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A HISTORY OF SAINT PETER'S CHURCH

Steubenville, Ohio

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This book is dedicated to the parishioners of St. Peter's Church, past, present and future; to the past and present for their heritage of zeal, love and sacrifice for their parish; to the future for the heritage they will receive.

"They were always noted for their devotion to the Church and the parish school. Their love for these has become traditional, and lives today in the hearts of their descendants."

("Excerpt from History of Diocese of Columbus")

P R E F A C E

“UPON THIS ROCK” is the history of one parish church in Ohio; of that parish’s achievements and difficulties from 1830 to 1957. Saint Peter’s parish was born in a century that has been titled “the wonderful century” by one historian. The nineteenth century was a century of achievements, inventions and discoveries, a century of optimism. But this optimism faded into a twentieth century of sober disillusionments as the orgy of two world wars, economic depressions and the rise of philosophies directly opposed to the teachings of the church became a part of this new century.

One hundred and thirty-seven years, when compared to eternity, is but a short instant. But this short life witnessed mankind’s highest advancements in science and knowledge. The first parishioners came to church by horseback or horse-drawn carriages; today’s parishioners, come to the church with an awareness that high above their heads space satellites are circling the earth as a prelude to what no man dare conjecture. The telephone, radio, television, radar, vaccines, use of atomic energy, motion pictures, telegraph, steel, automobile, these and many more have come into existence since that day in 1830 when Father John McGrady purchased land in Steubenville for the purpose of building the city’s first Catholic Church.

I have tried throughout this history to do more than present a chronological listing of names and dates in narrating the story of St. Peter’s Church. Whenever possible, the mood and thought of the time in which the various parochial events occurred are re-presented.

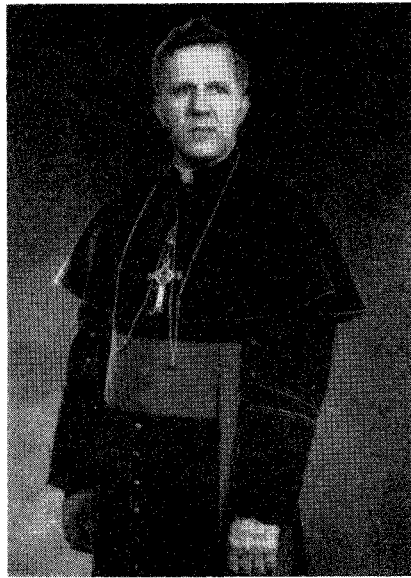
Appreciation must be expressed to the many parishioners who helped in presenting this history. It was from their recollections, their scrap-books of newspaper clippings and faded photographs, that much of what is printed in this book was made possible. A note of thanks must be given to Marie Shanahan and Frank Ryan for their special help in contacting various parishioners and friends of St. Peter’s parish in obtaining an accurate account of various events in this history.

It was impossible to record every single event even of the past fifty years which is still within the recollection of many members of the parish. Major incidents have been presented, important dates and names. This does not mean, however, that other names and incidents were unimportant. Any event and any person, who by living a full parish life has given invigoration to parish life, is important. That is why it seemed only right to dedicate this history to the parishioners of St. Peter’s, because they were and are and will be the ones who have made this history.

ROBERT F. MARRER
November 10, 1957

FORWARD

THE HISTORY of Saint Peter's parish is truly a preview of our establishment and development as a diocese. It is a story of faith, of determination, of accomplishment. On these pages is written the ardent love of a people for their Catholic faith. It tells how ready they



Bishop John K. Mussio

were to make any sacrifice necessary that their church might be the center of their community life. We of today who have so much at our beck and call, little realize the sturdiness and the indefatigable zeal of these early Catholics. Their story forcibly impresses upon us the truth that nothing lasts unless it be founded on strong religious principle and on a consequent love of fellow-man expressing itself in a devotion to the common good. When we read the record of the hardships and struggles of these pioneers in establishing their church we can easily understand the hardiness with which these same people defended their faith and their church in the years to come. It is no wonder that a person is proud to be a member of St. Peter's parish. . . there is a robust tradition here, a genealogy

of renown, a character that is noble in the faith. It is something that must be lived up to. . . a rebuke to mediocrity; a challenge to indifference; a goad to faltering Catholic action.

The pages of this history of St. Peter's parish are replete with examples of the labors of these first parishioners. They set up altars, laid floors, plastered walls, glazed windows, made pews, and in other similar ways mixed their sweat and exhaustion in the very mortar of this construction. Today that same spirit is manifested throughout the diocese by men and women who show their love of the faith by the ready giving of themselves in labor and sacrifice to whatever might be the need of their parish. This is true, too, of the parishioners of Saint Peter's today. . . it is a joining of hands with their forebears showing that same respect and love for the faith and the Church which made the beginnings of the parish so inspiring. For this I thank God!

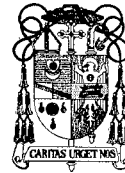
An finally, it is interesting to read in this history, the words of that

pioneer bishop, the pride of the early Church in Ohio, Bishop Purcell:

“In no town of the State or Union have we been more edified than at Steubenville, by the rational, high-minded and Christian principles whose influence pervaded the entire community. . . ”

This is a tremendous tribute to those early priests, the spiritual leaders of the flock, to the people who loved their faith, and finally to a community which practiced the Divine precept of fraternal love. How better could we close this little appreciation of the contribution of Saint Peter's parish to the church in Steubenville than for me as Bishop to say that something of the old fire has caught flame in our people today and that the light of faith shines with that brilliance of old in this parish and in its sister parishes as well, a fire fed by a love of God, a devotion to the Church, and a respect for spiritual leaders that is undiminished. This is the way that the people of Saint Peter's parish today give evidence of their readiness to sacrifice and to serve wherever and whenever the faith requires, and to do this in the spirit of Him in Whom we live and by whose grace all these wonders of yesterday and today have come about.

✠ JOHN KING MUSSIO,
Bishop of Steubenville



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C H A P T E R I

T H E F I R S T Y E A R S

A HANDFUL of French people, disturbed by the revolution in their native land, travel into Ohio. These people — a few physicians, army officers, coachmakers and barbers — misled by exaggerated advertisements, bought worthless land warrants from the French Scioto Land Company, and settle at what is now Gallipolis. It is the year 1790 — the first Catholic settlement in Ohio. Famine and Indian attacks persuade some of the group to push on to other settlements, but most of the group stay on. They brought a French priest with them, Benedictine Father Peter Joseph Didier who had been appointed Prefect Apostolic for the colony. Nine years later Father Didier is dead.

Other Catholic settlers had made the pioneer journey to the Ohio River area as early as 1774. Immigrants from Ireland would be joined in a few years by veterans of the War of Independence, coming west with their families to claim land bounties.

Until a Catholic diocese was established at Bardstown, Kentucky, Catholics in the Ohio territory were under the supervision of Bishop Carroll, first bishop of Baltimore. At the beginning of the 19th century there were about fifty Catholic families in Ohio without a single priest. One of these families was that of Jacob Dittoe, a German, who had settled near Lancaster. Dittoe made an appeal to Bishop Carroll, writing that "Catholics were very anxious for the establishment of the Church and were willing to contribute towards its support." To this small group of about 30 Catholics, Bishop Carroll sent Father Edward Fenwick, future first bishop of Cincinnati. Father Fenwick arrived at the Dittoe farm in 1808. In appreciation for the coming of a priest Jacob Dittoe built a small rectory and log house chapel. This, the mother-church of Ohio, was dedicated to St. Joseph on December 6, 1818, at what is now Somerset, Perry County.

Dominican priests from St. Joseph's traveled through Eastern Ohio, making occasional visits to Steubenville, going from house to house, administering the sacraments, saying Mass wherever groups of Catholics could gather together. The first Mass ever offered in Steubenville is reported to have been said on Third Street in a private home.

When priests were not available, Catholics either made a week-long trip to Pittsburgh for baptisms and marriages, or else they waited until a missionary priest came to the area.

A Franciscan priest from Pittsburgh, Father Bonaventure

McGuire, made some trips from Pennsylvania to bring the sacraments to Catholics living along the Ohio River. Other missionaries were Father O'Brien and Father Hill. When Father Hill came to Steubenville he made the home of John Rodgers at Cross Creek his headquarters. The Catholic families in Steubenville would travel to Cross Creek to attend Mass.

In 1796 most of the land that is now Steubenville was owned by two men, James Ross of Pittsburgh and Bezaleel Wells. A year later they laid out a town, naming it after the fort which once stood on its site. Ross owned the land north of what is now North Street; Wells owned the land south of this street. In 1830 Father John H. McGrady, a Dominican priest ordained by Bishop Fenwick, purchased land from Colonel Ross for the purpose of building the first Catholic Church in Steubenville. The plot of ground was small, located on Fourth and Logan Streets, but it was large enough to serve as a site for a little church and parish burial ground. The church was called St. Pius. (The title of the church was changed to St. Peter in 1853).

Steubenville's first Catholic church was a small brick structure in the center of the present grounds and was surrounded by a graveyard. The church, completed in 1832, measured 45 feet long, 30 feet wide. The only record of church furnishings for St. Pius gives the following items:

One set of vestments -----	\$ 7.00
One pulpit -----	8.00
One set of candlesticks -----	1.37

Father McGrady did not reside at the church he established but came twice a month from Hanover, Columbiana County, to offer Mass.

Bishop Fenwick died on September 26, 1832; his successor was Bishop John B. Purcell. In 1834, Bishop Purcell ordained James Conlan to the priesthood and appointed Father Conlan as pastor of the Steubenville church with the charge of taking care of Catholics at Dunganon and other places in the area.

The first records of the Steubenville church date back to Father Conlan's ministry. The earliest record is that of April 7, 1835. The record reads "On April 7, 1835, I baptised Oliver, son of Oliver P. Sherman and Anna Wells; god-parents, James Hays and Mary Feehan." It was signed: James Conlan. The records show eight other baptisms that year, listing the names: Lousia O'Neal, M. Creal (60 years old), Mary Fanning, Elizabeth Brady, Sara Cox, Thomas Brady, James Stanton and Mary Parish.

On Sunday, July 26, 1835, Bishop Purcell, second bishop of Cincinnati, came to Steubenville, and, assisted by Fathers Badin and Con-

lan, solemnly blessed the little St. Pius Church. That same day he administered the sacrament of Confirmation to nine persons.

Many citizens of Steubenville, unable to obtain seats in the church that Sunday, requested that the bishop speak in the city Court House in the evening. The Bishop complied and gave two talks, one on Sunday and the other on the next day. In a letter dated August 11, 1835, Bishop Purcell gives his impression of the faith in Steubenville.

"On Sunday, July 26th, the Bishop of this diocese, assisted by the Very Reverend Mr. Badin and Reverend Mr. Conlan solemnly blessed the new Catholic Church of St. Pius at Steubenville. The building is small, 45 by 30 feet, and was founded in 1832 by the Reverend Mr. McGrady on a lot presented to the late Bishop Fenwick by Mr. Ross of Pittsburgh.

"Not withstanding that the Catholics are here few in number, their Rev. Pastor, Mr. Conlan, has succeeded in raising sufficient means within the last five months, to defray the expense of laying a new sanctuary floor, erecting an altar, and glazing the windows, making pews, painting doors, enclosing the lot with a handsome pailing, etc. A few weeks before his arrival, a zealous convert had the entire church plastered at his own expense. Such instances are rare and worth recording as affording edification and needful encouragement to our Catholic friends in places destitute of churches.

"In no town of the State or Union have we been more edified than at Steubenville, by the rational, high-minded and Christian principles, whose influence pervades the entire community. . . . whoever would win proselytes to his opinions or convictions among the people of Steubenville must reach their minds and hearts by the avenues of reason and charity alone."

Father Conlan accomplished untold good throughout the area. This pioneer priest discovered a few Catholics at Wellsville and East Liverpool, and in 1837 built a brick church at Liverpool. Financial difficulties arose and Father Conlan saved the Liverpool church from the auction block by a general appeal for funds to "Catholic congregations of Ohio." He visited a group of Irish farmers at Summitville, remodeled a log cabin to serve as a mission chapel.

He administered the sacraments to the canal workers, traveled north to Youngstown and Warren. In 1842, Father Conlan moved his residence to Dungannon and began to build a new brick church. He discovered a group of German-speaking settlers near Youngstown and the priest prevailed upon a traveling German missionary to celebrate Mass and preach to the Germans in a tavern near

the town. Eventually, Father Conlan was called to Cleveland by Bishop Rappe to be vicar-general and first pastor of St. Patrick's Church.

Father James Kearney

In 1845 Father James Kearney became the first permanent resident pastor of St. Pius Church. There is an obscure silence covering the events of St. Pius Church from 1845 to 1850. The Catholics came and worshipped their Eucharistic God, received the sacraments, buried their dead in the shadow of the church they loved. History records only one memorable event that occurred in 1841. The Redemptorist Fathers of Pittsburgh were giving a mission in Wheeling that year, and returning to Pittsburgh, one of the priests stopped at the Steubenville church. He was Father Neumann, later to become Bishop Neumann of Philadelphia, whose cause for canonization is now in process at Rome. On December 5, 1841, Father Neumann baptised three children in St. Pius Church: Valentine Xenzman, Mary Magdalene Krapp and Edward J. Hanon.

On May 4, 1845, Father Kearney organized the Catholic women of the parish into a Society of Ladies, under the patronage of the Blessed Virgin. One of the main duties of this society was to procure needed articles for the church. In looking over the meager records of this organization it is evident that the ladies were not guilty of extravagance. The most expensive article they procured was an \$18.00 pulpit. For Christmas, 1845, they donated the following items:

Glass Candlesticks	\$1.00
Altar Cloths	4.50
Pulpit Decorations	5.00
Antependium for Altar	1.50
Articles for Credence Table	1.00
Cover for Tabernacle	2.55

Three years after being appointed pastor of St. Pius church, Father Kearney became ill. He took a temporary leave of absence from parish duties in 1848. During the year and a half absence, Father T. O. Farrell was in charge of the parish. Father Kearney returned to the parish in September, 1850, but was forced to retire a month later. His last official record states that on October 13, 1850 he baptised Patrick O'Brien.

Father Farrell was in charge of the parish only a few months when he was replaced by Father Emmanuel Thienpont.

The apostolic endeavors of the pioneer priests merit that their final days be recorded. Father James Conlan died in Cleveland, 1875, and is buried at St. John's Cemetery. Father McGrady, O. P., lies buried in the Catholic cemetery at Canton, Ohio.

C H A P T E R I I

ST. PIUS CHURCH BECOMES ST. PETER'S

STEUBENVILLE, 1850: A period of expansion, a period of industry; the key-word was progress! The Ohio Foundry was three years old; Steubenville was becoming synonymous with the word "steel." The Western Herald newspaper had become a daily paper. From Pittsburgh a thin strand of wire stretched from tree to tree, across the Ohio River to a room on South Third Street: a telegraph system was in operation. In 1848 a charter for building the Steubenville-Indiana Railroad was issued. A plank road was being built in 1850 from Market Street, extending five miles west of town.

Steubenville, 1850: Edwin Stanton, prominent Steubenville lawyer, was expanding his practice by opening a branch office in Pittsburgh. In a few years Stanton would achieve national fame as Lincoln's Secretary of War.

Steubenville, December, 1850: Father Emmanuel Thienpont arrived as pastor of St. Pius Church.

Born in Belgium, Emmanuel Thienpont prepared himself for the priesthood in his native land, then completing his studies, he came to America and was ordained here, in 1832. He was a man of powerful physique, scholarly, industrious and indefatigable.

Archbishop Purcell gave Father Thienpont a "roving commission" which extended from Cincinnati to Cleveland. He brought the sacraments to men building canals through Northern Ohio; in Dayton he established the mother-church of that city — Emmanuel Church. He was stationed at Tiffin and Portsmouth, Ohio and from there he came to Steubenville in 1850. He was pastor of St. Peter's from 1850 to June 30, 1865.

The congregation at Steubenville's Catholic church was composed mostly of Irish and German immigrants. By 1854 the Steubenville-Indiana Railroad project was completed as far as Newark. Soon after, the river road was continued from Wellsville to Wheeling. A railroad bridge spanning the Ohio River was built.

Besides caring for the spiritual welfare of the people of Steubenville, Father Thienpont assumed the additional work of providing for the spiritual needs of the great number of Catholics building the railroad. There were large railroad gangs scattered all along the railroad line, and Father Thienpont traveled as far as fifty miles

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west of Steubenville. He would say Mass in the railroad shanties, in the fields. His journeys were by horseback, carrying altar missal, chalice, vestments, etc., in his saddlebags.

The 1897 Centennial History of Steubenville booklet describes Father Thienpont as "... an able missionary of indefatigable energy. He was always in the saddle, looking after his large floating population, and from these he obtained most of the means which enabled him to tear down the little old church and erect the present (1897) edifice of St. Peter's in 1853."

It is recorded of him that Father Thienpont possessed a natural disposition to kindness and affability, making him a man to gain the affection of the people and make them his willing pupils. He had a pleasing voice, and a simple, earnest, plain method of preaching.

There is a legend connected with the priest's missionary travels. While saying Mass at an old farm house near Scio, a woman was reported to have mocked the priest and insulted him. The priest remained silent and when the woman left the farm house and was crossing the fields to her own home, an angry bull gored her and caused her death!

Steubenville's population was rapidly increasing in the 1850's; and the priest decided to enlarge the church. At first, plans were made simply to enlarge the already existing brick building, but this was found to be impracticable. With contributions from parishioners and railroaders, a new church was built. Father Thienpont changed the name from St. Pius to St. Peter's and it was consecrated by Archbishop Purcell in 1854.

The new church stood on the corner of Fourth and Logan Streets. It was an imposing structure for that era; being about one-half the size of the present church. It was two stories high, and the front corners rose into two towers. The right side tower had two clocks, facing Fourth Street and Logan Street. The inner frame of the windows were fashioned in the form of a cross with four panels of glass in each window.

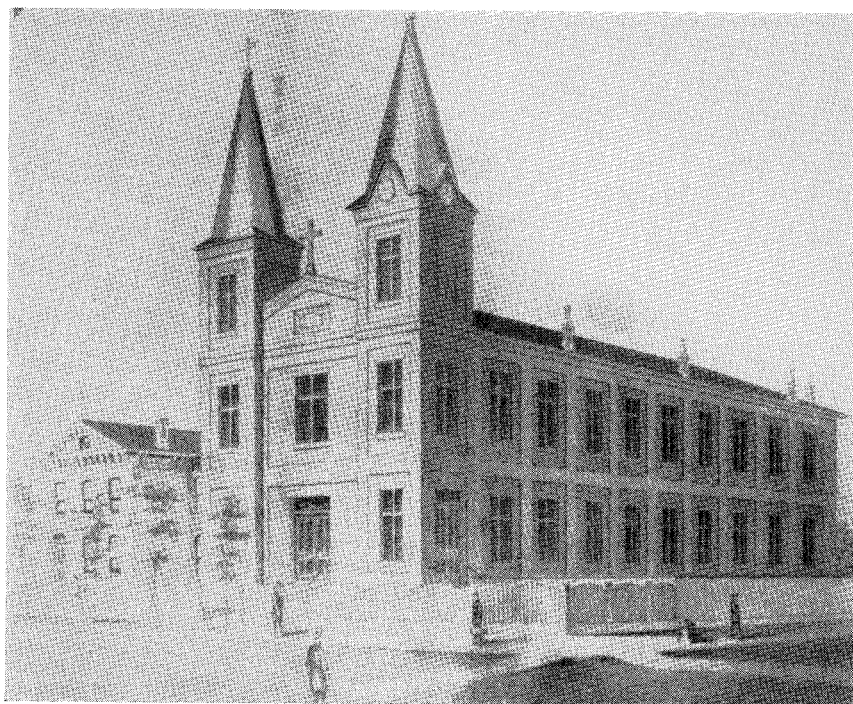


Father Emmanuel Thienpont, pastor of St. Peter's from 1850-1865

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The first floor of the church served as a school and there was a small student's chapel on the left side of the first floor. The church proper was on the second floor, reached by a stairway just inside the front doors of the church. The entire edifice was surrounded by a wood fence.

Unpleasant incidents entered Father Thienpont's life shortly after the church was built. He found himself bitterly opposed by an anti-Catholic spirit, motivated by religious prejudice. In fact, on the very day the corner stone of the new church was to be laid, religious



St. Peter's Church — 1854.

prejudice became so intense that a mob was organized to prevent, even by force, the laying of the corner stone. A man named McCook took a hand in the affair. It is not known exactly who this individual was. There was at that time a prominent Steubenville citizen named Captain Anson G. McCook who played a prominent role in recruiting soldiers for the Civil War a few years later. There were other McCooks in Steubenville; in fact more than a dozen who, because of their fighting prowess gained the title "The Fighting McCooks." Nevertheless, McCook was a fair-minded individual whose interference

ST. PIUS CHURCH BECOMES ST. PETER'S

with the mob was strong enough and persuasive enough to disband those who wished to halt the laying of St. Peter's corner stone.

Father Thienpont was now an elderly man. He had spent thirty-five years in the priesthood. Opposition, sectarian bitterness, grew stronger. It was deemed advisable to transfer him to another parish.

In the fall of 1865, Father William Bigelow arrived in Steubenville. The day after his arrival, Father Thienpont received a letter from Archbishop Purcell transferring him to Logan, Ohio.

Father Thienpont served as pastor of St. John's Church at Logan for eight years. In 1868, the diocese of Columbus was established and Bishop Rosecrans appointed first bishop of Columbus.

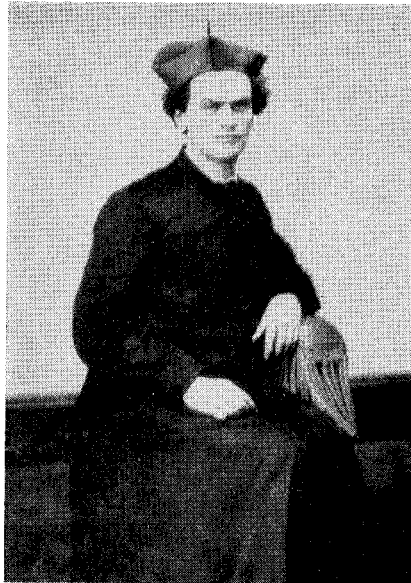
When Bishop Rosecrans heard that Father Thienpont was on his death bed, the bishop visited the elderly priest who had served so well for more than forty years. In appreciation for the bishop's visit, Father Thienpont bequeathed his entire fortune to Bishop Rosecrans and the Columbus diocese. The diocese, struggling for existence, was greatly helped by this generous donation. Father Thienpont died in 1873 and is buried at Mt. Calvary Cemetery, Columbus, Ohio.



CHAPTER III

FOURTEEN YEARS OF HARDSHIP

WILLIAM THOMAS BIGELOW was born in Lancaster, Ohio, 1842. His father was John Milton Bigelow, a surgeon and United States botanist, who had participated in surveying the territory obtained by the United States through the Gadsden Purchase. The doctor was a cousin of John Quincy Adams and the Smith Brothers of cough drop fame.



Father William Bigelow

When William Bigelow was twelve years old, he went to Archbishop Purcell, expressing his desire to become a priest. The archbishop sent him to the seminary at Bardstown, Kentucky, and later transferred him to Mt. St. Mary's Seminary, Norwood, Ohio. At the age of eighteen, William Bigelow received the degree of Bachelor of Arts, with special honors in Greek, mathematics and history. He was ordained at the age of twenty-two, on August 6, 1864, and shortly afterwards was appointed pastor of St. Peter's Church.

Father Bigelow found the church too small for its growing congregation and added an extension to it, doubling its length. He converted the lower floor of

the church into classrooms, with ladies of the parish teaching the children.

The small rectory which had previously been built was remodeled by Father Bigelow. Previous to this, ground for a new cemetery had been purchased on Market Street, and all the bodies buried in St. Peter's cemetery were removed and re-buried at the new cemetery. The rectory built by Father Bigelow was the front part of the present rectory, or, about one-half the size of the present priest's home.

Father Bigelow was slight of build, of medium height, with kindly, deep-set eyes and dark brown hair. He was a rapid thinker, and his

FOURTEEN YEARS OF HARDSHIP

sermons were simple and direct. He had a cheerful disposition and a fine sense of humor. God had gifted him with many talents. Those who knew him in his seminary years remembered his exemplary conduct and modest leadership in his classes. His influence was felt throughout Steubenville, and his fellow-citizens admired him for his abilities as a scholar and respected his virtues. He had an enthusiasm for God and the Church that was never darkened by fear or despondency. His parishioners loved him; children idolized him. A favorite trick of his was to gather children about him and toss pennies in the air for them to catch. So that the children he loved might learn more of the God he loved, Father Bigelow made arrangements for five Sisters of Charity to come from the motherhouse in Cincinnati to teach in St. Peter's school.

The sisters arrived in Steubenville in 1868. They were: Sister Gabriella Crowe (the sister superior), Sister Francis Xavier Clements, Sister Sylvester Williams, Sister Justina Segale and Sister Mary Ellen Cunningham. Father Bigelow turned over the newly built rectory to the sisters to serve as a convent and moved into a boarding house near the church.

In 1871, a small-pox epidemic swept through the city. Two quarantine houses for victims of this disease were opened on South Fifth Street. Father Bigelow visited the sick every day, cheerfully encouraging patients and nurses, visiting both Catholics and Protestants afflicted with this disease.

On January 20, 1872, Father Bigelow was summoned on a sick call, sixteen miles out in the country. It was a rainy winter morning; the only means of transportation was on horseback. Before he reached his destination, the weather changed to freezing and the priest's clothes were frozen when he arrived at the farmhouse. The farmer was a small-pox victim. Father Bigelow was persuaded to put on some of the farmer's clothes while his own were drying before the kitchen fire. After preparing the farmer for death, administering the last sacraments, the priest made the journey home again. The next day he was confined to bed, ill from congestion of the lungs and varioloid — a form of small-pox. In two days he was dead, a martyr to duty.

City health officials wished to bury the remains of Father Bigelow immediately, fearing an even greater spread of the contagious disease. But the people refused. His remains were laid out in the church, and Catholics as well as people of all faiths flocked into the church to pay their respects. Indicative of the great honor and respect Father Bigelow held among his people is shown in the recorded fact that Catholics touched rosaries, medals, etc., to his body as one would do to a saint. A leading physician in the city, Doctor Tappen, stated that this would cause at least a hundred new cases of small-pox in the town. Not one case was reported from those who had touched the remains of their beloved pastor. His funeral was the largest that Steubenville had ever

seen at that time. Those who had no means of transportation accompanied the body on foot to the cemetery. When he died, at the age of twenty-nine, the total sum of his wealth was three dollars and fifty cents and a few books which were sent to Bishop Rosecrans. He was buried in the plot of his brother-in-law, N. J. Basler, in the lower part of the cemetery.

When the new Mt. Calvary Cemetery was opened in 1883, those buried in the old cemetery were transferred to the new cemetery. Many old parishioners asked the Dean to open Father Bigelow's casket, believing that God might have preserved the body of their former pastor as further proof of his holiness. The Dean complied with their request, opened the casket, but only a few bones were found in it.

The history of Mt. St. Mary's Seminary, Cincinnati, gives this eulogy to Father Bigelow: "Success in everything he undertook accompanied him in his ministry. Had he lived he would have been, without a doubt, a great priest in the history of the American Church. He was and always will be a great priest in the history of God."

Four Pastors in Seven Years

The first official record of an assistant priest at St. Peter's Church names Father Thomas M. Tuomy, who took charge of the parish after Father Bigelow's death. He was pastor only two years, dying of consumption in December, 1873. From 1873, Father Jeremiah A. Murray, former pastor of St. Patrick's Church, Columbus, was appointed pastor of St. Peter's Church. Father Murray had been general supervisor of the construction of St. Joseph's Cathedral in Columbus. In 1876, Father Murray was appointed to the Columbus Cathedral, and later, because of ill-health, spent his last days at Good Samaritan Hospital in Cincinnati.



Father Bernard Wisman

Father Murray's assistant, Father H. B. Dues, was St. Peter's pastor for about a year and a half. He was then transferred to Canal Dover, where he died ten years later, in 1886.

Father Bernard Wisman, pastor of St. Joseph's Church, Canal

FOURTEEN YEARS OF HARDSHIP

Dover, was then appointed pastor of St. Peter's Church in 1877. Father Wisman had previously been stationed at St. Mary's parish in Marges (1867-1868), St. Francis Xavier parish, Malvern (1868). His health was not strong and in February, 1879, he was relieved of his duties. Shortly afterwards he was again assigned to St. Francis Xavier Church in Malvern where he remained until his death in 1891.

The 1870's were busy years in Steubenville. The railroad bridge across the river north of the city was completed. River traffic was booming. A new newspaper, a new steam fire engine, a new courthouse came to Steubenville. The decade also witnessed long processions of resolute women marching around saloons, kneeling in front of taverns, praying that the saloon keeper's business might end. And it did, at least openly end, as a city ordinance was passed prohibiting the sale of alcohol.

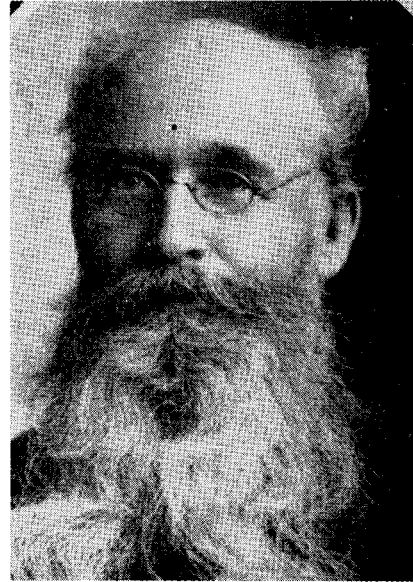
The Miners and Merchants Bank of Savings opened in 1872; T. J. Shannon opened an undertaking establishment in 1879; and three major industries began operations during that decade: Steubenville Furnace and Iron Company, the Acme Glass factory, and Steubenville Pottery Company. Steubenville celebrated the centennial of the nation in 1876 with triumphal pageants, arches, parades and speeches.



CHAPTER IV

"THE DEAN"

MARTIN MICHAEL ALOYSIUS HARTNEDY was born in Loughkile, near the River Shannon, Ireland, on November 25, 1846. He came to America with his family while a young boy and continued his education at St. Rose Convent School, near Bardstown, Kentucky. Completing his classical studies there, he entered the diocesan seminary of St. Aloysius in Columbus, Ohio, in 1872. He was ordained to the priesthood by Bishop Rosecrans at St. Joseph's Cathedral on April 17, 1875.



Dean M. M. A. Hartneddy

His first appointment was assistant at St. Joseph's Cathedral; a few months later he was appointed pastor of St. Paul's parish, Athens, Ohio. In the first years of his pastorate at Athens, Father Hartneddy remodeled the church and purchased a rectory adjoining the church. He organized catechism classes wherever a dozen families could be found. A great deal of missionary work was accomplished by traveling horseback. In his memoirs, Faather Hartneddy recalled that sick calls requiring horseback travel of fifteen and twenty miles were of frequent occurrence. This tedious missionary work weakened the young priest and four years later, in 1879, he was obliged to take a sick leave by order of his physician. Prior to this period of recuperation he had built a little church titled St. Mary's of the River, at Little Hocking. A few months rest and Father Hartneddy returned to his missions again.

Bishop Rosecrans died on October 21, 1878, the day after he had consecrated St. Joseph's Cathedral, and Father Hartneddy was appointed to take temporary charge of the Columbus Cathedral that same month.

On February 28, 1879, Father M. M. A. Hartneddy was appointed pastor of St. Peter's Church, Steubenville. The parish had been in

debt since the Civil War (1861-1865), and Father Hartnedy's energies were concentrated towards eliminating the \$5,000.00 parish debt. He liquidated this debt within two years, and in appreciation, the parishioners presented him with the gift of a horse and carriage. In September, 1879, Father Hartnedy enlarged the school facilities of the parish by establishing a high school. This high school would continue until 1928 when a Central High School was established at Holy Name, combining the two parish high schools into a single unit.

In 1880, the Sisters of Charity withdrew from St. Peter's School and the Dominican Sisters from Columbus took their place. (Another chapter in this history will be devoted to the activities and history of the parish school).

St. Peter's was still the only Catholic Church in the city of Steubenville, and Father Hartnedy felt that the growing Catholic population merited the building of another parish. With the approval of Bishop Watterson (consecrated bishop of Columbus in August, 1880), Father Hartnedy purchased the Doctor Andrews homestead on the corner of South Fifth and Slack Streets. This was done on August 25, 1883, when Father Hartnedy purchased five lots, costing \$5,600.00.

Father Hartnedy's assistant at St. Peter's, Father James J. Hartley, was placed in charge of this mission church named "The Most Holy Name of our Divine Lord." A residence to the left of the mission church was remodeled for a convent, a rectory constructed to the right of the church, and a parish school was built to the right of the rectory. In 1885, Father Hartley became pastor of Holy Name Church. The Doctor Andrews mansion was converted into classrooms and in September of the same year, two Dominican sisters came daily from St. Peter's to teach. By the spring of 1885, a temporary frame church was built by Father Hartnedy, and he dedicated the church on July 19, 1885.

The ceremony of dedication was colorful and merits being described according to the newspaper story:

"The ceremonies attending the dedication of the Church of the Holy Name yesterday were very impressive. At 10:00, the procession was formed at St. Peter's church and with Thomas Burke as marshall, and led by Seibert's brass band, marched down Fourth Street to Slack and up Slack to the church. Following the band, came children of St. Peter's and the school of Holy Name, the St. Peter's Total Abstinence Beneficial Society, the Knights of Erin, the Ancient Order of Hibernians, the Children of Mary, and a large number of the congregation.

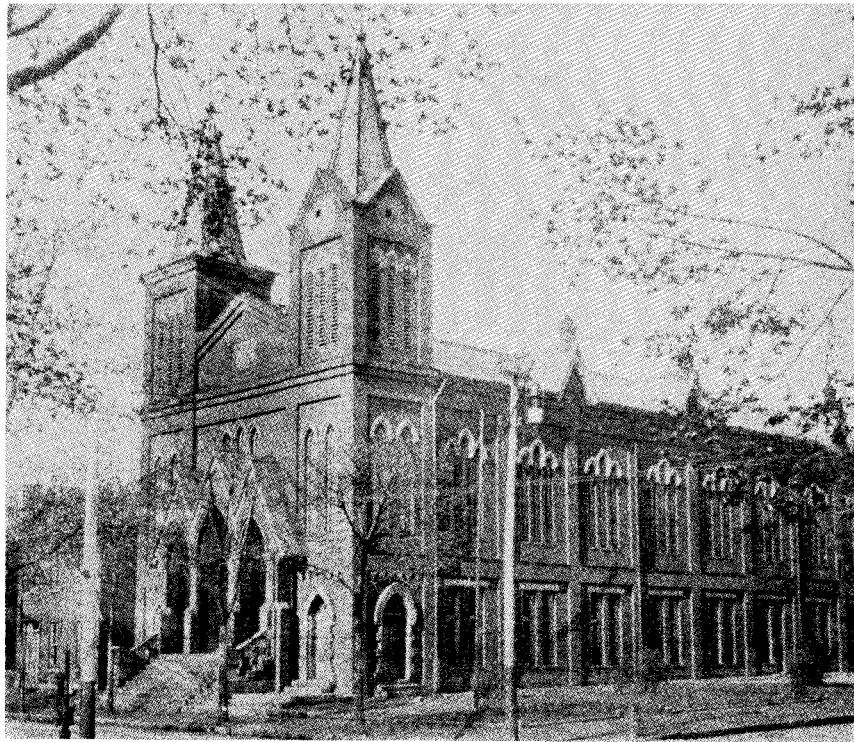
"About seven hundred were in the procession, and all along the route on their way to the church were large crowds, and the sidewalks

were filled with people. Upon the arrival at the church, there were at least twenty-five hundred people in attendance to witness the dedicatory rites, celebrated by Father Hartnedy, assisted by Fathers Hartley and Alexander, the latter of Pittsburgh. Before the doors were opened, the structure was blessed and the societies marched around the building while it was sprinkled with the holy water. The doors were then opened, and the clergy and choir were admitted.

“Hardly a third of the people could gain an entrance and the auditorium was packed. The dedicatory sermon was preached by Father Hartnedy, who took for his text, ‘This is the House of God and the Gate of Heaven.’ Vespers were held in the new church in the evening, being the first regular services in the building.

“Owing to the large number of parishioners, the new church was necessary in order to accommodate the people living south of Market.

“It will be an adjunct of the St. Peter’s Church for some time



St. Peter's Church — 1885

being under the supervision and jurisdiction of Father Hartnedy until Bishop Watterson deems it advisable to make two parishes in Steubenville. In that event Father Hartley will become pastor. The structure was commenced last May and has been pushed rapidly to completion under the charge of the contractors Mulcahey and Burke. It is yet in an unfinished condition and Father Hartnedy hopes to complete the spire and put in stained glass windows soon."

At the same time that Father Hartnedy was constructing Holy Name Church he was also remodeling St. Peter's Church. The single front entrance was enlarged to form three entrances. The church was widened and lengthened. The twin towers in front were extended higher and arched. Windows of the second floor were replaced with stained glass in triple arches. The fence surrounding the church was torn down and the grounds were landscaped.

In 1883 Father Hartnedy purchased a portion of the Huscroft farm and 130 acres of land west of Steubenville to be used as a cemetery, titled Mount Calvary Cemetery. The era of expansion continued. He purchased land for a Catholic church to be built in Mingo Junction and in 1886 bought land in Toronto for a church in that area. Prior to St. Agnes Church in Mingo Junction and St. Francis Church, Toronto, Father Hartnedy, in missionary fashion, said Mass, heard confessions at the home of Matthew Kane in Mingo Junction, and once a month either he or Father Hartley took the train to Brilliant, to the home of Martin Nee, an Irish immigrant, to give Catholics in that area the opportunity to receive the sacraments. On weeks days, Father Hartnedy would journey to Toronto to offer Mass in private homes. After putting the building of the Toronto church under contract, Father Hartnedy sailed for Europe in the Fall of 1886 for a vacation.

The key-note of Steubenville's history of the 1870's was "Progress and Expansion"; and this carried through the 1880's. It was a period of marvels, a period of tragedies, a period of new industry.

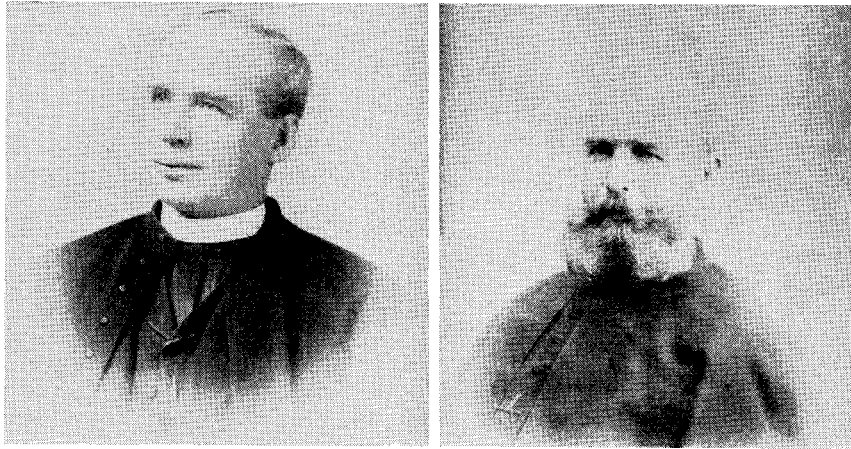
It was a period of marvels, electrical marvels. In 1881, the citizens gathered, with some skepticism, to watch the installation of a new gadget in a building at Fifth and Market Streets. This electrical gadget was called a "telephone." By 1886, the braver citizens were having another new invention installed in their homes, the incandescent electric lamp. A year later Steubenville was selected as one of four communities in the nation to have an electric street railway line, and in 1887 the trolley car came to town.

It was a period of tragedy, the tragedy of a cyclone, a fire, a flood and a steamship sinking. The cyclone hit Steubenville on January 16, 1885. A few months later, a fire broke out destroying a large section of the business establishments in the city. On July 4, 1882, the excursion

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steamer, Scioto, collided with the steamer, John Lomas. There was a crash and seventy-five persons died in the sinking of the Scioto. In 1884, the Ohio River rose to a crest of forty-nine feet, and citizens living on Water Street had to be rescued from their roof tops.

Civic improvements continued during the 1880's. A city sewer system was launched in 1889, to replace the former "street slope drainage" system that depended upon rains to wash refuse from the streets into the river. The Ohio Valley Clay Company began operations during this decade, the Steubenville Building and Loan Association opened its doors for business, and four railroads now served the city. A new city hall was built in 1883 with offices for all city officials, space for a postoffice and an opera house. The opera house would be the scene of several theatrical productions produced by Father Hartnedy.



Father Hartnedy: Two Portraits.

Father Hartnedy sailed for Europe in 1886, arriving at Queens-town, Ireland. He visited Cork, Limerick and Dublin then went to England for a month. While in England he attended a House of Commons session. His journey through France included visits to Paris, Lyons and Marseilles. From there he sailed to Egypt. Going to Jerusalem he was received with special honors by the United States Consul at Jerusalem. From the Holy Land, Father Hartnedy went to Rome where he was given an audience with Pope Leo XIII. From Rome, the priest returned to the United States. Shortly after returning to Steubenville he was given a public reception by the citizens of the city and he gave a lecture that lasted for two hours at the Opera House, describing his travels. Because some of his remarks give an insight into this priest's personality, they bear repeating.

His comment on Egypt was, "they are utterly incapable of self-

government." Of the pyramids he said, "they are simply high piles of stone." He also remarked that with the aid of a railroad gang he could have built a better sphinx.

Appointed Dean

At the diocesan synod of Columbus in 1887, Father Hartnedy was appointed a dean; the deanery being composed of the eight proximate counties in eastern Ohio. A year later Dean Hartnedy built a new priest's residence called the Deanery at a cost of \$10,000.00. (The building is the present sister's convent). The rectory next to the church was remodeled to serve as a convent.

Some time after returning from Europe, the Dean solemnly erected the Stations of the Cross in St. Peter's Church in a special ceremony. The fourteen stations, together with fourteen marble tablets were placed before the main altar. In the center of each cruciform marble tablet a small fragment of stone taken from the identical place where Christ suffered a particular portion of the passion had been inserted. Dean Hartnedy had procured the stone fragments during his pilgrimage to Jerusalem. Stone from Pilate's Court and from Mount Calvary had been particularly difficult to obtain. The dedication and blessing of the stations of the cross lasted until 10:00 in the evening, in a church filled to capacity. A sermon on the passion of Christ was preached by Father Ireneus, O. M. Cap., incense and holy water was used at each station, and the way of the cross was made as workmen inserted the stations to the wall.

On October 21, 1892, the Dean presented a historical drama titled "Christopher Columbus." Tickets for the performance at the Opera House were sold out three days before the performance. The newspaper on the following day praised the performance as "a literary effort of the greatest merit." The only criticism offered was "a little too profound for a popular audience and too long." The lead part of Christopher Columbus was portrayed by Simon E. Loftus, E. J. Gorman portrayed King Ferdinand, the cast included John Branagan, George Cusick, M. E. McSwiggen, Mary A. Kenny and Frank Ryan.

St. Peter's Church was free of debt and remodeled; the parish was flourishing, consisting of about 1,500 souls, with 400 children in its parish school. The Dean's reputation was expressed in this way by a city publication: "The Dean is popular with the citizens in general, and is known as a public spirited, charitable person, who is interested in every movement that has for its purpose the advancement of the commercial interests of the city or the betterment of the masses." He was described in another article as possessing "admirable pluck and indomitable courage." He was known for his charity, frequently taking children of poor families to a cobbler to be fitted for shoes or have their shoes repaired. He never expected repayment for his charities.

The newspaper article presenting his obituary praised Dean Hartnedy as "one of the best loved men who ever walked the streets of Steubenville. He was charitable, loving and kind, though sometimes brusque in manner. He was also keen and far seeing in business matters and his insight into human affairs was deep and his judgement was usually sound. Loved as he was by hundreds of people, the Dean's courage, sterling honor and stern attitude towards evil made him feared by evil doers."

The Dean was outspoken in his defense of the church. An advertisement once appeared in a newspaper that seemed to insult "convent schools." The Dean wrote an article which was printed in the same newspaper. He exemplified the smallness of bigotry by saying, "Business is business, put the same spirit in the following ad and see how it reads in a civilized community. 'This is the ideal Presbyterian shop to get your groceries and head gear for your children, instead of trading with Methodists, Catholics, Jews and Quakers as is too often done.' Is this American civilization of the 19th century? I think not. I regret the very uncalled for slur on our Catholic institutions."

In financial matters, Dean Hartnedy always expressed his appreciation for the parishioners contribution, whether the amount was large or small. A frequent remark he made was: "You have given according to your means, and I hope God will bless you." He was frequently visiting the sick and aged of the parish, consoling them with kind words.

History would record this period as "The Gay Nineties", as Steubenville's citizens danced to Strauss waltzes being played by W. B. Patton's orchestra at Turner Hall on South Third Street. . . . stage shows at the Opera House. . . . citizens taking the Mingo trolley car to Altamont hilltop for picnics. . . . Sulzbacher's dry goods store was selling ladies tailored suits for \$5.79, Munks was selling men's suits for \$5.00, topcoats for \$8.00. . . . and the city celebrated its centennial on August 25, 1897, with flags, arches, parades and fireworks.

The "Gay Nineties" . . . when five cents bought a loaf of bread, a quart of milk, or a bucket of beer. . . . the North end of Steubenville received the name: "the bloody Fifth Ward" . . . the Opera House offered a spectacular stage play, titled "Around the World in 80 Days," other productions were "Rip Van Winkle," and a sure crowd-drawer was "The Drummer Boy of Shiloh" . . . ice skating on the Ohio River which always froze solid in winter; summer entertainment was strawberry festivals, and the "Bicycle Built for Two" was more than a song since Steubenville had its own bicycle works and young men and women cycled out to the countryside on a summer afternoon. Dean Hartnedy's horse was considered quite an intelligent animal those days. While the Dean dozed off or mused absentmindedly, the horse always found its own way home, and on several occasions ambled right into the house through a side door.

The nineteenth century came to an end, and, by special permission of Pope Leo XIII, the new twentieth century was opened by a midnight Solemn High Mass at St. Peter's Church, with Dean Hartnedy celebrant, Father Dacey, deacon, and Father Edward McGinness, sub-deacon. Admission was by ticket only.

A Clash of Personalities

Father James J. Hartley had been appointed assistant at St. Peter's in 1882. Three years later he was appointed pastor of Holy Name Church. By means of a parish bazaar, Father Hartley liquidated an \$11,000.00 parish debt. Four years after his appointment as Holy Name's pastor, he had established a parish high school. In 1898 he announced plans for the building of a new Holy Name Church. Two years after the announcement, on October 14, 1900, the church was completed and consecrated by Bishop Moeller. (Bishop Henry Moeller, former chancellor of the Cincinnati Archdiocese was consecrated Bishop of Columbus on August 25, 1900).

Both Dean Hartnedy and Father Hartley were strong-willed men, with equally strong convictions. Both were successful "building priests" with foresight and capabilities of providing facilities for the rapid growth of Catholicism in the Steubenville area. These factors give an indication of the personality clash between the two churchmen. When Holy Name had been established no distinct parochial boundary lines had been defined. According to one report the misunderstanding between the two priests widened through the minor event of selling bazaar tickets. Holy Name sponsored a bazaar during which parishioners sold tickets in stores on the north end of town. A short time later, a parishioner from St. Peter's was selling raffle tickets in a store on the south end of town. One of the customers in the store expressed annoyance about having to buy raffle tickets to support St. Peter's Church. The seller of the tickets went to Dean Hartnedy, the annoyed customer went to Father Hartley. Both expressed their grievances. A few days later the Dean and Father Hartley chanced to meet on Market Street. Their exact conversation is not known but it is believed to have centered about the ticket-selling event. Words were exchanged and the Dean, in a dramatic gesture, took his cane and traced an imaginary line up the center of Market Street. Thus was designated the boundary line between the two parishes that exists up to the present time.

(In 1903 Bishop Moeller was appointed Coadjutor Archbishop of Cincinnati, and on December 10, 1903, Pope Pius X appointed Father James J. Hartley bishop of Columbus. Bishop Hartley was consecrated to the episcopacy on February 25, 1904.)

Dean Plans New Church

On July 12, 1902, the city newspaper announced that Dean Hart-

nedy was planning to build "the most modern and costly church in the diocese of Columbus, to be completed in two years." Two months later, on Sunday, September 14, 1902, the Dean outlined his plans to the congregation in a sermon. "If I am properly supported," he said, "I will not only build the finest and largest church edifice in the city, but the finest and largest in the diocese of Columbus."

His plans were grandiose; to build, in Steubenville, a church about one-fourth the size of St. Peter's Church in Rome. The length and width would be scaled to one-fourth the size of the mother church of Christendom, and in height it would be one-third as high as the church in Rome. The dimensions would be: length, 180 feet; width, 68 feet, with a transept 116 feet wide. The dome, 47½ feet in diameter, would rise 150 feet into the air. The front of the church would have eight massive stone columns, 2½ feet in diameter, rising 40 feet high. Facing North Fourth Street, and above the eight stone columns would be a stone parapet, 60 feet high, crowned with a group of statues representing Christ giving St. Peter the keys of heaven. Other statues of apostles and saints would be placed along the sides of the upper wall.

The sanctuary would be located beneath the dome and would be 50 feet in diameter, and around the sanctuary, plans were made for an amphitheatre of seats to accommodate one thousand people. The entire building would be constructed of stone and steel. The dome would be steel with concrete foundations; the floor would be marble laid on concrete; the roof would be steel supported and tiled.

The Dean had worked out most of the plans during the winter of 1901, while in Texas. Suffering from ill-health, the Dean was given a leave of absence of six months which he spent in Arizona from November, 1902, to May, 1903. During his sick leave, Father Dacey, assistant pastor of St. Peter's, died of a heart condition February 27, 1903, and Father Slattery arrived at St. Peter's shortly before Father Dacey's death.

Returning to Steubenville in the spring of 1903, the Dean continued his preparations for constructing the new church. The Men's Council of the parish conducted a subscription drive for the building fund. The Dean set the pace for the drive by personally pledging \$2,500.00 for the new church. B. W. Mettenberger and C. E. Linehan also pledged \$2,500.00 each. By July, 1904, \$17,239.49 was available in pledges and payments.

With a great degree of confidence, Dean Hartnedy set his plans into action. A new school was constructed directly behind the church. This three-story building, now an apartment house, cost \$5,000.00 to construct. Then the old church which the Dean had built in 1884 was completely demolished. (Demolishing cost \$928.95). A temporary

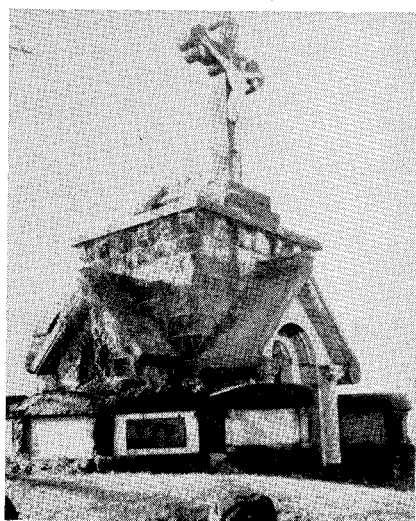
church with a seating capacity of four hundred was constructed at the site of the present school. (Construction cost of temporary church \$1,372.03.) By the Summer of 1904, Fourth and Logan Street corner was a pile of stone, woodbeams and wreckage.

In September, 1904, Dean Hartnedy submitted his plans for the new church to the Columbus diocese building commission. To his surprise and chagrin, instead of approval, the plans were rejected! Several reasons might be presented for the refusal. The cost of the proposed building was much greater than the Dean had anticipated. His estimate was \$63,000.00, the architect's estimate was \$150,000.00. (The 1907 St. Peter's Church, built by Father Powers, would cost \$112,000.00 and it was far smaller than the Dean's plans.)

The size of the proposed church was another factor. A seating capacity of 1600, not including the galleries, seemed too large for a parish which listed less than three hundred church supporters. But whatever the reasons for refusing permission, it was a hard blow to Dean Hartnedy. On September 30, 1904, the city newspaper announced that Dean Hartnedy had resigned as pastor of St. Peter's Church.

The last official act of which there is record, performed by Dean Hartnedy, was the baptism of Amelia Helen Kenney, daughter of

Thomas and Amelia Kenney, baptised by the Dean on October 5, 1904. The Dean left Steubenville in October, 1904 and retired to Highland Park, California. Eight years later, in September, 1912, Dean Hartnedy died at the age of sixty-six. News of his death was telegraphed to Steubenville, and the bells of Holy Name and St. Peter's Churches tolled. A week after his death, his body was returned to Steubenville for the funeral rites which took place on the last Saturday of September, at 8:30 a. m., in St. Peter's Church.



Dean Hartnedy's Tomb

in the church the long and loyal service of Dean Hartnedy.

"We realize that the arrow of death aimed high, that an eagle of

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Israel has fallen," Father Powers said. "We remember his wit and power of repartee; we remember his good nature and his acts of kindness and charity; and we see amidst this scene of mourning and this demonstration of love, a tribute to the dignity of the Christian priesthood."

The funeral Mass was offered by Father Slattery; Bishop Hartley gave the final absolution over the remains of his former pastor.

At the end of the funeral service, school children, police platoons, men's societies, young ladies societies, a large number of the congregation, pallbearers and honorary pallbearers and priests formed a procession and marched to Mt. Calvary cemetery where the remains of Dean Hartnedy were placed in the private mausoleum he had built. Father A. M. Leyden of Columbus, preached at the cemetery and the casket was blessed by Father Powers. More than 600 had gathered at the cemetery for the final service.





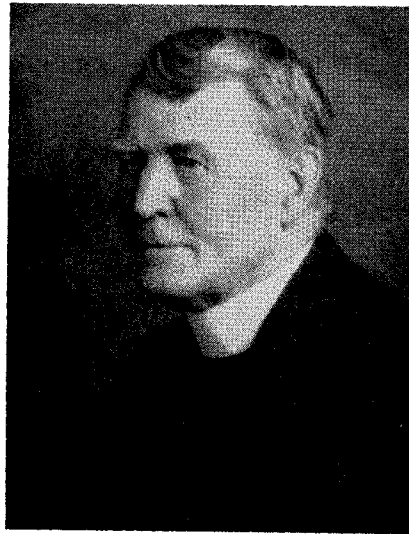
Sacred Heart Shrine

CHAPTER V

FATHER THOMAS POWERS

... "gentleness of a lamb, courage of a lion"

ON OCTOBER 14, 1904, Father Thomas Powers came from Logan to Steubenville to become the twelfth pastor of St. Peter's Church. Thomas Augustine Powers was born on March 2, 1858, in Annville, New York. His family were Irish immigrants from Waterford, Ireland. The family consisted of twelve children. Father Powers attended Holy Cross College, Worcester, Massachusetts, where, besides scholastic achievements, he also excelled in athletic programs of wrestling and football. He continued his education at Ottawa University in Canada, where he also played football. His theological studies were at Our Lady of the Angels Seminary, Niagara University. He was ordained in the cathedral at Buffalo, New York, on May 29, 1890. His first assignment was as assistant to Dean Hartnedy at St. Peter's. Four years later he was transferred to the cathedral in Columbus. Shortly afterwards he was assigned as pastor to the church at Logan, Ohio. While at Logan, Father Powers built a new church and rectory. After ten years as pastor of St. John's parish, Logan, Father Powers was appointed irremovable pastor of St. Peter's, Steubenville. It was not an easy assignment. One of the Gospel writers, describes the scene of Christ's miracle of multiplying loaves by saying, "Now there was much grass in the place." (John 6, v. 10). The same evangelist might have described the scene when Father Powers arrived at Steubenville, with the words, "there was much resentment in the place."



Father Thomas Powers

Less than six months had passed since the congregation had viewed an exhibition of elaborate drawings of the proposed new church. The old church had been completely torn down, ground had been broken for the new church. Now everything seemed to have come to a standstill. The Men's Council of the parish was reluctant to shift loyalty from the Dean to Father Powers. A petition of non-support had been circulated through the parish, a petition signed by all but two families.

A small, wood-framed church built from materials salvaged from the old church stood in the center of the lot. Because of its decrepit appearance it was often referred to as "the wigwam." Father Powers sensed the spirit of bitterness, and on his first Sunday at St. Peter's, knowing of the petition being circulated, he preached this brief but eloquent sermon: "Well, I'm here, and from what I understand, the angels will have to feed me."

Much of the existing tension was eased by the presence of Father John Slattery, the assistant pastor. He had been at St. Peter's for about a year and a half prior to the Dean's resignation, and he remained at St. Peter's for nine years. His gentleness, full cooperation, and unruffled calm disposition were instrumental in restoring trust and cooperation between pastor and people. Father Powers gave Father Slattery permission to lead the campaign to build a new church.

We record one incident to give an insight into some of the problems that faced Father Powers. One evening a parishioner called at the rectory. Father Powers answered the door. "I wish to pay my church support," the visitor stated. Father Powers waited. "Is Father Slattery in so that I can pay my church support?" Without a word, Father Powers called in his assistant to handle this financial arrangement and the pastor retired to his own study. Once again plans were proposed for constructing a new church. The Men's Council desired a church that would approximate, to some extent, the plans of Dean Hartnedy. Others on the Council, and among this minority were Edward F. Fiest and James S. Shanahan, saw the wisdom of a less expensive project.

Three months after his arrival at St. Peter's, Father Powers announced that 627 persons had pledged \$61,975.00 towards the building fund. Emil Ulrich, a Cleveland architect, was commissioned to draw up plans for the new church. On May 5, 1905, the contracts for the new church were accepted and construction began. The corner stone was laid July 2.

There still existed some criticism of Father Powers. In 1905, through the pages of the parish bulletin he made this humorous comment: "No one of St. Peter's congregation . . . should neither be surprised or discouraged at hearing that the church is too large, and too small, too high and too low, too ornamental and too plain, too much basement and not basement enough. These, and the thousand and one other blunders already committed in the work are easily explained by the fact that the one in charge of this work is exceptionally proficient in doing things wrong."

"We are now drawing to the close of a very severe and trying ordeal," Father Powers said, in January, 1907. "All the powers of darkness, all the ingenuity of devils, all the machinations of hypocrisy and decep-

tion have fought the building of the new St. Peter's as a work of the kind never fought before."

But now the parishioners were rallying in support of Father Powers and his project. Within two years they raised \$37,000.00 towards the construction. Father Powers, long a leader in the temperance movement, had organized a youth group called The Temperance Cadets. The League of the Sacred Heart had eight hundred members. By June, 1905, total amount pledged for the new church was \$64,525.00. The children of St. Peter's were to donate the marble altar of the new church. St. Peter's Church was rising, higher and higher, and on May 1, 1906, the last tile was placed on the roof without a single accident occurring to any workman throughout the entire construction. The subscription list was growing. Many had already paid their pledges. Father Powers paid \$2,500.00, Father Slattery, \$200.00, C. E. Linehan had paid \$2,600.00, B. W. Mettenberger, \$1,000.00, P. E. Brady, \$1,000.00, and nine other parishioners had paid \$500.00 each. About this time, when the exterior of the building was completed, the building fund was exhausted and construction came to a halt. A group of men in the parish, led by Mr. Gustave Hornung, decided to do something so that the construction could be continued. They canvassed the parish and raised \$1,000.00. Gustave Hornung converted the entire amount raised into gold coins and presented them to Father Powers. Interior construction commenced.

In the midst of all this building furor, the spiritual needs of the parish were not ignored. A retreat for the young ladies of the parish was scheduled for December, 1906, conducted by Father Dunn, O. P. Earlier that year a mission was conducted in the parish. Prior to it Father Powers announced, "Don't mind the collection plate at the mission if it will disturb your devotions." Three Masses were scheduled for Sundays during the early years of the twentieth century. Masses were at 7:30, a children's Mass at 9:00, and a High Mass at 10:30. Rosary, Vespers and Benediction were held every Sunday afternoon at 3:15 p. m. The Temperance Cadets, led by Edward Feist, were receiving Holy Communion every month.

The financial status of the parish was far from being secure. Father Powers allowed himself a salary of \$25.00 a month, and a similar salary for Father Slattery. Expenditures for coal and gas for the six months of June-December, 1904, amounted to \$124.87. Taxes for the six months of June-December, 1904, for rectory and convent amounted to \$75.49. There were some extraordinary expenses during this year. A new boiler was installed in the Deanery at a cost of \$506.25. The bill for the three-story school building, including the lot and furnishings, came due; cost: \$7,163.81. Father Powers judged that the time had come to begin a steady campaign towards pew renting, since only 267 persons out of 2,400 parishioners were paying pew rent. Through the parish bulletin, Father Powers began urging a more substantial form

of church support. His persuasion took the form of humorous limericks one month: e. g.

“There was a young man from Kent
Who never paid pew rent;
But the reason I wis
Was something like this —
The skating rink got ev’ry cent.”

“There was a young girl named Jennie,
Who came here from Allegheny;
Her subscription unpaid
But the reason ’tis said —
That the dance hall got ev’ry penny.”

In order to make a partial payment to Andaew Brothers, the construction firm erecting the new church, Father Powers negotiated a \$5,000.00 loan from D. J. Sinclair.

The subscriptions for the new St. Peter’s were gradually mounting higher. By June of 1905, 682 persons had pledged \$64,525.00. A year later many of those who pledged had paid their pledges in full. Twenty young men volunteered to assist in collecting unpaid pledges. In November, 1906, the Ladies’ Altar and Rosary Society held a bazaar in the basement of the new church. The children of the parish who had pledged to buy the altar had devised their own, little money raising scheme. The Sunday 9:00 Mass was the children’s Mass, and the children acted as ushers. They exacted ten cents from every adult who attended their Mass and if the adults wished to sit in the gallery the fee was twenty cents. In one month they gathered a little over \$80.00.

One again, through the form of a limerick, Father Powers urged fuller cooperation in the subscriptions for the new church, writing:

“In building our beautiful temple,
In which to fight sin and all vice,
While badly in need of more money,
We’ve a surplus on hand of advice.
Some think our new church is too common,
While others object to the price,
But ask them to make a donation
And all they’ll donate is advice.”

By January, 1907, the interior work of the new church was being completed. Plans were made to open the church on June 30. The fifteen stained-glass windows, costing \$8,000.00, had arrived from Bavaria, Germany, on July 28, 1906. Artists arrived from Italy to construct the marble high altar. They stayed at the home of parishioner Octavius Manack. (The Manack family was one of the first Italian families to

come to Steubenville, arriving in the 1890's. They became members of St. Peter's Church, and Octavius and Maria Manack raised fourteen children, all baptised and educated at St. Peter's. Octavius often served Mass, and when he heard Mass in the body of the church the ushers knew of his presence because the offertory collection always received a five dollar gold piece.)

Final Masses were celebrated in the temporary church on Sunday, December 15, 1907. At 8:30 a. m., a procession was formed from the Deanery with Bishop Hartley present to dedicate the new church. The procession moved around the outside of the church, while the exterior walls were blessed, then, moving into the church, the altar was consecrated and Pontifical High Mass began at 11:30, celebrated by Bishop Hartley. The sermon at the dedication was preached by Father Kearney, O. P., a Dominican priest from Zanesville, who had also preached at the corner stone laying ceremony. During the ceremony Father Powers spoke these words: "Much as we have toiled, labored and sacrificed and worried to complete the work crowned today, remember it has been done for God's honor and glory. It would be better its walls in sightless ruin lay, than that the least among you should commit a mortal sin."

St. Peter's Church — 1907

The 1907 church, with furnishings, had cost \$112,000.00. Even today, fifty years later, that is a staggering sum. But in the early years of the twentieth century, the figure becomes even more overwhelming, considering the economic scale of that day. Butter sold at 25¢ a pound those days, soap was 2¢ a bar, men's suits were selling for \$8.00.

The architect was Emil Ulrich of Cleveland, Ohio. The church, with its two towers, rose 145 feet. It was built of Amherst sandstone and the structural parts of roof, tower and dome were of steel.

St. Peter's Church was of the Renaissance style of architecture, cruciform in shape. At the crossing of transept and nave, a dome rises, supported by four pillars with curved capitals and flooded with light through eight amber stained glass windows. Inside measurements from floor to top of dome are ninety-five feet. The north, south and east walls of the church are pierced by fifteen stained glass windows, representing the fifteen mysteries of the Rosary. The walls and ceiling were frescoed in tints of old ivory and the ceiling was ornamented with stained glass.

The church was illuminated by electric lights. Four chandeliers, one for each arch, hung in the rear of the church. Each of the four pillars had a band of four lights; two lights were bracketed under each of the fifteen stained glass windows. In the ceiling of the church and crossing the transept were nine arches of lights with thirty-six bulbs in each arch.

The floor of the sanctuary was of marble mosaic. The sanctuary steps were marble and the communion railing was white marble interspersed with panels of golden sienna marble. Surrounding the high altar was a semicircular colonnade of ten pillars supporting a dome pierced with five stained glass windows. Crowning the ten pillars were six figures of angels with outspread wings in semi-relief. Four marble angels with bases representing the evangelists, stood at the base of eight of the pillars. On the wall behind the colonnade there was a canvas painting of angels. The painting extended behind the entire colonnade.

The main altar, of white marble, reached twenty-five feet high into the sanctuary, and was crowned with a throne supported by two angels.

The pews of the church were constructed of golden oak. Seating capacity, including the gallery, was approximately 900. Including the fifteen Rosary windows, vestibule, sanctuary and ceiling windows, there were sixty-six stained glass windows throughout the church.

In the evening of the day of dedication, Vespers was chanted by Monsignor Murray of Dayton and St. Peter's Boys Choir, with music furnished by Bueche's Orchestra. Father Vaughan preached at Vespers.

Many of the parishioners contributed special memorials to the new church. Contributions for the sanctuary alone amounted to \$17,074.00.

Other contributions included:

Communion Railing — Altar and Rosary Society, \$2,700.00.
Sacred Heart Statue — League of the Sacred Heart, \$665.00.
Chalice — Parishioners, \$3,000.00

Rosary windows:

Annunciation — Edward Fagan and children, \$225.00.
Visitation — Young Ladies Sodality, \$225.00.
Nativity — Ancient Order of Hibernians, \$800.00.
Presentation — Ladies Auxiliary of A. O. of H., \$225.00.
Finding in the Temple — Davis children, \$225.00.
Agony in the Garden — Collins children, \$225.00.
Crowning with Thorns — Knights of St. George, \$800.00.
Carrying of Cross — Jennie McCann, \$225.00.
Crucifixion — Loftus children, \$225.00.
Resurrection — Mrs. M. Gilday, \$225.00.
Ascension — Mrs. P. Mueller, \$225.00.
Descent of Holy Ghost — Knights of Columbus, \$800.00.
Assumption — Children of A. Feist, \$225.00
Coronation — William H. Lashley and family, \$225.00.

UPON THIS ROCK

Nine windows in sanctuary:

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Kenney, Mrs. Henry Herbst, P. F. McMahon, Ella Brady, John McAuliffe, Mrs. Peter Helms, Mary M. Davin, Michael Whelan and Mrs. P. Brady, \$100.00 each.

Nine windows in ceiling:

Margaret Nec, M. V. Cusick, John O'Brien, Margaret and Agnes Mullee, S. W. Criss, Mrs. Urban Wolpert, Catherine Flanagan, Mrs. P. Egan and Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Needham, \$75.00 each.

Red Vestments — Mrs. P. Brady, \$300.00.

Ostensorium — Mrs. Martin Mulrooney, \$200.00.

Altar Candlesticks — Young Ladies Sodality, \$370.00.

Altar Crucifix — Mrs. John Ovington, \$60.00.

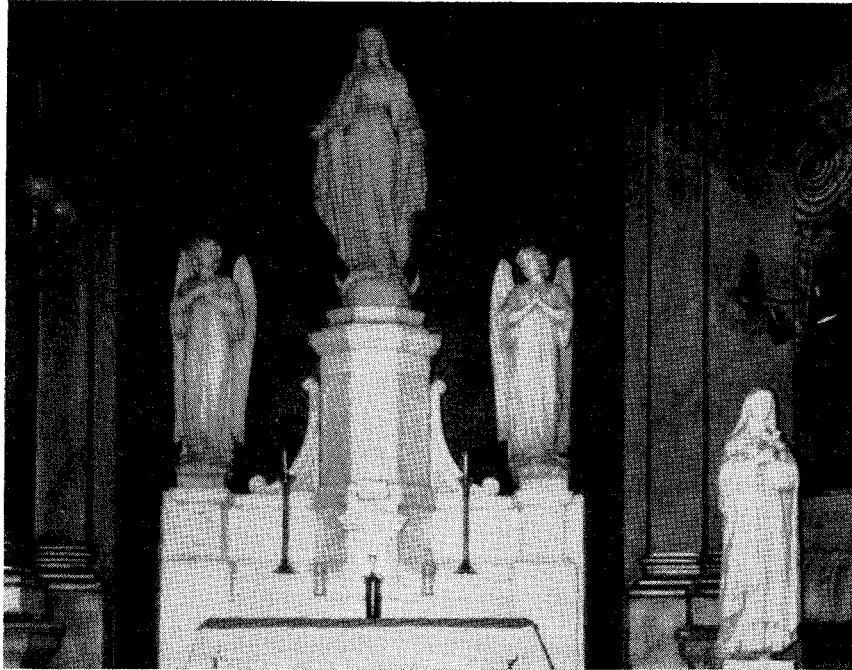
Sanctuary Lamp — Mrs. Edward Feist, \$90.00.

Black Vestments — Mrs. A. Snyder, \$150.00.

Baptismal Font — R. A. Koch, \$300.00.

Violet Vestments — Mrs. B. W. Mettenberger, \$100.00.

These were the main memorials. Other stained glass windows



Blessed Mother's Altar — 1907

were also donated at a cost of either \$50.00 or \$25.00. Total contributions for windows were \$7,200.00.

In writing a parish history, the compiler of facts and events must necessarily make judgements as to what should be recorded and what could be omitted. And in so doing he realizes that some things, when omitted, will be questioned by the readers of the parish history. Many incidents that occurred in the history of St. Peter's will not be recorded here. Otherwise this parish history would become a listing of names and chronological events. And this could easily lead to confusion. Major events that exemplify the spirit of the times in which they happened will be mentioned. Minor events, must of necessity be passed over.

It is interesting to take a single year in the history of a parish and record the events of that year. Not that any particular year stands forth



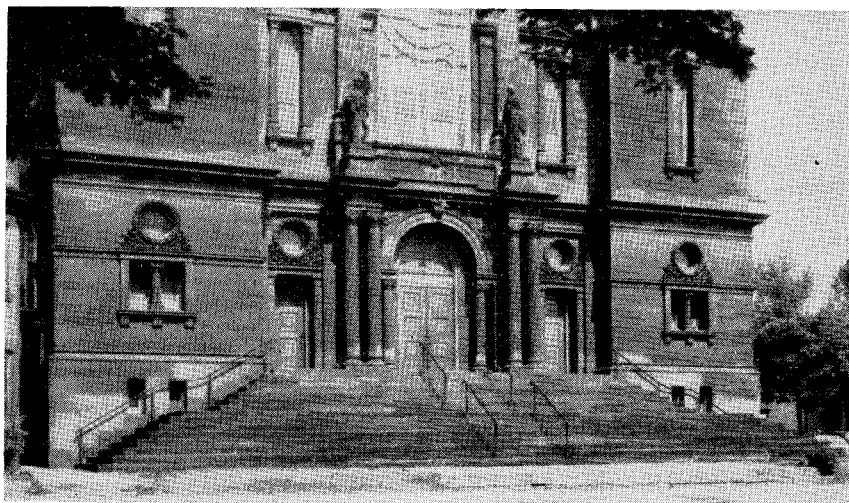
Two of the sixty-six stained glass windows

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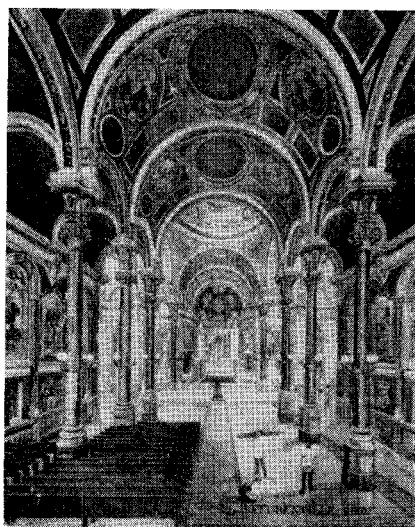
uniquely, but to give the mood for that year. Because of the abundance of facts for the year 1909, it was the year chosen.

January:

The St. Peter's Dramatic Club will present the play "White Cross Queen" in Wells High School auditorium, on January 12, 1909. The



Front entrance of St. Peter's



Interior view of St. Peter's — 1907



Bishop James Hartley

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proceeds from this play will be given for the benefit of Gill Hospital. (The play netted \$196.65.)

Catechism lessons for children and adults were presented every Sunday afternoon at 3:00.

Five parish organizations were functioning: The Altar and Rosary Society, The Children of Mary, Sodality of the Immaculate Conception, The Temperance Cadets and the League of the Sacred Heart. It was noted in the parish bulletin that "The telephone is not a commodity for sick calls, and no good Catholic will send for the priest by this means, except in case of sudden illness or accident." The children's Altar Fund now amounted to \$2,983.68.

February:

The financial status of the previous year was announced to the parishioners. Total ordinary income was \$6,553.13; total expenditures was \$5,377.24; total indebtedness to date was \$42,194.75.

During Lent, there was a Holy Hour every Wednesday evening and the Stations of the Cross were held every Friday evening.

A bazaar was held in the church basement from February 15-20. Music every evening by Bueche Eagan and Collins Orchestra. A chicken and waffle supper was held the first night for 35¢. An oyster supper was held on Friday evening and 25¢ was charged. Ed Feist was preparing candy crab doughnuts each evening. Gustave Hornung was donating bread for all the suppers. John Shanahan, Thomas McDonald and Scott Lynn were in charge of the amusements. (Thomas McDonald promised to exhibit the "La-La-Pa-Loosa Sisters from the Whirlwind Islands" at the bazaar. James Shanahan and Charles Greening were in charge of building the various stands. Patrolman George Curfman was on hand to handle any complaints of disorder. The bazaar netted \$1,764.00).

The school honor roll was published this month. Helen Brady, 7th grade, earned a 95 average; Ray Bernert, 6th grade, earned a 94 average; Leo Hornung in the 5th grade, earned a 92 average; Stan Arim, 4th grade, earned a 92 average; and in the first grade, Helen Gilday, Martha Caniff, George Cusick, Jim Brown and John Rinaldi all averaged 96.

Fred Daugherty was serving the 7:00 Mass during February, Donald Punke, Leo Lashley, Ray Bernert and Vincent McGinness were serving the 8:30 Mass.

March:

Among the babies baptised this month were William Goode,

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Howard Snider, Martin Flaherty and Thomas Davin. Baptisms were conducted at 2:00 Sunday afternoons.

April:

Most of the Stations of the Cross have been purchased as memorials. Holy Thursday Mass at 8:00 followed by procession. Canopy bearers for the procession are Mr. C. E. Linehan, Mr. Octavius Manack, Mrs. Thomas Callinan, Mr. Martin Mullee. Easter Sunday Solemn High Mass at 10:30. The choir will sing Mozart's 12th Mass. James Egan soloed the Kyrie, John Kenney did the solo of "et incarnatus est" of the Credo. At Easter vespers, 7:30 p. m., Mrs. E. J. Murray was the soprano soloist for the hymn, "Hallelujah! Christ is Risen," and Mrs. Schaefer did the "O Salutaris" solo. The organist was Mr. Thomas Collins.

May:

Ann Feltes, Sarah Mulrooney and Francis Pusateri were baptised this month. May devotions were held every Wednesday and Friday evening at 7:30. May procession and crowning ceremony was held at 3:00 Sunday, May 30. The Children of Mary carried new banners.

Walter Gaffney, in the second grade, earned a 91 average; Christopher Punke, in the first grade, earned a 92 average.

June:

School closed with graduation exercises on June 20. Father Powers warned parents: "Have a care for the boys during vacation. Don't permit them to go to the camps on the river; if you do, you will have war for the rest of the year."

Mass schedule for the summer months was changed to 6:30, 8:00 and 10:00. It was also noted that those "who can not be in time for the 6:30 or 8:00 Mass should come to 10:00. And those who can not remain til the 8:00 or 10:00 Mass is ended should come to the 6:30 Mass.

"Is it not strange that so many oversleep on Sunday, coming late to Mass or omitting it altogether? My, but they must be tired." (Father Powers). The Men's Church Council met on August 10, at 8:00 p.m., in the Deanery.

July:

An examination on Catholic doctrine was given to children of the parish. Highest score was made by Ruth McMahon who won the gold medal. Some of the questions asked were: "What are heretics?"

"Name the first five books of the Bible." "What was the ark of the covenant?"

August:

"If a boy desires to discontinue to serve at the altar, it is not necessary to invent a grievance to be released."

September:

School opens September 7 with a High Mass at 8:30 a.m. "Vacation time is over, now is the time for study. Too much spending money for the Nickelodeon and the show are menaces to study. One hour's study every evening is absolutely necessary for the child who will succeed in school." Forty Hours begin on Sunday, September 26, and end Tuesday, the 28th. Among those who were enrolled in the first grade this September were: Regina Snyder, Francis Hayes, Clara L. Feist, Eddie Hughes and Leo Daugherty. Total number of enrolled children: 395.

October:

Rosary devotions in church every Wednesday and Friday evening; also after the 8:30 Mass every morning. On October 10, the Sunday Mass schedule was changed to 7:00, 8:30 and 10:30. Vespers every Sunday evening at 7:30. Holy Hour every Friday evening at 7:30.

November:

The school honor roll listed first graders John Griffin (96), Regina Snyder (95), Herman Owesney (94), Sarah Hobson (93), Thomas Maley (92), Clara Feist (91) and George Crouch (90) among those who achieved honors. Altar boys Fred Daugherty and Albert Aurand served the 7:00 Mass, Leo Lashley and Donald Punke served the 8:30 Mass, as well as evening devotions.

December:

A three-day retreat, conducted by Father Dawkins, O.P., was held for the Sodality girls. On December 15, a High Mass was offered for all who contributed to the building fund. Father Powers named the martyr relics that repose in St. Peter's High Altar — "from the bones of St. Benigrinus, martyr and St. Eulaliae, virgin and martyr."

The Altar Rail fund, under the direction of the Altar and Rosary Society had paid in \$1,821.75.

And so ends one year, 1909, in the history of St. Peter's parish.

The Band-Wagon Campaign

St. Peter's Church had been dedicated December 15, 1907. By 1910 there still remained a debt of \$38,833.00. Father Powers gave an assignment to his assistant, Father Slattery: devise a plan to liquidate the debt. Father Slattery conceived the idea of a campaign along the lines of a political election campaign. It was known as "The Band-Wagon Campaign." The slogan for the campaign was "forty thousand dollars in forty weeks." The men of the Church Council were divided into teams. Father Slattery was campaign manager, Ed Feist and Bernard Mettenberger were the two opposing "generals" of the teams. Buttons, the size of a fifty-cent piece, were distributed; on the buttons



Father Slattery



Edward Feist

were printed a picture of the "driver" of the band-wagon, Father Slattery, and the words, "I'm on the Band-Wagon." Charles Manack drew a large cartoon of a band-wagon which was displayed in the vestibule of the church. Each Sunday new names were added to the drawing of the band-wagon as parishioners made pledges.

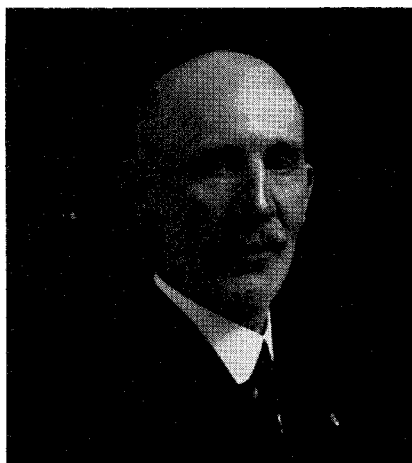
The two generals of the campaign were assisted by James Shanahan, financial secretary of the Men's Council, J. J. Bernert, E. J. Dickson, J. J. Ovington, James Hogan, Martin Egan, Gustave Hornung, M. A. Sprague, M. E. Davin, Martin Mullee, E. J. Fagan, M. L. Hassett, Joseph Bueche, Michael Egan, William Kelly and John Shanahan.

The goal of the campaign was \$1,000.00 a week for forty weeks. The campaign began in the Spring of 1910. The method of the campaign was simple and direct: door by door visitation. Rivalry developed between the two armies. One hundred dollar pledges were numerous.

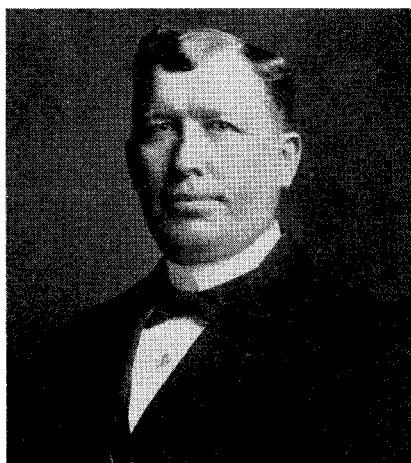
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Real sacrifice characterized this campaign. For example, Charles Knight, a blind newspaper seller, was among those who paid \$100.00. A washerwoman of the parish offered an entire year's earnings at her humble trade. Another person saved \$500.00, took it to the bank and had the sum converted into \$20.00 gold pieces and then offered it to the campaign.

During the summer months the campaign slowed down when the Acme Glass Company shut down. The Acme Glass Company was the major source of employment in the parish. When the Company resumed operations the campaign picked up again.



James S. Shanahan



B. W. Mettenberger

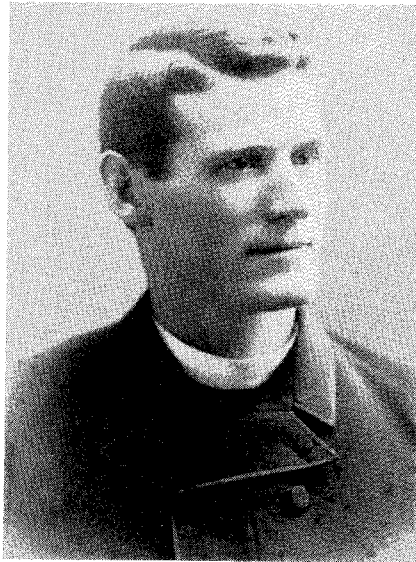
The forty weeks of the drive ended on Christmas day. At the 5:00 o'clock Mass, the church filled to capacity, the announcement would be made as to whether the campaign was a success. Father Slattery, who was offering the Mass, was unable to hold back the good news. Before intoning the "gloria in excelsis" of the Mass, he stepped to the Communion rail and announced, "My friends, our church debt is paid!" A ripple of applause swept through the church. Father Powers, who was present for the Mass, expressed his appreciation to Father Slattery, to the committee and to the Dominican Sisters whose prayers were a major factor in the successful campaign. The band-wagon campaign was history.

With the church debt-free, plans were begun to build a new school. The three-story Logan Street school, built in 1904, had been condemned by the state as unsuitable for school purposes. Classes were held in the basement of the church during the construction of the school.

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The All Souls Day offerings of 1911 were used to furnish the new school; and in September 1912, the children began using the newly constructed school, located directly behind the Deanery. (Shortly before this, the Deanery had been remodeled into a convent, and Fathers Powers and Slattery moved into the rectory next to the church.) The chapel in the convent was constructed through the efforts of Ed Feist and Catherine Burke. Father Weigand of Holy Name donated the altar for the chapel.

Father Powers took a vacation shortly after moving into the present rectory. During his absence, Father Slattery decided to renovate the rectory. The renovating became a larger job than first planned. Father Powers returned from his vacation to find most of the inner walls of the rectory torn out so that the first floor could be remodeled.



Father Powers: Ordination Picture

For thirty-five years Father Powers was pastor of St. Peter's Church. The accomplishments of this priest were many and varied. A new church and school were material accomplishments; but to a greater extent, his memory remains even today in the minds of his parishioners. There were tragedies and misunderstandings during his pastorate. Those who lived those days with him need not be reminded of these incidents. His influence in the community, championing a cause because he believed in it, is a matter of history. The local newspaper referred to him as "a man of dignity and character, scholarly and eloquent in the pulpit. His position on civic matters and moral questions in the community have been such that he is held

in high admiration by all our citizens."

On July 1, 1913, The Pope Tin Mill in the south end of Steubenville went on strike. The tin mill was operated at that time by the Phillips Sheet and Tin Plate Company. The company and the union were not able to reach an agreement and wide-spread unemployment resulted. The Chamber of Commerce was trying to the utmost to bring the strike to a conclusion. Both Father Powers and Father Coffey, pastor of St. Agnes, Mingo Junction, were members of the Chamber of Commerce. A committee was formed composed of Father Powers, Congressman Murphy and Bert Lee to act as an arbitration board between

the workers and the management of the mill. Another committee composed of Father Powers, Mayor George McLeish and Dohrman J. Sinclair, was formed to present the case of the city to the labor strike officials in Pittsburgh. Through the negotiations of these two committees the six-month strike was settled. In January, 1914, Father Powers spoke to a mass meeting of citizens and strikers at Wells High School. The terms of the agreement proved satisfactory enough to serve as a basis for continued operations of the mill for several years.

During the depression of the 1920's, Father Powers set up a cafeteria service in the church basement serving lunches to undernourished school children. None was asked to pay, but those who could were allowed to give a dime for the lunch. Women of the parish prepared and served the food. Paul Hornung and Martin Mulrooney donated bread and rolls; other parishioners helped support the cafeteria with financial donations. For relaxation, Father Powers enjoyed hunting. Often he would take several boys with him for trap shooting. He hunted pheasant and quail and owned several Irish setter pointer dogs.

His kindness and generosity frequently went unobserved. One time he had bought himself a new pair of shoes. The day after the purchase the shoes were given to a tramp who came to the rectory door. Financial gifts given him at the occasion of his anniversary were turned over to the parish. He once learned that a parishioner who was a widow was having a difficult time during the depression. Father Powers sent his assistant to visit the widow and after the priest left her home, she found fifty dollars on her dining room table.

There were hardships during these years, for instance, the flu epidemic of 1917-1918 when people dying of the flu could not be buried from the church. Father Powers and his assistant, Father Patrick Ruane, often anointed eight or nine people each day.

On October 23, 1929, Grant school auditorium was filled with several thousand people who gathered to honor Father Powers on his twenty-fifth anniversary as pastor of St. Peter's. The main speaker of the evening was Father Roderick McEachen. Part of Father McEachen's speech was as follows: "Father Powers is Christ-like because he is animated by a heart that throbs with all the noble impulses of Christ's own heart. His mind has never been darkened by even the shadow of prejudice or intolerance. He is a poet, a dreamer, a writer, an orator, a man of vision, a philosopher, a fearless champion of right. Father Powers is a man of peace, slow to anger, forgiving, kind in his judgements of all men. But he is a man in whose makeup there is no fear. He has the gentleness of a lamb and the courage of a lion." Having enumerated some of the incidents exemplifying Father Powers' "gentleness of a lamb"; to complete the personality portrait here are incidents demonstrating his "courage of a lion."

To Father Powers an incident was either right or wrong; a thing was either black or white; he found it difficult and almost impossible to judge something as partially right; to admit, as it were, that between black and white there was a variety of shades of gray. For example: in the early 1920's, a notable Catholic layman in the east, who was also a Knight of Columbus, had been convicted of embezzlement. When the local Steubenville Council was attending a Communion Mass at St. Peter's Church, Father Powers excoriated the embezzler as "hiding behind the skirts of Catholicism." The incident caused a furor in the local Council to the extent that a separate Council was formed after Father Powers marched from the meeting followed by a group of Knights who were loyal to him. Later on the newly formed Council returned to the Bigelow Council.

An evangelist arrived in town, inviting "colored people, Jews and Catholics" to attend his revival meetings. Through the parish bulletin Father Powers satirized the evangelist's invitation saying: "What would be more picturesque than the writer (Father Powers), with his antiquated crown deftly silvered as it is, silhouetted on some Ethiopian lassie's cheek, while on the other side leaned a fair Jewess of the blonde persuasion, all three marching down the sawdust trail to the hymn 'Come To Jesus' magnificently rendered by a chorus of 500 well-trained voices. A sight like this would make the marvels of Pentecost seem tame."

During the Prohibition era, a group of Prohibition enforcement agents descended on Mount Calvary Cemetery with a search warrant. They alleged that alcoholic beverages were being hidden in the cemetery and were being picked up by prospective distributors. Their search of the cemetery proved fruitless. News of this incident reached Father Powers, and he commented, "Humph! They are a fine bunch of detectives, they cannot find 'spirits' in a cemetery!"

Ku Klux Klan vs. Fifth Ward

The "Roaring Twenties," and Steubenville was experiencing the "boom years" following World War One. In New York, Al Jolson was starring in the musical comedy "Big Boy"; in Steubenville, the Grand and Capitol theaters opened their doors, while "The Chocolate Soldier" was being played at the Victoria, and Mary Pickford was starring in the film "Pollyanna" at the Strand theater. In Europe, German war criminals were being tried by the Allies, and in the Ohio Valley a liquor war and abundance of speakeasy liquor distributors caused the State Prohibition Commissioner to cite Steubenville as the "outstanding example of poor law enforcement." In reply, Steubenville's Sheriff Maker raided the Water Street district, four gambling houses, as Mayor Feist ordered the police to rid the city of law violators. Liquor agents rowed out to Brown's Island and seized 600 gallons of moonshine and 300 gallons of applejack.

The "Roaring Twenties," and in August 1922, explosions and brilliant flashes of burning crosses announced that the Ku Klux Klan had come to Steubenville. Steubenville was wide-open on Saturday nights and the Klan made Saturday their night. Children were selling the Klan newspaper on street corners, and on the hills surrounding the city, masked and hooded Klans held their meetings. Each meeting ended with the explosion of a fireworks "bomb" and the burning of a wood cross. On the third floor of the Orr Building, 5th and Market Streets, the Klan established its headquarters, hanging its flag from a window. The Klan announced that they were "now ready to take a hand in the administration of law enforcement." The climax came on August 15 when the Klan formed a procession of about twenty-five cars, decorated with flags and Klan emblems, and the procession entered Steubenville by the Market Street Bridge. In the north end of town, Catholic men were returning home from Mass that day when the news of the invasion reached them. While some of the men headed towards Washington Street, other men made telephone calls to 5th Ward members. Other telephone calls were made to the Polish men of St. Stanislaus parish and it became a case of "now is the time for all good Irish and Poles to come to the aid of their faith." Soon Washington Street was filled with people.

The Klan had previously parked their cars between Washington and Market on Fifth Street and proceeded to the hotel for dinner. When they went to their cars they were met by a mob of several thousand. Verbal persuasion led to physical and suddenly one klansman was knocked through a glass door. Nor did the fairer and gentler sex remain aloof from the turmoil. Wives and girl friends accompanied their warriors, forming a cheering section, and according to one participant, they assisted their spouses by directing their husbands' attention to fleeing clansmen. Cars were overturned, bricks, pop bottles and stones were hurled. To the noise was added gunfire that wounded four people. Police arrived, but the situation was beyond their control. The sheriff arrived and delegated men to serve as deputies. The mob gradually dispersed as the clansmen gathered into the few remaining automobiles still in upright position and retreated to West Virginia. Meanwhile a delegation of clansmen from East Liverpool had been dispatched to assist their battling brethren. When the reserve delegation reached Steubenville they were met by police and told to return to East Liverpool. That night bands of men roamed the streets waiting for a return of the clan. The city jail was jammed with more than a hundred prisoners, standing three and four deep in the bullpen.

Many men of the parish took an active part in the day when the Ku Klux Klan met the Fifth Ward Irish.

The "twenties" continued as bootlegging, crime, and frequent deaths put Steubenville on the "black list" of Ohio cities.

On October 25, 1930, James W. Gill announced that the supervision of Gill Hospital would be turned over to Father Powers. The pastor of St. Peter's announced that a community of sisters would be secured to manage the hospital. A year later, at a dinner honoring Mr. Gill, Father Powers presented him with a personal blessing from Pope Pius XI. Father Powers prophesied that "the hospital's future gives promise of still greater things, of wider influence and still greater accomplishments." He also announced that the Franciscan Sisters would be in charge of the management of the Gill Hospital.

The roar of the twenties became the crash of the thirties. Talking pictures came to Steubenville during the 30's as The Grand advertised Janet Gaynor's first talking picture—"Four Devils"; and who would drive a horse and carriage when he could buy a Nash for \$795.00, an Essex for \$985.00, or a 1929 Ford, one year old, for \$265.00? Entertainment was varied too. Lillian Roth was to be seen at the Paramount, Radio Station WIBR was broadcasting the Zenith Dance Orchestra, playing "You Were Meant For Me" and "The Girl I Left Behind Me"; while other radio stations presented the music of Phil Spitalny and Guy Lombardo. The city fathers were complaining about the school children playing the slot machines; and readers of the Herald-Star chuckled over the comic page antics of The Gumps, Dumb Dora and Krazy Kat.

Blue laws closed Steubenville's movie houses briefly during the 30's but they soon were open again on Sundays. Chicago gang wars came close to the Ohio Valley when bandit Pretty Boy Floyd was trapped and shot near Wellsville. The Ohio River flooded Steubenville in 1935; and the last streetcar in the city made its run on December 17, 1937.

Father Powers Dies

After thirty-five years of service to St. Peter's Church, Father Powers died at 4:20 a. m., December 13, 1939, of a coronary thrombosis. He was eighty-one years old at the time of his death. Three days later, December 16, Bishop James Hartley and more than fifty priests were present at St. Peter's Church for the funeral services. Father John Slattery preached the eulogy. After outlining the dignity and duties of the Catholic priesthood, Father Slattery said, "We are here this morning to pay the tribute of our respect for the shepherd of your souls, and in the office of Good Shepherd you know how faithful he has been, yes, even unto death. . . . that wondrous intellect of his could grasp thoughts and analyze them. Political wiles could never entangle him. . . . that magnanimous soul of Father Powers was kind, always taking the part of the oppressed. . . ."

Father Powers was buried in Mt. Calvary Cemetery near the shrine built by his predecessor, Dean Hartnedy.

FATHER THOMAS POWERS

A former assistant of Father Powers, Father Dooley, pastor of St. Agnes Church, Mingo Junction, wrote these words about his one-time pastor: "It is difficult for us to talk of Father Powers deceased.

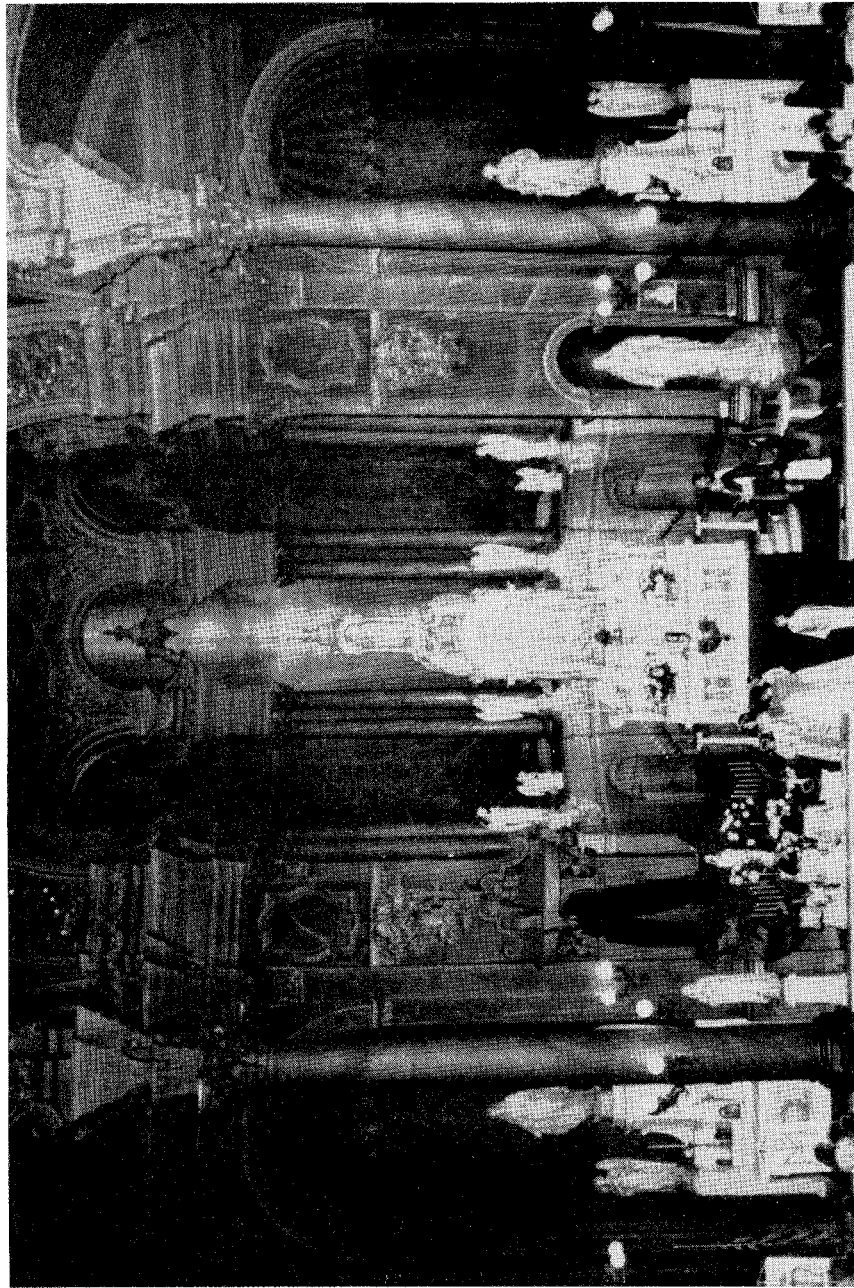


Father Powers shortly before his death

So many happy recollections of our long association as his curate and later his neighbor crowd in upon our memory that he still appears to walk among men. In recounting the years of our priesthood there shall never show forth happier human hours than those we spent in his company. He understood the hearts of men. He was incapable of meanness. His sympathies were always directed towards the poor, the unfortunate, the down-trodden. Nobody this side of the grave will ever know the extent of his charity in favor of those who were outraged by the stings of misfortune.

In the face of principle he never bowed to expediency, nor permitted his judgements to be swayed by popular enthusiasm. Eighty years young was that heart, when cruel, calculating death claimed its victim. Youth, so often despised solely because it is youth, interested him profoundly and discovered him its champion. His memory will endure throughout the years to come, his presence will be felt in the hearts of those who bequeath to their children the lessons of love of God and men Father Powers inspired in the souls of those who came under his generous, whole-souled, Catholic teaching."





Old Sanctuary of St. Peter's Church



St. Peter's School Children — 1957

CHAPTER VI
SAINT PETER'S SCHOOL

WHEN FATHER EMMANUEL THIENPONT rebuilt St. Peter's Church in 1854, the two-story building had provisions for school rooms in the basement. This was the first parochial school in the city of Steubenville. Previous to this time the parish children probably attended one of the two public schools located at Fourth and Slack Streets, or Fourth and Logan Streets. The two public schools were designed to accommodate 250 persons and both were filled to capacity.

In 1868, Father William Bigelow replaced the lay-teachers of St. Peter's school with five Sisters of Charity from Mt. St. Joseph's, Cincinnati, Ohio. The five sisters were Sister Gabriella Crowe, Superior, Sister Francis Xavier Clements, Sister Sylvester Williams, Sister Justina Segale and Sister Mary Ellen Cunningham. Sister Gabriella, the first superior at St. Peter's school, had been a Civil War nurse. The parish rectory was converted into a convent for the five sisters.

When Father Hartnedy became pastor of St. Peter's Church in 1879 he established a high school. In the Spring of 1880, he applied to Mother M. Frances Lilly, of the Dominican motherhouse of St. Mary's of the Springs, Columbus, Ohio, for Dominican Sisters. In 1880, the Sisters of Charity were withdrawn from the Steubenville mission and seven Dominican Sisters were sent to St. Peter's. They were: Sister Magdalen Gallen, Superior, Sister Mary Catherine Cullerton, Sister Mary Thomas Conklin, Sister Loretto Shea, Sister Gonzaga Heffernan, Sister Aloysius Tardeville and Sister Mary Bernard Burke.

The four years of high school established by Father Hartnedy were all in one room with one teacher — Sister Magdalen. For twenty-four years, Saint Peter's school was destined to be in the basement of the church until, in 1904, a building directly behind the church would be built.

In 1883, after Holy Name Church was built, two sisters from St. Peter's, Sister Josepha and Sister Sylvester, walked down to Holy Name School every day to teach. For some unexplained reason there were fourteen grades in the primary and secondary school located in the basement of St. Peter's Church; and these fourteen grades were being taught by five sisters, two teaching four grades, two teaching three grades, and another teaching the entire high school course. There were four classrooms for the primary grades, and one for the high school. A small chapel was located in the south-east corner of the school. In the Winter, each room was heated with an individual coal

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stove. The boys of the school carried the coal and tended the fire; the girls' duties included sweeping and dusting. There were about 400 children attending St. Peter's school in the final years of the nineteenth century.

By 1895 the annual commencement of St. Peter's High School were gala affairs, consisting of musical trios, duets, solos, essay readings and oratorical deliveries. A decade previous, the graduates were usually treated to a large dinner by the Dean, after which papers on various subjects would be read by the graduating class. In the final years, e.g. (1897-1902) operettas were presented, marching drills, and instrumental duets were an integral part of each years commencement. For the sake of memories long past, here is reprinted a typical graduation program. It was the twenty-fourth commencement of St. Peter's High School, dated June 18, 1902.

PROGRAM

Opening Song — The Old Tattered Flag	Pupils of the School
Salutatory	Bessie Prince
Instrumental Trio	Helen Collins, Hermina Gerber, Lulu Kenny
Song — That Wonderful Kaiser	Little Boys
Essay: The Value of Noble Aims	Blanche Enders
Action Song: The Foolish Butterfly	Little Girls
Essay: Example is Better than Precept	Katie Flanagan
Quintette — Galloping	Katie Ovington, Kizzie Branagan, Ellen Collins, John Sullivan, Hugh McGinnis
Vocal Solo: Judith's Prayer	Ellen Collins
Oration: Character, The Key to Success	Charles Snyder

Operetta: A Day in Fairyland

Queen	Lulu Kenny
Fidelia	Edith Nieman
Earth Child	Wilma Feist
Myrtella	Mary Kate Snyder
Genii	Emmet McGinnis

Part Second:

Court Scene:

A Glimpse of Chinese Life:

A large black and white group photograph of the 1928-1929 Yearbook staff and students. The group is arranged in approximately ten rows, posing outdoors in front of a building. The individuals are dressed in formal attire typical of the late 1920s, including suits, ties, blouses, and dresses. The photograph is oriented horizontally on the page.

Third Grade Class: 1909

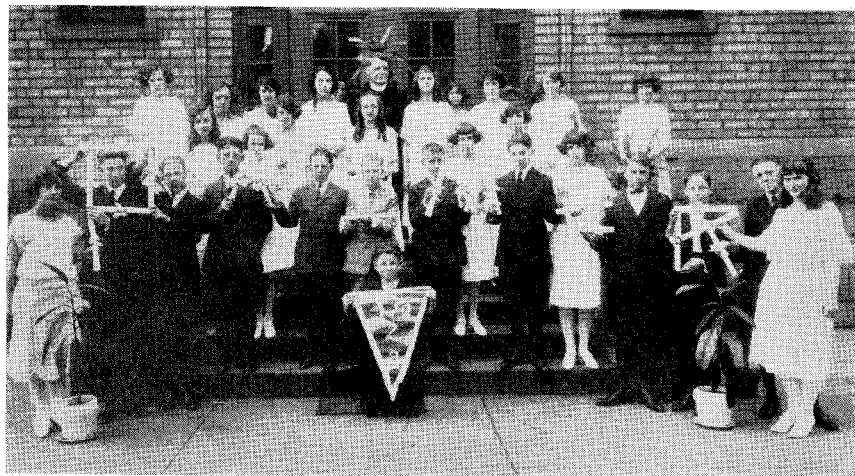
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In the Spring of 1904, Dean Hartnedy built a three-story school directly behind the church at a cost of \$7,163.81. Grades One and Two were in individual rooms on the first floor, grades Three and Four were in individual rooms on the second floor, while the two rooms on the third floor held the remaining four grades. The high school department moved into the rectory, since the church was being torn down. Eleven Dominican Sisters were now teaching at St. Peter's. They were Sister Isabel, Sister dePaul, Sister Mercedes, Sister Felicitas, Sister Cyrilla, Sister Bernadine, Sister Scholastica, Sister Antonio, Sister Mary Brenden, Sister Norberta and Sister Leonora.



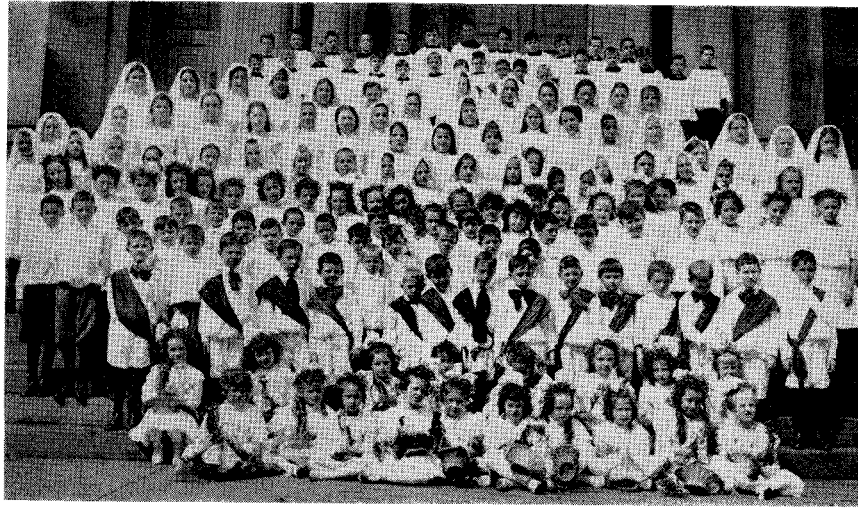
Seventh – Eighth Grade Class: 1908



Eighth Grade Class: 1923

UPON THIS ROCK

Heating in the Logan Street School was by gas stoves in each room; lighting was also by gas. There was no indoor plumbing.



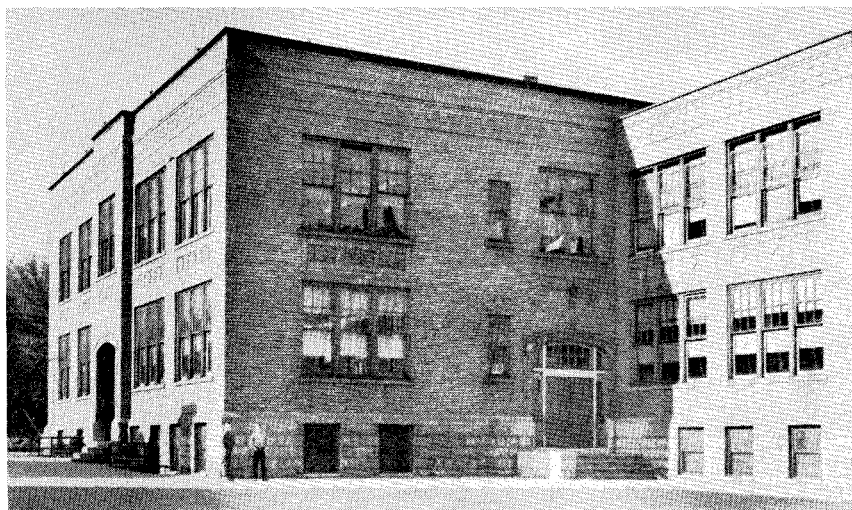
St. Peter's May Procession: 1909



St. Peter's May Procession: 1956

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After only seven years of occupancy the Logan Street School was condemned by the State as being unsuitable for school purposes. Once again the school went into the basement of the church, while a new school was being constructed. By December, 1911, the new eight-room school building (the present school) was ready for occupancy. The All Souls Day offerings of 1911 were used to furnish the new school. In 1912 students began using the present school building. In 1918, about 400 children were attending the parish school.



St. Peter's School



St. Peter's Choir Boys Rehearsing

UPON THIS ROCK

In 1904, Saint Peter's school had a system of multiple grades in each classroom. At one point the entire high school department was in the same classroom as the 8th grade. Father Powers was able to re-classify the fourteen grades existing, into the normal classification of eight primary and four secondary. When the Logan Street School began in 1904, the few number of high school students prompted Father Powers to move them into the rectory for classes. By June, 1906, there was only one high school graduate. At that point Father Powers eliminated the high school system from St. Peter's school. In 1926, at the request of Bishop Hartley, Father Powers added two more rooms to the present school at a cost of \$21,000.00. The rooms were intended for a junior high class. He also made an attempt to establish a central high school on North Seventh Street near the site of the present Villa Maria Rest Home. In 1928, Bishop Hartley decided to establish a Central High School at Holy Name. The plot of ground directly opposite to Holy Name Grade School was acquired and a Central High School was established there. Monsignor Edward Gilbert continued the work of building the Central High School; and enlarged the four-room building into a larger building that would accommodate high school students from all the Catholic parishes in the city, Mingo Junction and Toronto.

Saint Peter's School Today – 1957

Today, 1957, eleven sisters and two lay-teachers teach 504 students in St. Peter's School. Some of the children come from St. Pius X Church in the west end of Steubenville. There are eleven classrooms for actual classes. Besides these a special class teaching "Speech Therapy and



St. Peter's First Communion Class: 1955

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Reading Clinic" is conducted by Sister Frances Phillips, a Franciscan Sister. St. Peter's Cafeteria feeds about 350 children lunch every day. A complete athletic program, a Boy Scout and Girl Scout Troop, an altar boy society, "Knights of the Altar," a girls' choir and boys' choir, both of which have achieved high honors in annual competition at Washington, D. C.; music lessons are taught in several instruments; all this is a part of today's curriculum at St. Peter's School.

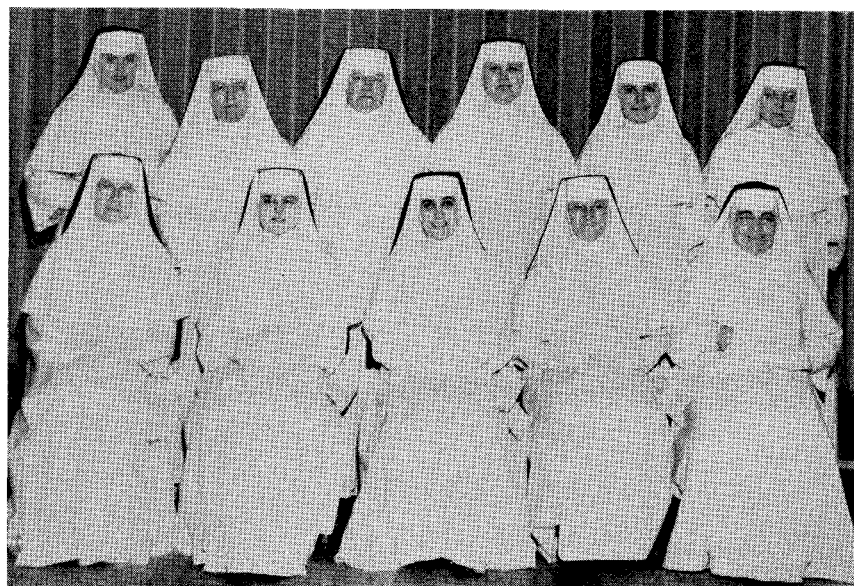
Sister Superiors at St. Peter's School

Sisters of Charity: Sister Gabriella (1868-1880)

Dominican Sisters:

Sister Magdalen (1880-?).	Sister Constance (1920-1921).
Sister Josepha (1900-1901).	Sister Evangela (1921-1925).
Sister Stanislaus (1901-1902).	Sister Helena (1925-1926).
Sister Imelda (1902-1903).	Sister Veronica (1926-1927).
Sister Magdalen (1903-1904).	Sister Mary Albert (1927-1931).
Sister Hildegarde (1904-1906).	Sister Isnarda (1931-1938).
Sister Scholastica (1906-1907).	Sister Janet (1938-1941).
Sister Mary Ambrose (1907-1911).	Sister Leona (1941-1944).
Sister Mercedes (1911-1912).	Sister Mary Albert (1944-1947).
Sister Borromeo (1912-1913).	Sister Romaine (1947-1949).
Sister M. Bernardine (1913-1916).	Sister Venard (1949-1955).
Sister Helena (1916-1920).	Sister Wilfrida (1955-1956).

Sister Ursulina (1956-).



Dominican Sisters teaching at St. Peter's School: 1957

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SAIN T P E T E R ' S parish has been blessed with many vocations to the priesthood, brotherhood and sisterhood. Twelve young men of the parish were ordained to the priesthood; at least forty young girls became nuns.

Vocations to Priesthood

The twelve who became priests are: John B. Murray, Jeremiah Murray, John Hannon, Edward Sylvester McGinnis, William J. Moran, William P. Maxwell, Francis Leo Hornung, Regis Whalen, Robert Mascolino, Charles Mascolino, Robert Punke and James Marshall.

Early in the nineteenth century, two brothers, John B. Murray and Jeremiah Murray, the first vocations from St. Peter's parish, were ordained. Little is known of these two priests except this: that Father John Murray became a monsignor and was pastor of St. Edward's Church, Cincinnati, Ohio, and Father Jeremiah Murray was pastor of the Church of the Atonement, also in Cincinnati.

Father John S. Hannon was born October 8, 1851, and ordained November 7, 1879, in St. Francis Church, Cincinnati, by Archbishop Purcell. His first appointment was as chaplain at Ohio State Penitentiary. From there he was appointed assistant at St. Joseph's Church, Columbus, and St. Paul's Church, Athens. He was appointed pastor of St. Mary's Church, Shawnee, Ohio, and remained there for twenty-one years. He then became pastor of St. Joseph's Church, Circleville, Ohio. In 1928 Father Hannon was raised to the dignity of Domestic Prelate. Monsignor Hannon died at Circleville on August 26, 1932.

Edward Sylvester McGinnis was born in Steubenville, March 2, 1865, the son of Henry and Bridget Kelly McGinnis. He was educated at St. Peter's grade and high schools. After high school graduation in 1883, he entered the Novitiate of the Order of Preachers at St. Rose Priory, making religious profession March 9, 1897. He was ordained a Dominican priest by Bishop Moeller, September 20, 1900. His parish appointments included Holy Trinity Church, Somerset, Ohio, St. Raymond's Church, Providence, Rhode Island, St. Thomas Church, Zanesville, Ohio, Holy Name Church, Philadelphia, Pa. At the age of 67 he died April 28, 1935, and was buried with solemn Requiem Mass at St. Peter's Church, Steubenville, Ohio.

William J. Moran, the son of Patrick and Mary Burns Moran, was

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born in Steubenville on February 1, 1892. He was ordained on March 11, 1922, by Bishop James J. Hartley at Columbus, Ohio. His theological studies were at St. Vincent College, Latrobe, Pa. He was stationed at Tiltonsville, Ohio and Zalewski, Ohio, and in 1924 became pastor of St. Vincent de Paul Church, Mt. Vernon, Ohio, where he died February 16, 1942.

On March 7, 1902, William P. Maxwell and Elizabeth Molloy Maxwell became the parents of William Maxwell Jr. After attending St. Peter's grade school, William went to Wells High School and then to Duquesne University. His philosophic and theological studies were made at St. Mary's Seminary, Cleveland, Ohio, and St. Vincent Seminary, Latrobe, Pa. He was ordained by Bishop Joseph Schrembs at Cleveland's St. John's Cathedral, April 2, 1929. He celebrated his first Solemn Mass at St. Peter's Church, April 7, 1929. After serving as assistant at St. Aloysius Church, East Liverpool, Ohio, he became pastor of St. Philip Neri Church, Dungannon, Ohio. He is at present pastor of St. Brenden's Church, Youngstown, Ohio. Besides his parish duties, Father Maxwell is prosynodal examiner and Defender of the Bond for the Youngstown Diocesan Marriage Tribunal.

Francis Leo Hornung was born August 16, 1898, in Charleston, West Virginia, the son of Gustave Hornung and Anna Deinling Hornung. The family came to Steubenville around 1902. Francis Hornung attended St. Peter's grade school and St. Vincent College and Seminary, Latrobe, Pa. In 1923 he went to Pueblo, Colorado, to join the Benedictine Order. On September 21, 1925, he was ordained priest by Bishop John B. Pitaval at Santa Fe, New Mexico. His first Solemn Mass was celebrated the following Sunday in St. Peter's Church, Steubenville. Father Powers preached the First Mass sermon. Father Hornung made his solemn vows in the Benedictine Order at Holy Cross Abbey, Canon City, Colorado, on July 4, 1927. His appointments have included teaching at the Abbey School, subprior in the Benedictine Order, instructor in moral theology and liturgy and at present he is pastor of Sacred Heart of Mary Church, Boulder, Colorado.

Regis Whalen was born at Connellsville, Pa., September 24, 1909, the son of Michael J. Whalen and Anna McGinnis Whalen. A year after his birth his father died and the widowed mother with two small infants returned to her home town of Steubenville. Regis attended grammar school at Holy Name parish, but was compelled to interrupt his education for several years to help support the family by working in the steel mills. In 1930 he entered Aquinas High School, Columbus, Ohio. After college studies at Providence College, Providence, Rhode Island, he entered the Dominican Novitiate at St. Rose Priory, Springfield, Ky., in August, 1936. Finishing his theological training at the Dominican House of Studies, River Forest, Illinois, he was ordained June 6, 1943, by Archbishop McNicholas at Chicago, Illinois. He offered his first Solemn Mass at St. Peter's on June 13, 1943. His assignments included

assistant pastor at Holy Name Church, Kansas City, Missouri, procurator of the Dominican House in River Forest, Illinois and procurator and supervisor of St. Peter Martyr Priory, near Winowa, Minnesota. Father Whalen died suddenly September 8, 1952, in the ninth year of his priesthood. Two sisters of the family became nuns, Sister Rosario and Sister M. Inez; while a third sister, Martha, was well known in Steubenville, having served many years as nurse at Gill Hospital.

Robert Mascolino was born June 13, 1920, in Steubenville, the son of Anthony Mascolino, and Lena Tortorice Mascolino. He attended St. Peter's grade school, Catholic Central High School, Mt. St. Mary's College, Emmitsburg, Maryland, and St. Charles Borromeo Seminary Columbus, Ohio. His theological studies were made at Mt. St. Mary's Seminary, Norwood, Ohio. He was ordained October 13, 1945, and celebrated his first Solemn Mass the next day at St. Peter's Church. He was appointed assistant at St. Agnes Church, Mingo Junction and was given the assignment of beginning the newly formed parish of St. Bernadette Church, Deandale, Ohio. In 1956 he was appointed pastor of Sts. Peter and Paul Church, Lore City, Ohio. Until 1957 he was diocesan director of the Catholic Youth Organization.

Charles E. Mascolino, brother of Robert Mascolino, was born June 30, 1927. He attended St. Peter's grade school, Catholic Central High School and St. Charles Borromeo Seminary, Columbus, Ohio. When Bishop Mussio established St. John Vianney Seminary in downtown Steubenville, Charles was one of the first students attending the diocesan seminary. His philosophy course was taken at St. Gregory Seminary, Cincinnati, and his theological studies were made at Mt. St. Mary's Seminary, Norwood, Ohio. He was ordained by Bishop Mussio May 29, 1954, celebrating his first Solemn Mass the next day at St. Peter's Church. He was appointed assistant pastor at St. Joseph's Church, Wolfhurst, Ohio, and also instructor at St. John's Central High School, Bellaire, Ohio. After a temporary appointment at Sts. Peter and Paul Church, Lore City, he was appointed Administrator of All Saints Church, Blaine, Ohio, in 1956.

Robert Punke was born October 21, 1928, the son of Christopher Punke and Clair Feist Punke. He attended Roosevelt and Harding schools, and then was enrolled at St. Peter's school. Graduated from Catholic Central High School in 1946, he attended St. Gregory's Seminary, Cincinnati, and two years of theological studies at Mt. St. Mary's Seminary, Norwood. His last two years of theological studies were taken at the Catholic University of America, Washington, D. C., where he obtained a degree of Licentiate in Sacred Theology. He was ordained by Bishop Mussio at St. Peter's Church May 29, 1954. His first Solemn Mass was celebrated at St. Peter's Church June 6, 1954. Following ordination he was assigned to return to the Catholic University of America for two years of post-graduate studies. He was appointed assistant pastor of St. Peter's, Steubenville, and later St. Francis Church, Toronto,

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Ohio. He is at present instructor in Scripture at St. John Vianney Seminary, Bloomingdale, Ohio. He has also received other diocesan appointments, including Notary for the diocesan Marriage Tribunal, a member of the diocesan Liturgical Commission and has appeared regularly on the diocesan television program.

James Marshall, the son of the late Cyril Marshall and Eleanor Marshall was born in Hollidays Cove, West Virginia, August 18, 1931. He attended St. Peter's school, Catholic Central High School and St. John Vianney Seminary, Bloomingdale, Ohio. His philosophy courses were received at Mt. St. Mary's Seminary, Norwood, and his theological studies were made at St. Francis Seminary, Loretto, Pa. He was ordained by Bishop Mussio May 25, 1957, at St. John's Church, Bellaire, Ohio, and celebrated his first Solemn Mass May 26, at St. Peter's Church. His first assignment was as assistant Chancellor to Monsignor O'Donnell. He has also been appointed as one of the diocesan Master of Ceremonies for Episcopal functions.

Vocations To Sisterhood

During the twelve years (1868-1880) that the Sisters of Charity taught at St. Peter's School, their influence was one of the reasons for nine girls of St. Peter's parish entering the convent in Mt. St. Joseph's, Cincinnati, Ohio.

The first girl to follow the vocation to the sisterhood was Sarah McKeown, who entered the Sisters of Charity convent October 22, 1868. The name she took in religion was Sister Laurentia. She died October 24, 1869, one year after entering the convent.

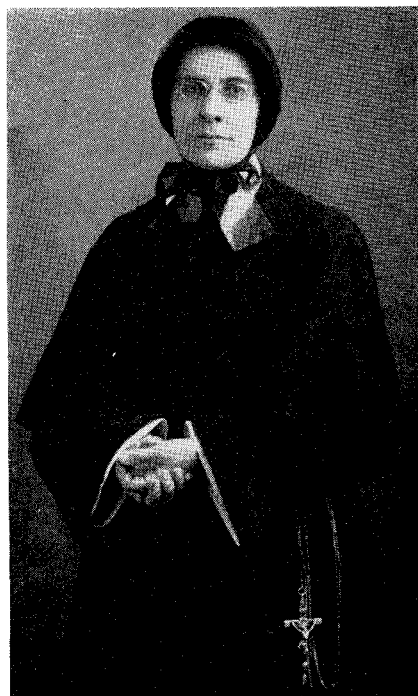
On February 10, 1872, Jennie Kane entered the convent, also taking the name Sister Laurentia. Almost two years later, December 12, 1873, she died. The third vocation to the sisterhood from St. Peter's was Mary Davis who entered the convent October 1, 1872; receiving the name Sister Mary Blanche. Sister Mary Blanche served God as a Sister of Charity for fifty-six years. In 1891 she became Mother Superior. She died May 6, 1928.

Ellen McKeown entered Mt. St. Joseph's Convent July 7, 1877, and took the name Sister Constance. In her seventy-one years of service as a Sister of Charity, she was twice appointed as Assistant Mother to the community. She died February 3, 1948.

Frances Grauten, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Grauten, attended a private school in Steubenville and later enrolled in St. Peter's School. On July 7, 1877, she became a novice at Mt. St. Joseph's, Cincinnati. She received the name of Sister Irene.

She was recognized as one of the finest teachers in the order.

For several years she held the position of assistant Mother Superior in the order. In 1902 she was assigned to an educational mission in Albuquerque, New Mexico. Later she was assigned to Pueblo, New



Sister Irene Grauten

Mexico. Stricken was a fatal disease, and shocked by the unexpected death of her brother, Sister Irene was taken to St. Joseph's Sanitarium at Mt. Clemens, Michigan. A few months later, February 21, 1905, she died. Sister Irene was buried in the convent cemetery, St. Joseph's Cemetery, in Cincinnati.

On July 9, 1871, two girls from St. Peter's entered the Mt. St. Joseph's Convent together. They were Mary Hannon and Anne Duffy. Mary Hannon became Sister Delphina, and Anne Duffy became Sister Mary William. Sister Delphina died October 24, 1925; Sister Mary William died March 25, 1939. On July 2, 1879, Maggie Hughes entered the Sisters of Charity congregation, receiving the name Sister Renetta. After fifty-three years serving God she died April 20, 1932. On March 28, 1882, Margaret McKeown, became a Sister

of Charity, receiving the name Sister Mary Clarence.

Dominican Vocations, Columbus, Ohio

Eighteen girls from St. Peter's parish have entered the Dominican Order at St. Mary's of the Springs, Columbus, Ohio. In 1866, Sister Philomena Cunningham entered the order. She died in 1894. Sister Ansela Basler entered in 1871, died in 1951. In 1873, Gabrielle Grauten, the sister of Sister Irene Grauten, S. C., became Sister Clotilde in the Dominican Order. For many years Sister Clotilde taught at St. Mary's, Marietta, Ohio, and St. Francis de Sales High School, Newark, Ohio. She died March 22, 1913, following an operation.

Sister Inez McGinnis entered the Dominican convent in 1895 and died August 16, 1957. Sister Anita Duffy entered the Dominican convent in 1902, and died in 1954. Sister Mary Urban Wolpert, entering the Dominican order in 1887, died in 1925. In 1907 Sister Hilary Mc-

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Cann became a Dominican Sister; one of her assignments was teaching at St. Peter's High School. Sister Hilary is at present assigned to St. Mary's High School, Lancaster, Ohio.

In 1915, Irene Daugherty, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Daugherty, entered the Dominican novitiate, receiving the name Sister Clotilde. She had gone to St. Peter's Grade and High Schools prior to entering the convent. After profession, Sister Clotilde was assigned to a teaching position at Braddock, Pa. Three years after entering the convent she contracted pneumonia, was taken to St. Francis Hospital, Pittsburgh, and died in 1918.

In 1918, Sister Janet Welsh was received into the Dominican Order. Prior to entering the convent she was Esther Welsh, the daughter of Thomas Welsh and Mary Everett Welsh. Sister Janet was graduated from St. Peter's Grade School in 1908. After high school she worked for about six years as a milliner, working in Emma Burke's Millinery Store and later in the Hub Department Store. From 1938 to 1941 Sister Janet was Superior at St. Peter's School. After several years absence Sister Janet has again been assigned to her home parish, teaching the eighth grade.

A year later, in 1919, two other St. Peter's girls entered the Dominican convent. They were Sister Monita Collins and Sister Beata Snyder. Sister Monita is at present assigned as music teacher at St. Thomas School, Zanesville. Sister Beata taught for many years at Steubenville Catholic Central High School, residing at St. Peter's Convent. At this time she is teaching at St. Francis de Sales High School, Newark, Ohio. Two other sisters of Sister Beata also became Dominican Sisters. They are Sister Audrey Snyder, who entered the convent in 1920 and died in 1929; and Sister Josepha Snyder who entered the convent in 1928 and at present is Superior at St. Mary's School, New Haven, Connecticut.

In 1932, Sister Edwina Devlin received the Dominican habit. She is at present assigned at St. Thomas School, Braddock, Pa. Ten years later, in 1942, two girls from St. Peter's entered the convent together. They are Sister Thomas More Baird and Sister Ruth Ann Gardner. Sister Thomas More is at present assigned to St. Thomas School, Braddock, Pa., and Sister Ruth Ann is teaching at St. Aloysius School, Wilmerding, Pa.

Sister Anna Mary Sylvester entered the convent in 1953 and is now assigned to Our Lady of Peace School, Columbus. Sister Colette Sopher entered the Dominican novitiate in 1956.

Vocations to Other Orders

In January, 1947, Patricia Grayson, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Grayson, entered the Convent of the Good Shepherd at

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Carthage, Ohio. She is at present teaching at Mt. St. Mary's School, Price Hill, Cincinnati.

Lola Jein Gillen, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Gillen, entered the Sisters of St. Francis Convent at Sylvania, Ohio. In August, 1957, she took her final vows and is assigned to Immaculate Conception School, Port Clinton, Ohio.

Theresa Jean Flynn, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Flynn, entered the Convent of the Sisters of St. Joseph, in Baden, Pennsylvania, in 1950. Taking her final vows in 1956, Sister Jean Michael is now assigned to the Mount Gallitzen Boys School in Baden, Pennsylvania.

Other vocations to various congregations of sisters include Sister Mary Aiden Gary, Sister of Charity, Seaton Hill, Greensburgh, Pa., Sister Rosario McGinnis, Rosary Dominican College, Chicago, Illinois, Sister Regina Kenney, Sister of Charity of St. Augustine, Sister Ann Marie Quinn, Sister of the Divine Savior, and Sister Marie Duffy, Notre Dame Sister.

One young man of the parish, Jack McGraw, became a Brother of the Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary.



CHAPTER VIII

ASSISTANT PASTORS OF ST. PETER'S CHURCH

FROM 1870 UNTIL 1957, fifty-three priests have been assigned to St. Peter's as assistant pastors. As far as possible, this history will record the subsequent appointments of the assistants after leaving St. Peter's Church. The dates following the names of the priests indicate the year or years in which they served at St. Peter's Church.

The first assistant assigned to St. Peter's Church was Father Thomas M. Tuomey who came to St. Peter's in 1870, under Father Bigelow's pastorate. When Father Bigelow died in 1872, Father Tuomey was appointed temporary pastor. While assigned to St. Peter's, Father Tuomey would occasionally travel to Dennison, Ohio, saying Mass for the people living there. He purchased land in Dennison for the Immaculate Conception parish which was built at that place.

Father Patrick M. Heery was assigned to St. Peter's in 1873, and was transferred to St. Mary's Church, Temperanceville, the same year. Father H. B. Dues was assigned to St. Peter's in 1876, under the pastorate of Father Jeremiah Murray. When Father Murray resigned because of ill health, Father Dues was pastor of St. Peter's for about a year and a half. He was then assigned to Temperanceville, and later to Canal Dover, where he died in 1886. Father J. G. Montag was assigned to St. Peter's between the years 1878-1882. He became pastor of St. Mary's, Temperanceville, in 1882. In 1878, Father P. Thinkheimer was assigned to St. Peter's, but shortly afterwards was transferred. Father J. Weisinger was appointed assistant in 1879, and was also transferred shortly afterwards. Father James J. Hartley was assistant at St. Peter's from 1882-1885. He was later appointed pastor of Holy Name, Steubenville, on December 10, 1903, appointed Bishop of Columbus by Pope Pius X. Father Mattingly was appointed to St. Peter's in 1886, and was assistant here for only a short time. Father Thomas Powers, (1890-1894) was appointed pastor of St. John's Church, Logan, Ohio, and ten years later became pastor of St. Peter's, Steubenville.

Father Owen J. Synan (1894-1896), was appointed pastor of Holy Cross Church, Glouster, on November 1, 1896. In September, 1900, he was appointed pastor of Sacred Heart Church, Coshocton, where he built the parish school. He died August 28, 1910, at the age of forty-four.

Father D. A. Thompson was assistant at St. Peter's from 1892-1898. He died at St. Peter's Church in 1898. The newspaper account of his funeral records that two thousand people attended Father Thompson's

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funeral, and praised the priest as "a man of noble character, earnest in Christian purpose, and energetic in Christian work, of strong intellectual fibre, and well-trained mind. Beloved and respected by old and young of the parish, and highly regarded by all who knew him."

Father John J. Dacey was assistant at St. Peter's, from 1898 to 1903. During the five years spent at St. Peter's, Father Dacey spent much of his time in youth work. He organized The Young Men's Catholic Institute, and arranged for many activities for the young of the parish. He was an excellent musician, playing both the piano and the organ. He died while stationed at St. Peter's, in 1898. The newspaper account of his funeral states that four thousand attended the funeral services. Because of the capacity of the church, policemen turned away two thousand people who sought admission. The people stood outside the church until the funeral services ended. Bishop Moeller offered the Requiem Mass and Father A. M. Lyden of Columbus, preached the eulogy. The procession from the church to Mt. Calvary cemetery included carriages for five hundred people, the remaining mourners, including the parish choir boys and acolytes who had been trained by Father Dacey, marched behind a special white hearse, drawn by four white horses.



Father John J. Dacey



Father D. A. Thompson

Father J. A. Sheil was assistant at St. Peter's for only part of one year, 1904, and was replaced by Father John J. Slattery, (1904-1912). Elsewhere in this history of the parish there is recorded the contributions made by Father Slattery in his eight years as assistant pastor. In August, 1912, Father Slattery was appointed

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pastor of Sacred Heart Church, Coshocton. Father Slattery was ordained only two years when he came to St. Peter's parish. He later was appointed pastor of St. Francis de Sales Church, Newark, where he died.

Father F. W. Gloeckner, (1912-1914), was assistant for about two years and was then appointed pastor of St. Joseph's Church, Ironton, Ohio.

Father Joseph Dooley was assistant at St. Peter's from 1913 to 1916. In February 1916, he became pastor of St. Agnes Church, Mingo Junction. Because of ill-health, Monsignor Dooley is at present residing at Manitowac, Wisconsin.

Father Aloysius Spangler (1916-1917), served as assistant for less than a year, and shortly after being transferred from St. Peter's, died during the flu epidemic of 1918.

Father Patrick Ruane (1917-1919), later became chaplain of Gill Memorial Hospital, Steubenville. A Dominican priest, Father J. R. Bonnewell, was assistant at St. Peter's for a short time in 1919.

Father Edward Hackett (1919-1922), was later appointed to St. Bernard's Church, Corning, as pastor. Father John J. Nugent was briefly stationed at St. Peter's in 1921. Father Otto F. Guenther was appointed assistant at St. Peter's in 1922. He was transferred from St. Peter's that same year, and in 1926, was appointed pastor at St. Augustine Parish, Columbus. In 1942, Father Guenther resigned because of ill health and has since died.

Less than a year after his ordination, Father Vincent Schiele was appointed assistant at St. Peter's in 1923. That same year he was transferred and eventually became pastor of St. Peter's, Millersburg. Because of ill health Father Schiele was stationed as chaplain at Mt. St. Mary's Hospital, Nelsonville, and it was there that he died in 1953.

Father Vincent Touey was assistant at St. Peter's from 1923-1925. Later appointments included being pastor of St. Patrick's Church, Buchtel. At present Father Touey is in residence in a hospital in Baltimore, Maryland, because of ill health.

Father Joseph Finan (1924-1928), is at present pastor of St. Joseph Church, Burkhart, Ohio. Father James Foley was assistant at St. Peter's longer than any other priest with the exception of Father J. Slattery. For eight years, from 1930-1938, Father Foley was assigned to St. Peter's. Following his appointment to this parish he was assigned to St. John's Church, Bellaire, as assistant pastor.

Father Joseph Parker (1928-1930), was an elderly man when he

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came to St. Peter's parish. He had previously been assigned to missionary work in Alaska. He took an active interest in the youth of the parish and was instrumental in organizing the parish sports program. Father Parker died in New York in 1957.

Father Julius G. Klinec was assistant at St. Peter's about one year, 1938-1939, and soon afterwards became pastor of St. Ladislaus Parish, Columbus, Ohio. He is at present pastor of St. Peter's Parish, Chillicothe, Ohio.

In 1939, Father William R. Bryne was appointed assistant at St. Peter's. Less than a year later, in 1940, he was appointed pastor of St. Mary's parish, St. Clairsville, Ohio. He is now chaplain at Old Washington, Ohio.

Father Michael Tabit was assistant at St. Peter's during 1940-1941, after which he was appointed to St. John the Evangelist Parish, Columbus. At present Father Tabit is on leave of absence because of ill health, residing in Florida.

From 1941-1945, Father Francis J. Connor was assistant at St. Peter's. He was then assigned to Miltonsburg and is now chaplain in a Veteran's Hospital. Father Edward Connaughton was assigned to St. Peter's during 1945-1946. He has since returned to Dayton where he is assistant superintendent of diocesan school.

When the diocese of Steubenville was formed in 1945, Bishop Mussio requested the Precious Blood Congregation for priests to serve in the diocese temporarily. Father Carl Riekosky, C. P. P. S. (1946-1947), Father Leo J. Gaulrapp, C. P. P. S. (1946-1948), and Father Charles P. McCoy, C. P. P. S. (1947-1949), were stationed as assistants at St. Peter's Parish. Father Riekosky is at present doing missionary work in South America; Father Gaulrapp is teaching music at the Precious Blood Seminary in Carthage, and Father McCoy is a chaplain in the Navy.

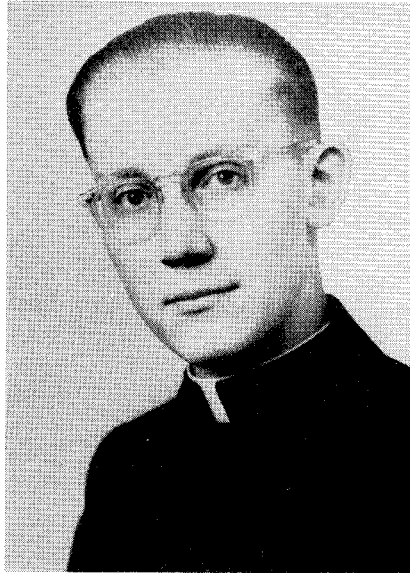
Father Francis M. Maloney (1948-1949), came to St. Peter's after being an assistant at Holy Name Parish, Steubenville. He was later assigned as Administrator of St. Joseph's Church, Wolfhurst, and later taught at the diocesan seminary in Bloomingdale. Father Harold J. Goeshke was assistant at St. Peter's less than one year, 1949. He is at present on a leave of absence. Father Joseph Pollock was assistant at St. Peter's also during 1949; he is now chaplain in the U. S. Air Force. Father Thomas Reilly was appointed to St. Peter's from 1949-1951, Father Maurice Smith, 1905-1951. Father Smith died of a heart attack in 1957.

Father William Konus was assistant at St. Peter's from 1950-1952. He was then assigned as assistant to Monsignor Dooley at Mingo Junction.

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tion. Because of Monsignor Dooley's illness, Father Konus became administrator St. Agnes Parish until April, 1958.

Father Thomas P. Ryan was assigned to St. Peter's for about one year, 1953 to 1954, and Father William G. Scully was appointed to St. Peter's from 1951 to 1954. Father Kenneth Harris was assigned to the parish from 1953 to 1956. Father Joseph Sands was temporarily assigned



Father Robert F. Marrer



Father William C. Yontz

at the parish in 1954. Father Joseph Wadowicz was assistant at St. Peter's for a few months in 1954 and has since re-enlisted in the Air Force Chaplaincy as chaplain in a Veteran's Hospital.

Father Robert F. Marrer was assigned to St. Peter's parish on December 10, 1954. At the time that this parish history is being written, Father Marrer is still assigned to the parish. Besides the regular parochial duties he is in charge of various parish organizations: the Knights of the Altar, Boosters Club, Choir Mothers, Girl Scouts, and Men's Club. His diocesan appointments include Diocesan Director of Public Relations, and he is in charge of the diocesan television and radio programs.

Father Francis McCarthy was assigned to St. Peter's from 1955-1956; Father Edward Kakascik, from June until December, 1956; Father John Kielty, from 1956 to early 1957; Father John Peeters for four months in 1957. Father Ashley Pettis was appointed assistant at St. Peters in October, 1957. He is still assigned to the parish

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(1958). He is a member of the diocesan Liturgical Commission.

Father William Yontz was appointed assistant at St. Peter's in 1956. Besides his regular parish duties, Father Yontz was in charge of St. Paul's Mission, at Pottery Addition; in charge also of the Men's Choir. Father Yontz is the diocesan Director of Music, and teaches chorus at Catholic Central High School and is music teacher at St. John Vianney Seminary, Bloomingdale, Ohio. He is also a member of the diocesan Liturgical Commission.

During the renovation of the interior of the church, extra Masses were added to the Sunday Mass schedule to accommodate more people attending Mass in the auditorium. Father Joseph Martinkosky, an instructor at St. John Vianney Seminary, was assigned to St. Peter's Church for week-end help.

Father Yontz was appointed administrator of Blessed Sacrament Church, Wintersville, Ohio, in April, 1958.

Father Patrick Murray was appointed assistant at St. Peter's in the same month.

In June, 1958, Father David Reasbeck and Father James Boehm were appointed to St. Peter's Church.



CHAPTER IX

PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

IN THE one-hundred and twenty-five years of the parish, from 1832, when the first church was built, until today, 1957, there have been at least thirty-five organizations formed with the parishioners. The objects and aims of these many organizations were varied: monetary, social athletic, informational, spiritual; these and more were the purposes for forming the various groups. Some of the groups dissolved through lack of interest, others were assimilated into other groups, and still others were disbanded when the purposes of the particular organization ceased to exist. It is interesting to note that in 1939, there existed such a varied group of organizations in the parish that it was thought necessary to form a special organization to co-ordinate the various activities of the individual organizations and clubs.

To list all the activities, to name all the officers of the various groups is impossible. In the pages that follow, the organizations have been listed under the general headings of women's organizations, men's organizations, youth and children groups, and mixed groups, i.e., organizations whose membership included both men and women.

Women's Organizations

On May 4, 1845, Father James Kearney, the third pastor of the parish, organized the Catholic women of the parish into a "Society of Ladies," with the project of procuring needed articles for the church.

Dean Hartney reorganized the women into a group to be called the "St. Monica Society", and shortly afterwards the name of the group was changed to "The Altar and Rosary Society." During Father Powers' pastorate this organization held meetings on the first Sunday of every month. They financed the cost of the marble altar rail for the church built in 1907.

About 1912, an auxiliary of the "Altar and Rosary Society" was formed, called the "Ladies Sewing Circle." Among those active in this group were Miss Sullivan and Ella Brady. The "Ladies Sewing Circle" made and mended vestments and linens for the altar. They continued in operation through the first World War and in the 1940's there were about fifteen women who devoted their sewing skills to furnishing the church with vestments and linens. Among these women must be named, Mrs. Michael Conroy, Mrs. Gaumer, Mrs. Dan Lamonica, Mrs. Gosseye and Mrs. Andreansky. During Father Powers' time, the group had a

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sewing room in the church basement, making choir boy surplices, vestments and altar linens.

In the 1930's a separate organization from the "Altar and Rosary Society" was established, called the "Catholic Women's League." There was joint membership from the two parishes of St. Peter's and Holy Name. This was a social service organization, dedicated to performing works of charity.

In October, 1945, under the direction of Bishop Mussio, the "Catholic Woman's Club" was organized throughout the diocese. A month later, in November, a parish membership drive began at St. Peter's Church. Monsignor Grigsby combined the Altar-Rosary Society with this new group so that the spiritual benefits of membership in the Altar and Rosary Society would remain with membership in the "Catholic Woman's Club." The first president of the C. W. C. was Mrs. Sylvester Dougherty, and Miss Marie Shanahan was the first secretary. Other women who held the office of president of the C. W. C. through the years are: Mrs. Henry Vollmer, Mrs. Skowronski, Mrs. George Gilmore and Mrs. William Chesson.

By means of card parties, dinners, raffles, and various festivals, the Catholic Woman's Club is able to help both the parish and the diocese. The present officers of the "Catholic Woman's Club" are: Mrs. Joseph Brooks, president; Mrs. John Nolan, vice president; Mrs. Thomas Buffone, secretary; Mrs. Louise Joyce, treasurer; Mrs. George Ruth, historian; and Miss Sarah Welsh, auditor.

In the 1930's, a "Scout Mothers Club" was established at St. Peter's, to help in the promotion of the scout movement among the boys of the parish.

In February, 1957, a "Choir Mothers Association" was formed, with Mrs. Charles Maley, president; Mrs. Cich, vice president; Mrs. J. Dailey, treasurer. The purpose of the "Choir Mothers Association" is to help finance the needs of the two children's choirs of the parish. When the choir participates in the annual music festival in Washington, D. C., the association finances the trip by means of monthly bake sales.

Men's Organizations

One of the earliest organizations of the men of the parish was the "Gibbons Club." This was a social organization that sponsored dinners and dances. They had a club headquarters in two rooms of the Orr Building, on the corner of Fifth and Market Streets. Among those who belonged to the organization were Simon Loftus, J. J. Daugherty (president of the club), Harry McCann, Frank Ryan, M. E. McSwiggen and T. Fred Shannon. The "Gibbons Club" eventually was absorbed into the Knights of Columbus organization, and also was reorganized as a

"Young Men's Catholic Institute" by Father Dacey around 1899. The "Y.M.C.I." had about fifty members in the initial membership. Simon Loftus was president, James J. Daugherty, vice president and Frank Burns was treasurer. Plans were made to construct a gymnasium in Garrett's Hall for club use. Eventually the "Y.M.C.I." was changed by Father Powers in 1912 into an athletic organization.

During Dean Hartnedy's pastorate, a second men's organization, distinct from both the "Gibbons Club" and the "Young Men's Catholic Institute" was flourishing at St. Peter's. Called the "Total Abstinence Beneficial Society," the members pledged "I promise by the Divine Assistance, to abstain from all intoxicating liquors and to prevent as far as possible intemperance in others, in honor of the Sacred Thirst of Our Divine Lord." This society, formed in the 1880's, became the "Temperance Cadets" under Father Powers. The new group was led by Ed Feist, as first president, and combined an athletic program with spiritual exercises. It gradually disbanded during World War I.

A third group of men were organized during the Dean's time, into a "Men's Council" or "St. Peter's Church Council." Ed Feist was the president of this group for many years, with James J. Shanahan serving as secretary. The Bandwogan Campaign was the work of the Men's Council, as well as ushering, planning parish celebrations, making special collections, etc. In 1918, the group could no longer be called "Men's Council" but rather "Church Council" since Father Powers added twelve women to the organization, which, with twelve men, numbered twenty-four members. The women did the book-keeping and census work and other secretarial work for the parish. The "Church Council" was dissolved in 1933, but six years later, a similar organization, titled "General Committee of Associated Societies of St. Peter's" was formed. This group was a coordinating council, consisting of members from every other parish organization. The president of the group was Harry Wolfe, the vice president was Robert Hilz, and the secretary-treasurer was Ann Cavanaugh. The group coordinated the various meetings and social and fund-raising projects of the other parish organizations.

Around 1917, a new organization was established which existed for only a short time. Called the "Catholic Protective and Resistance League," it began with a membership of more than two hundred men.

What can be learned from newspaper clippings and the recollections of some of the parishioners, this organization began with a great deal of vitality. The purpose of the organization, as stated by its first and only president, Simon Loftus, was "not political, but to direct the Catholic vote towards responsible leaders." The occasion that caused the group to be formed was that four Catholic girls of Steubenville had applied for teaching positions in Steubenville. Three of

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the applications had been rejected and the "Catholic Protective and Resistance League" felt that the reason for the refusal was bigotry. Statements by this group received full publicity in the city newspaper; one reason for the publicity being the colorful statements made by the group. For example: "The spirit of the community has been dominated by an organization of 125 to 150 men, not 50 per cent of whom have any material interest in the community. . . . not one in fifteen of them have more than a grammar school education." In other public statements, the organization referred to by the group was labeled "hydra-headed viper of bigotry" . . . "spineless jellyfish, guilty of nepotism."

This history of the parish will not judge the value or lack of same that resulted from this organization. It only records that after a very short existence, the organization gradually was dissolved.

Around 1928, the "Holy Name Society" was formed at St. Peter's Church, as an organization separate from the "Church Council." Leo Lashley was president, Sylvester Dougherty was vice president. The Holy Name Society existed through the years with varying degrees of activity. On October 29, 1957, the society was re-formed as the "Holy Name Society-Men's Club." More than fifty men attended the meeting that evening. A three-fold program was outlined: 1. to foster a Catholic attitude among Catholic men, personally, socially, economically; 2. to create an awareness of current problems in the parish, diocese, city and nation; 3. to promote various social and recreational programs for the men of the parish. Membership in the "Holy Name Society-Men's Club" included all Catholic men of the parish over 18 years of age. The organization was established as non-financial, that is, it would not be used as a fund raising organization. At the October meeting, officers were elected, consisting of Francis O'Leary, president, Ray McDonald, vice president, Paul Hornung Jr., treasurer, Andrew Green, secretary-historian.

Later in this chapter, space will be given to the athletic sports program that began at St. Peter's about 1928. To help finance the various uniform and athletic equipment needed for a complete athletic program, a "Booster's Club" was formed among the men of the parish in 1952. William Kliner was elected president, William McCann, vice president, James Illencik, treasurer, and William Wright, secretary. Each year, by means of raffles and card parties, the "Boosters Club" is able to finance the sports program of the parish. Current officers of the organization are Lawrence McDonald, president, Charles Stoll, vice president, John Kenny, treasurer, Ray McDonald, activities chairman.

In 1945, Monsignor Grigsby formed a "Men's Choir", with membership from high school boys of the parish. The "Men's Choir" has continued through the years, singing the high Masses during the summer and alternating with the girls' choir on the Sundays of the year.

They hold weekly rehearsals and were directed by Father William Yontz. Father David Reasbeck now directs the choir.

Dramatic Clubs

In October, 1892, Dean Hartnedy presented a historical drama titled "Christopher Columbus" at the City Opera House. Enthused by the reception the performance received, a "Columbian Dramatic Club" with eighty members was formed. Among the members of this club were Miss Alice Owens, Simon Loftus, who played the title role of the drama, E. J. Gorman who had portrayed the character King Ferdinand, M. E. McSwiggen and John Branagan, who had been stage manager of the drama.

Two years later, in 1894, the "Columbian Dramatic Club" presented a comedy titled "A Close Shave," again at the City Opera House. A third production, a melodrama titled "The Drummer Boy of Shiloh" starred Simon Loftus in the title role.

When Father Dacey and Father Slattery were stationed at St. Peter's Church, they were in charge of the "Dramatic Club" that had been formed from the previous "Columbian Dramatic Club." In 1907, the group presented "Among the Breakers," a melodrama, and in 1908, Thomas McDonald starred in the title role of "Josh Winchester" a comedy. In one of these plays, Simon Loftus was required to wear a "handle-bar" mustache. History records that the mustache loosened during the performance and swung from side to side across the actor's face. In the second act of the play, Simon appeared on stage clean-shaven.

On January 12, 1909, the "Dramatic Club" presented its most successful performance, titled "The White Cross Queen." The cast consisted of Hugh McGinnis, Thomas McDonald, Emmett McGinness, James McSwiggen, William Hogan, Michael Egan, John Dickson, Raymond Bernert, Kizzie Branagan, Stella Caniff, Marie Linehan, Mary McGinnis, and Edith Murning. The pianist was Mary Cummins, and William Davis and George G. Cummins were managers. Mr. G. Cummins, a non-Catholic, had actively cooperated in the various productions sponsored by the dramatic club. The play was presented for the benefit of the parish, and then another performance, which netted \$1,400.00, was presented for the benefit of the Gill Hospital.

After Father Slattery was transferred from St. Peter's, Father Dooley took charge of the club. In 1914, a vaudeville-type melodrama was presented, called "The Great Umbrella Case." It starred Thomas McDonald in the role of an attorney, and George Zimmerman, playing the role of the accused thief. This was one of the last plays presented by the club.

Children's Organizations

Dean Hartnedy had formed an organization titled "Children of

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Mary," whose members were children from First Communion Class to the Eighth Grade. After finishing grade school, the girls became members of the "Young Ladies Sodality," also called Sodality of Mary or Sodality of the Immaculate Conception. Besides various spiritual works, the sodality was expressly prohibited from attending Saturday night dances in public dance halls. A public penance was imposed upon members who disobeyed this prohibition, which was: having publically to apologize to the congregation for causing scandal. The sodality became inactive during the 1920's.

On June 3, 1948, Monsignor Grigsby began a spiritual organization for the children called the "Angelic Warfare Confraternity."

During the first World War, a group of boys in the parish formed a group called "Knights of St. George Cadets." A Lieutenant Rathburn, who was the commanding officer of a group of soldiers guarding the Fort Steuben bridge during the war, helped organize and drill the cadets. The boys learned marching drills and also learned to play the fife and drums. Among the members of the cadets were Herman Owesney, Chris Punke, James Brown, William Burke and George Conroy. The cadets learned three musical selections for fife and drum, namely "Marching Through Georgia," "P. B. Conn" and "Yankee Doodle." Whenever a marching parade was scheduled in Steubenville, the St. Peter's "Knights of St. George Cadets" participated, playing the three songs learned. After the first World War, the group disbanded.

In 1918-1920, through the efforts of Sr. Helene, who was teaching music classes at St. Peter's, a parish orchestra was formed with the children. In 1918, there were twenty-nine musicians in the group, among them Clair Feist, pianist; Bernard McCann, Anthony Manack, Francis O'Leary, Frank Wolpert, John Bernert, Herman Ottke and Jack Kenny, all playing violin; Herman Owesney and William Burke played flute, Leo Daugherty played cornet, Howard George, drums, and Mildred McCann played cello.

The orchestra lasted for only a few years, giving concerts for the parishioners.

In February, 1938, plans were begun to organize a Boy Scout Troop in the parish. Twelve men of the parish formed an executive committee, and June 24, 1938, Boy Scout Troop 14 received its charter. Eighteen boys formed this troop, with Sylvester J. Dougherty, president of the Troop Committee, and Father Julius Klinec, Scout Chaplain. Thomas McGirty served as scoutmaster of Troop 14. A year later Edward Fagan, Jr., was selected scoutmaster of the troop. At present James Hague is scoutmaster of the troop.

A Girl Scout Troop was also organized in the parish about this time. For many years Marjorie Shannon served as scoutmaster of the

troop. The present scoutmaster is Dolores Tripodi, with about twenty girls enrolled in the parish troop.

On March 10, 1957, a "Knights of the Altar" group was solemnly installed in St. Peter's Church. The "Knights of the Altar" is a national organization of altar boys, whose purpose is adequately to train and prepare young boys for serving at the altar. On the day of installation, thirty-three boys from the grade school were received into the organization. Each year, there is an installation of new servers, and a promotion to higher rank for those qualifying.

Besides the servers belonging to the "Knights of the Altar," there are about twenty-three other young men of high school and college age, who regularly serve Mass at St. Peter's Church.

Catholic Youth Society

In January, 1938, a meeting of fifty young men and women was held at St. Peter's auditorium for the purpose of organizing a "Catholic Youth Society." Father Powers appointed a committee consisting of John Griesinger, Bernard McCann, C. B. McCann Jr., Robert Anglin, Helen Brady, Frances Krum and Mrs. Robert Allen to prepare a constitution for the new organization. A few weeks later, a constitution was adopted which outlined a four-point program of spiritual, cultural, social and athletic activities. First officers of the "Catholic Youth Society" chosen were: Robert Hilz, president; Mrs. Delbert Powell, vice president; Frances Krumm, secretary; and Thomas McGirty, treasurer.

The spiritual program of the group consisted of a Communion Sunday, followed by a Communion breakfast, and frequent days of recollection through the year. The cultural program was mainly devoted to presenting various plays. In March, 1938, the group presented their first play, titled, "Who Gets the Car Tonight," starring Raymond Keys, Mary V. Conroy, Edward Fagan, Rita McCafferty and William McDonough. Anna Mary Coates directed the production. The play was entered in the annual Civic Drama Tournament, and won first prize. Enthused by the reception of their dramatic efforts, the group presented "Pop Reads the Christmas Carol" in December, 1938. In May, 1939, the group presented a one-act play titled "Ambition." Other plays presented by the "Catholic Youth Society" were "Imaginary Invalid" (1940), "Professor, How Could You?" (1941), which was a benefit performance for the parish athletic program.

The social program of the organization consisted of dances, picnics, carnivals and parties. The physical program consisted of bowling, horseback riding, swimming, and the formation of a baseball team to compete with the teams of other "C.Y.S." groups from other parishes.

With the coming of the second World War, the activities of the

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groups were curtailed and the parish organization was gradually absorbed into the diocesan Catholic Youth Organization.

Spiritual Organizations

The League of the Sacred Heart was organized by Dean Hartnedy and still remains in operation in the parish. During Father Powers' time, monthly meetings of the Promoters were held, and the meetings closed with Benediction in church. At present, Mrs. John Madigan is in charge of the League and Rose Longo is treasurer. There are about thirty promoters and six hundred members of the League. A Mass is said monthly for the living and deceased members of the organization, and an additional Mass is requested by the group whenever a member dies. Through the years, various persons were temporarily in charge of the League, Father Gaulrapp, and, before him, the sisters were in charge.

Around 1949, Father McCoy organized a Catholic Action group called "The Legion of Mary." The first officers of the Legion were William Chesson, president, John Madigan, secretary. There were about ten members belonging to the Legion which held weekly meetings every Wednesday night.

Because of the excessive formalism and the difficulty of weekly meetings, it was thought necessary to form a similar group called "Mary's Workers" with monthly meetings. In 1954 the Legion was reorganized as "Mary's Workers." This is a Catholic Action group whose purpose is to help the parish apostolate. At present, about ten women belong to Mary's Workers." Their duties include: home visitation, census work, delivering Christian Home and Family pamphlets to parents of newly baptised children, reciting the Rosary for deceased parishioners, and other forms of Catholic Action. Father Pettis directs this group.

Home and School Association

In 1954, the "Home and School Association" was formed at St. Peter's Church. Membership in the association was for parents of the parish, especially those whose children were attending either the Catholic grade or High School.

The association formulated a five-point program as its aim or purpose. This program was: 1. to promote close cooperation between all persons and organizations working for the advancement of Christian education; 2. to effect better relationships between parents and teachers of St. Peter's School for the best interests of the students; 3. to offer information of particular interest to parents through a well-planned program; 4. to encourage the maintenance of a high standard of family life; 5. to create a greater understanding and appreciation of Catholic education.

The first officers elected to this association were: William A. Miller, president; Mrs. John J. Nolan, vice president; Mrs. Lawrence McDonald, secretary; Mr. James B. Illencik, treasurer; Mr. Albert Vaughan, auditor; Mrs. John Joyce, historian. Current officers of the "Home and School Association" are George Gilmore, president; John Griffin, vice president; Mrs. James R. Hague, secretary; William Kliner, treasurer; Kenneth Amos, auditor; Mrs. Malcolm Brady, historian. There are eight committees functioning at present, namely Ways and Means Committee, chairman, Salvatore Mascolino; Hospitality Committee, chairman, Mrs. Joseph Brooks; Publicity, Mrs. Margaret Hook; Membership Committee, chairman, John Nolan; Program Committee, chairman, Mrs. Arthur Freas; Publications Committee, chairman, Mrs. John J. Nolan; Health and Safety Committee, chairman, Dr. Francis Fach; Citizenship and Civic Contacts, chairman, Mr. Robert J. Anglin.

The programs presented by the "Home and School Association" in their monthly meetings have been both diverse and highly interesting. The liturgy of devotion to the Blessed Virgin, an explanation of report cards, Lenten and Easter customs for the home, classroom procedure and study habits, how parents can help in school homework, workshops on classroom procedure, the Salk polio vaccine program, high school activities, use of audio-visual aids, reading aids for elementary school children, pre-college preparation, testings, family recreation, panel discussions on music, and social programs were some of the subjects presented at the Tuesday evening monthly meetings of the Association. The great number of parents that attend these meetings every month give evidence of the popularity and value of this organization of St. Peter's Church.

Athletic Organization

More a program than an organization, St. Peter's has provided a complete athletic program for the boys of the elementary school from 1925, until the present time. In 1925, a baseball team, composed mostly of sixth grade boys of St. Peter's, won the city championship. In 1928, Father Parker, who was an assistant at St. Peter's, was instrumental in organizing a three-sport program, forming teams in football, basketball and baseball. In 1939, Maurice Joyce began coaching the teams



1954 Parish Cheerleaders

of St. Peter's and since then, with only a few years interruption, Maurice

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Joyce has remained as coach of St. Peter's teams, teaching not only the techniques of the various sports but also instilling in the boys essential principles of good sportsmanship. Today, about twenty boys participate in football and baseball, and about ten boys are on the basketball team. At present Maurice Joyce has two assistant coaches, Jack Kaufmann and Jack Davies.

Through the years, St. Peter's teams have received many trophies and championship awards. They were city baseball champions in 1945, 1948 and 1956; they were parochial league basketball champions in 1942 and 1946; they were parochial league football champions in 1942, 1946, 1952, 1954, 1955, and co-champions in 1957.

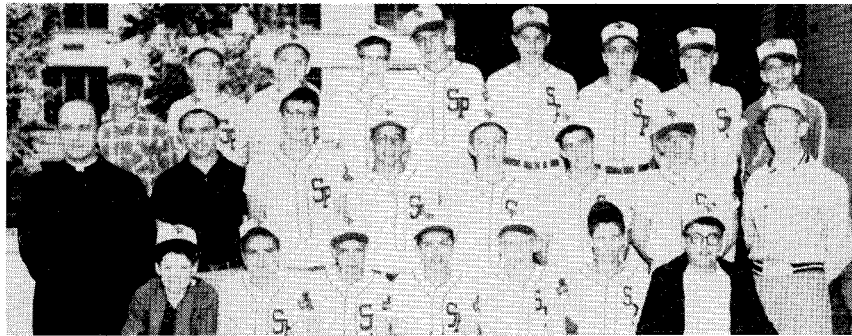


Msgr. Grigsby receives 1954 football championship trophy from Maurice Joyce

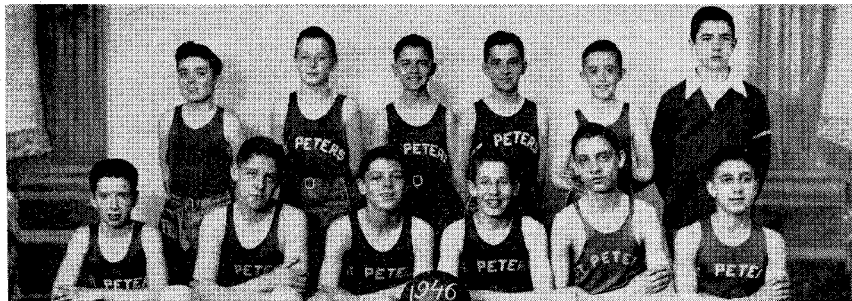


St. Peter's Football Team — 1954

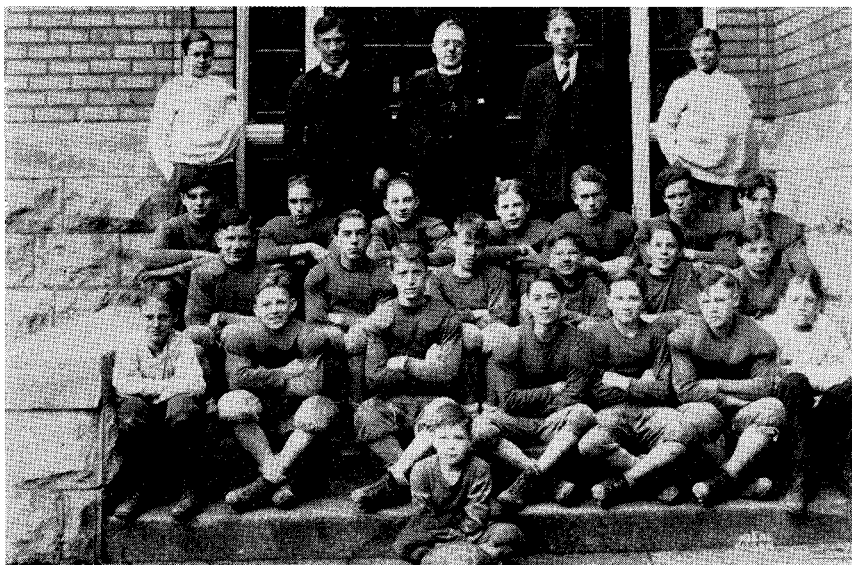
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Baseball Championship Team — 1956



Basketball Championship Team — 1946

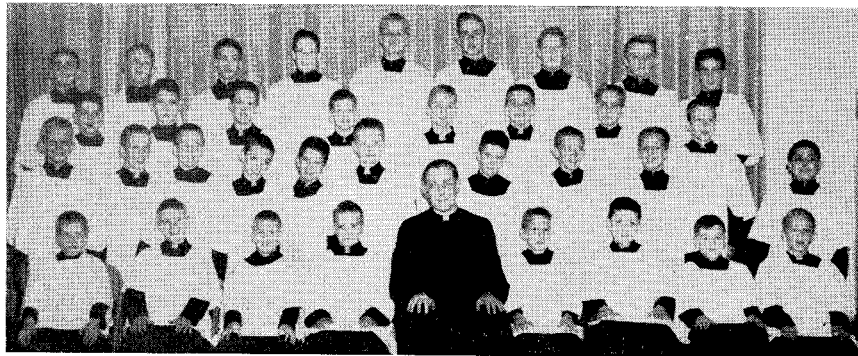


St. Peter's First Football Team with Father Parker — 1928,
Coaches Albert Trombetti and Donald Maley

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Dramatic Club cast for "White Cross Queen", presented 1909.
Thomas McDonald is in first row, right side.



Grade School Altar Boys — 1957



Catholic Woman's Club Officers — 1957

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Young Men's Catholic Institute, c. 1898.
Front row: Martin Burke, John McSwiggen, John Keilly, Father Thompson, Harry Fullen. Back row: Ed. McFadden, Ed. Hannon, James McSwiggen, Simon Loftus.



Home and School Association Officers — 1957



Holy Name Society — Men's Club Officers — 1957

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Temporary Chapel in auditorium of Church



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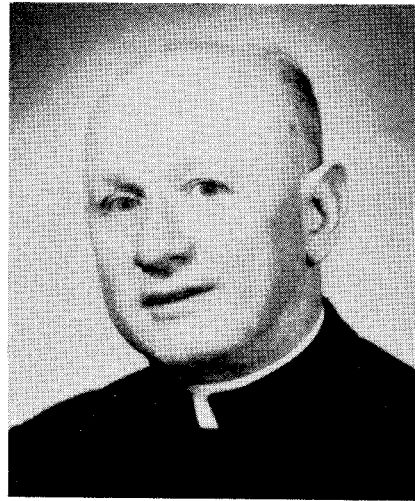
MONSIGNOR HENRY J. GRIGSBY

FATHER GRIGSBY was born December 23, 1909, in Corning, Ohio, the son of James and Lena D. Grigsby. He was one of seven children. He attended St. Bernard's Grade School and High School in Corning. He entered St. Charles Seminary, Columbus, Ohio, in 1927, finishing his fourth year of high school studies at the seminary. Completing his college studies at St. Charles Seminary, Bishop Hartley sent him to Mt. St. Mary's of the West Seminary, Norwood, Ohio, for the theology courses. Father Grigsby was ordained a priest on April 26, 1936, by Bishop James Hartley, at St. Joseph's Cathedral, Columbus, Ohio.

A year before he was ordained, Father Grigsby was informed by Bishop Hartley that he was to be assigned work in the field of education. When he was ordained, Father Grigsby's first assignment was to St. Dominic's Church, Columbus. Three months later he was appointed to St. Cyprian's Church. During this time Father Grigsby was working under Monsignor Murphy, the superintendent of schools for the Columbus diocese. On September 26, 1936, Father Grigsby was appointed administrator of Holy Cross Church, Columbus, and assistant superintendent of the schools of the diocese.

On January 13, 1940, Father Grigsby was appointed administrator of St. Peter's Church, Steubenville, following the death of Father Powers. When Father Grigsby came to St. Peter's, he had been ordained a little more than three years. One parishioner commented on this, asking him, "Aren't you rather young to be here?" Father Grigsby's answer was, "I'm young, but I'm competent." The years that followed proved that this was not an idle boast.

In 1940, many Catholic children of the parish were attending public schools. Father Grigsby's attitude towards this problem was that the parish school is an integral part of the parish. He encouraged



Monsignor Henry J. Grigsby

high school boys to serve Mass, provided they attended a Catholic school. Girls of the parish were not allowed to participate in any parish activity if they attended public schools. By 1945, there were 137 young men and women of the parish attending the Catholic high school.

In 1941, Pearl Harbor, the draft, and about 290 young men of the parish were in the armed forces. In Steubenville, wives and mothers formed lines in front of stores for coffee and sugar, meat was allotted through ration coupons. The days of the week received new names; Meatless Tuesday, Gasless Wednesday, Sugarless Friday. In the mills, the various shifts vied with each other on steel output, each one trying to exceed the production of the previous crew. War and heroism were the motion picture themes. . . . America was at war! At St. Peter's, the Friday Masses of each week were offered for the safety of the parishioners in the armed forces. Before the war ended almost 350 parishioners had served in the armed forces.

Diocese of Steubenville Formed

Bishop James J. Hartley, died January 12, 1944. In November, 1944, Bishop Michael J. Ready became bishop of Columbus, and administrator of a newly-formed diocese — the diocese of Steubenville. Six months later, in Cincinnati, May 1, 1945, John King Mussio was consecrated the first bishop of the diocese of Steubenville. He arrived in Steubenville to assume his episcopal duties May 23, 1945. On November 19, 1945, he officially changed Father Grigsby's status of administrator to that of pastor of St. Peter's Church.

St. Peter's Church was in need of repairs and renovation when Father Grigsby became pastor. The war, however, and various diocesan needs prevented the initiating of a complete repair program. In 1944, a renovation fund raising campaign with Herb Hennings as chairman, resulted in \$72,890.00. The money accumulated \$9,000.00 interest, bringing a total amount of \$81,890.00. In 1947, the Catholic Central High School drive began in the city. At St. Peter's, George Gilmore was chairman of this drive, the results of which were that 737 parishioners pledged \$147,802.00 for Catholic Central High School. Four years later, a second Catholic Central Drive resulted in 625 parishioners pledging \$110,198.00.

Gradually but surely, Father Grigsby began the complete renovation of the parish buildings, the church, convent and school. A new roof for the church cost \$12,700.00. The stained glass windows of the church were re-framed and strengthened (\$13,600.00), the towers and dome of the church were repaired (\$6,500.00), the church was completely rewired and new electrical fixtures were hung (\$15,000.00).

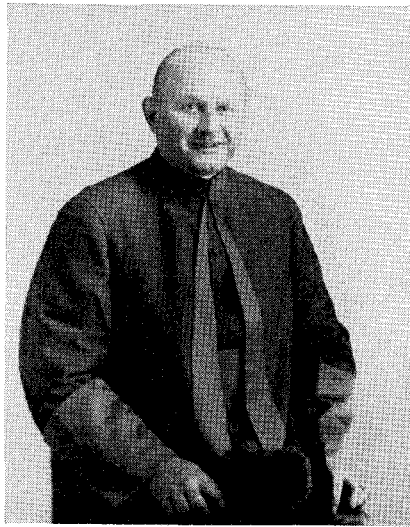
In 1946, a cafeteria was built and furnished in the auditorium of the church at a cost of \$11,000.00, and in November, 1946, the cafeteria

began operation, providing lunches for the school children. Mrs. Loretta Sigh was placed in charge of the cafeteria operation with four ladies assisting her. Today the cafeteria supplies lunches for an average of 330 children every school day.

In 1947, the property between the school and rectory was purchased as a playground and also to provide parking space on Sundays. The property cost \$40,000.00. This same year, the Sunday Mass schedule was changed to provide additional Masses for the convenience of the parishioners. Two extra Masses were added to the Sunday schedule of 6:00, 7:00, 8:00, 9:00, 10:30 and 11:30. Facilities for laundry and storage rooms were constructed in the rear of the church auditorium, heating facilities and rest rooms were constructed in the auditorium, and finally the auditorium itself was tiled and plastered. The total amount spent on the initial stage of renovation was \$107,400.00.

Father Grigsby Becomes Monsignor

On February 16, 1949, Father Henry J. Grigsby was honored by Pope Pius XII with the dignity of Papal Chamberlain. The notification came to the rectory while he was on vacation. When the secretary



Monsignor Grigsby in 1949

telephoned him, telling him that he had been made a monsignor, his only comment was "Long distance telephone calls are too expensive for practical jokes!" On April 26, 1949, Monsignor Grigsby was invested with the monsignor's robes by Bishop Mussio. A dinner at the Steubenville Country Club followed the church ceremonies. At the dinner, the Rev. Raymond Harris was toastmaster, and short speeches by Father John Eyerman, Monsignor John Murphy of Columbus, Monsignor Dooley and Bishop Mussio were given.

In February, 1952, further honors came to Monsignor Grigsby when he was elevated to the rank of Domestic Prelate. His investiture as Domestic Prelate took place April 24, 1952, at St. Peter's Church, followed by a dinner for clergy and friends in the auditorium. Monsignor Edward Murphy, served as toastmaster for the dinner. Through the years, Monsignor Grigsby has been appointed to many diocesan offices, an indication of the confidence placed in him by his bishop. In February, 1951, he

MONSIGNOR HENRY J. GRIGSBY

was appointed diocesan consultor. Other appointments given him were: Superintendent of Schools for the Steubenville diocese, parish priest consultor, Chairman of the Diocesan Building Commission, Chairman of Mt. Calvary Cemetery Board, member of board of discipline of St. John Vianney Seminary. For many years he was chairman of the Catholic Central High School Board.

The process of repair and renovation continued through the years following the war. In 1950, the school yard was black-topped, in July, 1951, the convent was remodeled to accommodate six additional sisters who would be in residence at St. Peter's, teaching at Catholic Central High School. The convent was remodeled at a cost of \$12,000.00 and in September, 1951, eighteen sisters were in residence. In 1952, the property south of the school was purchased from St. Paul's Episcopal Church at a cost of \$32,000.00 and a year later the land purchased was black-topped for playground use. Two years later, in 1954, two buildings that stood between the rectory and convent were razed and the entire area between North Fourth Street and Commercial Alley was now open to serve as a playground for the children and to provide adequate parking space for Sunday Mass attendance.

St. Paul's Mission, Pottery Addition

In October, 1951, the construction of a mission church at Pottery Addition began. Paul Heilbock acted as engineer, John Rietz, architect, and John Humienney did the carpenter work for the mission church.



St. Paul's Mission, Pottery Addition

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The church built was a one story construction of concrete block, with a full basement. In September, 1952, the building was adequately finished to be suitable for Mass, which was celebrated there that month.

The finishing of St. Paul's Mission continued, and January 25, 1954, Bishop Mussio issued the decree establishing St. Paul's Mission as a mission church of St. Peter's. In 1956, a unit of the Catholic Women's Club was established at St. Paul's Mission. Father William Yontz was in charge of the administration, and encouraged many additional improvements to the mission church. A new front entrance, tiling of the basement floor, a new altar, an organ, a new ceiling for the basement, are among the improvements that were added in the past two years.

On March 22, 1956, a violent lightning and wind storm swept through Steubenville about 4:00 o'clock in the morning. Suddenly a bolt of lightning struck the dome of St. Peter's Church and ricocheted across the church roof. The Spanish-type tile which covered the roof was shattered. In the morning, Logan Street was roped off from traffic because of the great amount of shattered tile that fell on the street. Temporary repairs were made and in July the old roof was removed by Paul ("Slick") Walter and replaced by an asphalt shingle roof.

In the Spring of 1956, Monsignor Grigsby suffered a heart attack and for several months was forced to undergo a complete hospital rest until he recuperated. During August, 1956, a new tile floor was put in the auditorium and the basement of the church was prepared as a temporary chapel until the Church would receive its final renovation. Monsignor Grigsby returned to active parish work in the Fall of 1956.



CHAPTER XI
STATISTICS AND CHRONOLOGICAL HISTORY

FOR THE interest and information of the reader, various facts relating to the history of St. Peter's Church are compiled in this chapter.

Pastors of St. Peter's Church, and the years they served as pastor:

1. Father John H. McGrady, O. P. — 1832-1835
2. Father James Conlan — 1835-1845
3. Father James Kearney — 1845-1850
4. Father T. O'Farrell — 1850
5. Father Emmanuel Thienpont — 1850-1865
6. Father William T. Bigelow — 1865-1871
7. Father Thomas M. Tuomy — 1872-1873
8. Father Jeremiah Murray — 1873-1876
9. Father H. B. Dues — 1876-1877
10. Father Bernard Wisman — 1877-1879
11. Father M. M. Hartnedy — 1879-1904
12. Father Thomas Powers — 1904-1939
13. Monsignor Henry J. Grigsby — 1940

Assistant Pastors of St. Peter's Church, and the years they served:

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| 1. Thomas M. Tuomy (1870-1872) | 22. Otto F. Guenther (1922) |
| 2. Patrick M. Heery (1873) | 23. Vincent Schiele (1923) |
| 3. H. B. Dues (1876) | 24. Francis Touey (1923-1925) |
| 4. P. Thinkheimer (1878) | 25. Joseph Finan (1924-1928) |
| 5. J. G. Montag (1878-1882) | 26. Joseph F. Parker (1928-1930) |
| 6. J. Weisinger (1879) | 27. James Foley (1930-1938) |
| 7. J. J. Hartley (1882-1885) | 28. Julius G. Klinec (1938-1939) |
| 8. S. S. Mattingly (1886) | 29. William R. Byrne (1939-1940) |
| 9. Thomas Powers (1890-1894) | 30. Michael Tabit (1940-1941) |
| 10. O. J. Synan (1894-1896) | 31. Francis J. Connor (1941-1945) |
| 11. D. A. Thompson (1892-1898) | 32. Edward Connaughton (1945-1946) |
| 12. John J. Dacey (1898-1903) | 33. Carl Riekosky (1946-1947) |
| 13. J. A. Sheil (1904) | 34. Leo J. Gaulrapp (1946-1948) |
| 14. John J. Slattey (1903-1912) | 35. Charles P. McCoy (1947-1949) |
| 15. F. W. Gloeckner (1912-1914) | 36. Francis M. Maloney (1948-1949) |
| 16. Joseph Dooley (1913-1916) | 37. Harold J. Goeshke (1949) |
| 17. Aloysius Spangler (1916-1917) | 38. Joseph Pollack (1949) |
| 18. Patrick Ruane (1917-1919) | 39. Thomas Reilly (1949-1951) |
| 19. J. R. Bonnewell, O. P. (1919) | 40. Maurice M. Smith (1950-1951) |
| 20. John J. Nugent (1921) | 41. William J. Konus (1950-1952) |
| 21. Edward Hackett (1919-1922) | 42. Thomas P. Ryan (1953-1954) |

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| 43. William G. Scully (1951-1954) | 50. Edward J. Kakascik (1956) |
| 44. Kenneth Harris (1953-1956) | 51. John Kielty (1956-1957) |
| 45. Joseph Sands (1954) | 52. John Peeters (1957) |
| 46. Joseph Wadowicz (1954) | 53. Ashley Pettis (1957-) |
| 47. Robert F. Marrer (1954-) | 54. Patrick Murray (1958) |
| 48. Francis X. McCarthy (1955-1956) | 55. David Reasbeck (1958-) |
| 49. William Yontz (1956-1958) | 56. James Boehm (1958-) |

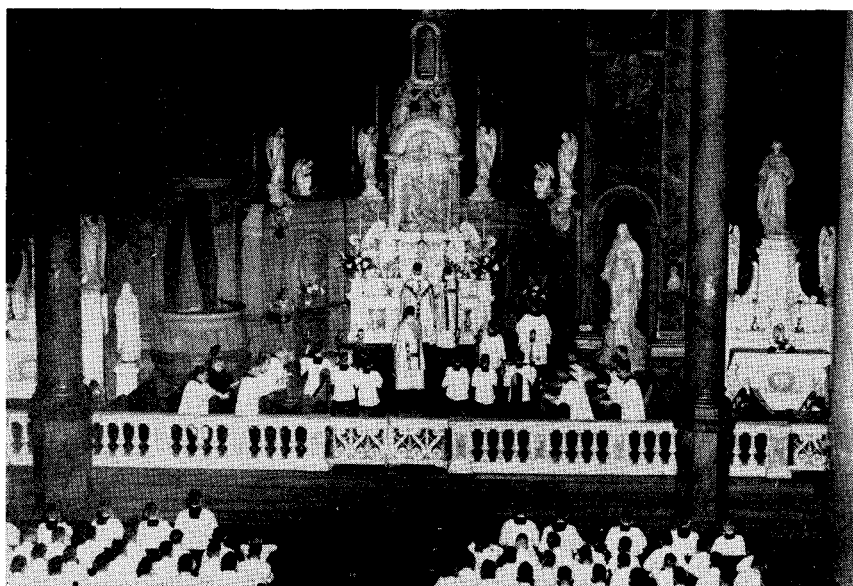
According to the records, from 1835 until 1956, the number of persons baptised at St. Peter's Church numbered 9,460; the number of marriages performed at St. Peter's from 1835-1956 totaled 2,904. The Confirmation records are incomplete, beginning in 1924; the total number of persons confirmed up to and including 1957, were: 2,344. Each year the number of sick calls in which the last rites are administered average between 75 to 100.

Chronological History of St. Peter's Parish

- 1830:** Father John McGrady, O. P., purchases land for St. Pius Church.
1832: St. Pius Church built.
1834: Father James Conlan ordained priest and appointed pastor of St. Pius.
1835: Bishop Purcell blesses St. Pius Church July 26, 1835.
1845: Father James Kearney becomes first resident pastor of St. Pius.
1850: Father Emmanuel Thienpont becomes pastor of St. Pius in December.
1854: New church built, name changed to St. Peter's Church. Church is consecrated by Archbishop Purcell in same year.
1864: Father William T. Bigelow ordained by Archbishop Purcell.
1865: Father William T. Bigelow appointed pastor of St. Peter's Church.
1867: Father Bigelow builds rectory; remodels church, enlarging it to double length; lower floor of church remodeled for classrooms.
1868: Five Sisters of Charity from Cincinnati come to teach at St. Peter's School.
1872: Father Bigelow died of smallpox January 22, 1872.
1873: Father Thomas Tuomy, temporary pastor dies of consumption; Father Thienpont dies at St. John's Church, Logan, Ohio.
1874: Father Jeremiah Murray pastor of St. Peter's Parish, transferred to St. Joseph's Cathedral, Columbus, in 1876.
1876: Father H. B. Dues appointed pastor of St. Peter's, transferred to Canal Dover in 1877.
1877: Father Bernard Wisman appointed pastor; transferred in February, 1879.
1879: Father Martin Michael A. Hartnedy appointed pastor of St. Peter's February 28, 1879; establishes St. Peter's High School, September, 1879.
1880: Sisters of Charity withdraw from St. Peter's School, Dominican Sisters of Columbus, arrive to teach in St. Peter's School.
1881: Parish debt of \$5,000.00 liquidated.

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- 1883: Father Hartnedy purchases land for Holy Name Church; also remodels St. Peter's Church, enlarging church; purchases land for Mt. Calvary Cemetery.
- 1887: Father Hartnedy appointed dean.
- 1888: Dean Hartnedy builds Deanery at cost of \$10,000.00.
- 1899: Father Dacey organizes Young Men's Catholic Institute.
- 1902: Dean Hartnedy announces plans to build a new church July 12, 1902.
- 1903: Father James J. Hartley appointed bishop of Columbus December 10, 1903.
- 1904: Dean builds new school on Logan Street behind the church; temporary church built, and old church completely demolished; September: Dean's plans for new church not approved; Dean announces his resignation as pastor of St. Peter's September 30, 1904. October 14, 1904: Father Thomas Powers appointed pastor of St. Peter's Parish.
- 1905: New corner stone for church laid July 2, 1905.
- 1906: Fifteen stained-glass windows arrive from Bavaria July 28.
- 1907: Bishop Hartley blesses new St. Peter's Church December 15.
- 1910: Bandwagon Campaign to liquidate debt begins in March; December 25, 1910, Father Slattery announces that \$40,000.00 debt is liquidated.
- 1911: New school built.
- 1912: Dean Hartnedy dies in California in September; body returned to St. Peter's for burial.



Solemn closing of 1957 Forty Hours with Solemn High Mass

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- 1914: Father Powers arbitrates in Pope Tin Mill strike.
- 1926: School enlarged to provide classrooms for junior high.
- 1929: Father Powers celebrates 25th anniversary as pastor of St. Peter's Church.
- 1930: James W. Gill announces October 25, that management of Gill Hospital will be given to Father Powers.
- 1939: Father Thomas Powers dies December 13, of coronary thrombosis.
- 1940: Father Henry J. Grigsby appointed administrator of St. Peter's Church January 13, 1940.
- 1944: St. Peter's Renovation Drive with Herb Hennings as chairman totals \$72,890.00.
- 1945: Father Grigsby installed as pastor of St. Peter's Parish by Bishop Mussio November 19, 1945.
- 1947: Catholic Central Drive begins; George Gilmore chairman; result 737 parishioners pledge \$147,802.00. Property between school and rectory purchased in June, 1947.
- 1949: Pope Pius honors Father Grigsby with title of Papal Chamberlain February 16, 1949; Monsignor Grigsby invested as Monsignor April 26, 1949.
- 1950: School yard black-topped.
- 1951: In second Catholic Central drive, 625 parishioners pledge \$110,198.00. Third floor of convent renovated and extra rooms constructed, St. Peter's School completely rewired. Construction of St. Paul's Mission begins in October, 1951.
- 1952: Monsignor Grigsby invested as Domestic Prelate April 24, 1952. Property south of school purchased for playground, April, 1952. First Mass said at St. Paul's Mission, September, 1952.
- 1954: Bishop Mussio pontificates at St. Peter's during Holy Week. September: Building between rectory and convent razed.
- 1956: November 18: A four-hour renovation drive results in pledges of \$181,572.00. November 19: Renovation of exterior of St. Peter's Church begins.
- 1957: January 1: Total amount pledged for renovation, \$205,117.00.



Part of Men's and Boys Choir — 1955

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January 29: Cleaning of exterior walls of church completed.
September 16: Auditorium of church converted into chapel and
Masses are offered in auditorium.

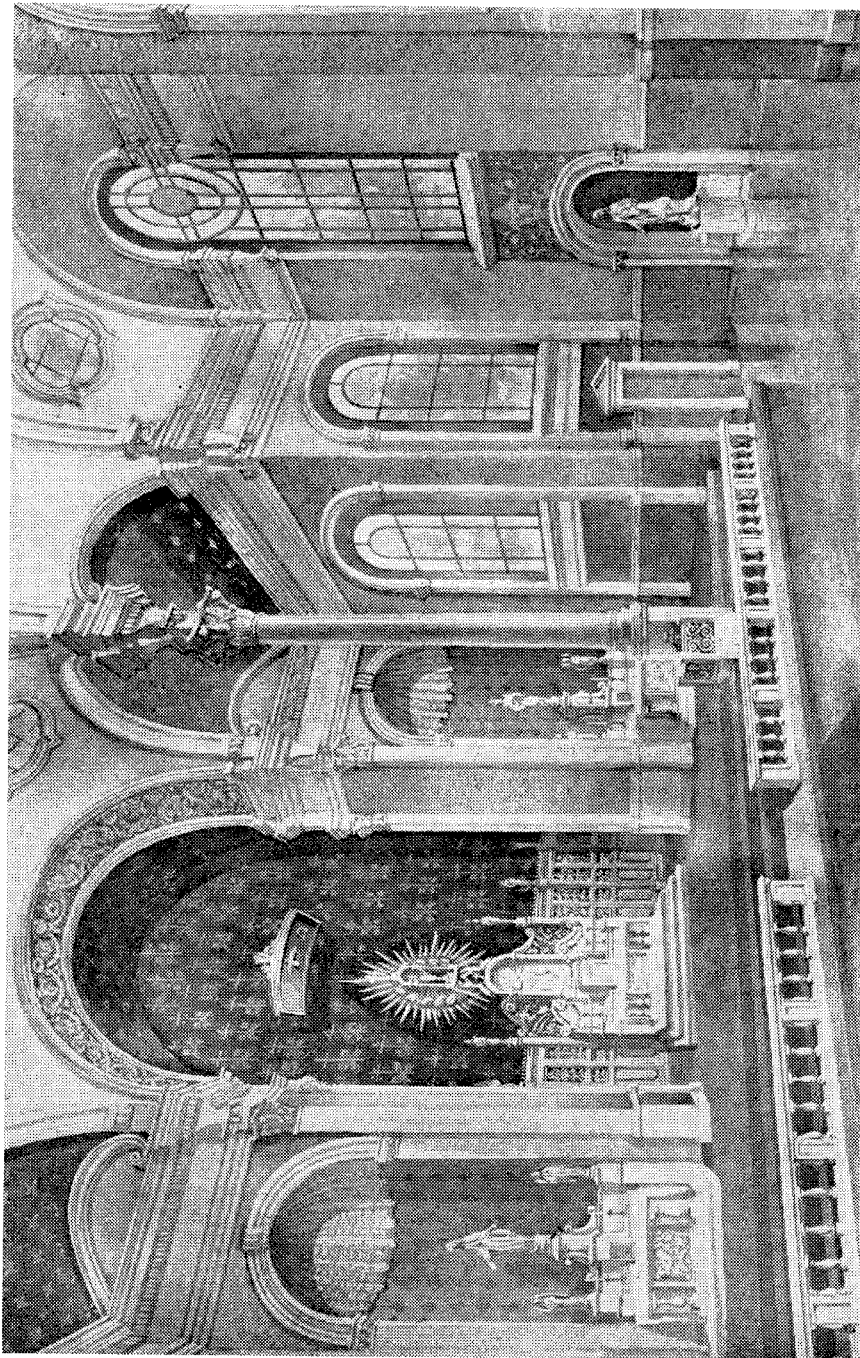


Monsignor Grigsby announces success of Renovation Drive



Men who worked on Renovation Drive





Architect's drawing of new Sanctuary

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THIS, THE last chapter of the history of St. Peter's Church, will be incomplete. The achievement of renovating the church this year is in progress as these pages are being written. The story will be told as far as events have occurred, the final pages are yet to be written.

Someone has said that the parishioners of St. Peter's are accustomed to doing the difficult; and the events of the past year have verified this statement.

On November 18, 1956, after about two months preparation, a renovation drive began on Sunday afternoon. That morning, Monsignor Grigsby spoke at all the Masses, saying, "Today we begin a new era in the history of St. Peter's parish. It is not a new era in sacrifice and love for God, for this has always existed, but an era of quick accomplishment. This afternoon over 200 men will evidence their love of God and His Church by thoroughly canvassing the parish for funds for the remodeling of the Church. You, the rest of the parishioners will evidence your love of God and His Church by giving of your substance. Sacrifice must be the basis for giving. This is not a new concept in the parochial life at St. Peter's. It has existed from the very beginning, for more than a century. It is even more effective when joined with your superb loyalty. Make today another of those great days so common to St. Peter's. Make today a day of which the whole Church can be proud; a day in which something had to be done and was done. God bless you for your loyal generosity to God and His Church."

Three men were chosen as co-chairmen of the renovation drive,



Renovation Drive Campaign outlined to men of parish

Lawrence McDonald, John Gaughan and James R. Hague. Twenty-three men were chosen as team captains. The twenty-three were: George Horner, Ed Lloyd, William Chesson, William Kliner, Raymond Burns, George Gilmore, John Dailey, Raymond McDonald, Sylvester Dougherty, John Kelly, Michael DiNovo, Stephen Hart, Dr. Francis Fach, Maurice Zurbuch, Chris Punke, Salvy Mascolino, Joseph Franckhauser, Paul Hornung, Jack Nolan, Leo Lashley, Robert Anglin, John Bernert, Herb Hennings. Each of these men was in charge of a team of men. About 155 men composed the twenty-three teams.

At 1:30 in the afternoon, Sunday, November 18, the men gathered at St. Peter's auditorium for final instructions from Monsignor Grigsby. Four hours later, the renovation drive was over. \$205,000.00 had been pledged by the parishioners who stayed home that afternoon so that they could be contacted by the drive workers. The end result of the drive was that 786 persons pledged \$205,117.00. The renovation of St. Peter's began the next day, November 19, when workmen began tearing out the front steps of St. Peter's Church.

Architect for the renovation was John J. Rietz, of Steubenville. General Contractor was Theodore J. Brehm. Other contracts were accepted from Joseph J. Graciano Company, Pittsburgh; C. W. Daniel Electric Company; Thomas M. Hudak, plumbing; Paul J. Walter, roofing contractor; I. T. Verdin Company. The contract for designing and decorating the interior of the church was accepted from John W. Winterich and Associates, Cleveland, Ohio.

As mentioned before, on the the day after the drive, workmen for Brehm Construction Company began removing the old front steps of the church. Excavation for the cement footers for the new entrance followed. Simultaneous with the work being done on the front entrance, the Joseph J. Graciano Company, Pittsburgh, began sandblasting all exterior areas of the church. They also pointed all exterior masonry joints, removed loose stone and reset the stone in new mortar, caulked all window and door frames, painted all exterior woodwork on all elevations, replaced all downspouts, painted the dome, replacing copper sheets where it was needed, and built new screens for the front towers of the church.

By January 29, 1957, the sandblasting of the exterior was completed and on this day the cement foundation for the front steps was poured.

Brehm Construction Company poured the new sidewalks and curbs surrounding the church, sub-contracts having been let out to William Cowher for cement work, Arthur Bowers for tile and marble setters in the rest-rooms and storage rooms beneath the front steps, Warren E. Koon, plastering, A. DiVittorio, painting. By March 12, 1957, the rest-rooms beneath the front steps were completed and the plumbing facili-

ties in the rest-rooms were put in by Thomas M. Hudak, who had the contract for all plumbing for the renovation. The C. W. Daniels Electric Company had installed the conduits and electrical panels, repaired the organ blower motor, and installed relays and thermostats for a snow-melting electric system beneath the steps and the sidewalks in front of the church. On March 18, the cementers were pouring a section of the front steps when the clear weather changed suddenly to heavy rain. The poured cement began to slide, until quick thinking brought a solution. A roof of plastic sheeting was quickly raised over the cement, and men worked until midnight that day finishing the cement. The copper heating wire that had been inserted in the cement was used to dry the cement. This copper wiring had been placed about an inch and a half below the surface of the cement, in a series of lines four inches apart. Capable of throwing 30 watts of heat to the square foot, the wiring has proved effective in keeping the steps free of snow.

On April 9, 1957, the two light towers in the front of the church were raised, and that night the new facade of the church was illuminated for the first time. The next day the front entrance of the church was completed. Landscaping of the front and side of the church had been sublet to Ennis Florists, who put fifteen loads of top soil about the church and front of rectory and planted ivy, trees, bushes and shrubbery in these areas. Brehm Construction raised a steel beam in the north tower for the support of the bell, removed the stained glass windows in the dome of the church for re-framing, and then began installation of structural beams in the auditorium of the church to support the communion railing and the two shrines. Graciano Company had sprayed a silicone type waterproofing over the exterior stone walls of the church. To protect the exterior of the church Paul J. Walter, roofing contractor, was commissioned to put a "pigeon-proof" calking compound along the ledges of the church facade and the side walls of the church. This particular calking compound is said to be effective for a minimum of four or five years. It proved less effective than its claims.

In the final weeks of July, 1957, the basement of the church was being prepared for a temporary church, and on Monday, September 16, Masses were offered in the temporary chapel on the stage of the auditorium. On Monday, October 21, Brehm Construction workers began tearing out the interior walls of the sacristy and sanctuary of the church. Three weeks later, the interior walls of the sanctuary, vestibule and baptistry were torn down. The next project was installing a steel beam to support the choir loft. Finishing this, they then installed a new arch in the sanctuary, and began waterproofing and plastering the sanctuary walls. Nearly twelve miles of electric wiring has been put into the interior of the church and auditorium for new lighting. Lights behind the stained-glass windows in the roof of the church, new lighting fixtures and an automatic bell ringing system was installed by the electricians.

The contract for interior decorating was accepted by John W.

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Winterich, Cleveland, Ohio. The decorating contract calls for cleaning and repairing the main altar, a free hanging tester over the main altar, mahogany wood carved screen and reredos behind the altar, highlighted in 24-K gold leaf, relocation of communion railing, four confessionals, re-framing of stations of the cross, new mahogany pews, wrought iron and bronze baptistry gate, a narthex mahogany screen and leaded glass, marble wainscoating of narthex and baptistry, and complete decoration of the interior walls, ceiling and pillars of the church.

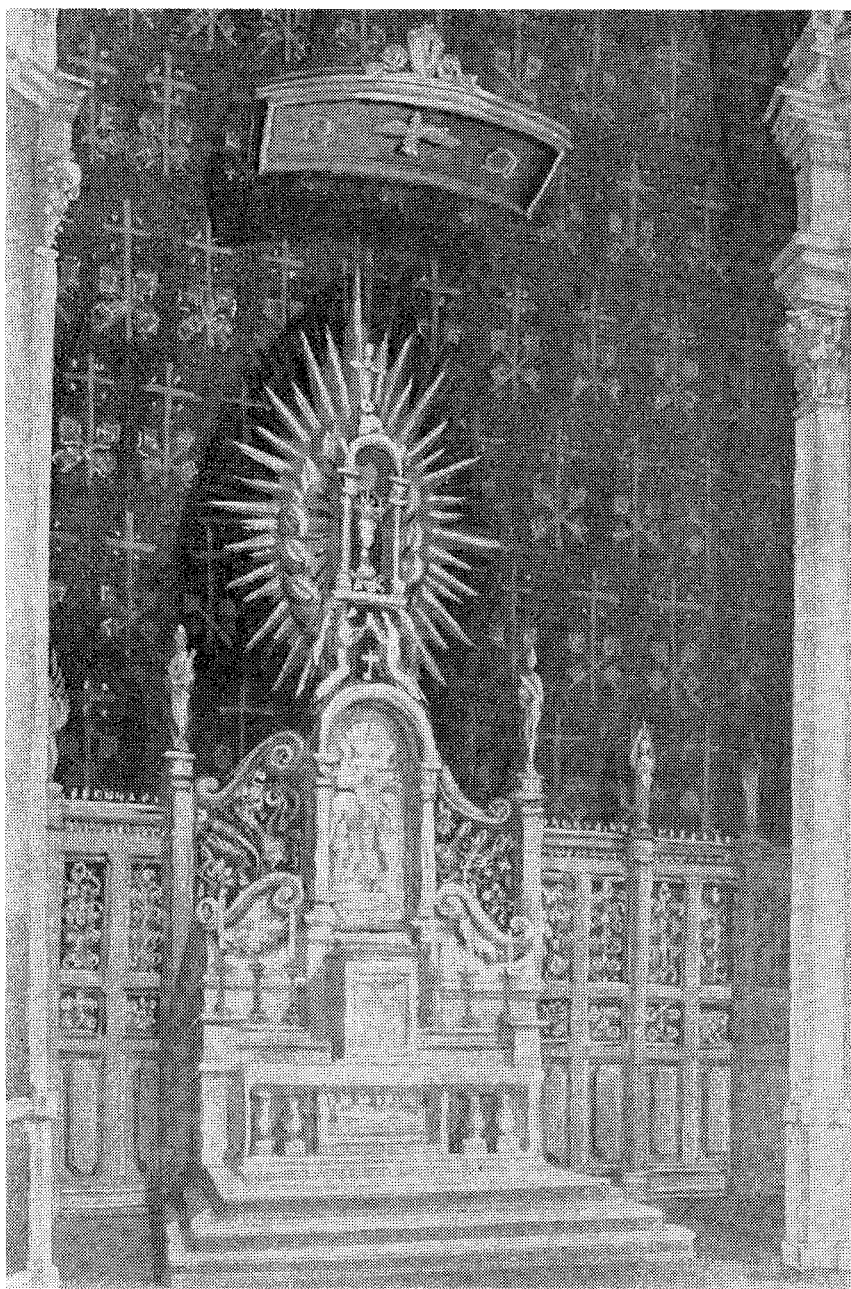
An Allen Organ, purchased from Schroeder Galleries, Pittsburgh, will augment the existing organ which will be remodeled.

The total estimated cost for the complete renovation of St. Peter's Church is \$325,218.00. This total estimated cost does not include the renovation work previously accomplished through the 1944 renovation drive.

By Spring of 1958, the John W. Winterich Company had erected scaffolding in the church and began painting the ceiling.

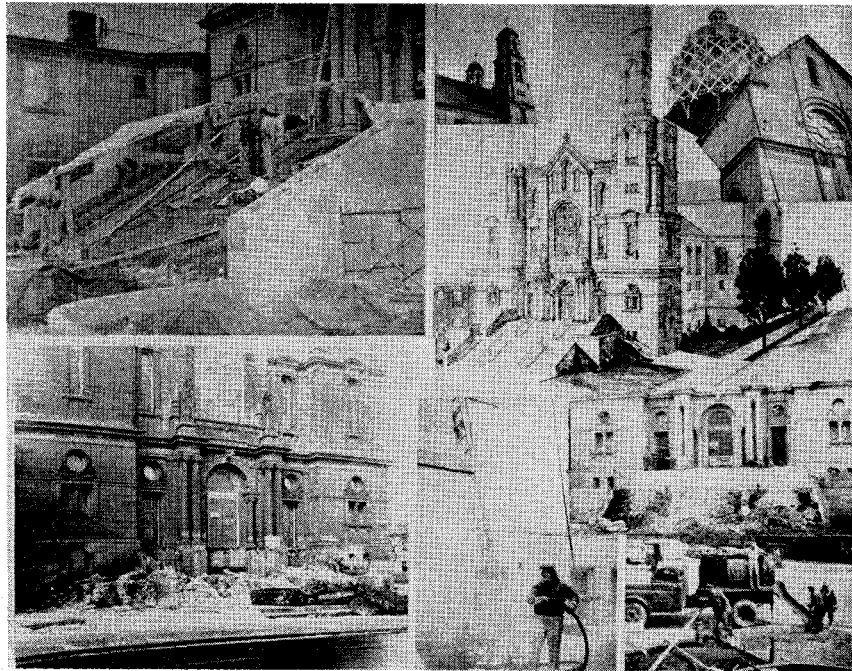
By June, the interior walls were covered with canvass, painted, the ceilings were also painted and they began applying gold leaf decorative effects.





Close-up of Sanctuary

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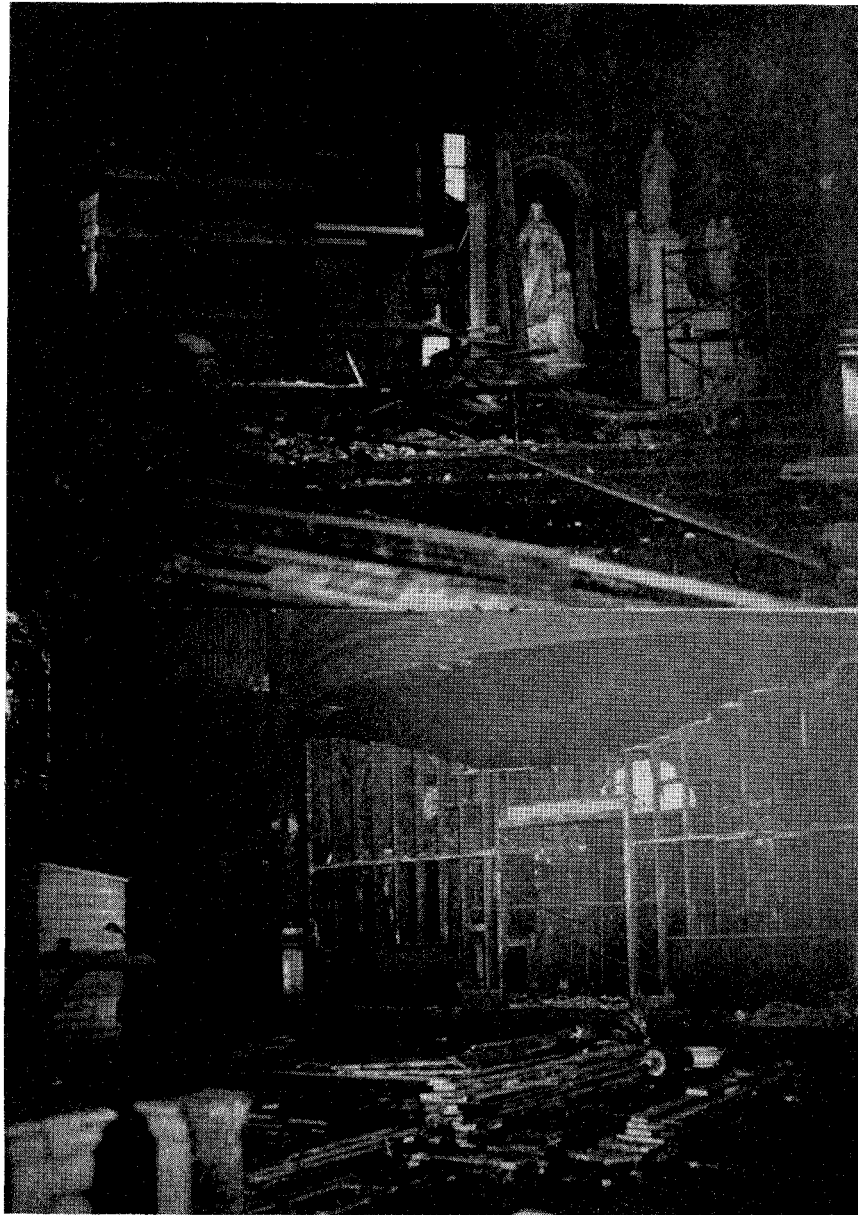


Renovation of exterior of St. Peter's Church



Team Captains for Renovation Drive. First row: Raymond McDonald, Chris Punke, Steve Hart, John Caughan, Msgr. Grigsby, Lawrence McDonald, James R. Hague, George Horner. Second row: Joseph Franckhauser, William Kliner, Leo Lashley, Edward Lloyd, Salvy Mascolino, Michael DiNovo, Maurice Zurbuch. Third row: Herb Hennings, Jack Nolan, Dr. Francis Fach, Raymond Burns, William Chesson, Sylvester Dougherty, John Dailey, John Kelly.

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Renovation of interior of church in progress

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CHAPTER XIII

CONTRIBUTIONS TO ST. PETER'S RENOVATION

AS OF May 25, 1958, the following members of St. Peter's parish have paid their pledges in full:

NAME	PLEDGED	PAID
A		
Agnew, Dr. John L. -----	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00
Alcini, Constantino -----	250.00	250.00
Alexander, Hugo -----	500.00	500.00
Andreansky, Arthur -----	350.00	350.00
Anderson, Mrs. Lawrence -----	250.00	250.00
Anglin, E. J. -----	250.00	250.00
Appleman, Pearl -----	250.00	250.00
Arim, Stanley -----	250.00	250.00
Arim, Thomas J., Sr. -----	50.00	50.00
Arim, Thomas, Jr. -----	250.00	250.00
Armbruster, Albert -----	250.00	250.00
Ash, Mrs. Harry -----	250.00	250.00
B		
Bailey, Mrs. John F. -----	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00
Baird, Lester J. -----	300.00	300.00
Bertram, Mrs. E. R. -----	100.00	200.00
Balbac, Jerry -----	50.00	50.00
Blabac, Michael -----	250.00	250.00
Blabac, Thomas -----	50.00	50.00
Blackburn, Mrs. Frank -----	250.00	250.00
Brady, Harry T. -----	500.00	500.00
Brady, Helen M. -----	300.00	300.00
Brady, Mrs. J. -----	100.00	100.00
Brady, Malcolm -----	250.00	250.00
Brady, Mary Catherine -----	250.00	250.00
Brandt, Mrs. Fred -----	250.00	250.00
Brayton, Mrs. John -----	250.00	250.00
Brayton, William -----	250.00	250.00
Brown, James -----		100.00
Burns, Raymond -----	250.00	250.00
Burns, Robert E. -----	250.00	250.00
Burns, Mrs. Robert E. -----	100.00	100.00
Burke, William L. -----	300.00	300.00
C		
Calabrese, Dolores -----	\$ 75.00	\$ 75.00
Caniff, Mrs. Helen -----	50.00	55.00
Caniff, Wilma -----	250.00	250.00
Carlson, Mrs. Theodore -----	100.00	100.00
Casali, Mrs. Mary -----	50.00	50.00
Casuccio, John -----	250.00	250.00
Chesson, William -----	400.00	400.00

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NAME	PLEDGED	PAID
C		
Cich, Frank	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00
Chilenski, Walter	250.00	250.00
Clary, Charles	250.00	250.00
Coburn, Henry J.	250.00	250.00
Coffman, Mrs. Lena	25.00	25.00
Collins, Regina	250.00	250.00
Colsh, Mrs. Thomas	1,000.00	1,000.00
Conroy, James	250.00	250.00
Consol, William J.	300.00	300.00
Craig, Paul	250.00	250.00
Criss, John E.	500.00	500.00
Cunningham, Florence	250.00	250.00
Curfinan, Mrs. George	250.00	250.00
Cusick, Mrs. Georgia	250.00	250.00
D		
Dailey, Miss Ethel	\$ 250.00	\$ 250.00
Dailey, Paul	250.00	250.00
D'Andrea, Anthony	250.00	250.00
D'Aquila, Saverio		200.00
Dasch, Joseph	250.00	250.00
Daverio, Jerome	500.00	500.00
DeGorio, Anthony	250.00	260.00
Delatore, Anthony	250.00	250.00
Delatore, Philip	250.00	250.00
Deptula, Alex	250.00	250.00
Deptula, Anthony	250.00	260.00
DiMaria, Andrew	250.00	250.00
DiNovo, Michael	1,000.00	1,000.00
Dougherty, Sylvester	600.00	700.00
Dougherty, Mrs. Agnes	100.00	100.00
Doyle, James	250.00	250.00
Dugan, Daniel	250.00	285.00
Dvorski, John	50.00	50.00
Dyer, James	1,000.00	1,000.00
E		
Eberts, Andrew	\$ 150.00	\$ 150.00
Eberts, Clarence	150.00	150.00
Egan, Mrs. Bridget	50.00	50.00
Egan, James	250.00	250.00
Egan, Joseph M.	250.00	250.00
Ekey, Mrs. Oliver	250.00	250.00
Eller, Ruth	250.00	250.00
Ellis, Mrs. Earl	250.00	250.00
Entinger, Mrs. Elizabeth	100.00	100.00
Exterovich, Alex	75.00	75.00
F		
Fach, Dr. Francis	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
Fagan, Mary	250.00	250.00
Feist, Edward	100.00	100.00
Feist, John F.	250.00	250.00
Feist, Matthew	25.00	25.00
Fetty, Mrs. Margaret	50.00	50.00
Finneran, Mrs. Katherine	100.00	100.00

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NAME	PLEDGED	PAID
F		
Fiscus, Mrs. Mary	\$ 100.00	\$ 105.00
Flanagan, Thomas	350.00	350.00
Floto, Mrs. Edna	100.00	100.00
Franckhauser, John	250.00	262.50
Franckhauser, Joseph P.	400.00	400.00
Franckhauser, Mrs. Mary	250.00	261.00
Franklin, Charles	300.00	300.00
Freas, Mrs. Arthur	500.00	500.00
Fullen, Mrs. Elizabeth	50.00	50.00
G		
Gaughan, John, Sr.,	\$ 250.00	\$ 250.00
Gaughan, John, Jr.	250.00	250.00
Gaughan, Roger	250.00	260.00
Geary, Philip	250.00	250.00
Germano, Josephine	100.00	100.00
Germano, Rose	100.00	100.00
Giffin, Mrs. Howard	250.00	250.00
Gillen, Vincent	250.00	250.00
Gilligan, Mrs. James V.	250.00	250.00
Gilmore, George	1,000.00	1,000.00
Gilmore, Dr. John W.	500.00	500.00
Gombarick, Frank	250.00	250.00
Gordon, Mrs. Marie	75.00	75.00
Green, Andrew	250.00	250.00
Griesinger, John, Sr.	250.00	250.00
Griffin, John J., Jr.	25.00	25.00
Gryszka, Walter	50.00	146.00
H		
Hague, James C.	\$ 250.00	\$ 250.00
Hague, James R.	250.00	250.00
Hanrahan, William	250.00	250.00
Harmuth, George	500.00	500.00
Harper, Mrs. John	250.00	250.00
Hebron, Charles	250.00	250.00
Hickey, Mrs. Margaret	250.00	250.00
Hoffman, John	100.00	100.00
Hoffman, William J.	250.00	250.00
Hogan, Maurice	250.00	250.00
Horner, George	250.00	250.00
Hornung, Paul, Jr.	300.00	300.00
Hornung, Paul, Sr.	1,000.00	1,500.00
Hughes, Charles, Jr.	250.00	250.00
Hughes, Charles, Sr.	250.00	250.00
Hughes, Renetta	250.00	250.00
I		
Isaac, Mrs. Samuel	\$ 250.00	\$ 250.00
J		
Jacobs, Clark	\$ 250.00	\$ 250.00
Jeffrey, Josephine	150.00	230.00
Jeffrey, Marina	150.00	180.00
Joyce, Bartley	250.00	265.00

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NAME	PLEDGED	PAID
J		
Joyce, Walter -----	\$	\$ 250.00
Jurevis, John -----	250.00	250.00
Jurevic, Stanley -----	250.00	250.00

K		
Kalin, Walter -----	\$ 250.00	\$ 250.00
Kane, John T. -----	100.00	100.00
Keane, Robert -----	250.00	250.00
Keenan, James L. -----	250.00	250.00
Keenan, Thomas -----	250.00	250.00
Kelly, John F. -----	250.00	250.00
Kelly, Harry G. -----	250.00	250.00
Kennedy, Joseph -----	250.00	250.00
Kenney, John J. -----	250.00	250.00
Kenney, Mrs. Joseph -----		180.00
Kenney, Thomas J. -----	300.00	350.00
Kenny, Joseph C. -----	250.00	250.00
Kenefick, J. T. -----	250.00	250.00
Kerschgens, Lambert J. Dr. -----	500.00	500.00
Keys, Albert -----	250.00	250.00
Killeen, Mrs. James -----	250.00	265.00
Killeen, Mrs. Alice -----	250.00	265.00
Kliner, Mrs. Anna -----	100.00	100.00
Kliner, William -----	250.00	250.00
Knowlton, Edward -----	250.00	250.00
Knowlton, Richard -----	250.00	250.00
Knowlton, Robert J. -----	250.00	250.00
Kopras, Albert -----	250.00	250.00
Kopras, Margaret -----	150.00	150.00
Kozak, Joseph -----	150.00	150.00

L		
Lafferty, Mrs. Ethel -----	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00
Lamanna, Ottavio -----	50.00	50.00
Lamb, Lillian -----	25.00	25.00
Lamonica Daniel -----	250.00	262.50
Lanzarotta, Mrs. Thomas -----	250.00	250.00
Lashley, Leo -----	250.00	281.25
Lashley, Walter -----	250.00	255.00
Laux, Mrs. John -----	300.00	300.00
Legar, Regis -----	250.00	250.00
Leist, Barbara -----	250.00	250.00
Leist, John -----	250.00	250.00
Leist, Mrs. William -----	250.00	250.00
Letcher, Andrew D. -----	200.00	200.00
Letcher, Paul -----	250.00	250.00
Lippert, John -----	50.00	50.00
Lippert, William F. -----	250.00	250.00
Lloyd, David E. -----	250.00	250.00
Longo, John L. -----	250.00	250.00
Long, Mrs. Joseph -----	250.00	250.00
Long, Mrs. Lois -----	100.00	100.00
Lucas, John -----	150.00	150.00
Lucas, Mrs. William E. -----	250.00	250.00

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NAME	PLEDGED	PAID
M		
Madigan, Arthur -----	\$ 250.00	\$ 250.00
Madigan, John A. -----	250.00	250.00
Maley, Mrs. Walter -----		200.00
Manderick, Frances -----	20.00	20.00
Mark, William A. -----	250.00	250.00
Marshall, Charlotte -----	100.00	125.00
Mascolino, Joseph Sr. -----	75.00	75.00
Mastroianni, Frank -----	30.00	30.00
McCaffrey, Cathryn -----	250.00	290.00
McCaffrey, Mary -----	25.00	25.00
McCaffrey, Michael -----	250.00	250.00
McCann, Ann -----	250.00	250.00
McCann, Theresa -----	25.00	25.00
McCann, William -----	250.00	250.00
McClinton, William E. -----	200.00	200.00
McCluskey, Henry -----	1,000.00	1,000.00
McConnell, Mrs. Wilbur -----	250.00	250.00
McCormick, John C. -----	300.00	300.00
McCullough, Thomas J. -----	250.00	250.00
McDonald, Lawrence -----	300.00	300.00
McDonald, Raymond -----	500.00	500.00
McDonald, Thomas J. -----	250.00	250.00
McDonald, Timothy -----	250.00	250.00
McGill - Nolan Funeral Home -----	100.00	100.00
McGlone, Clement -----	250.00	250.00
McGough, Robert, Jr. -----	250.00	250.00
McGuinness, Raymond -----	250.00	250.00
McIntosh, Mrs. H. M. -----	1,000.00	1,000.00
McMullen, Alina -----	150.00	150.00
McNeal, James -----	600.00	600.00
McNichols, James J. -----	250.00	270.00
Merryman, Mrs. C. V. -----	20.00	20.00
Merryman, John L. -----	350.00	350.00
Milewsky, Harry -----	250.00	250.00
Miller, William A. -----	250.00	270.00
Moffitt, Margaret Mary -----	250.00	260.00
Moffitt, Mrs. Samuel -----	250.00	250.00
Moore, Mrs. Arthur -----	250.00	250.00
Morrison, Samuel -----	250.00	250.00
Morrissey, Mrs. Frances -----	250.00	250.00
Mosblack, John Sr. -----	250.00	255.00
Mosblack, Paul -----	250.00	250.00
Mulrooney, Edward -----	250.00	300.00
Mulrooney, William -----	250.00	250.00
Murphy, Edward J. -----	250.00	340.00
N		
Nelson, Mrs. Winifred -----	\$ 250.00	\$ 250.00
Nolan, John J. -----	400.00	400.00
O		
O'Brien, Margaret -----	\$ 250.00	\$ 250.00
O'Leary, Frances -----	150.00	150.00
O'Leary, Francis -----	250.00	250.00
O'Neil, John -----	100.00	100.00
Orlando, Dominic -----	250.00	250.00

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NAME	PLEDGED	PAID
O		
Orris, Joseph -----	\$ 250.00	\$ 250.00
P		
Palmer, Mrs. Norman -----	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00
Palumbo, Patsy -----	250.00	250.00
Parkhill, Mrs. Jesse -----	50.00	50.00
Pelosi, Louis -----	250.00	320.00
Pickell, Nina -----	250.00	250.00
Pierro, Elizabeth -----	400.00	400.00
Pierro, Vito -----	50.00	50.00
Pitassy, Emil -----		50.00
Powell, Mrs. Evan -----	250.00	250.00
Priest, James -----	250.00	250.00
Punke, Chris -----	400.00	400.00
Punke, Edward -----	50.00	50.00
Pusateri, August -----	25.00	25.00
Pusateri, Charles -----	250.00	250.00
Q		
Quinn, Catherine -----	\$ 250.00	\$ 270.00
Quinn, Cecelia -----	250.00	260.00
R		
Rauch, George W. -----	\$ 250.00	\$ 250.00
Reed, Mrs. Ralph -----	125.00	125.00
Ricci, Edward -----	250.00	250.00
Richards, Mrs. Harold -----	250.00	250.00
Romey, Anna -----	20.00	20.00
Rotello, Frank -----	100.00	100.00
Ruth, George -----	300.00	300.00
Ryan, Frank -----	500.00	500.00
S		
Savage, Joseph -----	\$ 250.00	\$ 250.00
Savastone, Audrey -----	300.00	300.00
Savastone, John -----	350.00	350.00
Scanlon, Mrs. Hugh -----	250.00	250.00
Scarford, Anthony -----	250.00	250.00
Scarford, Michael -----	300.00	300.00
Sferra, Stephen and Marion -----	250.00	250.00
Shalonis, Frank -----	100.00	100.00
Shanahan, Barbara -----	500.00	500.00
Shanahan, Marie -----	1,000.00	1,500.00
Shannon, Fred -----	1,000.00	1,000.00
Sharpe, Harry -----	250.00	250.00
Shimko, Mrs. Joseph A. -----	250.00	250.00
Sinclair, Carl -----	300.00	300.00
Sinclair, Robert B. -----	250.00	250.00
Skitarelic, George -----	250.00	250.00
Slabdorf, Albert -----	250.00	250.00
Slaterry, Mrs. Cecelia -----	25.00	25.00
Smith, Mrs. Robert -----	400.00	400.00
Sopko, Andrew -----		500.00
Stephenson, Barry -----	125.00	125.00
Stojack, Anthony -----	250.00	250.00

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NAME	PLEDGED	PAID
S		
Stoll, Charles	\$ 250.00	\$ 250.00
Straker, William R.	250.00	250.00
Sylvester, Peter	500.00	500.00
T		
Tabasso, Louis	\$ 250.00	\$ 250.00
Tassey, Frank	250.00	250.00
Thalman, Joseph	250.00	250.00
Thomas, Mrs. David	250.00	250.00
Tortorice, Charles	250.00	250.00
Trzaska, James	250.00	250.00
U		
Ullom, Shelby	\$ 250.00	\$ 250.00
Urdzik, Mrs. Joseph	250.00	250.00
V		
Vecchione, Patrick and Family	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
Villers, Mrs. Ralph	250.00	250.00
Vollmer, Henry J.	250.00	250.00
Vorsatz, Clarice		50.00
W		
Ward, Thomas	\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00
Welsh, John A.	100.00	100.00
Welsh, Sarah E.	250.00	375.00
Welsh, William	250.00	250.00
Whalen, Charles	100.00	300.00
Whitaker, Charles	250.00	250.00
Wilson, Mrs. Walter	250.00	250.00
Winstel, Richard	250.00	250.00
Winters, Leo	250.00	264.00
Witt, Anthony	250.00	250.00
Wolpert, Dorothy	250.00	250.00
Wolpert, Ruth	250.00	250.00
Wolpert, Mrs. Marie	250.00	260.00
Wright, Mrs. Charles	200.00	200.00
Y		
Young, Harry	\$ 250.00	\$ 250.00
Z		
Zielon, Paul	\$ 250.00	\$ 250.00
Zimmerman, James	250.00	250.00
Zurbuch, Maurice	250.00	250.00

CONTRIBUTIONS TO ST. PETER'S RENOVATION

AS OF May 25, 1958, the following members of St. Peter's Parish have made partial payments on their pledges:

NAME	PLEGDED	PAID
A		
Abramowicz, Stanley -----	\$ 250.00	\$ 25.00
Acton, William -----	250.00	15.00
Agresta, Donald -----	250.00	180.00
Aldridge, George -----	250.00	56.00
Allen, John -----	250.00	68.00
Allen, Stanley -----	250.00	185.00
Allen, William -----	250.00	165.00
Amos, Kenneth -----	250.00	166.00
Andresen, Joseph -----	250.00	5.00
Anglin, Robert J. -----	500.00	425.00
Aperfine, Peter -----	500.00	75.00
Arajakis, Charmane -----	250.00	20.00
Arthurs, Mrs. Edward -----	250.00	
Atkins, Mrs. Roy -----	250.00	
Aurand, Albert -----	250.00	15.00
B		
Baker, Mrs. Alfred -----	\$ 250.00	\$ 50.00
Baker, Mrs. Kathryn -----	250.00	50.00
Balderoni, Albert -----	250.00	5.00
Baldwin, Balise -----	250.00	120.00
Ball, Mrs. Charles -----	250.00	80.00
Ball, Mrs. Dorothy -----		95.00
Barnes, Mrs. Leonard -----	250.00	151.00
Barrett, Edith -----	250.00	
Bates, Joyce -----	500.00	1.00
Battifarano, Nick -----	250.00	120.00
Bello, Peter -----	250.00	100.00
Bernert, John T. -----	250.00	50.00
Beuley, Peter -----	250.00	200.00
Bickerstaff, Mrs. Bernard -----	250.00	
Bickerstaff, Wilmer -----	250.00	15.00
Bickler, Joseph -----	360.00	
Billcheck, Andrew -----	250.00	80.00
Bille, A. G. -----	250.00	147.16
Birmingham, Donald -----	250.00	55.00
Birmingham, George -----	100.00	65.00
Birmingham, Joseph -----	1,000.00	925.00
Blair, Donald -----	250.00	105.00
Blair, Wilford -----	250.00	100.00
Bonaventure, Camille -----	250.00	4.00
Bowers, Joseph -----	250.00	22.00
Bowers, Mrs. William -----	250.00	
Bradley, Sue -----	350.00	255.00
Brady, Frank -----	250.00	195.00
Branagan, Frank Jr. -----	250.00	59.00
Branagan, James -----		146.00
Brennan, Richard -----	250.00	70.00
Breon, Leroy -----	250.00	165.00
Brooks, Mrs. Joseph -----	250.00	205.00
Brown, Eugene -----	250.00	
Brown, James -----	250.00	

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NAME	PLEDGED	PAID
B		
Brown, Mrs. Morris -----	\$ 50.00	\$
Bueche, John -----	250.00	150.00
Bueche, Nancy -----	250.00	50.00
Burke, William T. -----	250.00	50.00
Burlingame, Robert -----	250.00	
Burns, Raymond -----	250.00	5.00

C		
Calabrese, Victor -----	\$ 250.00	\$ 200.00
Calevro, Gregory -----	250.00	20.00
Calevro, Renaldo -----	250.00	
Campbell, George -----	250.00	170.00
Caniff, Joseph -----	250.00	50.00
Carducci, Louis -----	250.00	120.00
Carrigg, John -----	250.00	154.00
Cattani, Louis -----	250.00	
Cerellini, Raymond -----	250.00	55.00
Chambers, Lawrence -----	78.00	48.00
Chappell, Charles -----	250.00	25.00
Chapp, Jeanette -----	250.00	25.00
Chappo, Thomas -----	250.00	39.00
Chilenski, Michael -----	250.00	
Chiota, Carl -----	250.00	10.00
Chociej, Herman -----	250.00	80.00
Chulick, Joseph -----	250.00	10.00
Clarke, Mrs. Richard -----	250.00	45.00
Cocumelli, Stephen -----	250.00	90.00
Collins, Lee Jr. -----	100.00	
Collins, Mrs. Lee Sr. -----	100.00	50.00
Colson, Martin -----	250.00	14.00
Connery, Frank -----	250.00	160.00
Connors, Jerome -----	250.00	40.00
Conroy, William -----	250.00	230.00
Corabi, Samuel -----	300.00	130.00
Corasaniti, Albert -----	250.00	20.00
Cortez, Mary -----		100.00
Coulter, Thomas E. -----	250.00	150.00
Crawley, Patrick -----	250.00	180.00
Crawford, Aaron -----	300.00	200.00
Creegan, Gerald -----	250.00	25.00
Croft, Mrs. E. D. -----		18.00
Croner, Mrs. Orris -----		70.00
Cummins, Robert -----	500.00	200.00
Curfman, George T. -----	250.00	10.00
Curry, Mrs. Edgar -----	250.00	100.00
Cybulski, Bernard -----	250.0	5.00

D		
Dailey, John -----	\$ 250.00	\$ 215.00
Dailey, Mary Margaret -----	250.00	15.00
D'Alessia, Dino -----	250.00	100.00
Darmo, John J. -----	100.00	75.00
Davenport, William J. -----	250.00	170.00
Davies, Mrs. Edgar -----		10.00
Davis, Mrs. Mary A. -----	250.00	
DeGorio, Rose -----	250.00	132.00

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NAME	PLEDGED	PAID
D		
Delatore, George	\$ 250.00	\$ 100.00
Delatore, Joseph	250.00	
Delatore, Paul	250.00	28.50
DeFiandra, Joseph	250.00	85.00
Delphia, Albert		100.00
DeMayo, Albert	250.00	75.00
DiBenedetto, John	100.00	
DiCarlo, Anthony	250.00	25.00
DiCarlo, Frances	250.00	65.00
DiCarlo, Michael	250.00	225.00
DiCarlo, Primo	500.00	375.00
Dobrynski, Joseph	250.00	50.00
Donohue, Fred	250.00	113.00
Donahue, James		20.00
Donohue, Thomas L.	250.00	105.00
Dorow, Mrs. Mary	250.00	205.00
Doyle, Mrs. Bridget		2.00
Doyle, Maurice	250.00	55.00
Dubalaski, Joseph	250.00	60.00
Duffy, Robert	250.00	80.00
Dugan, Mrs. Daniel	100.00	50.00
Dugan, Dora	250.00	128.00
Dugan, Betty	250.00	15.00
Dugan, James J.	250.00	180.00
Dugan, Mrs. Margaret	10.00	
Dugan, Mary	50.00	
Dugan, Thomas	250.00	5.00
Duke, Mrs. Hilda	250.00	50.00
Dunlevy, Bernard	250.00	120.00
Dunn, Hugh	250.00	10.00
Durish, John	250.00	
E		
Egan, John J.	\$ 250.00	\$ 140.00
Ellis, John	250.00	185.00
Enders, Blanche	25.00	20.00
Ensell, George	250.00	18.50
F		
Fahey, Joseph	\$ 250.00	\$
Fall, John	250.00	47.00
Farley, Daniel	250.00	40.00
Feist, John S.	250.00	
Fellows, Nathan	150.00	
Feltes, Jerry	250.00	135.00
Fenske, Andrew W.	250.00	210.00
Fenske, Bernard Jr.	250.00	50.00
Fenton, Mrs. Fred	250.00	240.00
Ferrelli, Anthony	250.00	15.00
Fitzsimmons, John E.	300.00	100.00
Flaherty, Hugh	250.00	
Fletcher, Arthur	250.00	125.00
Flynn, Mrs. Kathryn	250.00	30.00
Fonow, Charles	250.00	5.00
Fonow, Jacob	250.00	24.00

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NAME	PLEDGED	PAID
F		
Fonow, James R.	\$ 250.00	\$ 35.00
Fonow, Mary Ellen	250.00	85.00
Forcone, Michael		15.00
Fortunato, Stephen		12.00
Fraley, Mrs. Henry	250.00	30.00
France, Frank	250.00	19.00
Franckhauser, Mrs. Florence	50.00	169.00
Franckhauser, Harry	250.00	155.00
Franckhauser, Michael	300.00	42.00
Franckhauser, William	250.00	190.00
Freeman, Robert	250.00	230.00
Freeman, William	250.00	
Freeman, William B.	250.00	50.00
Frey, Mrs. Grant		
Friedman, William	250.00	
Fullen, James F.	250.00	156.50
Fullen, John	250.00	220.32
Fulton, Alice Louise	250.00	
G		
Gaffney, Walter Sr.	\$ 250.00	\$ 95.00
Gaffney, Walter Jr.	180.00	30.00
Galvin, Mrs. Hilda	50.00	30.00
Gaughan, Mrs. Julia	100.00	90.00
George, Howard	250.00	200.00
Germano, Mary	100.00	50.00
Germano, Michael	100.00	35.00
Giannini, Joseph	250.00	225.00
Giblin, Richard	250.00	196.00
Giglio, Joseph A.	250.00	195.00
Gilday, John	250.00	80.00
Gillespie, Gwen	250.00	216.00
Gillespie, James	250.00	10.00
Gillespie, Vincent	250.00	
Gilson, Patricia	250.00	17.50
Gilson, Peggy	250.00	25.00
Gilson, Mrs. Thomas	250.00	5.00
Goff, Mrs. Andrew	100.00	35.00
Golas, Anthony	250.00	39.00
Gorman, E. J.	500.00	470.00
Gossett, Margaret	250.00	120.00
Gosseye, Mrs. Elbert	250.00	15.00
Graul, Bridget		25.00
Grayson, Mrs. Charles	250.00	60.00
Griesinger, John	250.00	125.00
Griffin, John J. Sr.	250.00	165.00
Grygo, Raymond	250.00	39.00
H		
Habash, John P.	\$ 250.00	\$ 177.00
Hamilton, Joseph W.	250.00	
Hamilton, Raymond	250.00	199.00
Hanley, Walter	250.00	150.00
Harper, Mrs. William		96.00
Hart, Stephen	250.00	180.00
Hartford, Martha	100.00	60.00

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NAME	PLEDGED	PAID
H		
Hebron, Charles Jr. -----	\$ 250.00	\$ 225.00
Hebron, Mrs. Margaret -----	20.00	5.00
Hennings, Herbert -----	500.00	100.00
Henrion, Felix -----	250.00	15.00
Henry, Myles -----	250.00	205.00
Herdman, Margaret -----	100.00	30.00
Herman, Frank -----	250.00	80.00
Herrick, Michael -----	250.00	180.00
Higgins, Dallas, -----	250.00	170.00
Hogan, William -----	250.00	
Holloway, Karen -----		10.00
Holloway, Sally -----	250.00	15.00
Hook, Mrs. DeMarr -----	250.00	80.00
Houser, John -----	250.00	155.00
Howcroft, Elmer -----	250.00	160.00
Huber, Charles -----	250.00	10.00
Hudson, Ella -----	150.00	110.00
Hughes, Mrs. Carlton -----	250.00	50.00
Humes, Mrs. Howard -----	250.00	50.00
Hunter, Elmer -----	360.00	260.00
I		
Iafallo, Albert -----	\$ 250.00	\$ 15.00
Illencik, James -----	350.00	100.00
J		
Jacobs, Stanley -----	\$	\$ 10.00
Jones, Vicki -----	50.00	10.00
Joyce, Bernard -----	250.00	190.00
Joyce, Charles -----	250.00	150.00
Joyce, John J. -----	250.00	155.00
Joyce, Paul -----	250.00	10.00
Joyce, Robert -----	250.00	200.00
K		
Kaine, Mrs. Ralph -----	\$	\$ 63.00
Kain, Harry -----	50.00	1.00
Kastrup, Mrs. Frank -----	250.00	70.00
Katcher, Mary -----	250.00	25.00
Keenan, Mrs. Daniel -----	150.00	105.00
Keenan, Eugene -----	250.00	10.00
Kelly, Mrs. Angie -----	250.00	10.00
Kelly, James -----	250.00	6.00
Kenefick, John A. -----	250.00	139.00
Kenny, John S. -----	250.00	126.00
Kenney, Francis -----	250.00	
Kenny, Thomas J. -----	250.00	110.00
Kerr, George -----	250.00	23.00
Kessler, Mrs. Ruth -----	250.00	245.00
Kibler, Lawrence -----	250.00	230.00
King, Lawrence -----	250.00	50.00
Kindsvatter, Mrs. William -----	400.00	250.00
Kliner, Edward -----	250.00	70.00
Knowlton, Paul -----	250.00	125.00
Koch, Carl -----	100.00	

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NAME	PLEDGED	PAID
K		
Koch, Mary Agnes -----	\$ 250.00	\$ 10.00
Kocher, Jerome -----	250.00	165.00
Kozora, Stephen -----	250.00	
Kukor, Julius -----	250.00	
Kundrat, Daniel -----	250.00	
Kuzma, Henry -----	250.00	35.00
L		
LaLaich, Samuel -----	\$ 100.00	\$ 29.00
Lally, Harry -----	250.00	40.00
Lamantia, Frank and Family -----	\$ 250.00	\$ 62.00
Lancia, Quirino -----	250.00	60.00
Lanciault, Armand -----		21.00
Lantry, James -----	250.00	150.00
LaPrete, Mrs. Anthony -----	250.00	155.00
Larkin, Mrs. Edith -----	500.00	50.00
LaRue, John -----	100.00	15.00
LaRue, Mrs. Tencil -----	250.00	90.00
Lathem, Donald -----	300.00	120.00
Lawrence, Mrs. George -----	250.00	
Ledgerwood, Arthur -----	250.00	82.00
Lee, Mrs. William -----	250.00	16.25
Lesko, James -----	250.00	135.00
Lewis, Mrs. Cecelia -----	300.00	145.00
Linn, Paul -----	250.00	125.00
Livingston, Mrs. George -----	250.00	4.00
Lloyd, David -----	250.00	14.00
Lloyd, Edward -----	250.00	200.00
Long, Mrs. Charles -----	250.00	
Longo, Andrew -----	250.00	50.00
Longo, Andrew F. -----	250.00	130.00
Longo, John A. -----	250.00	130.00
Longo, Joseph J. -----	250.00	130.00
Longo, Vincent -----	250.00	130.00
Longo, Rose A. -----	250.00	90.00
Longo, Rose M. -----	250.00	105.00
Longo, Mrs. Theresa -----	50.00	10.00
Longo, Thomas -----	250.00	5.00
Lucas, Dolores -----	250.00	44.00
Lucas, Mrs. Nick -----	250.00	135.00
M		
Madigan, Tony -----	\$ 75.00	\$ 50.00
Madigan, Patricia and Dorothy -----	250.00	15.00
Madigan, Paul -----	250.00	60.00
Maistros, Dell -----	250.00	
Maistros, Thennie -----	250.00	
Maley, Charles -----	250.00	190.00
Maley, Donald -----	250.00	190.00
Maley, John T. -----	250.00	29.00
Mankowski, John E. -----	250.00	49.00
Marcino, Frank -----	250.00	50.00
Margafen, Peter -----	250.00	150.00
Marsh, Mrs. George -----	250.00	200.00
Marshall, Mrs. Earl -----	250.00	11.00
Marshall, Mrs. Eleanor -----	250.00	

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NAME	PLEDGED	PAID
M		
Marshall, Sally	\$ 250.00	\$
Marshall, Terence	250.00	
Marshall, Vincent	250.00	
Mascolino, Salvatore C.	250.00	225.00
Mascolino, S. J.		48.00
Massarelli, Vincent	300.00	30.00
Masterlasco, Joseph	250.00	65.00
Mastroianni, Angelo	250.00	
McAdam, Mrs. David	250.00	
McBride, Mrs. Elmer	250.00	237.00
McCafferty, Peter	250.00	126.48
McCann, Bernard T.	300.00	25.00
McCann, C. B.	500.00	265.00
McCann, Robert	250.00	
McCarthy, Agnes	250.00	
McCartney, Thomas	250.00	25.00
McCartney, Thomas Jr.	250.00	
McCleary, Margaret	250.00	60.00
McCleary, Thomas	250.00	20.00
McClelland, Mrs. William	250.00	25.00
McCoy, Francis	250.00	60.00
McCullough, Joseph E.	250.00	5.00
McCullough, Robert	360.00	105.00
McCullough, Thomas	250.00	
McDevitt, John	250.00	
McDonald, John T.	250.00	
McDonald, Leonard	250.00	17.00
McFadden, Leo	250.00	60.00
McGinnis, Fred	250.00	14.00
McGinnis, Robert	250.00	
McGonigal, Dennis	250.00	80.00
McGough, Robert Sr.	250.00	180.00
McGraw, Andrew	250.00	165.00
McGuinness, Julia	250.00	20.00
McGuinness, Sabina	250.00	150.00
McMennamin, James	250.00	32.00
McSwiggen, Edward	250.00	55.00
McSwiggen, Margaret	250.00	120.00
Meagher, Mrs. Ellen Marie	25.00	
Means, Fred	250.00	60.00
Mechinko, Frank	250.00	
Melott, Robert	100.00	60.00
Mentzer, E. M.	500.00	150.00
Mickey, Sam and Family	250.00	130.00
Mildner, Mrs. August	250.00	44.00
Miller, Mrs. Marie	250.00	21.00
Mizicko, Ann	250.00	125.00
Monteith, James	250.00	235.00
Mooney, William	250.00	125.00
Morris, Nancy	250.00	
Mort, Joseph Jr.	250.00	5.00
Mort, Joseph Sr.	250.00	32.00
Mort, Owen	250.00	47.00
Mosblack, John Jr.	100.00	30.00
Mulholland, Joseph	250.00	
Mulrooney, Frank	250.00	90.00
Mulrooney, James F.	250.00	150.00

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NAME	PLEDGED	PAID
M		
Mulrooney, Martin	\$ 250.00	\$ 209.00
Mulrooney, Mary	250.00	
Mulrooney, Owen	250.00	150.00
Murphy, Gregory		70.00
Murphy, William	250.00	
N		
Nagy, Mrs. Julius and Sons	\$ 250.00	\$ 101.75
Nauer, James	100.00	20.00
Neal, Mrs. Daniel	250.00	
Needham, George	250.00	45.00
Needham, William	250.00	150.00
Noe, Leo	250.00	125.00
Nolan, James F.	250.00	190.00
O		
O'Brien, James	\$ 250.00	\$ 30.00
O'Brien, Marguerite	250.00	30.00
O'Brien, Wilson	250.00	165.00
O'Leary, Gervase		50.00
O'Leary, James A.	250.00	215.00
O'Leary, Margaret	250.00	50.00
O'Leary, Louis	150.00	62.00
O'Leary, Michael	250.00	130.00
O'Leary, William A.	250.00	
Olszeski, Charles	250.00	40.00
O'Maits, Maurice	250.00	5.00
O'Neil, Helen	250.00	225.00
Orlando, Frank	250.00	82.00
Ormsby, Mrs. Clyde	250.00	35.00
Orsini, Joseph Jr.	250.00	70.00
Orsini, Joseph Sr.	250.00	150.00
Ostrowski, Stephen		100.00
Ottke, Herman	250.00	160.00
Ovington, Thomas Sr.	250.00	
Owesney, Herman	250.00	161.75
P		
Pabian, Henry	\$	\$ 75.00
Pabian, Stella	250.00	180.00
Palacios, Joseph	250.00	
Panigot, Eugene Jr.	300.00	210.00
Panigot, Mrs. Eugene Jr.	100.00	40.00
Panigot, Eugene Sr.	300.00	210.00
Patterson, Mrs. Hugh	250.00	225.00
Paul, William	250.00	40.00
Pearce, Clarence	250.00	180.00
Pender, John A.	250.00	35.00
Pender, Mary Lois	250.00	50.00
Penna, Concetta	250.00	125.00
Pestian, Edward	250.00	
Pierro, Ralph Sr.	250.00	47.00
Pittenger, Mrs. Charles		100.00
Porreca, Gilbert	250.00	70.00
Prindible, James	250.00	100.00
Punke, Donald Sr.	300.00	295.00

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NAME	PLEDGED	PAID
Q		
Quillen, Mrs. William -----	\$ 250.00	\$ 125.00
R		
Radosevic, Joseph -----	\$ 250.00	\$ 40.00
Ramsey, Mrs. Goff -----	250.00	200.00
Rauch, George E. -----		135.00
Rhodes, Ross -----	250.00	10.00
Rickey, Alfred -----	250.00	
Rine, Donald -----	250.00	40.00
Roe, William -----	250.00	43.00
Rogers, Carmen -----	250.00	160.00
Romey, Ann -----		50.00
Ruane, John -----	100.00	10.00
Ruth, Mary Ann -----	50.00	21.00
Ruland, Mrs. Ralph -----	100.00	20.00
S		
Saber, Mrs. Benjamin -----	\$ 250.00	\$ 25.00
Sabol, Edward -----	250.00	
Sagun, Adam -----	250.00	125.00
Salanci, Andrew -----	250.00	80.00
Salancy, William -----	250.00	
Sammons, Mrs. Rose -----	54.00	18.00
Saraceno, Mrs. Antonia -----	250.00	130.00
Sawon, William -----	250.00	220.00
Scanlon, Bernard Joseph -----	250.00	105.00
Schaffer, Leo -----	250.00	100.00
Schiazza, Hugo -----	250.00	
Schrader, Edward -----	250.00	105.00
Schnabel, Mrs. Jane -----	250.00	225.00
Schroeder, Ernest -----	250.00	75.00
Seftich, Tony -----	250.00	50.00
Shanahan, Mary -----	250.00	25.00
Shannon, Marjorie -----	250.00	120.00
Shouse, George -----	250.00	70.00
Shuman, Philip -----	250.00	90.00
Sigh, Loretta -----		45.00
Simko, Mrs. George -----	250.00	50.00
Sinclair, Don -----	250.00	100.00
Skettino, Albert -----	250.00	175.00
Skowronsky, Edward -----	250.00	35.00
Skowronsky, Frank -----	250.00	
Slivka, George -----	250.00	
Smith, Harry -----	250.00	225.00
Smith, Mrs. Robert L. -----	250.00	100.00
Smith, Mrs. Wayne -----	250.00	20.00
Snyder, David -----	250.00	210.00
Snyder, Ella -----	25.00	
Snyder, Maryanne -----	250.00	20.00
Sopher, Joseph -----	250.00	80.00
Southall, Mrs. Dorothy -----	250.00	168.00
Spence, Frank -----	250.00	70.00
Spence, Mrs. Frank -----	250.00	105.00
Starr, Mrs. Oscar -----		210.00
Starr, George -----	250.00	50.00
Stephenson, Burt -----	100.00	50.00

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NAME	PLEDGED	PAID
S		
Stephenson, Mrs. Ronald -----	\$ 50.00	\$ 40.00
Sterling, Mrs. Walter -----	500.00	
Stojack, John -----	250.00	
Straker, Frank J. -----	250.00	52.00
Stuber, Mrs. Paul -----	300.00	32.65
Sunseri, Martha -----	50.00	
Swan, Joseph -----	250.00	16.00
Sweeney, Daniel R. -----	250.00	
T		
Taravella, Andrew -----	\$ 100.00	\$ 75.00
Taylor, Mrs. Albert -----	250.00	60.00
Taylor, Frank -----	250.00	220.00
Tegano, Mrs. Margaret -----	250.00	121.00
Thompson, Mrs. Estella -----	100.00	1.00
Thompson, Mrs. Frank -----	250.00	85.00
Thompson, Jack Jr. -----	250.00	50.00
Tortorice, August -----	250.00	120.00
Trusillo, Frances -----	250.00	190.00
Turk, William -----	250.00	46.00
U		
Unroe, James R. -----	\$ 250.00	\$ 233.00
V		
VanDine, Robert -----	\$ 50.00	\$ 26.00
Vaughan, Albert -----	250.00	20.00
Veneman, Jack -----	250.00	10.00
Vergits, Liberty -----	250.00	
Vincent, Edward -----	250.00	30.00
W		
Walsh, Matthias -----	\$ 250.00	\$ 85.00
Ward, Clement -----	250.00	154.00
Weaver, John -----	250.00	210.00
Weiskircher, Sylvester -----	270.00	90.00
Weiss, Eleanor -----	250.00	60.00
Weld, Arthur -----	250.00	160.00
Weld, Robert -----	250.00	100.00
Wells, Mrs. Francis -----	250.00	
Wells, Mrs. James E. -----	20.00	2.00
Wells, Robert J. -----	50.00	5.00
West, Mrs. Lester -----	250.00	155.00
Westfall, Earl -----	250.00	10.00
Whitaker, Mrs. Francis -----	250.00	106.00
Whyte, Mrs. James -----	250.00	210.00
Whyte, Michael -----	250.00	20.00
Winstel, Helen A. -----	250.00	200.00
Witkowski, Edwin -----	250.00	190.00
Wolpert, Albert -----		25.00
Wolpert, Mrs. Bessie -----		7.00
Wolpert, H. F. -----		220.00
Woodruff, Mrs. Jay -----	250.00	152.90
Wright, Salvatore -----	250.00	110.00
Wylie, Mrs. Wilmont -----	250.00	165.00

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NAME	PLEDGED	PAID
Y		
Yanen, Mrs. Sam -----	\$ 250.00	\$ 205.00
Yannon, Richard -----	\$ 250.00	\$ 50.00
Z		
Zimmerman, George -----	\$ 250.00	\$ 195.00
Zorbini, Eva -----	250.00	30.00
Zorbini, Frank -----	250.00	100.00
Zorbini, Vincent -----	250.00	
Zurbuch, Katherine -----	250.00	180.00

THE FOLLOWING memorials have been donated by friends and members of St. Peter's Church, as of May 25, 1958:

SANCTUARY CARPETING ----- \$10,000.00

DONATED BY: Catholic Women's Club of St. Peter's
IN MEMORY OF: Catholic Women's Club of St. Peter's

ALLEN ORGAN -----

DONATED BY: Katherine McNulty
IN MEMORY OF: James McNulty

ELECTRIC BELL RINGING EQUIPMENT ----- \$ 2,200.00

DONATED BY: Mr. and Mrs. James J. Dyer
IN MEMORY OF: Monica Ann Padden

BAPTISTRY GATE ----- \$ 2,000.00

DONATED BY: George and Nora Harmuth
IN MEMORY OF: George and Nora Harmuth

CONFESSIONAL ----- \$ 1,500.00

DONATED BY: Mrs. Harry McIntosh
IN MEMORY OF: Mr. and Mrs. Harry McIntosh

ST. THERESA SHRINE ----- \$ 650.00

DONATED BY: Anonymous
IN MEMORY OF: William Franckhauser

SACRED HEART SHRINE ----- \$ 650.00

DONATED BY: Dorothy and Ruth Wolpert and Mary Catherine Brady
IN MEMORY OF: Wolpert and Brady Families

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DONATED BY:	IN MEMORY OF:	
Sarah Welsh		
PULPIT AND READING STAND		\$ 600.00
DONATED BY:	IN MEMORY OF:	
Joseph P. Franckhauser Family	Joseph P. Franckhauser Family	
CHANDELIER		\$ 500.00
DONATED BY:	IN MEMORY OF:	
Anonymous	Rt. Rev. Msgr. Henry J. Grigsby	
CHANDELIER		\$ 500.00
DONATED BY:	IN MEMORY OF:	
Anonymous	Rev. Thomas Powers	
EXTERIOR DOOR		\$ 500.00
DONATED BY:	IN MEMORY OF:	
Dr. and Mrs. John W. Gilmore		
EXTERIOR DOOR		\$ 500.00
DONATED BY:	IN MEMORY OF:	
Vecchione Family	Vecchione Family	
SEDILIA		\$ 500.00
DONATED BY:	IN MEMORY OF:	
Raymond McDonald	Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence McDonald Sr.	
NARTHEX DOOR		\$ 400.00
DONATED BY:	IN MEMORY OF:	
William Kliner	William Kliner Family	
BAPTISTRY CABINET		\$ 400.00
DONATED BY:	IN MEMORY OF:	
Anonymous	Tennie Meredith	
BLESSED MOTHER'S ALTAR CRUCIFIX AND DECORATIVE EFFECTS		\$ 325.00
DONATED BY:	IN MEMORY OF:	
Mrs. Joseph Urdzik	Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Urdzik	
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