**A Brief History**

**Of**

**Holy Spirit Parish Church Building**

**Millvale, PA**

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*In 1914 Church Dedication Book by*

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1. **Rev. Father Michael Dangelzer-Vision of a New Worship Site**

Father Michael Dangelzer had a vision for the parish to build a new church. Each year, by prudent management of capital, and with investment of new revenue, the building fund was increased, such that in January 1, 1912, the handsome sum of $52,289.00 was raised.

Unfortunately Fr. Dangelzer fell ill in October of 1912 and passed away on November 3rd, 1912.

1. **Rev. Father Louis Spannagel-Building of the New Church**

Rev. Father Louis Spannagel followed Father M. Dangelzer, on November 11th, 1912.

Almost immediately after his arrival, he had to get to work with the building of a new church, because even with four Masses every Sunday, the old church turned out to be too small to accommodate the parish, which had now grown up to 650 families. The Rev. Mr. Bishop Canevin was delighted to give his permission to build this new church. On March 9, 1913, the parish elected a building committee consisting of the following gentlemen: Joseph Balker, Ignatz Guentner, J.P. Kress, Frank Pschirer, Peter J. Ritter, Ambrose Sirlin and Louis Spreng. On the second Sunday after the election , the committee convened and chose Rev. Father Spannagel as President, Peter J. Ritter as Vice-President and J.P. Kress as Secretary. The highest merit must be acknowledged to all the members of the building committee, because all managed their often arduous and responsible duties with the greatest diligence, and all worked well together in unity up to the time for the completion and dedication of the church.

Since Rev. Father Dangelzer had already contracted Architect John T. Comes from Pittsburgh to draw up the plans for the new church, he again, was assigned to design the new plans. After much deliberation, his final proof drawings were approved, and the contract for the construction of the church and the associated rectory closed on April 14, 1913. Mr. John T. Comes would receive a commission of 5 percent for his work. It was further decided to first build the foundation during the year 1913, and then continue the work on the upper-structure early in 1914. And so it happened. The contract for the foundation was handed over to Mr. H. L. Kreuzler of Pittsburgh for $14,967.40, and was executed under the direction of Mr. Joseph Pfendler from Millvale. The work for the ground floor of the church and the connected rectory started on June 1, and was completed on December 1, 1913.

During the winter, five bids for the construction of the upper-building were received, and the contract for the same was handed over to Mr. Charles S. Sinith from Pittsburgh for $91,000. The work started on April 1, 1914.

The new church is 155 long and 60 feet wide and 80 feet wide at the transept. It has seating space for 900 people. The sanctuary is semi-circular, and behind it is an Ambulatorium, or walk-way, for the altar boys, so that they can go out of their sacristy to the Priest’s sacristy without passing in front of the high altar. This Ambulatorium is separated from the sanctuary by polished granite columns with marble capitals. The front of the church is on a new road, which connects the North Avenue and Howard Street. On the Bishops advice, the land parcel of 25 by 124 feet was purchased for $3,500.

There are three doors at the front of the church, and one on either side of it. There is also an entrance to the boys’ sacristy from North Avenue. There are no seats in the Transept. Therin are four confessionals and two chapels. There are also chapels on each side of the sanctuary as side altars. The Baptistry is in the left tower, and in the right tower is the entrance to the choir. The style of the church has been modified after the Spanish Renaissance style. The rectory is completely connected with the church by a corridor leading to the sacristy.

1. **Laying of the Foundation Stone**

The foundation stone was set on the 19th April, 1914. Despite the bad weather that day, many hundreds of people from near and far gathered in Millvale to witness the beautiful celebration of laying of the foundation stone for the new church, which was undertaken by the Rev. Bishop Canevin. The Celebration was launched with a parade through the main streets of Millvale. The school children, the first regiment of uniformed Knights of St. George, the other combined clubs of the church, the Holy Name of Jesus Society of St Anne Parish of Millvale, Department 39 of the Knights of St. George of Troy Hill, Division 50 of Etna., Division 9 of Sharpsburg, and Division 7 of the East End, as well as several delegations from clubs in other communities, marched in the parade. Many houses were decorated in papal and patriotic colors. The Rev. Bishop was received at the Millvale station, and then escorted to the parsonage in a festive procession. Mr. Heinrich Ufheil was chief marshal of the parade.

Shortly after 2:30 PM, the Altar servers and Clergy processed to the building site, escorted by the uniformed Knights of St. George and the building committee. Assisting in the Ground stone Laying Ceremony was Rev. Bishop P. Hehir, CSSp, president of Duquesne University, and Rev. Fr. Spannagel, CSSp. Then a tin box was bricked into the cornerstone, containing various coins, a history of the church, a copy of the “Beobachter” and “Observer”, and other newspapers and news reports. During the ceremony the church and boys’ Choirs sang “O Deus, Ego Amo Te” and “Quam Delecta”, in four parts, and “Laudate Dominum” and “Veni Creator” choraliter.

After the stone was laid, Rev. P. Otten, CSSp, gave the ceremony’s homily. Starting from the construction of Solomon’s Temple in Jerusalem, he showed why the Catholics build these magnificent temples and described the Catholic Church as the house of God and the gate of heaven. In conclusion, he congratulated the members of the church in this joyful celebration and the magnificent building that would be built to the glory of God, and encouraged the parishioners to work hand in hand with the pastor and help the completion of the new church.

The Rev. Bishop Canevin then gave an address in which he noted the growth of the Catholic Church. He commended the members of the Parish for their zeal and their generosity in the construction of the new church and praised highly the good work of the zealous rector, Rev. Fr. Spannagel CSSp.

Also present at the ceremony were the Rev. Fathers A. Lambing, Ranzinger, Keller, Mertel, Leo Meher and Rossmann, Rev. P. Richard, OSB, the Rev. Capuchins Pacificus and Anton, and the Rev. Holy Ghost Fathers Richert, Lee, Knaebel, Baumgartner, Rachwalski, Jaworski, Schabel and Schultz.

At the close of the impressive ceremony, the Right Reverend Bishop solemnly gave the episcopal blessing. Then the hymn, “Holy God, We Praise Thy Name” was sung.

1. **The Décor of the New Church**

After this merry event, which gave the most excellent impression on the members of the community, and fixed in them the enthusiasm for the noble cause, Fr. Spannagel thought the time had come to submit a special summons to the generosity of the community for the décor and facilities of the new church. For this reason, he printed cards with the image of the new church, and distributed them in the community. The success was great. The collected money rose in short time to the handsome sum of $13,922, certainly an eloquent witness of the generosity of our working people, especially considering the hard times in which we were living as a result of the European war.

While the contractors diligently proceeded with their work, the building committee did not remain idle. The architect John T. Comes was commissioned to prepare plans for the altars, pews, confessionals, communion rail, in a word, for the entire internal facilities. At the same time inquiries were made regarding heating, bells, organ, windows etc. Meetings of the building committee were held almost every week, plans and offers examined and discussed with the utmost care. And so, after careful deliberation, the contract for the five altars, the confessionals, the communion rail, pulpit and pews, was given to the well-known company Benziger Bros., for the sum of $10,530; the contract for the stained glass windows was given to the Highland Stained Glass Co. for the sum of $3,100; the contract for the organ was given to the Teller-Sommerhoff company from Erie for the sum of $3,500; the contract for three bells was given to the Henry Stuckstede Company from St. Louis for the sum of $1,094.95; the contract for the heating of the church, the school, and the rectory was given to the McGinnis Bros. from Pittsburgh for the sum of $7,034; the contract for the stations of the cross, the baptismal font, the holy water basins etc., was given to the Poli Bros Company from Pittsburgh for the sum of $600;the contract for the electrical lighting equipment was given to the Stinson & Kennedy Company from Pittsburg for the sum of $1,360; the contract for the building of the new street, the school steps, the sidewalks , the iron railings, etc., was given to the John Battenfield and Holland Company for the sum of around $5,000.

1. **Dedication of the Bells**

On April 24, 1915 the three bells arrived in Millvale from St Louis. The largest weighs 2,000 pounds and is named George, the second weighs 1,100 pounds and is called Maria, and the third weighs 700 pounds and is named Anton. On May 9, 1915, the consecration of bells took place at 2:30 PM. Numerous members of the congregation had gathered for this impressive ceremony. The reverend clergy, under the honorary escort of Company “F” of the uniformed Knights of St. George, processed from the parish church to basement of the new church, where the bells decorated with pretty flowers, had been placed. The members of Division 4 of the Knights of St. George built trellis. After the choir had sung “Veni Creator”, the Rev. Fr. Joseph Anton, OM Cap., gave an impressive sermon about the meaning of bells in the Catholic church, especially praising Division 4 of the Knights of St. George, who had donated three bells and then, as delegate of the Reverend Bishop performed the consecration. Rev. Fr. Otten CSSp., and Rev. Fr. Chrysostonius, O.M. Cap.., assisted as Levites and the Reverend Fathers of the Holy Spirit, Spannagel and Schabel were masters of ceremonies. Present also were the Rev. Frs. Ranzinger, Heller, Allachniewich and the Rev. Holy Ghost Fathers Lee, McDermott and Henry Schultz. Mr. and Mrs. Franz Dunsche are the god-parents of the largest bell, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Ritter, god-parents of the second, and Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Frederick, god-parents of the third. After the consecration of the bells, a marble statue of St. Anthony was consecrated, which was donated by the rector of the church, Reverend Fr. Spannagel, CSSp. that would tower over the main entrance of the church. The celebration concluded with the singing of the hymn “Grosser Gott”.

On the 10th of May, the bells were raised into the towers, and on Ascension Thursday, for the first time, the beautiful peal of the bells was heard from the towers of the new church.

1. **Dedication of the New Organ**

After the bells came the organ, which arrived in Millvale on June 8, and was immediately installed. It took some 10 days to complete the work. The consecration ceremony took place on July 4, at 2:30 in the afternoon. After the Procession of the Rev. Clergy into the church, Professor Johann Glomb played “Pilgerchor” from Wagner’s Tannhauser on the new organ, and afterwards the Church’s Men’s Choir sang “Veni Creator”. Rev. Father George M. Gunther held now a very poignant sermon on the fostering of the music in the church, on the history of church music and liturgical chant and the importance and role of the organ I the Catholic Church. The provincial of the Holy Ghost Fathers, Rev. Fr. Phelan, CSSp, presided over the dedication of the organ, assisted by Rev. Frs. Gunther and Spannagel. Rev Fr. Schabel CSSp., and Seminarian Muller were Masters of Ceremony. Present at the ceremony were the Reverend Fathers Ranzinger, Keller, and Leo Meyer, Rev. Fr. Andrew, O.M. Cap., and the Reverend Holy Ghost Fathers Lee, H. McDermott, Szwarcrok, Knabel, Schroffel, Kreutzkampf, Schwab and Schultz at the ceremony. After the Homily the choir sang “Jesu, Dulcis Memoria” by B.Kathe and then Professor Glomb gave an organ concert with the following program: “Phantasie” by Batiste: “Rosenkranz” by Nevie, “Die Allmacht” by Schubert;”Chaconne” by Durand and “Asa’s Tod” by Grieg. The magnificent rich tone and fineness of the new organ was brought to its full advantage at the concert. The organ has 21 registers and is equipped with the latest improvements.

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And now, after these three dedications of the cornerstone, the bells and the organ, we awaited with great anticipation the dedication of the church. Arrangements have been made for the great day of the Parish by the Most Reverend Bishop Canevin and set for August 1, 1915.

The Head Bishop of the diocese will make this consecration itself. Msgr. Herman Goebel will deliver the homily and the Rev. Father Provincial of the Holy Ghost Fathers, Father Eugene Phelan, will sing the solemn high mass. They will then be introduced in an impressive parade, in which all the clubs in the parish will participate under the command of Chief-Marshal Mr. Henry Ufheil.

1. **Closing.-List of the Benefactors of the New Church**

On February 1, 1914, Reverend V. Spannagel delivered the following summons to the members of the Parish:

“All those who would like to donate a lasting memorial in the new church, or make a special charitable donation to pay for the construction of the new church, are kindly requested to disclose this good will to the pastor. An album with a short history of the parish will perpetuate the names of the benefactors.”

This summons was generally well received, and with pleasure we announce the list of benefactors:

1-High Altar, donated by the Christian Mothers Society ……………………..$1,692.94

From the Altar Society…………………………………………………$1,147.50

2-Blessed Mother Altar, donated by the Girl’s Solidarity………………………. $675.29

3-St. Joseph Altar, donated by Leopold Rebel……………………………………$500.00

4-Heart of Jesus Altar, donated by Mr. Martin Hauk……………………………..$250.00

St. Anthony Altar donated by the following families:

5-Anthony Schumacher………………………………………………………… $100.00

6-St. Anthony Musical Society…………………………………………………… $50.00

7-C.M.B.A…………………………………………………………………………. $50.00

8-Anton Plomin …………………………………………………………………..$50.00

9-Anton Wirth……………………………………………………………………. $50.00

10-Communion Rail, donated by the Peter J. Ritter Family……………………. $960.00

11-The three bells, donated by Div. 4 of the Knights of St. George…………… $1,135.29

12-Heart of Jesus Window, donated by Miss Mary Kremmel…………………$1,000.00

13-Heart of May Window, donated by Geo Schafer Family……………………$225.00.

14-St. Joseph’s Window, donated by the R.J. Vogel Family……………………. $250.00

15-St. George’s Window, donated by Company F of the Uniformed Knights

 Of St. George………………………………………………………. $200.00

16-St. Gertrude’s Window, donated by the L.C.B.A……………………………..$375.00

17-St. Paul’s Window, Donated by the William Heilman Family…..................... $150.00

18-St. Peter’s Window, donated by the Peter Helbling Family……………………$150.00

19-St. Elizabeth’s Window, donated by Mrs. Maria Hauk………………………..$250.00

20-St. Aloysius Window, donated by the Peter Zepfel Family………………..… $150.00

21-St. Boniface Window, donated by the John Ebner and Magdelena Bauer

 Families………………………………………………………………$250.00

22-The Front Window, donated by St. Anthony’s Lyceum………………………..$500.00

23-St. Margaret Alocoque’s Window, donated by the Joseph Noffeck Family…. $100.00

24-St. Joanne’s Window, donated by the Joseph Mihlfriedl Family……………. $250.00

25-St. Theresa’s Window, donated by the Joseph Sippel Family…………………. $150.00

26-St. Anne’s Window, donated by the Joseph Frederich Family ……………… .$50.00

27-St. Francis Window, donated by Mrs. Franziska Peindl………………………. $100.00

28-St. Anthony Window, donated by Holy Ghost Fathers to the pious memory of

+ Reverend Michael Dangelzer……………………………………… $ 200.00

29-Clerestory Window 1, donated by the Ignaz Guetner Family…………………$50.00

30-Clerestory Window 2, donated by the Henry Ufheil Family…………………..$50.00

31-Clestory Window 3, donated by the George Kreutzer Family……………….. $50.00

32-Clestory Window 4, donated by Miss Anna Trapp……………………………$50.00

33-Clestory Window 5, donated by Mrs. Thekla Arndt……………………………$50.00

34-Clerestory Window 6, donated by Joseph Hoeffner Family……………………. $50.00

35-Clerestory Window 7, donated by the August Sippel Family………………… $50.00

36-Clerestory Window 8, donated by the Anton Wachter Family……………… …$50.00

37-Clerestory Window 9, donated by the Andreas Sirlin Family…………………..$50.00

38-Clerestory Window 10, donated by the Maria Kremmel Family………………..$50.00

39-Window in the Baptistry, donated by the Paul Erritz Family……………………$50.00

40-Marble Statue of St. Anthony, donated by Rev. Fr. Spannagel……………… $250.00

41-Two Holy Water Basins, donated by Miss Minnie and Catherine Staab………$100.00

42-Holy Water Basin on side entrance, North Avenue, donated by

 Magdalena Zior………………………………………………………$20.00

43-Holy Water Basin, on side entrance of the school, donated by

 Joseph Lohret Family………………………………………………..$20.00

44-Baptismal Font, donated by the George King Family………………………… $100.00

45-First Station of the Cross, donated by the Louis Wm. Schwab family…………. $50.00

46-Second Station of the Cross, donated by the August Sperling family………… $50.00

47-Third Station of the Cross, donated by the George Schmidt, Sr. family………..$50.00

48-Fouth Station of the Cross, donated by Mrs. J.P. Kress…………………………$50.00

49-Fifth Station of the Cross, donated by Louis Swab family………………………$50.00

50-Sixth Station of the Cross, donated by Peter Reiland family…………………....$50.00

51-Seventh Station of the Cross, donated by Franz Pschirer family……………… $50.00

52-Eighth Station of the Cross, donated by Ambrose Sirlin family…………………. $50.00

53-Ninth and Tenth Station of the Cross, donated by Henry Heck Family………..$100.00

54-Eleventh Station of the Cross, donated by Mr. J.P. Kress………………………$50.00

55-Twelfth Station of the Cross, donated by Mrs. Margaret Nosseck………………$50.00

56-Thirteenth Station of the Cross, donated by Mrs. Ida Bigler……………………. $50.00

57-Fourteenth Station of the Cross, donated by the Julia Bonsheri family…………$50.00

The Pulpit was donated by the following families:

58-The Felix Gless family…………………………………………………………$100.00

59-The Joseph Balker family………………………………………………………$50.00

60-The Remy Burgunder family……………………………………………………$50.00

61-The Henry Ehrlich family………………………………………………………. $50.00.

62-The Charles Herb family……………………………………………………… $50.00

63-The Fred Hoeltje family……………………………………………………… $50.00

64-The James Houlahen family …………………………………………………..$50.00

65-The Adam Hufnagel family……………………………………………………$50.00

66-The Rosa Knaus family…………………………………………………………$50.00

67-The John Mitesser family………………………………………………………. $50.00

68-The Nicholas Mihlfriedl family…………………………………………………$50.00

69-The Michael Ranker family…………………………………………………… $50.00

70-The Theodore Wolf family………………………………………………………$50.00

71-Confessional No. 1, donated by the Marian Children-Girl’s Division…………$344.00

72-Confessional No2, donated by the Marian Children-Boy’s Division…………..$232.00

Confessional No. 3, donated by the following families:

73-the Harry Zimmer family……………………………………………………..$100.00

74-the George Woestmann family …………………………………………………$50.00

75-the William Kruckewitt family…………………………………………………. $50.00

Confessional No. 4, donated by the following families:

76-the Franz Perl family…………………………………………………………$100.00

77-the Franz Sollinger family……………………………………………………..$50.00

78-the Martin Hoffarth family ……………………………………………………$50.00

79-Two Candelabras for the Organ Loft, donated by the Church Choir…………..$47.80

80-Eternal Lamp, donated by the school children…………………………………$100.00

81-Electric chandelier above the high altar, donated by the Joseph Bauer family…$50.00

82-Statue of the Loving Mother of God, donated by the Joseph Hoeffner family…$50.00

83-Statue of St. Anthony, donated by the Bernard Leshinsky family………………$50.00

84-Cross for the High Altar, donated by Mrs. Crescentia Ebner……………………$25.00

85-George Kreutzer, charitable gift…………………………………………………$25.00

86-the Louis Spreng family, charitable gift…………………………………………$25.00

87-the Philip Richard family, charitable gift………………………………………..$25.00

88-the Carl Mehrlich family, charitable gift………………………………………...$25.00

89-the Joseph Guentner family, charitable gift……………………………………...$25.00

90-the Nicholas Servatius family, charitable gift………………………………… $25.00

91-the Christ. Hoffarth family, charitable gift………………………………………$25.00

92-the George Schmidt Jr. family, charitable gift…………………………………..$25.00

93-the Margareth Wuenschel family, charitable gift………………………………..$25.00

94-the Philip Wittmer family, charitable gift………………………………………..$25.00

95-the the Isidore Schuck family, charitable gift…………………… …………….$25.00

96-the Maria Heilman, charitable gift……………………………………………….$25.00

97-the Josephine Gross family, charitable gift…………………………………… $25.00

98-the August Schmidt family, charitable gift………………………………………$25.00

99-the Joseph Korta family, charitable gift………………………………………….$25.00

100-the Wenzel Lohret family, charitable gift………………………………………$25.00

101-the nuns, charitable gift……………………………………………………… .$25.00

102-the John Finke family, charitable gift………………………………………….$25.00

103-the Paul Burgunder family, charitable gift……………………………………. $25.00

104-the Joseph Burgunder family, charitable gift…………………………………..$25.00

105-the Adam Peters family, charitable gift………………………………………..$25.00

106-the J.J. Mueller family, charitable gift…………………………………………$25.00

107-Henry Brueckner, charitable gift………………………………………………$25.00

108-Mrs. Bertha Brueckner, charitable gift…………………………………………$25.00

109-a benefactor, charitable gift…………………………………………………….$25.00

110-Collected by Joseph Fleishman, charitable gift………………………………..$25.00

111-the Joseph Nickel, Sr. family, charitable gift………………………………… $25.00

112-Mrs John Hufnagel, charitable gift……………………………………………..$25.00

113-the John Knaus family, charitable gift………………………………………….$25.00

114-the John Lohret family charitable gift………………………………………….$25.00

115-Lawrence Mihlfriedl, charitable gift……………………………………………$25.00

116-the Franz Anton Wagner family, charitable gift……………………………….$25.00

117-the Joseph Wieseckle family, charitable gift…………………………………..$15.00

118-the John Merdian family, charitable gift……………………………………….$15.00

119-the Xaver Kronschnabel family, charitable gift………………………………..$15.00

120-the John Mueller family, charitable gift………………………………………..$15.00

121-the Eugene Heck family, charitable gift……………………………………….$15.00

122-Leo G. Loughren, charitable gift……………………………………………….$10.00

123-the Severin Pfister family, charitable gift………………………………………$10.00

124-Miss Anna and Maria Selter, charitable gift……………………………………$10.00

125-the John Engelsiepen family, charitable gift………………………………… $10.00

126-Francis Spaar and Henry Sende, charitable gift………………………………..$10.00

127-the Michael Balbierer family, charitable gift…………………………………..$10.00

128-the Joseph Loftetter family, charitable gift……………………………………..$10.00

129-Albert Kress, charitable gift…………………………………………………….$10.00

130-Mrs. Maria Segebrook, charitable gift………………………………………….$10.00

131-Peter Kornely, charitable gift………………………………………………… $10.00

132-the Franz Kocher family, charitable gift………………………………………..$10.00

133-the Wendel Miller family, charitable gift………………………………………$10.00

134-the Jakob Lutz family, charitable gift…………………………………………..$10.00

135-the Joseph Ott family, charitable gift…………………………………………. $10.00

136-the Albert Steneck family, charitable gift………………………………………$10.00

137-the William Eichler family, charitable gift…………………………………… $10.00

138-the Michael Draxinger family, charitable gift…………………………………$10.00

139-the Joseph Hergenroeder family, charitable gift……………………………….$10.00

140-Mrs. Katherina Fisher, charitable gift………………………………………….$10.00

141-the Maria Ulrich family, charitable gift………………………………………..$10.00

142-the Peter Bollenbacher family, charitable gift………………………………….$5.00

143-the Jakob Osche family, charitable gift…………………………………………$5.00

144-the John Meyer family, charitable gift…………………………………………..$5.00

145-the Charles Koett family, charitable gift……………………………………… $5.00

146-the Michael Gabler family, charitable gift………………………………………$5.00

147-the Peter Bummer family, charitable gift………………………………………..$5.00

148-the Anton Breuer family, charitable gift…………………………………………$5.00

149-the John Meigel family, charitable gift………………………………………….$5.00

150-the Wenzel Kraus family, charitable gift……………………………………… $5.00

151-Mrs. Rosa Ulrich, charitable gift………………………………………………..$5.00

152-Joseph Randig, Sr., charitable gift………………………………………………$5.00

153-Mrs. Katherine Orth, charitable gift…………………………………………….$5.00

154-George Wachter, charitable gift…………………………………………………$5.00

155-the William Elder, Jr. family, charitable gift…………………………………….$5.00

156-the William Aufen family, charitable gift……………………………………….$5.00

157-Albert Gerwesky, charitable gift……………………………………………… $5.00

158-Wolfgang Kraus, charitable gift……………………………………………….. $5.00

159-the Peter Burk family, charitable gift……………………………………………$4.00

160-the Eugene Mehrlich family, charitable gift……………………………………..$3.00

161-the John Randig family, charitable gift………………………………………….$2.00

162-Miss Clara Boyer, charitable gift……………………………………………… $2.00

164-the Wenzel Baier family, charitable gift…………………………………………$2.00

165-Neabels’s Children, charitable gift………………………………………………$2.00

166-Doctor Theobald, Attorney……………………………………………………$100.00

167-George Bauer, Mayor………………………………………………………… $50.00

168-American Brewing……………………………………………………………..$25.00

169-Eugene G. Madden…………………………………………………………….$25.00

170-Eugene Madden………………………………………………………………..$25.00

171-Michael Randa………………………………………………………………….$10.00

172-Joseph Hauk……………………………………………………………………$25.00

173-Gotthard Zoglauer………………………………………………………………$25.00

174-the Haser family……………………………………………………………….$100.00

1. **Order of Sunday Service**

The way the Sunday Mass Schedule is held year round, provides a glimpse into the inner life of the church. Therefore, we want to follow these arrangements for the Sunday Mass schedule:

On Sundays at 6:00 A.M. is the first Holy Mass, only for those who must work

At 7:15A.M. is the second Holy Mass with a short homily

At 8:30 A.M. is the third Holy Mass for the school children and the Marian Children, with a short homily in English

At 10:00A.M. is the High Mass with Homily

At 1:00 P.M. are the Baptisms

At 1:45 P.M. is CCD for the Marian Children in the Church and the School Children in the School

At 2:30 P.M.-On the first Sunday of the Month, Devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus with Benediction. On the second Sunday of the Month, Devotion to the Blessed Mother of God with Benediction. On the third Sunday, Devotion to the Consolation of the Poor Souls in Purgatory with Benediction. On the fourth Sunday, vespers and Benediction.

Following are the schedule of standing conferences-On the first Sunday for Marian Children, on the second for the girls, on the third for the Christian Mothers, on the fourth for the members of the Holy Name of Jesus Society.

On Holy Days of Obligation, the Mass schedule is as on Sundays, only the first Mass for the workers is 5:30 A.M., the Mass at 10:00 A.M. will be held as a High Mass, CCD is omitted, and Vespers will be held at 7:30 P.M.

On week-days the first Holy Mass is at 6:30 A.M., the second is at 7:15 A.M., and the third is at 8:00 A.M., always attended by the school children.

**Special Devotions**

Every Saturday at 7:30 P.M. is praying of the Rosary and Litany of Loretto.

Every Tuesday evening at 7:30 is Devotion to St. Anthony with Benediction.

Every first Friday of the month at 8:00 P.M. is a Votive Mass to Honor the Most Holy Heart of Jesus, and afterwards, Devotion to the Childhood of Jesus with a short homily. Every evening at 7:30 is Devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, Heart of Jesus Litany, Consecration and Benediction.

During Lent, on Sunday evenings at 7:30 P.M., there is Benediction with a short homily in English; on Wednesday evenings at 7:30 P.M., there is Benediction with a short homily in German; on Thursday evenings at 3:30 P.M., there are Stations of the Cross for the school children; on Friday evenings at 7:30 P.M. there are Stations of the Cross with Benediction.

In the month of May are daily May devotions: Thursday and Saturdays, at 7:30 P.M., and on the remaining weekdays, right after the 8:00 Mass.

In the month of October, there is daily praying of the Rosary: on Sunday, Monday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday before the Blessed Sacrament with Benediction, and on the other days in the morning during the 8:00 Mass.

1. **The Assistants Since 1887.**

Rev. P. Breitenbach, C.S.Sp.

Rev. Donat Schloesser, C.S.Sp.

Rev. Joseph Sand, C.S.Sp.

Rev. Franz Olfen, C.S.Sp.

Rev. Johann Ruehl, C.S.Sp.

Rev. Peter Zell, C.S. Sp

Rev, Charles Willhelm, C.S. Sp

Rev, Emile Reibel, C.S. Sp.

Rev. James Richert, C.S. Sp.

Rev. Anton Thome, C.S. Sp

Rev. Joseph Schultz, C.S. Sp.

Rev. Ferdinand Kreutzkampf, C.S.Sp.

Rev. Francis Schabel, C.S.Sp.

1. **The Parish School**

The Parish School enrolls 293 boys and 270 girls, together enrolling 563 students. This number of students is divided into eight grades or classes:

First Grade-Sister Ottilia

Second Grade-Sister Christina

Third Grade-Sister Euphrasia

Fourth Grade-Sister Demetria

Fifth Grade-Sister Adelhaid

Sixth Grade-Sister Rita

Seventh Grade-Sister Imelda

Eight Grade-Sister Anita

The priests of the parish provide two hours catechism per week to each grade.

1. **A Fruit of Faith**

If an active life of faith is nurtured in a community, then the Holy Spirit will always ripen golden fruit from the tree of such a community: we mean the professions to the Priesthood and Religious Life. In the parish, there are many families in which daily life is built entirely on the teachings of the faith, and of these, the Holy Spirit has chosen a number of children to His special services:

1. Rev. P. Joseph Barth, Pastor of Our Lady of Lourdes Church, East Palestine, Ohio
2. Rev. P. Frank Schwab, C.S.Sp., Assistant at St. Scotland, Texas
3. Rev. P. John Huettel, Pastor of St. Boniface Church, Marion Church, Detroit, Michigan
4. Mr. Frank Mueller, Student of Theology at St. Vincent’s Seminary
5. Mr. Stephan Richard, Student at the Apostolic College, Cornwells, PA

The following have entered the Sisters of St. Francis, Mount Alvernia

1. Sister M. Olivia-Cecelia Christmann
2. Sister M. Felicia-Rosa Christmann
3. Sister M. Canisia-Eleonora Kress
4. Sister M. de Sales-Anna Schwab
5. Sister M. Concordia-Susanna Herron

Entered in to the Sisters of the Good Shepherd

1. Sister M. Cyrille-Anna Kern

**5. The Church Choir**

The Parish can, with all rights, be proud of their choir. The success has to be attributed to the artistic drive and the wise direction of conductor and organist, Professor John C. Glomb. The choir consists of nearly 30 members.

1st Tenor

John Guentner William Haser

Joseph Stauss O. Helbling

William Bruckner Aloy. Knaus

H. Rabanus P. Reiland

2nd Tenor

Joseph Guentner Michael Balbierer

Henry Bruckner John Lahm

Frank Stauss John Mitesser

Gustav Bigler Philip Wittmer

1st Bass

Edward Mertz George Guentner

George Lahm Anthony Guentner

2nd Bass

John Engelsiepen John Penn, Jr.

Louis Spreng Joseph Schneider

William Engelsiepen Edward Zepfel

Henry Moser Joseph Bauer