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Erected 1895



One of the most beautiful architectural yet one of the simplest churches on the northwest side of Wauconda, Illinois, is the Transfiguration Catholic church at Wauconda.

More Than Century Old

Erected during President Grant's administration by a predominately Irish congregation, the church's history goes back to 1841 when a Father Guegen built a worshipping place of logs not far from the present site. The original church was called St. John's.

Many immigrants from the "auld sod" of Ireland who lie buried in the old cemetery tilled farms while Indians of the Pottawatomie, Ottawa, and Chippewa tribes still roamed the remoter areas.

Their names now etched in headstones are Whalen, Courtney Daylin, Doyle, Finnegan, Grace, Murphy Mullin, and Martin.

The present church was erected in 1875 by the Rev Jeremiah O'Neill. The present pastor, the Rev John J. Milligan, has added his architectural contribution to those of his predecessors. A new door installed in 1945, includes tiny windows in the form of a V, symbolic of victory in World War II.

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Transfiguration Convent under
 construction Paul Balmes and his son
 James were the main carpenters Other
 parishioners helped



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NEW SCHOOL OPENS TODAY

Wauconda's new educational institution, the Transfiguration Parochial school, opened this morning with 64 pupils enrolled in six grades. One classroom accomodates 35 first and second graders and the other has 29 children in the third, fourth, fifth and sixth grades.

The new school is modernly equipped with desks and chairs of late design manufactured at the Arlington Heights Seating Co. Flourescent lighting is installed throughout the building. A lunchroom is located in the basement of the two-story structure, with classrooms on the ground level floor and convent on the second floor. All grades will use Archdiocesan approved textbooks. Classes will be held from 9 a. m. to 3 p. m. daily.

Faculty members are to be as follows: Sister M. Herlinda, principal; Sister M. Janice and Sister M. Lioba, Franciscan Sisters or Daughters of the Sacret Hearts of Jesus and Mary. These staff members come from the Mother house, Our Lady of the Angels, located on Roosevelt highway about three miles west of Wheaton, Ill. They may be contacted from 3 p. m. to 9 p. m. by phoning Wauconda 5331.

On Sunday afternoon beginning October 3, the Sisters will conduct religious classes for children unable to attend Parochial school. These classes will be held in the school and are open to upper grade and high school students.



Rev John Mulligan - Pastor
Sister M Herlinda - Principal & Teacher
Sister M Lioba - Conv. Cook
Sister M Janice - Teacher



Sister M Herlinda 1948



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Special Announcements:

The St. Mary's Sodality are extending an invitation to all the ladies of the parish to see a free movie tomorrow night in the rectory basement. The movie is depicting the life and work of the Medical Mission Sisters in India. Come Ladies, and bring your friends!

Next Sunday the Ladies of the St. Mary's Sodality will receive Holy Communion at the 8 o'clock Mass.

Saturday is the first Saturday, Our Lady of Fatima's special day. If you have not started you five first Saturdays yet this week would be a good time to start.

The school play, "Shamrocks for St. Patrick", turned out to be a success. Net proceeds will come to about \$500.

The T.S.C. are sponsoring a Bake Sale on the 8th of the month. This is Holy Saturday and a very good opportunity to select your pastries for Easter.

Masses for the Week

Mon.....Low Mass for Recovery of a Parishioner
Tues.....High Mass for Dr. James O'Herrin
Wed.....Low Mass for Vera Maiman
Thurs.....Low Mass for Gertrude Mees
Fri.....Low Mass for Margaret Link
Sat.....Low Mass for Sisters' intentions (in convent)

Thought for the week:

Many sins are forgiven her because she has loved much.

Mass Servers for the Week

Sun. 8 o'clock, Bill Graham and Bert McDermott
Sun. 10 o'clock, Peter & Philip Strohl
Mon. & Tues., Charles Cousar & Michael Rogers
Wed. & Thurs., Bill Weinberg & Curtis Kennebeck
Fri. Bobby Graham & Dennis Freund

Adult instruction class is held every Sunday afternoon from 2 to 3 in the school.

Lenten services are held every Wednesday and Friday evening at 7:45. If there are any questions you would like to have explained regarding Faith and Morals you may place it in the Question Box in the rear of the Church.

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