

*"O Maria! depositum custodi!"*

# *Tenth Annual Commencement of*

MOTHER OF SORROWS SCHOOL

Rochester, New York

REVEREND DANIEL B. O'ROURKE

Pastor

Class of 1956

THURSDAY EVENING, JUNE 21, 1956

8:00 P. M.

## *Church Program*

*Processional*

Mr. Donald Greenwell

*Hymn*

Regina Coeli

*Introduction of Graduates*

Reverend Daniel B. O'Rourke

*Awarding of Diplomas*

Reverend Raymond F. Moore

*Hymn*

Ave Maria, O Maiden, O Mother

*Address to Graduates*

Reverend Justinian Gilligan, C.P.

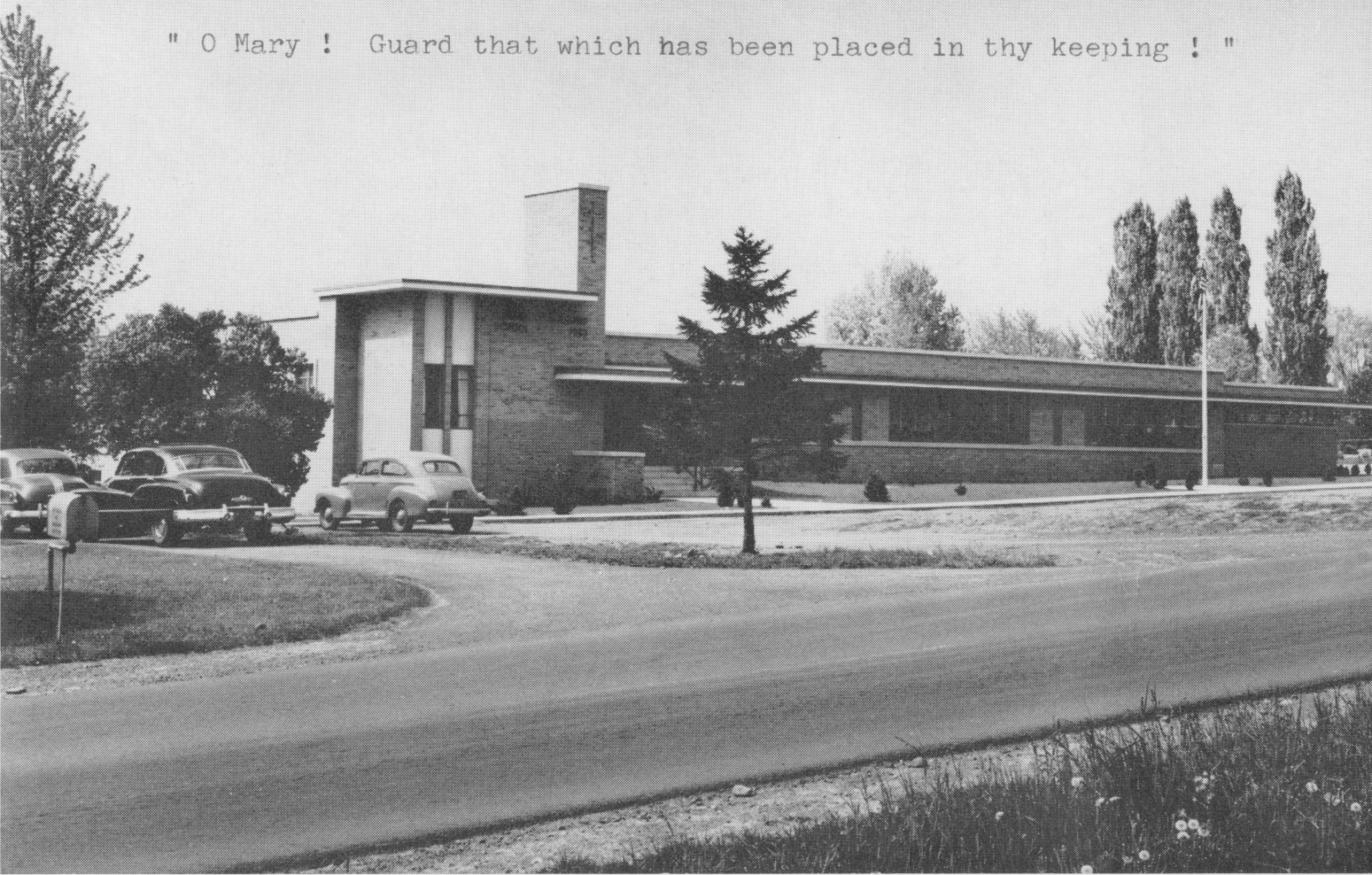
*Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament*

*Recessional*

Holy Mary

Translation of School Motto

" O Mary ! Guard that which has been placed in thy keeping ! "







Most Holy Father

The Rev. William J. Lynn

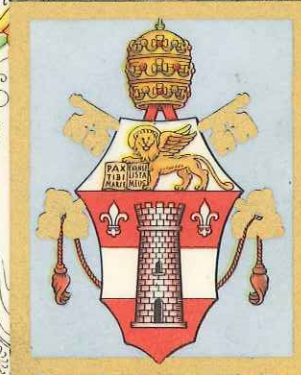
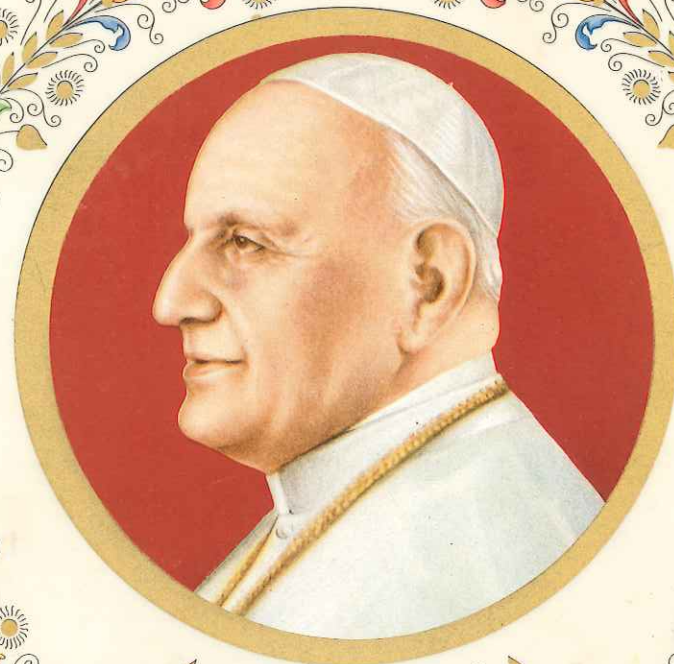
on the occasion of his Ordination to  
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for

The Sisters of Our Mother  
of Sorrows.

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ex Aed. Vaticanae die 21 Martii 1960.

*Admiri*

*Archiep. Adams*







**IT'S LOUD AND KLEHR**—The long-quiet bell in the tower of Mother of Sorrows Church in Greece is adjusted by Robert Klehr, who repaired it so it rings again.

## Couldn't Ring---But It Does!

### Tinsmith Fixes 86-Year-Old Bell in Church

An 86-year-old bell — which hadn't rung in years because it "couldn't be fixed"—rang out Sunday from the bell tower of Mother of Sorrows Church, Mt. Read Boulevard at Maiden Lane, Greece.

And now it will be rung each Sunday, 15 minutes before Mass, the Rev. George S. Wood, pastor, said.

The "impossible" repair job was a result of volunteer work started several weeks ago to repaint the parish hall.

**ROBERT KLEHR** of 26 Fal-lenson Drive, a tinsmith, installed new gutters prior to the paint job. He decided to clean and check all of the gutters on parish buildings and has been working ever since.

"I happened to mention to Bob that the bell didn't work and that someone had said years ago that it couldn't be fixed," Father Wood said.

"Bob said he didn't know anything about bells, but it made him mad to hear that any repair job was impossible."

Klehr said he climbed up to the bell tower and found that the huge bell wasn't even broken. Only the wheel to which a rope is attached to pull the bell was missing.

"I'd never seen the original wheel," Klehr said, "so I went to Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church on Joseph

Avenue, my old parish, and looked at the bell."

Then he fashioned a metal wheel on the same prinicpal.

"The first night we tried it, the pigeons and people in the area didn't know what was going on," Klehr said. He rang the bell himself before every Mass last Sunday —all nine of them from 7 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.

The bell is inscribed:

"My name is Mater Dolor-

oso (Mother of Sorrows). I was presented by the congregation and blessed by the Right Rev. B. J. McQuaid, first Bishop of Rochester, on the 19th of September, 1875."

The Feast of Our Mother of Sorrows is Sept. 15.

The other side of the bell carries the Biblical inscription, "All ye who pass by, see if you have any sorrow like unto mine."





**CHRISTMAS PREPARATION** — Sister Clare Francis leads the singing of Christmas hymns at the Mother of

Sorrows School. At right the fifth graders perform a play which they presented five times in one day.

# *A Time For Giving More*

## Sisters of St. Joseph Mark Christmas in Special Way

By EDWARD CLOOS JR.

For those who lead a life of giving, Christmas is the time of giving more.

The 11 Sisters of St. Joseph at Mother of Sorrows Church, the old Paddy Hill Catholic Church in Greece, prepare for Christmas the way nuns do in the dozens of convents in the Rochester area.

They enjoy the gift-giving fun. They enjoy the panorama of Christmas lights on the hundreds of homes they see from the windows of their convent.

But their physical and spiritual energies are turned to preparing themselves and, especially, the children they teach in school, for the sacred event that Christmas symbolizes.

THIS IS the way one of the Sisters expressed it:

"Sisters prepare for Christmas very much as they prepare for the coming of Christ every day in Holy Communion, but with an extra Christmas consciousness.

"The every-day gifts of pleasure and pain, sorrow and joy, work and play, are wrapped in the special Christmas wrappings of the Advent liturgy and aspirations expressed by the prophets of the Old Testament, pleading for the coming of the promised Redeemer."

IN THE SCHOOL, an Advent wreath, a tree, a Manger scene and decorations are tangible displays of Christmas spirit.

You can't see the "spiritual crib" each child has prepared under the guidance of a Sister. The "crib" is made of daily prayers, contemplation and acts of kindness to others.

Each class spends weeks preparing its Christmas drama, each telling the same story of the first Christmas in a special way. It was sung in a play in First Grade. The Fifth Graders added their own touches, then gave the play five times in the day—the extra times were for visitors.

The Eighth Graders sing for Midnight Mass, which ranks with the Easter Mass among the most impressive Catholic celebrations.

There are gifts from the class to their teacher.

IN THE CONVENT, preparations are at once busy and serene.

Sisters give gifts to members of their families, although not to one another. Those things they wish to purchase are listed for Sister Johanne Marie, the mother superior and school principal. She sees to the purchasing.

Some make things, perhaps a fruitcake or a needlework example. Perhaps a painting.

RESPONSIBILITY for preparing the Manger scene in church also falls to the Sisters. Decorations are placed in the convent too.

Extra reading and reflection give the hurrying a special quality.

Christmas Eve, the Sisters will retire as usual. They will be awakened in time for Midnight Mass by one of the Sisters who will play *Adeste Fidelis* on her violin.

AFTER MASS the Sisters will have their personal celebration. When they return to the convent for a breakfast, on the back of each chair at their recreation room table will be a stocking. In it will be small items needed for their room or work, provided in answer to a "Santa Claus letter" to Sister Superior.

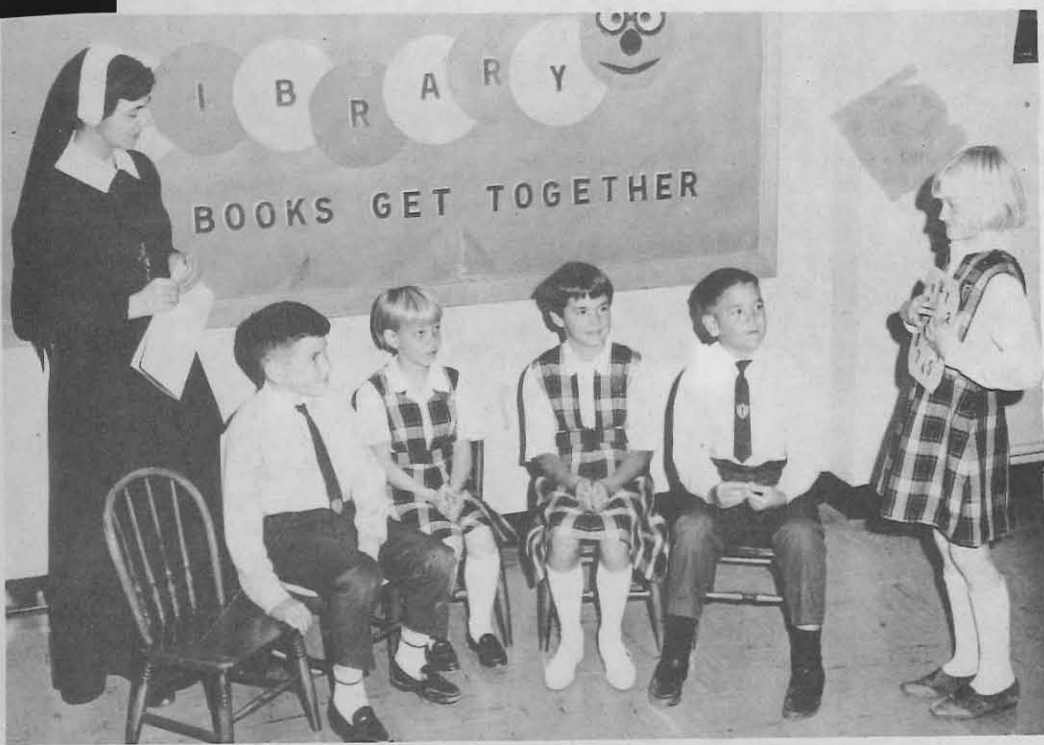
Usually they retire at a set time. On Christmas morning they may go to sleep when they want to and get up when they choose to. They will attend Mass, perhaps twice, and say their Holy Office of prayer on two occasions.

Christmas is the time for family visits to the convent and guests take over every spare space in the building.

Sisters get a Christmas vacation and may go home if they wish.



# Greece Parochial Schools Keep Active



THE FRENCH CLASS AT MOTHER OF SORROWS SCHOOL is learning to tell time. The teacher is Sister de Lourdes.



THE EXPERIMENTAL PROGRAM AT ST. JOHN'S finds Sister Francis Gerard and a group of junior high girls involved in a sewing class.

## St. Charles Borromeo

St. Charles Borromeo School was opened in 1926 and the first graduating class numbered five.

The school, under the direction of the Sisters of Mercy has 616 students at the present time. There are 10 Sisters, eight lay teachers, a full-time nurse, part-time librarian and part-time remedial reading teacher on the staff.

Eighth grade students have a flexible Wednesday afternoon schedule which enables the students to go on field trips, attend science labs, conduct Civic's Club assemblies, attend art classes and to hear visiting speakers.

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Primary department students have access to tape recorders and head sets to implement and supplement the phonics program. Sets are also used for practice in listening skills.

Extra-curricular activities include a basketball team, cheerleaders, school band, boy's choir and girl's choir. Plans call for a new library, school office, principal's office, gymnasium and locker rooms in the near future.

## Saint John Evangelist

In 1890, when Greece was small community, the first St. John the Evangelist School was opened and staffed by two Sisters of St. Joseph.

In the ensuing years, with the growth of the community, the school population grew until in 1952 Father Lux saw that it was necessary to add to the school building which had been constructed in 1949.

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At the present time the student enrollment is 675 with a faculty of twenty-two religious and ten lay teachers.

Besides the regular curriculum which meets the New

special classes in Home Economics, French, Music and Art.

The school which includes a central library and audio-visual center keeps abreast with the times by making use of new educational medias to advance the knowledge of its students.

## Mother Of Sorrows

Few schools in New York State have as interesting a beginning as Mother of Sorrows School. In September 1946, both the school and the convent were located in a converted farmhouse at 2153 Latta Rd. about a quarter mile west of the Church.

One of the present teachers, Miss Marguerite McShea, was a member of that first faculty. Classes at first were small but within two years a quonset hut was erected on property adjacent to the Rectory and equipped as a school. This continued to function as a temporary school until the erection of the present edifice in 1953.

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Present school enrollment is 700. The staff consists of 16 teachers, one special reading teacher, a music teacher, nurse, secretary, principal, plus several volunteer teacher aides.

Some of the outstanding programs include; Pupil Team learning, Team Teaching, Team Observation, French program for Grade Four, Tutoring of lower grade pupils by upper grade students.

## Our Lady Of Mercy

In the Fall of 1957, one hundred fifty first and second graders formed the entire student-body of the new Our Lady of Mercy School. Because the building, located on Denise Road, was still under construction, classes were held in Holy Cross School, Rochester. In February 1958,

grade was added to the program, and the first graduation was held in June 1964.

Sister M. Teresa Margaret, principal, has guided the school's scholastic growth from the beginning. Her administrative ability is evidenced in the school curriculum which meet both state and diocesan requirements, and the well-chosen extra curricular programs, which offer students a variety of activities.

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Interest in reading, at all levels, is sparked by a fine central library of over 3,000 volumes. The Junior Great Book Program, under the direction of Mrs. Marie Yost and Mrs. Betty Raymond, is in its second year.

## St. Lawrence School

Saint Lawrence School is the newest parochial school in Greece. In Sept. 1963 the first and second grades started in the parish hall which was used as a temporary school. The first through the fifth grade



JUNIOR HIGH STUDENTS OF OUR LADY OF MERCY SCHOOL are enjoying their "Animal Kingdom." Miss Norma D'Ambra is the science teacher.



FIRST GRADERS WITH SISTER MARY ROGER enjoy using headsets and tape recorder for developing audio learning and listening skills.



FIRST GRADERS LOOK FORWARD TO THEIR STORY HOUR with Mrs. John Coniff in the school library at St. Lawrence. Also on the session is Sister Marie Annette, first grade teacher.

entered the present building in September 1965. Presently the enrollment is 293 in grades 1-7.

The faculty consists of seven teachers, a supervising principal, and a special teacher for Junior High Science and the French program.

The library is becoming the focal point of activities. A part-time librarian and library aides make it possible for the students to use library facilities at any time during the day

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The curriculum meets the standards of New York State and is constantly under study by the Catholic Curriculum Committee. Curriculum is implemented through the use of various methods of instruction such as team-teaching pupil team learning and an individualized reading program.



# Mother of Sorrows Board Sets School Budget, Pay

By GORDON CHATHAM

Mother of Sorrows School Board has adopted a \$100,000 budget for 1967-'68 under a newly-ratified constitution empowering it to draw up budgets, set salaries, and hire and fire teachers.

It also has elected Thomas Maguire, 44 Paddy Hill Drive, chairman for the 13-member board's first year of operation.

The constitution designates Rev. George Wood, pastor, and Sister Laura, school principal, ex-officio members of the board, but denies them a vote.

It was passed April 6 at a meeting in the church's quonset hut. About 200 parishoners attended.

THE BUDGET covers all

operating expenses for next term and includes salary increases for lay teachers under a recommended pay schedule, the first such in the parish school's history.

Salary ranges, with 10 yearly increments separating the minimum and maximum figures, are as follows:

Teachers with bachelor's degree, \$5,150 to \$6,650; with bachelor's plus 30 graduate hours, \$5,450 to \$7,375; with master's degree, \$5,600 to \$7,550.

Three lay teachers will be hired for 1967-68 to fill expected vacancies. Male teachers will be considered as well as women. The current faculty consists of women only.

The 1967-68 staff is expected to include seven sisters and nine

lay teachers in addition to the principal.

METHODS of funding the school operation are being investigated, according to Francis Pierce, 74 Clardale Drive, the board's public relations chairman. Questionnaires will be distributed to parishoners to get their views on the subject, he said.

Currently, a family with children in Mother of Sorrows School is assessed \$50 a year whether the family has one or several youngsters in the school.

Election of permanent officers to replace those named earlier on a temporary basis was among the board's first constituted acts. Serving with Maguire are:

John McGuire, 1441 Beach

Ave., vice chairman, and Mrs. Mary Jo Marianetti, 371 Leonard Road, secretary.

Matt Cornelia, 978 Rumson Road, was named to head the budget committee. Larry Garfield, 222 Courtly Circle, was appointed chairman for personnel.

Among the board's current projects is a study to ways to broaden and strengthen the school's science program.



# Greece Parish School Board Candidates Named

Mother of Sorrows Parish has named 26 candidates for its lay School Board to be elected by parishioners Jan. 14.

The 13-member board will be the first Catholic board elected in Greece. It will include one member from each of the parish's 10 districts and three elected at large.

Candidates are:

**District 1**—John McGuire, 1441 Beach Ave., and Francis Wischmeyer, 199 Edgemere Drive.

**District 2**—Raymond Gendron, 148 Lake Meadow Drive, and Elmer Henrietta, 165 Lake Meadow Drive.

**District 3**—Robert Feeney, 1885 Latta Road, and Louis Saviano, 1944 Latta Road.

**District 4**—John Law, 260 Kirk Road, and John Werner, 649 Long Pond Road.

**District 5**—Jack Sixbey, 50 Picturesque Drive; Eeric P. Smith, 220 Picturesque Drive.

**District 6**—Matthew Cornelia, 978 Rumson Road, and James Curtis, 968 Rumson Road.

**District 7**—John Flynn, 106

Helenwood Road, and Francis Pierce, 74 Clardale Drive.

**District 8**—Alfred Friedrich, 106 Foster Road, and Mrs. Mary Jo Marianetti, 371 Leonard Road.

**District 9**—Jack Hetzler, 474 Eileen Drive, and Michael Laporta, 96 Eileen Drive.

**District 10**—Mrs. Dorothy Flanagan, 4071 Mt. Read Blvd., and Lawrence Garfield, 444 Courtly Circle.

**At Large**—Robert Brown, 2382 Edgemere Drive; Al Jones, 310 Kirkwood Road; James Kofron, 123 El Mar Drive; Tom Maguire, 44 Paddy Hill Circle; Edward Sexton, 40 Arcadia Parkway; James Sucy, 1575 Latta Road.

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**A PROGRAM** for meeting the candidates will be held in the chapel at 7:45 p.m. next Wednesday, Jan. 12. Each candidate will speak briefly on why he wants to be a board member, programs in which he is interested, the traditions he would like kept and the changes he would like made.

Voting will be in the chapel from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. All parish members 21 or older are eligible to vote and any spouses who are not parish members also may vote.

"We indent to be truly democratic and ecumenical," states a parish announcement accompanying hte list of candidates.

As to the type of board sought for the parish, the announcement asserts:

"We don't want 'Yes Men.' We want a truly representative cross-section of the parish democratically elected—people with differing views so the problems we face in our school can be met squarely with a hope of success."

# Book Bills Seen Going To Parents

The cost of education could go up for parents of parochial school pupils, if books ordered under the defunct state textbook law are not made available free of charge.

Parochial schools, generally, found themselves facing a possible fiscal crisis when the State Supreme Court ruled the law unconstitutional.

Among them is Mother of Sorrows in Greece which has ordered some \$2,000 worth of books through Greece Central School District for some 180 Mother of Sorrows seventh and eighth graders.

And, according to principal Sister Laura, if the books are not forthcoming as anticipated, "we may have to ask the parents to pay . . . We cannot afford, in our budget, to pay for these textbooks."

Parents of the school's pupils now pay a \$10 fee to cover supplies and other materials. The school might have to ask them to pay another \$10 to \$15 per pupil to cover the textbooks on order, Sister Laura said.

The law under which these were ordered provided that textbook costs would be reimbursed by the state up to an average of \$15 per pupil in grades 7 through 12.

Now that the law has been invalidated, the school districts are faced with the question of who's going to foot the bill for the books ordered for non-public schools.

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AT MOTHER OF SORROWS, Sister Laura contended "We need the books . . . we didn't order anything we didn't need."

She added that, thankfully, "I didn't throw out our old books." However, if the new books aren't given the school, "I'm still going to have to buy books."

The school's 1966-67 educational program, she reported, will include a new geography class for the eighth grade and a new science course for the seventh and eighth.

Books for these courses were ordered under the textbook law. Books for a new literature and reading program and additional math texts also were among those ordered.



# A Joyful March 17 on Paddy Hill



**Our Mother of Sorrows Church opens this Sunday at Latta Road and Mt. Read Blvd.**

The "wearin' of the green" will have even greater significance for members of Mother of Sorrows parish this Sunday. For March 17 will mark the opening of the Paddy Hill parish's new 1000 capacity church, replacing the present landmark structure which was built in 1859.

Bishop Kearney will celebrate a special Mass at 5 p.m. honoring several Irish societies and the faith-

ful parishioners of Mother of Sorrows parish whose sacrifices made the new edifice possible.

Father Daniel O'Rourke, pastor of the parish from 1929 until he retired in 1961, is expected to attend, according to Father George S. Wood, pastor of Mother of Sorrows.

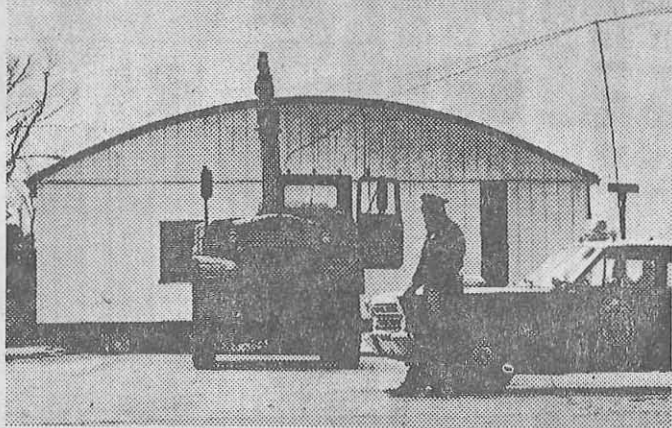
The seven-sided brick and lime-

stone church (for the Seven Sorrows of Our Lady) is topped with a needle-nosed stainless steel spire which dominates the Paddy Hill area of Greece. The building was designed by Robert W. Stickle of Stickle International, Cleveland, Ohio, to accommodate the latest liturgical changes.

Special features include a unique baptistry, a very practical and beautiful Mothers Chapel (for use as a Daily Mass Chapel and a crying room on Sundays), and a full social hall beneath the church for parish parties, dances, and parish meetings. A connecting Rectory was occupied late in September of last year.

"Occupying the new structure will not mean razing the old church," emphasized Father Wood. "The venerable landmark will be preserved. The Library Board of Greece is interested in a 20-year lease of the building for use as a branch library to serve the needs of the thousands of students and adults in the northeast section of town." The exterior will be maintained "as is," and the interior renovated for library use as soon as possible.

Fathers Frederick Eisemann and Eugene Weis are the present assistant pastors at the Greece parish.



Town-owned quonset hut on the road during two day-trip from Mother of Sorrows Church to new Dewey Avenue location.

# Quonset Hut Goes On Two-Day Trip

Utility wires were arched, mailboxes and street and traffic signs were extracted from the roadside yesterday as the former Mother of Sorrows quonset hut took to the Greece roads.

It took all morning to uproot it from its 20-year-old moorings on Mt. Read Boulevard a few hundred feet from Mt. Read and Latta Road. Workmen parked it in the north-bound lane on Mt. Read while they had their lunch.

After an hour to turn the corner and head east on Latta, the rest of the afternoon was spent easing it down the road to an overnight stop near Latta and Dewey Avenue.

The rest of the one-and-a-half-mile trip was to be completed today.

The white, metal building, purchased by the town for \$5,000, will be used as a storage house by the Greece Recreation Department. It is costing about \$7,000 to move the 32 ft. by 140 ft. structure. About 87 tons of metal reinforce the building from the inside during the move.

It will be placed on a town-owned site on the east side of Dewey Avenue, south of the railroad tracks.





HERE'S NOTHING LIKE A nice warm pizza to chase the cold away while watching a football game. These Sisters of Mercy cheer their students on to victory in last Sunday's Mooney, Kearney game.



## *Chart Helps Readers*

Mrs. Robert Myers, a second grade teacher at Mother of Sorrows School, leads pupils in a run-through of a phonics chart as they prepare to demonstrate how youngsters are taught to read. The pupils are, clockwise: James Boehn, 7, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Boehn, 65 Third Ave.; Martha Gossman, 7, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Goss, 120

Kaymar Drive, and Susan Bilak, 8, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Winfield Bilak, 2524 Latta Road. They took part in a demonstration at a meeting of the Home-School Association yesterday. Second, fifth and eighth graders demonstrated the three levels of reading instruction—phonics, development of listening skills and comprehension of literary selection.





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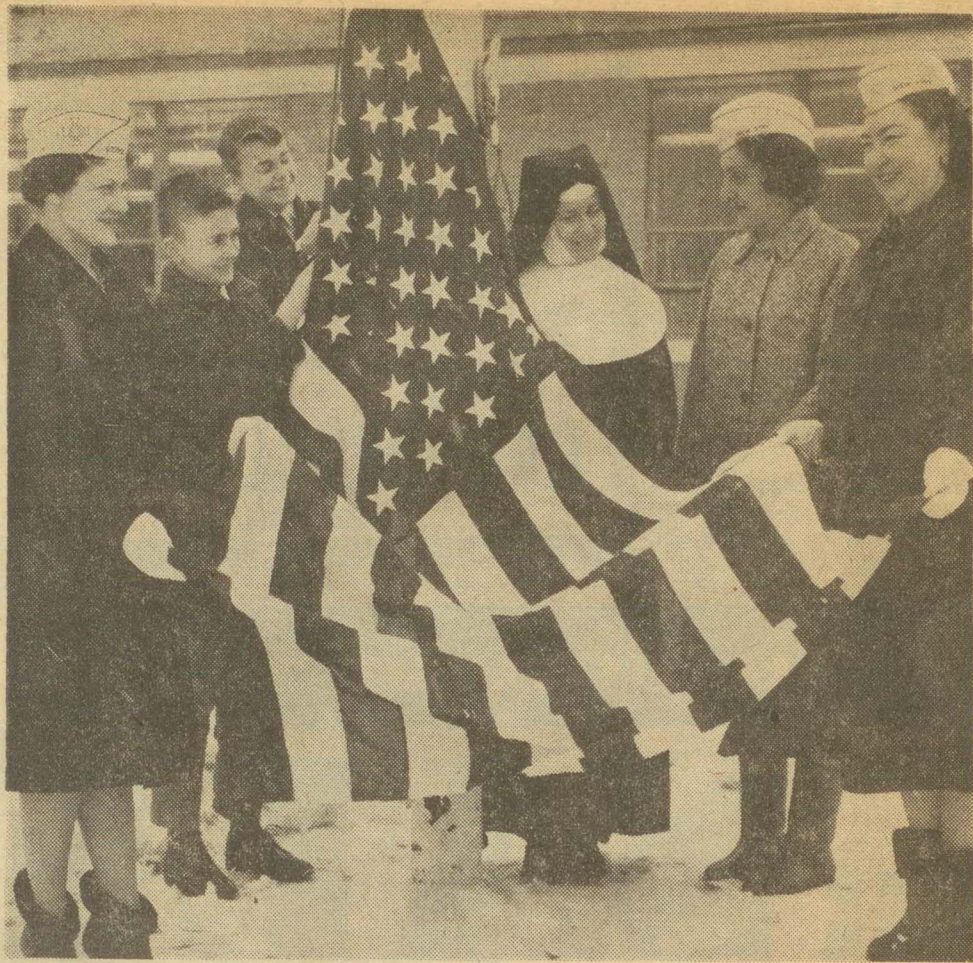
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### *New Flag for School*

A new 50-star replacement for the Flag at Mother of Sorrows School is attached to the flagpole following its presentation yesterday by representatives of the Monroe County Council, Ladies Auxiliaries, Veterans of Foreign Wars. Preparing to hoist the flag are, clockwise: Mrs. Geraldine Richter, 222 Southhampton Drive, Rochester; Alan Miller, 13, son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Miller, 50

Wheatfield Drive, Greece, an eighth grader; Terry Kirchoff, 13, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Kirchoff, 50 Helenwood Road, Greece, an eighth grader; Sister Mary Laura, Mother of Sorrows principal; Mrs. Mildred Mangan, 97 Dorsey Road, Greece, and Mrs. Mary Schaefer, 48 Coronet Road, Henrietta, county president.



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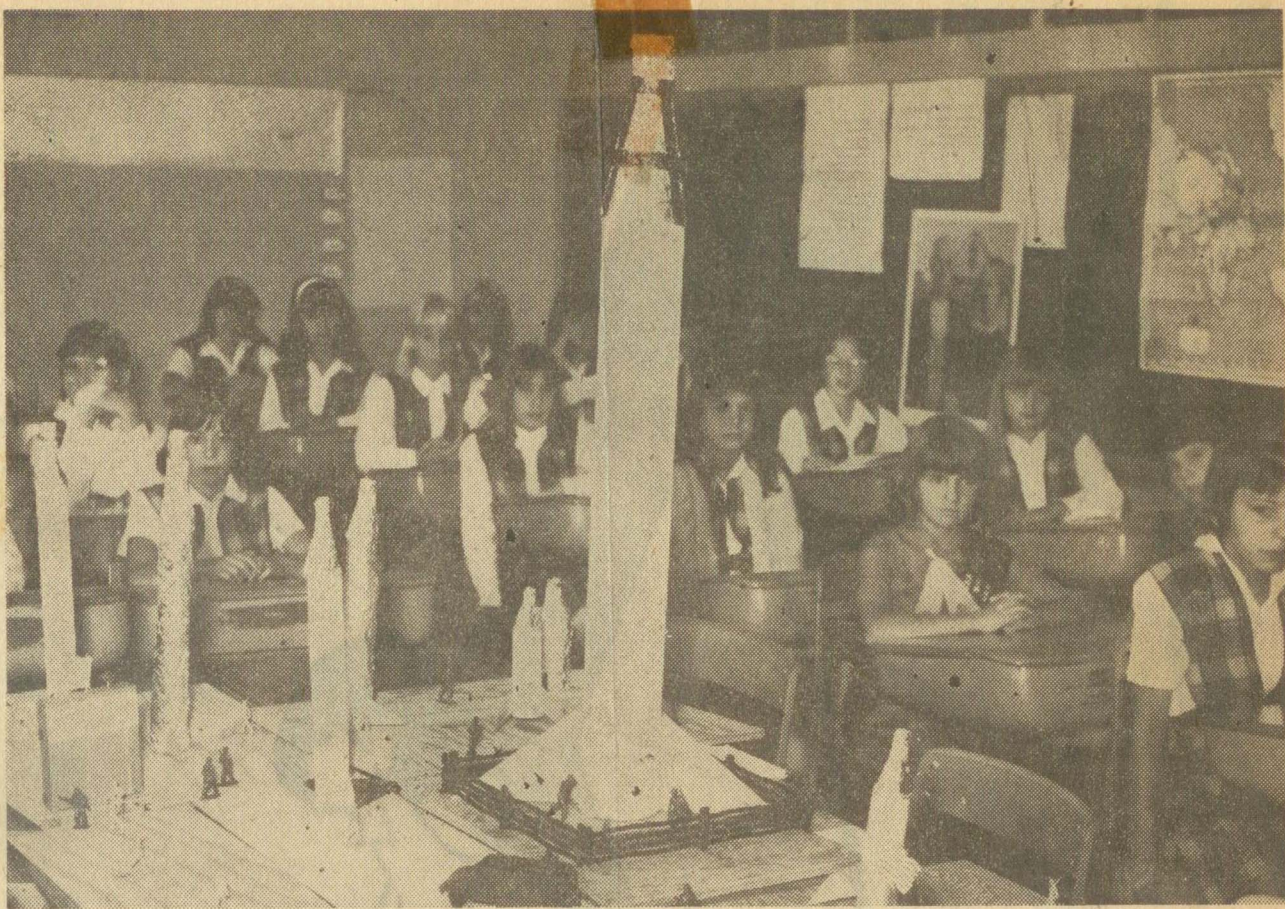
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## *Sixth-Grade Countdown at Mother of Sorrows School*

Space age display occupies center position in Mrs. Gerard Phelan's sixth - grade classroom at Mother of Sorrows

School. It was part of exhibits at science fair that drew more than 1,000 to Latta Road school during weekend.





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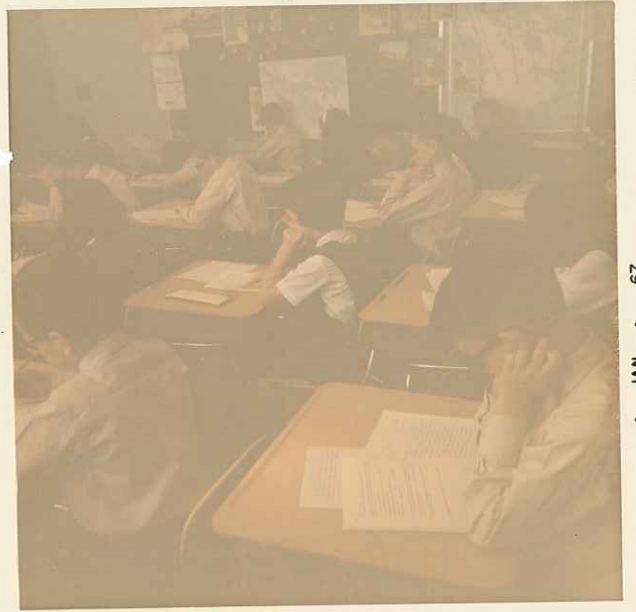
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Sister Jerome and (from left) John McGuire, Nancy Donals, Tom Gunderson, Cathy Neary and Mary Ellen Smith are award winners

at Mother of Sorrows School, Greece. Pupils won high school scholarships, the teacher a trip to Washington, D.C., seminar.

## *Winners All at Mother of Sorrows*

A sixth-grader teacher at Mother of Sorrows School is one of 40 winners in a nationwide contest sponsored by the National Catholic Education Association.

Sister Jerome will receive an expense-paid trip to a week-long

seminar at Georgetown University, Washington, D.C., May 1 as winner of an "Impact Teachers Award."

In a contest essay, she described an "impact teacher" as one who created an atmo-

sphere of enthusiasm and interest in her classroom.

The school also named five eighth-graders who have been selected for scholarships to Cardinal Mooney High School and Nazareth Academy.

Cathy Neary, 239 Leonard

Road, and Nancy Donals, 66 Kaymar Drive will attend Nazareth. Tom Gunderson, 169 Heritage Drive; John McGuire, 144 Beach Ave., and Mary Ellen Smith, 126 Clardale Drive, won Cardinal Mooney awards.



# Panel Boosts Busing Plan For Greece

"We cannot remain aloof from the problems of the city," the principal of a Greece parochial school said last night in explaining why the school has decided to invite 25 inner-city children

there next year.

"Integration in the suburbs can develop an intellectual stimulation of the disadvantaged better than the city," continued Sister Laura, principal of the Mother of Sorrows parish school.

She was one of the seven members of a panel which supported the idea of enrolling inner-city children in suburban schools. About 250 showed up for the discussion at Mother of Sorrows.

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SISTER LAURA told the group that "our children have a need just as great (as the city children). We teach that all men are created equal. It's about time we made our teaching more concrete."

The Greece Central School District is considering whether to invite some city children to attend its schools.

"It's not a cure-all, but it's not meant to be," said John J. Woods, a school board member. "It won't eliminate de-facto segregation. It isn't meant to."

"But I don't see how a few small children will adversely affect the continuing educational progress of the school system. Both children (Greece and inner city) will certainly benefit."

The Greece board is polling residents on whether it should accept 25 to 50 city children next year.

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DR. DEAN CORRIGAN, associate dean of the College of Education at the University of Rochester, claimed that the nation is heading toward separate and unequal black and white societies and that this polarization was greatest in the schools.

"If we are to save the country from destroying itself, we must educate (the children) to accept and understand and be comfortable in each other's company," he said.

John Thomas, principal of School 19, the city school which sends some pupils to West Irondequoit and Brighton, said city children don't envy their playmates who go to suburban schools.

When asked if the city children are discouraged by what they see in the suburbs, Thomas answered, "I can't say because I don't know what he's seeing that he hasn't seen before. He's seen grass. And clean houses."

Thomas added that School 19 children have made friends in West Irondequoit and they've been called names. But they've "been called names in the neighborhood too."

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GREECE SCHOOLS Superintendent Dr. Lawrence M. Watts was asked if 25 to 50 children was a significant number for Greece, the largest centralized school district in the state.

"It's significant compared to the zero we have now," he answered.

## Suburban News of the Times



## Integrated School Enrolls 100

Rochester's first attempt at bringing suburban students into the city for an extended program has brought what Norman Gross, the schools' transfer administrator, says is a "pretty remarkable" response.

About 100 Greece elementary students have answered the city's invitation to enroll in an integrated summer school program this year.

"This is quite an outstanding number to get in a first-time effort," he said. "We, quite frankly, didn't know what to expect."

Part of the hesitation by some suburban residents at supporting programs to bus inner-city children into the suburban districts is based on the unnecessary "fear" that their children might eventually be bused into the city, he says. "And yet, we've had a great many requests from suburban parents who want to enroll their children in the regular, year-round program—not the School of Inquiry."

The response from Greece shows a definite interest in the city's program, he says. "I think they are curious to find out just what is going on."

The program which will involve 720 children, will run July 8 through Aug. 2 with kindergarten through grade two at School 6 and grades three through five at School 2.

The city has been running this summer school, busing in students from the out-lying schools into the city district.

"I don't think we'll have to turn down any (Greece applicants)," Gross said. "After all, they're taking 150 of ours."

The 150 Rochester students have been invited to attend Greece Regional Summer School with 450 Greece Central pupils.

# Mother of Sorrows To Take City Pupils

By JUDY ADAMS

The Mother of Sorrows parish school in Greece will cooperate in the urban-suburban program next year by inviting 25 inner-city children into its school.

The school board, at a special meeting Friday, voted to make the offer at the urging of Sister Laura, the school principal.

"It's one of the greatest challenges facing education today," Sister Laura said. "And while this isn't going to solve the inner-city problem of segregation, it will be a contribution."

Sister Laura said that the school hasn't set a definite restriction, but she hopes the children will be in the first three grades.

The school has 680 children in grades 1 to 8.

She said that a special census taken for next year showed that the number of entrance requests had dropped in the first grade.

"Before this we just didn't have the room," she explained. "We couldn't take in other children when we had some of our own on a waiting list."

"I feel that our children have been short-changed," she said. "They will be the ones to benefit from this, more than the ones from the inner-city."

"You see, we are trying to teach the children Christian principles, but we haven't had a concrete way of making them believe this.

"This is one way," she said.

The school began considering the move in January, she said, when Norman Gross, the city schools' pupil transfer administrator met with the board.

Last month six first-graders attended the school for a week, "to see what the reaction would be," Sister Laura explains.

She said that she heard no unfavorable reaction. "They wanted to stay and our children didn't want them to go."

Mother of Sorrows will not get any financial aid in ac-

cepting the children as do public schools.

But Sister Laura says that they have been promised services of any specialists that they may need such as speech therapists and psychologists, who will be available to all the children in the school.

## Panel to Air Busing Plan

"What about Inter-Cultural Education in Greece?"

That will be the topic of a panel discussion at 8 tonight in the Mother of Sorrows Parish Hall.

The session is being sponsored by the newly-formed

She said that several parents have offered to pay the tuition for the children along with other expenses. Tuition is \$135 per pupil from outside the parish.

"We'll probably run into some opposition," she says, "but we're doing what's right."

Greece Citizens Committee for Inter-Cultural Education—which is supporting a proposal that Greece Central accept 25 to 50 inner-city children next year.

On the panel will be Dr. Dean Corrigan, assistant dean of education at the University of Rochester; Greece Central Superintendent Dr. Lawrence M. Watts; John J. Woods, a member of the Greece school board; Sister Laura, principal of Mother of Sorrows School, which today announced its acceptance of the proposal; John Thomas, principal of Rochester's School 19, plus city and suburban parents whose children have been involved in these programs.

The Rev. M. deForest Lowen of Greece Baptist, president of the Greece Pastors' Association, will conduct a question and answer session.

Mrs. William F. Coons, temporary chairman of the committee, says that the group, in working for support of urban-suburban programs, is attempting to provide the community with more information on the programs.

Greece Central is currently conducting a poll of district residents on whether inner-city children should be accepted into the district next year.

Mrs. Coons says her group has the backing of area civic and religious leaders.