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SAINT PATRICK'S PARISH

1838



DEDICATION OF THE  
NEW ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH  
MAY 18, 1919

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### THE REVEREND FATHER PATRICK W. DUNNE.

In January, 1886, Father Patrick W. Dunne was transferred from St. Mary's of this city, to the charge of St. Patrick's, which had become vacant at the death of Father Power. Father Dunne had the pleasure of celebrating the Golden Jubilee of the Parish in 1889. Finding that the church was in a run-down condition, Father Dunne at once set to work to renovate and remodel it; he lowered the floor, thus giving the church an aspect far more practical and beautiful. There was a crying need of a modern parochial school and Father Dunne at once undertook to construct what has been called the Marquette School. At present, the Christian Brothers occupy this building, under the name of "The De LaSalle Institute." A course of commercial and high school work is open to all graduates from grammar school.

Father Dunne put the Ladies of Loretto in charge of his new school and for many years these noble women gave forth their best efforts in the training of the hearts and minds of their numerous pupils.

Father Dunne was born in Watertown, Wisconsin, on March 4th, 1852. He studied in St. Mary's Seminary, Baltimore, and was ordained by Cardinal Gibbons in 1879. The excellent work of his administration in this parish from 1886 to 1911 is well known and appreciated by the people of Joliet. In 1911, Archbishop Quigley appointed Father Dunne Permanent Rector of St. James' Parish in Chicago and also conferred on him the dignity of Diocesan Consultor. Archbishop Mundelein has also made Father Dunne one of his advisors.

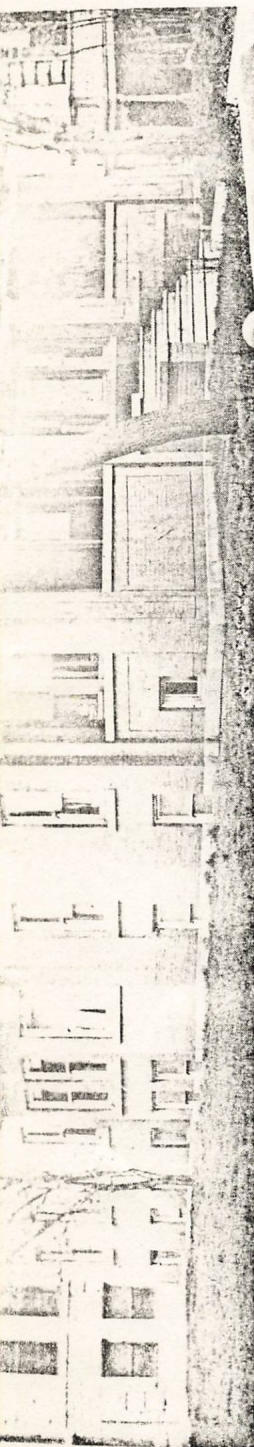
### THE REVEREND DOCTOR DENNIS J. DUNNE.

The Reverend Doctor Dennis J. Dunne, at present Assistant Chancellor of the archdiocese of Chicago, is a well known priest in Joliet and especially in St. Patrick's. At the time of his ordination to the priesthood in 1901, the parishioners felt as proud of the event as they would have rejoiced had Doctor Dunne been one of them all his life. Doctor Dunne was Assistant to his brother for a short time when he was called to fill an important chair in the Cathedral College. Archbishop Mundelein appointed him to his present position in 1916.

### THE REVEREND FATHER THOMAS O'BRIEN.

For fifteen years there was one figure in St. Patrick's the sight of which put happiness and pleasure in the heart of both young and old. His approach to the sick-bed brought relief and ease, his advice and priestly counsel in the confessional renewed the courage and faith of the sin-worn penitent, perfected the holiness of the pious. His presence in the school rooms was cause for relaxation of discipline, while the little ones, whom he loved dearly, drank in the sunshine of his ineffable smile and imbibed the truths of religion which he imparted so well.

THE OLD RECTORY





## MEMBERS OF ALTAR AND ROSARY SOCIETY—CONCLUDED.

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| Mesdames:         | Mesdames:          | The Misses:       |
| Frank J. Carroll  | John Limacher      | Katherine O'Leary |
| John Kaffer       | Daniel Fitzpatrick | Mary O'Leary      |
| Joseph B. Wallace | John W. D'Arcy     | R. McCarthy       |
| John Calais       | William Werner     | Anna Gunn         |
| L. A. Kennedy     | James A. Powers    | M. O'Callahan     |

## THE YOUNG LADIES' SODALITY.

At an early date in the history of St. Patrick's, the Young Ladies formed this Sodality as a means of promoting the many interests that concern the spiritual growth of piety and religious fervor of each of its members. The Sodality also aims to further social life among the Sodalists.

## OFFICERS:

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| Miss Mary Ley.....      | President |
| Miss Frances Regan..... | Treasurer |
| Miss May Scully.....    | Secretary |

## THE DOMINICANS IN SAINT PATRICK'S.

In the fall of 1914, the Dominican Sisters began their work in Joliet, and the school in which their initial endeavors were expended was Saint Patrick's. The Sisters of Detroit, who for years had had charge of several schools in the city were recalled to their motherhouse in Canada and in consequence, the late Archbishop Quigley, having become familiar with the excellent work done by these Dominicans in the many schools under their charge in the Chicago Archdiocese, referred the vacancies of Saint Patrick's and the Sacred Heart Schools to the Reverend Mother Camilla, Provincial of the house at Adrian, Michigan, requesting that Sisters from that house be sent to Joliet to continue the work so well done in both these schools. In consequence eight Sisters of the order of St. Dominic, accompanied by the Reverend Mother arrived in Joliet, August 16th, 1914, to begin their work in Saint Patrick's School.

The first community consisted of the following: Sister M. Ambrose, Sister M. Loretta, Sister M. Rosena, Sister M. Winifred (died July 15th, 1915), Sister M. Kevin, Sister M. Gerard, Sister Marie Therese and Sister Francis Xavier. The work in the Parish school was undertaken with great earnestness and zeal, the Reverend Mother herself remaining two weeks and directing and assisting in the new work. Under their charge, Saint Patrick's School, which had always borne a high reputation, made rapid advancement in scholarship and soon took its rank among the leading educational institutions of Joliet.

In connection with the work of the Sisters of the Order of Saint Dominic in the parochial school, a sketch of the establishment and growth of the Adrian Community is of timely interest. This house has enjoyed the

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September 14th, 1842, we find the following:

"Martin H. Demmond and wife  
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Lot 1, Block 20, West Juliet. The consideration being \$1.00 and no conditions expressed."

The Most Reverend James J. Keane, D. D., the present Archbishop of Dubuque, Iowa, was baptized in St. Patrick's Church.

The Right Reverend John McMullen, for many years the chancellor of the Diocese of Chicago and later Bishop of Davenport, Iowa, received his First Holy Communion in St. Patrick's Church, December 25th, 1843.

Father Bernard Feeley, who died at Our Lady of Good Counsel Church, Chicago, in 1913, attended St. Patrick's School, whence he went to Niagara University for his classical and theological education. He was ordained August 29th, 1889.

The Reverend Francis Jones, at present Pastor of St. Thomas Aquinas Church, St. Louis, Missouri, and official for many years on the Seminary Board, was before his ordination in 1887, a member of this Parish.

Father Martin McAvoy, for many years a faithful altar-boy under Father Dunne, was ordained to the priesthood in 1905.

Father Thomas Walsh, also one of Father Dunne's boys was ordained priest in 1903. He had made a brilliant course at St. Mary's Seminary, Baltimore, and when Archbishop Quigley was selecting a corps of professors for his new Cathedral College, he sent Father Walsh to Rome to take a post graduate course. On his return, Father Walsh took up his duties in the College. He died in 1908.

Among the young ladies of the Parish who entered the religious life we find the following:

Anna Jones, who became Sister Columbia in the Ursuline Order at Arcadia, Missouri. She died May 14th, 1889.

Rose Mary Shearen, in religion Sister M. Olivia, was for many years Organist of the Children's Choir in St. Patrick's School; also at one time teaching third grade, which became the class of 1918. At present she has charge of the Musical course in St. Edmund's School, Oak Park, Illinois. Sister M. Olivia is a Dominican of the same Mother-house, as the Sisters of our school.

Viola Kelley, now Sister Mary Theresa, of the Ladies of Loretta, is in Sault Sainte Marie, teaching. She has been in the Order six years. Previous to her entrance into the Order she was Vice-President of St. Patrick's Young Ladies Sodality.

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Mary Bannon has arisen to distinction and a place of honor in the Order of the Ladies of Loretta. She teaches in their school in Englewood, Illinois. Mother Bernadine was also Vice-President of our Young Ladies Sodality before she joined the Loretta Sisters.

Olive McGuire is now Sister Callista, in the Ladies of Loretta, and teaches Music in their large school in Toronto, Canada.

Genevieve Wall entered the Order of the Ladies of Loretta in 1910, and as Sister Imelda is at present teaching in St. Bride's School, Chicago.

In 1907, Mary Clark joined the Ladies of Loretta. Her new name is Sister Saint Vincent. She is attached to the teaching staff in Guelth, Canada.

Bessie McNaughton joined the Holy Cross Order. She is now Sister M. Inecetta, and a teacher in Saint Theresa's School, Boise, Idaho.

Cecilia Conroy at present Sister Thomasina is to be seen in the Mercy Hospital, going about tending the sick and feeble.

It is interesting to note that from November 23rd, 1838, up to May 4th, 1919, the Sacrament of Baptism has been administered to 5366 children.

### RING, OH RING!

Ring, oh, ring! Ye beautiful festive bells!  
Tell the gladsome story!  
Tell the gladsome story!  
Sadness, too, your melody softly tells,  
For you break the ties which Old St. Patrick's held.  
Ring! ring! ring!  
With dear memories fond and treasured;  
Ring! ring!  
Deep our sighs as we part from you forever,  
Filled with cherished thoughts and hallowed dreams  
of past bright years.

Sing, oh, sing! This morning of joy appears;  
Welcome in its dawning!  
Welcome in its dawning!  
When to our King we offer with hopes and tears,  
Shrine so beautiful and pure and hearts sincere.  
Sing! sing! sing!  
For the soul is steeped in gladness,  
Sing! sing!  
Future years with their toll of joy and sadness,  
All shall center here 'tween sacred walls, St. Patrick's  
dear.

Anon.

*Written on the occasion of the removal from old St. Patrick's Church to the new.*



St. Patrick:

Philip, O.P.

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Claine, O.P.

St. Marie, O.P.

St. Anne, O.P.

St. John, O.P.

St. Joseph, O.P.

St. Marcel, O.P.

St. Green, O.P.

St. Michael, O.P.

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## Priest and Religious From St. Patrick's

1840 - 1917

The Most Reverend James J. Keane, D.D., Archbishop of Dubuque, Iowa (1911 - 1929) was baptized in St. Patrick's Church.

The Most Reverend John McMullen, D.D., Bishop of Davenport, Iowa (1881 - 1883) received First Holy Communion, December 25, 1843.

Father Lawrence Ethard

Father Francis Jones

Father Bernard Feeley

Father Thomas Walsh

Father Martin McAvoy

Sister Columbia Jones, O.S.U.

Sister Mary Theresa Kelley, I.B.V.M.

Sister Callista McGuire, I.B.V.M.

Sister Imelda Wall, I.B.V.M.

Sister St. Vincent Clark, I.B.V.M.

Sister Theresina Conroy, R.S.M.

Sister Marietta McNaughton, C.S.C.

Sister Basil King, O.S.F.

## Priest and Religious from St. Patrick's

1917 - 1960

Rt. Rev. Msgr. Joseph Lux

Rev. Bernard Burns

Rev. Robert Madden

Rev. Edward McCarthy, S.J.

Rev. James Kelley, C.S.V.

Rev. Robert Carey, C.S.V.

Rev. John Kloefer

Rev. Theodore Berst

Rev. Joseph Marco, O.S.M.

Rev. Glen Ochs

Rev. Bernardine Kangley, O'Carm.

## Seminarians

Frater Otto Schwitzer, O'Carm.

Frater Rory Welch, O'Carm.

Brother Henry Zeigler, O'Carm.

Brother Joseph G. Steed, O'Carm.

Martin Gabel—Quigley

Robert Wheeler—Quigley

Thomas Anderson—Quigley

Thomas Kewley—Passionist

John Burns—Servite

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