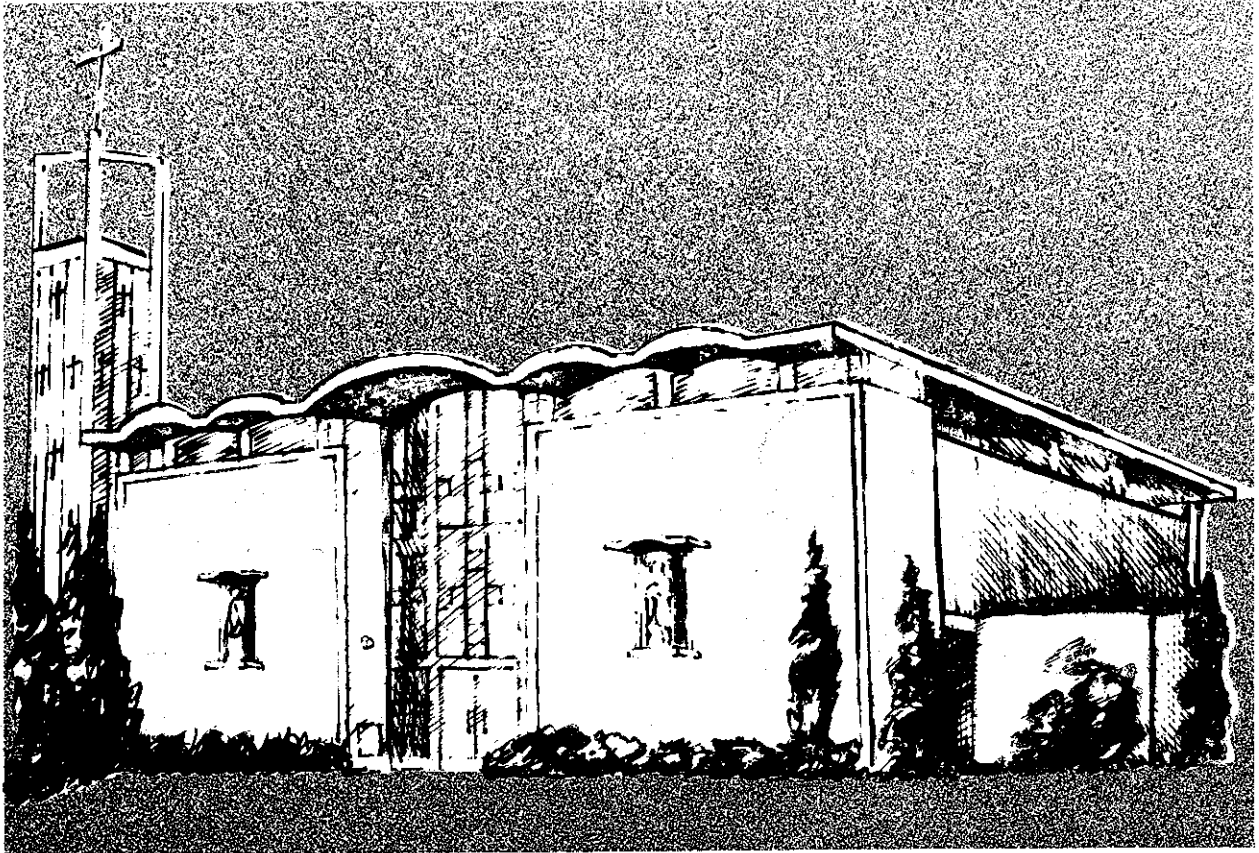


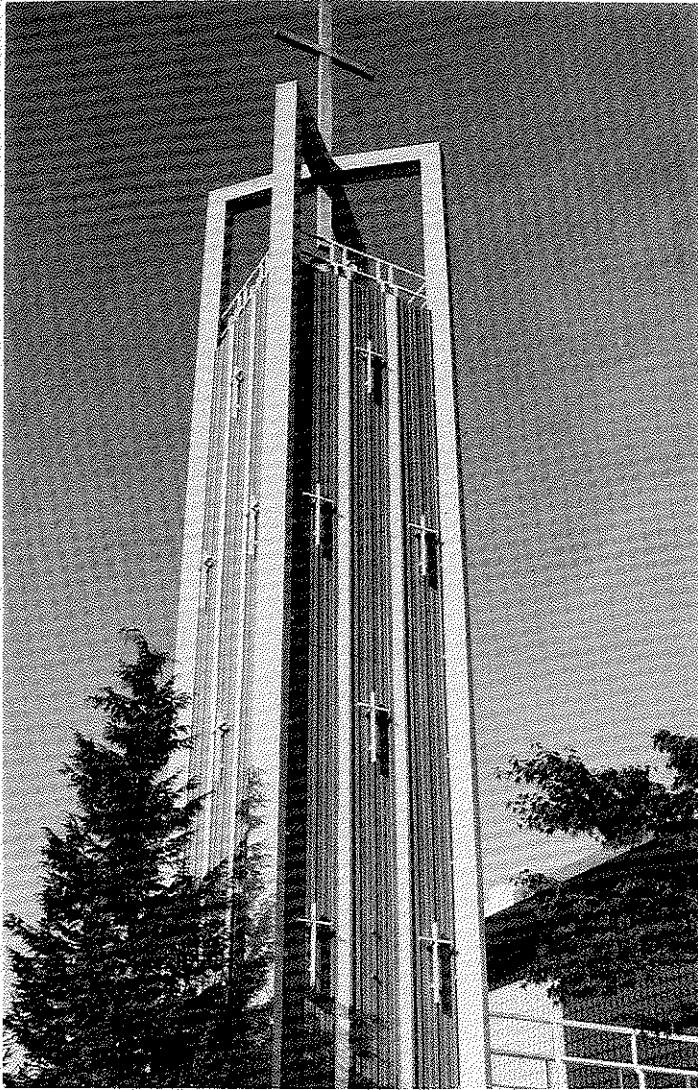
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75th Anniversary

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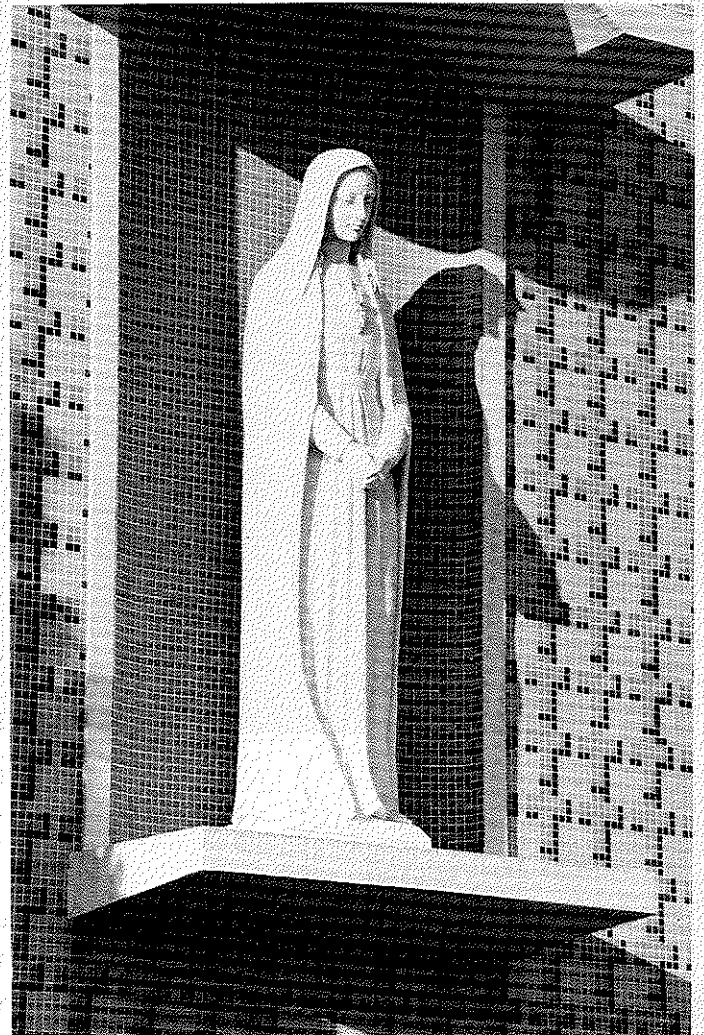


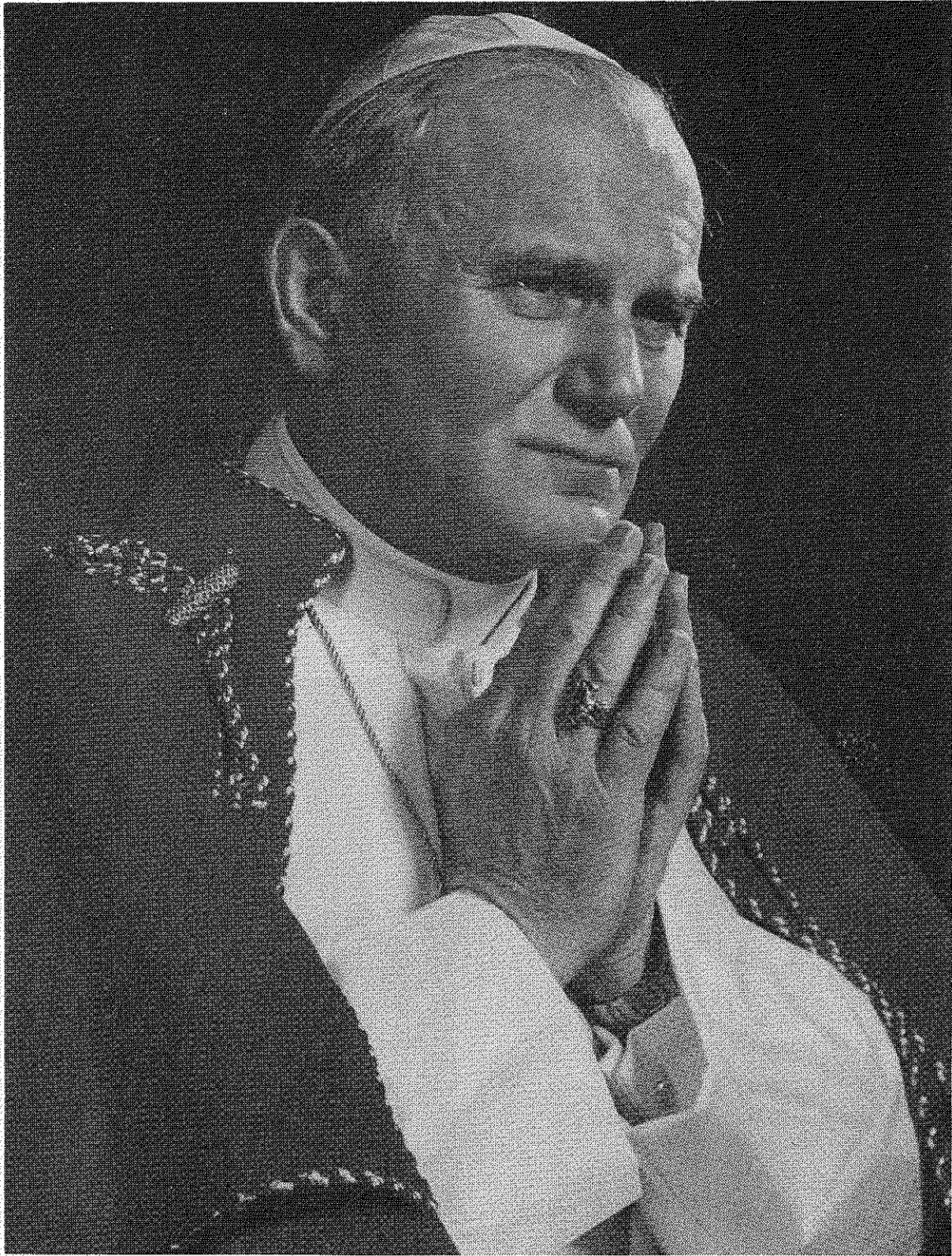


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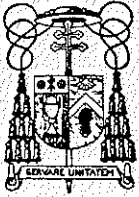




POPE JOHN PAUL II

CITTA Vaticano

Holy Father pleased to be informed that Our Lady of Sorrows Parish is celebrating seventy-fifth Anniversary. On this happy occasion He prays that an ever greater realization of the Eucharist as the source and summit of all Christian Life will bring increased joy and strength to entire parochial family. With expression of his paternal interest and love for all his Holiness imparts requested Apostolic Blessing.



Archbishop's Office

Archdiocese of Vancouver

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November 16, 1987

Dear Father Alberton and Parishioners:

It is a pleasure to congratulate you and to rejoice with you as you celebrate the seventy-fifth anniversary of the founding of Our Lady of Sorrows Parish.

Seventy-five years is a short period in the history of the Church that has been proclaiming the Gospel for almost two thousand years. On the other hand, seventy-five years spans not only the life of your parish but also three-quarters of the history of our diocese. As we mark the diamond jubilee of your parish, we are reliving also the story of the Archdiocese.

As I write this letter, I recall with gratitude the contribution of the Servite Fathers and Brothers to whom Archbishop Timothy Casey entrusted the parish on its establishment in 1913. They built the first Church and your parish school. I remember, too, the priestly dedication of Father Donald Campbell, recently deceased, your pastor from 1954 to 1960. Your present imposing Church was built under his leadership. In 1960, Archbishop William Mark Duke entrusted the care of the parish to the Scalabrini Fathers. They have given exemplary priestly leadership to the parish during its period of greatest growth. Under their direction the new parish hall and rectory were built and the parish school renovated. I am sure that the parishioners of Our Lady of Sorrows Parish recognize with gratitude the contribution made by all those priests.

Your parish has been blessed also by the loving self-giving and inspiring example of religious communities of women. The Sisters of Charity of Halifax were the educators of your children from the time your school was built until 1982. Without them your school would not be in existence today. In 1981 the Daughters of St. Mary of Providence took up residence in your parish and you are aware of the great contribution they are making to you and to the Archdiocese generally.

Your parish, like most others in our diocese, is home to families of many ethnic backgrounds. In the early days and during the difficult years of the great depression, it was families of Irish, Scottish and Anglo-Saxon backgrounds that built your parish and maintained it at the cost of great sacrifice. Particularly following the Second World War, you welcomed large numbers of Italian immigrant families. Their spirit of faith and generosity is evident in dynamic parish activities, including support for Notre Dame Regional High School. It is encouraging to me to see families of many ethnic backgrounds working together as brothers and sisters in Christ for the building up of His Church. It is my prayer that our heavenly Father will bless all of you.

Looking forward to participating in your jubilee celebrations, I remain,

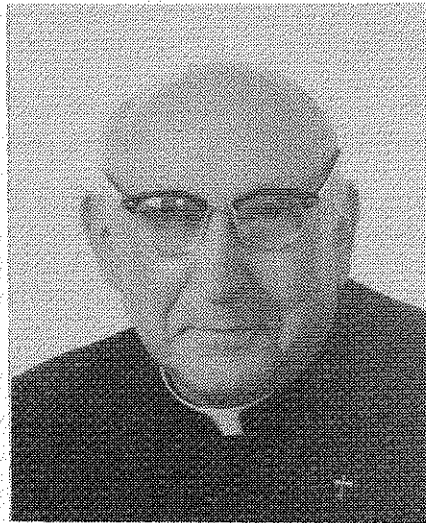
Sincerely yours in our Lord,

Most Reverend James F. Carney, DD
Archbishop of Vancouver



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PROVINCE OF SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST
PROVINCIAL RESIDENCE: 546 North East Avenue, Oak Park, Illinois 60302-2207
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November 16, 1987

Rev. Peter Sordi CS
Provincial

Dear Friends:

The 75th Anniversary of Foundation is a milestone in the life and history of Our Lady of Sorrows Parish! You will remember with pride the dedication and generosity of the small number of first parishioners who helped establish this Parish: you will recall the many priests, sisters, men and women who have lived and worshipped in this parish and made possible the beautiful church and parish plant of Our Lady of Sorrows.

God has abundantly blessed the people of this parish, generation after generation. This event must be a reminder of the past and a challenge for the future to all the present parishioners to reaffirm their continued commitment to the goal of Christian fidelity, mutual support, love and respect of family, education of youth, community worship.

The Scalabrinian Missionaries who were sent primarily as missionaries for their migrant brothers and sisters have staffed Our Lady of Sorrows Parish since April 1960. They are proud to be associated for all these years with this community and be part of the rich heritage and tradition of Our Lady of Sorrows Parish.

It is my sincere hope and prayer that God continue to bless the people of this parish for many, many years to come!

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Rev. Peter J. Sordi C.S.
Provincial Superior



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20 Novembre, 1987

Carissimi Parrocchiani:

In occasione del 75mo Anniversario della nostra parrocchia voglio rendere omaggio a tutti coloro che in questo periodo hanno contribuito al benessere spirituale e materiale di questa comunita' parrocchiale.

In modo particolare voglio rendere il mio omaggio ai sacerdoti e religiosi che attraverso il loro ministero hanno servito i fedeli, le suore di San Vincenzo De Paoli, le Figlie di Santa Maria della Provvidenza che hanno sacrificato la loro vita per l'educazione dei piu' giovani.

Voglio dare un riconoscimento particolare al gruppo amministrativo e educativo della nostra scuola che ancora oggi portano un contributo straordinario alla nostra comunita'.

Ma soprattutto il mio pensiero va a tutti i fedeli di questa comunita' cristiana e cattolica che durante il nascere e il crescere di questa nostra famiglia si sono sacrificati per erigire la chiesa, la scuola, la sala e la canonica e il convento. Questi fedeli hanno attinto questa generosita' dalla fedele partecipazione alla messa domenicale.

Negli anni 60 un grande afflusso di italiani ha contribuito alla crescita di questa comunita'.

Ma gli italiani esistevano anche prima. Esaminando i libri parrocchiali ho trovato che nel 1913 il primo matrimonio fu di italiani. E dopo di quello per un'intera pagina ho visto la parola "Italia."

Fedeli carissimi, continuate la bella tradizione e conservatevi cattolici. E' cosi' facile abbandonare questa fede che avete portato dall'Italia con i vostri tesori piu' cari. Non vendetela al dei ciarlatani che vi promettono tante cose superficiali. Siate fedeli a questo patrimonio religioso e consegnatelo intatto ai vostri figli.

La Vergine Santa, nostra madre, vi benedica e vi protegga.

Nel Signore

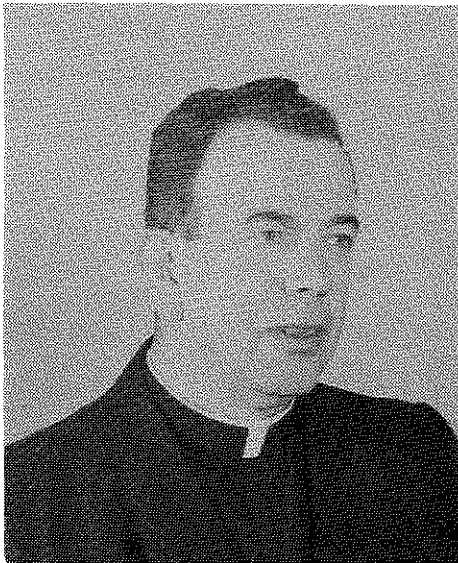
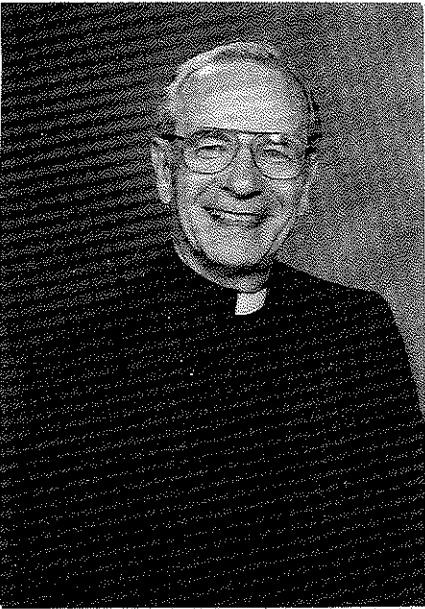
Padre Valentino Alberton CS
Parroco

GOLDEN JUBILEE

REV. PETER B. RIGO, C.S.

ORDINATION by Cardinal Rossi - Italy - June 29, 1938

ASSISTANT	Our Lady of Pompeii - Chicago -	1939-1942
	Holy Guardian Angel " "	1942 - 1945
	Saint Callistus " "	1945 - 1948
	Holy Rosary - Kansas City -	1948 - 1952
PASTOR	Holly Rosary - Kansas City -	1952 - 1961
	Saint John the Baptist - K.C.	1961 - 1969
	St. Charles Borromeo - Melrose Park	1969 - 1975
ASSISTANT	St. Rita - Milwaukee -	1975 - 1979
	Our Lady of Sorrows - Vancouver -	1979 -



FATHER JOHN RIGO, CS
Well known and loved Priest
of the Community
deceased, 1975.

SILVER JUBILEE

PADRE GIUSEPPE PONTI, CS

Born in Lissone (MI) May 31st, 1938.

Ordained priest on March 19, 1963 in Piacenza Italy

First Assignment: 1963, Germany

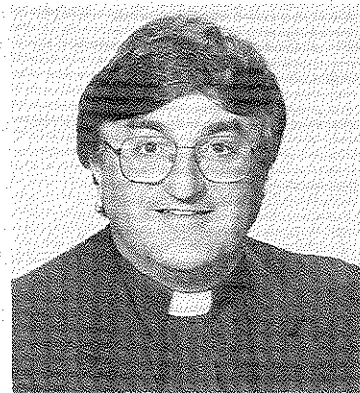
Second: 1963-1968: Our Lady of Sorrows, Van.

1968-1969: Year of study in Rome

1969-1976: First Pastor of Our Lady of Fatima, Vancouver

1977-1985: Pastor of St. Helen, Burnaby

1985: in charge of "L'ECO D'ITALIA", the paper for the italians
in B.C.



THE SCALABRINIANS: THE SECOND CENTURY

On Nov. 28, 1887, the Bishop of Piacenza in Northern Italy, Giovanni Battista Scalabrini, founded a religious congregation of missionaries to serve the Italian emigrants. Today 750 Scalabrinian missionaries are working in 20 countries for emigrants of all nationalities.

When, in 1880, Bishop Scalabrini ended his first visit to the 364 parishes of the Diocese of Piacenza, he discovered, to his utter dismay, that 10 percent of his people had abandoned their towns and villages to find work elsewhere, in other countries, often overseas, in "the Americas." When he found out that a mass exodus was going on all around him and that neither Church nor State had blown the whistle on such a disastrous situation, he was horrified as a human being, as an Italian and as a Catholic bishop. Whole regions of Italy were becoming depopulated. Peasants and workers from all over Italy were fleeing their country, escaping like convicts from their motherland, to find bread, security and freedom for themselves and their families.

What most worried the bishop was the fact that these simple, unlettered peasants and workers, fleeing like lemmings across the ocean waters, were human beings and fellow Catholics. They were carrying within them a precious heritage: their venerable customs and traditions, their human and cultural riches, their ancient Christian values. Who would protect them against the ravenous wolves awaiting them at the ports of embarkation and on the high seas? Who would defend them in the new lands against the "padroni.. or bosses ready to enslave them? Who would go with them and live with them, share their joys and sorrows, pray with them in their mother tongue, preach to them in Italian, hear their confessions, baptize and marry them in their language, according to the customs of their "Paese" in the "Old Country"? Who would be at their deathbed to whisper the prayers of the dying over them and bid them a final farewell in the language they first learned from their mothers?

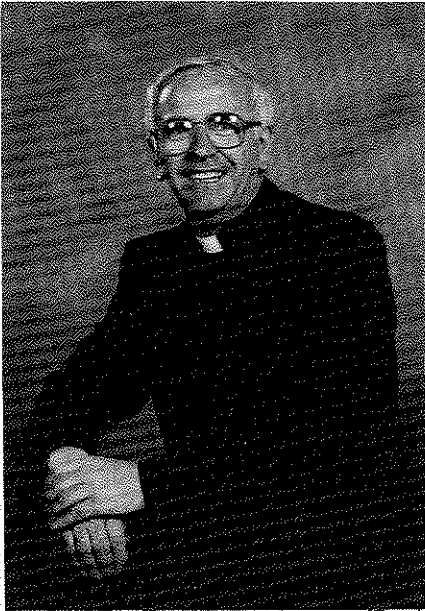
Bishop Scalabrini knew he had to do something. So, on Nov. 28, 1887, he founded a congregation of missionaries, priests and brothers, to look after the spiritual and material needs of the emigrants. He called them Missionaries of St. Charles. After the famous 16th century archbishop of Milan. Today his missionaries are popularly known as Scalabrinians.



VENERABLE JOHN BAPTIST SCALABRINI
FOUNDER OF THE MISSIONARIES OF
SAINT CHARLES

SCALABRINIANS IN VANCOUVER

The first Scalabrinians came to the diocese in 1956, when Archbishop Bishop Martin Johnson entrusted them with Holy Spirit Parish in New Westminister. Today they serve three other parishes; Our Lady of Sorrows and Our Lady of Fatima in Vancouver and St. Helen's in Burnaby. They also publish a weekly newspaper for the Italians, L'eco d'italia.



Our Pastor

Rev. Valentino Alberton CS
Pastor of Our Lady of Sorrows



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Dear Parishioners:

As coordinating pastor for our 75th Anniversary, I salute all those marvellous men and women, religious and diocesan clergy, the Sisters of Charity of Saint Vincent de Paul, Halifax, the Daughters of St. Mary of Providence, and the dedicated lay leaders who have provided so much assistance, support and inspiration in heading up the various sodalities, societies, and committees.

I also pay tribute to the professional administrative and teaching staff of Our Lady of Sorrows School and most of all to our faithful and loyal parishioners, past and present, who have provided the rich and wonderful legacy which is Our Lady of Sorrows community.

Through the intercessions of Mary, the Mother of Sorrows, may Our Divine Saviour bless each and everyone of you in His own special way.

Faithfully yours in Christ,

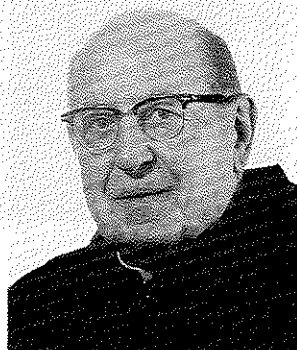
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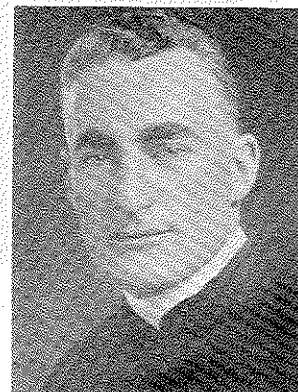
PASTORS
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1913 - 1914



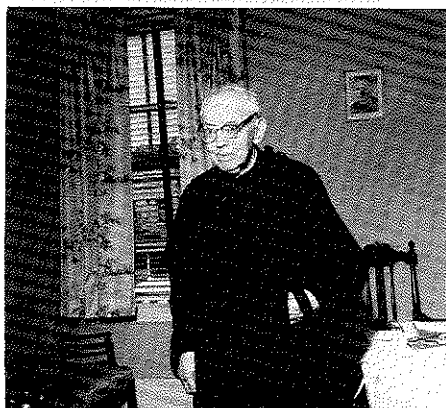
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1914 - 1918



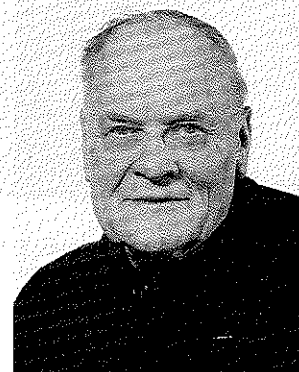
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1918 - 1922



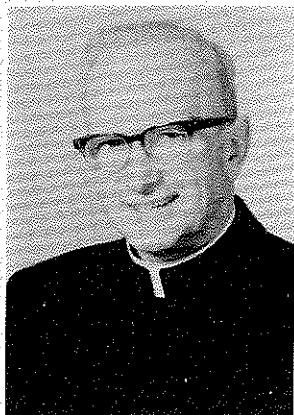
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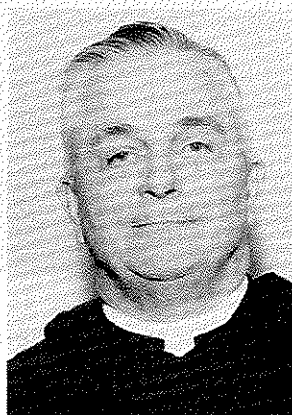
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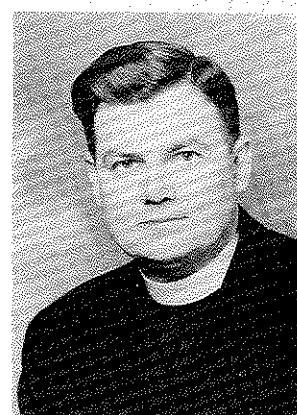
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1925 - 1935



Rev. B.H. Parc, O.S.M.
1935 - 1941



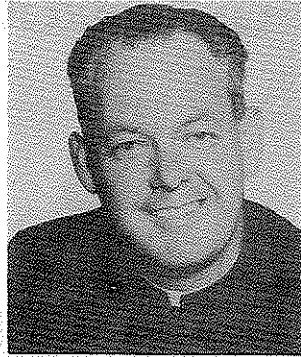
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1941 - 1945



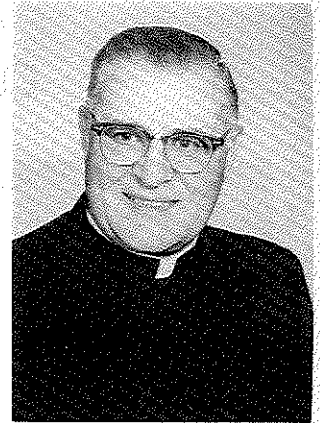
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1945 - 1949



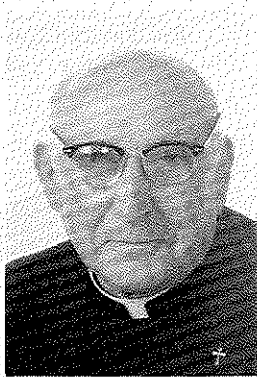
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1950 - 1954



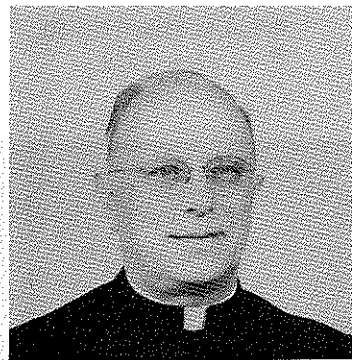
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1954 - 1960



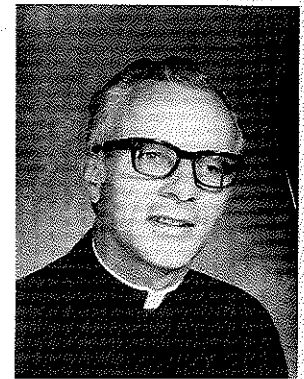
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1960 - 1964



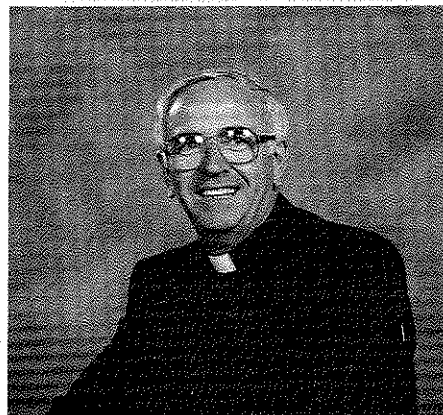
Rev. Peter Sordi, C.S.
1964 - 1970



Rev. Joseph Bolzan, C.S.
1970 - 1973



Rev. Rino Spada, C.S.
1973 - 1982



1982 - Rev. Valentino Alberton



SERVITE FATHERS

OUR HISTORY

1913 - 1988



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From the wooded, undeveloped parkland that constituted the area that today is known as the East Hastings area, to the sprawling mass of commercial and residential properties with which we are so familiar, is a long journey. For the past seventy-five years, Our Lady of Sorrows Parish has played a key role in that journey, contributing enormously to the development of the area through its spiritual, social, charitable and educational activities.

Turning the pages of this volume commemorating the 75th Anniversary of the parish, one is made aware of the richness of the parish life and of the variety of activities which the parishioners of Our Lady of Sorrows have undertaken. Boasting today a population in excess of one thousand families, the parish has indeed undergone remarkable growth from the days of its inauguration when a mere sixty families were organized into the parish of Our Lady of Sorrows by His Excellency, Archbishop Timothy Casey. Father Luigi Giambastiani of the Servite Fathers (Order of the Servants of Mary) was invited to be the first pastor. For the first forty-one years of its life, Our Lady of Sorrows parish grew vibrantly under the loving care of the Servite Fathers, engaging in a variety of activities and establishing a strong tradition of community which happily continues unchanged.

Early evidence of the energy displayed by the parish was the institution of the city's first Holy Name Society in 1924. Further proof of the vigour of the young parish was the opening of the parish school in 1926 under the direction of the Sisters of Charity of Halifax, during the pastorate of Father A.N. Riesenmy. The opening enrollment of 96 students was testimony of the need of the school, which from the beginning formed a vital part of the parish social life with its annual St. Patrick's Day concerts, sports days, and other activities. In the days before government aid to independent schools, an even larger measure of self-sacrifice was needed for the parishioners to maintain the school, and here again the Servite Fathers led the way: Father Riesenmy himself laid the tongue-in-groove floor in what was then the parish/school hall (that part of the present school on the west side now devoted to classrooms). Of course, the area occupied by the parish buildings today looks vastly different than it used to. Then, for example, behind the school was a vegetable garden and a Chinese garden, complete with a statue of Buddha to ward off devils.

The parish has indeed changed enormously over the years, continuing a steady growth in population. By 1933 the number of families had risen to 175; by 1951 the number was 460. As pastor succeeded pastor, each brought his own individual stamp to parish life, not always in the way that he would have wished, as for example, when Father Roche was forced by war-time coal shortages to cut off the heat in the school, empty because of the Christmas vacation. Unfortunately Father Roche had no way of knowing that a severe cold spell would set in, causing all the water radiators to freeze and most of them to burst. Perhaps the only ones who were happy about this were the pupils, who got an extra week's holiday while the radiators were replaced. Despite such temporary set-backs, however, the Servites continued to serve the parish well and were loved and revered by their flock. All of them are remembered fondly by the "old-timers," most notably the popular assistant Father Dominic Manzo, who served the parish from 1946 to 1949 and whose work with the young people particularly endeared him to the hearts of so many.

Throughout these years, the Sisters of Charity continued to serve the parish by running the school, having an enduring impact on generations of young people. At last, in 1953 the sisters were given a permanent residence in the parish when a convent was built on the corner of Kaslo and Venables, a home which the sisters occupied until 1982.

By the 1950's, it became evident that Burnaby and the east side of Vancouver was in need of a Catholic high school. As a result, Notre Dame Regional Secondary School was constructed in the parish of Our Lady of Sorrows. Students from Our Lady of Sorrows have consistently formed the highest contingent from any of the ten supporting parishes in the school and have brought to Notre Dame that same sense of vitality and energy that their parents have shown in all aspects of parish life.

In 1954, to the deep regret of the parishioners, the years of Servite service came to an end. The last Servite priest to serve as pastor was Father Grabrian. When the Servite Fathers left the parish there was a parish population of 1200 families; the enrollment in the parish school had risen to 350; numerous parish organizations could boast large and active memberships; and the parish was debt free. The Servites had indeed served Our Lady of Sorrows well.

When the new pastor, Father Donald Campbell, was appointed to the parish by Archbishop William Duke, he was able to take advantage of the heritage bequeathed to the parish as he embarked on the parish's next major undertaking: the building of a new church. The old parish church that had served the community so well for almost thirty years was no longer adequate to the needs of the parish. A fund-raising campaign was launched in 1958, and soon the present church, a truly impressive structure, was erected, the old church being used for a period as a parish/school hall. Father Campbell's dedication and enthusiasm made the new church possible, but he recognized that his efforts would have gone for nought were it not for the foundation laid by the Servite fathers; as a fitting tribute to their work in the parish, Father Campbell arranged for the Servite crest to be set in the floor of the main altar where it serves as a reminder of all that the order had so generously contributed to the parish.

The parish itself had not only changed in terms of size, but in the course of its almost fifty year history, had changed in terms of ethnicity. It has always been part of the richness of the life of the area that there has always been a varied cultural mix among the families in the parish, with people whose names reflected a variety of ethnic backgrounds on the parish rolls. As the fifties advanced and Vancouver became the home of thousands of new immigrants from Europe, this ethnic mix became even more evident. More and more, however, Our Lady of Sorrows was becoming a parish in which Italians figured increasingly prominently. In response to the need to cater to this population, the Missionary Fathers of St. Charles, the Scalabrinis, were invited to assume responsibility for the care of the parishioners of Our Lady of Sorrows, and in 1960 Father Adam Torresan was appointed pastor.

The Scalabrini fathers have maintained that spirit of dedication and service enjoyed by the parishioners since the parish was founded. Under their leadership, the parish has gone from strength to strength as is evidenced by the changes in the physical plant of the parish. Of course, much of this was made possible by the introduction of Bingo as a parish activity: the first Bingo was held on February 8th, 1960. This alone, of course, would not account for the changes that followed as the Scalabrini fathers inspired the parishioners to the major undertakings of the years that followed. In 1970, under the pastorate of Father Peter Sordi, the parish hall was completed. In the following year when a not altogether untimely fire destroyed the old rectory, the old hall (the former church) and the remains of the rectory were cleared away, and under the direction of Father Joseph Bolzan the new rectory, parish offices and meetings rooms were erected. During Father Rino Spada's pastorate, which began in 1973, the parish school was remodelled and modernized. In 1981 the parish welcomed the Daughters of St. Mary of Providence. They now occupy the convent of Our Lady of Sorrows parish, which houses too the office and classroom space for the Vanspec Program. The Sisters of the Daughters of St. Mary, as did the Sisters of Charity of Halifax for so many years, enormously enrich the parish life with their contributions to the religious instruction programs and the celebration of the Sacraments.

As the parish of Our Lady of Sorrows celebrates its seventy-fifth anniversary, it is evident that it continues to enjoy a rich and active life. The present pastor, Father Val Alberton, carries on the tradition of building and strengthening the community under his care. The parish has recently made a major contribution to the enlargement of Notre Dame school; the parish church is to be redecorated in time for the 75th Anniversary celebrations. All of this is proof of the underlying strength of the spiritual life of the parishioners who, guided and served by a long line of dedicated and inspiring pastors and assistants, have been blessed abundantly by the grace of God. As priests and parishioners celebrate this milestone in the history of their parish, they can confidently look forward to a future filled with the promise of grace abounding.

SOCIETA' San Giuseppe

Dopo la prima ondata migratoria che si era stabilita attorno alla Chiesa del Sacro Cuore in Campbell Ave., subito dopo la seconda guerra mondiale, la comunita' italiana aveva trovato un nuovo sbocco in una zona piu' consona ed appropriata per una sistemazione: le parrocchia italiana di Our Lady of Sorrows, compresa tra la prima strada e il mare, da Commercial Street alla nuova highway in via di costruzione. La famiglia parrocchiale improvvisamente si era triplicata con una forte percentuale etnica italiana. Nuovi parrocchiani con problemi di lingua, di addattamento, di sistemazioni famigliari ed altre complicazioni inerenti alla fase di assestamento.

I Padri Scalabriniani, gli specializzati nella cura e nell'assistenza delle comunita' migratorie, avevano da poco assunta la direzione di questo processo di evoluzione e di integrazione.

Aprile 1960: due sacerdoti per la comunita' canadese e italo canadese, piu' un terzo per la comunita' portoghese.

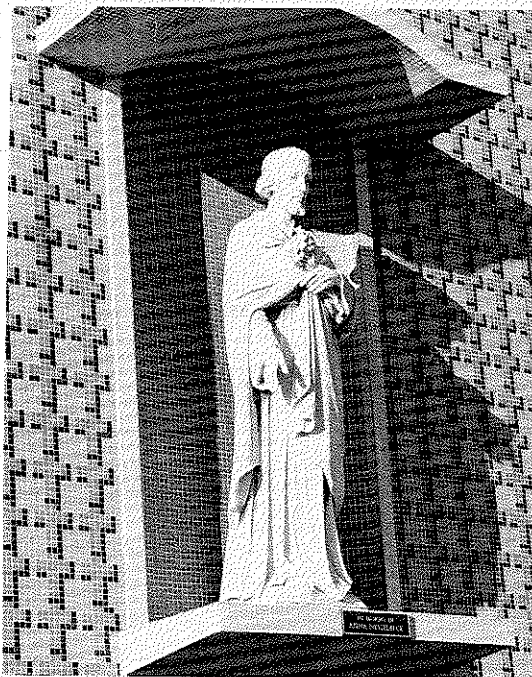
Ma dopo un avvio quanto indeciso e problematico si profilo' sempre di piu' la necessita' di un'assistenza piu' specifica della communita' Italiana. Le organizzazioni esitanti non potevano accogliere quello che era un patrimonio di fede, permeato da tradizioni, usi e costumi totalmente differenti. Ci voleva un qualcosa che abbracciasse tutto questo e con diligente e accurata visione, far rifiorire tutto in un altro ambiente. Nasceva cosi' l'idea de parte di Padre Giuseppe Ponti, gia' ai primi mesi dell'anno 1964 di avere una societa' tutta italiana: la Societa' di San Giuseppe.

San Giuseppe un santo caratteristico, molto caro alla devozione degli italiani e soprattutto neutro: ne' del nord, ne' del sud.

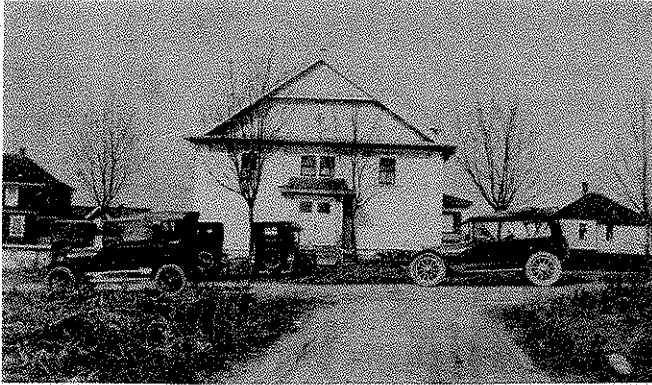
"Una societa', diceva Padre Ponti, che potesse radunare l'elemento italiano, parte intergrante, ma emarginato dalla vita parrocchiale nella fase religiosa e ricreativa.

Il risultato fu spettacolare. La sala della scuola, dove si tenevano le prime riunioni era sempre affollata. Tutti si sentivano a casa loro e cominciavano ad amare la loro nuova terra e parrocchia, pur vivendo intimamente le loro vecchie tradizioni. Si strutturo' un comitato, proprio come una vera organizzazione. Si iniziarono le feste, i banchetti, i balli, le feste tradizionali della Madonna del Monte Carmelo e di altre bellissime tradizioni come le sagre e le celebrazioni paesane di vari protettori. Avrebbero tutte queste cose formato il fondamento di tradizioni italiane che avrebbero

mantenuto e sviluppato la fede degli italiani, e creato il clima di una continuita' anche con gli elementi piu' giovani di discendenza italiana. Anche oggi a distanza di 25 anni si possono incontrare gli elementi che avevano fatto parte di questa societa' e nella chiesa si possono ammirare statue e altre iniziative, nate da una societa' disposta a portare nella comunita' di Our Lady of Sorrows un'ondata di cristianesimo e di vitalita'.



EXPLORING THE PAST



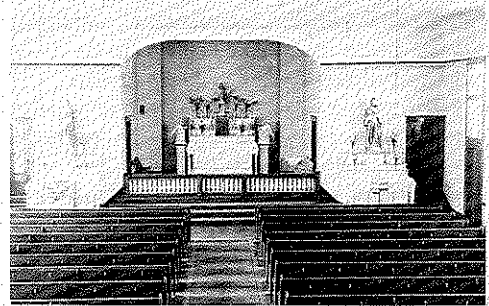
OUR LADY OF SORROWS CHURCH - 1913



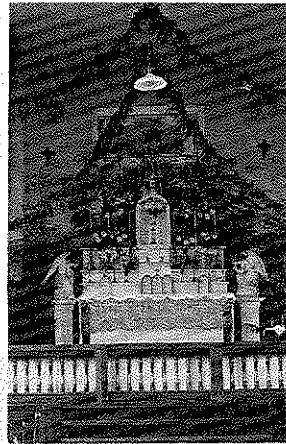
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RECTORY AND CHURCH 1913



INTERIOR OF OLD CHURCH 1913



CHRISTMAS 1916



FIRST STUDENT BODY, SEPTEMBER 1926



First Staff - Our Lady of Sorrows School - 1927



O.L.O.S. SCHOOL 1929



FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 1929



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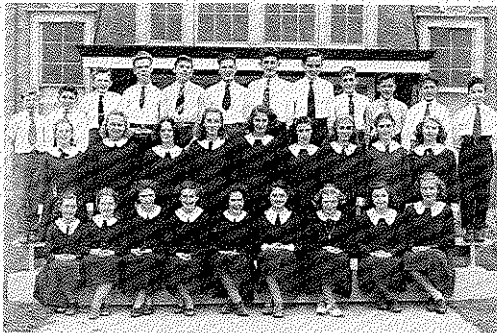
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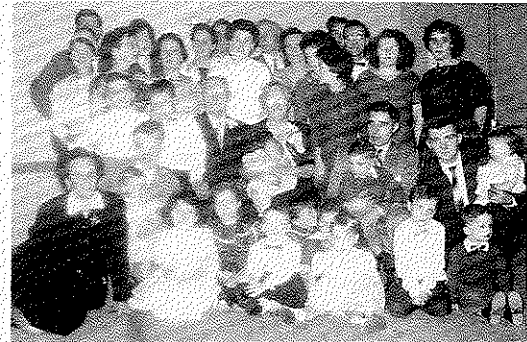
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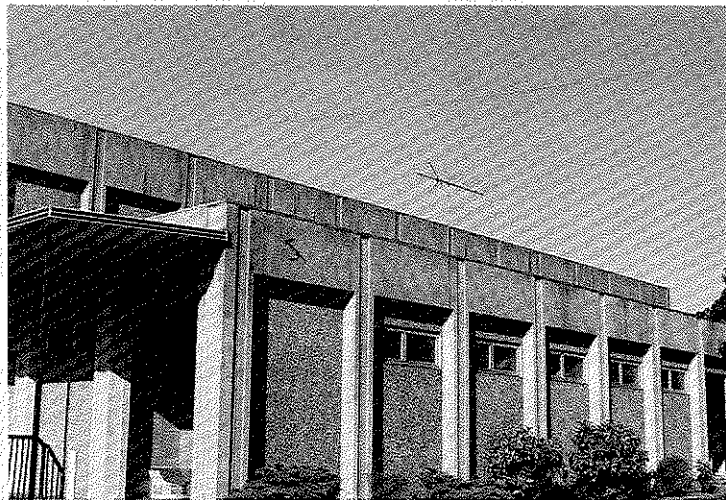
O.L.O.S. SCHOOL 1947



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**A FEW OF THE MEMBERS OF O.L.O.S.
PARENT-TEACHER ASSOCIATION - 1963**

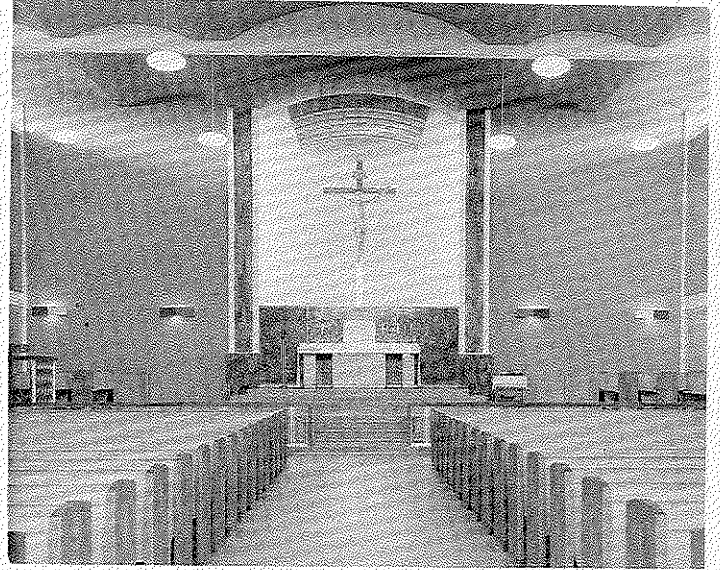
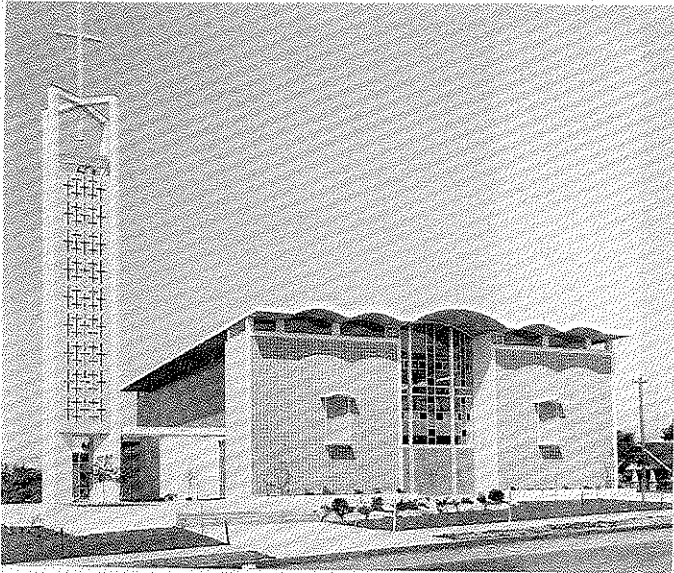


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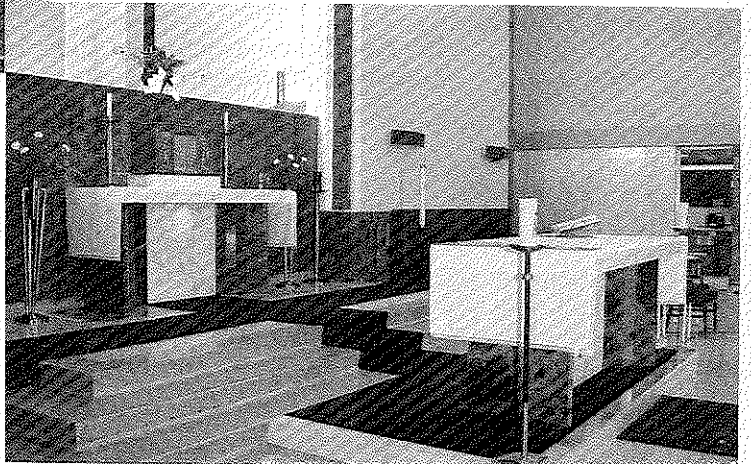
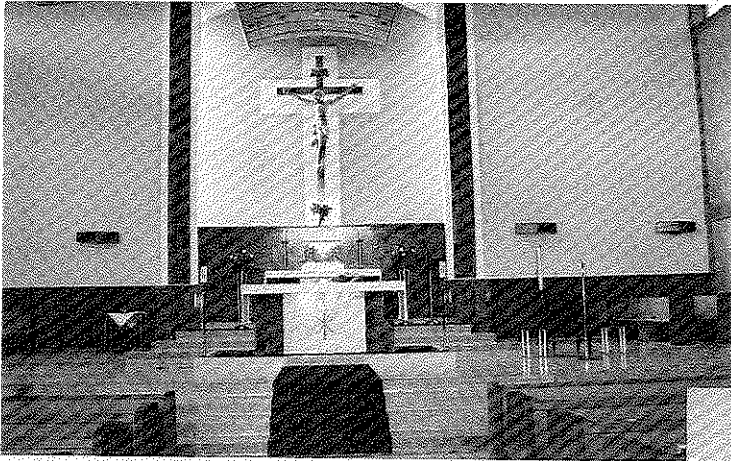


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INTERIOR OF CHURCH 1959

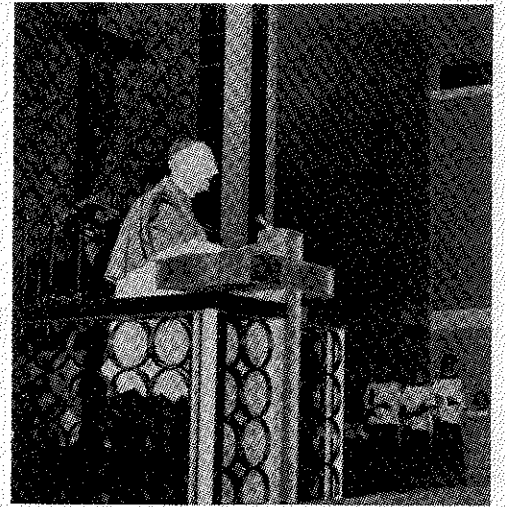


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THE GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY 1963



*Archbishop Wm. Duke and
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Archbishop Duke's Sermon



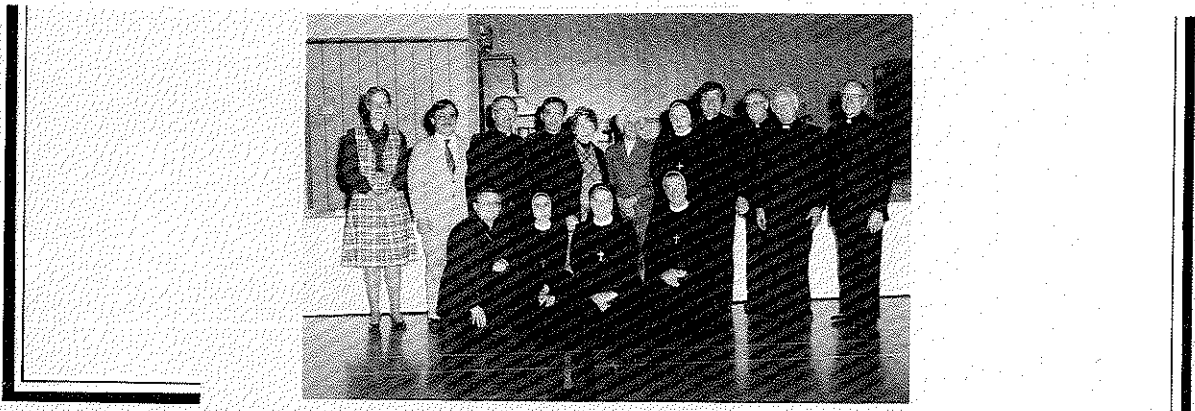
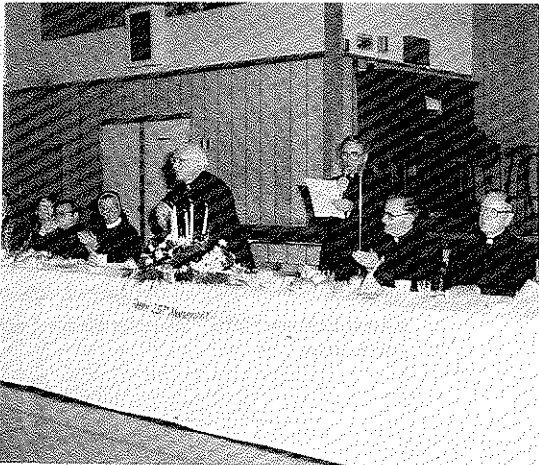
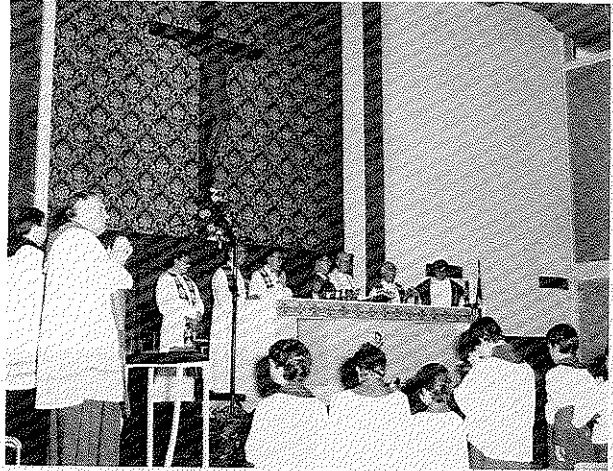
*His Excellency Archbishop Duke crowning Our
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The Church Choir entertaining at the Golden Jubilee Dinner

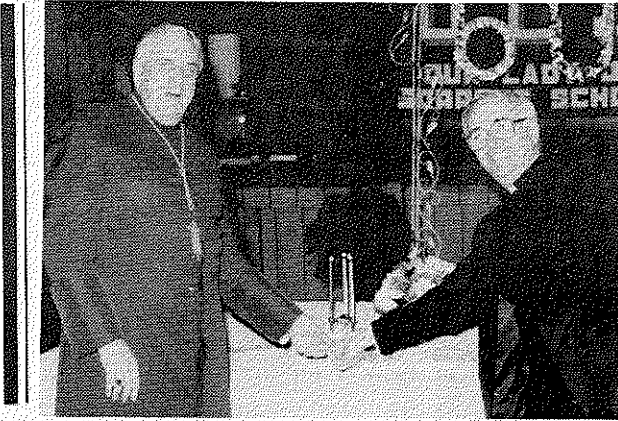
THE SILVER JUBILEE OF THE CHURCH 1984

Celebrating the 25th Anniversary
of the new church, November, 1984



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CELEBRATING THE 60th ANNIVERSARY OF THE SCHOOL, NOVEMBER 1986



Archbishop James Carney and Pastor, Father Val Alberton shown cutting the anniversary cake.



First students to attend O.L.O.S. celebrating at the 60th Anniversary of the school, November 1986. Eileen Erikson (left), Blanche Pierce Camley (Middle) Joe Loftus.



Grade 6 class singing "People of Peace"



Dr. Carol Matusicky (nee Storrow and former student of O.L.O.S.) at 60th Anniversary School Assembly with her children, Catherine and Joey.

O.L.O.S. SCHOOL ACTIVITIES



CCD celebrating Halloween



Sports Day



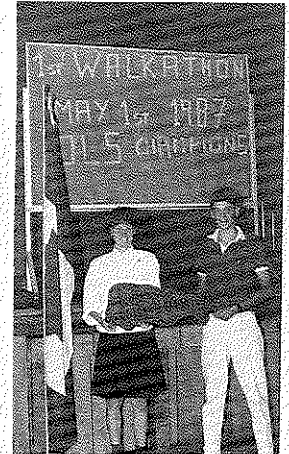
S.T.E.P.
Systematic Training for
Effective Parenting.



Ash Wednesday Celebration



Raising funds for the bus



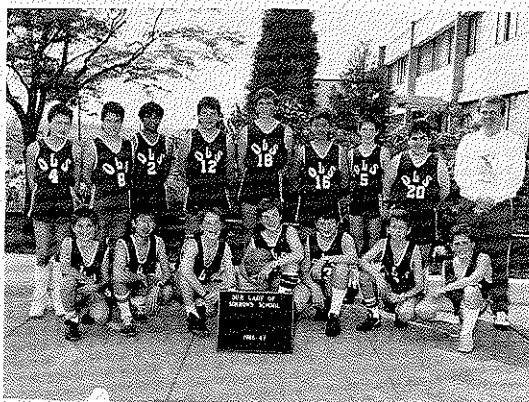
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May procession



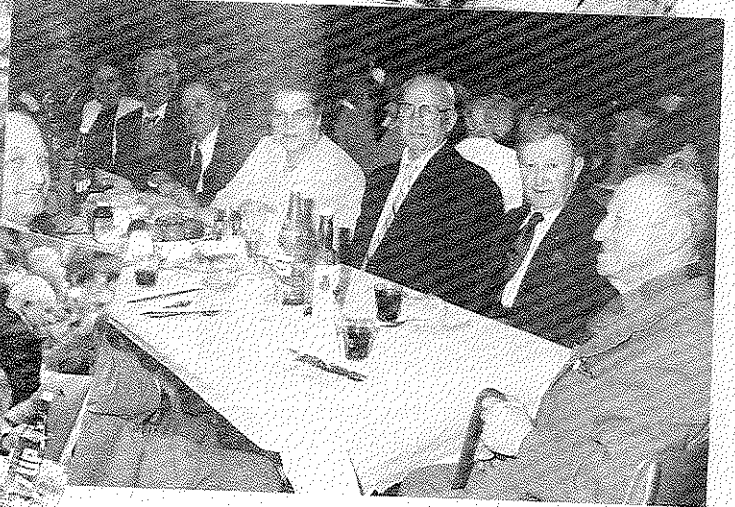
Senior Boys Volleyball CYA Champions - 1979 - 1980 - 1981 - 1985
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 Junior Girls Basketball CYA Champions - 1979
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 Track & Field CYA Champions - 1976



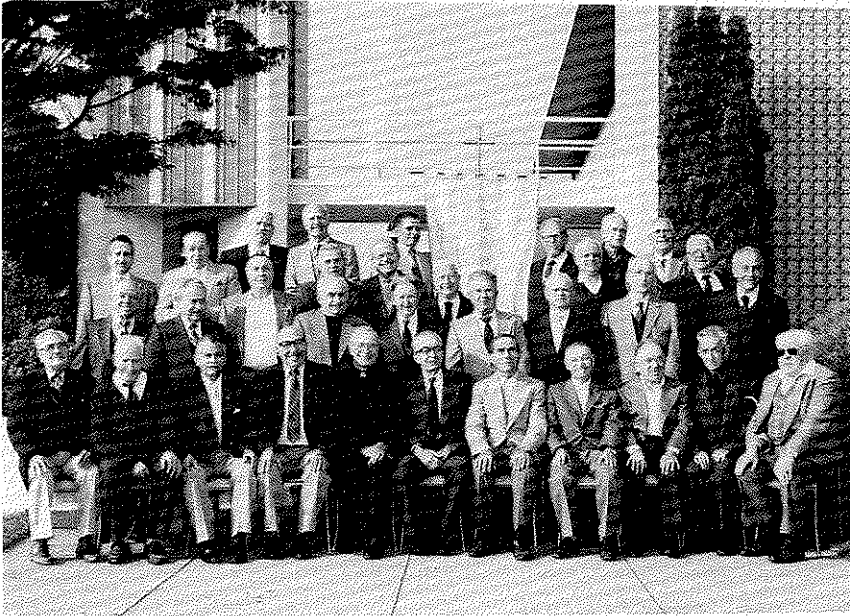
Outdoor Liturgy at
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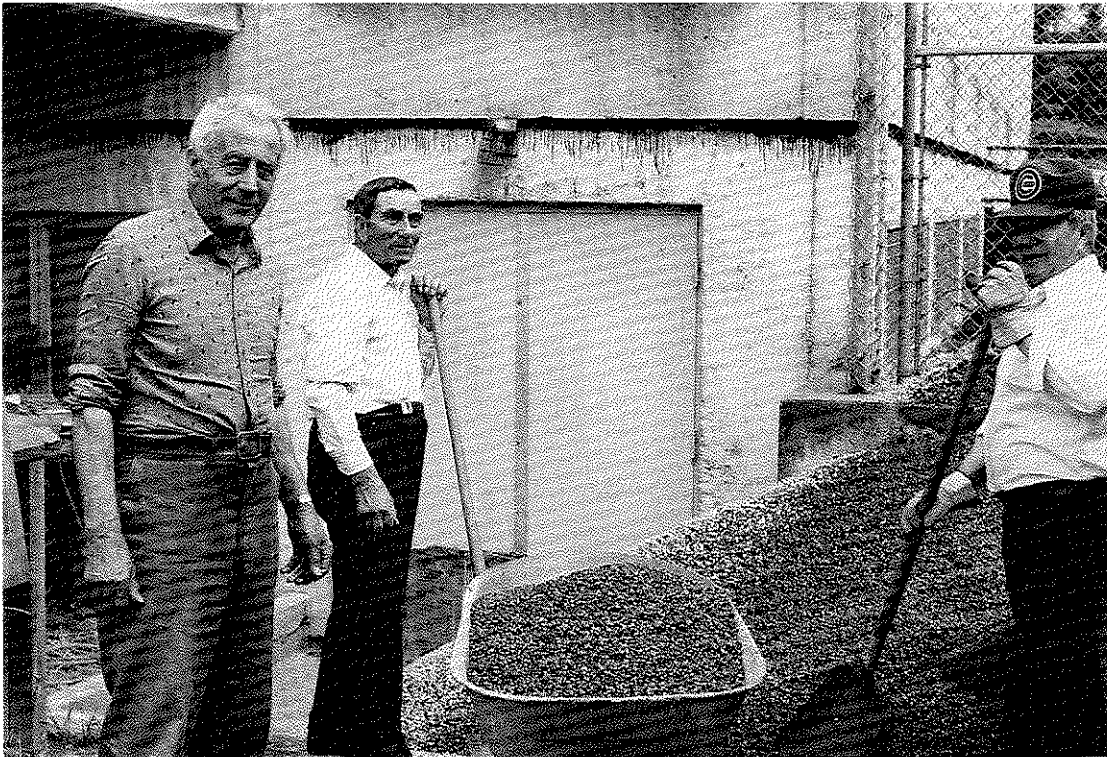
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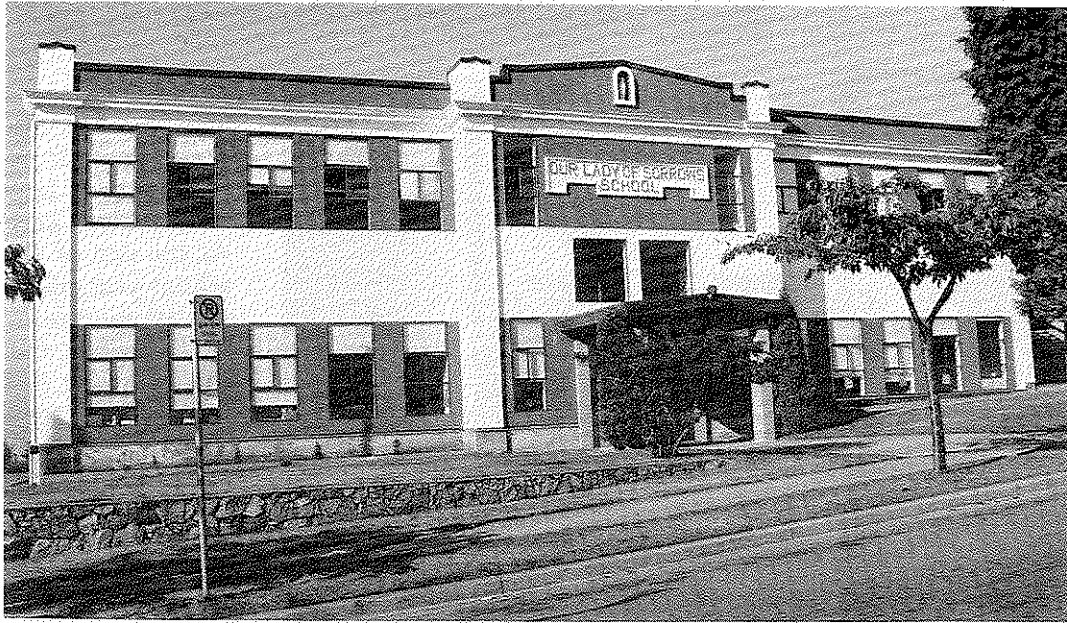


OVER 50 CLUB



The club has taken responsibility for making some needed improvements in our parish hall. At the end of the 1986 school year, this club started sponsoring a yearly award, the "Father John B. Rigo Scholarship" for a deserving student of Our Lady of Sorrows School to continue with his or her education. The Over 50 Club not only fulfills the needs for seniors in Our Lady of Sorrows Parish but also makes valuable contributions to this community.





OUR SCHOOL



OUR STAFF 1987 - 88

OUR LADY OF SORROWS CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE COUNCIL

Our Council's first meeting was held on Nov. 2nd, 1953 chaired by Mrs. Lowdell of the Diocesan C.W.L. We were previously the "Altar Society", but His Grace, Archbishop Duke, wished each parish to belong to the C.W.L., thus the changeover, with our Pastor, Fr. Grabians's approval and blessing.

With the change, the members became involved in many more activities, the Altar still being a first and very important work. The C.W.L., being national, provincial and Diocesan, assumed "Convenorships" such as: Spiritual, Education, Family Life, Community, Organization, Publicity. These Convenorships cover a lot of ground, like: remembering ill members with "Cards", Masses for the deceased members and close relatives; in June, presentations are made to the school children; also scholarships are presented to Grade seven pupils; the Family Life convenorship arranges for Speakers a few times a year, besides the regular monthly talks given by our spiritual director.

Each month, money, and occasionally groceries and clothes, are taken to the Sisters of Atonement and money and baby clothes to Birthright. Each Christmas, a gift certificate is given to a Birthright mother. Clothing and a toy is also given to her child. To Mother Theresa, a cheque is sent each month and donations of blankets, sheets, religious articles, etc., are sent throughout the year. Many donations of clothing, etc., are sent to Vanier Triangle Thrift Store for the Handicapped.

IN THE PAST, a number of our members were Guide and Brownie leaders, and a cheque was sent to them annually for Christmas treats. Clothing was sent to Sr. Mary Paul in Vanderhoof to help the Stoney Creek Indians. For years, each June, the C.W.L. put on a tea and grocery shower for the dear Sisters of Charity of Halifax to help them over the Summer. Help was provided to refugee families by supplying clothing, groceries, and furniture. At one time there were many "Circles" affiliated with the C.W.L.

For a number of years one of our members was the C.C.D. co-ordinator, another member was and still is a volunteer nurse at the Handicapped camp, at the Teen-ager Religious camp, and at the annual School camp. Again another member organizes yearly a Boy Scout camp. Two of our members helped to start the "Over 50 Club."

At present our spiritual director is Fr. Peter Rigo, C.S. and the President is Edna Charlton. Our past Presidents were:

Mrs. Caroline Storrow
Mrs. Clare Touchburn
Mrs. Jo Ricci
Mrs. Peggy Roy
Mrs. Rose Dalfo
Mrs. Elizabeth VanDusen
Mrs. R. Ewart

Mrs. Rita Fetherstonhaugh
Mrs. Phyllis O'Neil
Mrs. R. Huber
Mrs. C. Seeley
Mrs. Madge Kolbus
Mrs. Agnes Minichiello
Mrs. Jean Varga



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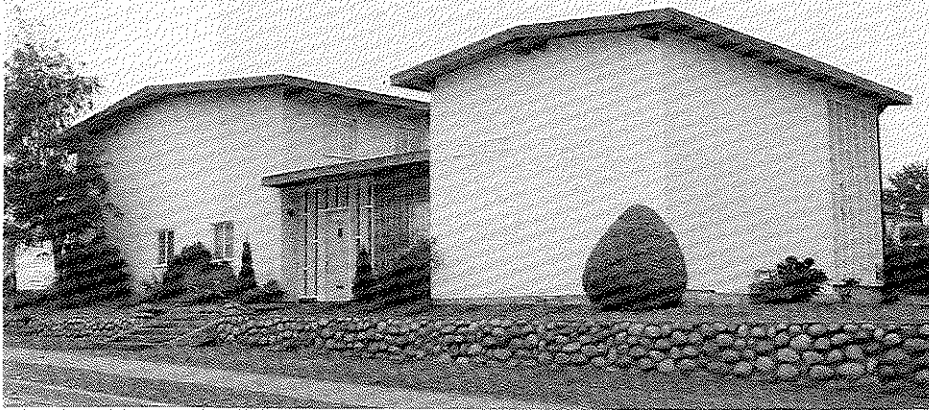
CWL 25th Anniversary (1978)



Mrs. Donovan, Mrs. Crutchley

THE CONVENT

OUR LADY OF SORROWS CONVENT: HOME OF VANSPEC

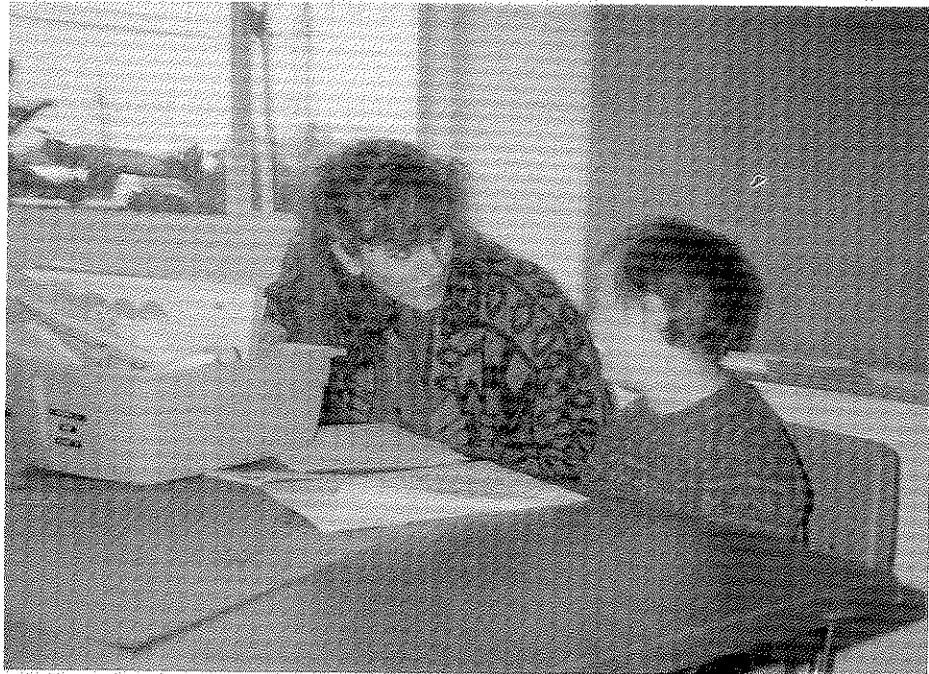


Our Lady of Sorrows Convent (Front)



Our Lady of Sorrows Convent



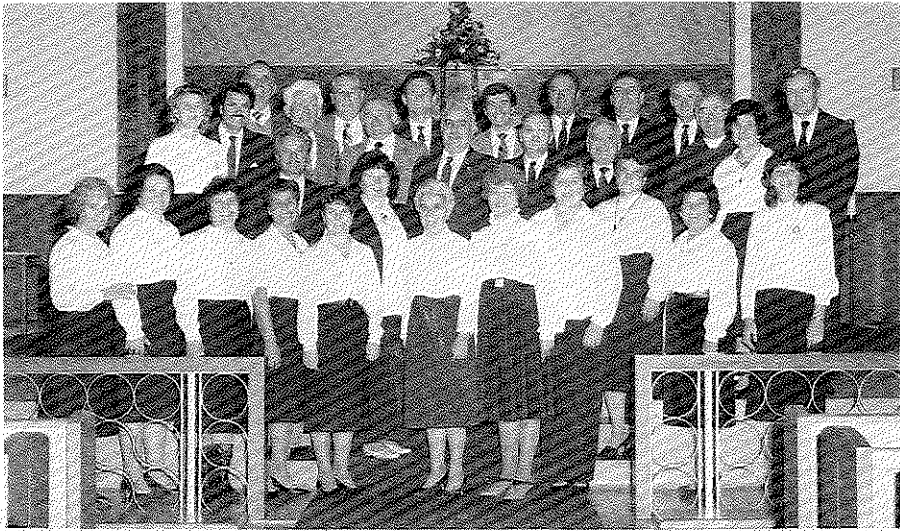


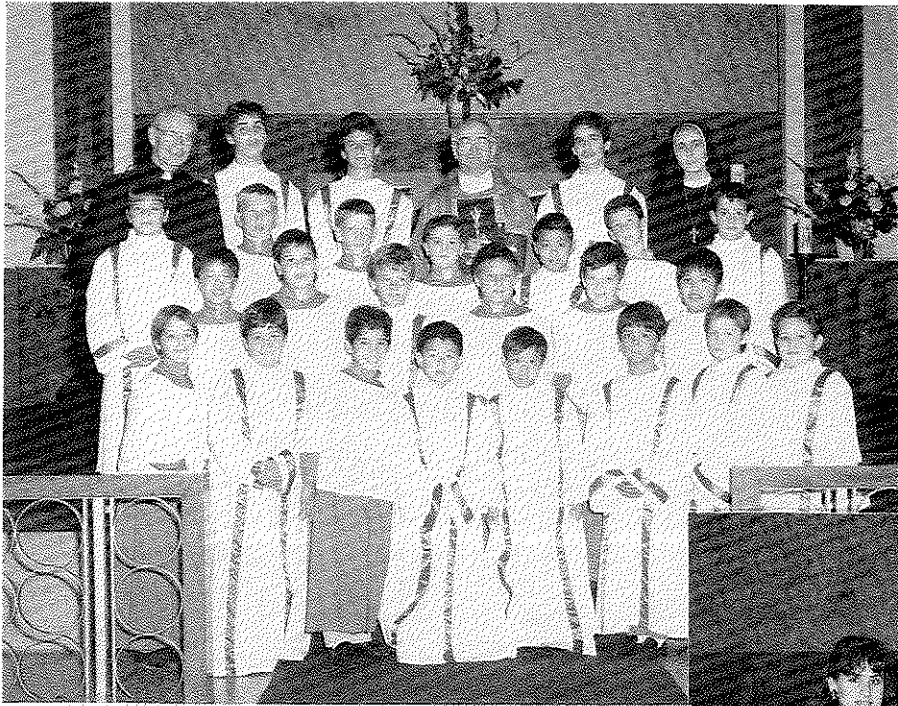
Rina Renzullo with Fernando



Sr. Mary Patricia with Mr. & Mrs. Morene

ITALIAN CHOIR

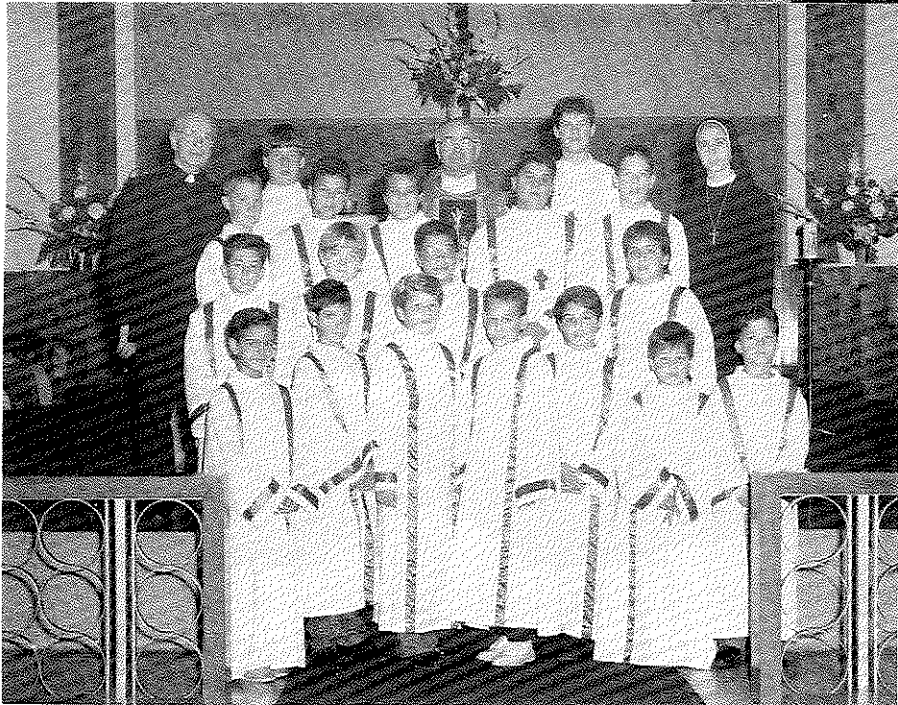




ALTAR BOYS



FOLK GROUP 1987



ALTAR BOYS

**PRINCIPALS
OUR LADY OF SORROWS SCHOOL**

1926 - 1927
SISTER ANGELA DE LOURDES
1927 - 1933
SISTER REGINA AGNES
1933 - 1937
SISTER MARIA AGNES
1937 - 1940
SISTER MARY BERNARDA
1940 - 1942
SISTER MARY ANGELUS
1942 - 1944
SISTER MARIA WINIFRED
1944 - 1950
SISTER RITA CATHERINE
1950 - 1953
SISTER MARIA LOUISE
1953 - 1954
SISTER ALICE MICHAEL
1954 - 1956
SISTER HELEN FRANCES
1956 - 1962
SISTER HELEN VINCENT
1962 - 1966
SISTER MARY PATRICIA
1966 - 1967
SISTER MARY PATRICE LANGLEY
1967 - 1969
SISTER HELEN MARIE CORMIER
1969 - 1970
SISTER HELEN VIRGINIA TEVINI
1970 - PRESENT
MRS. ANNE COULOMBE

ASSISTANTS

Rev. Joseph Scopa, C.S.
Rev. Angelo Cugnidoro, C.S.
Rev. Delizio Artico, C.S.
Rev. Joseph Ponti, C.S.
Rev. Girolamo Angeli, C.S.
Rev. Nick Marro, C.S.
Rev. John Rigo, C.S.
Rev. Lino Santi, C.S.
Rev. Richard Bezzegato, C.S.
Rev. Valerio Baggio, C.S.
Rev. Peter Rigo, C.S.
Rev. Louis Piran, C.S.
Rev. Alexander Negroni, C.S.
Rev. John Bernardi, C.S.

SACRAMENTAL STATISTICS

Baptisms 1913 - 1987 6,230
First Communion 1913 - 1987 5,266
Confirmations 1926 - 1987 4,852
Marriages 1913 - 1987 2,231

FIRST MARRIAGE

Aloysius Pavan and Dominica Zanatta
Dec. 20, 1913

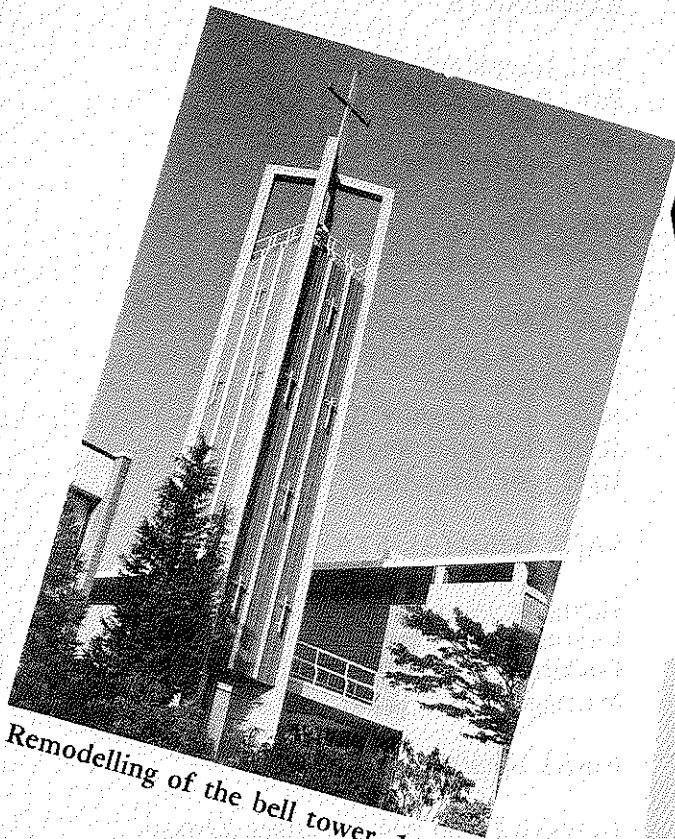
FIRST BAPTISM

Anna Elizabeth Philip
Born Sept. 20, 1913
Baptized Dec. 2, 1913

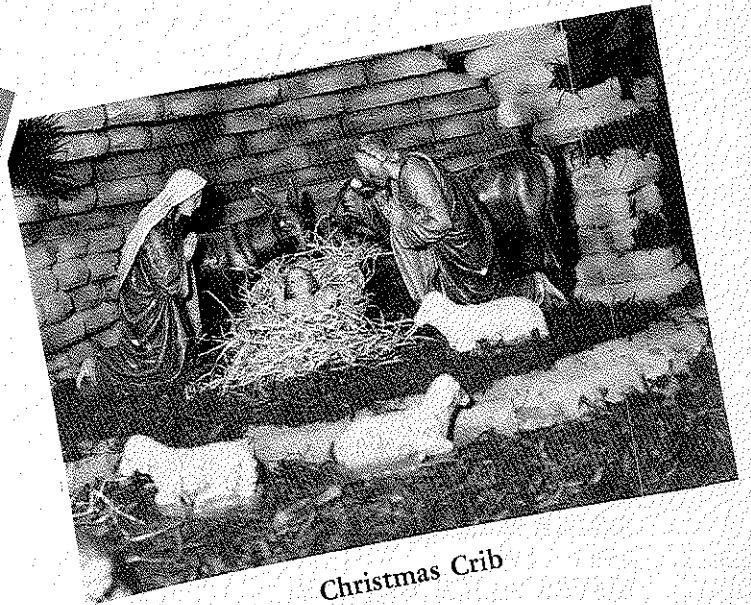
Legion of Mary



SPECIAL EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES



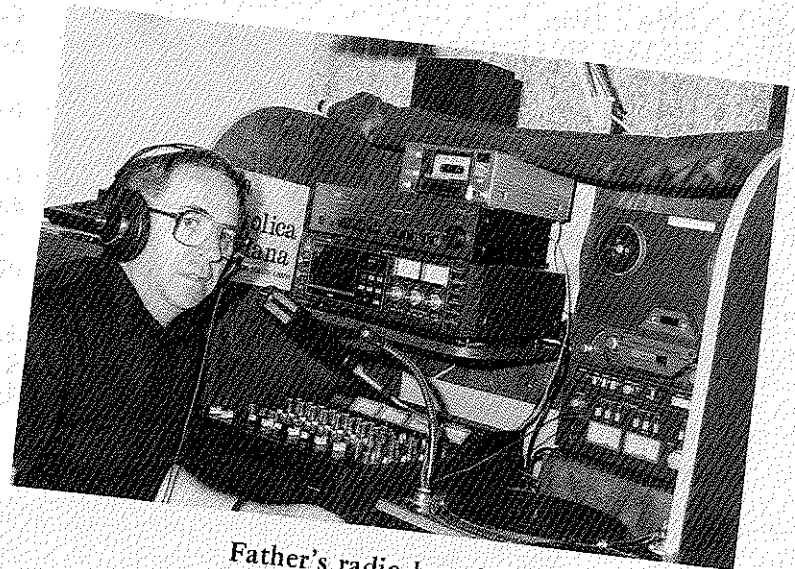
Remodelling of the bell tower, 1986



Christmas Crib



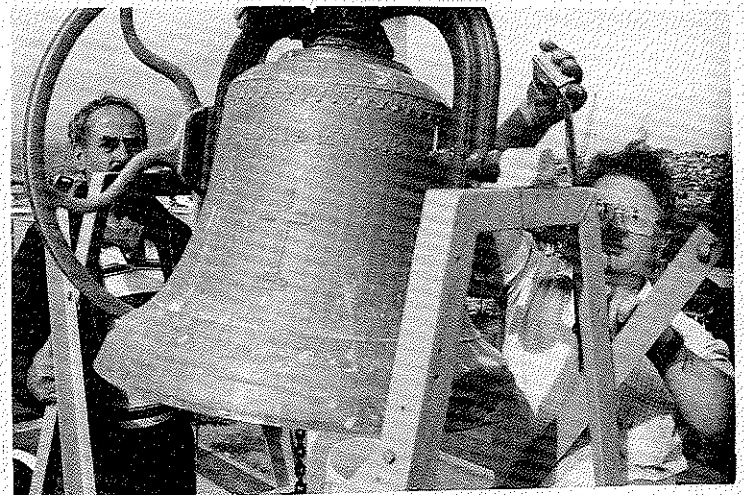
Blessing of the bus - Dec., 1985



Father's radio broadcast



THE ACT OF CONSECRATION of the world to the Blessed Virgin Mary is made by Archbishop James F. Carney at Our Lady of Sorrows Church. 1984



Installation of the original bell, 1986

MEMORIALS

Altar Crucifix	In Memory of Margaret Thomas	Nave	In Memory of Mr. & Mrs. C. Johnstone
Communion Rail	Comparelli Family	Narthex	Mr. & Mrs. Nick Mazzone & Family
Confessional	Dedicated to Fred Ghislieri & Family	Our Lady's Altar	Dedicated to Tevini Family
Confessional	Mr. & Mrs. George H. Burnes & Children	Priests' Sacristy	McAlear Family
Confessional	Gluska, Penonzek and MacAulay Families	Predella	Dedicated to Elizabeth Thomson, Catherine O'Donnell & Anne Smith
Candellabra	In Memory of Joseph and Rose Alvaro		In Memory of Gabriel Nesselbeck
Lighting System	In Memory of Mr. & Mrs. T.J. O'Reilly	Pulpit	Dedicated to Joseph A. Storrow
Lighting System	E.B. de la Giroday & Family	St. Joseph's Altar	In Memory of de la Giroday & Delesalle Families
Lighting System	Dedicated to Schollen Family	Tabernacle	Leo Charles O'Neill & Family
Nave	In Memory of John Edward Rankine		
Nave	P. Valente Grandchildren	Via Matris Stations	

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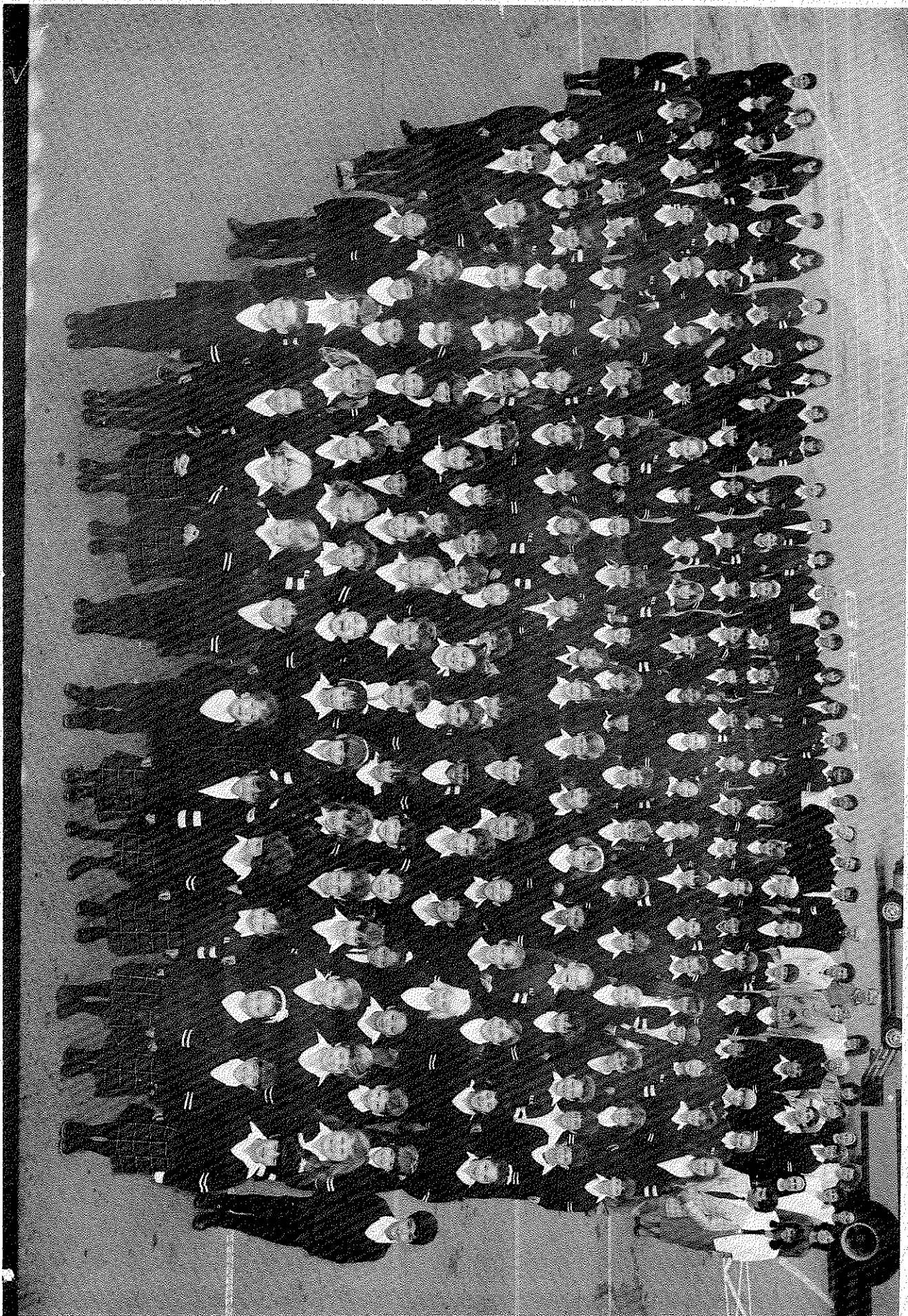
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BARICHELLO, Mr. & Mrs. Ivo	EVANS, Mrs. Rena	KESSLER, Mr. & Mrs. Peter	O'NEILL, Mr. & Mrs. A.G.
BARRIE, Mr. & Mrs. John	FERA, Antonio	KNOLL, Miss Elizabeth	O'REILLY, Mr. & Mrs. Michael
BATTISTEL, Mr. & Mrs. Dino	FERA, Mr. & Mrs. Gino	KOSOVIC, Miss Mary	O'TOOLE, Mrs. Elizabeth
BEAULIEAU, Mr. & Mrs. Wilfred P.	FETHERSTONHAUGH, Mr. & Mrs. J.	KOSOVIC, Miss Rose	PARKER, Mr. & Mrs. Archie
BENSON, Mrs. Elizabeth	FIRKINS, Mr. & Mrs. James F.	KOSOVIC, Miss Tillie	PEPE, Mr. & Mrs. Carl
BENTLEY, Mrs. L.M.	FITZPATRICK, Mr. & Mrs. B.	LEMAUVIEL, Mr. & Mrs. Gabriel	PEDIA, Nick
BERRY, Mr. & Mrs. John	FOLINO, Ralph	LEMAUVIEL, Mr. & Mrs. John	PERENSEFF, Mrs. Mary
BOLLINGER, Mr. & Mrs. Mark	FONTAINE, Miss Annette	LEMIRE, Mr. & Mrs. Joseph	PIGGOTT, Mr. & Mrs. W.
BONNET, Mr. & Mrs. Pierre	FREDERICK, Charles	LEWIS, Mr. & Mrs. Jack	PISKO, Mrs. Mary
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BRADSHAW, Mrs. Ellen	GALBRAITH, Leonard L.	LORANGER, Arthur	POLONIO, Mr. & Mrs. Michael
BRIDAROLLI, Mr. & Mrs. Evaldo	GALBRAITH, Mr. & Mrs. J.H.	LORANGER, Mr. & Mrs. Charles	RATVAY, Mr. & Mrs. George
BRNJAC, Mr. & Mrs. Joseph	GASLER, Mr. & Mrs. John	LUNNEY, Mr. & Mrs. Daniel	REID, Miss Leah
BROWN, Mrs. Maxine	GENTILE, Mr. & Mrs. Mario	MALFET, Mr. & Mrs. Peter	REZETTE, Mr. & Mrs. Armand
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CUNNINGHAM, Miss Roberta	HARTNER, Mrs. Ellnore	MacDONALD, Mr. & Mrs. A.	TOUCHBURN, Mr. & Mrs. Ernest
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ENVISIONING THE FUTURE

O.L.S. STUDENT BODY 1987 - 88



OUR CHURCH FAMILY



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MICHAEL, JULIA & ANTHONY**



**LUCIA & FRANCO SAACO
ALLEGRETTO**



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TERESITA, GLORIA,
EMPERATRIZ, JENITA &
NORBERTO**



PAOLO & ZORA ALTAN



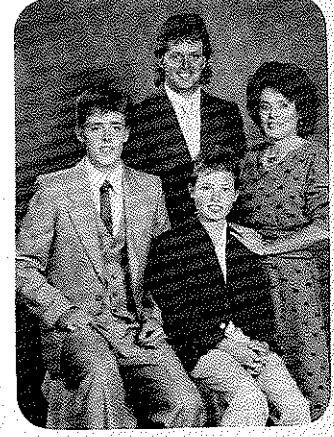
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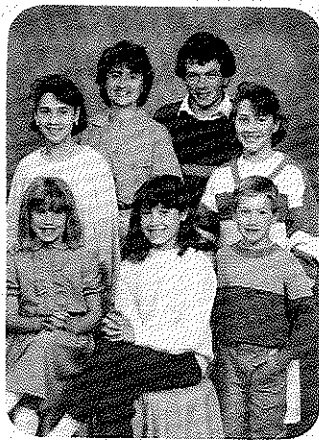
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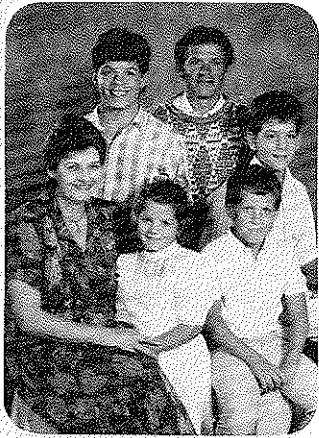
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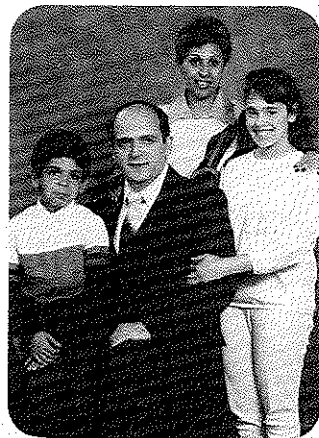
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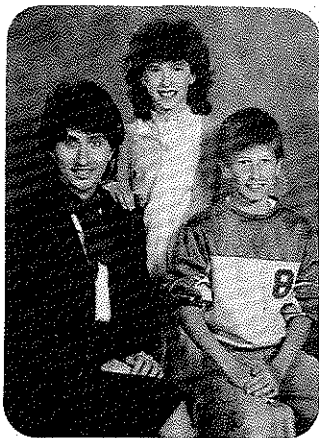
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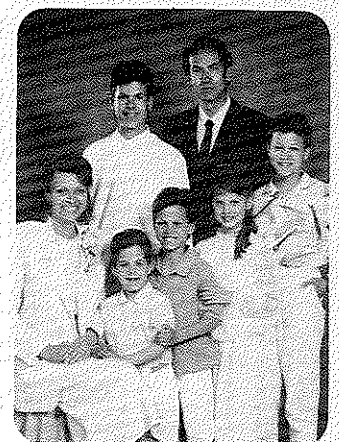
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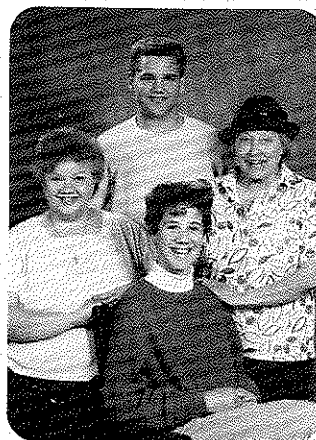
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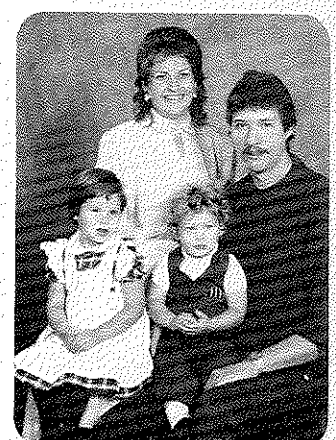
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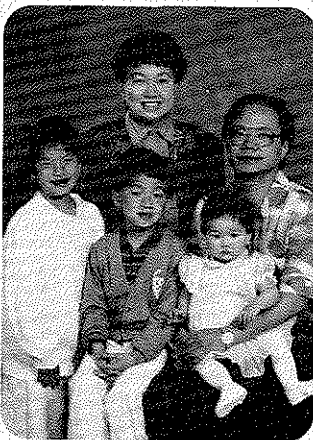
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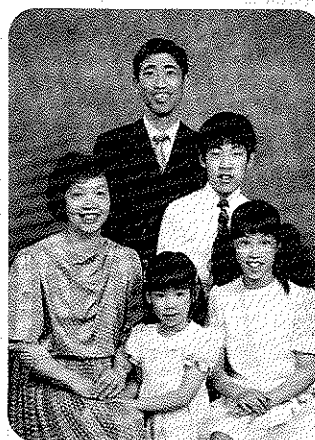
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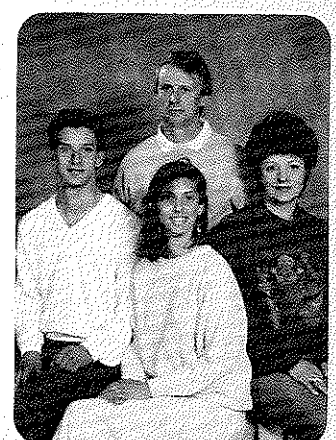
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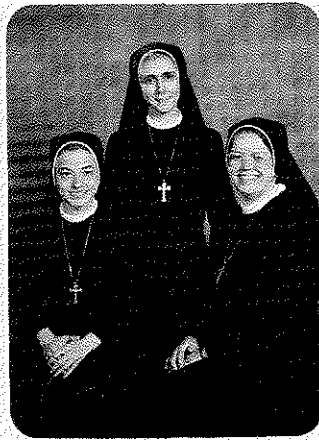
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