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UNIVERSAL CHURCH

Jan. 1 Pope John Paul II proclaimed a Marian Year, the second in the history of the Church. During the year, Catholics can make a renewed commitment to following the will of God and all Christians can prepare for the advent of the third millennium of the Christian era. The year is to begin on Pentecost (June 7) and end on the Feast of the Assumption, 1988.

March 25, Feast of the Annunciation, Pope John Paul II issued the encyclical Redemptoris Mater.

June 6 At 6 p.m. Rome time, to inaugurate the Marian Year, Pope John Paul II led five decades of the rosary, in as many languages, with world-wide participation via television. Scriptural readings were read in additional languages and the Pope addressed the world in Italian. He asked that the rosary once more become the accustomed prayer of that domestic church which is the Christian family. The ceremonies closed with the Salve Regina, sung in Latin.

Oct. 1-30 The Synod on the Laity was held in Rome. Its task was "to offer an effective contribution to all the members of the People of God to help them put into practice and live out the indications and precepts that the great Council of our century, under the inspiration of the Spirit of Truth and Love, has passed on to the Church."

Dec. 4-7 Dimitrios I, Ecumenical Patriarch of Constantinople, visited Pope John Paul II in Vatican City.

DIOCESAN EVENTS

June 19 Bishop Griffin was awarded the national Humanitarian Award of the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith.

September A \$10 million endowment fund drive for Franklin County Catholic schools, the Legacy of Catholic Learning campaign, was announced by Bishop Griffin.

Dec. 4 Bishop Griffin's pastoral letter "Mary, Handmaid of the Lord and Mother of the Church" was issued. (official date: Dec. 8)

PARISHES

May It was announced that St. Peter Parish in Worthington would open an elementary school in 1988 or 1989.

June The formation of two new parishes was announced: St. Brigid of Kildare, to be located on Avery Road in Dublin, and St. Joan of Arc, on Liberty Road in Delaware County.

June The Sisters of St. Francis of Penance and Christian Charity (Stella Niagara) withdrew from St. Rose Parish School, New Lexington.

June Rev. Regis Heuschkel, O.P. and Rev. William J. Rock, O.P. were asked to resign as pastor and assistant pastor at St. Patrick Parish, Columbus, by their provincial, Rev. Richard Daley, O.P., who said the parish needed a new staff to change its conservative image.

June 21 Danville St. Luke Cemetery was re-dedicated and two new sections were blessed by Bishop Griffin.

Aug. 15 Assumption Grotto was dedicated on the grounds of St. Peter Parish, Worthington.

Dec. 6 Columbus St. Mary Church was re-dedicated by Bishop Griffin, after a complete renovation of the interior.

INSTITUTIONS and AGENCIES

Jan. 22 The Dominican Sisters of the Sick Poor closed their Home Health Agency at 168 E. Lincoln St. It had been in the old St. Rose of Lima Convent, which they had occupied since 1912. The Agency moved to the former St. Ann's Hospital building on Bryden Road; the sisters' residence had been moved to a house in St. Mary Magdalene Parish in 1986. The Lincoln St. building is now owned by the Diocese.

March 19 Rosemont Center in Columbus opened its new Haban-Zollner Wing, consisting of offices and family counseling rooms.

May Announcement was made that the Diocese jointly with the Wendt-Bristol Company had opened Joshua House, a residence for those suffering from acquired immune deficiency syndrome.

June 16 The renovated Our Mother of Sorrows Chapel at St. Joseph Cemetery was blessed by Bishop Griffin.

June 28 The redecoration of St. Peter's Church in Chillicothe was celebrated.

PERSONNEL and VOCATIONS

Dec. 27, 1986 Died in Dennison, Ohio, Sister Madeline de Paul Galantine, of the Sisters of Charity of Nazareth, Kentucky, age 68 years, a native of Dennison.

- Jan. 3 Rev. Robert S. Quinn, O.P., age 83, a native of Columbus, died in Providence, Rhode Island.
- Jan. 8 Sister Mary Celestia Joyce, age 89, died at the Baden, Pennsylvania motherhouse of the Sisters of St. Joseph. She had entered the order from Columbus St. Dominic Parish in 1916.
- Jan. 19 Died: Sister Marie Clare Foley, O.P. at St. Mary of the Springs; she was 79 years old. Before joining the order she was a member of Newark St. Francis Parish.
- Feb. 1 Sister Mary Edith Burkhart, O.P., a native of Marietta, died at the age of 88 years.
- Feb. 2 Rev. Lawrence J. O'Connor, a priest of the diocese, died at the age of 62 years.
- Feb. 13 Died at St. Mary of the Springs, Sister M. Alphonsa Spires, O.P., age 85, a native of Lancaster.
- March 2 Sister Elizabeth Nash of the Franciscan Sisters of Stella Niagara died at St. Ann's Hospital in Westerville, at the age of 71 years. She was a native of Perry County.
- March 9 Sister Henry Miriam Miller of the Sisters of Charity died at Mt. St. Joseph, Ohio, age 74 years, a native of Newark, Ohio.
- April 28 Rev. Erwin Louis Bauer, a Divine Word father, died in Dana Point, California, where he was pastor of St. Edward Parish. He was a graduate of Holy Cross School in Columbus.
- June 6 Rev. Craig R. Eilerman of Columbus St. Mary Magdalene Parish was ordained a priest at St. Joseph Cathedral by Bishop Griffin, for this diocese.
- July 17 Sister Margaret Ann McDowell, O.P. died at St. Mary of the Springs, aged 74. She entered the order in 1933 from Coshocton Sacred Heart Parish.
- July 18 Died at Immaculate Heart of Mary Center, Sister Marie Genevieve Parent, age 89 years, a native of in France. She came to Columbus in 1947 and founded a Discalced Carmelite monastery here; in 1975 she was a pioneer member of Carmel Community.
- Aug. 5 Sister Gregory Graf, age 91, died at Assisi Heights motherhouse, Rochester, Minn., a member of the Franciscan Congregation of Our Lady of Lourdes. She was born and raised in Pond Creek Holy Trinity Parish.
- Aug. 10 Rev. Joseph Hendricks, formerly Vice-Chancellor, became Chancellor of the diocese. Rev. Michael Donovan, formerly Chancellor, continued as Vicar General. Effective Aug. 25, Sister Anne McCarrick, S.N.D. was named Associate Chancellor of the diocese.
- Sept. 17 Died, Rev. Joseph F. Gilsenan, O.P., aged 76 years, devoted pastor of St. Joseph Parish near Somerset since 1975.

- Oct. 23 At Mt. Carmel Medical Center, Columbus, died Rev. Richard C. Crosser, retired priest of the diocese, age 88 years.
- Nov. 7 Sister Regina Malone, from Portsmouth, died at the Franciscan motherhouse in Rochester, Minn.
- Nov. 10 Monsignor Joseph A. Hakel, age 78, retired priest of the diocese, died at St. Raphael Home.
- Nov. 18 Sister Deborah Lynne Matthews made her final religious profession as a member of Carmel Community, Columbus. She is a native of Toledo, graduate of Capital University, and former teacher in Chillicothe.
- Nov. 24 Died in Clearwater, Florida, Permanent Deacon John T. Canovan, age 55, formerly of Westerville St. Paul Parish.
- Dec. 8 Ordained to the diaconate: Dennis Stevenson, seminarian of the diocese, at Mt. St. Mary's by Archbishop Pilarczyk.
- Dec. 9 Sister Mary Hope Keefer, a native of Columbus, made her final religious profession as a member of Carmel Community, Columbus.
- Dec. 10 Sister Benedict Morris, age 94 years, died at the Franciscan motherhouse at Stella Niagara. Born Bertha Morris in Columbus, she had entered the convent at the age of sixteen.
- Dec. 20 Sister Amy Kuster, O.P., a native of Newark and a member of the Congregation of St. Mary of the Springs, died in Columbus, aged 76 years.

THE EARLIEST CATHOLIC SETTLEMENTS IN OHIO A SURVEY (Continued from Volume XIII, Number 1)

1803 - Archer's Settlement

In the year 1803 a colony of five families, named Archer, Enochs, Crow, Forshire, and Morris, who were neighbors on Wheeling Creek in Virginia, crossed the Ohio River and made their way westward through dense forests. They settled on the East Fork of Duck Creek, which runs north and south along what is now the eastern border of Noble County, in an area extending from Crumtown on the south to East Union on the north. East Union was known as the Archer Settlement. (At that time the settlement was in Washington County; some years later it was detached as part of Monroe County; since 1852 it has been part of Noble County.) Of the five families mentioned, one, that of James Archer, held the Catholic Faith.

James Archer was said to have been of Irish descent, born about the year 1747, his father's name having been Patrick. He was married twice and had fourteen children, of whom his six sons and four of the daughters came to Ohio with him, the eldest sons being quite grown at the time. Of the households of James Archer and his sons the following claim has been made:

From the time of their arrival the Archers maintained religious worship after the rule of the Catholic church (as they were devout Catholics). Their little church society has been kept up ever since and in the period from 1803 to the present [1915], they have erected three church buildings — the first a mere log cabin, then later a small brick, now a very commodious and tastily built frame building of modern design.

This church society has had an unbroken existence from then to the present and we claim for it, that it is the oldest Catholic church society in Ohio. In the early years of the last century a Priest came over from Virginia to help along with the church work of this little band of struggling Catholics and he taught school during his stay (for a short period in the winter season for several winters).

That the Archers maintained their faith (or that the Holy Spirit maintained it in them) there is no doubt whatever. Bishop Purcell visited them on July 19, 1836, when he preached in a large barn and confirmed four. "He was much gratified by the fidelity of the Catholics of the place to their Holy Faith, notwithstanding that they had been for a very long time deprived of religious instruction and pastoral consolation; but he was likewise pained to hear of one or two who had unfortunately fallen away"... The family history states that the latter were three of the six sons of James Archer, who were convinced to join the Methodist church by their brother-in-law, who was its preacher.

The question of a log church is dismissed by statements elsewhere that this was in fact James Archer's cabin, used as a meeting place or chapel. The interesting questions are, first, could the Archers truly maintain religious "worship" in accord with the Catholic Faith without a priest; and, secondly, is there any evidence other than their traditional claim that in the early 1800's they were regularly visited by a priest. The first question is for the theologians. The second can be explored in the historical record.

A story in the Steubenville Register mentions "priests who came in occasionally from Wheeling," making the story more specific. Wheeling would have to be their point of origin, for as late as 1841 that city was the only one in western Virginia blessed with a Catholic church. Unfortunately, however, it did not have any resident pastor early enough to figure in the story of the Archer family. During Father O'Brien's pastorate in Pittsburgh (1808-1820) he founded a mission in Wheeling and his successor at Pittsburgh, Father Maguire (1820-1833) obtained permission of the Bishop of Richmond to erect the first church. It does not appear that there was any priest stationed in Virginia who could fill the role required by the Archer tradition. Yet, the tradition remains and it is just specific enough that there may well have been some truth behind it.

Archer's was a mission of Father James Reid of Beaver St. Dominic in the years 1835 through 1838 and it was to Beaver that James Archer's remains were taken for burial after his death, around the year 1830. Archer's later came under the care of the pastor of Fulda.

Hartley's history places the erection of Archer's Settlement's brick church of St. Michael in the year 1841, although the one acre on which it stood was not donated to Bishop Purcell until 1844. The donor was Michael

Archer, son of James, who was known as St. Michael for his role as the family's spiritual adviser in the early years in Ohio. The church was replaced by a frame structure in Carlisle in 1901. Archer's settlement has remained, to this day, a mission.

(<u>Genealogical History of the Archer Family from 1803 to 1919</u> by M. B. Archer. Steubenville <u>Register</u>, Nov. 2, 1984, supplement page 17. <u>Catholic Telegraph</u>, July 28, 1836. 1890 edition of Shea's <u>History of the Catholic Church in the U.S.</u>, III/82 & 577.)

1805 - Cincinnati

Cincinnati's first Catholic settler arrived in 1805, when that settlement was just seventeen years old. This was Michael Scott, who was a native of Baltimore but of Irish ancestry. It was just six years later that the first attempt at organization of a Catholic congregation was made. A meeting of Catholics was announced for Christmas Day, 1811, at the house of Jacob Fowble. Fowble had come a few years earlier from Baltimore. The call for the meeting was occasioned by the death that October of Mrs. Fowble, and the sad circumstance that her funeral services had to be held at the Methodist meeting house. The Fowbles had come from Baltimore. It is not known how many attended the meeting, but the project was premature.

A second attempt at organization of a congregation was made in October of 1817, this time by Mr. Scott, at whose house Father Fenwick stayed on his visits to the city. It was said many years later that seven women, nine men, and four children had attended the meeting. This attempt likewise failed.

The third and successful attempt was made in 1818. Bishop Flaget visited that May and stayed for a few days. He encouraged the Catholics there to organize and build a church, as the surest way of obtaining a priest. The leading Catholics at this time, in addition to Mr. Scott, were John M. Mahon, John White, P. Walsh, John Sherlock and, P. Reily. These were soon joined by William Boyle, James W. Byrne, Edward Lynch, James Gorman, Thomas Dugan, and P. Gazelles. Being too poor to build a church with their own funds, they appealed to the Catholics of the eastern cities. Soon they called in the subscriptions from the local populace and began construction of St. Patrick's Church, just outside the northern boundaries of the city. Rev. N. D. Young, it is said, offered the first Mass there on Easter Sunday, 1819. Rt. Rev. Edward D. Fenwick arrived in 1822 as Bishop and first resident priest.

(Lamott's <u>History of the Archdiocese of Cincinnati</u> and O'Daniel's <u>The Right</u> Rev. Edward <u>Dominic Fenwick</u>, O.P.)

CORRECTIONS TO VOLUMES X TO XII of the BULLETIN

The following errors of fact have been noticed in the last three volumes of the <u>Bulletin</u>. These will be included in the errata to be published when these are made into a bound volume but it was thought best to place them on the record here, for the benefit of those who do not purchase the bound volume.

page 83. The house which the Dittoes had already erected on the 320 acres near Somerset by 1812 may not have been the same log house which was occupied by the Fathers in 1818. This house may have been built to house a tenant for the property, for Bishop Flaget urged the Dittoes to build another building which would serve as both a house for the priests and a temporary chapel.

page 119. Mr. John Grabb, in the recently published history of St. Mary parish in Chillicothe, has pointed out that after leaving Ohio Father Forde went to Illinois, where he died about 1863.

page 125. In the caption, the name Hildreith should be Holdreith.

page 130. The sanctuary of St. Remigius Church was not on its east side. According to a typescript history of Holy Cross Parish compiled by Monsignor William Kappes, the church, though on the north end of the property, faced south toward Rich Street and the sanctuary was therefore on the north.

page 250. In the footnote, inside the parentheses, the name should be Harrisburg Pike, not Harrison.

page 286. The church in Cincinnati was not known as Holy Trinity. The congregation was first called Christ Church Congregation. The first church was called St. Patrick's and, after it was moved, St. Peter's.





WHO ARE THESE PRIESTS ?

The above are two more "mystery pictures" from our files. The one on the left was taken at Neville's gallery, 60 North High Street, Columbus. That shop was in existance at that location in the late 1870's and early 1880's. The photo on the right is a tintype, which makes it somewhat older; tintypes were popular in the 1860's. The priest in this fuzzy photograph has a moustache and close-cropped beard.

MT. CALVARY CEMETERY, COLUMBUS CATHEDRAL DIVISION LOT RECORDS, 1867-1926? Transcribed by Mark R. Gideon (Tombstone readings by the editor)

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page 12, J. F. Murray, Detroit, Michigan west half of lot 28-B, purchased Sept. 5, 1870; graves: Feb. 17, 1894; Sept. 4, 1894 (child). [no stones]

page 13, John Dorgan, 1ot 34-B, purchased July 1, 1871; grave: Nov. 7, 1877.

Joseph Dorgan, July 14, 1933

page 13, Michael Enwright, 245 E 3rd Ave., later 1071 Summit St., west [east?] half of lot 30-B, purchased Feb. 26, 1874; graves: Jan. 6, 1899; Feb. 16, 1909; Mar. 15, 1890 (child); Mar. 17, 1890 (child); Aug. 10, 1896 (child).

(Father) Michael Enright 1832 + 1899 (Mother) Mary G. His wife 1839 + 1917 (Father) Frank A. Noles 1879 - 1934 (Mother) Josephine H. Noles 1882 - 1952

page 13, Mrs. Patrick Kearney, McKinley Ave.; Mary Ann Kearney (stone quarry), west half of lot 35-B, purchased Apr. 13, 1872; graves: Aug. 30, 1877; July 28, 1904; May 1, 1908; Feb. 11, 1909; Feb. 21, 1910.

Mary E., daughter of Patrick & M. Carney, born Feb. 14, 1869, died Sept. 18, 1871.

page 14, Thomas Abrams, east half of lot 35-B, purchased Aug. 19, 1872; graves: June 26, 1879 (child); June 30, 1898 (child); Jan. 3, 1903; Feb. 17, 1905; Feb. 3, 1914. page 14, Mrs. Elizabeth Flemm, one sixth of east half of lot 35-B, from Thomas Abram; grave: Aug. 20, 1929.

Joseph W. O'Leary, June 11, 1906 - Nov. 13, 1929 Daniel J. Populin, Oct. 17, 1868 - July 31, 1959

page 14, Mrs. John McNamee, east half of 1ot 36-B, purchased May 1, 1872; graves: Mar. 25, 1882; Feb. 19, 1895; Feb. 24, 1898; July 11, 1898; Aug. 4, 1913; Nov. 16, 1921.

In memory of John McNamee, Native of the County Tyrone, Ireland, Who departed this life Apr. 5, 1872, aged 49 years. May is soul rest in peace.

(To be continued)

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