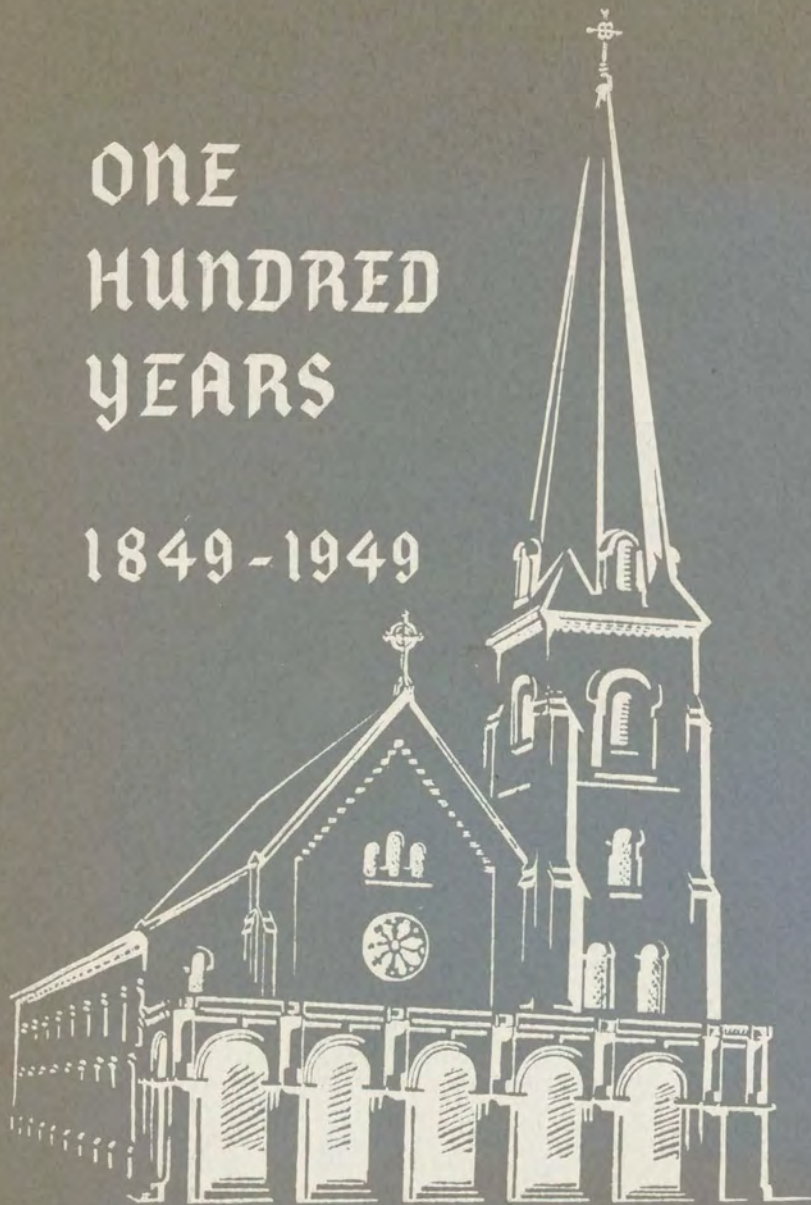


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YEARS

1849-1949



Immaculate Conception Church  
Rochester - New York








ONE HUNDRED YEARS






IMMACULATE

We gather here a festive throng,  
    Within thy walls, Immaculate.  
With merry laugh and joyous song,  
    To sound thy praise, Immaculate,  
Time weaves a spell of mirth and fun,  
    Within the hearts of old and young,  
As here again, we meet as one,  
    Immaculate, Immaculate.

Full many a year has onward rolled,  
    Since thy loved name, Immaculate,  
Was first engraved in lines of gold.  
    Upon our hearts, Immaculate.  
Thy loyal children we remain,  
    And year by year we come again,  
To sound anew the glad refrain,  
    Immaculate, Immaculate.





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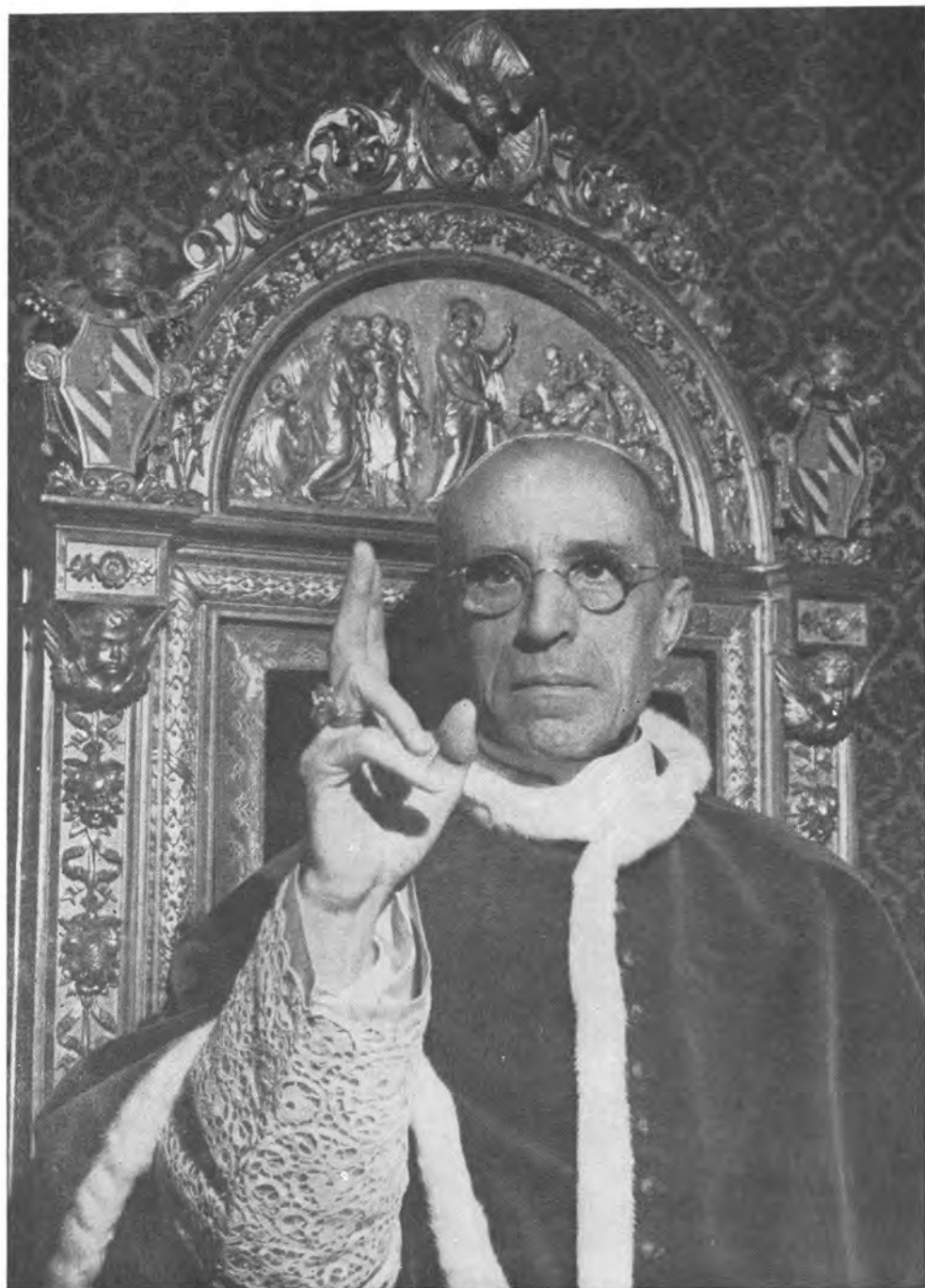
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HIS EXCELLENCY, BISHOP KEARNEY,  
ROCHESTER, N. Y.

HOLY FATHER BLESSES OCCASION — CENTENARY CELEBRATION  
OF IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH. CORDIALLY IMPARTS TO  
YOUR EXCELLENCY, TO MONSIGNOR CAMERON, CLERGY, RE-  
LIGIOUS, AND DEVOTED LAITY PATERNAL APOSTOLIC BLESSING.  
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*Gloriously Reigning*  
HIS HOLINESS POPE PIUS XII



*The Diocese of Rochester*

*50 Chestnut Street  
Rochester, New York*

Office of the Bishop

Feast of the Nativity of Our Lady  
September 8, 1949

Dear Monsignor Cameron,

Let me extend to you and your parish my sincere congratulations on the centenary which you celebrate on your patronal feast.

Long before the establishment of the diocese, the church of the Immaculate Conception was a great spiritual force in this part of the state. All through the years it has continued as a center of Christian life and has given us a generation of outstanding Catholics. The young people trained in the parish have carried its spirit throughout the diocese and have made the ideals of the Immaculate Virgin a standard of living for themselves and for their children. Under her inspiration so many of the children of the parish have given themselves to the service of God and have enriched other portions of God's vineyard with the spirit of "The Immaculate".

It has been a beautiful story, this century. God grant that we of the present and those to follow prove worthy of the great tradition of the past.

Your devoted Shepherd in Christ,

*+ James E. Kearney*

Bishop of Rochester



MOST REVEREND JAMES E. KEARNEY, D.D.  
*Bishop of Rochester*

## **Immaculate Conception Rectory**

**445 Plymouth Avenue South**

**Rochester 8, New York**

Feast of the Holy Rosary

October 7, 1949

To our Parishioners,

ONE HUNDRED YEARS have come and gone since our forebears planted the Cross in this sector of Rochester where all might see — ONE HUNDRED YEARS during which the Faith has been cultivated and practiced — ONE HUNDRED YEARS of special blessings and benedictions falling continuously like a gentle rain upon a loyal and devout people.

As we commemorate this Centennial our hearts are filled with gratitude for all the blessings this parish has received.

Under the guidance and protection of Mary, the Immaculate Mother of God, we complete a century of fruitful work. May the future continue to enjoy her favor and maternal care.

So many priests of this parish serving the Altars in all parts of the Diocese, so many Sisters teaching in our schools or nursing the sick and the infirm in Hospitals and Homes of the Aged, so many Contemplatives in various Religious Communities praying for us all, evidence the Faith that inspired them in the Sanctuary of their love.

Surely the seed has fallen upon good ground and has brought forth fruit a hundredfold. May God continue to bless the Immaculate; may our Blessed Mother be always our refuge and our hope.

Faithfully yours,



Pastor



*Present Pastor*

RT. REV. JOSEPH S. CAMERON, M.R.

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1949

REV. GEORGE S. WOOD »



« REV. EDWARD A. ZIMMER



REV. GERALD E. DUNN »



ONE HUNDRED YEARS

*A Parish History*



OUR CHURCH TODAY

## One Hundred Years . . . .

"Our Church," the Immaculate Conception, Rochester, N. Y., was established ONE HUNDRED YEARS AGO — April, 1849. At the very beginning of this narrative it is worthy to note that this parish was dedicated to the Mother of God under the title of her Immaculate Conception, FIVE years before the official dogma was announced by Pius IX. On December 8, 1854 the Sovereign Pontiff defined that,

"The doctrine which declares that the most Blessed Virgin Mary, in the first instant of her conception, by singular grace and privilege of Almighty God, in view of the merits of Jesus Christ, the Saviour of the human race, was preserved exempt from all stain of original sin, is a doctrine revealed by God and therefore must be believed firmly and constantly by all the faithful."

Under the patronage of our Blessed Lady this church began its mission. At the time it was organized, 1849, the whole Rochester area was a part of the diocese of Buffalo under the jurisdiction of Bishop Timon. Prior to the organization of the parish various priests came occasionally, sometimes from great distances, to serve the spiritual needs of the people in this section. As time went on early Catholic settlers who traced their lineage back to Colonial days, settled in this neighborhood. Later their number was greatly augmented when the children of Ireland began to emigrate to this country, seeking in this land of promise their fortune and complete freedom to erect their Altars where, without hindrance or oppression, they might worship God freely according to the dictates of their conscience. Poor in this world's goods, they were extremely rich in their divine Faith while in their hearts they bore a tremendous love for Mary, the Mother of God.

Wherever they went,—to Continental Europe, to Australia, to the West Indies or to the United States they carried in their souls the luminous torch of a living Faith which no amount of opposition or misunderstanding could dim or quench. In every land their coming became a real Apostolate: blessings and benedictions accompanied their advent.

## FIRST PASTOR

Rev. John Fitzpatrick



April, 1849

to

March, 1852



Some of them chose the banks of the Genesee for their home and refuge. As the number of Catholics increased in this southwestern portion of the city it became evident to Bishop Timon that the time had come to establish here a permanent church where all Catholics in the district could receive, without restraint, the comforts and consolations of their religion for which, in early days, their forbears had lived and bled and died.

Desperately in need of priests to serve his ever extending diocese, Bishop Timon appealed to Bishop Canfield of Kildare, Ireland, for assistance in providing for the care of those of Catholic Faith. Young John Fitzpatrick, a student for the priesthood at Carlow College in that country, volunteered his services for America. So it was that when this young seminarian later came to this country after completing successfully his philosophical and theological studies, he was ordained to the priesthood by Bishop Timon in the Cathedral at Buffalo, October 15, 1848. Appointed soon after his ordination to Rochester, he became the first pastor of the Immaculate Conception Church.

At once he sought a convenient site for the parish and after a few months, a small brick church facing Edinburgh Street was erected, the ground and building costing about \$4,500. His pastorate extended from April, 1849 to March, 1852. So great was his missionary zeal and so effective his administration of parish affairs here that other communities in the state became the object of his solicitude. Under episcopal sanction he organized parishes in Oneida and Oswego, establishing new churches also at Camden, North Bay and Amesville, while later he ministered to the needs of the Catholics of Lockport, Clyde and Lyons. On October 20, 1868 he died. Of him it might well be said, "Well done thou good and faithful servant."

From March, 1852 to November, 1860 four pastors served the interests of this church, frequent changes being necessary because of the scarcity of priests. During that period the records show the following, —

Rev. Patrick Bradley —	March, 1852 to September, 1852
Rev. Thomas O'Brien —	September, 1852 to September, 1858
Rev. Francis McKeon —	September, 1858 to June, 1859
Rev. W. C. Stevens —	June, 1859 to November, 1860

In November, 1860, the Rev. Peter Bede was appointed pastor of this church. He was born in County Longford, Ireland, in 1820. Ordained in 1850 in the Cathedral of Buffalo he was appointed rector of St. Peter's Church, that city. A priest of unusual attainments, the bishop made him pastor of St. Joseph's Cathedral in that city in 1855 and also appointed him the Vicar General of the diocese of Buffalo. Later, after serving a brief pastorate in Lockport and St. Patrick's Church, this city, he became the pastor of the Immaculate in November, 1860. He was known far and wide as a priest of great learning and piety. At the very beginning of his service here the Civil War broke out in conflict between the Northern and Southern states. Although times were bad the parish continued to grow and flourish. Four years after his appointment here, however, fire destroyed the original church. A new edifice became a necessity. Without wasting time Father Bede erected in that same year, 1864, a much larger and more beautiful church facing Plymouth Avenue, at a cost of \$35,000. His parishioners gave him whole-hearted support and the cause of religion, as a consequence, prospered in this section of the city.

Rev. Peter Bede



November, 1860  
to  
July 1866



Six years later Father Bede was transferred to St. Peter and Paul's Church, Elmira, N. Y., where he gave generously of his splendid talents to the day of his death, August 13, 1870. He was then fifty years of age.

The Rev. Patricio Byrnes, successor to Father Bede, was born March 15, 1835 in Montevideo, South America. Coming to this country when he was six years old he felt in early years the call of God to become a priest. After the completion of his studies at St. Mary's Seminary, Baltimore, he, too, like many of his predecessors, was ordained by Bishop Timon in the Cathedral at Buffalo. That great grace became his on Christmas Eve, 1859. After serving in several parishes in Rochester, Corning, Jamestown, Salamanca and Lockport, he was appointed rector of this church in 1866.

Two years after Father Byrnes' appointment to the Immaculate, the Rt. Rev. Bernard J. McQuaid was consecrated the first Bishop of Rochester on July 12, 1868 and this church became one of the parishes, and one of the most important, in the new diocese of Rochester.

Bishop McQuaid, at once, championed the cause of Catholic educa-



Rev. Patricio Byrnes

1866-1875

tion, and Father Byrnes was among the first to support the new bishop in his great aims and desires. Realizing the necessity of religious instruction of the children, he erected in 1871, under the direction of the bishop, the first parochial school in this parish,—a beautiful brick building costing \$15,000. It faced on Plymouth Ave. and was known throughout the years as the Plymouth Avenue school. All through the intervening time the parish maintained a steady growth so that it became necessary to build a rectory. Hardly had the school been completed when Father Byrnes, with the hearty coöperation of his people, constructed the rectory which now houses the priests who serve the needs of this congregation.

To accomplish these two purposes, the erection of a new school and rectory, considerable indebtedness was naturally incurred. It took courage and fortitude to face the issue but the people of the Immaculate never faltered. They supported Father Byrnes in his every undertaking.

It was very trying, however, when the road ahead looked so difficult, that the parish should suffer again the calamity of fire. On December 10, 1873 the church was considerably damaged by this con-

Rev. Michael A.

Meagher



1875-1886



flagration. Though naturally discouraged by this added expense, the parishioners again rose nobly to the support of their pastor so that not only was the church repaired but it was considerably enlarged and frescoed. Because of these vast improvements and necessary repairs the Church Corporation had contracted considerable debt. The parish, however, was growing all the time and the good people faced the future undaunted and unafraid. Encouraged by the fine spirit of his parishioners and inspired by their good will and loyalty, Father Byrnes confidently undertook the task of lightening the burden. In the designs of God, however, he was not spared to effect more than just a beginning for on Passion Sunday, 1875, after celebrating Mass, he was taken seriously ill. He died on Good Friday, mourned sincerely by the bishop, priests and people. His pastorate of nine years was filled with accomplishments for the honor and glory of God.

The next pastor, the Rev. Michael M. Meagher, was appointed by Bishop McQuaid in the spring of 1875. Like so many of his predecessors he too was born in Ireland,—in Tipperary, in 1831. In early years he felt convinced that he had a vocation to become a priest. Obedient



The old Plymouth Avenue School  
Erected 1871 by Father Byrnes



The old Edinburgh Street School  
Erected 1893 by Father O'Hare

to that Divine call he entered the Passionist Monastery at Pittsburgh, Pa. Upon the completion of his studies he was ordained a priest of that Order and was assigned by his Superior as an assistant at the Passionist Institution at Pittsburgh. After a short time he was transferred to Hoboken, N. J., and thence to Baltimore. In 1870 he became the Superior of the Passionist Monastery at Dunkirk, N. Y. After three years, because of failing health, he was advised by his physician that the rigors of monastic life were more than his health would permit and so it was that in 1873 he sought admission, as a secular priest, into the diocese of Rochester and was gladly received by Bishop McQuaid. After serving as an assistant at the Cathedral, then as pastor of Scottsville and Mt. Morris, he was appointed by the bishop to undertake the important pastorate of the Immaculate Conception Church, this city.

He entered upon his work facing a debt of \$44,000, made necessary because of the extensive repairs and improvements during the regime of his predecessor. So successful was his administration here, however, that at the time of his death the debt had been reduced to \$19,000. Indefatigable was his work for the spiritual and temporal welfare of his flock. Suffering a severe attack of pneumonia, he died January 22, 1886, after eleven years of splendid service. At his funeral Bishop McQuaid preached the sermon, paying tribute to his memory and the priestly qualities of his noble work.

After the death of Father Meagher, the Rev. W. A. McDonald held an interim appointment until March 7, 1886 when the Rev. James F. O'Hare was appointed pastor.

Capable and zealous, Father O'Hare was well qualified to carry on the work of the parish. Gifted with noble traits of mind and heart he became the ideal pastor. A child of the diocese, his whole life was identified with the interests of Bishop McQuaid and he became to him an invaluable aid. Born in the Cathedral parish, August 4, 1846, he pursued his studies at the Seminary of Our Lady of Angels at Niagara Falls and so proficient was he, that when he graduated in June, 1867 the title of Bachelor of Arts was conferred upon him. He was the first to receive that diploma from Niagara University. A little later that same University conferred upon him the title of Master of Arts. An



Very Rev. James F.

O'Hare, V.G.



1886-1898

exemplary student at the University, his years at St. Joseph's Provincial Seminary at Troy were very fruitful in his preparation for the Altar. He completed his theological studies there with distinction, while the foundations of his spiritual life were deeply broadened. On September 5, 1869 he was ordained in St. Patrick's Cathedral, this city,—the FIRST priest to be ordained by Bishop McQuaid for the diocese of Rochester. At once he became an assistant at the Cathedral. Six years later, April, 1875, he was appointed pastor of the Cathedral. Serving that church for over ten years with unusual zeal and ability, he was selected by the bishop to become the pastor of the Immaculate on March 7, 1886, to succeed the late lamented Father Meagher.

A steady growth had marked the progress of this parish through all the years. One of the first acts of Father O'Hare, after his appointment to the Immaculate, was to enlarge the parochial school which had become entirely too inadequate to accommodate the ever increasing number of children. He added forty feet to the rear of the school, making the building one hundred and ten feet long. The new work was completed in 1886, the work of the new addition costing \$9,500. Even then,

the school accommodations soon became too small and so seven years later, on the advice of Bishop McQuaid, ground was broken in June, 1893 for the new school on Edinburgh Street, known in after days as the Edinburgh Street school. This was an imposing building with six additional classrooms, a parochial hall seating over 1000 people and regarded at the time as one of the finest schools in the state. The new building with its equipment cost \$33,600.

Acknowledging his sterling qualities and immense talents Bishop McQuaid made Father O'Hare his Vicar General in September, 1890.

With confidence, the congregation looked forward with ever increasing expectancy to even greater progress under the direction of this able and efficient pastor. But the parishioners were doomed to disappointment. Like people themselves, priests too pass on as ships in the night. Stricken with a severe attack of appendicitis, an operation was performed; all medical science failing, Father O'Hare passed on to his eternal great reward on August 5, 1898.

A few months before Father O'Hare's death, the parish of St. Monica's was established. About eight hundred souls of the Immaculate became the nucleus of the new congregation under the pastorate of the Rev. John P. Brophy. Eventually this parish became one of the most flourishing and important in the whole diocese.

Then came the days of Father O'Neill. Never did a more beloved pastor serve better the interests of a fine congregation committed to his care. For over twenty-three years he gave generously of his splendid talent in the promotion of every parochial activity. During his long tenure of office the Immaculate ranked high among all the parishes of the diocese.

The Rev. Augustine M. O'Neill was born in Auburn, N. Y., on October 1, 1859, the son of Michael O'Neill and Ellen Halligan. He was the youngest of three brothers, one of whom, Thomas H. O'Neill, served as mayor of Auburn for a term of two years.

Father O'Neill attended Holy Family and St. Mary's parochial schools in Auburn. Privately tutored by the Rev. M. J. Loughlin, D.D., he received his first instruction in the classics. When he was about fifteen years of age, he was sent to St. Charles College, Baltimore, for his collegiate studies. Later he entered Niagara University at Niagara Falls,

N. Y. for his his training in philosophy. Upon the successful completion of his studies at that renowned seat of learning, he began his theological course at St. Joseph's Seminary in Troy, N. Y. In these various institutions he was an exemplary student. After three years of seminary preparation in which he proved admirably the soundness of his vocation, he returned to Rochester where, on March 25, 1884, he was ordained to the priesthood in St. Patrick's Cathedral by Bishop McQuaid. In his class was the Rev. Thomas F. Hickey who later became the second bishop of Rochester.



REV. AUGUSTINE M. O'NEILL  
1898-1921

Immediately after his ordination, Father O'Neill was assigned as assistant to the Rev. James F. O'Hare, D.D., rector of the Cathedral. Besides his duties in the parish, he was also appointed a professor at St. Andrew's Seminary. His ability, being at once recognized, he was made secretary to the bishop when the Ordinary was engaged in diocesan visitations. After a short time, however, his health failing, Bishop McQuaid decided to send him to Denver, where he assisted the Rev. J. P. Carrigan, pastor of St. Patrick's Church in that city. Later he was temporarily attached to a church in Laramie, Wyoming. When he came back to Rochester he was given temporary charges at Victor, Seneca Falls and Scottsville. In February, 1891, he was appointed pastor at Phelps.

On the death of Father O'Hare, Bishop McQuaid appointed Father O'Neill pastor of this church, August, 1898. In 1905 he was made an irremovable rector.

As he entered upon his duties here his first concern was to prepare for the Golden Jubilee of the parish in the following year. For that great occasion a booklet describing the origin and growth of the parish was prepared. Even now, after fifty years, a copy may be found in many of the libraries in the homes of our people. The celebration of the event was long to be remembered. The church itself was beautifully adorned with flowers and streamers of gold and white bunting. A pontifical high Mass was celebrated by Bishop McQuaid who congratulated the people of the congregation on the accomplishments already attained and spoke with encouragement for the hope of the future. Father Hickey, then pastor of the Cathedral, delivered the sermon at the Mass, while Father FitzSimons of Lima preached at the vesper service in the afternoon. Assisting the bishop at the Mass were the Very Rev. James P. Kiernan, V.G., Rev. J. J. Hartley, President of St. Bernard's Seminary, Father Schwalb, C.S.S.R., Rev. M. Hargarther and Rev. William Gleason. Father A. A. Hughes acted as Master of Ceremonies.

From the very beginning, the solicitude of the pastor was manifested in the care of the parish properties. At once the need of various improvements engaged his attention. The Rambush Company of New York City received the contract to redecorate and embellish the interior of the church. New windows from the Tyrolene Art Company of Europe were installed. Later on Father O'Neill added the outside vestibule

for the convenience of the people especially during inclement weather. Likewise, he enlarged the rectory to meet the ever growing needs of the expanding parish. He also built the convent on Greig Street.

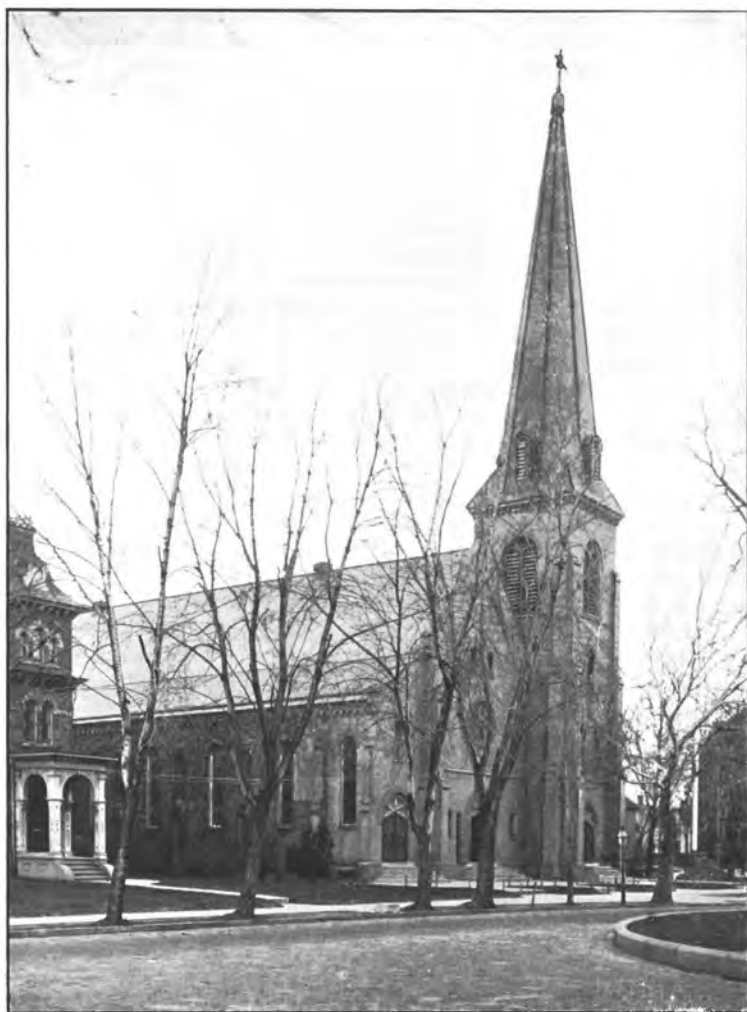
The records show that on March 30, 1905 the pastor received the following letter from the bishop:

"I hereby permit the Immaculate Church of Rochester to purchase the Blair property on Greig St. for the building of a conventual residence for the Sisters teaching the parish school."

✠ Bernard J. McQuaid  
Bishop of Rochester

So farsighted was the vision of Father O'Neill that even now, after all these years, the convent of the Sisters of this parish is looked upon as one of the best in the entire diocese. Each Sister has her own room, while the dining room and the spacious living accommodations afford every convenience. The chapel, the heart and soul of this religious community, the Sisters of St. Joseph, is the constant source of admiration of those who visit it. The total cost of the convent, completed in 1906, was \$33,760.83.

Material considerations, however, were secondary to the pastor's promotion of the spiritual welfare of the congregation. Under his direction the Rosary Society became one of the largest in the United States, while the men of the parish were enrolled in very large numbers in the Holy Name Society. These two societies were established in this parish at the conclusion of a Dominican Mission conducted by the Rev. C. H. McKenna O. P. in 1883, both societies being canonically erected in 1911. How proud was Father O'Neill, top hat, frock coat and all, accompanied by his assistants, as he marched at the head of his men at the various demonstrations of the Holy Name Society, held, in his time, in the city of Rochester. With the Cadet Band at the head of the Immaculate contingent, with over a thousand Holy Name men in line, the Immaculate became the joy and delight not only of the parishioners, numerous in attendance along the line of march, but also of the citizens of Rochester as well. His supreme interest was in these two societies, the Rosary and the Holy Name.



OUR CHURCH

Erected 1864 by Father Bede

(Without front vestibule)



THE OLD SCHOOL ANNEX

Essentially an educator, the pride of the pastor was also in his school, one of the largest in the diocese, and his concern as to the welfare of its graduates followed them into their various avocations of life. How pleased he was when, frequently, they returned to him for counsel and advice.

During the days of Father O'Neill, the Immaculate came into its own. The church, facing the beautiful Plymouth Avenue Park in the then famous Third Ward, the congregation represented one of the largest, if not the largest, parishes in the diocese of Rochester. Over four thousand communicants attended Mass every Sunday, while the school showed a registration of over 900 pupils. Under his personal supervision the school rated high among all the grammar institutions of the state.

Keen of mind and facile of pen, the Parish Magazine which he established became the vehicle of timely articles of parish and civic interest, while his zeal in the cause of charity made his name known far beyond the confines of Rochester.

A priest of splendid intellect, his advice was sought in many quarters. The esteem in which he was held is evidenced by the many activities in which he was engaged. His connections with various organizations outside his parochial duties were as follows,—

He was a member of the Board of Managers of the Children's Aid Society; member of the Board of Trustees of the city libraries; member of the Chamber of Commerce; member of the Executive Committee of the State Conference of Charities; President of the State Conference of Charities, presiding over the sessions of that organization in Syracuse in November, 1919; member of the Board of Trustees of the Catholic Summer School of America; member of the Reading Circle Committee of the Catholic Summer School of America; member of the Fourth Degree Assembly of the Knights of Columbus, member of the Arbitration Board under Judge A. J. Rodenbeck to adjudicate differences between contractors and labor. One of the last offices which he held was as President of the Catholic Summer School of America at Cliff Haven.

Bishop McQuaid, consecrated on July 12, 1868, died at the Episcopal Residence on Frank St., January 18, 1909. On that same date, the Most Rev. Thomas F. Hickey who had been consecrated Auxiliary Bishop on May 14, 1905, succeeded to the See of Rochester.

During the administration of both these bishops, Father O'Neill by his sage counsel and sound advice helped greatly in the proper solution of diocesan problems. He held many important positions as an official of the Diocese of Rochester. For many years he was a Trustee of the Diocese of Rochester, a member of the Board of Consultors, a Trustee of St. Bernard's Seminary and a member of the Diocesan School Board.

When he came to the Immaculate he found the parish \$24,000 in debt. Not only did he liquidate that obligation, but he likewise made many improvements including the building of the convent above mentioned. With all of the properties in splendid repair, he was able to announce to the congregation on January 19, 1912 that the Immaculate Conception Church Corporation was entirely free of debt.

On September 10, 1919 Father O'Neill, in the name of the Church Corporation, purchased the Masson property on Glasgow Street directly back of the Edinburgh Street school, for \$6,000. During the summer of 1920 he also purchased the property Nos. 205, 207 and 209 Edinburgh St. for \$6,000.

At once he set up a building fund for a new school. At the time of his death this fund amounted to \$79,848.94. Judiciously did he invest the extra funds, after maintenance costs, for the benefit of the parish, while at the same time proving to all Rochester his fine patriotism in the allocation of the surplus in the purchase of Liberty Bonds.

The first World War was on. A transcript of the bronze plaques still in place in the center vestibule of the church, shows the following,—

★	A. D. 1917	★
	IMMACULATE CONCEPTION WAR RECORD	
	9 DIED	
	18 WOUNDED	
	360 IN SERVICE	
	SUBSCRIBED TO LIBERTY BONDS	\$46,000
	SUBSCRIBED TO WAR SAVINGS STAMPS	2,000
	ADULT AND JUNIOR RED CROSS ORGANIZATIONS	
★		★

The other bronze plaque on the south side of the same vestibule records the following,—

★	A. D. 1917	A. D. 1919	★
THE MEN OF THIS PARISH WHO DIED FOR THEIR COUNTRY			
DAVID CRITTENDEN		JOSEPH FENNESSY	
WILLIAM A. CURRAN		WALTER McCARTY	
WILLIAM W. DOUD		CHARLES MCGINNIS	
JOHN V. FENNESSY		JAMES A. O'NEILL	
		JAMES YOUNG	
★			★

Not only was Father O'Neill an exemplary priest, but also a fine citizen and staunch patriot as well.

Not robust by nature, nevertheless he served the people of this parish faithfully and well for over twenty years. After a few weeks illness he died on December 21, 1921, leaving behind him a memory of priestly efficiency, zeal, learning and pastoral solicitude, loved by a devoted congregation, esteemed and respected by all Rochester as one of its foremost citizens.

On February 7, 1922 the present pastor, the Rev. Joseph S. Cameron, was chosen by Bishop Hickey to succeed Father O'Neill. This appointment became effective February 18, 1922. Herewith is a transcript of that appointment:

Chancery Office  
72 Frank St.  
Rochester, N. Y.

Rev. Joseph S. Cameron,  
Bath, N. Y.

February 7, 1922

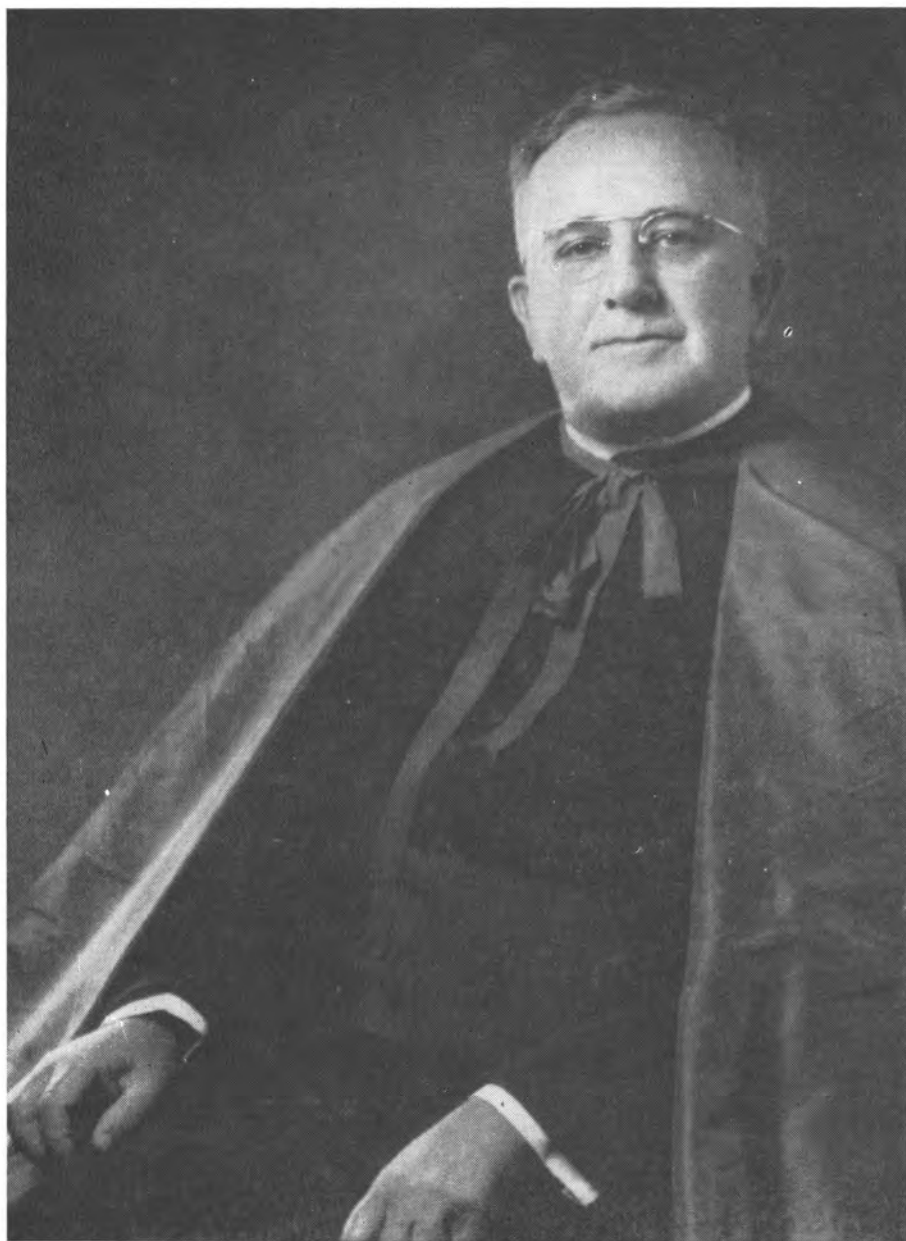
Dear Father Cameron,

You are hereby appointed Pastor of the Immaculate Conception Parish, Rochester, N. Y., said appointment to take effect at twelve o'clock, noon, of Saturday, February 18, 1922.

Yours sincerely in Christ,

✠ Thomas F. Hickey,

Bishop of Rochester



*Present Pastor*  
RIGHT REVEREND JOSEPH S. CAMERON, M.R.

Prior to his coming to this church, Father Cameron had been pastor of St. Mary's Church, Bath, N. Y., as well as Diocesan Superintendent of Schools which office he filled until June, 1929.

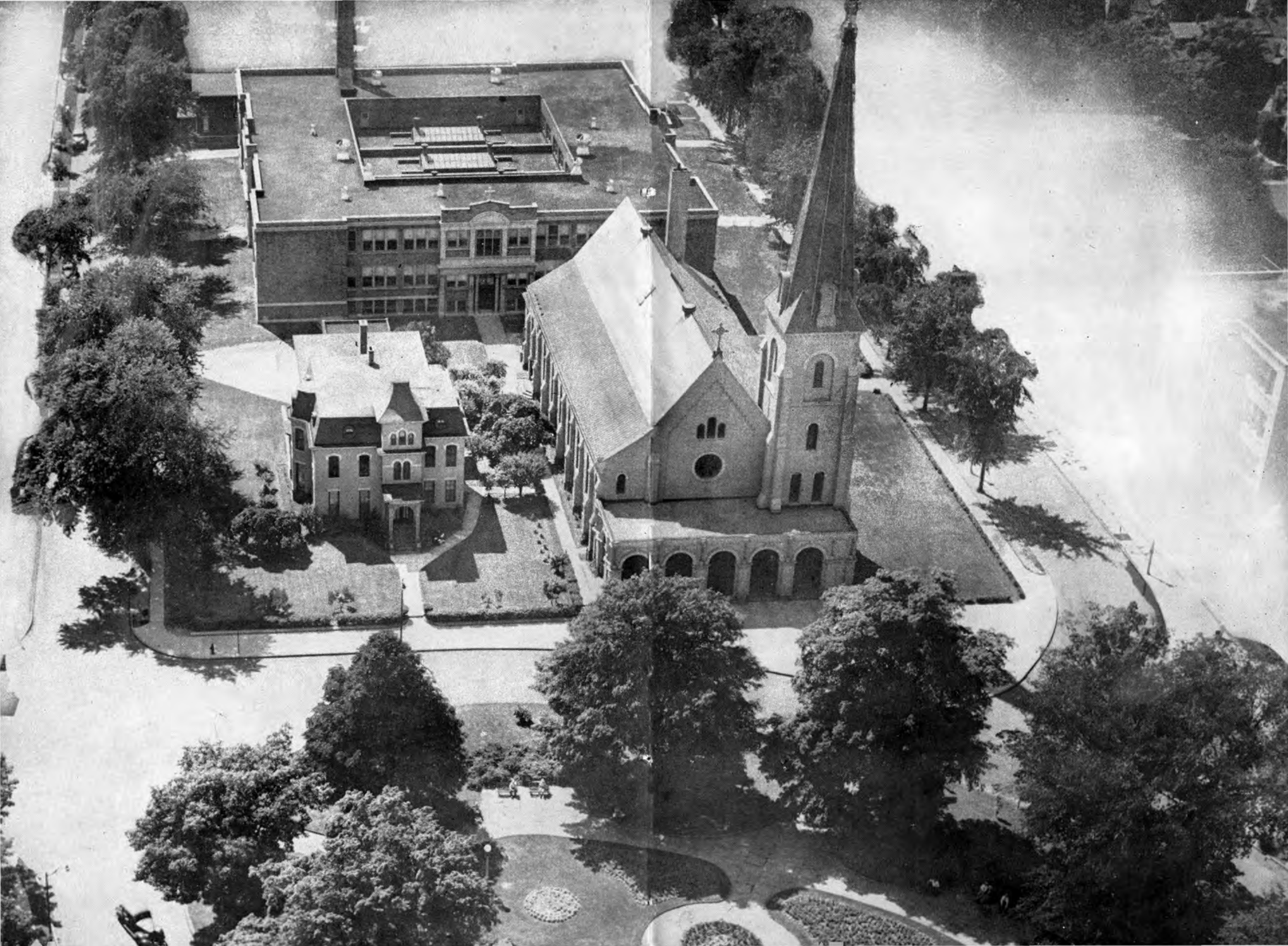
Father Cameron was born in Hornell, N. Y., November 4, 1881, the son of Joseph Cameron and Mary Curry. Having completed his grammar school studies in St. Ann's School of that city, he entered St. Andrew's Seminary in Rochester in 1897. Upon the successful completion of his theological studies at St. Bernard's Seminary, he was ordained by the Rt. Rev. Bernard J. McQuaid in St. Patrick's Cathedral on the 8th of June, 1907. He served as assistant at St. Mary's Church in this city, under Father Gleeson and Father FitzSimons, for seven years, then as assistant at the Immaculate Conception Church in Ithaca, under Father Harrington, for two years. After a pastorate of five years at St. Mary's Church in Bath, he was assigned as pastor of this church.

On January 12, 1923 Father Cameron was named a Diocesan Trustee and Consultor to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Monsignor D. J. Curran, V.G.

In 1923 the church was redecorated under the direction of Herman J. Butler of New York City, at a cost of \$9,368.00; new wiring and electric fixtures were installed for \$3,306.17 and a tile flooring laid for \$1,857.83.

In 1924 both the rectory and convent were thoroughly renovated and repaired, the improvements totaling for the rectory, \$3,267.35; for the convent, \$2,644.87. These improvements were all made from the current revenues of the church, the surplus accruing to the Building Fund which totaled on January 1, 1924, \$86,246.78.

For some time it had become evident that the old school on Plymouth Ave. had served its usefulness and that a new school would soon become a necessity. Deeming it inadvisable to extend the Edinburgh St. School for the reason that even with the extension the children could not be adequately taken care of, upon the advice of the bishop, the trustees being in favor, the pastor purchased several pieces of prop-



erty to the west of the then present holdings as a site for a new school building. The following pieces of property figured in the transaction,—on Glasgow Street, the Fox property was purchased for \$8,498.00, the Murphy property for \$7,998.68, and the Foley property for \$15,010.80. On Edinburgh St. the Madden property was bought for \$6,403.75, the Childs' property for \$8,002.50. Including lawyer's fees the total investment for a new school site was \$46,199.11.

In 1925 all of the houses and buildings on the aforesaid several pieces of property were razed and the Foley house transferred from Glasgow Street to Edinburgh Street and converted into a four-flat apartment.

On May 11, 1925 ground was broken for the new school building by the F. Gleeson Construction Company. On October 11 of the same year the cornerstone was laid with appropriate ceremonies, the Rt. Rev. Thomas F. Hickey officiating. By January, 1926 the Glasgow Street wing of the new building was ready and the children of the old school on Plymouth Avenue were transferred to these new quarters. The old school was then torn down and the rest of the new building brought to completion. On their return from the summer vacation the children, numbering over 800, were received in September, 1926 into the new school, fitting dedicatory exercises having been held earlier in the month. The total cost of the building amounted to \$342,201.52. The following description of the new school is taken from the Democrat & Chronicle of October 11, 1925:

"The solemn blessing and dedication of the new Immaculate Conception Parochial School building will take place at 4 o'clock this afternoon. Rt. Rev. Thomas F. Hickey, Bishop of Rochester, and most of the priests of the diocese will attend. Bishop Hickey will pronounce the blessing and perform the actual dedication of the building. There will be a procession through the corridors of the building, after which the clergy and guests will gather in the assembly hall, where Bishop Hickey will make the address.





THE RECTORY  
Erected — 1871 by Father Byrnes



THE CONVENT  
Erected — 1906 by Father O'Neill

"In the course of the ceremonies there will be a special blessing of the flag which will be raised on the sixty-foot pole on the Edinburgh Street side of the building. The Immaculate Conception Cadet Band will play at the ceremonies, to which the public is invited.

"The new school is of reinforced concrete and steel construction, made under the Shuster system, which makes the building virtually fireproof. The outside of the building is light tapestry brick, and the structure is three stories in height. It contains twenty-one class rooms, office for the principal, room for the nurse, rest rooms for the teachers, and an auditorium which will seat a thousand persons. In the rear of this, cut off by sliding doors, is a dinner room, which upon occasion can be opened into the auditorium providing seats for nearly four hundred additional persons. The stage of the auditorium is fully equipped

"There is also a completely equipped kitchen, five large meeting rooms, special music room for the boys' choir, a room for the Immaculate Conception Cadet Band, and a library with provisions for five thousand books for parish circulation. All of the class rooms have been provided with white putty ceilings, and sand-coated sidewalls finished in buff tone. The woodwork throughout the building is oak

"The auditorium is constructed so that it gets plenty of natural light through skylights and elsewhere, and is provided with movable seats, so that it may be used for the physical training work of the school. All of the rooms have intercommunicating telephones, and the time in the school is controlled by a master clock. Strips of cork have been placed above the blackboards, in the class rooms, on which pupils' work may be displayed.

"As a further safety against fire, the school has been provided with ten-foot corridors with terraza floors. The school has entrances on Glasgow and Edinburgh Streets

and Plymouth Avenue. It stands on a lot 200 x 234 ft. A space forty feet in width is provided all around the building, insuring plenty of light in all the rooms. The buildings on the site, including dwellings and old school buildings, were razed so that there are no obstructions on any side of it. The school provides for 850 pupils. The June, 1927, class will have eighty-three members.

"Frank Frey was architect of the building. The cornerstone was laid on October 11, 1925.

"The Building Committee consisted of Michael Shea, John Barnett, William H. McDonald, Simon Fennell and Frederick J. Weider. The trustees of the church are Bernard V. Logan and Thomas Brannigan. The priests are Rev. Joseph S. Cameron, Superintendent of the Schools of the Diocese; Rev. Leo V. Smith and Rev. Frederic Wise.

"The new building will serve not only for school purposes, but it will be a community center for the parish, a number of its features having been provided with that purpose in view."

This exhaustive account of the new building was accompanied by three excellent pictures of the school, including the laying of the cornerstone and the throng of people present.

Upon the completion of the work, this Church Corporation entered the New Year of 1927 with a total indebtedness of \$260,000.—\$60,000. on notes equally divided between the Central Trust Company of Rochester and the Genesee Valley Trust Company also of this city, with \$200,000. in a mortgage held by the Ladies' Catholic Benevolent Association, notes and mortgage bearing interest at 5%. So generous, however, were the parishioners and so pleased were they at the work accomplished, that the interest on the obligation was regularly met and a substantial reduction made on the debt itself each year. By July 1, 1929 the notes had been liquidated and the mortgage itself reduced by \$7,000., the church indebtedness as of that date being \$193,000.

Just at this time the country was thrown into a great depression which lasted for many years. This had a tremendous effect upon the parish. Many of our people were out of work and naturally without in-





CHURCH INTERIOR

Yesterday



And Today

come. In spite, however, of the trying times the church was able, through the generosity and sacrifices of the faithful, to meet all its obligations. In no single year was the credit of the church corporation impaired. Interest requirements were met regularly without default, and even some payments were paid on the principal. These payments grew larger as times became better.

Because of ill health the Most Reverend Thomas F. Hickey, D.D., resigned his office on October 30, 1928. As of that date the Holy Father made him the Archbishop of the Titular See of Viminacium. He died December 10, 1940. Bishop John Francis O'Hern, D.D. was consecrated the third bishop of Rochester on March 19, 1929.

The new gold tabernacle safe was installed in December of 1929 and used for the first time on the eighth of the month, our feast day, when Bishop O'Hern offered Pontifical High Mass in our church.

Great honor was bestowed upon the parish when Father Cameron received the following telegram from Bishop O'Hern on December 22, 1930,—

"A cable from Rome this morning announces your elevation to be a Domestic Prelate of His Holiness, Pope Pius XI. Congratulations. Ad multos annos!"

✠ John Francis O'Hern,  
Bishop of Rochester

With Father Cameron four other priests of the diocese became Monsignori. The ceremony of investiture took place at St. Patrick's Cathedral on March 19, 1931, St. Joseph's Day, and Archbishop Hickey preached the sermon of congratulation.

After a brief but very successful administration of the diocese, the Most Rev. John Francis O'Hern, D.D., died at the Episcopal residence, this city, May 22, 1933. Beloved by all, he left a memory of successful business administration and charitable achievement. Frequently he was referred to as the Bishop of Charity.

On October 12, 1933 his successor Most Rev. Edward Mooney, D.D. was installed as Archbishop-Bishop of the Diocese at St. Patrick's Cathedral. He came to the diocese after having been Apostolic Delegate to India and Japan. He was a man of exemplary character and unusual

ability—a bishop who attracted the admiration and respect of priests and people. In 1937 he was appointed to the Archdiocese of Detroit.

The present Bishop of Rochester, the Most Rev. James E. Kearney, came to us in November, 1937 from the diocese of Salt Lake. Immediately he impressed himself upon the faithful and upon all citizens by his untiring zeal and devotion. Every parish has known his keen interest and every community has accepted him as one of its foremost citizens. During his administration spiritual advancement has been promoted in every parish; every worthwhile civic community project in all parts of the diocese has received his energetic and wholehearted endorsement. Under the aegis of his direction the new St. Mary's Hospital has come into being. New schools in many parishes have been erected. Work has started on the new St. Andrew's Seminary, and the site of St. John Fisher College, to be conducted by the Basilian Fathers, has been dedicated—June 19, 1949. The new Nazareth College and the new Mercy High School were erected under his episcopal care and solicitude. His devotion to Church and civic advancement has made him recognized as a zealous bishop and fine citizen. All of us at the Immaculate are happy in the knowledge that Bishop Kearney will offer up in December in our church a Pontifical High Mass on the anniversary of Our Hundred Years.

It is interesting to note that perhaps no other parish in the diocese has been blessed with more vocations to the religious life than our own. Hardly a year passes but one or more newly ordained priests, coming from the homes of our people, offer up their first Holy Mass at our altar. In 1939 the parish was blessed in a special way when THREE young men, ordained to the holy priesthood, celebrated their first Masses at the Immaculate; the following year, 1940, saw FOUR young priests saying Mass at the same time on four different altars, a temporary altar having been erected in the sanctuary,—an occasion long to be remembered.

With the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor, December 7, 1941, and the consequent declaration of war on both Japan and Germany, the United States became engaged in the second world conflict. The Call to Arms received here a ready response. Our Service Roll shows proudly the names of enlisted and drafted men to the number of 556. The

grimness of the conflict on the battlefield, on sea, and in the air is reflected in the fact that EIGHTEEN of these young men made the supreme sacrifice—gave their very lives for their country. A second bronze plaque in the center vestibule of the church enshrines in glory the valor of their consecration. They died for God and country.

★ TO THE GLORY OF GOD AND IN HONOR OF THOSE ★  
FROM THIS PARISH WHO MADE THE SUPREME  
SACRIFICE IN WORLD WAR II

1941

1945

## IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH

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GEORGE WHITNEY

ARTHUR J. GORDON

JAMES W. YATAGAN

WILLIAM E. HUNTER

ARTHUR P. ZIMMER

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In 1948 the church again was decorated under the direction of Herman J. Butler with the assistance of the Attinasi Brothers, the work proving very satisfactory. The sanctuary was refinished in such a way that four paintings depicting the types of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass were installed by an eminent artist from Montreal. The two paintings on the Epistle side suggest the sacrifices of the New Law, the two on the Gospel side the sacrifices of the Old Law.

Extensive improvements were also made at the convent. With all of the properties in fine repair the congregation was made very happy by the announcement of the pastor that *the parish was entirely out of debt.*

Looking back over One Hundred Years, how good our Divine Lord has been to the Immaculate! From very humble beginnings, the first church costing \$4,500., the insurance carried upon all our properties, as

of the present, amounts to \$987,000. Surely the mustard seed has grown into a large tree. The replacement value of our present property holdings would amount to over a Million Dollars.

As of this date, 1949, six Masses are celebrated every Sunday for the convenience of the people, while our school's registration numbers over 650 children. Societies are numerous and contribute to the well-being of the parish. The Rosary Guild and the Holy Name Societies have for years been a source of great spiritual benefit to the adult men and women of the Immaculate. The newly-formed Family Guidance Group serves the interests of the parents regarding the proper upbringing of the children and endeavors in monthly meetings, addressed by prominent speakers, to discuss problems affecting family life. The Ladies' Auxiliary of the Knights of St. John is also listed among our worthwhile organizations.

Extra-curricular activities are provided for the young. During the past several years a craft class has been added to the busy schedule of the school. In this group, an opportunity is given to the children to exercise their talents in manual work. Under the guidance of an experienced Physical Training Director exercises are conducted regularly every week in the school. Likewise, the boys and girls in the upper grades are given an opportunity to learn cooking under the supervision of the Red Cross, while the girls of the school gladly accept the opportunity to learn sewing under the capable direction of experts from the Hickey-Freeman Company.

Scouting in all its forms has played an important part in this parish in the character building of the boys and girls. A capable and efficient staff give generously of their time and energy for the benefit of the children. Under the direction of very excellent leaders and committees, the Immaculate Scout Program has become the pride of the parish. The Scouts have their own camp site in Avon, where, yearly, the summer encampment is held and where frequently, during the year, the Scouts spend many happy and profitable hours. In these groups we have the Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, the Cubs with their Den Mothers, and the Brownies.

Our High School boys and girls are enrolled in an active and flourishing Sodality under the supervision of one of the priests.

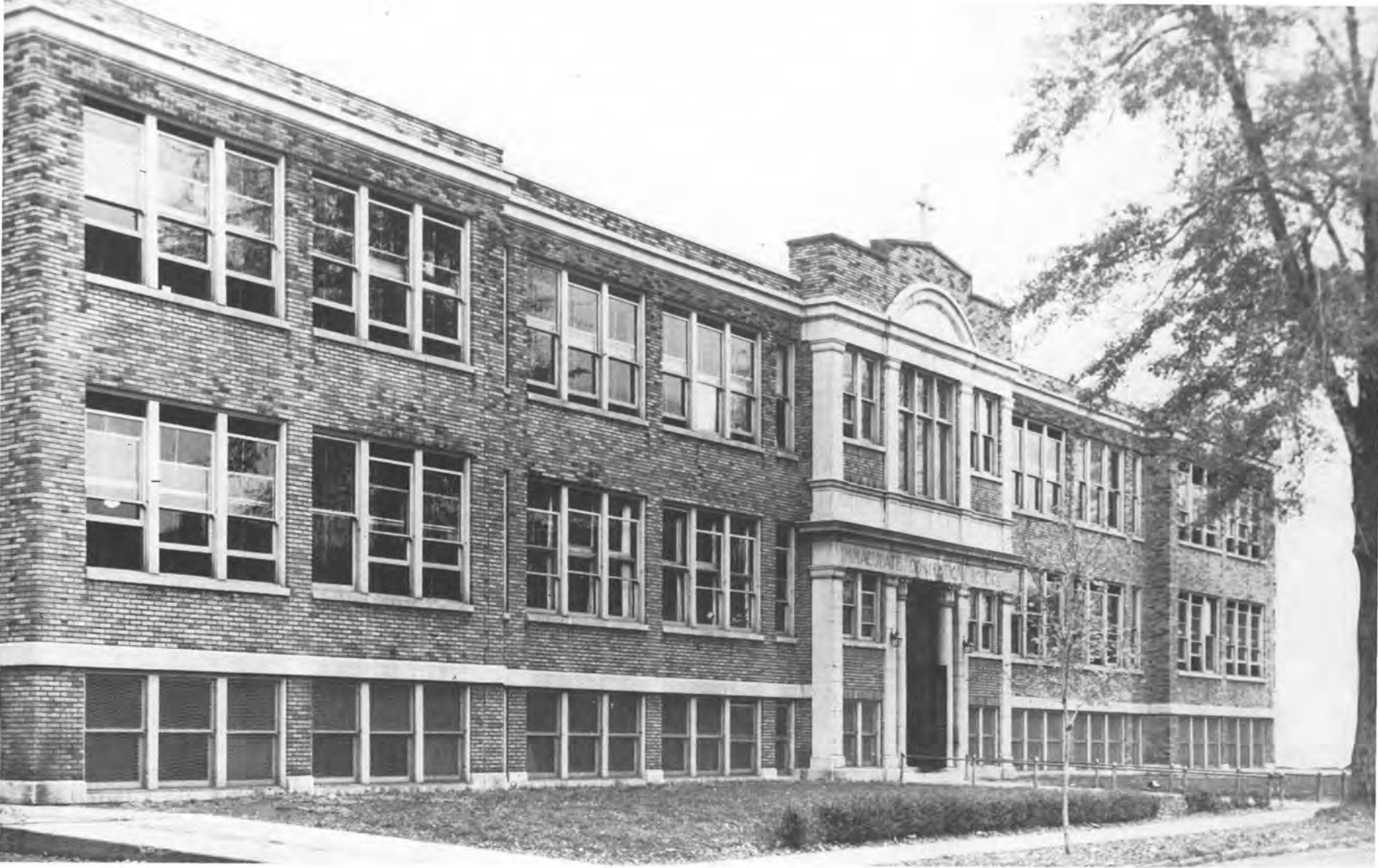


Familiar  
Scene  
At Christmas  
Time



An Entrance  
To Our  
School





OUR NEW SCHOOL  
Cornerstone Laid October 11th, 1925

Music also plays a prominent part in our school program. Not only are all the children in all the grades instructed in the fundamentals but many choirs also have been established. There are several girl choirs that may be called upon at any time to lend their services at the monthly Holy Hour, at funeral Masses and on other occasions, while the boys' choir, numbering thirty-five adds its voices to the adult group who constitute the parish choir at the Sunday High Mass. At times throughout the year, especially on holy days, the entire school reflects its fine training in the rendition of the Gregorian music at the Mass.

Years ago, in 1925, when the new school was built the pastor made plans for a large and commodious auditorium where the social life of the parish might find adequate expression. Over the years this provision has proven to be a valuable asset to the parish. The auditorium has actually become a parochial civic center. Hardly a night passes throughout the entire year when one or more groups are not enjoying the facilities afforded.

For the past several years the boys and girls of High School age—the teen-agers—have sought the rendezvous of this auditorium for weekly social gatherings. These youngsters have greatly enjoyed these parties under careful supervision in wholesome surroundings. During the past nine years over 280,000 high school pupils have availed themselves of the opportunity of splendid entertainment, thus saving them the necessity of seeking pleasure in places of questionable amusement. As a result, the auditorium has become a mecca for thousands of our fine young High School boys and girls, while at the same time the revenues obtained have helped greatly in meeting the obligations of the parish.

In our school we point with pride to our parish library of over four thousand books which are constantly in demand, while there is a special reference library for the boys and girls attending our school.

Someone has said that the spiritual barometer of any parish is the altar railing. If that be true, how blessed this parish must be, under the patronage of our Blessed Mother, when Sunday after Sunday and on all feasts of the year our altar railing is thronged with parishioners receiving Holy Communion. The people of the congregation have availed themselves of the many opportunities afforded them to progress their spiritual

lives. Missions, retreats, and special devotions are well attended, while the weekly novena in honor of Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal has been a constant source of blessing to the many who attend.

How fruitful has been this portion of the vineyard is evidenced by the parish records which show that since the foundation of the parish in 1849 there have been 13,309 baptisms; 4,503 marriages; 8,625 burials. Fifty-two young men have been ordained to the priesthood and ninety-eight young women have embraced the convent life in various religious communities. Since the formation of the school in 1871 nearly 5,000 pupils have been graduated.

With the completion of One Hundred Years we all look forward to a still more happy and fruitful service. Our church and school have been the living sanctuaries of our people. Within these walls they have learned to love God, His Divine Son, and our Blessed Mother. Under the protecting blue mantle of our Lady, the Immaculate Mother of God, this church has rendered a creditable service in the cause of religion in the diocese of Rochester.

For a full century our Church, the Immaculate, has been the home of many of the faithful in this sector of Rochester. Here God's word has been preached, His sacraments administered, His children schooled in the Faith. Thousands of devout parishioners have known it and loved it with great devotion. Worthy priests have administered within its sanctuary; consecrated Sisters have spent themselves in doing good, while many, both men and women, have dedicated themselves in a special way in religious life. To great numbers across the years it has been the gate of heaven and for all the source of sanctification and salvation.

The Catholic Church was founded almost two thousand years ago. It is older than any other Christian society. It has seen the rise and fall of Kingdoms and of Empires. It has celebrated many anniversaries over the centuries and will continue to celebrate them until the end of time. One hundred years seem to be a long time but as we reconstruct past events in the life of the Universal Church, it is but a very short interval.

Under the special protection of our Blessed Mother we pray that the Immaculate will continue its fine contribution to the work of the Church in America.

## PASTORS OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH

1849—1949

REV. JOHN FITZPATRICK .....	1849-1852
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REV. GERALD E. DUNN .....	1948
REV. EDWARD A. ZIMMER .....	1949
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- \*SISTER M. SERAPHINE (*Mary Glavin*)
- \*SISTER M. GERALD (*Catherine Graham*)
- \*SISTER M. AMELIA (*Anna Hennessy*)
- SISTER M. ROSELLA (*Mary Howe*)
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- SISTER ANNA JAMES (*Mary Hurley*)
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- SISTER ST. MARGARET (*Helen Murphy*)

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 SISTER JOHN JOSEPH (*Catherine Quigley*)  
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 \*SISTER M. JOSEPH (*Catherine Quinn*)  
 \*SISTER M. ST. MARK (*Anna Quinn*)  
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 SISTER JANE DE CHANTEL (*Mabel Slavin*)  
 SISTER ROSE ANNA (*Anna Walker*)  
 SISTER M. FIRMINA (*Margaret Wall*)  
 SISTER LEO MARIE (*Eleanor Ward*)  
 SISTER MARIA THERESE (*Josephine Warth*)  
 SISTER MARGARET CECILIA (*Margaret Woock*)  
 \*SISTER M. CLETA (*Mary J. Wren*)  
 SISTER ROSE ANITA (*Rose Anna Wren*)  
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- SISTER M. BORGIA (*Mary Feeney*) Order of St. Francis.
- \*SISTER M. ROSINA (*Elizabeth K. Flynn*) Sister of Charity.
- SISTER ANNUNCIATA (*Rose Anna Galvin*) Order of St. Francis.
- SISTER MARY LEONARD (*Dorothy Gavin*) Sister of Mercy.
- SISTER MAURA DENNIS (*Helen Gott*) Foreign Mission Sisters of St. Dominic, Maryknoll.
- \*MADAME HEANEY, R.S.C.J. Madames of the Sacred Heart.
- \*SISTER ST. CHARLES (*Edith Hennessey*) Oblate Sister of Mary Immaculate.
- SISTER M. ANICETA (*Catherine Kelly*) Order of St. Francis.
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