

1882

*St. Casimir Church*  
*Detroit, Michigan*

1982





*“This means that you are strangers and  
aliens no longer. No, you are fellow citizens of  
the saints and members of the household of God.  
You form a building which rises on the foundation  
of the apostles and prophets, with Christ  
Jesus Himself as the capstone. Through Him  
the whole structure is fitted together and  
takes shape as a Holy Temple in the Lord: in  
Him you are being built into this temple, to  
become a dwelling place for God in the spirit.”*

*(Ephesians 2, 19-22)*



**H**is Holiness  
John Paul II

paternally imparts to  
the people of God of St. Casimir  
Parish

a special Apostolic Blessing on the  
occasion of the 100th Anniversary of  
Foundation of the Parish.

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OFFICE OF THE ARCHBISHOP

ARCHDIOCESE OF DETROIT

1234 WASHINGTON BLVD.  
DETROIT, MICHIGAN 48226

October 6, 1982

Dear Father Wojtewicz:

I am pleased to learn that on November 14, 1982, St. Casimir's parish will commemorate the 100th anniversary of its founding. I am sure that this celebration will be characterized by the solemnity and joy that it merits.

A jubilee such as this reminds us of our origins. We remember especially those persons who have influenced our lives so significantly during the past. Certainly our parents, neighbors and friends stand out in our memories. Yet, what needs to be recalled today, is the work that has been accomplished of bringing us, and others like ourselves, to the faith. This living faith was engendered, in most instances, within the context of the family. It was nurtured and strengthened in the parish. The church building is a symbol to us of a living out of this faith during these 100 years. Here, countless infants have been baptized, young persons confirmed, penitents forgiven, sons and daughters given in marriage. Here, in times of great joy or sorrow, the Eucharist has been celebrated in a daily pattern of giving praise to the Father. The rhythms of the liturgy have blended with the struggles of our lives in giving us our heritage that is both rich and enriching.

I congratulate you, the Sisters, and your parishioners as you recall these past 100 years with gratitude to God. I assure you of a remembrance in all my Masses and prayers. May the blessings that have come to so many in this parish community during these past years be equally abundant in the years ahead.

With all best wishes, I am

Fraternally yours in Christ,

*+ Edmund Szoka*

Archbishop of Detroit

Reverend Eugene E. Wojtewicz  
Pastor, St. Casimir's Church  
3381 23rd Street  
Detroit, Michigan 48208





HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20515

JOHN D. DINGELL  
SIXTEENTH DISTRICT  
MICHIGAN

August 1982

St. Casimir's Church

My best wishes and blessings to the parishoners of St. Casimir's Church on the celebration of its 100th Anniversary.

St. Casimir's has served as a steadfast foundation these many years giving faith and hope, and nurturing those values that provide for a strong, stable, and Christian community in which people are proud to live and work.

My prayers and greetings are extended on this special occasion.

John D. Dingell  
Member of Congress



# STATE OF MICHIGAN

MICHIGAN LEGISLATURE

## HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

Offered by Representatives Wierzbicki, Ted Stopczynski, Stan Stopczynski, Bykowski, Dodak, Dutko, Skrell, Kelsey and Mahalak, and Senator Plawecki.

### A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION COMMEMORATING THE CENTENNIAL ANNIVERSARY OF ST. CASIMIR'S CATHOLIC CHURCH.

Where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them.

--Matthew 18:20

**WHEREAS**, It is a special privilege to commemorate the joyous occasion of the centennial anniversary of St. Casimir's Catholic Church in Detroit. The members of the parish family have just cause to celebrate, for they are faithful Catholics dedicated to upholding the high ideals of their faith in an often perplexing and difficult world. In this, they, and all who have united to worship God within the congregation during the past 100 years, have succeeded marvelously; and

**WHEREAS**, It was on November 8, 1882, that the first pastor, the Reverend Paul Gutowski, was commissioned to celebrate mass and appointed to the first Polish parish west of Woodward in Detroit to serve the many Polish people immigrating to this area during the later part of the nineteenth century. The people first met to worship at St. Boniface and then moved to St. Casimir's, which was built in 1862 and dedicated on April 25 of the following year; and

**WHEREAS**, This wonderful church has undergone myriad changes over the years. In fact, several buildings have served the needs of parishioners. Most precious to the church's service to humanity, however, are the caliber of the people whose joint and individual actions have made St. Casimir the great church it has always been. As the centennial anniversary is celebrated, we take pride in congratulating the 350 parish families, the Ushers Club, the Parish Council, the Parent Teachers Club, and the students in the church school who are so dedicated to fulfilling the dictates of their faith and serving their church, their community, and their God. May the blessings of God always enrich their lives; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES** (the Senate concurring), That the centennial anniversary of St. Casimir's Church be highly commemorated; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to the Reverend Eugene Wojtevicz, Pastor of St. Casimir's, as a reflection of our esteem for this great church and its people.



*House of Representatives*



LANSING, MICHIGAN 48909

**FRANK V. WIERZBICKI**  
SEVENTEENTH DISTRICT

October 14, 1982

Reverend Eugene E. Wojtewicz  
St. Casimir's Catholic Church  
3381 23rd Street  
Detroit, Michigan

Dear Reverend Wojtewicz:

As a lifetime (57 years) resident of Southwest Detroit and a member of neighboring St. Hedwig Parish, I am fully aware of St. Casimir's existence and of its value to the community.

It is with great pleasure that I congratulate the Parish on its Diamond Jubilee Anniversary. I also commend the clergy and the parishioners on their outstanding contribution to the Southwest Detroit area. God willing, I wish you another one hundred years of existence.

Sincerely,

FRANK V. WIERZBICKI  
State Representative  
Southwest Detroit Area



COUNTY OF WAYNE  
MICHIGAN

Resolution  
HONORING

ST. CASIMIR'S CHURCH

- WHEREAS, On November 14, 1982, St. Casimir's Church will celebrate its One-Hundredth Anniversary, and will honor that occasion with a 2:00 P.M. Mass followed by a Dinner-Dance at St. Clement Hall at Ford Road and Evergreen in Detroit, Michigan; and
- WHEREAS, The Parish was established to serve people of the surrounding neighborhood through education and preservation of cultural tradition, and the Parish continues that function although the ethnic community has changed from almost all Polish to almost all Black and is now ninety-eight percent non-Catholic; and
- WHEREAS, Despite the racial change in the community, one-hundred and fifty families belong to the Parish—including seventy-five of the old-time Polish families, and two-hundred students attend the Parish School; now, therefore, be it
- RESOLVED, That the Wayne County Board of Commissioners commends and salutes St. Casimir's Church on its One-Hundredth Birthdate, and salutes a persevering congregation and dedicated Pastor, Father Eugene Wojtewicz, for such a remarkable contribution to social stability and neighborhood loyalty; and, be it further
- RESOLVED, This 8th day of July, 1982, that this Resolution be spread at length upon the Journal of this day's proceedings, to endure as a permanent record of our respect and admiration, and that a suitably engrossed copy of these deserving words of tribute be presented in recognition of such an exceptional institution and the outstanding work it represents.



*Rose Mary C. Robinson*

ROSE MARY C. ROBINSON  
WAYNE COUNTY COMMISSIONER





*City of Detroit Executive Office*

*Coleman A. Young, Mayor*

August 11, 1982

Members of the Congregation  
St. Casimir's Church  
3381 23rd Street  
Detroit, Michigan 48208

Greetings:

I am delighted to extend my best wishes to St. Casimir's Church on the occasion of its 100th Anniversary of service to the Detroit community.

St. Casimir has made many outstanding contributions to the growth of Detroit's religious community during the past century. Under the leadership of Pastor Eugene Wojtevicz, St. Casimir continues to serve more than 250 Detroit families through its church and school.

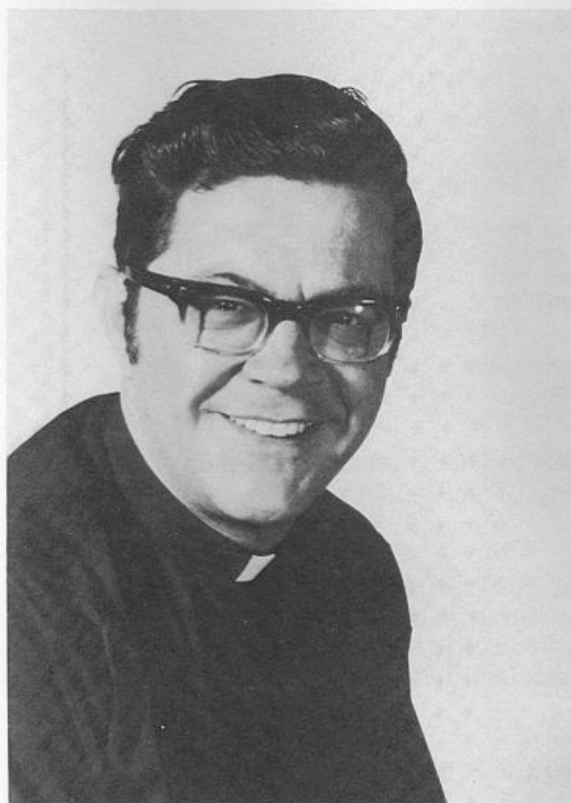
Thank you for your belief in the future of Detroit and congratulations on this happy occasion!

Sincerely,

  
COLEMAN A. YOUNG  
Mayor

*“Thank the Lord for all the glorious things He does; proclaim them to the nations. Sing His praises and tell everyone about His miracles. Glory in the Lord, worshipers of God, rejoice.”*

— Psalm 105 1-3



Present Pastor  
*Father Gene Wojtewicz*

Edward Cardinal Mooney Administered the Sacrament of the Priesthood to Eugene E. Wojtewicz, June 1, 1957. Father Gene offered his first Mass at St. John Cantius Church on June 2, 1957.

Father Gene, the son of Xavier Wojtewicz and Mary Mlodzik, was born December 20, 1930. He was baptized and attended parochial school in the parish of St. John Cantius. He attended high school at U. of D. High. Upon completion of two years of college at Sacred Heart Seminary, he was sent to St. Mary's College in Orchard Lake. He received his B.A. from St. Mary's College in 1953. Four years of theological studies followed in St. John's Seminary, Plymouth, Michigan. After ordination, Father Gene received a masters in Religious Studies from the University of Detroit, and a masters in Divinity from St. John's Seminary.

Before becoming pastor in February 1970 at St. Casimir's parish, Father Gene served as an assistant at St. Francis D' Assisi, St. Hyacinth and Our Lady of Apostles Parishes.



*I want to express my gratitude to God for allowing me to be a part of this centennial. The presence of Christ in this area began years ago, reaching out and serving the needs of the early immigrants. The people have changed, but the presence of Christ continues as we reach out and serve the present people with their new needs. We pray that God bless our work as we begin the first day in the next centennial of the people of God under the patronage of St. Casimir.*



## History of St. Casimir Church



*“And He said to them, Go into the whole world and preach the Gospel to every creature.”*

These are the words Christ used when He entrusted the Apostles with the task of the building up of the Kingdom of God on earth.

By the year 1882 the incoming tide of Polish immigrants had gradually moved from St. Albertus Parish on the east side westward across Woodward Avenue.

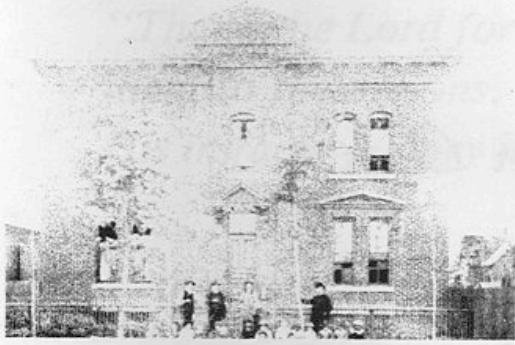
Seventy families on the west side decided to petition Bishop Casper Borgess for their own church in their own neighborhood. In September, 1882 they purchased six lots at 23rd and Myrtle Sts. Two months later Bishop Borgess appointed Fr. Paul Gutowski, then an assistant at St. Boniface Parish, to be pastor of St. Casimir on November 8, 1882.



With the help of his small flock, Fr. Gutowski supervised the construction of a combination church-school. The parish's first Mass in the new church was offered on April 25, 1883.

The building consisted of the church on the first floor, the classes and the Felician Sisters quarters on the second floor.

The fast growth of the parish was evidenced in the report for the following year. It read: 340 families, 2 societies, 152 Baptisms, 30 Weddings, 34 funerals, 182 in school staffed by 3 Felician Sisters.



The shortage of classroom space necessitated the building of the Sisters Convent in 1885. Two years later the rectory was built.

Soon the church and school were too small for the fast growing parish. In April, 1889 the foundation was laid for the new church building. The cornerstone was blessed on July 28th by Bishop Foley. The following year on the last Sunday of Advent, Bishop Foley blessed the new church.

With the beginning of the year 1905 the third floor was added to the Sisters Convent. In the year 1906 an addition of eight more classrooms and a third floor was added to the elementary school. The dedication and blessing ceremonies took place on February 10, 1907.

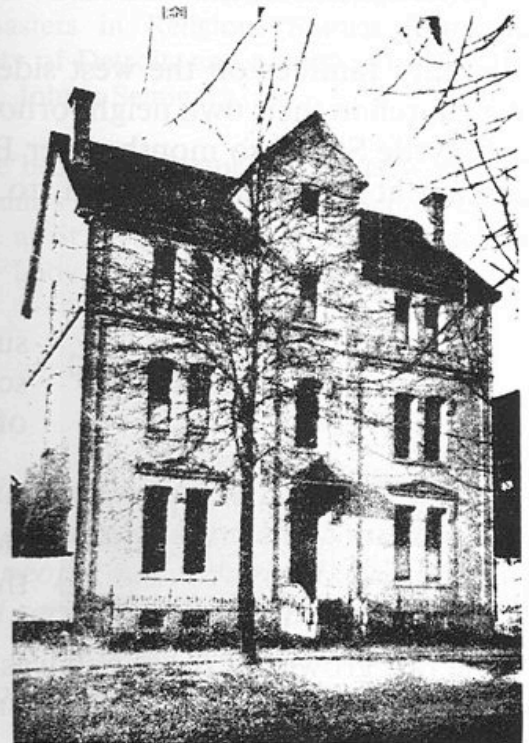
Father Paul Gutowski died on March 30, 1918. During the founding pastor's service the following served as his assistants: Revs. John Lemke, Joseph Herr, Alexander Skrzycki, Michael Barnett, Leon Jarecki, Eugene Pattok, Bernard Zmijewski, Sylvester Kolkiewicz, Jan Zareczny and Ralph Chrzaszcz.

After the death of Rev. Gutowski, the Rev. Alexander Grudzinski was appointed pastor. His duties began in April, 1918. In May, 1919 he was made pastor of St. Francis of Assissi Parish.

The home in which the sisters lived for the past thirty-eight years proved to be inadequate, so it was decided to build a new convent.

On January 17th, 1920 the Rev. Edward Maisel became pastor. Four lots were purchased on the west corner of Ash and 23rd Streets in 1923. On August 20, 1924 the new convent was opened.

With the year 1927, it was necessary to build a new school. Construction began in 1927 and Bishop J. Gallagher blessed the new school on October 7, 1928. The new building contained twenty classrooms, a meeting room, a large auditorium, a dining room, library, offices, a nurse's room and a bowling alley.







The high school department had its beginning in 1927. It offered the students courses in Academic and Commercial fields. The high school was equipped for teaching Chemistry and Physics with a lab for each subject, as well as a typing room. The students came from the parish and several neighboring parishes on the west side of the city.

After completion of the new school, the old rectory was torn down and a new building began to rise in December, 1927. It was completed in August, 1928.

The following priests served at St. Casimir as assistants to the pastor, Fr. Maisel: The Revs. Stephen Woznicki, Joseph Utas, Herman Ostrowski, Anthony Pietrzykowski, Frank Gorzelniaski, Michael Tabor, Peter Rypel, J.A. Figlewski, E. Bartol, S. Dzienis, C. Stolinski, Leo Dempz, Peter Wyrzykowski, E. J. Sobczak, E. F. Rucinski, V. J. Dominas, S. A. Rojewski, V. J. Szymanski, A. Nieckarz, T. Rzeznik, J. A. Gierut, J. Perkowski, Stanislaus Kaminiski, Frank Szaniawski and Paul Sierocki.

Fr. Maisel died on June 13, 1960.

Fr. Casimir Lutomski was named pastor in 1961. In August of 1961, the 72-year old St. Casimir's Church was razed and construction began on a new church building.

In January, 1962, Fr. Lutomski assumed another pastorate and Fr. Joseph Karasiewicz was appointed the new pastor. The solemn dedication of the new church took place on December 23, 1962.



During the 50's and 60's population shifts added many members of many nationalities to the parish. Bulgarians, Hungarians, Italians, Maltese, Mexicans and Spanish names appeared in the parish membership. In the 60's and 70's the neighborhood consisted mostly of black families as is true to the present day.

Fr. Karasiewicz with Fr. V. Oberc as his assistant ministered to the various nationalities and races during his term as pastor. In the year 1969, the High School was closed. The Elementary School continued to serve the community with its educational outreach.

In 1970, Fr. Karasiewicz was appointed pastor at St. John the Baptist, and Fr. Eugene Wojtevicz became the new pastor.

The elementary school has been a very effective outreach into the community. Our concern for the children is expressed in the philosophy of our school which is dedicated to the development of the total child, physical, educational and spiritual.

A federally funded remedial program supplements the educational program in the school. In addition, our school is a center for two Archdiocesan Special Education classes, one for the mentally impaired and one for learning disabilities. The Felician Sisters removed their sisters from our school program in 1975. Presently, our staff consists of Sister M. Leonard, a member of the Sisters for Christian Community, as Principal, ten lay teachers and one teacher plus two aides in the remedial program.

We have a senior citizens group, the "Golden Casimirites", which meets once a week for a meal and a few hours of companionship.

Several half-way houses for the mentally retarded are located in our community. We make regular visits to these homes for social activities. The residents are invited to our liturgical functions.

Personal involvement is an essential part of our mission in the community. This has been a constant goal of the St. Casimir parish family from the first day of reaching out to the immigrant Polish people who first settled in the community to our present day efforts of extending Christ's helping hand to the unchurched of the community.



With God's help our work for Christ will continue and we pray that we will always be guided by the words taken from the 'Pastoral Constitution on the Church in the Modern World' from the documents of the Second Vatican Council: *"The Church seeks but a solitary goal: to carry forward the work of Christ Himself under the lead of the befriending Spirit. And Christ entered the world to give witness to the Truth, to rescue and not to sit in judgement, to serve and not to be served."*





# First Pastor at St. Casimir's



## REV. PAUL GUTOWSKI

Born January 5th, 1845 in Poland

Finished his education in Poland at the Marian Seminary in Pelplinia, Poland

Ordained a priest Dec. 1st, 1872

Appointed Pastor of St. Casimir  
Dec. 8th, 1882

Died March 30th, 1918



## REV. EDWARD S. MAISEL

Born Sept. 12th, 1888

Attended St. Albertus parish school

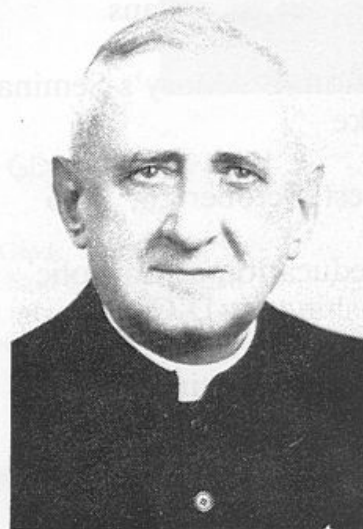
Received his priestly training at the  
Polish seminary in Orchard Lake, Mich.

Ordained a priest November 25th, 1911

Appointed pastor of St. Joseph in  
Sept. 1913 in Jackson, Michigan

Appointed Pastor of St. Casimir  
Jan. 17, 1920 in Detroit, Michigan

Died: June 13, 1960



## **REV. CASIMIR LUTOMSKI**

Born: December 20, 1906

Attended School: St. Stanislaus Elementary School, St. Mary's High School, St. Cyril and Methodius Seminary at Orchard Lake

Ordained: May 27, 1934

Became Pastor at St. Casimir's in September, 1960

Transferred from St. Casimir's in January, 1962

Died: September 27, 1982



## **REV. JOSEPH KARASIEWICZ**

Born: April 29, 1922

Attended School: St. Ladislaus

Further Education: St. Mary's Seminary at Orchard Lake

Ordained a priest October 26, 1946

Post graduate education at Catholic University, Washington D.C.

Became Pastor at St. Casimir's, January 18, 1962

Transferred from St. Casimir's, February 17, 1970

Died December 13, 1981



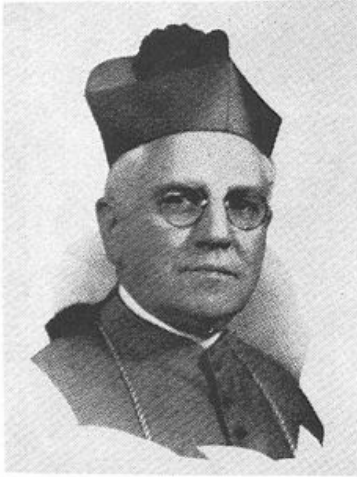




## *Priests from the Parish*

The parish of St. Casimir is very proud of the fact that it has given several young men to the service of God as His priests.

### BISHOP JOSEPH CASIMIR PLAGENS, D.D.: LL.D.



Born January 29th, 1880.

Educated at St. Casimir Grade School, Old Detroit now University of Detroit. St. Mary Seminary, Baltimore. Ordained July 5th, 1903 by Bishop Foley. Assistant at Sweetest Heart of Mary (3 yrs.) Appointed pastor to St. Michaels, Port Austin. In 1911 appointed pastor of St. Florian's Parish Hamtramck (7 yrs.) in 1918 appointed pastor of Sweetest Heart of Mary. Made a Domestic Prelate in 1923. Consecrated Bishop Sept. 30th, 1924 by Bishop Michael James Gallegher. He was Auxiliary Bishop for 11 years. Chosen Bishop of Marquette Nov. 16th, 1935 and enthroned by Archbishop now Cardinal Samuel A. Stritch Jan. 1936. Dec. 16th, 1940 chosen Bishop of Grand Rapids Mich. Enthroned by Archbishop now Cardinal Edward Mooney February 18, 1941. Died March 31st, 1943 in St. Mary's Hospital, Grand Rapids, Mich. Funeral services in St. Andrew's Cathedral Grand Rapids, Tuesday April 6th, 1943 at 10 A.M.

### REV. BERNARD CIESIELSKI

Born Sept. 20th, 1890

Educated in St. Casimir Grade School

College education: St. Mary of the Lake Orchard Lake

Seminary studies: Sts. Cyril and Methodius Orchard Lake

Ordained: July 11th, 1914

Died: September 8, 1960



### REV. BOLESLAUS GDANIEC

Born: April 3rd, 1892

Educated: St. Casimir Grade School

College: St. Mary's, Orchard Lake, Michigan

Seminary Education: St. Mary's, St. Paul, Minnesota

Ordained: June 17, 1916

Died: August, 1953



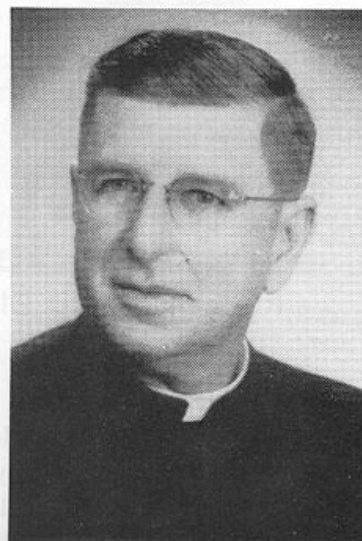


REV. ALEXANDER S. WILCZEWSKI

Born August 25th, 1896  
Educated in St. Casimir Grade school  
High school St. Leo  
College: St. Mary of the Lake  
Seminary education: Sts. Cyril and Methodius Seminary  
Orchard Lake  
Ordained Sept. 10th, 1922  
Died: November 8, 1963

REV. JOHN MILLER

Born: May 13th, 1903  
Educated at St. Casimir Grade School.  
College and Seminary education at St. Cyril and  
Methodius in Orchard Lake, Michigan  
Ordained June 19th, 1927  
At present: retired



REV. PAUL ZELAFF

Born February 15th, 1904  
Educated at St. Casimir Grade School  
College and Seminary education in Orchard Lake, Michigan  
Ordained May 25th, 1929  
Died: December 3, 1962





REV. JOSEPH TORZEWSKI

Born September 15th, 1903  
Educated at St. Casimir grade school  
High school: Detroit University High  
Seminary education: Sacred Heart Detroit, Mich.  
St. Mary's Cincinnati, Ohio  
Ordained: April 6th, 1930  
At present retired

REV. ALPHONSE A. MADEJA

Born: April 20th, 1907  
Educated at St. Casimir Grade school  
College and seminary education at Orchard Lake, Mich.  
Ordained: May 31st, 1931  
Died: December 28, 1969



REV. STANISLAUS KAMINSKI

Born: February 13th, 1912  
Educated at St. Casimir Grade school  
College and Seminary education  
at Orchard Lake, Michigan  
Ordained June 3rd, 1939  
At present retired

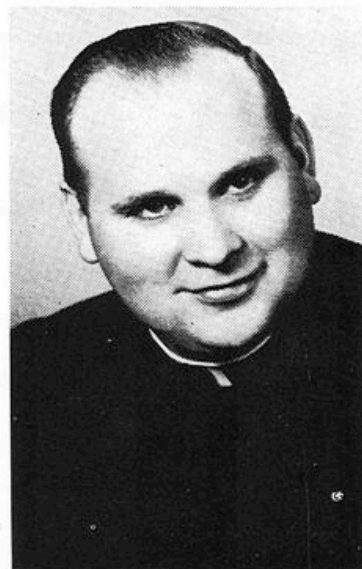




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REV. THADDEUS WYPIJEWSKI

Born: June 19, 1914  
Educated at St. Casimir Grade school  
High school and College at Sacred Heart, Detroit, Mich.  
Theology at Orchard Lake, Mich.  
Ordained May 18, 1940  
At present retired



*Former Assistants*

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| John Lemke            | E. Bartol           |
| Joseph Herr           | S. Dzienis          |
| Alexander Skrzycki    | C. Stolinski        |
| Michael Barnett       | Leo Dempz           |
| Leon Jarecki          | Peter Wyrzykowski   |
| Eugene Pattok         | E. J. Sobczak       |
| Bernard Zmijeski      | E. F. Rucinski      |
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| Ralph Chrzaszcz       | Andrew Nieckarz     |
| Stephen Woznicki      | Thaddeus Rzeznik    |
| Joseph Utas           | Joseph A. Gierut    |
| Herman Ostrowski      | J. Perkowski        |
| Anthony Pietrzykowski | Stanislaus Kaminski |
| Frank Gorzelniaski    | Frank Szaniawski    |
| Michael Tabor         | Paul Sierocki       |
| Peter Rypel           | Vincent Oberc       |
| J. A. Figlewski       |                     |





*The parish was blessed with many vocations to the Sisterhood. Many were called to fill the ranks of sisters in numerous religious communities.*

**Religious Names**

**FELICIAN SISTERS**

- (x) Sister Mary Patricia
- (x) Sister Mary Yvonne
- (x) Sister Mary Constance
- (x) Sister Mary Donuela
- (x) Sister Mary Maurice
- (x) Sister Mary Vitolda
- (x) Sister Mary Margaret
- (x) Sister Mary Cherubim
- (x) Sister Mary Dulcine
- (x) Sister Mary Donuela
- (x) Sister Mary Bogumila
- (x) Sister Mary Octavia
- (x) Sister Mary Pulcheria
- (x) Sister Mary Eligia
- (x) Sister Mary Dulcia
- (x) Sister Mary Cunegunda
- (x) Sister Mary Georgia
- (x) Sister Mary Alexandrine
- Sister Mary Ignatius
- (x) Sister Mary Marcella
- (x) Sister Mary Dominica
- (x) Sister Mary Wenceslaus
- (x) Sister Mary Leonia
- (x) Sister Mary Gabriel
- (x) Sister Mary Canisius
- (x) Sister Mary Veronica
- (x) Sister Mary Gaudenta
- (x) Sister Mary Aniela
- Sister Mary Lauretta
- (x) Sister Mary Philomena
- (x) Sister Mary Colmane
- Sister Mary Laudine
- Sister Mary Celeste
- Sister Mary Canisius
- Sister Mary Amandine
- (x) Sister Mary Deodata
- (x) Sister Mary Judith
- Sister Mary Theresitta
- Sister Mary Felicity
- Sister Mary Irma
- Sister Mary Damascene
- Sister Mary Coronata
- Sister Mary Elaine
- Sister Mary Suzanne
- Sister Mary Girard
- Sister Mary Haline
- Sister Mary Rosa
- Sister Mary Victoria

**SERVANTS OF THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY (Monroe, Michigan)**

- Sister Mary Irene
- Sister Mary Concilia

**SISTERS OF THE HOLY CROSS (South Bend, Ind.)**

- Sister Mary Miriam Vincent
- Sister Mary Leonard
- Sister Mary Martin DePorres

**CATECHISTS OF OUR LADE OF VICTORY (Huntington, Ind.)**

- Sister Mary Regis

**ORDER OF ST. FRANCIS (Sylvania, Ohio)**

- Sister Mary Jacinta

**Family Names**

- Anastasia Pryztarska
- Stanislava Klebba
- Stanislava Rutkowska
- Martha Sengierska
- Theodore Wisniewska
- Julia Stankowska
- Agnes Sengierska
- Martha Gudzik
- Angela Tomaszewska
- Ida Liske
- Anna Machlik
- Joann Percha
- Clara Schutza
- Anna Lewandowska
- Clementine Mallon
- Anastasia Brzezinska
- Anastasia Moczadlo
- Julia Kowalewska
- Lucy Grygier
- Leona Turczynska
- Mary Turczynka
- Sophia Grabowska
- Casimira Grygier
- Mary Kleinsmith
- Angela Wilemska
- Theresa Utych
- Sophia Grygier
- Anna Latosiewicz
- Frances Klassa
- Frances Grygier
- Gertrude Kalczynska
- Clara Paszkiewicz
- Lucy Dams
- Julianna Rucinski
- Stanislava Zynda
- Josephine Kulikowski
- Antoinette Wicopolska
- Evelyn Dams
- Hedwig Bronicka
- Helen Fubiszak
- Casimira Brocka
- Helen Lucas
- Beatrice Machlik
- Dorothy Borowski
- Barbara Celesky
- Stella Padilla
- Marianna Bialach
- Victoria Indyk
- Helen Stentzler
- Maryann Ostrowski
- Maryann Sobczak
- Leona Sobczak
- Clara Ostafinska
- Bronislava Bien
- Ruth Heyza

(x) Deceased



# The Future People of God

Secretary: Lillian Williams

Library Aide: Mary Tucker

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Maintenance: Vincent Percha

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Marietta Rudolph

Mary Wiktor

Vonda Jeffrey

Santelia Houston

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Edwina Brydson

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**SISTER M. LEONARD**

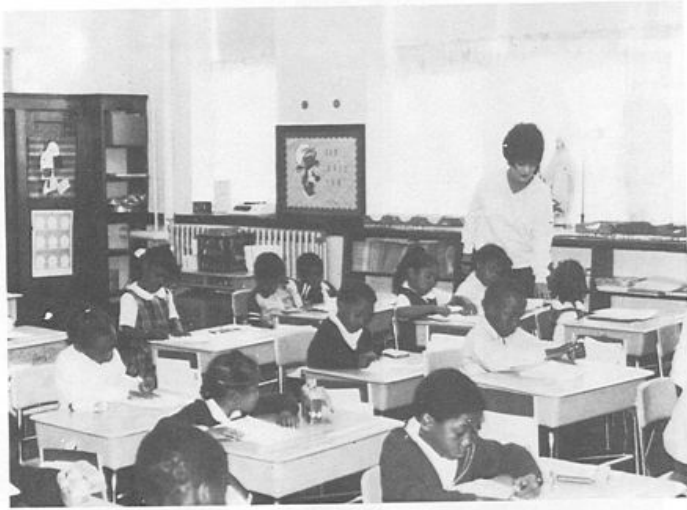
*Principal*



*“Beautiful, therefore, and truly solemn is the vocation of all those who assist parents in fulfilling their task, and who represent human society as well, by undertaking the role of school teacher. This calling requires extraordinary qualities of mind and heart, extremely careful preparation, and a constant readiness to begin anew and to adapt.”*

(Declaration on Christian Education, Vactican II)





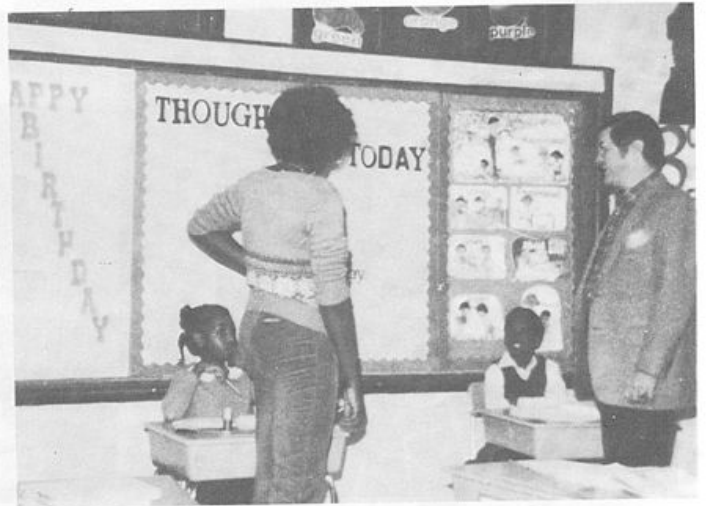
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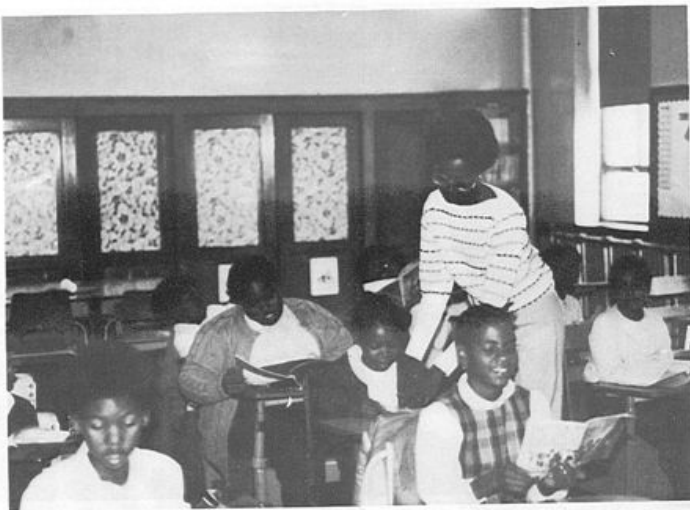
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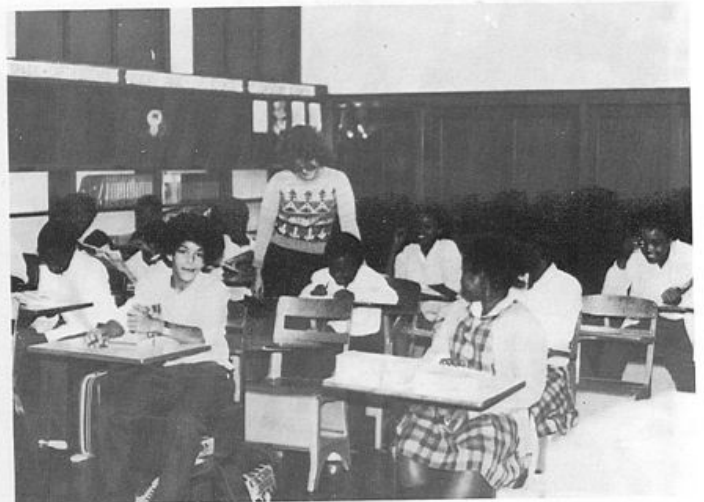
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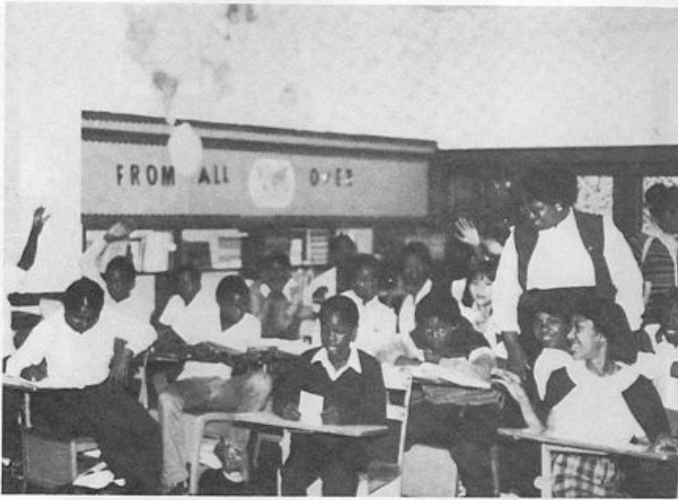
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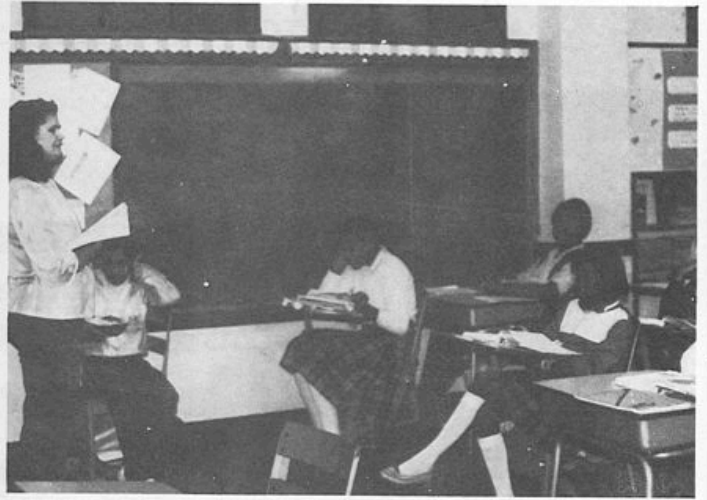
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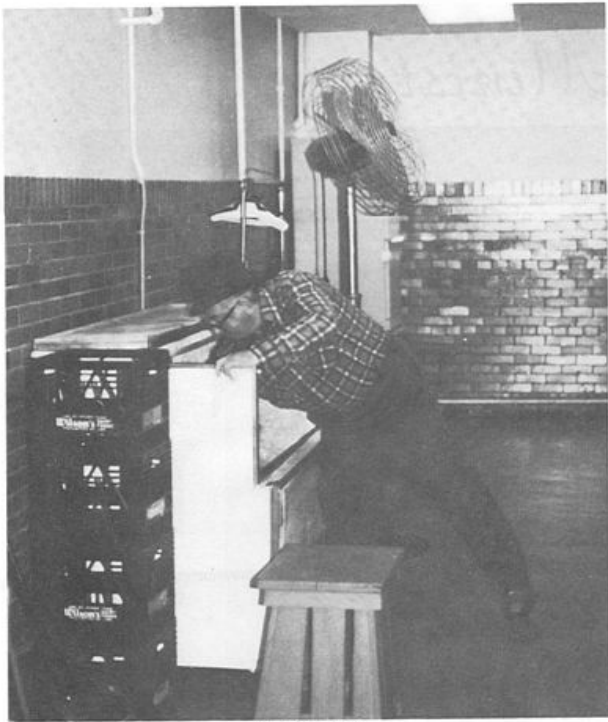
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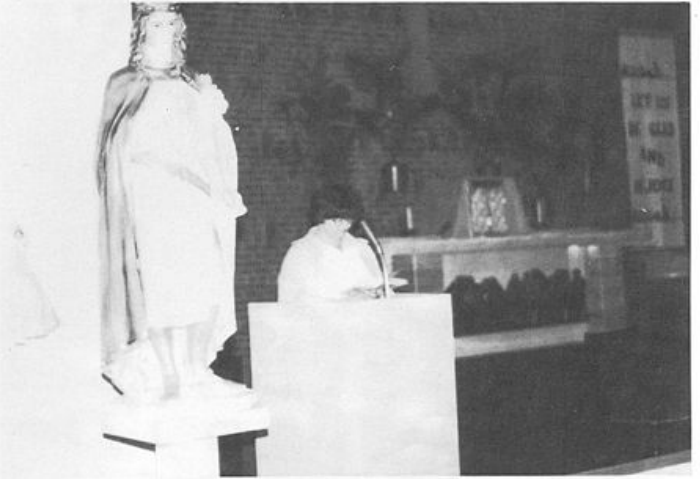
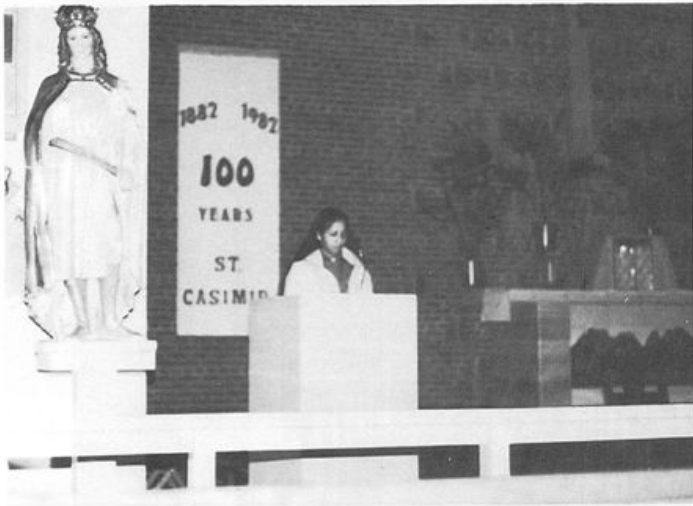
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*“Liturgical services pertain to the whole body of the church; they manifest it and have effects upon it; but they concern individual members of the church in different ways, according to the diversity of holy orders, functions and degrees of participation.”*

(Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy, Vatican II)

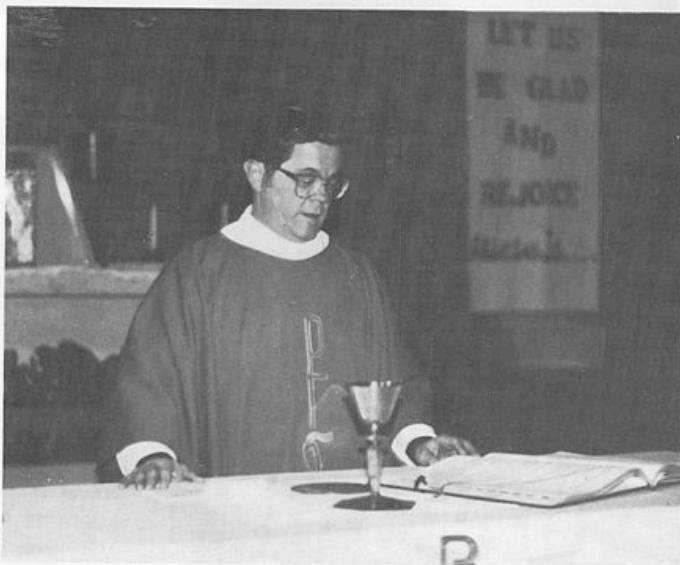




*Act on the Message:*

*“Only be sure you act on the message and not merely listen; for that would be to mislead yourselves. A man who listens to the message but never acts upon it is like one who looks in a mirror at the face nature gave him. He glances at himself and goes away, and at once forgets what he looked like. But the man who looks closely into the perfect law, the law that makes us free, and who lives in its company, does not forget what he hears, but acts upon it; and that is the man who by acting will find happiness.”*

James I: 22-25







*Golden*



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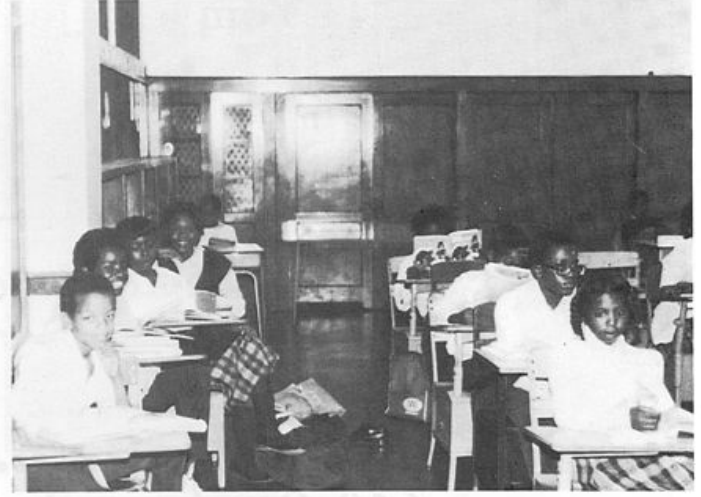
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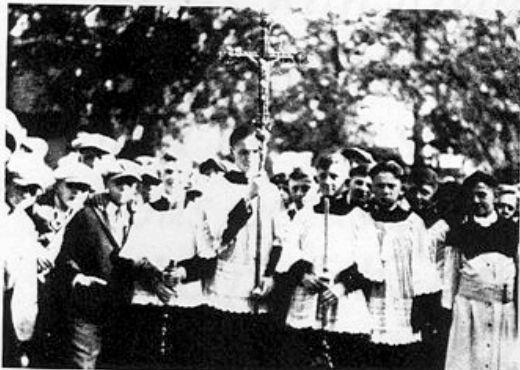
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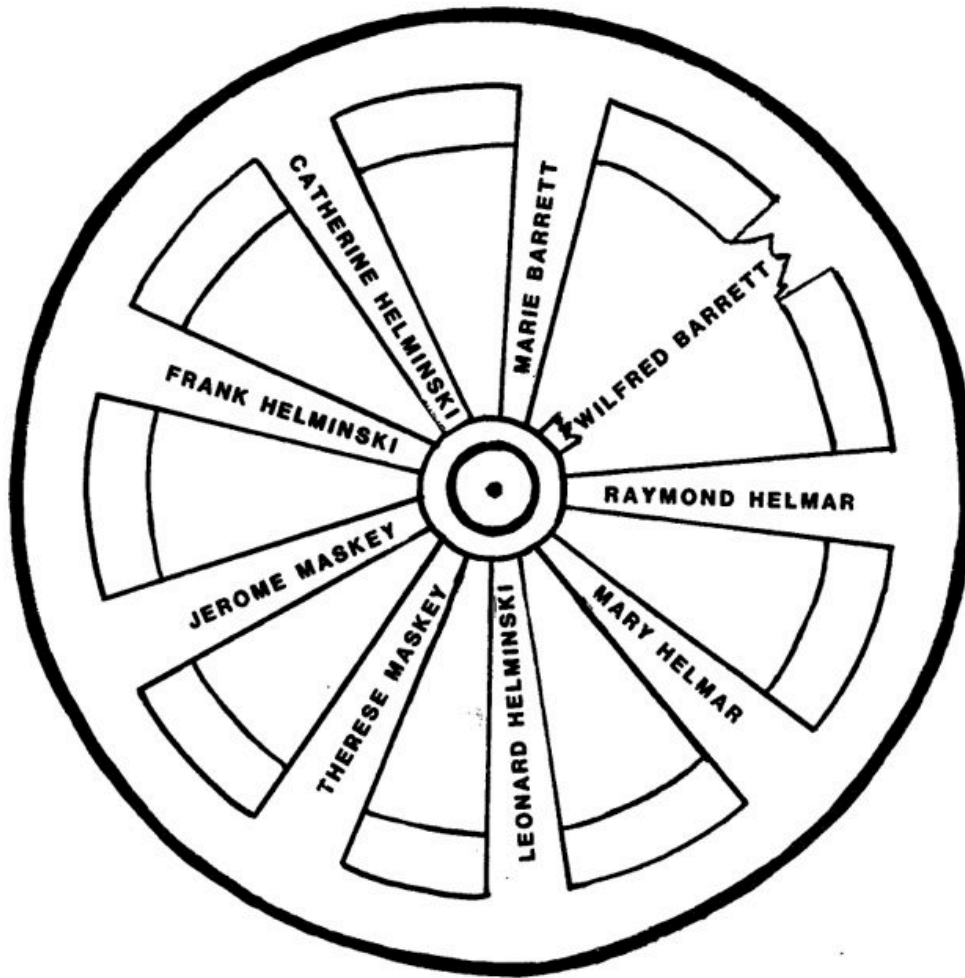
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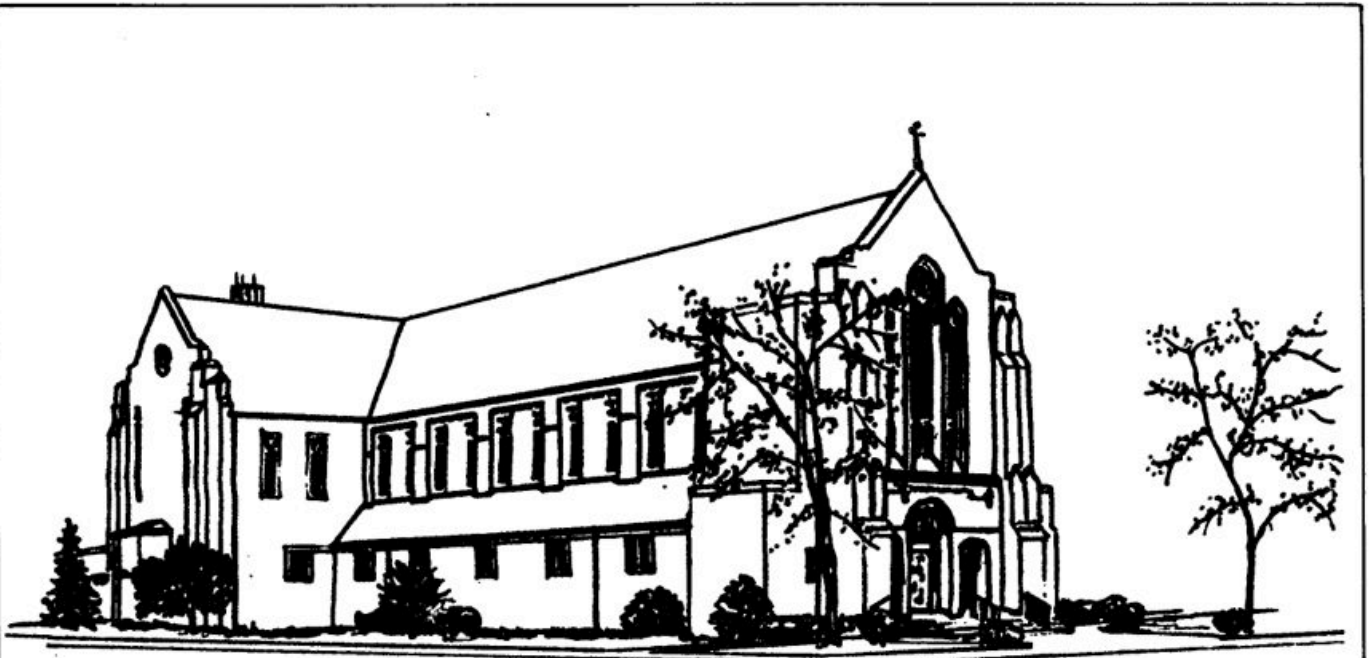
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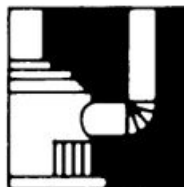
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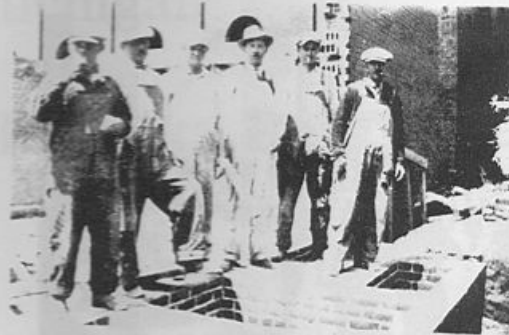
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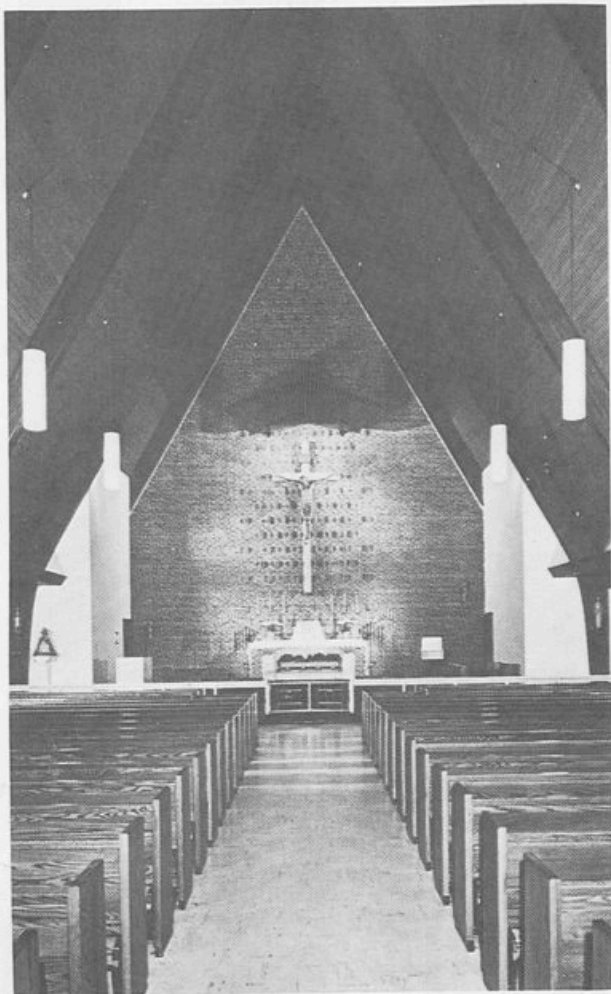
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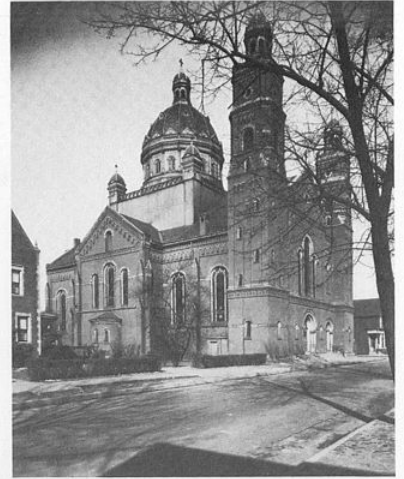
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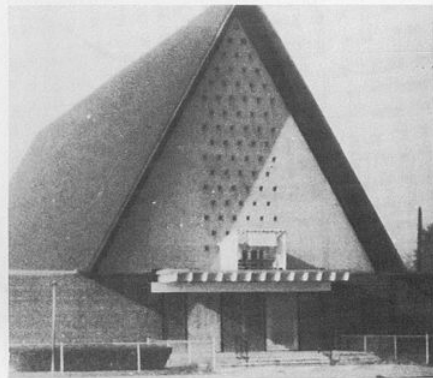




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**ALL:** *Lord hear our prayer.*

**LECTOR:** *For all the benefactors whose time, effort and financial aid have sustained the parish since its formation to the present; we pray to the Lord.*

**ALL:** *Lord hear our prayer.*

**LECTOR:** *For all the priests, sisters and lay leaders of the parish whose dedicated service has given witness to the presence of Christ in the community; we pray to the Lord.*

**ALL:** *Lord hear our prayer.*

**LECTOR:** *For all the members of the parish, both living and deceased, whose lives have been enriched for their participation in our parish life; we pray to the Lord.*

**ALL:** *Lord hear our prayer.*

**LECTOR:** *That God would continue to guide and bless St. Casimir's Community for many years to come; we pray to the Lord.*

**ALL:** *Lord hear our prayer.*

## LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

### PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS

Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation.  
Through your goodness we have this bread to offer,  
which earth has given and human hands have made.  
It will become for us the bread of life.

**People: Blessed be God forever.**

*Before placing the chalice on the altar, the priest prays quietly. If there is no singing, the priest may say this prayer aloud.*

Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation.  
Through your goodness we have this wine to offer,  
fruit of the vine and work of human hands.  
It will become our spiritual drink.

**People: Blessed be God forever.**

### PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

**CELEBRANT:** *Pray, brethren, that our sacrifice may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.*

**ALL:** *May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all His Church.*

### OFFERTORY PRAYER

**CELEBRANT:** *Receive our gifts, Lord, and may we who shared this sacrament experience the life and power it promises. We as this in the name of Jesus the Lord. Amen.*

**ALL:** *Amen.*

## *Eucharistic Prayer*

### PREFACE:

### EUCHARISTIC PRAYER III

Father, you are holy indeed,  
and all creation rightly gives you praise.  
All life, all holiness comes from you  
through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord,  
by the working of the Holy Spirit.  
From age to age you gather a people to  
yourself,  
so that from east to west  
a perfect offering may be made  
to the glory of your name.

And so, Father, we bring you these gifts.  
We ask you to make them holy by the  
power of your Spirit,  
that they may become the body †  
and blood  
of your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ,  
at whose command we celebrate this  
eucharist.

On the night he was betrayed,  
he took bread and gave you thanks  
and praise.  
He broke the bread, gave it to his  
disciples, and said:  
Take this, all of you, and eat it:  
this is my body which will be given  
up for you.

When supper was ended, he took the  
cup.  
Again he gave you thanks and praise,  
gave the cup to his disciples, and said:  
Take this, all of you, and drink from it:  
this is the cup of my blood,  
the blood of the new and everlasting  
covenant.  
It will be shed for you and for all  
so that sins may be forgiven.  
Do this in memory of me.

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

All:

**Christ has died,  
Christ is risen,  
Christ will come again.**

Father, calling to mind the death your  
Son endured for our salvation,  
his glorious resurrection and  
ascension into heaven,  
and ready to greet him when he  
comes again,  
we offer you in thanksgiving this  
holy and living sacrifice.

Look with favor on your Church's  
offering,  
and see the Victim whose death has  
reconciled us to yourself.  
Grant that we, who are nourished by  
his body and blood,  
may be filled with his Holy Spirit,  
and become one body, one spirit in  
Christ.

May he make us an everlasting gift  
to you  
and enable us to share in the  
inheritance of your saints,  
with Mary, the virgin Mother of God;  
with the apostles, the martyrs,  
(Saint N., the saint of the day, or the patron  
saint) and all your saints,  
on whose constant intercession we  
rely for help.

Lord, may this sacrifice,  
which has made our peace with you,  
advance the peace and salvation of  
all the world.  
Strengthen in faith and love your  
pilgrim Church on earth;  
your servant, Pope John Paul, our  
bishop N.,  
and all the bishops,  
with the clergy and the entire people  
your Son has gained for you.  
Father, hear the prayers of the family  
you have gathered here before you.  
In mercy and love unite all your  
children wherever they may be.

Welcome into your kingdom our  
departed brothers and sisters,  
and all who have left this world in  
your friendship.  
We hope to enjoy for ever the vision  
of your glory,  
through Christ our Lord, from whom  
all good things come.

Through him,  
with him,  
in him,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
all glory and honor is yours,  
almighty Father,  
for ever and ever.

All: Amen.

## Communion Rite

**CELEBRANT:** Let us pray with confidence to the Father in the words our  
Savior gave us:

Our Father, who are in heaven, hallowed be thy name;  
thy kingdom come; thy will be done on earth as it is in  
heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive those  
who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.

**CELEBRANT:** Deliver us, Lord, from every evil, and grant us peace in our  
day. In your mercy keep us free from sin and protect us  
from all anxiety as we wait in joyful hope for the coming  
of our Savior, Jesus Christ.

**ALL:** *For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,  
now and forever.*

**On the third day he rose again  
in fulfillment of the Scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the  
dead,**

**and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.**

**With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and  
glorified.**

**He has spoken through the Prophets.**

**We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.**

**We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.**

**We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

## Prayers of the Faithful

(Mr. John Indyk)

**LECTOR:** *Only in the Holy Spirit can we say that Jesus is Lord.  
Let us voice this truth, this Easter Faith;*

*That our hearts may be grateful for all the gifts of  
God that have been bestowed upon the people of  
God, Christ's community at St. Casimir's, from the  
early immigrants to the present members; we pray to  
the Lord.*

**ALL:** *Lord hear our prayer.*

**LECTOR:** *For our Holy Father, for bishops and priests, that the  
Lord may help them pastor his people with love,  
respect and faithful service; we pray to the Lord.*

**ALL:** *Lord hear our prayer.*

**GOSPEL**

**CELEBRANT:** *The Lord be with you.*  
**PEOPLE:** *And also with you.*  
**CELEBRANT:** *A reading from the holy gospel according to Mark.*  
**PEOPLE:** *Glory to Lord.*

**Mark 5, 18-20** (Rev. Thaddeus Ozog)

*As Jesus was getting into the boat, the man who had been possessed was pressing to accompany him. Jesus did not grant his request, but told him instead: "Go home to your family and make it clear to them how much the Lord in his mercy has done for you." As that the man went off and began to proclaim throughout the Ten Cities what Jesus had done for him. They were all amazed at what they heard. This is the Gosepl of the Lord.*

**HOMILY:**

*Rev. Thaddeus Ozog*

**PROFESSION OF FAITH (Stand)**

*We summarize our faith by proclaiming a creed handed down from the early Church.*

**We believe in one God,**  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is seen and unseen.  
**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,**  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made, one in Being with the Father.  
Through him all things were made.  
For us men and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven:  
by the power of the Holy Spirit  
he was born of the Virgin Mary, and became man.  
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered, died and was buried.

**SIGN OF PEACE**

*The Church is a community of Christians joined by the Spirit in love. The priest says the prayer for peace:*

Lord Jesus Christ, you said to your apostles:  
I leave you peace, my peace I give you.  
Look not on our sins, but on the faith of your Church,  
and grant us the peace and unity of your kingdom  
where you live for ever and ever.

**ALL:** *Amen.*  
**CELEBRANT:** *The peace of the Lord be with you always.*  
**ALL:** *And also with you.*  
**CELEBRANT:** *Let us offer each other the sign of peace.*

**BREAKING OF THE BREAD**

*Christians are gathered for the "breaking of the bread," name for the Mass used in the New Testament.*

*The people sing or say:*

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:**  
have mercy on us.  
**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:**  
have mercy on us.  
**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:**  
grant us peace.

**COMMUNION**

**CELEBRANT:** This is the Lamb of God  
who takes away the sins of the world.  
Happy are those who are called to his supper.  
*Priest and people (once only):*  
**Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,**  
**but only say the word and I shall be healed.**

## Prayer After Communion

**CELEBRANT:** *Father, you make you church in this community a sign of the new and eternal kingdom. By sharing in this sacrament may we continue to be signs of your presence and the home of your glory. Grant this in the name of Jesus, the Lord. Amen.*

**ALL:** *Amen.*

**CELEBRANT:** *The Lord be with you.*

**ALL:** *And also with you.*

**CELEBRANT:** *May almighty God bless you, the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.*

**ALL:** *Amen.*

**CELEBRANT:** *Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.*

**ALL:** *Thanks be to God.*

*O God give me Serenity to accept what cannot be changed,  
Courage to change what can be changed and your  
Wisdom to know one from the other.*



### FIRST READING: Is 63, 7-9 (Mr. Frank Zaorski)

*The favors of the Lord I will recall, the glorious deeds of the Lord, because of all He has done for us; for he is good to the house of Israel, He has favored us according to His mercy and His great kindness.*

*He said: They are indeed my people, children who are not disloyal; So He became their savior in their every affliction.*

*It was not a messenger or an angel, but He Himself who saved them. Because of His love and pity He redeemed them Himself, lifting them and carrying them all the days of old.*

**This is the Word of the Lord**

**PEOPLE:** *Thanks be to God.*

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM

### SECOND READING: Col 3, 12-17 (Ms. Virginia Naruszewicz)

*Because you are God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with heartfelt mercy, with kindness, humility, meekness, and patience. Bear with one another, forgive whatever grievances you have against one another. Forgive as the Lord has forgiven you. Over all these virtues put on love, which binds the rest together and makes them perfect. Christ's peace must reign in your hearts, since as members of the one body you have been called to that peace. Dedicate yourselves to thankfulness. Let the word of Christ, rich as it is, dwell in you. In wisdom made perfect, instruct and admonish one another. Sing gratefully to God from your hearts in psalms, hymns, and inspired songs. Whatever you do, whether in speech or in action, do it in the name of the Lord Jesus. Give thanks to God the Father through Him.*

*This is the Word of the Lord.*

**PEOPLE:** *Amen.*

**ALLELUIA**

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## *Eucharistic Celebration*

### **THEME:**

*Dedication to Thankfulness*

### **ENTRANCE HYMN**

### **PENITENTIAL RITE**

### **GLORIA IN EXCELSIS**

Glory to God in the highest,  
and peace to his people on earth.

Lord, God, heavenly King,  
almighty God and Father,  
we worship you, we give you thanks,  
we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,

Lord, God, Lamb of God,  
you take away the sin of the world:  
have mercy on us;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:  
receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One,  
you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High,  
Jesus Christ,

with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father.

Amen.

### **OPENING PRAYER:**

*Father, you called your people to be your church. As we gather together in your name, we thank you for the spirit who guided us through these past one hundred years. May we love, honor and follow you to eternal life. Grant this through our Lord, your Son, Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.*

**ALL:**            *Amen.*