car to stay for a week. S^r. V. Ruth returned from Leseding.

Friday.

August 27th.

Mass 2-15. S^r. E. Drews went to the School, & arrived on the Van for two weeks of her rest. The Chaplain returned & came up to see everyone in the morning. Miss Klambovski left. Miss Agnes large came. Classes as usual.

Saturday.

F^r. S. Augustine D.P.C. returned from the School at 5-45 p.m.

August 28th.

Evening & Devotions 6-30 p.m.

Sunday.

Sung Mass 7 a.m. Fr. Shelley.c.n. Very cold morning.

The Chaplain came to see Mother at 5-45 p.m. Evening & Sermon 6-15 p.m.

August 29th.

Fr. Shelley.

Mass 2-15. The Chaplain. Very cold day, & no sun & the wind got up. Afrikaans class & gym as usual.

Tuesday.

F^r. S. Didur. D.P.C.

Mass 2-15. Father Shelley.c.n. After raining nearly all night with thunder, lightning, & wind it rained all day until 5-30 p.m. & was very cold.

No Recreation, Mother, S^r. T. Swan, S^r. D. Helen, S^r. Christina, & S^r. J. Augustine, had a picnic dinner in St Monica (cottage) with a lumpy fire. The Assistant, S^r. Erne, & S^r. H. Verity went to Pretoria on the Van. S^r. H. Verity gave a supper at the Nursery for S^r. Swan, & S^r. Helen. Mother & the Assistant also went.

Wednesday.

F^r. S. Giles. D.P.C.

Mass 2-15. The Chaplain. Very cold & a gale blowing nearly all day. S^r. D. Helen, & S^r. J. Augustine in Retreat. M^r. Lewis called in the morning. Crib Service 6-30.

September 1st.

- Thursday.
September 2nd
- Mass 7-15. The Chaplain. Fr Shelley not too well with a cough! S^r Helen left. Sister D. Joan driving her into the School. The latter returned at 4-15 p.m. & brought Sister Joyce back with her. Rm 879 large left.
- Friday.
September 3rd
- Mass 7-15. The Chaplain. Father Shelley heard the Sisters confessions at 11 a.m. He also went to see Sister Endre in the Nursing Home & was driven in by Sister D. Joan. Sister Joyce went into her long Retreat at Vespers. The Irene Company, 9 of them came at 5 p.m.
- Saturday.
September 4th
- Mass 7-15. Fr. Shelley on. the Chaplain served. The Irene Company left at 3 p.m. S^r Gladys Austin arrived from St. Cuthbert's on the 9-30 a.m. train. Evening & Devotions 6-30 p.m. Fr. Shelley left. Sing Praise 7 a.m. A day of Prayer & Thanksgiving, the fourth anniversary of the War. A much warmer day. Evening & Sermon 6-15 p.m.
- Sunday.
Trinity XI.
September 5th
- Mass 7-15. A really hot day. At last! Mother the Assistant & some other Sisters got into White HABITS. S^r D. Joan in Retreat in the morning. Mother drove into Pretoria & took babies to the clinic. Ntione Margaret, D. Joan, & Wynona coming in. S^r V. Ruth also came & was dropped in Pretoria & took a bus up to the School in order to see S^r Rosemary. Sister returned in the afternoon. Mother, the Assistant, S^r J. S^r O.F. & S^r V.P. had supper at St. Margaret's.
- Monday.
September 6th
- Mass 7-15. Mother went to see J^r Cronkague as she had a nasty sore nose & it was swollen on the left side. The Assistant took Mother. The doctor gave some ointment to me. S^r J. & S^r O.F. in Retreat.
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Mr. Hobson came in the afternoon. Solemn Evening & Procession 6-30 p.m.

Wednesday.

Sung Mass 7 a.m. S^r Joyce came out of Retreat.

Feast of the Nativity B.V.M. September 8th.

Miss Bolton came in the afternoon. Mother, the Assistant, S^r J, S^r Eamé, S^r O.F. & S^r V Ruth & S^r D.J. went off in the School car for a dinner picnic at Tonntan. All returned for after noon tea. The girls had a dance in the evening. S^r V.R. left on the 7 p.m. train for Bloemfontein for the remaining 2 hrs. of her visit.

Thursday.

Octave.

September 9th

No Mass. Sister J. Joan, Sister Joyce, left, & Sister Olive Frances went to the School to work; after Morning Tea. Mother went in with them to see S^r J Helen who had gone to Nursing Home for observation & also to see S^r Endora who was not so well. Mother went to the School for dinner & returned on the 4-50 p.m. train. Miss Bradford left on the 7 a.m. train. The Holy Hour was kept from 5 to 6 p.m. The surrender of Italy in the paper.

Friday.

Octave.

September 10th

Mass 7-15. Mother took the girls to Court at 8 a.m. S^r Christina, & S^r J. Argentine went to the School in the van for the day & returned in the evening. S^r E. Doreas returned from the School. Classes as usual.

Saturday.

Octave.

September 11th

Mass 7-15. Mother & S^r H. Verity in Retreat. Some army Priests called from Cernister about making Testaments & Fair dairies etc. Solemn Evening & Devotions. 6-30 p.m.

Sunday.

Trinity XI.

September 12th

Sung Mass 7 a.m. Sister Gabriel (East Grinstead) came for Retreat. Solemn Evening & German. 6-15 p.m. Mass 7-15. S^r Christina in Retreat. M^r Soames came at 4 p.m. & had tea with Mother.

Monday.

Octave.

September 13th

Thunder & lightning at 6 p.m. & rain. Afrikaans
Class & gym as usual. Miss Bolton left.

Tuesday.
F. of the Exaltation
of the Holy Cross.

Sunny Day. 2 a.m. Drenching rain during the
night but a lovely day with sun. Mother
went into Pectori on the Van to see Miss Bolter
& S^r Endora & S^r D. Helen in the N. Home. Confirmation
Class b. 30 p.m.

Wednesday.
Octave Day of the
Nativity B.V.M.
Ember Day. October
September 15th

Mass 7-15. A terrific hurricane got up at 4-45 a.m.
& caused much damage. The lovely cedar tree at
the bottom of the garden was uprooted & several
green trees & great branches broken off. The
chimney of the laundry chimney was blown off.
Sister Eusebie moved down from St. Margaret's &
Sister Christina took over the work. Father
Adcock left the Nursery & went off for his
holiday first on the 2p.m. train. Girls Service. 6-30 p.m.
No Mass. A lovely day, bright sunshine &
no wind, but cooler early. The picnic took
place starting at 11 a.m. Tece & Sext 9-15.

Noon. 11-15 followed by the Angelus. Vespers 5-15.
The Chaplain came to tea in the afternoon.
The picnic was held in the maize field.

Miss Hook & Miss Thomas left on the 10-20 a.m.
train. Miss Heald in Retreat. M^r Henry
Van der Byl called to say goodbye to Mother
as she was leaving Irene for good!

Friday Ember Day. Mass 7-15. The Assistant in Retreat. At
Octave.
September 17th.

8 p.m. Mother took Theresa into the Moedersby
5^r & Verity also came. S^r Gabriel left on the
10-20 a.m. train. Classes as usual.

Saturday.
Octave Ember Day.
September 18th

Mass 7-15. Mother & the Assistant went to
Morning Tea with old M^r Van der Byl to
say goodbye as she was leaving Irene
for good at the end of the month. Wansong

Sept: 19 & 20.

Solemn Procession 6 p.m. owing to summertime starting; Supper 6-45 p.m. Compline & Lauds 8 p.m. Clocks put on one hour.

Sunday in the Octave Sung Mass 7 a.m. Very dark, the first morning of Holy & Trinity XIII Summer time. Everything as usual. Solemn Evensong September 19th & Scornan. 6-15 p.m.

Monday.

Octave.

September 20th

No Mass. Very cold until the afternoon, Mother had a fire in front! 5^o Eame, & 5^o & 7^o Noctas in Retreat. This Heald left on the 10-20 a.m. train. Gym class at 6 p.m.

Tuesday.

F. & S. Matthew A.P.R.

Octave Day Holyt

September 21st

Mass 7:15. Sister Olive Irene came for Retreat on the Van. The film took place at 6-30 p.m. Black-out paper was used to darken the Rec. Room.

Weds: 22nd.

Mass 7.15 a.m. Sr. O. Irene & Sr. Gladys Austin in retreat. Fr. Shelley came over & brought Fr. Huddleston with him. The latter gave the Srs. an address at 10 a.m. & Fr. Shelley heard confessions at 11 a.m. Sr. Joan Augustine left for St. C's & Mother went to St. Mary's Orphanage, Rosettenville, for her long retreat. Guts' service 6.30 p.m.

Thurs: 23rd.

Com: of the Bl. Sac: train. Fr. Chitty came over from Germiston to fetch the altar-linen that had been made for him. Fr. Shelley & Fr. Huddleston called in on the way back from the School to JHBurg & had dinner. Superior brought Sr. Eudora over about 5.15 p.m. Sr. Eudora went straight to bed.

Mass 7.15 a.m. Sr. Eudora up at 10.30 a.m. Classes in the evening. Sr. Christina & Sr. Hilda Veity went to town in the morning.

Fri: 24th.

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- Sat: 25th. Mass 7.15 a.m. The Chaplain took Sr. Endora Com: of U. Lady. her Communion after. Evensong + Devotions 6.30 p.m.
- Sun: 26th. Sung Mass 7 a.m. Fr. Field came + the Assistant took him back by car afterwards.
- Sr. Esme went to spend the day at the School. Solemn Evensong + sermon 6.30 p.m.
- Mon: 27th. Mass 7.15 a.m. Sr. Esme took 3 girls to the Dental Clinic in the morning by van. Mother returned from her Retreat (St. Mary's Orphanage Rosettenville) on the 4 p.m. train. The Assistant met her with the car. Mother went to see the Nuns in Johannesburg.
- Tuesday. September 28th. No Mass. S^r B. Mary returned from her Rest on the 9-30 a.m. train. S^r Joan came to dinner as Mother had to call a Council Meeting about starting the work at Sophia Town sooner. The Meeting was held after dinner in the Priests sitting room Brundage. Solemn Evensong + Procession 6.30 p.m.
- Wednesday. September 29th. Feast of St Michael. Sung Mass 7 a.m. A dull day after thunder + rain in the night, towards the evening it got quite cold.
- Thursday. September 30th. Mass 7.15. In the Morning Mother + the Assistant drove into Portoria to do much shopping. In the afternoon Father Eaton called + brought 2 M^r Williams to see about taking Blanche Williams into the Hemes; a terribly sad case. Confirmation Class 6.30 p.m.
- Friday. October 1st. Mass 7.15. The Assistant in Retreat. S^r Phyllis, + S^r Alma Brita came for Retreat. Classes as usual.

Saturday.

Mass 7-15. The two School Sisters in Retreat.

Holy Guardian Angels. Miss Vreede, Miss Taylor, Miss Mc Cauliffe, came for October 2nd.
the week end. Miss Pleasanton came for the Retreat.

At 5 p.m. Charlotte Parker brought over by car the Bishop of George & M^{rs} Crozier & Audrey Thom. Mother from the Bishop or M^{rs} Crozier had the Holy Cross Home. At 6-30 p.m. the Station Master came to collect a swarm of bees from Johanna's locker in her bedroom! Evening & Devotions 6-30 p.m.

Sunday.

Trinity XV.
October 3rd.

Mass 7 a.m. 5th Phyllis, & 5th Anna left on the 9 a.m. train. Sister Esmé left for a long visit at St. Christopher's on the 2-40 p.m. train. Everyone had Morning Tea at the Nursery, the Angel party! Evening & Sermon. 6-15 p.m.

Monday.

F. & S. Francis.c.
October 4th.

Mass 7-15. A holiday on no fronts. The day spent in preparing for the Women's Retreat beginning in the evening conducted by Father Shelley.c.a. 18. in Retreat, M^{rs} Sanders attending by day. Miss Vreede, Madge Taylor, & Miss Mc Cauliffe left on the 5 p.m. train.

Tuesday.

October 5th.

Mass 7-15. Father Shelley.c.a. Fine, but rather threatening, & at intervals gusts of wind. Sth D. Helen came over on the 10-20 a.m. train to see Fr. Shelley before leaving for Cape Town. Mother had to take the car into the garage with the Van as the battery would not work!. Sth Helen came in the car to return to the School Retreat all day.

Wednesday.

October 6th.

Mass 7-15. Fr. Shelley.c.a. Retreat. A tempest gale got up at 4 a.m. which ended in rain, but it was fine by 9 a.m.

Thursday.

October 7th.

Mass 7-15. Fr. Shelley.c.a. Retreat. Fine & very hot all day. M^{rs} Venables left at 5-30 p.m.

was fished by her husband. The Station Master fished another swarm of bees just after 6 p.m. again on the territory in Vernie's Room; this time they swarmed in the paraffin tin!!

Friday.
October 8th

Mass 7-15. Fr. Shelley C.R. The last morning of the Retreat. Most of the Retreatants had all left by 10 a.m. Miss Bissett, + Miss Powell stayed on, the latter quite poorly with malaria + in bed. In the morning Father took a swarm of bees in S^r. Christine's suit case!! down to the Station Master in the car. S^r. Christine also came down. Sister Joyce came for Retreat. Classes as usual.

Saturday.
Fr. & Mrs. Dampier Company
October 9th

Mass 7-15. Sister Joyce in Retreat Father Shemph + his wife came for a week + were in the Parrot's Birdcages. Both very sad as they had lost their first baby. Miss Bissett left. Evening + Dinner 6-30 p.m. Miss Powell in bed all day.

Sunday.
Trinity XVI.
October 10th

Sunny Mass 7 a.m. Fr. Shemph served. A fine day after a very bad Hurricane with rain during the night. S^r. Joyce left in the School car at 12 o'clock with S^r. Tom + the Tropes who came over for Morning Tea with S^r. Tom to see the Hanes. S^r. O. also came. Evening + Dinner 6-15 p.m. Molly Stacey came to stay.

Monday.
October 11th.

Mass 7-15. The Assistant had the day more or less off for rest. Sister Endora's brother came to see her in the morning. S^r. H. Vandy took Christine in the Van to Hospital. A quiet rest of the day.

Tuesday.
October 12th

Mass 7-15. Sunny Regnun. C.S.M.V. obit. Fr. Jimmy came in the morning to say good bye to the Sisters as he was leaving.

the Army & returning to St. Cuthbert's. He had Morning Tea with Mother in Trust & dinner with the Shemps & left on the 2 p.m. train. Sister Endora went to Proctor in the Van with S^r B. Mary to see the dentist & Dr Lang. The latter very pleased with her progress. Another swoon of less in Johnnies room! The Station Master came & collected it at 5.30 p.m. & got Mr Hunter assist him.

Wednesday.

Fay King Edward C.
October 13th.

Thursday.

October 14th.

Friday.

Fay St. Teresa V.
October 15th.

Saturday.

October 16th.

Mass 7-15. Father Shemps. Mother in Retreat. Father Blundell came in the evening to conduct the girls retreat which began at 6.30 p.m. Nelly Stacey in Retreat.

Mass 7-15. Father Blundell. Girls Retreat. The Chaplain served. A nice fine day & quite warm. The Chaplain came to see Brother in the afternoon & had tea in Trust.

Mass 7-15. The Chaplain. At 9.45 a.m. Mother & Sister Endora went in by car to the School. The Assistant also came in to Proctor for shopping. Mother spent the day at the school, ending up with a picnic at Fountain's for St. Andrew's House. Sister Endora also came. Mother brought back S^r Katherine Elisabeth to work at Irene. Fr. Blundell left after breakfast. Nelly Stacey also left.

Mass 7-15. Father Shemps; the Chaplain served. The Shemps left on the 10-20 a.m. train.

Baptism of 4 babies at 11 a.m. After tea Mother went to see M^m Sewni. M^m Adcock also saw Mother; things at St. Margaret's not satisfactory. Evening & Devotions. 6.30 p.m.

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