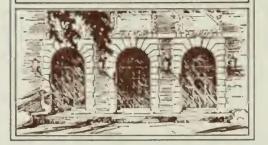
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HEE, O most merciful Father
Through Jesus Christ; Thy Son, Our Lord
We humbly pray and beseech . . .
In the first place for Thy holy Catholic Church
Together with Thy servant Pius Our Pope
And Samuel Alphonsus Our Bishop . . .



OUR HOLY FATHER
POPE PIUS XII

OUR ARCHBISHOP SAMUEL CARDINAL STRITCH







One Fold and One Shepherd . . .

(Jn. 10:16)









Who Receives You Receives Me . . .

(Matt. 10:40)





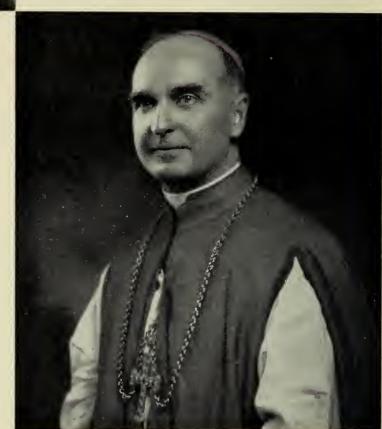






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OUR PASTOR AND HIS ASSISTANTS

SAINT



St. Gregory the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church, was born at Rome about the year 540 of noble and pious parents. Of his early life and education we know very little, but in 573 when Gregory was barely thirty years old, he became Prefect of Rome - the highest civil officer in the city. After only a year in this office, a year of intense prayer and inward struggle, the young prefect decided to become a monk. His vast estates were divided to form seven monasteries, among them St. Andrew's on the Coelian Hill where he himself took the monastic habit, so that "he who had gone about the city aglow with silk and jewels, now clad in a worthless garment served the altar of the Lord." (Greg. Tur., X, 1)

For some years Gregory was left in blessed peace, but then Pope Pelagius II sent him as his ambassador to the brilliant imperial court of Constantinople. Finishing his service there, he eagerly returned to the seclusion of his menastery where shortly thereafter he was elected Abbot. Under his rule the abbey flourished in rich biblical learning and Gregory began the great liter-

GREGORY THE GREAT

ary work for which he is so famous. He was at this same period part time secretary to the Holy Father.

During these years Rome was suffering disastrous floods, plagues and depression, and then also in 590 the Pope died. Immediately the Roman clergy and people unanimously elected Gregory, Abbot of St. Andrew's, as his successor. With greatest reluctance he was consecrated on September 3, 590.

Fourteen years of life remained to Gregory, years of constant ill health. Into those years he crowded almost incredible achievements. He began with his great classic, "Regula Pastoralis", in which he clearly outlines the duties of a shepherd of souls. This book is the key to his papacy for he followed his teachings to the last detail.

Pope Gregory I was intensely interested in the Roman liturgy, carefully regulating its use and constantly participating in its solemn ceremonies himself. To this day the official chant of the Church bears his name. The internal organization of the

Church, its temporal possessions, the care of the poor — all these were reformed and expanded by the tireless Pope. Constantly he insisted on the primacy of the successor of Peter over the universal Church and the independence of the Pope from imperial interference. Gregory was a great missionary pope, especially eager for the conversion of England to the apostolic faith. He became the champion and protector of the Jews. The first monk to become Pope, Gregory I propagated monasticism according to the rule of St. Benedict throughout the Church. In all these accomplishments of St. Gregory the Great the general form of medieval Christianity is clearly outlined and determined.

The last years of St. Gregory's life were filled with suffering. He died March 12, 604 and was canonized almost immediately by the acclamation of the whole Church. In art, as in this statue in our church, he is invariably depicted as the Great Priest in full pontifical vestments. The dove is always near his head since the light of the Holy Spirit shines forth so strikingly in his immortal writings.



Saint Saint Gregory Story

"It is good, Lord, for us to be here." It is good to pause, to rejoice to pray at this half century mark. Fifty years have filed away so many memories which today we pick up again, we fondle, we are grateful for. And yet the greatest work of our parish, the glorious triumph of St. Gregory's, that we cannot see. Only God knows how many souls have come to Him through this gate of heaven which is our parish. We leave that secret with Him. From our hearts we can only repeat again and again the words of our holy patron. "God is good, God is good."

What we can see though we want to see clearly. The origin and growth of St. Gregory Parish will be presented fully, but informally in Part I. For our old timers especially we are sure it will mean the joyful reliving of so many fruitful years. For us all we pray that our parish history will be a source of deep edification.

Finally in Part II we will take a close look at St. Gregory of 1954. So many of us have never done so. What we see should make us humbly grateful.

May our people keep this book, thumb through its pages often and show it to their guests with perhaps a bit of justifiable pride as they say: "Here is Our Parish."

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"Unless the Lord build the house



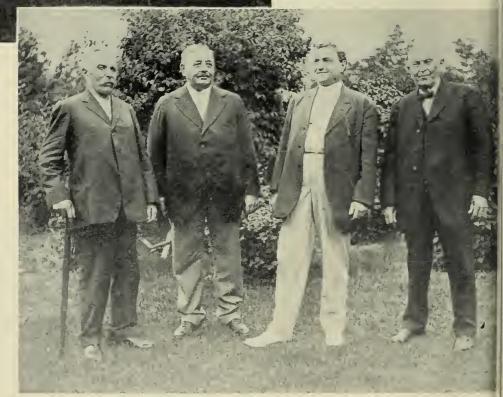
they labor in vain that build it"



Archbishop James E. Quigley

Our Founding Fathers —

Peter Reinberg
H. P. Kransz
Nicholas Mann
J. H. Miller



THE ST. GREGORY STORY

PART 1

OUR PARISH YESTERDAY

1903 was a year of beginnings. A saint had just ascended the Chair of Peter. The reign of St. Pius X "to restore all things in Christ" had begun. In our country Theodore Roosevelt had been President just a short time. Carter H. Harrison, Jr. had recently begun his long term as Mayor of Chicago. In that year too the Most Reverend James Edward Quigley was appointed the second Archbishop of Chicago.

A FLYING START

The new Archbishop had hardly arrived in Chicago when a foursome of energetic men from the outlying Summerdale district were already planning to catch the archiepiscopal ear. The enterprising gentlemen were a committee of Summerdale natives bent on having a Catholic parish of their own. Their names — Peter Reinberg, H. P. Kransz, Nick Mann and J. H. Miller. Father A. J. Thiele, a diocesan consultor and former pastor of St. Henry's on the Ridge, was well known to several of the committee and so was consulted. Highly interested in their proposition, he suggested and arranged the presentation of the plans to the Most Reverend Archbishop. The committee called on His Grace.

As usual, the Archbishop slowed things down a bit. He refused to say yes or no immediately. The committee was somewhat worried, but then he said he was definitely interested and would certainly consider the proposal they had presented with so much enthusiasm.

It was January, 1904. After an investigation of the entire snow-covered territory and much consultation with the pastors of St. Henry's,

St. Matthias, Our Lady of Lourdes, and St. Ita's, Archbishop Quigley took the matter up with his council. The vote was counted. The Summerdale parish was born! It was April 27, 1904.

Guess Who?

Who would be the first pastor? That was the question flying over the back fences and the wooden sidewalks of Summerdale. Names were mentioned, some bringing smiles, some shrugs, some shivers. Finally the news leaked out. In a few hours, as with all pastors, the vital statistics of the appointee had already been noised about many a buzzing kitchen. The pastor appointed to Summerdale was about forty years old, a man of talent and achievement, having already founded and built up St. Nicholas parish in the Roseland section of Chicago's sprawling south side. A dark, slender, wavy-haired priest, the newly-appointed pastor began packing his bag for the long trek north. It was June 23, 1904. His name — Father Theodore A. Bonifas.

Not So Fast

The news of the transfer of Father Bonifas also flew around Roseland. People began ringing the rectory door bell down there, begging their pastor to stay and "not to go way up there in the sticks where he wouldn't even have a roof over his head". Father Bonifas, moved by this reasoning, didn't especially care to leave the parish he had founded and developed either. So after a few days he called on the Archbishop and asked for a reconsideration. His Grace obligingly promised appointment of a new priest for Summerdale. Father Bonifas unpacked his grips, unhitched his horse, and put his feet under his own table again. He was happy, as were his people.

Now What?

The whole process started all over again, furrowed brows and all. Who would it be this time? After all, Summerdale wasn't that bad! The news finally broke two weeks later. The new appointment was made July 7, 1904. The new man was much younger, a mere slip of a lad when you consider the average age of a Chicago pastor. In his early thirties, he was still an assistant. One or two people remembered meeting him once or twice. Rather short, stocky, black-haired, the new priest was a scholar, a man of intense energy and enthusiasm. He gladly consented to found the new parish. His name was Father Michael Klasen.



FATHER KLASEN

FIRST THINGS FIRST

Leaving St. Aloysius where he had been just another assistant until this glorious day, the new pastor walked one block over to the Josephinum Academy. Immediately he applied for the Sisters of Christian Charity to teach his new school. As yet of course he had no school, but after all it was only July. From the Josephinum the dynamic young pastor rode north, anxious to see his new parish. Finally he arrived and found Summerdale, a sprawling area of truck gardens with an occasional house. The streets were all laid out, paved with macadam. There were even sidewalks, many of them concrete. But there was no gas, no electricity. The Northwestern tracks ran on a level with Ravenswood Avenue. Between Clark and Ravenswood, Bryn Mawr Avenue boasted three houses, one tavern. Paulina had two houses between Bryn Mawr Avenue and Balmoral. Edgewater Terrace (now Gregory Street) had one. From Rosehill Drive to Lawrence Avenue, there were no more than twenty buildings on Ashland Avenue. The present Church property and its surroundings were the exclusive pasture of one contented cow which hailed from a barn near the corner of Clark and Catalpa. Father Klasen studied the situation, including the cow, and decided to look up some prospective parishioners.

No Housing Shortage

Locating the men who had promoted the organization of the new parish, Father Klasen found them all anxious to begin immediately, almost as anxious as he was. The same day a store was rented on Clark Street between Catalpa and Rascher. This was to be the temporary church. Now for a rectory. A frame cottage was found and rented that afternoon. On the southwest corner of Catalpa and Ravenswood, the temporary rectory cost 15 dollars a month! Next day however, for some reason or other, the contract on the Clark Street store was cancelled by the landlord. But there was still a rectory.

Off to Summerdale

So much for the Pastor's first day in Summerdale. Father Klasen went back to St. Aloysius. It was Friday evening. There was so much packing to do. Saturday there were the usual confessions and the many duties of every assistant in an active parish. Sunday is always a short day in a rectory. And that day so many people came to say good-bye to their popular ex-assistant. There was still so much packing. And through it all so much planning. So many pictures ran through the eager mind of Father Klasen. He had fallen in love with his new parish. Sunday night the wagon was loaded waiting out in the barn. Monday morning he left for Summerdale, his parish, the parish to which he would dedicate the rest of a long, vigorous life.

Father Klasen went directly to the cottage at Catalpa and Ravenswood and spent the day moving his belongings into his new home, his rectory. Never one to waste time, he called a preliminary meeting of eight men that same night.

THE FIRST MEETING

The meeting was held in the little real estate office on the corner of Bryn Mawr and Ashland. By the light of an old kerosene lamp pastor and people began to lay their plans for the new parish. The men were sizing up this young priest, sent as their pastor. At the same time Father Klasen was observing the men, wondering if they were typical of the rest of his people. He wondered whether or not they would cooperate with him as he tried to build a parish in this sparsely settled neighborhood. It looked like a long, hard pull, but with a prayer in his heart and that smile that was to become famous on his lips, he spoke to his men and listened to their ideas. Naturally there would have to be some building done. That would mean forming a building committee and figuring out ways and means of raising the necessary funds. 'Twas ever thus. It was decided on that first night that a parish meeting should be held at Matt Evert's Restaurant (better known as Evert's Saloon) located just across from the

Rosehill Station on Ravenswood. This meeting was scheduled for two days later, Wednesday, July 13th.

Wednesday night found Matt's place bulging with forty men ready to aid in establishing the new parish. Our own Charles Gross was secretary of that meeting. First the name of the new parish. After some discussion, St. Gregory was suggested by the Pastor and enthusiastically accepted by the men. Next an eight-man choir was organized, the nucleus of a now famous institution.

With such cultural matters provided for, Father Klasen cleared his throat and got down to the proverbial brass tacks. The first tack had a sharp point: "How much will you give to the building fund?" Father Klasen looked around holding his breath. Peter Reinberg pledged \$5000.00. The new pastor took a deep breath. He looked again. Nick Mann pledged ten lots for parish property. Father was breathing easily now. One name after another was added to the subscription list, all followed by sizeable pledges to the first great St. Gregory building fund. That first list includes: Matt Mann, H. A. Zender, J. H. Miller, Anton Hunsdorfer, Nicholas Ledenbach, Chas. Wruck, Jos. Mitsch, George Maiworm, Peter Lutsch, John Wehr, Henry Hansen, Peter Hoffmann, Hubert Hansen, George Reinberg, John Mentgen, Michael Matchen, Chas. Gross. Frank Hansen, John Mertz, John Hellgeth, John Theisen, Nicholas Thiry, John Nussbaum, Dominic Werne, Otto Huelsmann, Michael Marson and Henry P. Kransz. There they are - the founding fathers.

Now there was money. There was property. The next step obviously was to put them both into immediate use. So an eight-man building committee was appointed. The general meeting adjourned, and the building committee went into immediate session. St. Gregory's was taking root.

WHAT TO BUILD

What should be built? Some of the men were over-anxious. The pastor tried to plan for future as well as present needs. And from all sides came the pleading voices of fathers and mothers: "We want a school for our children, and we want it this coming September." Yet no one knew just how many parishioners or school children there would be. A decision was made in a few days. There would be a one-story structure, a school on week-days, a church on Sundays. The plans were drawn up, arrangements were made, and just one week later, July 22 at 5 A. M., the excavation for the foundation was begun. Meanwhile the pastor was

taking a hurried census to see how many parishioners he actually did have.

More Room

The frame combination church and school was to be located on Bryn Mawr Avenue on the site now graced by our grade school. Hardly had the foundation been laid when the perennial St. Gregory difficulty reared its exasperating though healthy head. There had to be more room. The school enrollment was growing rapidly as Father Klasen pounded the Summerdale sidewalks seeking his scattered souls. What to do? The pastor acted quickly, consulted the committee, told the contractor to change the building to a two-story combination church and school. The first floor would be entirely devoted to school purposes while the second story would provide a suitable church.

Social Life

The parish was growing rapidly. Houses were going up everywhere. New families were moving in every day. There were so many children ready for school. To welcome all these newcomers, to foster a good parish spirit, (and to raise more and more money for the building fund) social gatherings were inaugurated immediately. The first festival was a grand lawn party for all the neighborhood. From that day on card parties, festivals and carnivals have become an integral part of St. Gregory parish life.

SHAPING UP

One month after that first shovel full of dirt, on August 13, the roof of the new building was intact. The first Mass was said in the first floor school section since the church upstairs was still not quite completed. The women of the parish scrubbed the floor that weekend and every Saturday thereafter. Every Sunday morning the parish wheel barrrow made its squeaky way along the sidewalks at 6 A.M. rolling the Mass equipment over from the pastor's cottage at Ravenswood and Catalpa. The people sat on planks, knelt on the rough wooden floor, yet shared the intense spiritual joy of their young pastor as he stood at that improvised altar in the half finished school, offering the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass in thanksgiving to Almighty God, the Real Builder of St. Gregory's. Father Klasen gave his first sermon to his beloved people, took up the first collection — another venerable St. Gregory tradition. The first collection totaled \$53.17.

Finishing Touches

By the end of September the new building was entirely finished.



Our First Church and School

just about two months after the first plans were made. The school was fully finished, the church had its altars and pews, and everything was in running order. The entire cost was \$7,600. Hardly ten weeks had passed since Father Klasen's arrival in Summerdale!

The new building was about two-thirds completed when the Sisters announced their intended arrival. But there was no convent. Father Klasen began walking the Summerdale streets again. There were houses for sale, but buying a house at that time seemed out of the question. Father Klasen's mother (she was also his housekeeper) immediately gave her savings to buy a house closer to the church for the new rectory, and the Sisters moved into the cottage on Ravenswood and Catalpa. The pastor had lived there about five weeks. There were five Sisters in that

pioneer group, the first in that long list of Sisters of Christian Charity to whom St. Gregory's owes so much.

Father Klasen was now living just across the street from the school on the north side of Bryn Mawr in the house right next to the alley. And so it was easy for the pastor to spend a great deal of time at the school, guiding it through those first hectic days. The list showed 120 registered for the first day. Monday morning, September 19, 1904, 160 arrived to take their places at non-existent desks. Benches and planks were used until regulation school furniture could be bought. The pastor greeted each pupil, and from that day until his death St. Gregory school received the constant attention of a masterful educator.

FIRSTS

On the Feast of the Holy Rosary, October 2, 1904, the new choir trained by Father Klasen sang its first High Mass, and even though they sang the Agnus Dei for the Sanctus, the pastor knew that the St. Gregory tradition of solemn liturgical worship was born on that day. School was running, the church was finished, the census had been taken. Father Klasen didn't look back to enjoy it. There wasn't time. There was too much to be done. The parish was growing incredibly fast.

The first page in the baptismal record lists the following: Theresa



The Rectory, 1904

Gregoria Mann, Charles Kronenberger, Francis Binsfield, Catherine Jungles, Cornelius Schmitz, Julius Hansen, Nicholas Eckert, Mary Guirsch, Joseph Lauletto, Edward Regan, Susan Schaefer, Anthony Scholtes, George Hostert, Mary Miller, Nicholas Miller and Andrew Beaufils.

It was a great day, the morning of that first wedding in St. Gregory Church. They were a fine young couple as they walked down that aisle toward God's humble altar in the proud little parish. It was the wedding day of our late Peter J. Eifel and Helen Jung.

1905 - Again More Room

The new building was hardly broken in when it became obvious that both the school and church were too small and inadequate for a parish like St. Gregory's. Already three Masses were being offered to relieve the Sunday congestion. The enrollment at school exceeded all estimates. People were moving into the neighborhood and already a goodly crop of first graders was appearing on the horizon for the next school year. There had to be more space. The building committee reconvened immediately. And remember this was only a few months after Father Klasen had come to sprawling Summerdale.

The committeemen knew there had to be larger quarters, but what? Some were over-anxious for a large, beautiful church. Others insisted on building a school which would be adequate for the large parish St. Gregory's was sure to become. Finally the committee agreed on another combination building, much larger this time and of brick construction containing a basement hall, ample classrooms on the first floor and a spacious church on the second. This church would later serve as a larger parish hall after the erection of a permanent church.

The contracts were awarded and on July 17, 1905, almost one year to the day after the birth of St. Gregory's, ground was broken for the second church and school. A few weeks later Archbishop Quigley made the trek to Summerdale to lay the cornerstone. Father Klasen's dream was shaping up.

During the eight months of new construction the frame building, only a year old but already inadequate for the swelling parish, swarmed with school children and worshipers. Despite the discomforts the people

loved their first little church. Every Saturday would see a contingent of our valiant women armed with buckets, mops and scrub brushes on their knees scrubbing and praying the little church spotlessly clean.

1906

Finishing touches on the new building were all complete by April, 1906.

The first floor school was put to immediate use. A few weeks later

Our Second Church and School



all the furnishings from the old frame church were moved over and installed in the new church on the second floor. The vacant upper floor of the frame building was immediately partitioned off to serve as living quarters for the Sisters. Finally they moved from their rented quarters on Ravenswood and Catalpa, grateful to be so close to church and school. And so the new church was dedicated on April 6, 1906. It was a splendid building in those days providing church, school and hall for the varied religious, educational and social needs of a growing parish. It had cost \$42,000, a mighty debt in 1906.

Parish Festivals

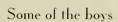
Something had to be done to liquidate the debt. From the year 1906 on the annual summer picnics became the social highlight of the year. They always began with a grand parade with costumes, music and hundreds of children. The tents for the various booths were strung along Paulina and Gregory Streets. (The latter sported this appropriate name through the efforts of Alderman Reinberg who engineered the change from "Edgewater Terrace".) These picnics were neighborhood attractions for the Summerdale natives of every faith, and eventually they grew to such proportions that they were transferred to more spacious groves



Culinary Artists



I love a parade



such as Freres', Kartheiser's, Simon's or the good old Standard. The long, hot picnic days would close in the wee hours as the men and their sweating horses pulled up to the school with the last load of equipment. When every last piece was stored away safely in the attic, Father Klasen would bid a grateful and tired good night to the most loyal parishioners a pastor ever had.

Besides the picnic the high spots of the St. Gregory social calendar were the myriad small card parties and meetings, the annual pre-Lenten Party, and the fall bazaar — a rousing two week session held in the parish hall. This last always featured the famed warm suppers prepared every night of the two weeks by the ladies of the kitchen. People from all over the north side still talk about the twenty-five cent suppers that made St. Gregory famous. The hall was gayly festooned as the well-fed crowds later played the various games of chance for all kinds of prizes. Very popular with the fair sex was the blanket booth, boasting merchandise hand made by members of St. Gregory's Good Cheer Club during those good old Wednesday afternoon sewing sessions. Some of our gentry will recall the wooden paddles with the lucky numbers which were sold and collected again after each fling of the magic wheel. The two weeks of frolic and labor always ended with another big step toward the advanced parish plant of today.

Parish Societies

The dynamo behind the scenes in many a parish is a potent, highly efficient pressure group known as the Altar and Rosary Sodality. After all, the hand that rocks the cradle rules the world. Father Klasen knew human nature, even human females. So he wasted no time organizing the predecessor of the Altar and Rosary. The Christian Mothers Society met in January 1905. Since then, they have wielded mighty power in the life of St. Gregory's. Spiritually they are the sanctifying force in our Catholic families. Financially they have been the key workers behind hundreds of successful parish social functions. All of which is still so evident in the pioneer society of our parish, the Altar and Rosary Sodality.

The wheels driven by the aforementioned parish dynamo have always been found in what we call today our Holy Name Society. The all-important heavy machinery so necessary for a smoothly running parish, they are the slow starting but highly effective element in integrated parish life. When those wheels are whirring steadily, history shows one thing — mass

production. When the time was ripe, Father Klasen gave them their first big push. But the time wasn't ripe until 1911.

The cogs, unimpressive but hard to do without, appeared through the years. Young ladies sodalities for girls of high school age, young men's organizations, the Western Catholic Union, the St. Vincent De Paul Society, the Ushers Club, the Sacred Heart League, the Third Order, the Foresters and the Madonna Holy Rosary Court — all added something to the complete, well rounded, smoothly functioning parish structure, spiritual, educational, social and financial.

Choir

Music has always played an important part in the solemn worship of the Catholic Church. It always held a favored spot in the heart of St. Gregory's first pastor too. And so it was that right from the beginning of the parish there was a male choir. Eight charter members were trained by Father Klasen, and through the years the choir's membership was constantly increased. It was just at this time that Pope Pius X inaugurated his much needed reform of church music. Thanks to this choir and the hard work of its pioneer members we are today blessed with a rich heritage of traditionally beautiful music in the spirit of the liturgy.

Personnel of St. Gregory's choir was varied and interesting. Father Klasen himself was the versatile director. Almost from the beginning the vital duties of organist were filled by a talented young lady in her early teens, a lady who still is a familiar figure at the console of St. Gregory's organ — Miss Mae Enderlin, now Mrs. Schiller. The following list of familiar names was the roster of our first choir. John Hellgeth, Charles Huelsmann, Charles Gross, Matt Seifert, Charles Wolff, Al Loebach, A. N. Thomas, Felix Enderlin, L. Becker, F. J. Brummel, Aloys Neveling, F. M. Koeke, E. Simon, Nick Seifert, J. D. Faber and our old warbler Peter Olinger.

First Board of Ushers



First Choir



Ushers

Having seen all our parish societies in embryo, we should also take a look at those invaluable helpers of the pastor — the corps of ushers. During the early years the following familiar names graced the list of our ushers: Nick Ledenbach, Henry Dahm. Michael Koch, Matt Hermes, Matt Lange, H. F. Parthun, John Blindauer, Charley Wunsch, Al Biron, Ed Vanderkooi, C. J. Gillen and John Feid. And so, with these men at their posts, St. Gregory's was running along very smoothly.

Maintenance

Recently a doctor came to inspect our parish school. After examining the corridors, class rooms, lavatories and stairways of our large building, he said "This is the cleanest school I have ever seen. It's like a hospital." Our janitors probably haven't heard that compliment as yet, but they too are following well established traditions at St. Gregory's. For right from the beginning Father Klasen saw to it that the parish buildings were kept in a constant state of cleanliness and good repair. To maintain such a policy a good janitor is of course a necessity. Mr. Janisch, affectionately known as "Pop," was his wise choice and he served until the time of Mr. and Mrs. Schweich, who did the work for so many years until the present staff took over.

1908 - HERE WE GO AGAIN

St. Gregory's decided to build again. It was spring of 1908, less than four years after the founding of the parish. The pastor was still living in cramped quarters on Bryn Mawr Avenue. For the many confessions and extra Masses on weekends a second priest was always needed. Besides that St. Gregory's was growing so fast that Father Klasen was thinking of asking for a full time assistant pastor. The building committee decided that it was time to think of a permanent rectory, one that would be adequate for the future years of a large city parish. Thanks to their foresight in overruling Father Klasen's plan for a smaller, less expensive building, the first St. Gregory Rectory is still filling the bill today.

INNER SANCTUM

Let us take you through the front door of the rectory and show you around. You've always wanted to do that, haven't you? The basement you have seen no doubt, with its storerooms, laundry, and small meeting room. As you enter the front door, there are four offices on the first floor,



The Entertainment Committee



Our First Janitor

then the dining room, kitchen, housekeeper's quarters and the rear porch. On the second floor are the pastor's private office, study and bedroom. Next come the rooms of the first and second assistants, a study and bedroom for each, and then a guest room and the rear porch. The "penthouse" as the third floor is affectionately called provides a study and bedrooms for the third and fourth assistants plus more store rooms. There you have it, from bottom to top. It took Father Klasen five months and \$11,700 to build this rectory — before the days of modern prosperity.

1908 - Parish Plant

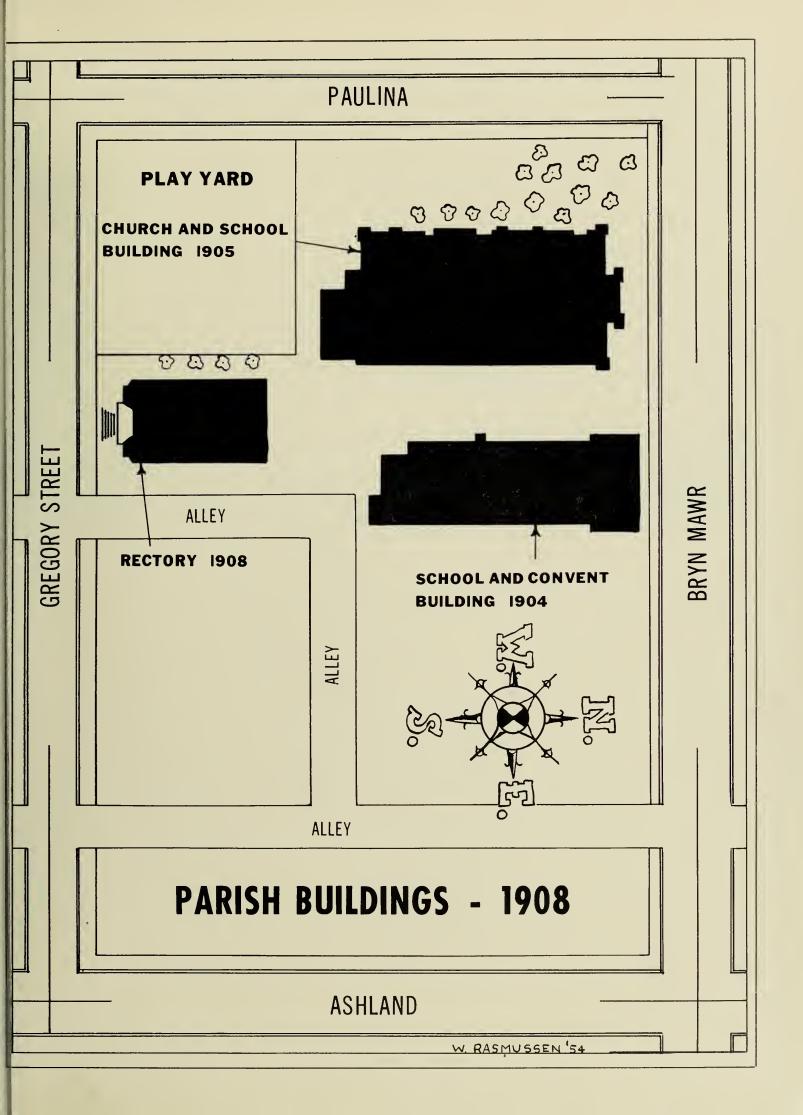
It was autumn of 1908. On Bryn Mawr were the main buildings. Walking west from Ashland Avenue you saw the frame combination school and convent first of all. This original building was situated where the east end of our present Grade School is now. Then came a broad

expanse of lawn between the sidewalk and a high wooden fence set back about twenty-five feet. Framed by shrubs and studded with several round flower beds, this well kept lawn was a beautiful setting for the school and church. Behind the fence was a little grove with trees and grass, often used as a picnic site. At the west end of this lawn was a sidewalk and the brick combination church and school. West of this building to Paulina was more grove with trees and shrubs.

Along Gregory Street you strolled past the commodious new rectory, the showplace of the neighborhood. Right next to Father Klasen's new house was the children's play yard, slide, tilt-a-whirl and all. A row of tall bushes between this playground and the rectory was apparently intended to keep some of the plentiful Summerdale dust out of the pastor's windows. This playground occupying the site of the present church was the scene of

Our Rectory







Our Church - 1908

the annual altar boys' picnics as well as of many another outing. That was our parish property in 1908.

The new look also spread to the interior of the three-year-old church that year. Until 1908 the original old altars from the first frame church had served their sacred purpose in the new building too. But that year the Sacred Heart Convent on Taylor Street was sold. Its ornamental high altar was offered to Father Klasen, and in just a few days some of his ever helpful parishioners were seen transporting the new altar in their big farm wagons down the streets of Summerdale. Immediately the women organized a spontaneous house to house collection to provide worthy side altars, and the men, not to be outdone, collected enough to provide a hand-carved communion rail and pulpit. The following year the beloved shrine of Our Lady of Perpetual Help was erected and dedicated (the same picture is still to be found in the rear of our present day St. Gregory's). Father Klasen must have thrilled with joy at the sight of his people so fired with zeal for the beauty of God's house. "Zeal for Thy house, O Lord, has consumed me."





FATHER LACOSKY

FATHER STOESSER

1910 Assistants

There were four Masses every Sunday now and the parish had grown to almost four hundred families. Father Klasen finally admitted that his beloved baby had grown too big for one man to handle. And so on September 10 of that year Archbishop Quigley sent Father P. L. Lacosky, Ph.D., to our parish. A very studious priest, he was also especially popular with the young people inaugurating activities which have made St. Gregory's the traditional parish of youth. After three years of intense activity in our midst Father Lacosky was appointed a professor at Cathedral College of the Sacred Heart.

They come and go, these assistant pastors. And so they did in the old days too. Father Stoesser was waiting at the door as Father Lacosky's last load of books went out. This new assistant was filled with zeal for the missions, and so after his three-year stay in Summerdale, he volunteered for mission service in a Wisconsin diocese where he worked for many years. Today Father John Stoesser is still alive, the pastor of Immaculate Conception Church in Kankakee. By 1915 St. Gregory's was really a thriving institution requiring a second assistant. And so the famous Father Fasnacht arrived. A man of many talents, the second assistant became a life-long friend of his first pastor, Father Klasen. A colorful memory in the minds of our veteran parishioners, this young priest has become the equally colorful pastor of a parish very near to us. He is now Monsignor Walter Fasnacht of St. Benedict's.



FATHER FASNACHT and his boys - 1916

1914 - Sisters' Home

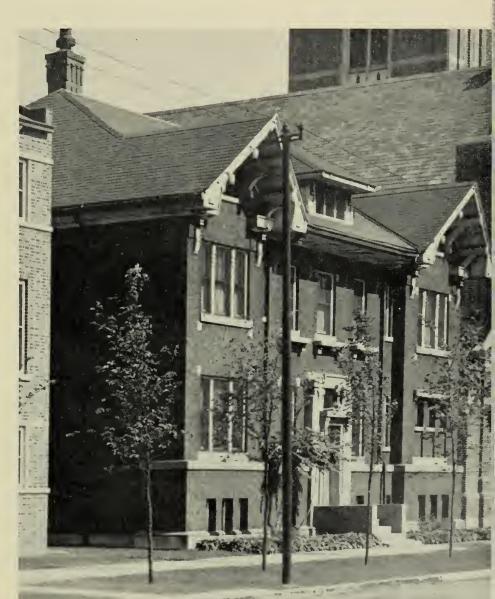
Here it was over five years since the last building, the rectory, had been completed. Was St. Gregory's losing its drive? The new convent was Father Klasen's dynamic answer to any such ideas. With the inevitable expansion of the school there would have to be more Sisters. And once they left their temporary convent in the first frame church, that could be remodeled into several more classrooms thus providing adequate school facilities for some years to come. And so construction started on the sisters' convent (now the Annex) on Paulina Street. At the same time the building fund moved into high gear once again.

Vacating their temporary quarters in the old frame school building on Bryn Mawr Avenue, the Sisters lost no time moving into their new convent immediately after its completion. Finally they had room, privacy and comfort, the only earthly rewards a Sister receives for her self-sacrificing work. The handsome new convent had cost \$16,000 and was paid for as soon as completed. Their vacated quarters were remodeled into new school rooms. And so it was that St. Gregory's now had eight well-lighted school rooms, one for each grade. The enrollment of the school was well over three hundred.

Black clouds were gathering all over the world in 1915 and 1916. In Europe the storm was already raging as World War I spread. We were as complacent as ever in America, St. Gregory's included. The last night of the year 1916 Father Klasen announced to his people that their parish now owned every piece of property and all the buildings listed in its name. St. Gregory's was not yet twelve years old. It had a sizeable church, a full school, a new rectory and convent and plenty of property for all the new buildings yet to be erected. It must have been with overflowing hearts that Father Klasen and his beloved people sang their Te Deum that last night of 1916.

1917-18 - WAR!

War came in 1917 and was felt, of course, throughout St. Grégory's. Parish projects were shelved as everyone threw his efforts into the drives for money and the relief work so vital for our nation and those crushed by the woes of war. One hundred and thirty of our boys were in the



St. Gregory Convent - 1914

draft, none of whom were seriously wounded or killed. Father Edward Leiser, now the pastor of St. Clement's Church, came in 1917, the fourth assistant assigned to the young Summerdale parish. The war took Father Fasnacht in 1918, when he volunteered for active duty as an army chaplain. That year we won the war, and St. Gregory's once more began planning for the future.

1919-23 - New Church

Dreams of a permanent St. Gregory Church seemed to fill the dynamic mind of Father Klasen more than ever from 1918 on. Even before the war he was constantly drawing up his mental blueprints for the erection of an edifice worthy of the parish growing up so fast all around him.

But the time was still not ripe immediately after the war. Everything was unsettled and there was a great deal of internal organization to be completed in the parish. So the pastor and his assistants (there were two by now) worked hard to consolidate the parish. Old customs were gradually being converted to the new conditions, and so too St. Gregory's was fast losing its reputation as a German parish. Many of the newcomers settling near the church were of other European extractions, and naturally the German services gradually became fewer and fewer. The impact of the World War hurried the process along considerably, of course, but even way back in 1906 Father Klasen had introduced English sermons at two of the three Sunday Masses each week. The great influx of our Celtic parishioners was the finishing blow, of course, and the old ways were swept away by the new as St. Gregory's grew and grew and grew.

More Assistants

Assistants continued to come and go. In the post-war years Father Ferdinand Kalvelage also arrived for a four-year stay from 1919 until 1923. Big of body and soul, Father Kalvelage won a big place in the hearts of many of our people. He had very much to do with making the Gregorian a monthly publication of the highest caliber. The bound

Father Leiser



FATHER KALVELAGE



FATHER WAGENER



copies of the little monthly magazine were found in Father Klasen's library. Undoubtedly they were a great comfort to the last years of St. Gregory's first pastor whenever he was in the mood for reminiscence.

The fellow assistant of Father Kalvelage during those years of planning and internal organization here at St. Gregory's was Father John Wagener, who is now a Monsignor and pastor of St. Bernadine's church in Forest Park. Father John spent six short and happy years at St. Gregory's. During the building of the present church he was an indispensable help to Father Klasen. The parish census of 1923 showed over five hundred families in the relatively young parish that had sprouted up out in the hinterland. During his last three years here Father Wagener had a young second assistant as his understudy, a priest destined to spend a long time in Summerdale, eight years to be exact from 1923 to 1931. His name was Father George B. Lescher, who later became the famed professor of history at Quigley Seminary and subsequently Pastor of SS. Peter and Paul Parish until his death in 1951.

1924-26 - New Church Begun

In the spring of 1921 Father Klasen had gone to see Archbishop Mundelein to ask permission for building a new church. The permission was immediately granted provided that St. Gregory's be "something distinctive, not just another 'catalogue' church." Messrs. Comes and Perry of Pittsburgh were consulted and in about four months their sketches outlining the plans of the proposed church were delivered. After several more years of consulting, study and prayer, Father Klasen was ready to go ahead. So it was that in the spring of 1924 construction actually began on the beloved dusty playground on the corner of Gregory and Paulina.

St. Gregory's new church would cost well over \$400,000 when completed. At that time there were about 500 families in the parish. Money meant a great deal more than it does now, so the debt undertaken by Father Klasen would probably be something like \$800,000 today. The people of the parish dispelled all his fears. On their own they began

FATHER LESCHER



organizing parties and every kind of affair to finance their labor of love — their parish church. So this ad appeared in the *Gregorian* one Sunday in 1925.

Schedule of Activities at St. Gregory's during April, May, June:

April 13 - Young Men's Card and Bunco Party

April 16 - Married Ladies' Party

April 19 - Young Men's Card and Bunco Party

April 23 - Married Ladies' Party

May 3, 5 - Young Ladies' Operetta

May 7, 10, 17, 21, 28 — Married Ladies' Parties

June 17 - Graduation Play

June 18, 25, 28 - Married Ladies' Parties

And then the big picnic. Debts are no worry when there are hundreds of parishioners like these.

THE LONG WAIT

And now the long wait began as the church seemed to progress so very slowly. It was over two years in construction, two years of strong and loyal support from all the parishioners. The people had been given the artist's sketch of their new church from the beginning, but as the majestic structure rose higher and higher from the dusty parish playground, they became more and more anxious for the glorious day of its dedication. The anxious waiting filled the big house at 1634 Gregory Street too, as Father Klasen watched brick after brick go into the great masterpiece of his life. We have a singularly beautiful record of his feelings at that time written in his own words. It seems that he had planted a willow tree in the early years of St. Gregory's to show the boundary between the playground and the rectory garden. The tree had grown up with the parish in the very spot where the sanctuary of the new church was to be erected. The tree of course had to go. It was like the death of an old friend. Thinking of the willow and its removal, Father Klasen bares his priestly soul in these touching words:

"In his dreams the pastor sees the good old willow tree falling to the ground. Its limbs and sturdy trunk are made the prey of fire. Clouds of smoke rise high into the air, and raging flames are eating up the remains of the good old willow tree, the faithful servant of many years. Soon the noise of building is heard: brick, stone, sand, iron and all the equipment that goes to make a massive structure. Many hands are raised to the work; day after day they come and go, and so for many months. Higher



The Old Willow



and higher he sees it grow, all the while watching and looking on with careful eye.

"The vision clears. Little rays of joyous hope and expectancy show themselves like twinkling stars on the darkened heavens. Brighter and brighter they become, and as more of them appear, the pastor's sleep becomes more peaceful, and his dreams more sweet. Time goes on, and many months elapse. Festivities are held, people come and go. The seasons change, a long winter giving way to beautiful summer. The pastor still dreams but back in the distance he seems to perceive the sound of beautiful bells. Listening closely to their peal, he notes the solemn message they are sending forth from the stately tower of the massive structure. Louder and louder they call, beckoning him to rise and come. Unable to resist their pressing appeal, the pastor rises from his sleep. Behold the change! The anguish left by the final passing of the old willow tree is gone. He finds himself clothed in the vestments of the altar, slowly moving up the aisle of a medieval church crowded to the doors with God's children. Before him are rows of altar boys clothed in all the rich color of the sanctuary. Looking toward that sanctuary, he beholds the beautiful altar and high above that sanctuary rail he sees a tree! It is a gorgeous tree proudly standing on the very spot where stood the good old willow tree.

"'See the Holy Rood,' he says, 'the tree of the Cross upon which the Savior died.' It stretches its limbs across the very spot once shadowed by the old willow tree. Where once the little sparrows chirped and rested for their evening song, there rises now the Holy Rood, the blessed twig on which was nailed the sacred body of our loving Savior, and we poor mortals shall seek comfort and salvation under the shadow of His outstretched arms. Oh, blessed willow tree! What hadst thou done to deserve this singular honor, and be privileged that the Holy Rood should grace the spot on which thou hadst been planted long, long ago?

"Beneath that Holy Rood the pastor falls to his knees in the chant of Mother Church which she sings with such feeling and devotion during the holy season of Lent:

> O faithful cross, O noblest tree, In all our woods, there's none like thee, Sweet the nails and sweet the wood Laden with so sweet a load. Lofty tree, bend down thy branches To embrace thy sacred load; Gently, gently bear the members Of thy dying King and God."

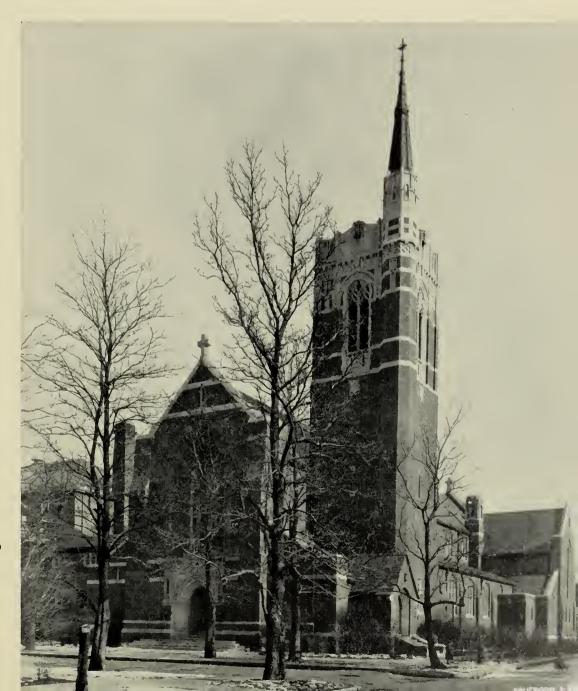
1926 - Church Dedicated

At Last! "This is the day which the Lord hath made. Let us rejoice and be glad in it." This joyous song of exultation sung by the Church every Easter morning must have filled the soul of St. Gregory's one warm summer day — June 20, 1926 to be exact. For on that great day the new St. Gregory Church was complete, and our people poured through its open doors, anxious to see what their selfless cooperation had built for the greater glory of God.

"The Word was made flesh and dwelt among us. And we saw His glory, the glory as of the Only Begotten of the Father." On that Sunday morning at six A. M. the solemn procession of priests and altar boys filed from the rectory to the church, and the yearnings deep in the hearts of St. Gregory's were fulfilled. Our Lord Himself was laid upon the new altar at the consecration of that first Solemn Mass, and shortly thereafter retired to His new home in the massive tabernacle erected in the midst of His beloved people. St. Gregory's new church truly became "the

House of God and Gate of Heaven." That evening the entire parish thronged the magnificent new edifice once again to join in thanking the Blessed Trinity with solemn Vespers of the Blessed Sacrament, Benediction and a majestic Te Deum.

All of Catholic Chicago was jubilant in 1926, for it was the year of the great Eucharistic Congress. Cardinal Mundelein was flooding the nation with the glory of Catholicism radiating from the Congress that summer, and so it was that he postponed dedicating St. Gregory's until he could give it the time and attention such a church deserved. The day came late in November. His Eminence, but recently created a Prince of the Church, was here in all his beautiful robes accompanied by scores of monsignori, priests and high dignitaries of church and state — all anxious to honor the dynamic parish and its beloved founder and leader. The church



Our Church - 1926





FATHER LUKE

Father Memmesheimer

was thrown open to all our people. There were no reservations at the solemn dedicatory Mass at 11 A. M. on November 28. When the last exultant peals of the organ died away, the parishioners and guests all went over to the hall for a grand banquet.

THEY COME AND GO

HOT WATER HEAT

Just about this time the parish received another new assistant, Father Eugene Luke, now Monsignor Luke of Glen Ellyn. Father Luke was here at the time of the new church's completion and for about a year thereafter. Replacing him in 1927 came Father Alphonse Memmesheimer who was destined to give St. Gregory's seven fruitful years of deep priestly devotion, so that when he was finally transferred in 1934, Father Klasen is said to have asked for two new curates necessary to replace Father Memmesheimer. He is now pastor of St. Francis De Sales Church.

Boom years were upon us in 1927, '28, and '29. They were the years of real estate speculation, wild stock markets, flappers, home brew and the first Model A. Two-flats were mushrooming all over the parish as



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From The Gregorian - 1928

more and more new families poured into our boundaries, changing a predominantly German parish into a truly cosmopolitan American parish almost before our old timers realized it. The boom was upon us and St. Gregory's was not wasting it. Our people were constantly busy in typical Gregory style as plays, card parties, bazaars, picnics and every conceivable social event kept pace with the growing spiritual accomplishments of the parish. There were now 478 children in our school and the number of annual Holy Communions had risen to a phenomenal 56,643. The Capuchin Fathers were conducting a mission in preparation for the Jubilee year of 1929. St. Gregory's was nearly twenty-five years old.

SILVER JUBILEE

In the year of jubilee there were great things afoot in Summerdale. It was 1929 — twenty-five fleeting years after the day in 1904 when St. Gregory's caught its first breath in Archbishop Quigley's appointment of Father Klasen. The whole parish filled with the effervescent spirit of that last fateful boom year celebrated in true St. Gregory fashion.

A slow finish were those final months of 1929. The depression had come. But even at that hectic time the parish rounded out the jubilee year in a spirit of hope with a short glance back at the accomplishments of the first twenty-five years as it stepped boldly into the next quarter century. The jubilee year had seen the church debt melt down to \$50,000 despite an expenditure of \$37,000 to remodel the old church into a modern parish hall and another \$15,000 as St. Gregory's initial share in the building of the newly established St. George High School.

1930-32 Depression

Depression years in the history of St. Gregory's were not as disastrous as in many other parishes established in strictly industrial areas. But we had our taste of it, too. It was unavoidable.

After that October day in 1929 when the crash came, things got progressively worse nationally and locally. Bankruptcy followed bankruptcy as banks closed their doors on hundreds of frantic people hoping to withdraw their savings. St. Gregory's had grown remarkably fast as hundreds of new families poured into the bungalows and two flats of the building boom. Now it also felt the crash of the real estate enterprises.

The church was practically finished when the last stained glass windows were set in 1931, but Father Klasen continued embellishing his masterpiece with artistic furnishings through the difficult years when such



FATHER LOEFFEL

fittings could be had at great savings. Most of these things were paid for as they were bought. But still the debt was large even though year after year saw it steadily reduced despite the depression.

In 1931 too, Father Paul Loeffel arrived in our midst replacing Father Lescher. Destined also for a long stay at St. Gregory's and a chair on the Quigley faculty, Father Loeffel was very popular here. He is now pastor of St. William's church.

As 1932, a desperate year, was ushered in, St. Gregory's enlarged St. Vincent De Paul Society was working overtime trying to meet the needs of poor parishioners. The parish priests were chosen to administer government relief to our suffering poor. And so it went through that dreary year which threw all its hope on the election of Franklin D. Roosevelt in November. But before the new president was inaugurated the following March, another financial panic convulsed the country, and March 4, 1933 found the nation overwhelmed with seeming economic disaster.

Stricken with the financial and material reverses all around him, Father Klasen was still a man of God. What appalled him was not the scarcity of money, the restriction of pleasures and good times, the financial insecurity. Those things were secondary. Something else was primary—the spiritual welfare of his children. Year after year saw our eighth grade graduates leaving us to enter the surrounding public high schools with all the inevitable dangers to their religious life. Yes, there were many Catholic high schools for boys and girls, nearly as many as now. St. Gregory's had even contributed to the building of them years before. But the majority of our people were financially unable to send their children to St. George, Loyola, Immaculata or St. Scholastica. The same was true of other parishes more wealthy than ours. Something had to be done. Father Klasen was wrestling with the problem.

1933-35 -New Deal

Roosevelt was inaugurated and things started popping immediately. His enthusiasm was infectious. The Blue Eagle of the N.R.A. overshadowed the nation. The banks were reestablished and a weary U. S. caught its breath. But we were a long, long way from the corner around which lurked that elusive thing called prosperity.

Back in our own little corner of the awakening country Father Klasen was still pondering his biggest problem, the religious education of his children.

St. Gregory's Church was hardly finished. It was not yet completely

paid for, but Father Klasen was thinking of a parish high school. It was 1934 and he began thinking more seriously about it. The parish grammar school was already filled to capacity, including the original frame building which was in need of renovation. Father Klasen was not a man of mean, little plans. His vision was obvious in his previous accomplishments. The commodious rectory, the magnificent church, the new convent — all had been built on a grand scale which at the time seemed somewhat extravagant to more limited minds. So would his new plan. He would build a large, modern school, big enough to fill the needs of the growing grammar school and adequate for the four years of high school so badly needed. His decision staggering as it seemed in the midst of depression was made. Now for the actual work. There was no time to be lost.

FIRST HONORS

For some time he kept the idea to himself as he looked over the latest developments in school planning. He visited the few schools built during those hectic years, looking over the qualifications of the best school architects. And then one day the Cardinal's office called asking Father Klasen to come down the next day. Expecting some routine business, Father Klasen walked into the office to find His Eminence awaiting him with a big grin. Before he got down to the matter of the new school, the beaming Cardinal Mundelein saluted St. Gregory's Pastor: "Father Klasen, you have worked hard, you have always been on the job, so I greet you this morning as Monsignor Klasen!" The Holy Father had honored our pastor with the office of Papal Chamberlain, carrying the title of Very Reverend Monsignor.



VERY REV. MSGR. MICHAEL KLASEN

The parish was jubilant of course. There was a party celebrating the investiture of the new Monsignor when he received his purple. Parishioners new and old flocked to the party, showing their devotion to their pastor who would always be a beloved "Father" to them, no matter what titles came his way. That was September 1934. Immediately after the festivities, and they were short, the new monsignor plunged back into his same old life. He was still the pastor of St. Gregory's and he was going to build his school. So it was that after this brief interruption, Monsignor Klasen began with renewed vigor the years of planning, building and financing that gave us our beautiful school.

In 1935 the courageous, mid-depression plans of the new school reached the blue print stage. In September of that year the architects, Vitzthum and Burns, delivered the final plans to the rectory.

New School

When the bids from the contractors came in, Monsignor Klasen faced that awesome moment known to every pastor intending to build. The total prices were staggering. Many of the people thought the whole idea of the school too elaborate. Many priests questioned the pastor's good judgment, but he had made up his mind. The school would be built with every latest and best convenience. Monsignor Klasen went ahead, and thank God for his foresight. He built a beautiful school at the best possible time. Prices were relatively low, and the best of materials could still be had. So today we reap the fruits of his masterful judgment. Other parishes waited for "more favorable times to build." Money was still scarce. But with increasing money came the war, shortages of materials and impossible prices. All in all, it was a heroic, far-sighted decision.

More Assistants

By this time Father Ackerman, the first of a long line of newly ordained curates, had succeeded Father Memmesheimer. He was destined for seven years with us.

The following year, 1935, probably because of the exalted plans for the future St. Gregory's, His Eminence decided to send another assistant.

FATHER ACKERMAN

FATHER DEHNERT



It was the first time we had three assistants. The newcomer was another youngster, Father Aloysius Dehnert, who spent five years here until his appointment to the faculty of Quigley Seminary.

Building Again - 1937

Ground was ready to be broken for the new St. Gregory School in 1935.

The little gray school house had to go. The original church and school, then convent and school, the old frame building was a reminder of the humble, pioneer days of St. Gregory's. Naturally some of the old timers watched the demolition of the old building with a bit of sadness in their hearts.

But it was not for long. For in its place rose the north side's most complete, modern parish school. There were far fewer delays in building operations in those days, but even so it was not until Spring of 1937 that the new St. Gregory School was a reality. Finally the great day came —





CARDINAL MUNDELEIN on the Dedication Day

May 23, 1937 when priests came from all over the archdiocese to see this latest accomplishment of the dynamic parish and its energetic pastor. Led by His Eminence Cardinal Mundelein, scores of monsignori and priests filed into St. Gregory Church that afternoon for a glorious *Te Deum* in thanks to God for giving to St. Gregory's this great day of accomplishment. The people were jubilant for the preceding day, May 22, word had come to St. Gregory's that the Holy Father had singled out Monsignor Klasen for another great honor. On the day before the school dedication he was made a Domestic Prelate with the new title of "Right Reverend Monsignor."

Convent Annex

There was no basking in the glory of his purple for the new Domestic Prelate though. Just before the new school was finished, in April of 1937, he completed plans for the convent annex! Realizing that the high school soon to be established would mean a much larger faculty, the pastor decided to prepare for the situation immediately. And so the convent addition was going up even before the new school had been dedicated. The parish didn't have a chance to catch its breath. Meanwhile Monsignor Klasen was dickering for more property for future expansion since all the available parish property was filled.

So you see, new arrivals in our midst, the present building fund is just an old St. Gregory tradition.

With the new school nearing completion early in 1937, Monsignor Klasen made the announcement he had been itching to broadcast to his whole parish. St. Gregory's High School would open very shortly. After all his minute plans for his pet project, the idea of the new high school was still hazy in the minds of some people here and especially in our neighboring parishes.

In his own inimitable way the pastor clarified the situation for once and for all. This from his announcement book of March 21, 1937:

"Since our announcement of the proposed high school course at St. Gregory's, there have been all kinds of interpretations. Some say it will be a commercial course, some say a mixed course, etc. The truth is this:

"Our high school will teach an academic high school course approved by all accrediting agencies. Athletics and physical training will be given sufficient attention. The tuition will be the lowest in the city, both for our own parishioners and children of other parishes.

"Then again, some say there will be only two years of high school here after which your children will have to transfer. Let the answer be. Have we ever made a failure of what we started? This is St. Gregory's. Send your children to us and we will do the rest. If however, you want to show that expenses mean nothing to you, there will be other high schools that will offer you plenty of opportunities to do so.

"Therefore, we give you the old fashioned advice again — keep your mouth shut until you know the facts. And when you do talk, tell the truth."

With that off his chest, Monsignor Klasen kept working to make his high school second to none. So it was that on July 11, he had this to say:

"The quota of registrations for the freshman class of St. Gregory's is now filled with 120 boys and girls signed up. The new high school has been recognized as the solution of our parents' problems in providing Catholic higher education for their children. It is a splendid start, more than we anticipated. The people of our parish are to be congratulated."

Monsignor Speaks His Mind

Our parishioners? Who are they? Was this a German parish?

Were the Irish to continue going to St. Ita's? Monsignor Klasen continually spoke his mind on that subject too in his announcements. We quote:

"Don't ask, 'Do we belong to this parish?' Of course you do if you live in this neighborhood. Nationalism is a heresy like anything else against the dogma of Christianity. We are here to serve you no matter who you are or where your cradle stood. Nationalism is the sign of narrow-mindedness. St. Gregory's takes care of all and any one registered in its membership list."

Social Center - 1938

Social life in the parish was reaching a new high. The upper hall in the old school was a gymnasium now. There were basketball teams among the children, young men and girls. The Blue Room in the new school was in constant use as a social center for all our sodalities, with the ladies gathering every Wednesday afternoon for informal cards and chatter. Sunday night saw the weekly young people's dances with a regular orchestra and refreshments for 35 cents.

PASTOR'S FIRST VACATION

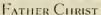
The entire parish agreed that it was about time when one Friday morning late in October, 1938, Monsignor Klasen left his parish for a long trip. It was now thirty-four years since he offered the first Sunday Mass in St. Gregory parish. Since that day he was absent from his beloved sanctuary just two Sundays. So in 1938 Cardinal Mundelein ordered him to make the trip to Rome as his companion to attend the beatification of Chicago's Mother Cabrini. After an absence of six weeks, two of which were spent on the ocean, Monsignor Klasen was glad to get back.

World War II

Back in 1939 the nations were tense with frustrated appeasement. The Rhineland, Austria, Czechoslovakia had fallen to Hitler without a shot, and still the cry for "Lebensraum" reverberated throughout the incredulous world. At St. Gregory's war seemed remote as priests, sisters and people strove incessantly to consolidate the growth and gains wrung out of the depression years.

Father Joseph Christ had just about applied his nose to the Gregory grindstone when he received his walking papers, and off he was to Wash-







FATHER KNIPPEN



FATHER WALSH

ington for a post graduate course in canon law and seven fateful years at the Chancery Office. Father Christ is now at Our Lady of Peace.

Replacing Father Dehnert came Father George Knippen, a dashing young priest from St. Pascal's where he had put in seven zealous years. Father George Walsh succeeded Father Christ. The name reverberated throughout the parish. "Glory be to God, he's Irish." St. Gregory's had finally arrived.

Celtic pride received no boost one year later though when Father Ackerman said goodbye and Father Robert Mockenhaupt arrived. Ten active years at St. Gregory's were ahead for this young curate.



FATHER MOCKENHAUPT

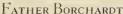
1940 - High School Arrives

It was 1940. Europe was already deep in the bloody business of World War II. In our country and in St. Gregory's it was a time of confusion, uncertainty, apprehension. But the parish work went on steadily and fruitfully. The pastor's pet project, the new high school, became known and respected throughout the city. The Examiner from the North Central Association called the newly installed laboratories "the finest I've seen." That year the Science Convention of the Archdiocese chose our high school as the scene of its annual meeting. And when spring finally came and St. Gregory's first senior class won eight college scholarships in competitive examination, old Father Klasen nearly popped all his purple buttons, he was so proud. But proud as the founder and organizer of the new high school was, he laid most of the credit at the feet of the splendid faculty in his new high school. In just six years the number of Sisters in our convent had doubled, so that by 1941 we had twenty eight Sisters in our grammar and high school.

1940-45 - WAR YEARS

They passed slowly, these years when our honor roll grew longer and longer as hundreds of our young people were called to the colors. Fifteen







FATHER LYDON

gold stars appeared too as the war went on. Those were the days of flag raisings, war bonds and five or six novena services every Friday. In 1944 Father Walsh had been replaced by Father Kenneth Borchardt. After a very short stay Father Borchardt was succeeded by Father John J. Lydon, newly ordained, early in 1945. And so with a victorious end of the war in sight St. Gregory was looking ahead hopefully in 1945.

1945 - Pastor's Death

In May of 1945 though, the parish saw something that broke its heart. Sunday, May 6, Monsignor Klasen died. For the first time in nearly fortyone years here the care of immortal souls slipped from his priestly hands. The founder of St. Gregory's was dead. His beloved people came silently to the wake in the rectory Tuesday and Wednesday evening and wept in unashamed sorrow as they knelt before the coffin of the Monsignor who had always been "Father" to his own dear children. Then on Thursday at noon his school children solemnly escorted him to the church he had built. It was the last time they walked in procession with him as their parents and many of their grandparents had done so often before. All through that day and night there was a prayerful guard of people keeping the last watch. On Friday morning at 8:00 there was a Solemn Requiem High Mass for the grammar school and another at 9:00 attended by the high school. At 10:30 the Solemn Funeral Mass was offered in the crowded, hushed church. After the Mass the Archbishop preached a beautiful eulogy. Then came the sorrowful trip to St. Boniface Cemetery where Father Klasen was laid to rest.



The Builder, The Educator . . .

He was a priest, a priest in everything that he did. His life was in the world but not of the world. His interests were the interests of the Church. He understood the meaning of the words of St. Paul that the priest is the ambassador of Christ. It was his ambition to live with the Great High Priest, our blessed Savior, and to make his ministry the ministry of our blessed Savior.

– Cardinal Stritch at Monsignor Klasen's funeral

The Prelate, The Pastor . .





The Father was dead.

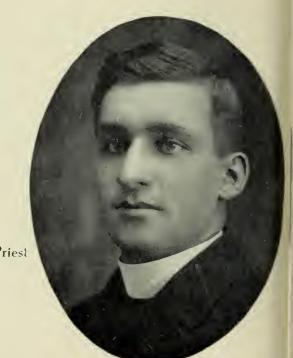
Waiting for the new pastor to be appointed was nerve racking for the priests and parishioners of St. Gregory's. Rumors were rife. Finally the word was out. St. Gregory's had its new pastor. It was late in June of 1945 when the news reverberated around the sprawling Archdiocese of Chicago.

Here's what they wanted to know. Yes it was true that his folks lived in the parish, that he was on old friend of Father Klasen, that he did think the world of the South Side, that he would tear away for the long trip north however, etc. etc. As for the more detailed questions, here are the answers. Father Arthur F. Terlecke was born in Hoboken, N. J., on July 20, 1894. He went to St. Boniface School here in Chicago, St. Ignatius College, St. Francis Seminary and St. Paul Seminary. He was ordained by the late Cardinal Mundelein at Holy Name Cathedral on September 21, 1918. After being an assistant at St. Francis Assissi and St. Charles Borromeo Churches, he was appointed to the staff of the Catholic Charities in 1923. After five years working as chaplain of the Juvenile Detention Home and the Holy Cross Mission on skid row, the young Father Terlecke was appointed to the Matrimonial Court of the Chancery office. Shortly thereafter he was appointed administrator of St. Francis De Sales Church and then pastor of SS. Peter and Paul Parish, South Chicago. It was 1928, just ten years after his ordination and just one year before the depression broke with discouraging force over the industrial area of the southeast side.

Blood, sweat, tears filled those seventeen depression and war scarred years at SS. Peter and Paul. Still he was very happy with his steel workers and when his appointment to St. Gregory's came, Father Terlecke could look back on a record of remarkable achievement there. He had



First Communicant



Newly Ordained Priest



Our Pastor

built a modern church and school, bought a rectory and converted another building into a comfortable convent. He left a flourishing parish and high school. And so he was the logical choice to succeed Father Klasen, the builder, the educator, the far-seeing planner. There was not a priest in Chicago who did not second the Archbishop's appointment of St. Gregory's new pastor.

St. Gregory's settled down again. The new pastor was now a familiar figure, exercising his sidewalk apostolate in front of the church those cheery Sunday mornings.

War had filled the last few years at St. Gregory's, but one day the bells pealed out, all of them, and the entire parish fell on its knees in gratitude for peace. There were gold stars on our honor roll, too many of them, but all in all we had not suffered more than the rank and file American. We had been spared many a war-time tragedy, and we were deeply grateful. In the following months the boys began trickling back from around the world and once again the parish settled down to normal with its young blood again coursing swiftly through its veins.

1945-46



FATHER CAHILL

In late August of 1945 the rectory back porch had an occupant too. Father Philip Cahill, a Quigley professor, was assigned to temporary residence at St. Gregory's, but his stay was to be very short for there came a fateful day in June of 1947 which brought two letters to St. Gregory's from the "powerhouse", more formally known as the Archdiocesan Chancery Office. The first sent Father Cahill packing. The second rocked the whole parish, for it meant the departure of Father Knippen, a seven-year veteran in these parts and administrator during the interval between Monsignor Klasen's death and Father Terlecke's arrival. Father Knippen had known a full load of responsibility. As in other things, he carried it well, and so it was that the whole parish turned out to say goodbye to Father Knippen. In his place came a newly ordained priest, Father John May. It was July of 1947.

1947-49 - Building Again!

Dreams of his new St. Gregory High School had filled the mind of Monsignor Klasen in all his waking hours the years before his death. He had seen his brain child grow incredibly fast and well. Its benefits had overflowed the parish boundaries out into the surrounding parishes where St. Gregory's was already widely known as an excellent, fully accredited Catholic high school. The former pastor's pet plan had been started on a shoe string as he readily admitted. Many of the extensive facilities for a complete four-year high school had been missing when he began, but through the years they had gradually appeared. That healthy growth had to be maintained. The greatest need was for more classroom space and especially for expanded, modern physical education facilities. The latter were of prime importance for they actually entailed keeping St. Gregory's high rating on the accredited list of the North Central Association. For that reason, Monsignor Klasen had bought Gregory Field on Ashland Avenue with the idea of erecting there his new high school gymnasium annex. In his mind the whole thing was clearly outlined, for he talked constantly of it. In his funeral sermon that fact was mentioned by the Archbishop. Waiting for the end of the war and the chance to put his final touches to St. Gregory's growing plant, Monsignor Klasen had often grown impatient for the fulfillment of his dream. He knew the time was short, but it was shorter than he thought. He died a few months before V. J. day.

Memories of Monsignor Klasen's plan filled the energetic new pastor as he became acutely conscious of St. Gregory's needs. Anxious to fulfill those dreams, Father Terlecke was also aware of the terrific task ahead. Though the war was over, things were far from normal. Even after more than a year's waiting building seemed hazardous. There were dire prophecies of insurmountable difficulties in attempting to provide the necessary improvements. The high school needed a new gymnasium. The parish needed a modern social center. The grammar school was jammed with larger and larger classes still to come. The Sisters were living in pitifully inadequate quarters. The convent originally remodeled to accommodate eighteen Sisters was now housing thirty-seven. More children in our schools would mean more Sisters too. The high school should really have several new departments, such as domestic science, machine shop, and mechanical drawing. What to do? Father Terlecke thought and prayed a long time. The Chancery office fully agreed with his final plans. There were criticisms galore, smiles, warnings when the plans were finally announced. Despite it all, in true St. Gregory spirit, the decision was made, and immediately it went into effect. St. Gregory's had grown great that way. It would grow much greater very soon.

New Convent and Gymnasium - 1947

Sketches of the new buildings whetted the enthusiasm of the parish as the old Seifert home diagonally across from the church was razed to prepare the site for the new convent. And then came that hot day in August when Michuda Bros.' steam shovel began biting out huge pieces of Gregory Field for the foundation of the magnificent memorial gymnasium to be dedicated to Monsignor Klasen by his ever grateful people. The work was on. Two years it would take — two long, tough years. Even the laying of the corner stone presented difficulties. There was to be a parade, band and all, to accompany Monsignor Casey, the Vicar General, in the solemn ceremony. That day there was a cloudburst.



St. Gregory Convent - 1949



Monsignor Klasen Memorial Gymnasium

Sometime later, however, we did the deed with the help of Monsignor Morrison, who commended the pastor and people for their great courage and generosity in going forward to freeze into solid stone the daring dreams of Monsignor Klasen.

Certain as death and taxes was the result of the ground breaking for the Klasen Memorial Gym and the new convent — another building fund. Attuned to an ingenious plan to pay for the buildings as they were built, regular monthly bulletins poured out of the rectory telling of the building project, its plans and progress. And always tucked snugly inside said bulletin was a little envelope. Many of the envelopes came back full. Many others were never seen again. But this expansion par excellence was nothing new to Gregoryites. If this historical account does nothing else, it shows that building funds around here have been as consistent and incurable as the common cold.

Expansion

The parish plant was not the only thing under expansion in those September days of 1948. With the beginning of the new

school year Gregory High students found two full time priests on the faculty. Fortunate enough to secure the services of two Viatorian Fathers, the high school lost no time in putting them to work. Living at their own motherhouse on Sheridan Road and commuting to school every day, these capable Viatorian priests are now a beloved tradition on the well-rounded Gregory faculty.

At long last it was graduation and the good old summer time. The gym and convent were ready for dedication. July the third, 1949, dawned bright and cheery; it was hot, the hottest July third in history. The Cardinal's face matched his flowing robes as he plodded from convent to gymnasium to church for his sermon and solemn benediction. Reviewing the parish history in a few words, His Eminence paid tribute to the zeal of St. Gregory's two pastors and to the phenomenal cooperation of their parishioners. And so it was that physically St. Gregory's was a complete parish. This finishing touch crowned what was generally regarded as the most complete plant in the archdiocese of Chicago — a magnificent church, fully equipped grammar and high school, ultramodern convent, beautiful parish social and athletic center and a comfortable rectory not to mention the playgrounds and janitors' homes. The material accomplishments of forty-five years were staggering.

CHANGES

Just the week before the dedication, Father Lydon, the Apostle of Youth, was transferred after only four years with us. Informal, lovable, he was given a big send-off in the Gregory manner. Smiling Father Jerome Klug, newly ordained, made his first appearance in our midst that send-off night for Father Lydon.

New too were other things. There was now a domestic science department fully equipped for complete courses in cooking and sewing. The boys gaped at the rows of gleaming machines in the new shop and the long line of art boards in the new mechanical drawing room. St. Gregory High School rivaled the most modern and complete high schools anywhere. In no time we were recognized as such. The archdiocesan student organization held its first city-wide meeting here. The Catholic High School Science Society convened in our labs; the Parish High School Tournament was held in our gym as was the North Section League of Catholic Grammar Schools. And so St. Gregory's rolled along. The mission that year conducted by Fathers Hofmann and Hillinger was a heaven-sent success, showing that first things were still

first around here, that all the rest of this work and worry had been directed to the glory of God and the salvation of immortal souls.

1950 - Pastor Off To Rome

The Holy Year of 1950 dawned gloriously for St. Gregory's. Everything seemed to be in perfect order. And so the parish felt it was time for our pastor to get a good rest. On the suggestion of some of our people a collection was taken up and Father Terlecke was given a round trip ticket to Rome for the Holy Year Pilgrimage. St. Gregory's wanted a representative in the Eternal City that year, and since our pastor had never been to Rome, this was the time to go. It seemed that everyone was there that January evening when the presentation was made in our new gymnasium. It was a grand parish party to wish Godspeed to our pastor. The next morning the school children lined Gregory Street down to Ashland waving goodbye as Father Terlecke began his trip to the Holy Father.

That month too saw the beginning of another Inquiry Class, "The Gregory Forum". We felt that two classes a year for prospective Catholics were necessary. And then there was born the St. Gregory Talbot Club, a young people's group for all those out of high school.

New Developments

Early that same year of 1950 Father Klug organized the St. Gregory Little Theatre, which has become so important a part of our parish life. Our practice of congregational singing and praying for all at Mass began early in 1950 too. At first parishioners were divided, some very favorable, a few equally opposed. Now it is an old parish feature.

Parish Library

1950 was a glorious year indeed. The Parish Library caught its first breath in the Bookmobile out in front of the church on balmy Sunday mornings. The biggest carnival in St. Gregory history bit a huge piece out of our newly acquired debt. And then in July Father George Herdegen was appointed to our parish. Just returned from two years' study in Rome, Father Herdegen was assigned to the Cardinal's Chancery Office



with part-time duties and residence at St. Gregory's. Since that day our people have taken to his smiling, friendly ways, to his humble, devoted priestliness, to his inspiring sermons.

CREDIT UNION

Before the end of 1950 still another St. Gregory fixture came to be when the state of Illinois issued the charter for our Parish Credit Union. That year too our combined school enrollment went over 1200 for the first time. The Director of our schools was recognized as a foremost educator in October of 1950 when Father Terlecke was appointed a member of the Archdiocesan School Board by Cardinal Stritch. The parish rejoiced with our pastor on his well-deserved honor. And so St. Gregory's passed confidently into 1951, bursting with life, gradually wearing away our huge debt and fully equipped with a superb parish plant. All our older buildings had been reconditioned and, with our new convent and gymnasium, parish property was evaluated at well over three million dollars early in 1951. It seemed like a time to coast along and enjoy it all.

Not So Fast - 1951

The first announcement of the new year staggered many a veteran parishioner and a few new ones too. There would be no more "seat money" at St. Gregory's. This policy has continued over the years with no ill effects on our Sunday revenue. The parish was shocked in February by the tragic death of Father Michael Malone, C.S.V., our high school counselor. He was just forty years old. A new principal came to our grammar school in the person of Sister Francis that year, and then in July, after ten happy years with us, his first priestly years, Father Robert Mockenhaupt was transferred to nearby St. Benedict's. The whole parish turned out a few days later to bid Father goodbye at a huge parish testimonial party in our gym. There was one rather quiet guest that night, a young priest just ordained a few months — Father Mockenhaupt's successor. Father Stephen Brandstrader has been here three years now, and in his quiet way has won a place in all our hearts. St. Gregory again looked forward to a little rest and quiet as we began July of '51.

FIRE!

But such is not the Gregory way. For on Friday, July 13, 1951 the church and school building built in 1905 was destroyed by a tragic fire. This building housed our school chapel on the second floor, five classrooms on the first floor and a large cafeteria in the basement. While the sturdy old walls remained standing after the fire, the entire roof had collapsed and the interior was totally ruined by water damage. It was a



crushing blow just when everything seemed to be provided for. After much pondering the decision was made. The burned building would have to be razed, and temporary classrooms would have to be found for next September. The domestic science classes were curtailed and every available inch of the old convent was used for classrooms. Even a chapel in the church was used for mechanical drawing class. It was all done in a few weeks, and somehow there was a desk for all our students. But it was clear that this could never be a permanent solution. There was no way out. Father Terlecke announced to his people, "We will have to build again!"

1952 - New School Planned

The pastoral head spun as he pondered again and again what to build. There was still a debt of over four hundred thousand dollars from the last building project — the one that was to equip us so adequately. Finally with the approval of the Chancery we decided to build a complete new high school. It was a heroic choice in the Gregory tradition. But

when the bids were returned, the rising building costs made that impossible. They totaled well over a million dollars! The plans were revised to build one wing — about two-thirds of the building as originally planned. The other wing could be added some time in the future. The plans were studied again and again. Finally the Cardinal himself showed his approval by granting our parish a ten-year loan without one cent of interest. And St. Gregory's was building again.

DEAF SCHOOL OPENED

1952 was a memorable year in many ways. We had a most successful mission given by Fathers Hugh and Edward Calkins, O.S.M. Then there was the Lenten series of liturgical demonstrations staged by our own priests — "Living Lent" it was called. The *Informer* was modernized into a most attractive parish weekly. There was the usual round of Gregory social gatherings culminating in the three-day Fall Festival. And still that debt seemed so big. In September of '52 we were able to find room for St. Gregory School for the Deaf which Father Terlecke sponsored along with the Catholic Charities. And so another unit of a most complete educational system was established. That Fall was filled with the election news, but through it all the new school was being quietly planned down to the last detail.

1953

Early in 1953 it all began when ground was broken for the new high school. From then on the familiar sounds of construction would reverber-



New High School Begun

ate around the parish again. April 15, 1954 was the promised date of completion. In the middle of Lent that year God called another of our high school faculty to Him when popular Father Haungs died of a heart attack. He was just forty-two years old, the second Viatorian Father to die in the service of St. Gregory High School. We had the Easter Vigil service for the first time that year, a brilliant liturgical success. The Christian Family Movement, organized in 1952, took its place as one of the recognized parish groups in 1953. Our church was completely cleaned and new lights were installed as we drew nearer and nearer to our year of Jubilee.

Monsignor Terlecke

Most appropriately just after our pastor's thirty-fifth ordination anniversary and just before the parish Golden Jubilee His Holiness the Pope late in 1953 made a dramatic announcement. He had singled out Father Terlecke for a new distinction. Henceforth he would be Right Reverend Monsignor Arthur F. Terlecke. After the touching salutes of affection from the little ones and the respectful congratulations of our high school students the entire parish gathered in our gymnasium to felicitate our monsignor. An old fashioned parish open house followed in the lower hall with food and fun for all. Simple and informal, it was a typically whole-hearted St. Gregory response of our big parish family to our Father in Christ. Pointing out that his people's cooperation had made this new honor possible, the paster insisted that our Holy Father had recognized not just him but St. Gregory Parish in this gracious gesture of affection.



Our Monsignor



Our New High School

And so 1953 slipped into 1954, our Jubilee Year. A thorough parish census followed by a two-week mission led by the Passionist Fathers ushered in St. Gregory's golden year. In May the new high school was completed and the impressive outdoor shrine was erected on Ashland Avenue beside our gymnasium. Graduation, summer vacation and another record school registration are now part of our parish history. And so we pause to celebrate.

"Our Parish Yesterday", the story of St. Gregory's birth, growth and maturity, is finished. For a complete picture of "Our Parish Today", St. Gregory's in its Year of Jubilee, we refer you to Part II of the St. Gregory Story.

1954

The Priests Who Formerly Served Our Parish

PASTOR

RT. REV. MSGR. MICHAEL KLASEN (1904-1945)

ASSISTANT PASTORS

REV. PAUL LACOSKY (1910-1913) Deceased

REV. JOHN STOESSER (1913-1916)
Pastor, Immaculate Conception Church, Kankakee, Illinois

RT. REV. MSGR. WALTER FASNACHT (1915-1918)

Pastor, St. Benedict Church

REV. EDWARD LEISER (1917-1920) Pastor, St. Clement Church

REV. FERDINAND KALVELAGE (1919-1923)
Retired on sick leave

RT. REV. MSGR. JOHN WAGENER (1920-1926) Pastor, St. Bernardine Church, Forest Park

> REV. GEORGE LESCHER (1923-1931) Deceased

RT. REV. MSGR. EUGENE LUKE (1926-1927) Pastor, St. Petronilla Church, Glen Ellyn

REV. ALPHONSE MEMMESHEIMER (1927-1934) Pastor, St. Francis de Sales Church

> REV. PAUL LOEFFEL (1931-1938) Pastor, St. William Church

REV. RAYMOND ACKERMAN (1934-1941) Pastor, St. Anthony De Padua Church

REV. ALOYSIUS DEHNERT (1935-1940) Professor, Quigley Preparatory Seminary

REV. JOSEPH CHRIST (1938-1940) Assistant Pastor, Our Lady of Peace Church

REV. GEORGE KNIPPEN (1940-1947) Assistant Pastor, St. Robert Bellarmine Church

REV. GEORGE WALSH (1940-1944) Chaplain, St. Mary of Providence School

REV. KENNETH BORCHARDT (1944-1945) Assistant Pastor, Precious Blood Church

REV. PHILIP CAHILL (1946-1947) Professor, Quigley Preparatory Seminary

REV. JOHN LYDON (1945-1949) Assistant Pastor, St. Helena of the Cross Church

REV. ROBERT MOCKENHAUPT (1941-1951) Assistant Pastor, St. Benedict Church

The Priests Who Now Serve St. Gregory Parish

PASTOR

RT. REV. MSGR. ARTHUR F. TERLECKE (1945-

ASSISTANT PASTORS

REV. JOHN L. MAY (1947-REV. JEROME G. KLUG (1949-REV. GEORGE A. HERDEGEN (1950-REV. STEPHEN J. BRANDSTRADER (1951-

"As the Father sent me, I now send you." (John 20:22)



The Sisters Who Taught Our Children

(Listed in Chronological Order)

SISTERS OF CHRISTIAN CHARITY Of Maria Immaculata Convent, Wilmette, Illinois

*Deceased

Sister Virtuna *Sister Henrietta *Sister Fidelia *Sister Martinia *Sister Isabella Sister Marianna Sister Agathilla *Sister Euphronia Sister Flora Sister Alberta *Sister Fina Sister Donavita *Sister Veronica Sister Alvara Sister Frowina Sister Charitina *Sister Daciana Sister Cordula *Sister Mariata Sister Theophila Sister Edmund Sister Itha Sister Elisetta Sister Elizabetha Sister Rosemary Sister Marita *Sister Milburgis Sister Claracille Sister Expedita

Sister Herman Joseph Sister Marion Sister Adrian Sister Bellarmine *Sister Marjorie Sister Genevieve Sister Hermana Sister Edith Sister James Sister Annette *Sister Rosalina Sister Anselm Sister Lorenza Sister Laura Sister Louisa Sister Beata Sister Emiliana *Sister Isidora *Sister Raphaelis Sister Bernardin *Sister Margaret Mary Sister Leona *Sister Emily Sister Nora Sister Bibiana Sister Juliana *Sister Stanisla Sister Francesca Sister Grata

Sister Ancilla Sister Annarita Sister De Paul Sister Myrona Sister Marguerite Sister Mary Jane Sister Jose Sister Debora Sister Corona Sister Lia Sister Rosalima Sister Lauretta Sister Stella Marie Sister Josephine Sister Celine Sister Benedetta Sister Claudina Sister Alexa *Sister Dolorita Sister Josephis Sister Angelinde *Sister Theresine Sister Catherine Sister Consuela Sister Alfred Sister Francella Sister Theocleta Sister Coletta Sister Anthony Sister Rosawilma Sister Joanna Sister Raphael Sister Cyril Sister Charlotte Sister Esther Sister Antoinette Sister Gualberta Sister Secundilla Sister Cordelia

* Deceased

Sister Antonis Sister Meinulpha Sister Lauretana Sister Rolendis Sister Emeline Sister Henrietta Sister Xaveris Sister Maria Sister Renata Sister Marcellina Sister Bathildis Sister Ruth Sister Marcia Sister Elizabeth Sister Paulinda Sister Fredina Sister Consolata Sister Henrica Sister Leodowina Sister Johannita Sister Julitta Sister Alice Sister Mary James Sister Dionysia Sister Manetta Sister Eleonore Sister Annelda Sister Agnes Sister Camilla Sister Martin Sister Caroleen *Sister Edelinda Sister Maurita Sister Pierre Sister Annamarie Sister Eugenia Sister Mary Agnes Sister Lucilda Sister Ositha

Sister Protasia Sister Theophania Sister Carlissa Sister Baptista Sister Francis Sister Marina Sister Arline Sister Dorothy Sister Elfrieda Sister Ambrose Sister Irma Sister Roselyn Sister Lois Sister Celeste Sister Veremunda Sister Melanie Sister Vincent De Paul Sister Conradine Sister Georgene Sister Mary Francis Sister Joanella Sister Grace Sister Gertrud Sister Meginharda Sister Philonilla Sister Agnetta Sister Clara Sister Marie Terese Sister Judith Sister Concetta Sister Rosalinda Sister Monica Sister Louis Sister Elaine Sister Bernardin Sister Dominic Sister Fredina Sister Julie Sister Alypia

Other Former Teachers

*Rev. Michael Malone, C.S.V. Rev. Nicholas Mosier, C.S.V. *Rev. Edward Haungs, C.S.V. Rev. Harold Thompson, C.S.V. *Rev. John Bradac, C.S.V. Rev. Stanley Swikoski, C.S.V. Rev. Angelo Rinella, C.S.V. Rev. Albert Belda, C.S.V. Brother Paradiso, C.S.V. Brother Lefebvre, C.S.V.

Brother Wagner, C.S.V. Rev. Austin Schmitt, S.J. Sister Mary Urban, O.P.

Rev. Raymond Ackerman Rev. George Walsh Rev. George Knippen Rev. Robert Mockenhaupt Rev. Kenneth Borchardt Rev. John Lydon

Mr. James Sovenic	Mrs. Irene Wilson
Mr. John Sovenic	Miss Veronica Walsh
*Mr. Walter Dienes	Miss Betty Jane Dyer
Mr. Joseph Dougherty	Miss Dorothea Brodbeck
Mr. Herman Pedtke	Miss Marie Beecher
Mr. Will Kohner	Miss Adrienne Dowd
Mr. Herman Wiegman	Mrs. Irma Weiman
Mr. Volker Marschall	Mrs. Ursula Randall
Mr. Theodore V. Kundrat	Miss Dorothy Driskell
Mr. Stanley Micus	Miss Betty Smith
Mr. Villik Patmagrian	Mrs. Gladys Bon Davis
	Mrs. Elsa Brown
Miss Bernardine Hayes	Mrs. Marie Lenartz
Miss Dorothy Wind	Miss Jean Winandy

"They that instruct many to justice shall shine as the stars of heaven for all eternity." (Dan. 12:3)

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Religious Vocations from Our Parish

(Listed by Year of Ordination)

PRIESTS

Rev. Louis J. Brand, C.SS.R.	1908	(sick leave)
*Rev. Francis J. Huppertz	1915	
Rev. Herbert H. Seifert, C.SS.R.	1916	(Kirkwood, Missouri)
*Rev. John J. Schiller	1917	
*Rev. Francis D. Mueller	1919	
Rev. Joachim Daleiden, O.F.M.	1930	(Chicago)
Rev. Nicholas H. Mann, S.J.	1930	(Cincinnati, Ohio)
Rev. John Treinen, C.SS.R.	1930	(DeSoto, Missouri)
*Rev. Nicholas Thiry	1932	
Rev. Frederick H.Mann, C.SS.R	. 1932	(Denver, Colorado)
Rev. Francis Niesen	1933	(Kokomo, Indiana)
Rev. Louis Lynch	1933	(Cherokee, Iowa)
Rev. Herbert Boesen	1935	(Wilmette, Illinois)
Rev. Francis Reinberg	1935	(SantaFe, NewMexico)
Rev. George T. Meagher, C.S.V.	1935	(Donaldson, Indiana)
Rev. Aloysius Hinterberger	1936	(Chicago)
Rev. Jordan Schell, O.F.M.	1936	(Memphis. Tennessee)
Rev. Anthony Gendusa, M.S.C.	1939	(New Zealand)
Rev. Francis Spellman	1940	(Chicago)
Rev. Alcuin Mueller, O.S.B.	1942	(Peru, Illinois)
Rev. Richard Brand, S.M.	1942	(San Antonio, Texas)
Rev. Arthur F. Krueger	1947	(Chicago)
Rev. Jerome J. Hartmann	1947	(Chicago)
Rev. Joseph N. Miller	1948	(Iron River, Wisconsin)
Rev. Philip T. Wild	1948	(Chicago)
Rev. Joseph Mann, S.J.	1948	(India)
Rev. Edward Mann, Ś.J.	1948	(India)
*Deceased		

Rev. Howard J. Sturm 1950 (Des Plaines, Illinois) Rev. James Roeske, S.D.S 1950 (Milwaukee, Wisc.) 1952 Rev. Edward J. Kern, C.SS.R. (Brazil) 1952 Rev. Richard G. Thiesen (Chicago) 1952 Rev. Thomas M. Ryan (Quincy, Illinois) 1954 Rev. George Helfrich (Chicago) Rev. Thomas Markos, C.S.C. 1954 (Notre Dame, Indiana)

BROTHERS

Brother L. Edwin, F.S.C. (Joseph Burch) Brother Vincent, S.M. (Vincent Brand) Brother Herman George, F.S.C. (Gary Fowley) Brother Terence, O.F.M. (Darrell Randolph)

SEMINARIANS

Rev. Mr. Joseph Cahill, S.J.
Richard Dahl, C.S.P.
Gordon Gerbec
James Rothfuchs

Timothy Madden, C.M.
Gerald Scanlan
Robert Hinterberger
Robert Kessler

Robert Kirk Charles Osweiler Clement Stegman Robert Shearin

SISTERS Sisters of Christian Charity

Sister Teresita Back Sister Charlene Baller Sister Eunice Baller Sister Mary Terese Becker Sister Mathildis Brucks Sister Peter Connolly Sister Mary Henry Cornille Sister Lawrentia Daleiden Sister Teresilda Daleiden Sister Emildis Gillen Sister Mariette Gillen Sister Elaine Grezlik Sister Gregory Grezlik
Sister Mariata Hartmann
Sister Charles Lang
Sister Lillian Lang
Sister Marisstella Larsen
Sister Antona Rauch
Sister Marguerita Seifert
Sister Victorine Thiry
Postulants
Marianne Gheysen
Marianne Randolph
Jean Winandy

Other Communities

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> Postulant Ruth Nowicki, C.R.

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(non-parishioners)

PRIESTS

Rev. Byron Day, C.SS.R.
Rev. Robert Schleiter ordained 1954
Rev. Joseph Klawitter ordained 1954

SEMINARIANS

George Peyovich Joseph Baughman Robert Bonovich Daniel Riordan John G. Ryan

(Capuchins) (Benedictines) (Home Missioners of

(Home Missioners of America)

(Viatorians)

(Oblates of Mary Immaculate)

SISTERS

Sister Margaret Berkel, S.C.C. Sister Christella Carbaugh, S.C.C. Sister M. Lourdes Creedan, C.S.J. Sister Clarette Daleiden, S.C.C. Sister Madonna Heidemann, C.S.J. Sister Tarcisia Horan, S.C.C. Sister Assumpta Jensen, S.C.C. Sister Marette Kearney, O.S.F. Sister Rosetta Krieter, S.C.C. Sister Noella Mammoser, O.S.F. Sister Winifred O'Donnell, O.P. Sister Marianita Streff, S.C.C.

Postulants Catherine Houlihan, S.C.C. Betty Moore, S.C.C. Joan Schroeder, O.P. Mary Ann Warwick, S.C.C.

"Everyone who has left house, or brothers, or sisters, or father or mother . . . for my name's sake shall receive a hundredfold, and shall possess life everlasting." (Natt. 19:29)

OUR GOLD STAR SERVICEMEN

WORLD WAR I - None

WORLD WAR II

Private Joseph C. Bleffer
Sergeant John J. Deutsch
Private William E. Donovan
Sergeant George Ebinger
Seaman 1st Class William J. Elenz
Private 1st Class Vincent W. Gengler
Lieutenant James Edward Hansen
Private Reinhold R. Jacobs

Lieutenant Jerome A. Juhnke Ensign Leonard A. Koshiol Private Robert J. McCauley 1st Lieut. Joseph Thomas Schouten Corporal James Ward Captain Jack T. Laffey Private Carl W. Wortman

KOREAN WAR

Private 1st Class Anton J. Freer

"Greater love than this no man hath that a man lay down his life for his friends." (John 15:13)



IN MEMORIAM

Recalling the fifty years of St. Gregory's Parish, we pause in prayerful memory of so many who built so well what we have inherited.

The following names come to our mind. They should be listed, as no doubt should many others known to God alone.

Edward B. Arend, Sr.

Curil Arend

Mr. and Mrs. Philip Atz

Charles Beckman

Regina Beckman

Marie Bedessem

Nicholas Bedessem

Mrs. Margaret Berg

Elizabeth Bergbretter

Mr. and Mrs. Alois Biron

Mary Birren

Mrs. Catherine Bour

Mrs. Caroline Brand

Joseph A. Brand

Mr. and Mrs. Brownlee

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Brummel

George and Anna Brunfleck

Joseph Brunner

Raymond Brunner

John and Hannah Clark

George W. Cleary

Henry and Rosalie Dahm

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Daleiden

Mr. and Mrs. Peter J. Eifel

Mr. and Mrs. Felix Enderlin

Alphonse Even

Mr. and Mrs. Matt Evert

John and Katherine Feid

Nicklaus and Mary Feipel

Mr. and Mrs. John Fichter, Sr.

Edmund Joseph Frederick

Ruth Helen Frederick

Mrs. Barbara Frost

Mrs. Furth

Philip C. Geimer

Mr. and Mrs. A. Grezlik

Christian J. Gillen

Joseph Gillen

Peter Gillen

Mrs. Catherine Gross

Mrs. Margaret Hansen

Mary Hansen

Mrs. Elizabeth Harasek

Joseph M. Hartmann

Frederick M. Havden

Harold R. Hazleton

Joseph F. Hein

Mr. and Mrs. John Hellgeth

Mrs. Nora J. Hennelly

Ferdinand Heyd

George Hinterberger

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Hirschler

Mrs. Mollie Hoos

Mr. and Mrs. Anton Hunsdorfer

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Jagau

Mrs. Elizabeth Judge

Peter A. Kaufmann

Elizabeth Kaufmann

Rose Kaufmann

Mr. and Mrs. Peter N. Kauss

William P. Kerstein

Miss Elizabeth Klasen

Mrs. Ursula Klasen

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph A. Klein

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Knapp

John and Barbara Knippel

Michael Koch

Mr. and Mrs. Val Koshiol

Mr. and Mrs. Nicholas Kransz

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Kransz

Anton and Gertrude Kriesand Mrs. Caroline Kronenberger

Mrs. Juliana Krueger Mr. and Mrs. Paul Krueger

Mr. and Mrs. Philip Kurtzeborn, Sr.

Joseph La Plume

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Lay

Mrs. Lahr

Mary Magdalena Lang Nicholas Ledenbach

Ernest J. Lee

Mrs. Virginia Lowry Mr. and Mrs. Matt Mann

Nicholas Mann

Matthew Manternach

Mr. and Mrs. Michael Marson

John and Anna Mertz Otto and Mary Meyers

Mr. and Mrs. Nicholas Miller Mr. and Mrs. Nicholas Miller, Jr.

Edward F. Niesen

John and Angela Nussbaum

James J. O'Grady Peter Olinger

Mrs. Catherine Olinger

Mrs. Olker

Mr. and Mrs. James Patton

Martin Patton

William and Josephine Pohlman

George Reinberg Mrs. Mary Reinberg

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Reinberg

Mrs. Frances Ritt

E. Roder

Herman Schell Mary Ellen Schergen Charles Schiller

Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Schlitt Peter and Anne Schockweiler

John Schockweiler William Schockweiler Matthias Schweich Peter Schweisthal

Herbert and Katherine Seifert Mr. and Mrs. John H. Semerau

Mrs. Agatha Sieben

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Simon

James M. Sparks
Patrick Spellman
Mrs. Frances Stalder
Mrs. Louise Stiefel
Mrs. Elizabeth Stuermer
William G. Sturm
Henry E. Sullivan

Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Sullivan

Mrs. Helen Teister Stephen J. Terlecke William Terwilliger

Mrs. Theisen

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Theisen

J. L. Theisen

Mr. and Mrs. Nicholas Thiry

Ramona Tufo Edward Vanderkooi Mrs. Vanderkooi

George and Grace Ver Halen William and Catherine Ver Halen

Mrs. Honore Waldron

Mrs. Walsdorf Roman Waymel Mrs. Charlotte Weber Frank Wendemuth

Mr. and Mrs. Dominic Werne

Mrs. Stella Wheeler Joseph Windbiel

Mrs. Caroline Margaret Wunsch

Mr. and Mrs. John Zech Mr. and Mrs. Henry A. Zender Lorenz and Mary Zender

Anthony Zieske Mrs. Margaret Zieske

[&]quot;Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord for their works follow them."

The Men Who Built and Equipped Our Parish Buildings

FRANK BURKE & SON, General Contractors, of 35 South Dearborn Street, Chicago, built the recently completed St. Gregory High School. A firm of widespread experience in constructing archdiocesan buildings. Burke & Son completed the job in record time. Despite a delay caused by a plumbers' strike, the building was entirely finished weeks ahead of schedule. Erecting a building like this, surrounded by twelve hundred school children is difficult but it was done with no appreciable disturbance of the busy school and parish routine. Every safety measure was scrupulously observed. The new St. Gregory High School stands ready for dedication today, another monument to the work of Burke & Son, General Contractors.

THE CASEY ELECTRIC SERVICE CO. of 1534 West Lake Street, Chicago, did the extensive electrical work here at St. Gregory's in recent years. They were asked to solve a chronic complaint of our people — the darkness of our Church. The solution, a lighting system harmoniously attuned to the artistic atmosphere of our Church, concealing completely the P.A. system and yet affording the needed amount of light for even close reading, was the work of their firm. Also entrusted with all the electric work in our new high school, the Casey electricians have now completed their extensive work there also. Both Church and high school are examples of the workmanship of the Casey Electric Service Company, all done, of course, at the lowest competitive bid of many companies contacted.

COMMONWEALTH PLUMBING CO. was awarded the large contract covering the work in the new St. Gregory High School just built. (see page 67). This well-known firm is located at 5910 North Western Avenue, Chicago. The specifications of this building called for many extensive student lavatories, six faculty lounges, and a lavishly equipped kitchen. The plumbing fixtures as well as all other work had to be of the best. Besides that there was a severe local problem of difficult water drainage after quick and heavy rainstorms. After all the plumbing contractors had submitted their bids, the Chancery Office awarded this large contract to the Commonwealth Company which fulfilled each specification. The new high school's plumbing facilities are a graphic example of the work of this firm.

THE DOOLCO COMPANY of 54 West Jackson Boulevard, Chicago, received the sub-contract to do all the interior painting of our new high school building. The planning and execution of this important phase of the new school's construction was put entirely into the hands of this company. From the striking colors of the circular three-story entrance stair well to the smallest faculty lounge, everything required real craftsmanship. Each class room has its own eye resting color combination and yet the entire building is a well integrated whole. Cheerful and yet in keeping with its serious purpose, the interior atmosphere of the new St. Gregory's High School is largely due to the work of the Doolco Company.

GAST MONUMENTS, INC., of 4806-10 North Clark Street, Chicago, designed, executed and erected the striking wayside shrine of Christ and the children pictured on page 133. As is commonplace in Europe, this shrine on Ashland Avenue beside our Gymnasium will also invite the passerby to pause, reflect and offer to God all his actions of the day. Designed by Bert J. Gast, this stately alto-relief carving was done in Barre, Vermont granite by the gifted sculptor Orazio Marselli. The entrance of our new high school has also been enhanced with the work of the Gast Company in the beautiful marble crucifix erected there as a memorial to the late Father Haungs of our high school staff. Of contrasting black and gold and white marble with a bronze figure of Our Lord, this memorial is a gift of the Class of 1953.

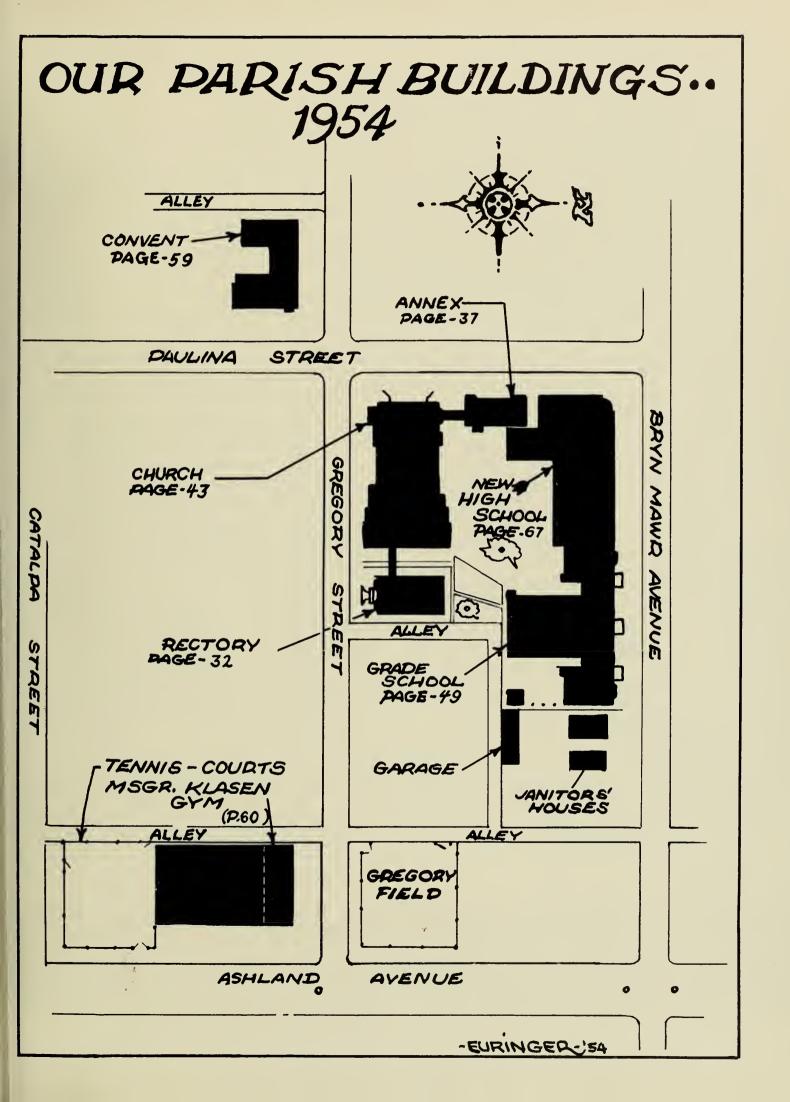
GOTTARDO AND WAGNER, interior decorators, did all the interior painting and decorating in our convent and gymnasium buildings upon their completion in 1949. The convent especially involved much planning and tedious work since there are so many small rooms. Each sister lives in a well appointed, individually styled room. The color combinations vary. Much of the exterior painting on the other parish buildings was later awarded to this company too, as well as the side chapels above the sanctuary in church. This firm which has done an impressive amount of institutional decorating here in Chicago has its offices at 2459 Fillmore Street, Chicago.

THE L. & M. LANDSCAPING CO. of 1733 No. Merrimac Avenue, Chicago, were given the task of restoring the former beauty of our parish grounds after the building operations ceased and of planning the landscaping of our new high school and our outdoor shrine this year. An underground automatic sprinkling system of the entire parish property was installed. The lawns were all newly sodded, new shrubbery was planted throughout and attractive trees were properly placed. Maintaining attractive grounds is a difficult task with the thousands of parishioners and school children milling about, but with nearly constant building projects it becomes doubly hard. The appearance of our property today is to a large extent the accomplishment of the L. & M. Company.

MICHUDA BROS. CONSTRUCTION CO. of 11350 South Michigan Avenue, Chicago, was awarded the general contracting work by competitive bids when the St. Gregory Gymnasium and Convent were built in 1947. Since both buildings were under construction at the same time almost a block apart, much of the heavy machinery and many of the workers could be quickly transferred from one site to the other, thus expediting the whole project and cutting costs at the same time. These two buildings were erected in the post-war period when there were so many shortages of vital materials, as well as of skilled workers. Despite all these handicaps both buildings were built in good time. The work of Michuda Brothers Company is pictured on pages 59 and 60.

- THE NATIONAL DECORATING SERVICE. Hart Brothers system, of 4035-37 South Michigan Avenue, Chicago, are noted for their work in decorating scores of churches and institutions throughout Chicagoland. When so much redecorating had to be done here at St. Gregory's, the Pastor consequently turned to this experienced firm. The delicately artistic interior of St. Gregory Church was completely restored and enhanced by National Decorating Service. Then there was the convent chapel which had not been fittingly decorated since its completion in 1949, and finally the rectory was entirely redecorated in preparation for the Golden Jubilee year. All of this work, so varied and demanding, was completed with the least disturbance in the regular parish schedule. It is a good example of the work of the National Decorating Service of Chicago.
- GEORGE STANISLAUS SMITH, A.I.A., of 2105 East 71st Street, Chicago, was chosen by Monsignor Terlecke to design our Gymnasium and Convent in 1947 and again to plan our new high school building in 1953. Mr. Smith was also the architect for such recent churches as St. Leonard's in Berwyn and St. Mary Magdalene, Chicago. Our convent comprising fifty individual bed rooms besides the chapel and other community rooms is pictured on page 59. Klasen Memorial Gymnasium, which also includes six class rooms and several halls appears on page 60. It was on the basis of this work and that done by Mr. Smith in the former parish of Monsignor Terlecke that this architect was chosen to design our new high school, see page 67. This building is a good example of the school planning of George S. Smith, A.I.A.
- K. M. VITZTHUM and J. J. BURNS, Associated Architects, of 1 North La Salle Street, Chicago, designed our parish school in 1935. See pages 48 and 49 of Historical Section. They were also the architects of the recently completed St. Peter's Church in Chicago's Loop. St Gregory School is a large T shaped building. 172 feet by 120 feet of face brick lavishly trimmed in Bedford stone. It comprises nineteen large class rooms, library, two assembly halls, clinic, offices, lounges, boiler room and lavatories. After nearly twenty years of constant use this building still impresses any visitor as a "new school" with its modern appointments, terrazo floors, tiled corridors, recessed lockers and cabinets, indirect lighting, lavish fenestration etc. Completed in 1937 this school is still perhaps the most attractive, complete parish school on the north side.
- WACHOLZ HEATING CO, was awarded the heating and piping contracts by competitive bid when we built our gymnasium and convent seven years ago and again two years ago when the new high school was begun. The steady, even heat needed by hundreds of small school children as well as the distance between the various old and new structures in the parish plant posed some rather difficult problems. The older heating systems had to be worked in with the new to establish some kind of uniformity in this essential area of parish maintenance. The Chancery Office therefore showed great confidence in this veteran firm when they were chosen for both these contracts. The Wacholz Co. maintains its offices at 3133 N. Cicero Ave. here in Chicago.

The firms listed on pages 76, 77 and 78 bore a large share of the cost of printing this book.





"We, the many, are one body i



hrist, members of one another"



OUR PARISH - AT CHURCH

OUR CHURCH - ITS BEAUTY

Every Sunday morning the voice of the Lord thunders through the quiet, tree-lined streets of our parish. His voice is haunting, melodious, booming — the many-toned voice of God ringing forth in the bells of St. Gregory. Beloved of all our people, the six pealing bells of our church echo prayer and thanksgiving in the Christian soul. They recall his mind from the rumbling machines, the clink of coins, the smoking stacks of industry and commerce to Him who repeats "not by bread alone doth man live." How truly does holy Church in her blessing of bells call them the voice of God.

The voice of God rings out in St. Gregory's, and it is heard. Thousands of parishioners arise at His call to praise their Lord and God on this His day. They hurry on to this tabernacle among men, their parish church. Smaller than many a great city church, St. Gregory's is hidden away on the quiet corner of two little-traveled side streets. So it is that you come upon it all of a sudden as it were. One's eye is caught up immdiately by the sweep of the majestic bell tower, tapering from its massive base on up to the delicate pinnacle, pointing up, up to God.

Arriving at church our people find not a cathedral-like edifice with a grandiose facade. Instead there is the inviting, devotional entrance to their parish church. Strikingly beautiful in its serene, simple lines, St. Gregory's seems so homelike to its people. And so it should be, for this is their Father's house.

Surely the Lord is in this place . . . his is none other than the House of od and the Gate of Heaven." (Gen. 28:16)





Once within its chastely white doors our parishioners sink instinctively to their knees in the presence of their Eucharistic Lord. Everywhere about them there is the atmosphere, the feel of prayer. Everything raises the mind and heart to God. It is all one harmonious whole, a symphony of line and mass and color. There is the tempered brilliance of stained glass, the richness of highly carved wood, the soaring, multicolored, wood-trussed ceiling, the touching plaintive beauty of the holy rood, the solidity of the massive stone pillars marching solemnly up to the sanctuary, the delicate tracery of the white stone altar, the strong-visaged statue of Our King. There is so much, but it all blends into a prayer, a prayer frozen into solid, lasting stone.

St. Gregory's is truly a devotional church, a house of prayer, a parish church in the best sense of the word. In his masterful eulogy over the builder of our church, Cardinal Stritch expressed it so: "Monsignor Klasen had an ambition to build for his people a beautiful parish church, a church that would be reminiscent of the finest things in church architecture in Europe. It was to be a church that would not

be done after the style of any church in the New World. He picked up elements here and there and put them together into an integrated whole, which he did well. It took him a long time to achieve and it cost him much patience. Sometimes he was not understood and sometimes the greatness of the thing he was doing was not appreciated, but through the years he worked to give his parish and the Archdiocese of Chicago this outstanding, beautiful, artistic parish church. Succeeding generations will come here to admire it. Perhaps it is most admired by those who live outside the parish. It is an artistic gem. It is a worthy offering of a priestly priest to his blessed Master. If he had done nothing else, this would have been a great achievement."

A short pictorial tour of St. Gregory's Church will explain more graphically than any words just what His Eminence meant.

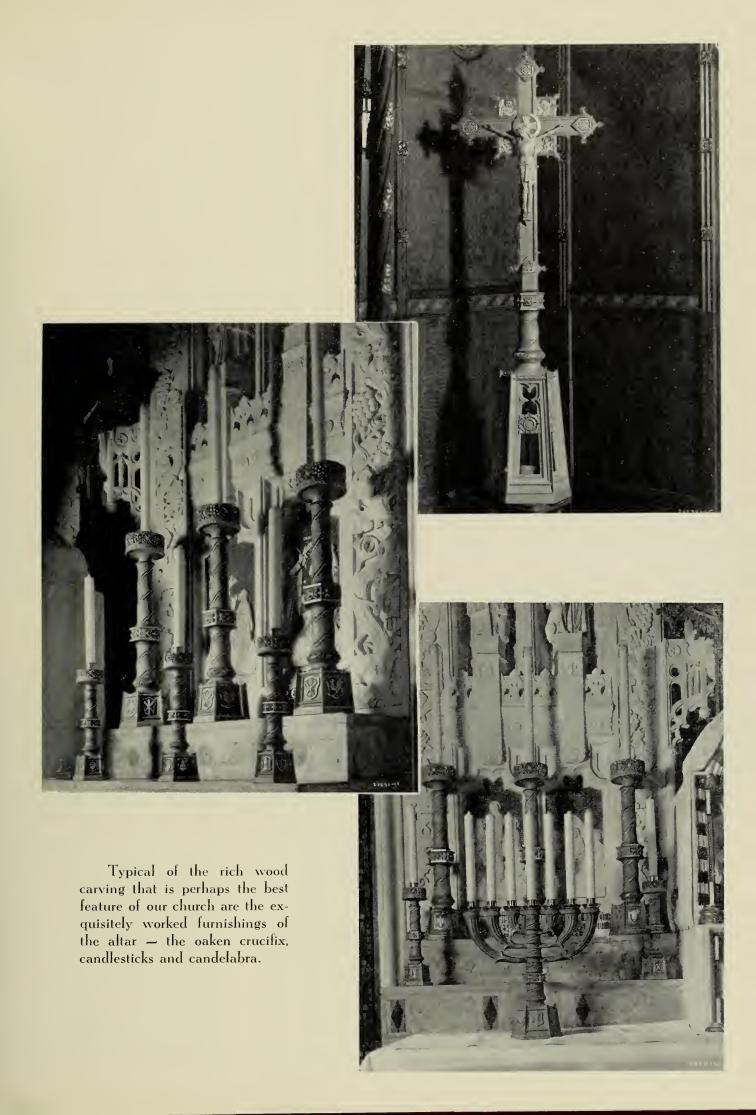
The sanctuary, the focal point of "the Church beautiful", is dominated by the towering white altar. A fitting throne for Christ, Our King, the altar table is of Rosatto marble while the superstructure or reredos is of highly carved Caen stone. The great central statue is that of Christ, the King. The four other statues represent, from left to right: St. Augustine the illustrious theologian, St. Jerome the famous Scripture scholar, St. Ambrose the holy Bishop of Milan and finally St. Gregory the Great, Pope and patron of our church.





Studying the altar in more detail we notice many things — the intricately wrought vine frieze framing the entire reredos, the colorful mosaic panels of the Old Testament sacrifices, but especially the massive double tabernacle. Masterfully modeled in the thick brass doors are the figures of two harts drinking from the fountain of life whence also springs forth the tree of life bearing rich fruit in its branches. "As the hart panteth after the fountains of water; so my soul panteth after thee, O God." (Ps. 41)





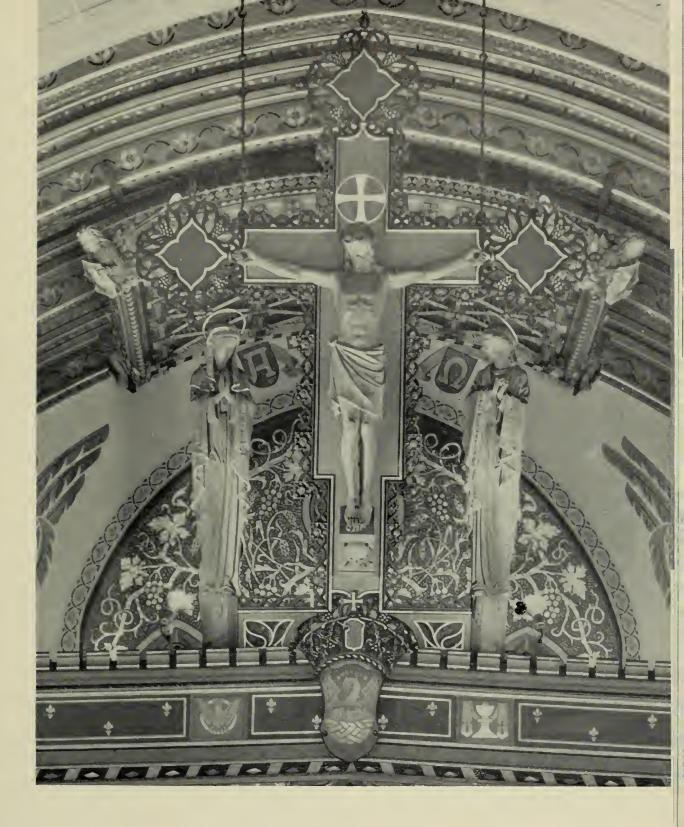
Richly varied altar hangings are another distinction of our sanctuary. The loving work of our own hands in great part, our antependia, tabernacle veils, linens and even some vestments are sewn by the ladies of our Altar Society. Such original needlework as the wedding set has attracted city-wide attention.

Our sanctuary is further graced by the best in handcarved oak furniture. There are the credence table, the sedilia, the choir stalls, but the lectern and the pulpit are truly masterpieces of the craftsman's art. Reserved for great feasts and other solemn occasions, the pulpit is an example of truly remarkable filigree wood carving. Bearing statues of the four Evangelists and the great preachers of the Church, our pulpit is a sermon in itself. At its crown is the text carved in gold, "Blessed are they who hear the Word of God and keep it."



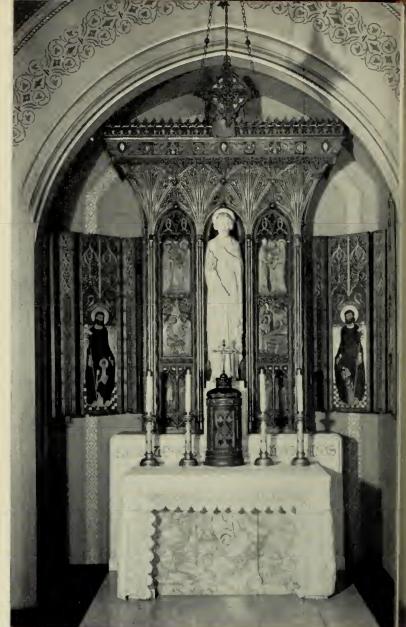






High in the lofty reaches of the ceiling and crowning the entire sanctuary stands the Holy Rood. This beautiful symbol of our redemption recalls to Christian souls what is accomplished in this, our sanctuary. For here the Sacrifice of the Body and Blood of Christ is prolonged into space and time in the mystery of faith, Holy Mass. "For as often as you eat this Bread and drink this Chalice, you shall show the death of the Lord until He come." (1 Cor. 11:26)





Flanking the sanctuary on both sides are the side altars. Matching triptychs, both Our Lady's and St. Joseph's altars have beautiful carvings and paintings of the principal mysteries of their holy lives. The Chicago Art Institute singled out these paintings for a special exhibition several years ago. Worthy of special attention also is the massive bronze repository on Our Lady's Altar, used for the Holy Thursday adoration. Especially interesting, too, is the fact that during passiontide the side panels of both altars are folded in, completely covering the reredos.





Built into the walls next to both side altars are two more distinctive features of our parish church. On Christmas Eve, the folding doors are simply opened and there in all its soul-stirring beauty is the nativity scene vividly reproduced in faultless wood carvings.



Similarly after the Mass of the Presanctified on Good Friday the doors next to St. Joseph's altar are thrown open and one falls to his knees before the sorrowful scene of Christ in the tomb. At the climax of the Easter vigil service, early on Easter Sunday morning the tomb is closed for another year. Both the crib and the tomb have drawn hundreds of Christians to "the Church beautiful" for their Holy Day Devotions.

THE SHRINES

In every corner of our Church there is something to increase the love of God in the hearts of His people. A visitor slipping into St. Gregory's on a Sunday evening finds hundreds of silently eloquent votive candles flickering before the many shrines tucked away along the church walls. Each candle tells us of a prayer, the prayer of some parishioner who knelt for a moment in simple, quiet devotion at some favorite shrine of Our Lord, Our Lady or one of the saints.

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Dedicated to the burning love of Christ, Whose Heart was pierced for love of us, is the beautiful shrine of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Strong and bold, the oil painting of the Sacred Heart was executed especially for our Church. Among the profound thoughts carved into the wood of this shrine is this line from the Breviary comparing Our Lord with Adam from whose side Eve was born. "From out that opened Heart was born Holy Church, the Bride of Christ."



There is also the shrine of Our Lady of Perpetual Help encasing an ancient copy of the celebrated original in Rome. Framing this central picture are small oil paintings of the famed Marian shrines the world over: — Lourdes, Kavelar, Loretto, Aberdeen, Gaudalupe and Czestochowa.

Our Lady, of all the saints, is of course first in the Catholic heart and so too hers are the principal shrines. The most exquisite perhaps of all the furnishings

of our Church is the shrine of Our Sorrowful Mother, the only Pieta of its kind in the world. Our Lord broken in death, Our Lady noble and strong in suffering, the angels their faces lined with shock and grief—all this overshadowed by the great oaken cross, blend into a scene of truly soul-wrenching pathos.

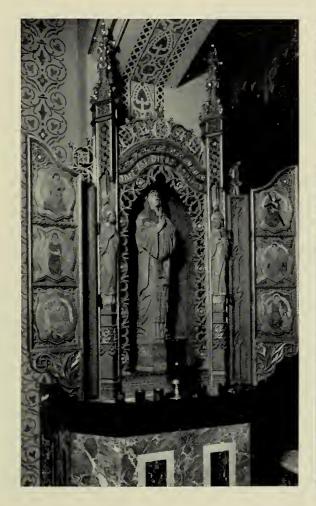




Of striking artistry also is the shrine of the Poor Souls in Purgatory where we pause and pray for the souls in purgatory after the words of Holy Scripture, "It is a holy and wholesome thought to pray for the dead, that they may be loosed from their sins."

(2 Mach. 12:46)

Twin shrines, those of St. Theresa and of the beloved St. Anthony, are magnificent hand carved triptychs. Note especially the "serenity of the saints" so strikingly evident in both these statues.











The smallest of our shrines finally are those of St. Michael, St. Jude, the Holy Face of Jesus, and the Infant of Prague — all worthy of more lavish description and veneration than can be given here.

Other Features of Our Church





The Way of the Cross has been a devotion dear to the Christian soul since the days when His own apostles retraced the blood-stained footsteps of the Lord in the Via Dolorosa. In St. Gregory's Church this age-old prayer should be especially beloved, for the intricately carved stations of the cross so masterful in their simplicity are indeed a powerful help to fruitful meditation on Our Lord's sacred passion.

Traditionally a notable feature of Gothic churches. St. Gregory's stained glass is especially worthy of study. Completed over many years these jewel glass windows are certainly among the best in the city. A truly complete summary of our Holy Faith could be learned from a thorough study of our windows. The seven sacraments are represented in the large side windows. High above them are the smaller clerestory windows depicting many of the patriarchs and prophets of the Old Law. The great rear windows above the choir loft are glorious images of the patrons of holy music - our own Gregory the Great. St. Cecilia, and David, the royal psalmist. The many other windows picture various parables and saints of Our Lord. No picture, however detailed and perfect, could adequately describe the windows of our church on a a sunny afternoon. They must be seen.







The mighty organ of St. Gregory is a great three manual instrument sounding from three distinct parts of the gallery besides the echo organ sounding from a chapel above the sanctuary. The organ chambers are all concealed by flamboyantly carved wooden screens. These polychromed carvings create the impression of waves of sacred music ascending majestically to God.

Beneath the choir loft recessed into the walls are the confessionals. Roomy, soundproof, they are expertly designed as a perfect setting for the Sacred Tribunal of Divine Mercy. Their doors are tastefully carved and significantly crowned with an appropriate biblical text. Note also the small stained glass windows portraying the return of the prodigal son to his merciful father in Our Lord's touching parable.





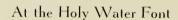
The vestments so rich and varied, the sacred vessels, the fine linens, the artistic processional crosses and torches — these and so many other furnishings are also distinctive features of perhaps the best equipped church in this area. Only an occasional visitor appreciates the magnificence of it all. Most of these trappings of Christ Our King are kept in the two large sacristies opening into the sanctuary proper. And yet there is about these rooms also the atmosphere of a warmly devotional chapel, never that of a store room. Here our priests kneel in preparation for the Holy Sacrifice. Here they pray with full priestly hearts, "How lovely are thy tabernacles, O Lord of hosts! My soul longeth and fainteth for the courts of the Lord . ." (Ps. 22)



And so it is wherever you look — that same warm, devotional atmosphere of a beloved parish church. Not only in the sacristies but even in the small side entrances, in the stairways to the choir loft, in the rear vestibules, one's mind is caught up to God. An appropriate phrase from Holy Scripture will put just the proper thought into your mind at just the right time. Everywhere there is prayer.

Entering the Front Door







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On the Way Up to the Choir Loft



Leaving by the Rear Door



"A medieval gem in a modern setting." So the late Cardinal Mundelein termed our Church. May this short pictorial tour of our beloved St. Gregory's be just the introduction to a longer, more fruitful acquaintance with our parish church, its beauties and the mysteries it houses. May we repeat again the words of its revered builder: "The Church beautiful, having spread its glories before you, hopes that within its portals you have found a reawakened inspiration and peace; that there has been instilled within you a renewed interest in things sacred; that you have found in yourself a new, a burning thirst for greater knowledge of its mysteries; that you have become aroused to draw closer to God — if it has accomplished any of these ends, then its mission has been fulfilled and all its beauties have been well bestowed."

"I have loved, O Lord, the beauty of Thy house and the place where Thy glory dwells." (Ps. 25:8)

OUR CHURCH - ITS MEANING

These artistic features of our parish Church are dear to our hearts indeed. They are impressive, perhaps even more so to the occasional visitor who loves sacred art. But this Church has left deeper memories, more stirring loves in our hearts. For to us, the priests and people of St. Gregory's, our parish church recalls all those unforgettable things of life, the God-given moments when our souls lived more and more in God. For to us this beautiful, artistic Church is so much more. For us this is truly "the house of God and gate of heaven".

We recall how our little ones are "born again of water and the Holy Spirit", (Jn. 3:5) born from the spotless womb of Mother Church, the baptismal font. "One Lord, one faith, one baptism." (Eph. 4:5)





Can we ever forget how that life of God in our souls is nourished again and again by the Bread of Angels at the Holy Table of our parish Church? "Who eats my Flesh and drinks my Blood has everlasting life in him, and I will raise him up on the last day." (Jn. 6:55)







And there was the glorious day too when we were confirmed . . . , when the Bishop just as Peter and John in the infant Church laid hands upon us and we received the Holy Spirit. (Acts 8:14-17)



So often, too, we relive in our minds the poignant memories of the many, many times we knelt at the feet of Our Lord, confessing our sins as did the Magdalene, and hearing from His lips as clearly as did she "Thy sins are forgiven." (Luke 7:49) For in the confessional we know in very truth the forgiveness of Christ by virtue of that priestly power He handed down even till now, "Whose sins you shall forgive, they are forgiven them. Whose sins you shall retain, they are retained." (Jn. 20:23)



For us our Church is alive with so many more memories — those unforget-table days when one of our sons returned as another Christ, a priest of God with those blessed words ringing in his ears, "As the Father sent me, I now send you. . . Going therefore teach all nations, teaching them whatever I have commanded you." (Jn. 20:23)





There were, too, those happy days when our young people married in Christ. Receiving the Holy Sacrament of marriage they walked down our middle aisle into the sacred vocation of Catholic family life—one for life. "For what God hath joined together, let no man put assunder." (Matt. 19:7) "This is a great Sacrament—in Christ and His Church" (Eph. 5:32)

So many, many memories there are — Sunday mornings at Holy Mass, all of us praying and singing together the way we love so well at St. Gregory's; — our father in Christ, the priest, standing there in the middle aisle leading us in the prayers and hymns of Holy Mass, helping us join our voices with that of Christ in His sacrifice — the awesome, silent moment when Christ Himself offers His Body and Blood. "This is my Body. This is my Blood. Do this in memory of me." (Luke 22:19-20)



Quiet visits with Him there were, too. "Come aside and rest awhile." (Mark 6:31)





There were the triumphant processions midst music and pageantry as on the road to Jerusalem that first Palm Sunday.



There was the sorrowful following of Him on the Way of the Cross. "If you will be my disciple, take up your cross and come, follow me." (Mark 8:34)

We recall how we sat and heard Him preaching again the eternal gospel through the ever-living voice of His Church. "Heaven and earth will pass away. My words shall not pass away." (Luke 21:33)





We remember the solemn stillness of Good Friday as we kiss His Cross. "We adore Tree O Christ and we bless Thee, because by Thy holy cross, Thou hast redeemed the world."

The hushed church waiting for the moment of Resurrection in the beautiful Easter Vigil Holy Saturday night . . .

The triumphant Gospel of Easter "He is risen, Alleluja!"





He blessed us too as He blessed the people of Galilee.



There was also the time when His healing hands lay on the fevered brow of our sick as they did in Galilee. "Is any man sick among you, let him call in the priests of the Church. Let them pray over him anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord." (Jas. 5:14)

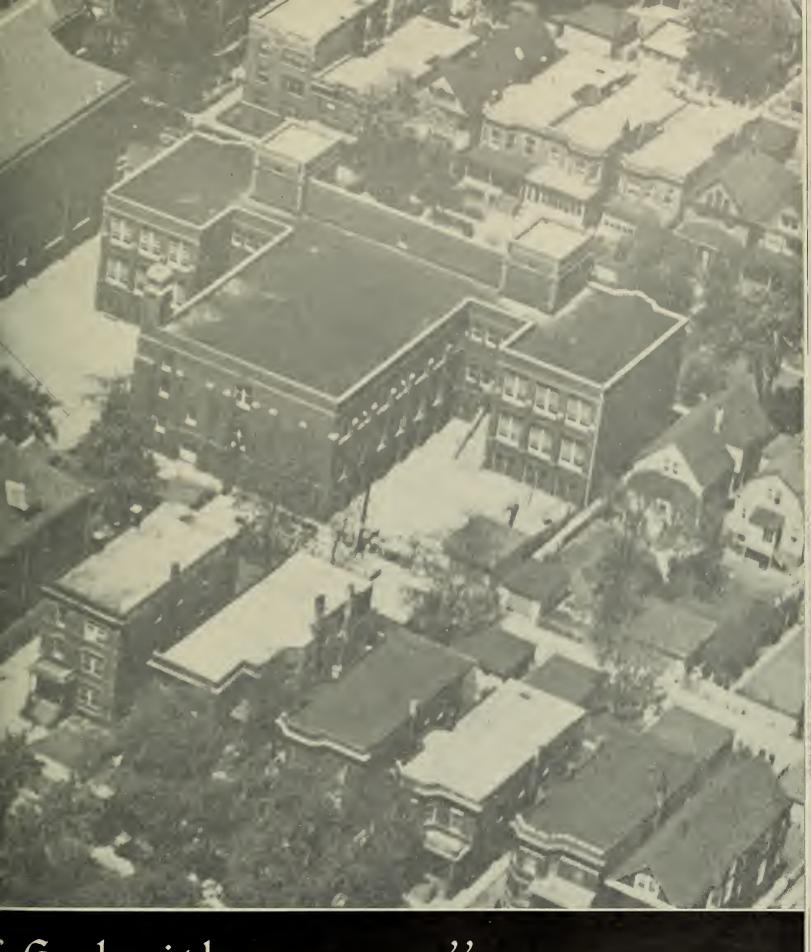
"And Jesus wept" as He stood at the tomb of his friend Lazarus. We have felt His sympathy, too, in His words of the Funeral Mass, "I am the Resurrection and the life. He who believes in me even though he be dead, shall live. And everyone who lives and believes in me shall not die forever." (Jn. 11:25, 26)



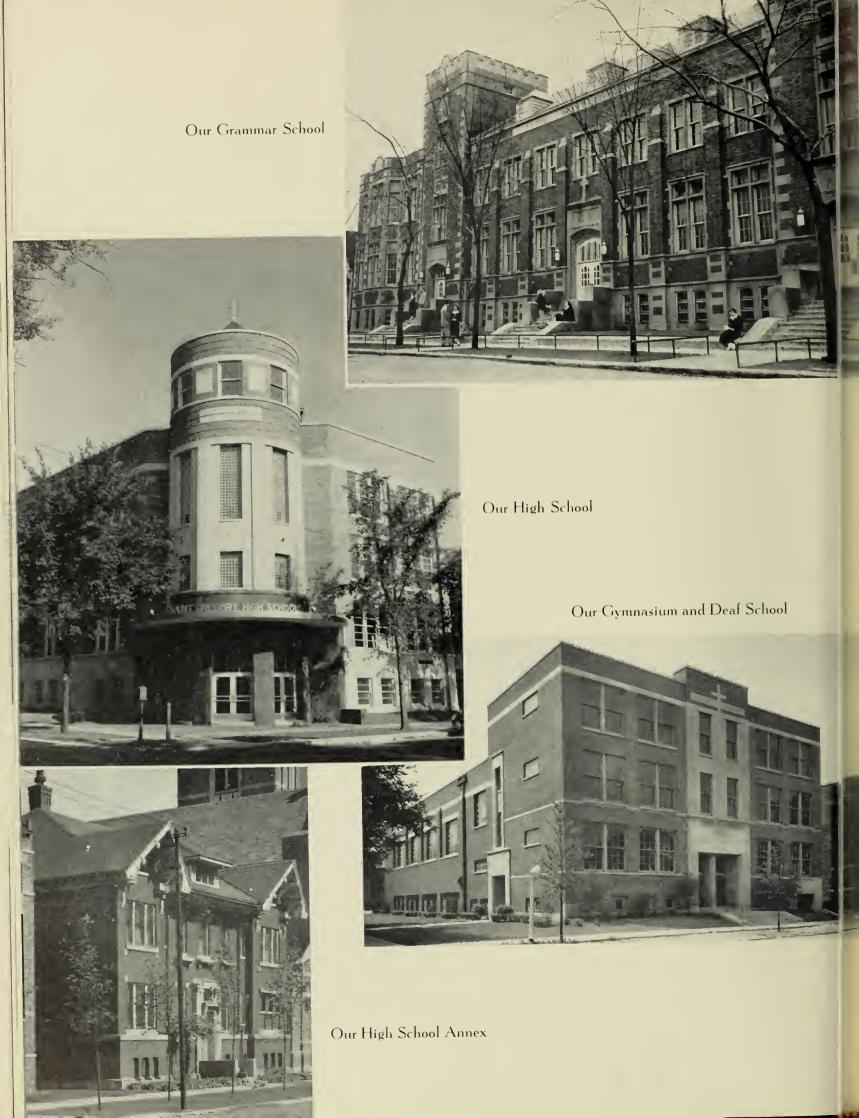
All these things our beloved parish church means to us. It means Him Who is at our side from infancy to death, from the first moment when we were born again to newness of life until the moment when our life is changed, not taken away. Our parish church — to us it means just one thing, it means all things, it means Jesus.



"Behold the dwelling



God with men . . . "



OUR PARISH - AT SCHOOL

We might follow a little Gregoryite to kindergarten on the first day of school. If we stayed at his side day after day, year after year, we would some thirteen years later find him a mature young man, a high school graduate — and still attending his parish schools. That is the story of St. Gregory's schools. Every child in the parish is assured of a complete Catholic education from kindergarten to high school, an education that is the very best — spiritually — academically — culturally.

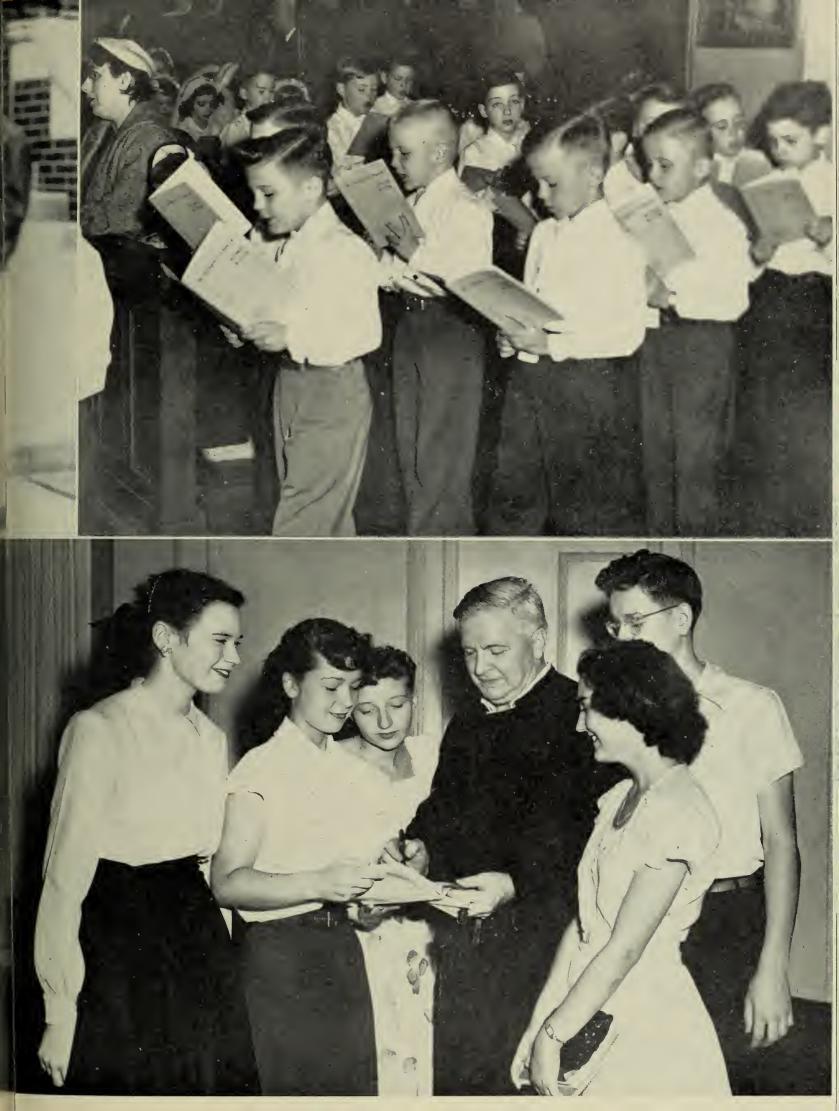
Spiritually

Education is training for life, and since God is the center and meaning of life, so is He also in our schools. From their earliest years our children are taught to take their part in "The Holy Mysteries and in the solemn and public prayer of the Church." Each day all sing their own high Mass. In fact, our children are invariably used on more solemn occasions such as Christmas, Forty Hours, Lent, Palm Sunday, Easter, etc. as leaders of the people in congregational singing and praying. Great numbers of our students in both our schools are daily communicants and there is ample opportunity every day for confession. Frequent instruction by the priests in grade school religion classes, daily teaching of religion by priests in high school, regular retreats and conferences — all these ensure a stable basis for our students' spiritual lives. Especially distinctive of our schools finally, is the close relationship between student and priest from the earliest grades up to the highly developed guidance program of our high school. Consequently in after school years our young people are quick to come to the priests, their Fathers in Christ, for consultation and help.

"Let the little children come to me and forbid them not . . ." (Luke 18:16)

















ACADEMICALLY

Our Sisters of Christian Charity have devoted their entire lives to Christ in His work of teaching. So have our Viatorian Fathers on the faculty. Along with our parish priests and our lay faculty, they are a superb group of teachers whose one interest is education. With the best in modern teaching equipment at their service in our schools they have established remarkable records in education. Our students have always ranked high in every kind of interschool competition. The North Central Association has given our high school an excellent rating. Catholic schools are universally acknowledged leaders in the great liberal arts tradition. So also here. But in the sciences and practical arts also our schools have achieved well-deserved distinction. Under the direction of Monsignor Terlecke our high school has greatly expanded with more and more courses in manual and home arts. Our day school for the deaf, the first Catholic school of its kind in the country, is the crowning glory of perhaps the most complete parish educational system in this area. - "The deaf hear and the poor have the Gospel preached to them."





Culturally

Good education trains the whole man. Every child has particular talents. To discover and develop them is a great responsibility of our schools. So it is that there is a rich cultural aspect of education on every level for the students of St. Gregory's. The fine arts have their deservedly important place, especially music. From the day when the little tot joins the tonette band on through the many choruses, choirs, glee clubs, majorette corps, bands, etc. in our schools, every student has every opportunity to use his every talent. There are frequent social functions — dances, parties, family nights — gatherings of every kind. St. Gregory schools are especially famous for their dramatic training on the primary and secondary levels.

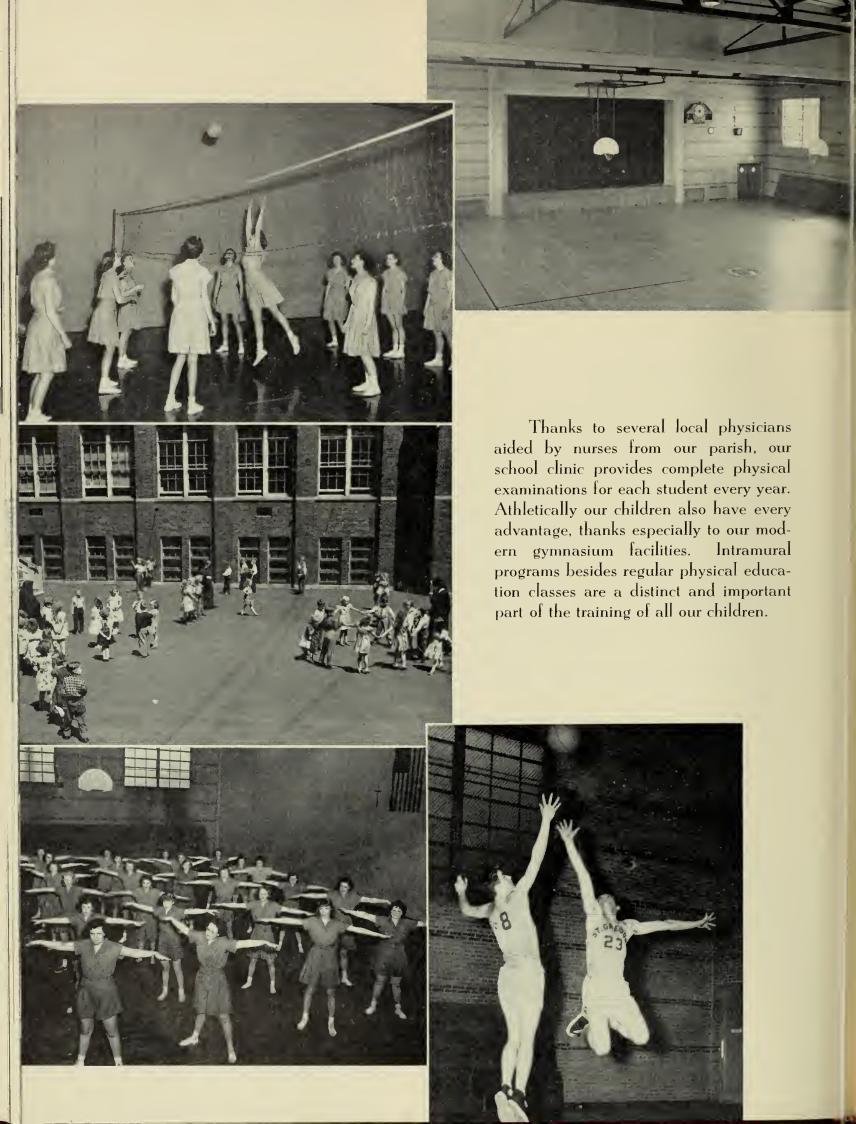












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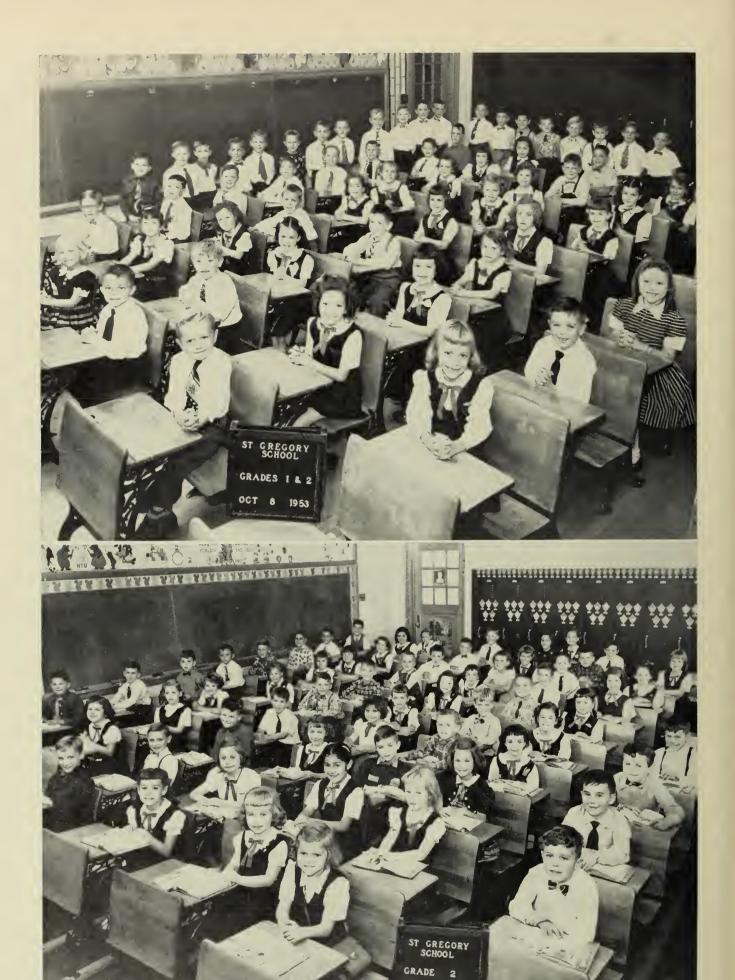
Our Students

The enrollment of our schools is almost thirteen hundred students. So quickly, so glibly we say it. We hardly realize just how many boys and girls receive their education here, just how much the people of this parish have sacrificed to provide the facilities for these schools. To help us see more clearly the magnitude of this great work of Christian education and to help us meet these children we present them all, room after room on the following pages.









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OUR DEAF SCHOOL



OUR HIGH SCHOOL



























These are our schools: Our grammar school of over seven hundred little members of St. Gregory Parish — Our Deaf School which is truly a community project with only one child from our own parish enrolled — and finally our high school of five hundred students, almost half coming from all over the north side, from thirty-seven parishes to be exact. There are also some non Catholic pupils in both grade and high schools, as many as we can admit because of our limited space. God has indeed blessed our efforts to give our children a complete education, a training for life, developing body, mind and soul.



"Whoever receives one such little child for my sake, receives me." (Mat. 18:5)



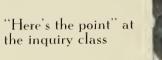
Wayside Shrine erected on Ashland Avenue beside our gymnasium June 6, 1954 to portray graphically to all the city the primary purpose of St. Gregory's schools.



Pause that refreshes at clergy gathering



Certified parish accountant





Bi-weekly hospital rounds



OUR PARISH - AT WORK

We must practice what we preach — love of God, love of fellow man. And that means work.

Behind a large, active city parish are many hours of prayer and labor. So many people are needed for both. There is so much to do, so much more than most people ever imagine.

The work in our Rectory for instance is greatly unknown. The five priests of our parish have no obligations, no restrictions on their time but their priestly duties. Yet there never seems to be enough time. There are the hours and hours spent in the rectory offices for consultation, convert instructions, marriage arrangements, etc. There are the many sermons and classes to be prepared, the necessary hours for study. Meetings, correspondence, visiting the sick, parish census and records, editing the parish paper, keeping parish finances in order — all these besides daily priestly functions in church and school make great demands on the time of our priests.



"So you want to get married?"

"As the body without the spirit is dead, so also faith without good works is dead." (Jas. 2:26) Our Convent is of course an efficiency expert's dream. Besides the considerable time spent at her religious exercises, a Sister's daily life is devoted entirely to teaching her classes, correcting papers, then preparation for the following day's classes. In her spare time she will ordinarily have extra duties around the convent and sacristy, extra curricular school work, etc. Her summers will often be spent taking extra courses at local universities. Recreation consequently is always fully appreciated and richly enjoyed in the convent. Such is the fruitful, loving life of our Sisters—all for God.







Our people, too, have a great share in the work of St. Gregory's. The cooperation of our people with their priests and sisters is well known beyond our parish limits. There are so many facets of this work, so many fields for our people's apostolic zeal. A few may be of interest and edification.

Two men are appointed by the Cardinal to assist the Pastor in managing the financial affairs of the parish. Their signatures must appear on every large outlay of funds, on every financial report, etc. Their advice on parish matters is most important. Entrusted with this weighty responsibility in our Golden Jubilee Year are Mr. Peter Zender and Mr. Michael Peckels.

Our men of the Holy Name Society and our women of the Altar and Rosary Sodality carry of course the greatest burden. It is they who organize every parish function, every carnival or festival. They are the two strong arms of the pastor in every parish endeavor. Spiritually, socially, financially they are always the people we count on.

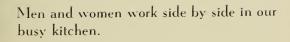




Our Altar and Rosary Sewing Circle making vestments.



Holy Name men supervise youth activities — social and athletic.





In all this work of St. Gregory's there are many, many hands. Hundreds of the following people have helped in several different Parish ventures. Many have been active in just one. But all have helped — either in one of the works depicted in these pages or in some quiet way.

Listed by the name of the family head, these active members of St. Gregory Parish have shared somehow or other in the work of Catholic Action, "lay people participating in the apostolate of the hierarchy".

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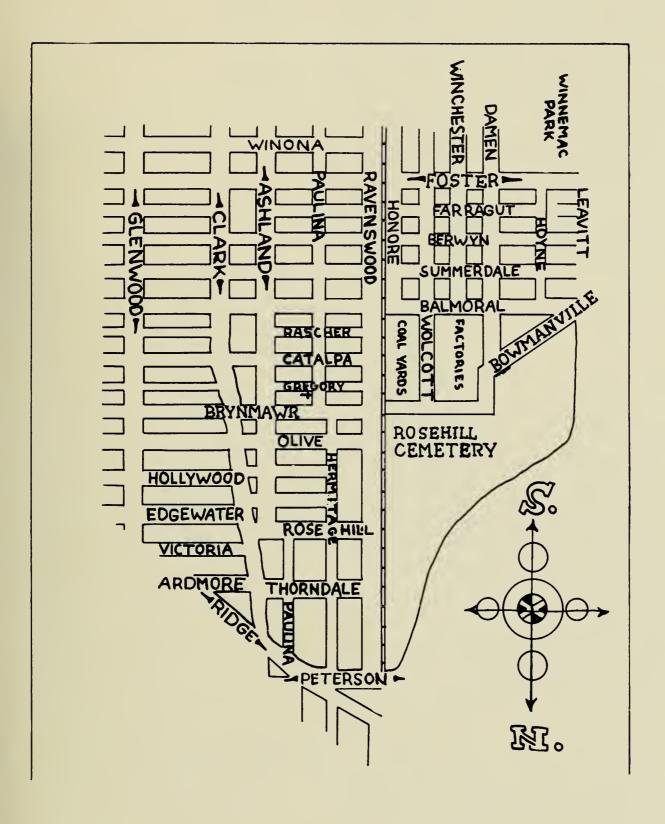
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Our Parish Area

- Looking South toward the Loop.

— Here are the thousands of souls that make up our flock.

— Here are also the many other sheep not of this fold.

Them also we must bring that there be one fold and one shepherd.



The efficiency and quiet dignity of our ushers enhance the solemn, prayerful atmosphere of our church. These men, several since the origin of the parish, have generously given of their time to keep everything in perfect order in the house of God. Our Board of Ushers does a quiet, thankless labor, a labor of love.

Bringing in the sheaves



Get your weekly "Informer"

"The poor you have always with you." "I was hungry and you gave me to eat, thirsty and you gave me to drink, naked and you clothed me, sick and in prison and you visited me. As often as you did it to these the least of my brethren, you did it to me." (Matt. 25:34-40). The members of our St. Vincent De Paul Society know those words of Our Lord not just in theory but in fact. It is they who know every case of real need in the parish, and they are the men who help these beloved of the Lord in a quiet, generous, dignified way. They are true followers of the apostle of Charity Vincent De Paul.



Making a call



"Laudamus te . . . "

Another important member of our parish family is our city-famous choir. Heirs of a great tradition, St. Gregory's Choir is a generous, hard working group of parishioners. Their hours of weekly practices and their important part in our parish liturgy make a magnificent contribution to God and His Church. Over the years our choir directors have been Father Klasen himself, then Mr. John Brodesser. Mr. Herman Pedtke and finally our newly-appointed Hr. Axel Norder.

"What did Jesus mean here?"

Devoted to the sanctification of our homes is our Christian Family Movement. Organized in small groups of young married couples, these people meet several times a month to discuss their vocation of marriage in the light of the Gospels and so decide on ways of working for God in their own neighborhood. They visit each newcomer to the parish, supervise the decent literature campaign, sponsor Cana Conferences, socials for our young families, etc.

Isn't marriage grand" — after a Cana Conference











Along with our frequent lectures, our literature racks, our inquiry class for non-Catholics, etc., our Parish Library is a most important vehicle for adult education. Offering about fifteen hundred of the very best in modern Catholic and non-Catholic books, our library is efficiently managed by a volunteer staff of over twenty librarians. After just three years of operation our Parish Library is most popular with our people. Organized in conjunction with our library is our religious goods service, a small store where our people can buy religious articles conveniently and economically.

Closely associated with our parish are other groups which are always helpful to our every undertaking.

We must not forget:

St. Gregory High School Mothers' Club, sponsors of so much of our high school activity

St. Gregory Court No. 650 — Catholic Order of Foresters

Madonna Holy Rosary Court, Women's Catholic Order of For-

Bronson Council, Knights of Columbus Ravenswood Council, Knights of Columbus

St. Gregory Branch, Third Order of St. Francis.

Another of our more recent parish activities is our Credit Union organized by Monsignor Terlecke several years ago with the help of a large staff of our men. Already a boon to hundreds of our people in financial matters, the parish Credit Union has also been a singularly effective instrument for teaching thrift to our school children who have now learned the importance of systematic saving. The Credit Union is now thriving beyond our fondest hopes.

Newest of all our parish apostolic groups is our Confraternity of Christian Doctrine. Working closely with the priest director, there are more than thirty members of our parish actively interested in the children of St. Gregory's who attend public grade and high schools. While there are relatively few public school students here, their regular religious instruction is a serious and difficult task. The grade school children are instructed in the released time classes each week by our Sisters. The men of the Confraternity make regular visits to the high school students' homes, thus assuring regular attendance and parental cooperation. The actual teaching is done by a group of college age parishioners, both young men and young women, one evening each week.







ST. GREGORY WEEKLY INFO

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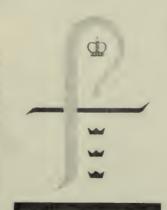
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COMING NEXT SUNDAY

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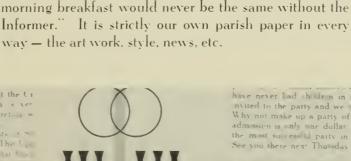
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that tente begins in, and our plans call the most successed part from the horizontal even why not make up a party of your friends and cole every admission is only one dollar. We should all strive to make the most successed party in the history of the Mothers' Cl. See you here next Thursday at 81.

A GAY NINETIES STORY

It was an enthul astic turn out last Sunday for first try-c.



Keeping informed of all these activities could be a

problem in a big city parish. At St. Gregory's it has

become a pleasure, thanks to the weekly parish news-

paper, "The St. Gregory Informer". Edited by our

priests, this paper with its informal style, newsy columns and snatches of parish humor is a beloved parish tradi-

tion. As one of our good parishioners put it - "Sunday





Cafeteria Workers — Mrs. Behre, Brandt, Brand, and Modert

Rectory Secretary, John Henneberry

Organist and Choir Director, Axel Norder

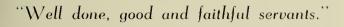


Assistant Organist, Mrs. Mae Schiller



Maintenance Men: Frank Behre, Edward Ritt, George Knoepfel, Sam Pagano, and School Matron, Louise Schweich

Rectory Housekeeper, Catherine Holesha







OUR PARISH - AT PLAY

In every family there should be time for prayer, time for work, time for play. So it is in our parish family. From the tiny preschool tot to the oldest charter member of our parish, there is ample opportunity for recreation in our parish family.



"Come aside and rest awhile."

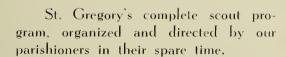
St. Gregory "tot lot"

Little children enjoy kindergarten features while parents attend Sunday Mass in peace. Baby sitters are our eighth grade girls. Above the priests' sacristy in church is a chapel for parents of infants — our cry room.





Grammar school Intramural Tourney, big parish show of the year





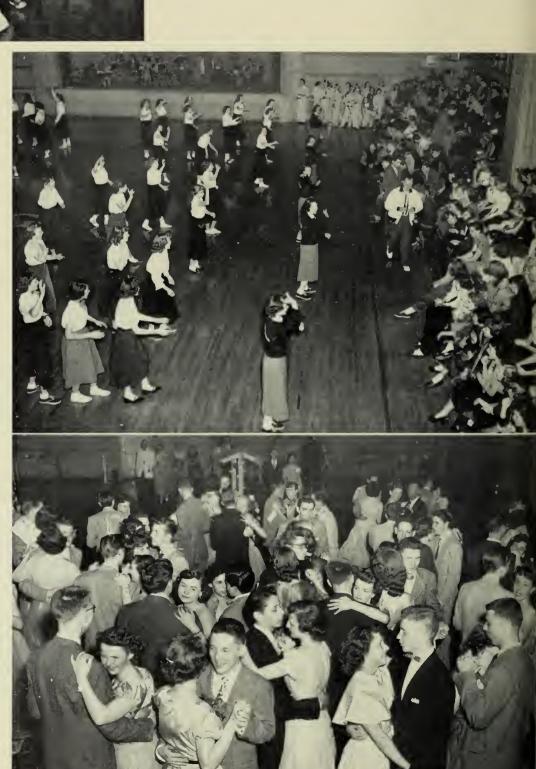


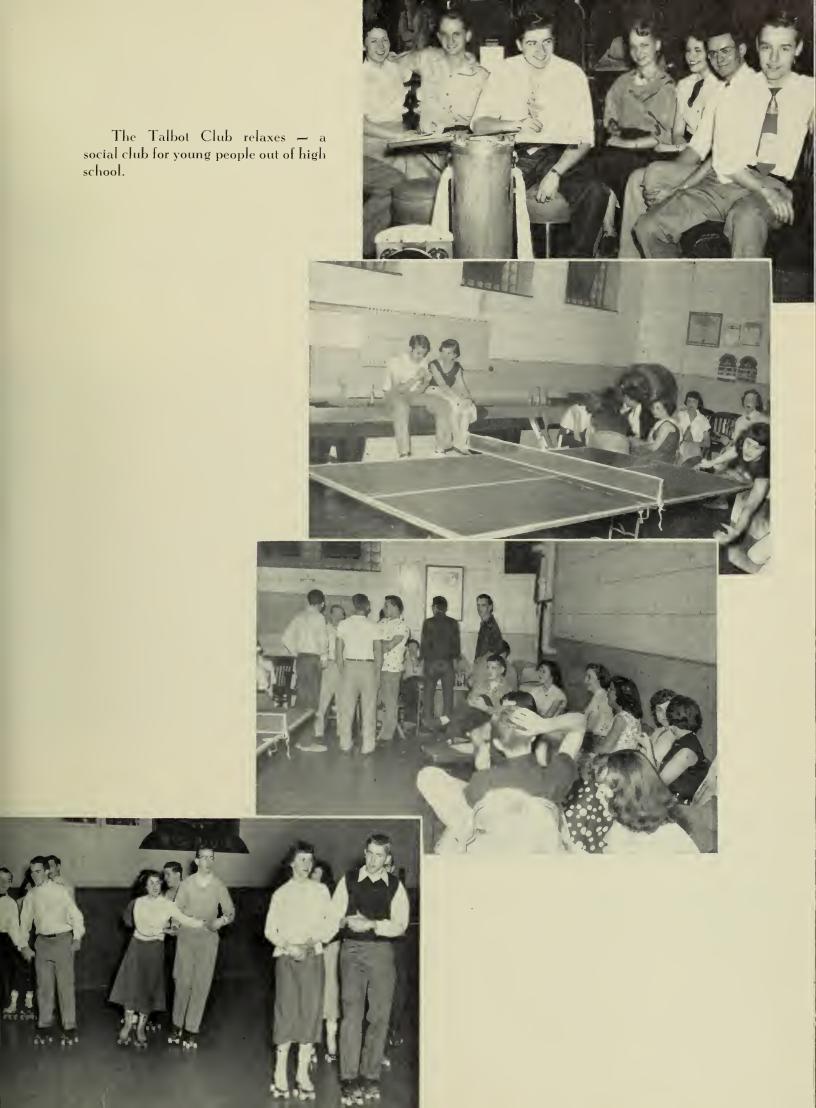






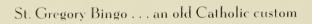
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St. Gregory Little Theater — stages several popular plays each year





Cards and Bunco, too . . .

and Carnivals . . .









Parish dinners galore

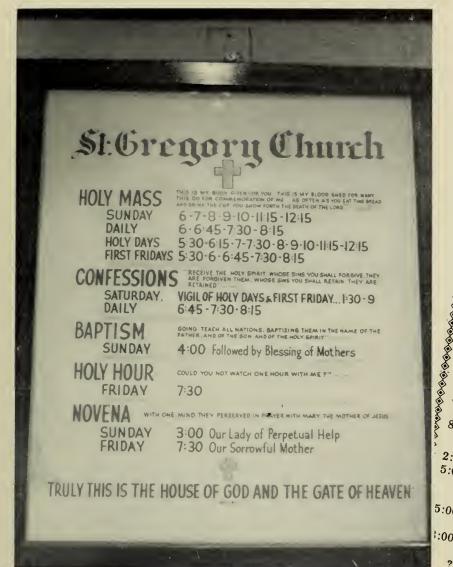
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Meeting everybody after Mass







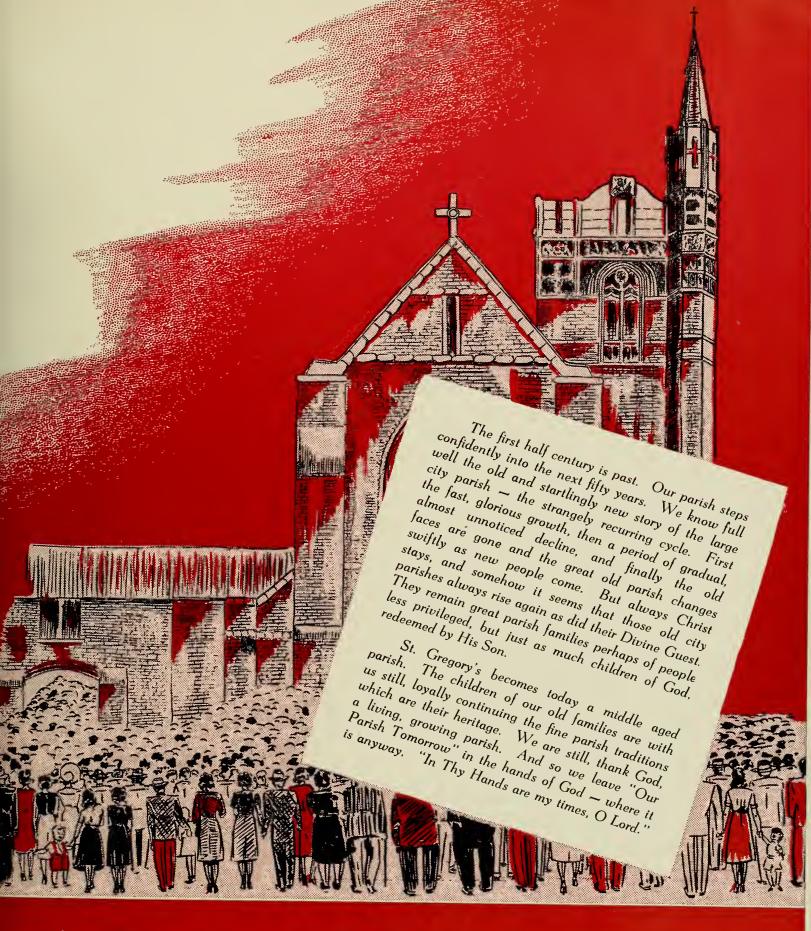


A living parish . . . its life issuing forth from the altar of the parish church . . . overflowing into the works of charity and education . . . inspiring also Christian joy and relaxation . . . is mirrored in the weekly activities column of our parish paper and in the church bulletin board . . . a parish alive with the prayer, the work, the joy of Christ.

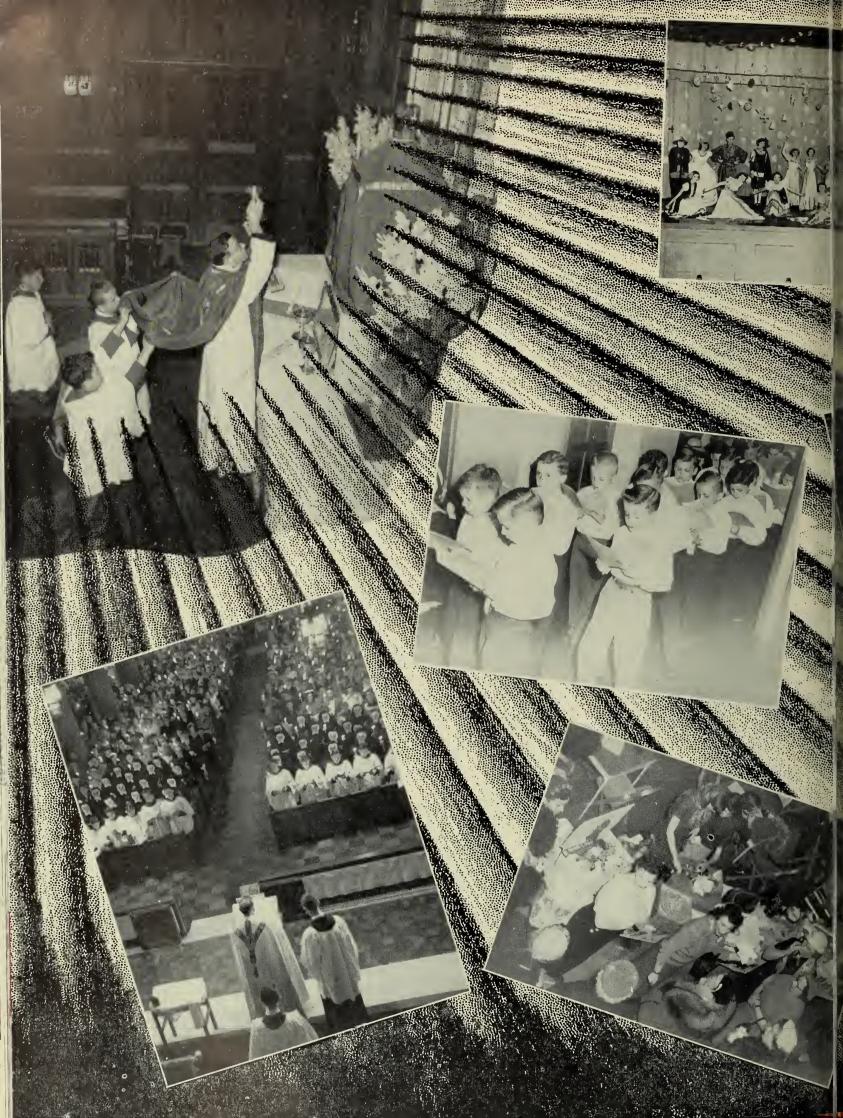
WEEKLY ACTIVITIES Sunday, October 12 8:00 A.M. Holy Name Commun-3:00 P.M. Novena to Our Mother. of Perpetual Help. 4:00 P.M. Baptisms (Immediately followed by Churching for Mothers.) 8:30 P.M. BINGO in Social Hall. Monday, October 13 8:00 P.M. Luxemb. Singers in 8:30 P.M. Holy Name meeting in 8:00 P.M. Inquiry Forum in Gym. Tuesday, October 14 3:15 P.M. Girl Scouts in Blue 7:00 and 9:00 P.M. Bowling 8:30 P.M. K.C. Meeting in Meet-Wednesday, October 15 8:00 P.M. Badminton in Gym. 8:30 P.M. Talbot Club in Meeting 8:00 P.M. Inquiry Forum in Gym. Thursday, October 16 2:30 P.M. Brownies in Com. Rm. 5:00 to 9:00 P.M. Fall Festival Corned Beef and Cabbage Dinner in Gymnasium. 5:00—until —Fall Festival Activities in Social Hall :00 P.M. Choir Rehearsal Blue room. ? P.M. Drawing for Daily Attendance Prize following activities in Social Hall. Friday, October 17 7:00—until—Sock Hop in Gym. 7:00—until—Fall Festival Activities in Social Hall. ? P.M. Drawing for Daily Attendance Prize following activities in Social Hall. 7:30 P.M. Novena to Our Sorrowful Mother and Holy Hour for Peace. 7:00-9:00 P.M. Boy Scouts in Saturday, October 18 1:30—9:00 P.M. Confessions. 7:00—until—Fall Festival Activities in Social Hall. ? P.M. Drawing for Daily Attendance Prize following activities in Social Hall. ? P.M. Drawings for GRAND RAFFLE prizes. 9 \$**\$**\$



"Do not be anxious about tomorrow . . . See



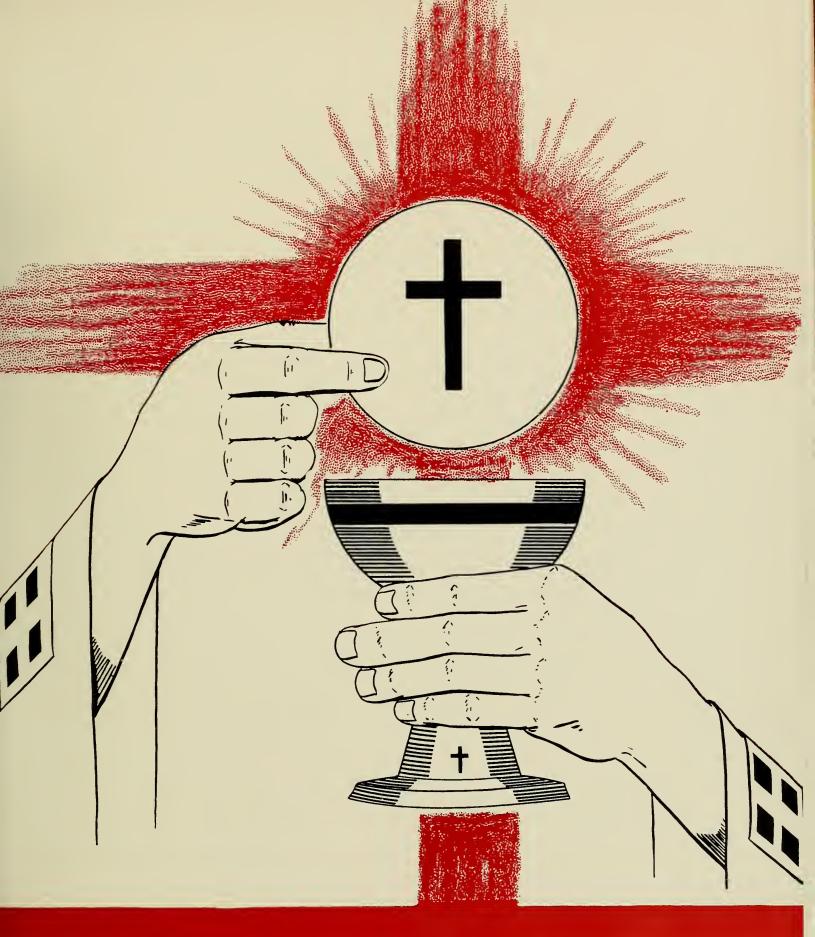
st the Kingdom of God and His Justice . . ."







"What have you that



u have not received?"

St. Gregory's is deeply grateful today . . .

to Almighty God from Whom all blessings flow
to Our Lady, the Mediatrix of all graces
to our glorious Patron, St. Gregory the Great
to all the angels and saints of God
to the Priests and Sisters, living and dead, who

to the Priests and Sisters, living and dead, who have given their all to this parish

to the good people of the past, living and dead, who left such glorious parish traditions

to all the benefactors of St. Gregory Parish

"Grant, O Lord, for Thy name's sake to reward with eternal life all those that do us good!"

SOLEMN PONTIFICAL MASS OF THANKSGIVING

November 14, 1954 12 o'clock noon



DEDICATION OF HIGH SCHOOL

HIS EMINENCE SAMUEL CARDINAL STRITCH Assisted by Rt. Rev. Msgr. John Wagener

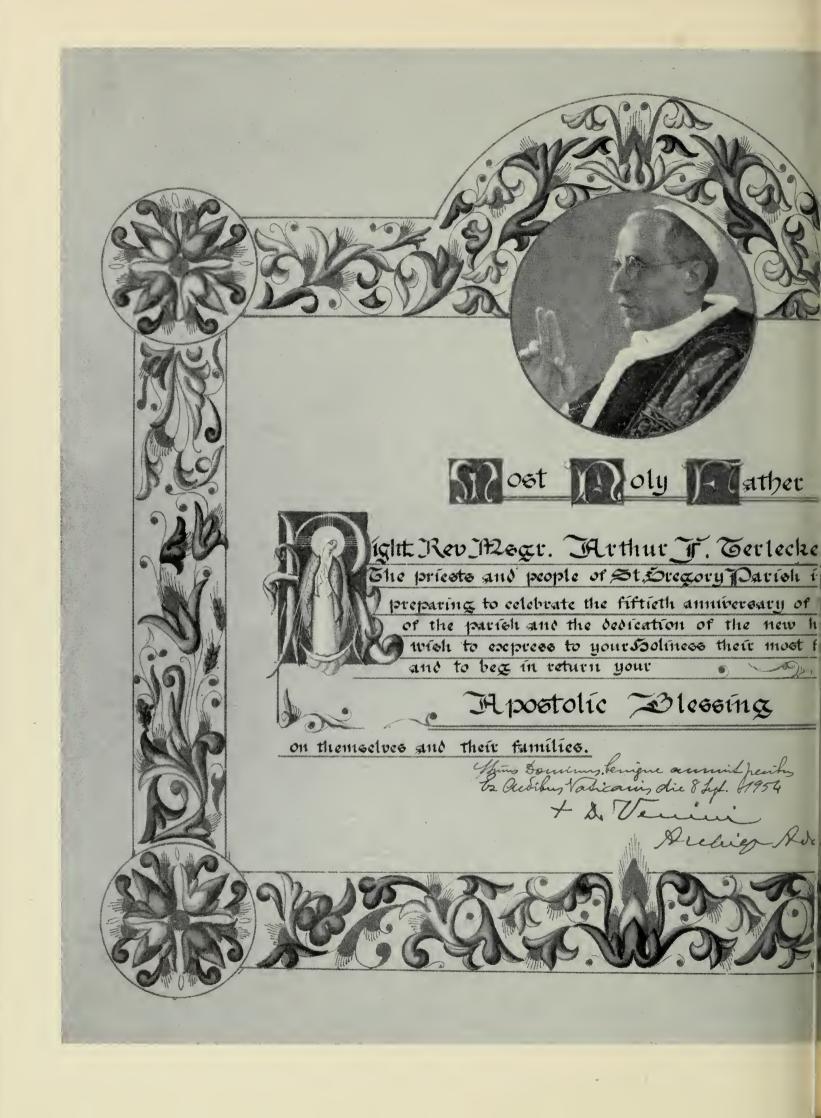
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SOLEMN PONTIFICAL MASS

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We are grateful to our Holy Father for His Apostolic Blessing

An expression of his personal interest, of his fatherly love, of his earnest desire to be close to us on this our Day of Jubilee . . . the Apostolic Blessing of our Holy Father means that the Vicar of Christ in the fullness of his holy office implores for each family of St. Gregory Parish the richest gift of Almighty God — His holy grace. May it descend upon us and remain with us forever!

We are grateful to our Cardinal Archbishop for his presence with us today and for his gracious congratulations



June 25, 1954

My dear Monsignor Terlecke:

The Golden Jubilee of our Saint Gregory Parish tells a history which is so full of holy achievements that it is difficult to keep in mind that so much could have been done in fifty years.

Its first pastor, the late Reverend Monsignor Michael Klasen, was one of those rare men who know how to harmonize herculean labors with exalted vision. He saw the beauty of God and loved it with all the ardor of his artistic soul. St. Gregory's Church is a treasure in this Archdiocese. Every part of it, every detail of it, goes into its sheer beauty. The worshipper in it is raised to contemplate the beauty of the Heavenly Jerusalem. It reminds one of the metaphors in the Apocalypse where St. John pictures heaven itself. And Monsignor Klasen in his contemplation of the beauty of truth saw how truth alone can make life beautiful. It was natural for him to be a protagonist of Catholic Education. Not content with providing a parochial elementary school, he at great sacrifice went about the work of a Catholic high school.

One of his hopes was that he would be able to finish his high school and make it in all its facilities a blessing for our youth. God did not give him this privilege. But God did hear his prayer. For his successor you were given to the parish. It was providential, because you shared the vision and the practical administrative ability of Monsignor Klasen. In your great zeal and vision you faced the difficulties and courageously put your hand to the needs of Catholic Education in the parish. God has blessed your work, and today the schools of St. Gregory's Parish are a blessing for the children and youths, not only of your parish but also of many other parishes.

All this would have been impossible if good people of the parish had not generously cooperated with their able and devoted leaders. They did cooperate and the parish church and buildings today proclaim their faith and love of God.

I congratulate you and your people on this Jubilee and I beg God to reward you and shower on you His choicest gifts. Sincerely yours in Christ,

+ Vanc 8 cm Vhim

Archbishop of Chicago

Rt. Rev. Msgr. Arthur F. Terlecke St. Gregory's Church 1634 Gregory Street Chicago 40, Illinois

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

This prayer of gratitude, so appropriate on this day, was written by an anonymous parishioner and published in the St. Gregory Informer on Thanksgiving Day, 1952.

"Heavenly Father, we thank You for the countless blessings You have showered on us during the past year and all the years of our lives. Particularly, we thank You for the great gift of living in this one land on all the earth which You have blessed and bountied so abundantly. This last hope of free men everywhere who believe in so fervently and desire so earnestly to practice 'the brotherhood of men under the Fatherhood of God'.

"More specifically, dear Lord. do we thank You for the privilege of living in this true 'cross-section of Christianity' this blessed parish of St. Gregory, where You have provided us with every possible means 'to know You, to love You, and to serve You'.

"We thank You for our priests. These truly Christ-like men in whom You have combined the dignity that permits their daily lifting of Your Divine Son in sacrifice for us and the humility with which they embrace even the most menial human task. We thank You for these consecrated hands and hearts who exult with us in our joys and ease us through our sorrows, making it so much easier for us to understand and mean it when we pray Thy will be done.

"We thank you for our Sisters. These 'other Marys' You have given us, without whose devoted and totally unselfish sacrifices the Christian education of our children would be left almost entirely in our perhaps willing but inept hands. These gentle women who freely chose the role of 'spiritual' motherhood that the sons and daughters of human mothers would more certainly and more numerously populate the courts of Heaven.

"We thank You for the men and women on our lay staff. Unselfish men and women to whom 'Forty Hours' is a liturgical devotion and not a maximum workweek. We thank You for Your constant inspiration of these good people who willingly forsake greater material rewards they would certainly earn elsewhere in Your vineyard. May their mansions in Heaven, dear Lord, have clocks and phones that won't ring, shovels without handles and brooms without sticks.

"And last but not least, Heavenly Father, we thank You for the St. Gregory people themselves. Truly our priests and our sisters and our lay staff do not labor in vain.

"To anyone who would truly see Christ in his fellow man, let him come to St. Gregory's parish. Let him count the long lines of communicants on any Sunday. Let him witness the steadily increasing numbers of our people attending daily Mass and Communion, particularly among our younger folks. Let him look into the countless 'other Nazareths' he can find on any street he chooses to walk, homes where the daily family Rosary is as commonplace as the evening family meal. Ask him to number for You the corporal and spiritual works of mercy that flow steadily from the hearts of our people. He would not even be able to record those acts he could see, let alone the 'keeping of their brothers' our people do in the secretness of their souls. He would have to be able to see into Your Sacred Heart for that.

"For all these things and many more unmentioned, Heavenly Father, do we thank You on this Day. Grant through the infinite merits of Your Divine Son that all of us at St. Gregory's may continually strive to be as worthy as human beings can be of Your Divine Favor."



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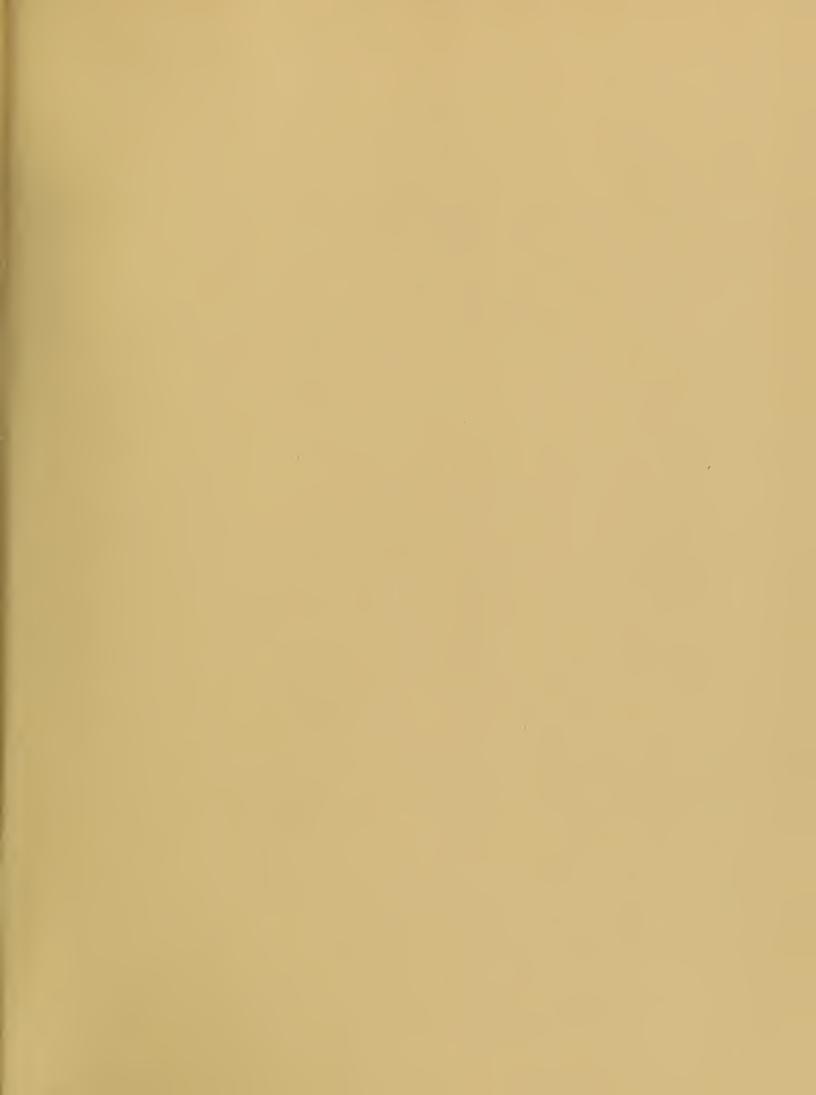
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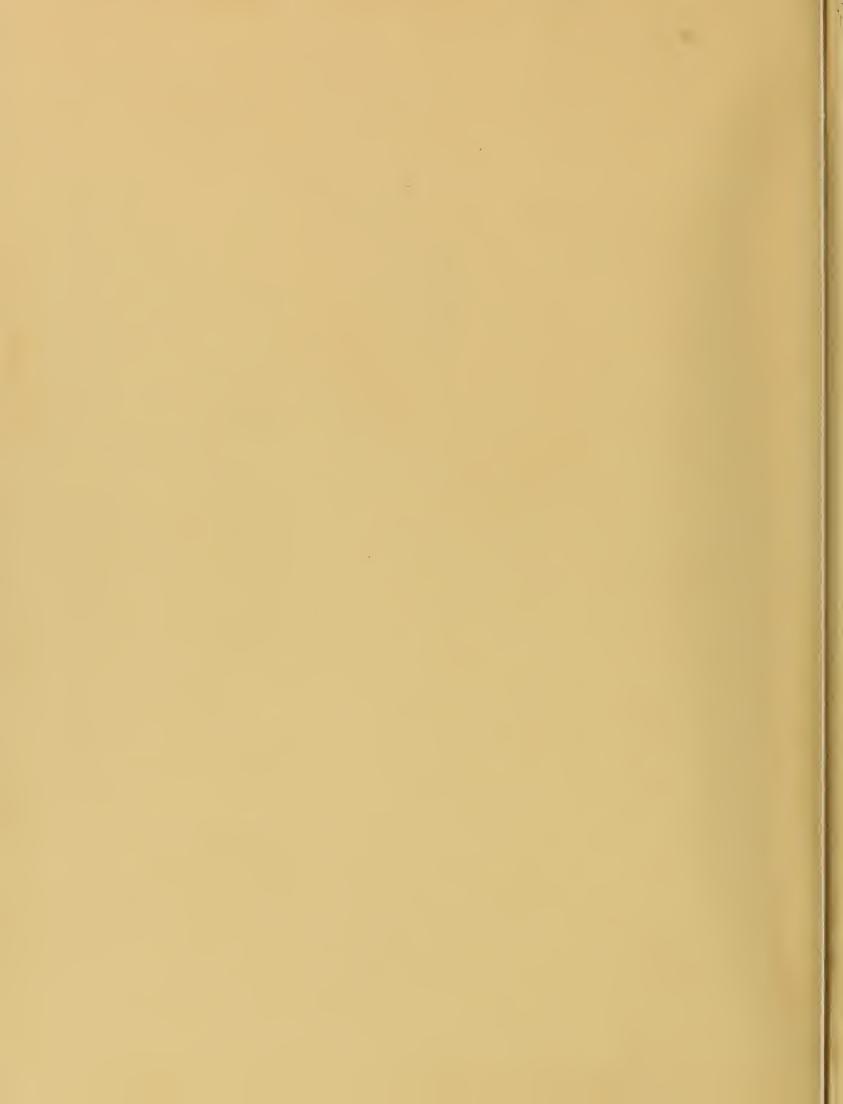
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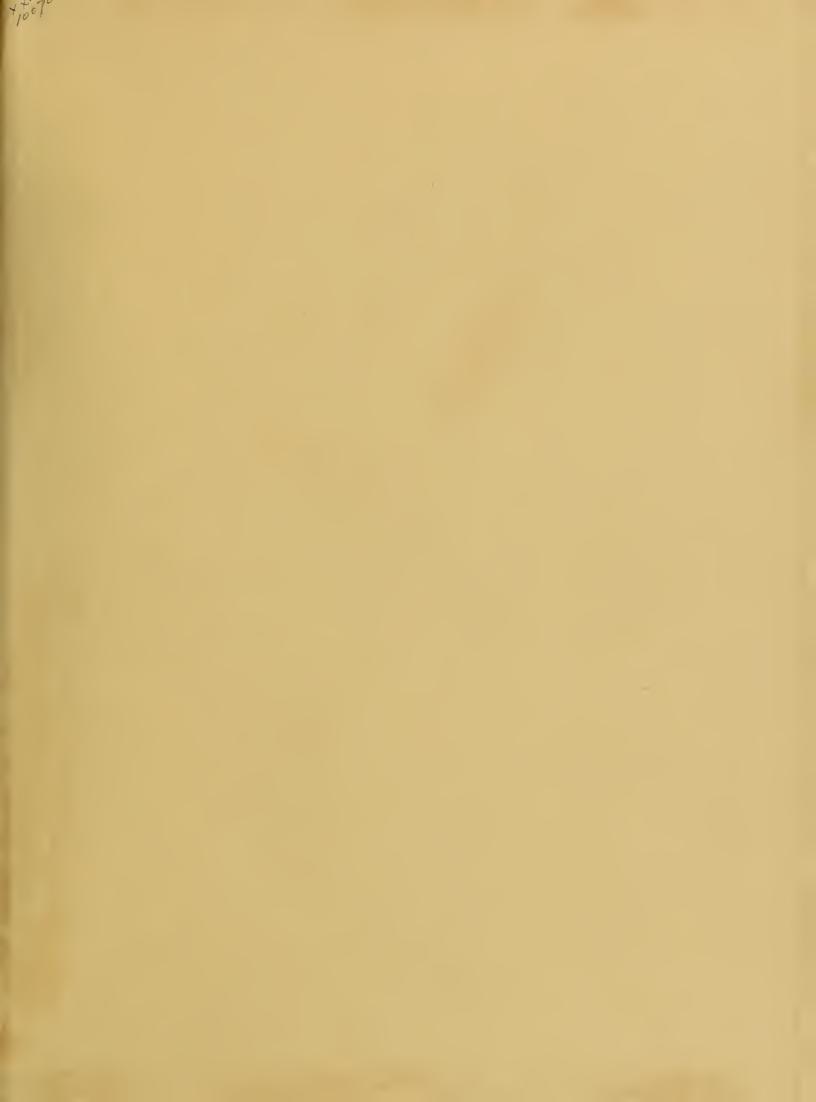
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