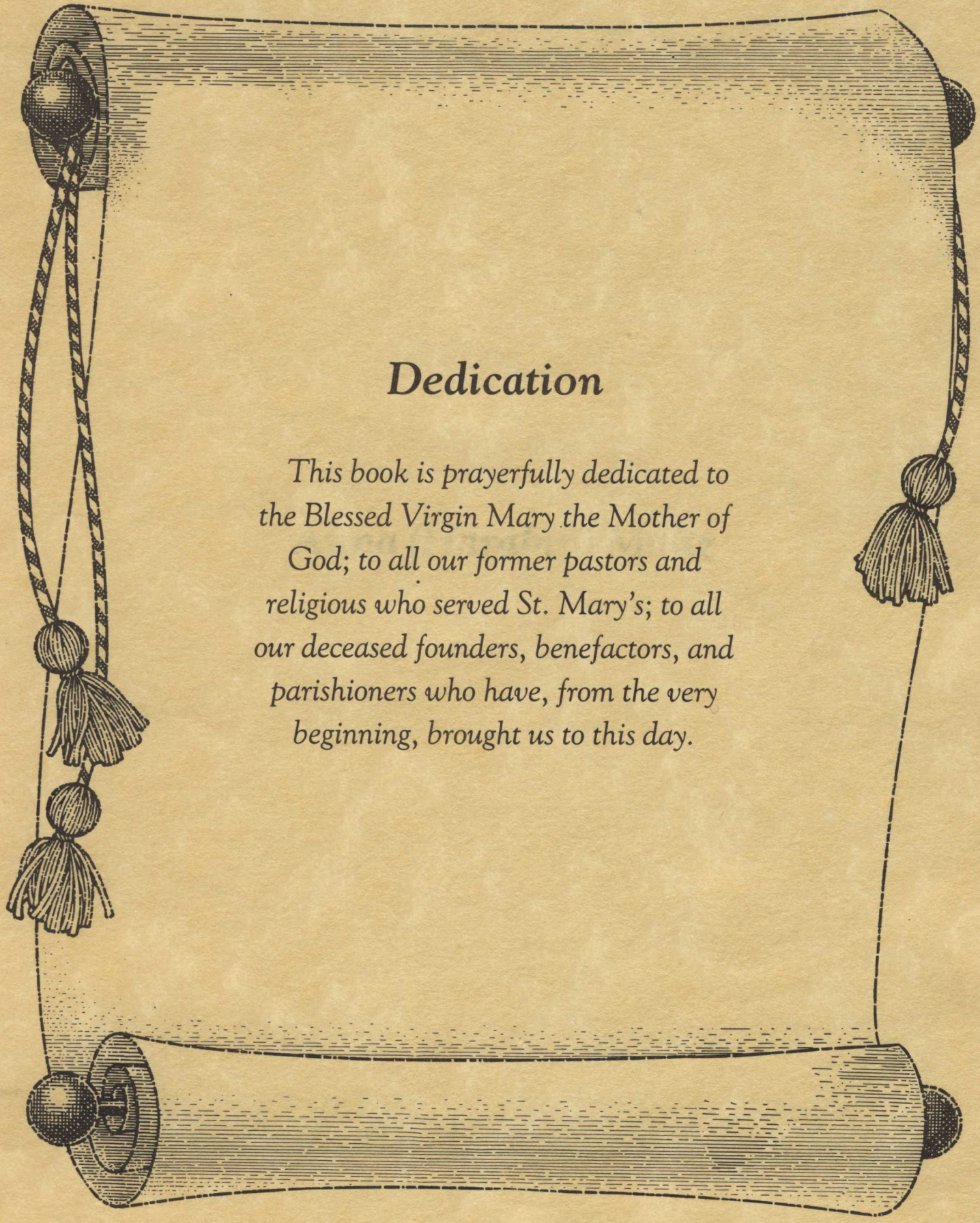




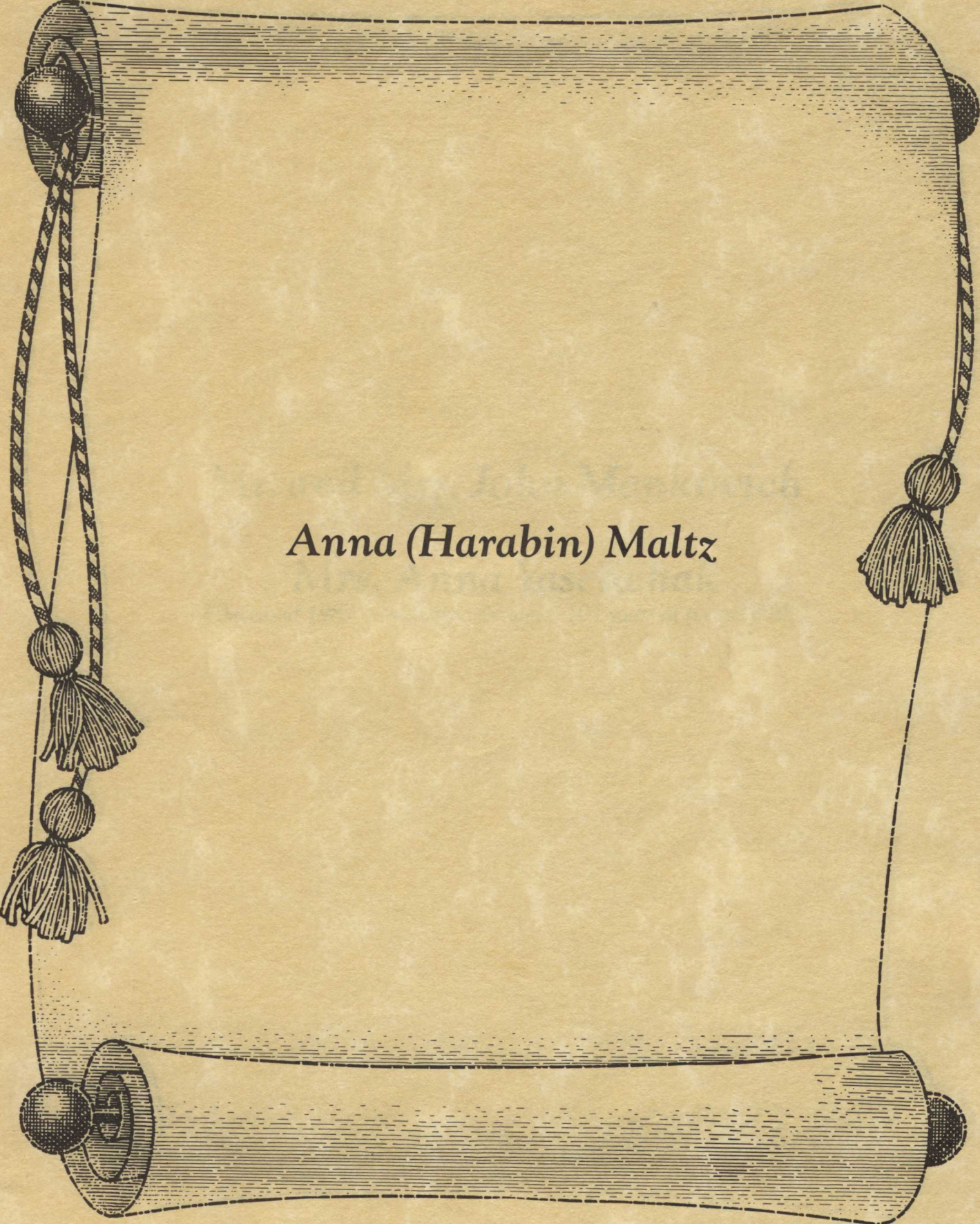
St. Mary's Byzantine Catholic Church
Kingston, PA

1887-1987
100th Anniversary



Dedication

This book is prayerfully dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary the Mother of God; to all our former pastors and religious who served St. Mary's; to all our deceased founders, benefactors, and parishioners who have, from the very beginning, brought us to this day.



Anna (Harabin) Maltz



Mr. and Mrs. John Mankovich

Mrs. Anna Yasenchak

(Deceased 1987 — oldest parishioner, 104 years of parish faith.)



Anna Drugash

Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Hutnick

Mr. and Mrs. Nicholas Maren

Mrs. Anna Pustilnak

(Deceased)



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**APOSTOLIC NUNCIATURE
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA**

October 1, 1987

Dear Father Miyo:

As the Byzantine Parish of Saint Mary's in Kingston, Pennsylvania, celebrates the One Hundredth Anniversary of its establishment, it is my pleasure to convey to you the cordial greetings of His Holiness Pope John Paul II. I wish to assure you that the Holy Father is spiritually united with you on this most significant occasion for the parish and for the Diocese of Passaic.

As the second oldest parochial community in the Byzantine Metropolitan Province, His Holiness joins you in rendering thanks to almighty God for the graces bestowed throughout the years upon the faithful of this parish who have borne witness to the beauty and inspiration of the traditions preserved in the Byzantine Ruthenian Rite. The commitment of your ancestors in fostering the growth and strength of the Catholic faith as celebrated in the Byzantine Church has left you heirs of a treasure which beckons to be shared with generations to come in order that they too may know of the loving mercy and compassion of God.

On this festive occasion, the Holy Father wishes to offer this exhortation for your reflection: "May Mary Most Holy, the patroness and protectress of your parish community, be always your model. May your continued personal and community commitment to the shared responsibility of parish life, in all the various apostolic and pastoral initiatives, find help and comfort in Mary's example."

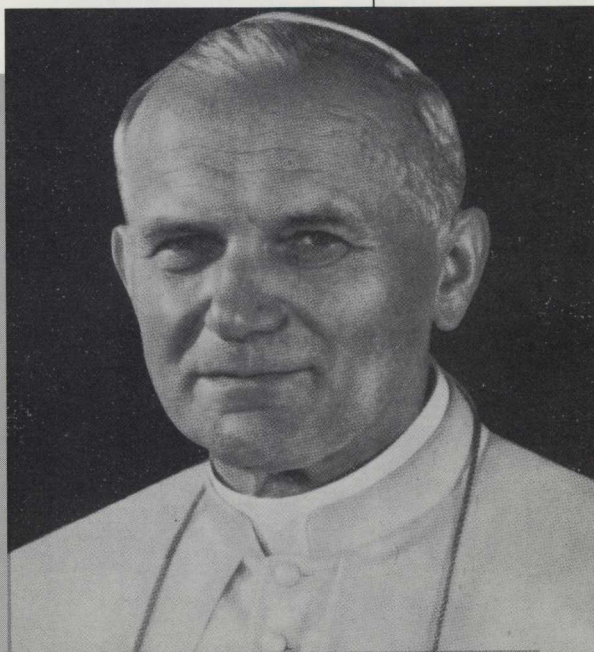
As a pledge of strength and peace in Christian living, the Holy Father imparts his Apostolic Blessing upon the members of the parish family and upon all who join you in commemorating this auspicious occasion.

To the sentiments of the Holy Father, I would like to express my personal congratulations and prayerful best wishes, as I remain

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Apostolic Pro-Nuncio

Reverend Michael J. Miyo
Pastor, St. Mary's Byzantine Catholic Church
Kingston, Pennsylvania





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November 8, 1987

The Reverend Michael J. Miyo, Pastor
Saint Mary Church
321 Chestnut Avenue
Kingston, Pennsylvania 18704

Dear Father Miyo,

It is with a great deal of pleasure that I, in the name of our diocese, its bishops, clergy, religious and laity, offer our congratulations to you and your beloved faithful on the happy and historic occasion of the centennial celebration of Saint Mary's Church. This parish has the happy distinction of being the second church established in our entire Metropolitan Province.

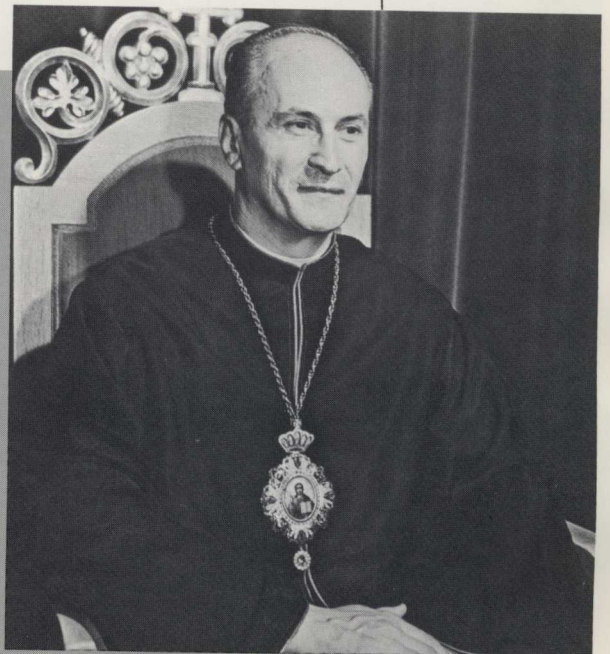
Your tribute to the deceased founders and members of the parish by erecting a cemetery chapel in their memory is an inspiration to all of us. What better way to give thanks to God for His manifold graces than to offer this Liturgy of Thanksgiving and to bless your redecorated house of worship. The accomplishments at Saint Mary's is a compliment to its past and present clergy and parishioners. It reflects the zeal, dedication and sacrificial nature of all who contributed to the spiritual, numerical and material growth of the parish throughout the years. This was especially evident through the cooperative efforts of all parishioners when extensive damage was done to the church, rectory and hall by the flood waters caused by Hurricane Agnes. This is a sign of great promise as the parish begins its second centennial of existence.

With the bestowal of my episcopal blessing upon all who participate in the Liturgical and civic festivities, I am

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Michael J. Dudick, D.D.
Bishop of Passaic

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Reverend Michael Miyo
Saint Mary's Church
321 Chestnut Avenue
Kingston, Pennsylvania 18704

Glory to Jesus Christ!

Dear Father Michael,

September 29, 1987

It is with great joy, that I extend my congratulations to you and the parishioners of Saint Mary's Church on the occasion of the parish's 100th Anniversary.

Saint Mary's Church has strengthened and nurtured the faith of the entire Byzantine Church during the past one hundred years. The founding members of the parish have given you this gift of faith as their legacy. It is my heartfelt hope that you will cherish and, more importantly, share this legacy with your family and friends. Your faith, expressed in prayer, service and fellowship, will strengthen and nurture the Byzantine Church of today and of the future.

May the Lord continue to bless you and all the members of the parish as you glorify the Lord, on the day of the 100th Anniversary celebration and into the future.

Extending my episcopal blessing, I remain

Sincerely yours in Christ,

George M. Kuzma
Auxiliary Bishop of Passaic

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St. Mary's Byzantine Catholic Church
321 Chestnut Avenue
Kingston, Pennsylvania 18704



November 1, 1987

My Dear Parishioners:

The Centennial celebration of our church, the second established Parish in the Metropolitan Ruthenian Province of Pittsburgh, is demanding of special notice. It is a privilege for each of us to be a participant in this event.

On this day we must first and foremost honor the love of the founding families for their Byzantine Rite. We can only be inspired by their determination to establish their Church in America and persevere in this purpose despite great adversities.

We have received a most beautiful inheritance. This has been prepared for us by sincere steadfast prayer and sacrifice. With this wonderful gift, we receive the challenge to continue the noble spiritual work of our predecessors. We must tend to the vineyard which the Lord's hand has planted, so that none of the past labors will have been in vain.

A debt of gratitude is one of love which is never fully paid. So indebted to those who have gone on before us, should we not remember in our prayers the souls of our deceased Founders, Parishioners, Clergy, Cantors and Religious who have lived and served in the Parish? May they enjoy the reward of the Faithful Servant in the Kingdom of Heaven.

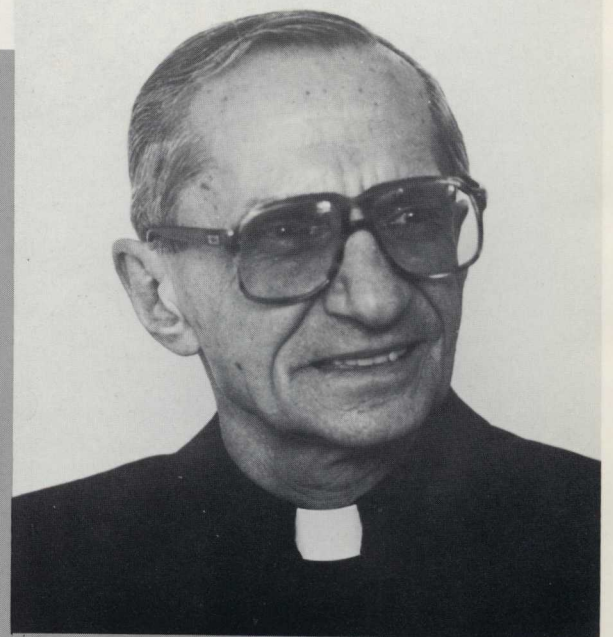
I, your Pastor, ask you the faithful of this Parish, a most precious jewel in the Crown of our Blessed Mother, to know the history of your church and to foster its posterity.

Bishop Dudick, all of our Bishops, and myself, exhort you to work with the Graces of Almighty God and we so command the future of Saint Mary's Byzantine Catholic Church in America.

Sincerely,

The Servant of God

Rev. Michael J. Miyo
Pastor



Our Church



Former Pastors



Rt. Rev. Monsignor Gabriel Martyak
Apostolic Administrator

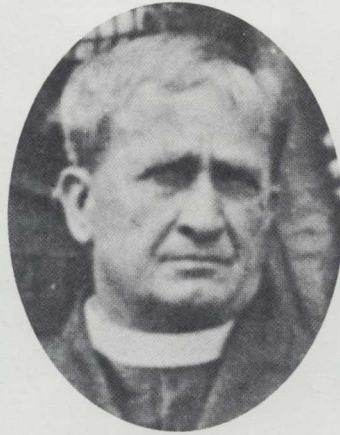
1887 Rev. John Wolanski
 1888 Rev. Nicholas Zubritcky
 1889 Rev. Constantine Andruskovich
 1889-1891 Rev. John Zapatocky
 1891-1902 Rev. Vladimir Molchanyi
 1902-1908 Rev. Acacius Kaminsky



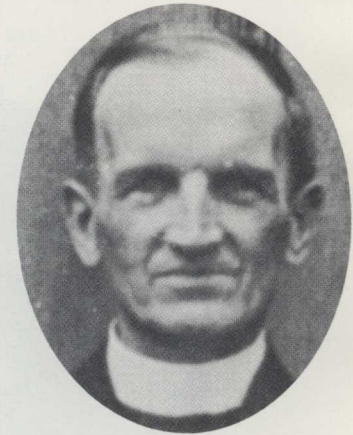
Rev. Nicholas Molchanyi
1908-1915



Rev. Thomas Szabo
1915-1916



Rev. John Parscouta
1916-1921



Rev. Emil Semetkovsky
1921-1950



Rev. Method Royko, O.S.B.
1950



Rev. Michael B. Rapach
1950-1951



Rev. George Bonchonsky
1951-1955

Former Pastors



Rev. Gregory Moneta
1955-1968



Rev. Msgr. Nicholas Bonetzky
1968-1971



Rev. Robert Radvansky
1971-1977



Rev. Emil Moskva
1977-1978

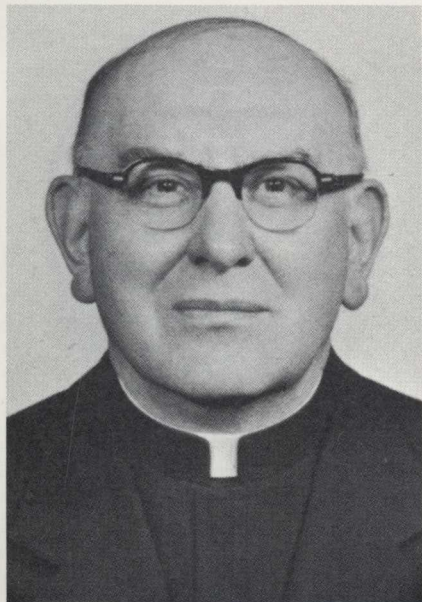


Rev. Robert Skurla
1978-1982



Rev. Michael Miyo
1982 to present

Vocations



Rev. Michael Morris



Rev. John Fetsco, C.S.S.R.



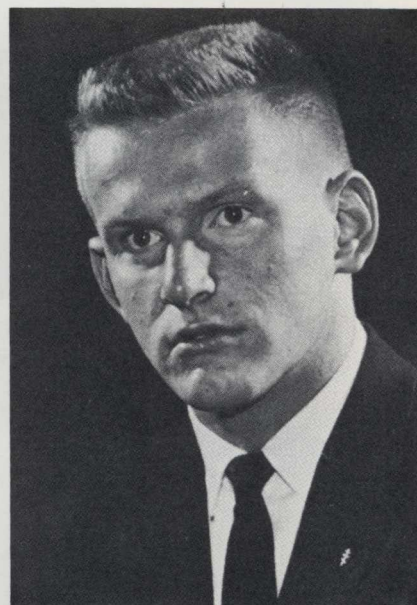
Sister M. Dionysia



Eleanor Hascinecz
(Sister Mark)



Rev. Peter Natishan



Rev. John Balog

Former Parish Cantors and Choir Directors

1904-1910 Mr. Andrew Marko
1910 Mr. Bobby
1910-1914 Mr. Michael Yuhasz
1914-1918 Mr. Andrew Marko
1918 Mr. Michael Pauley
1918-1920 Mr. John Metrovka



Mr. Michael Demyan
1920-1922



Mr. George Kostraba
1922-1947

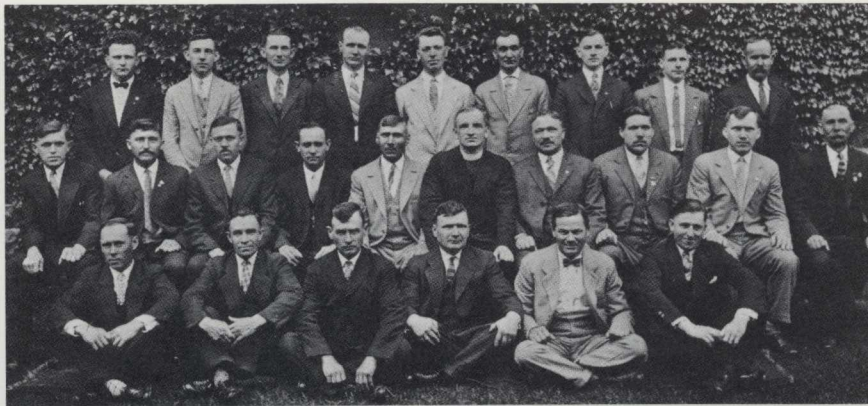


Mr. John Wischak
1947-1986

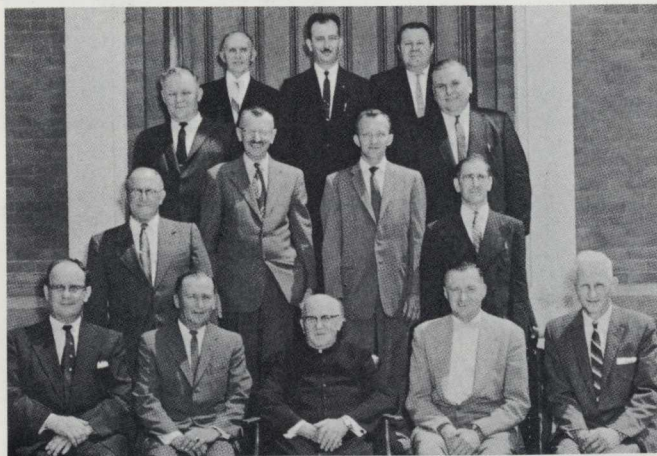


Edward Gaydos
1986 to present

Parish Council



Church Committee - 1924



Church Committee



Trustees - 1969



Trustees - 1987

Pastor, Trustees & Auditors – 1987



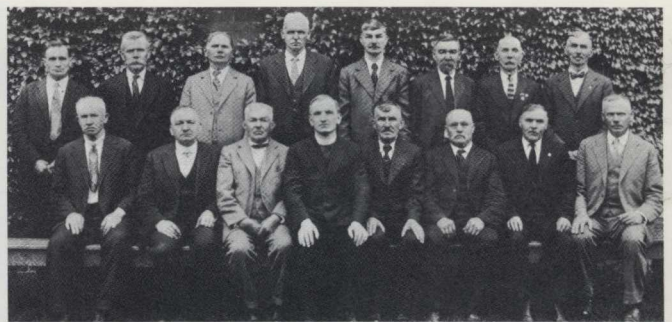
Rev. Michael J. Miyo

Clockwise, from top center: William A. Zdancewicz, President; Stephen Tribus, Secretary; David Kovalchik, Treasurer; Joseph Putprush, Michael Homza, Stephen Dudascik, Trustees; Michael Kolessar, Jr. & Mrs. MaryAnn Savage, Auditors; Andrew Germick, John R. Shutlock, Stanley Kochevar, John "Silvers" Evans, Trustees; Nicholas Kovalchik, Financial Secretary; and Roger Nenni, Vice-President.

Our Heritage



The Golden Years



Our Founding Fathers



Age 75 Plus Parishioners in 1978



Age 80 Plus Parishioners in 1987



History, Organizations and Activities

We Proudly Share Our Faith



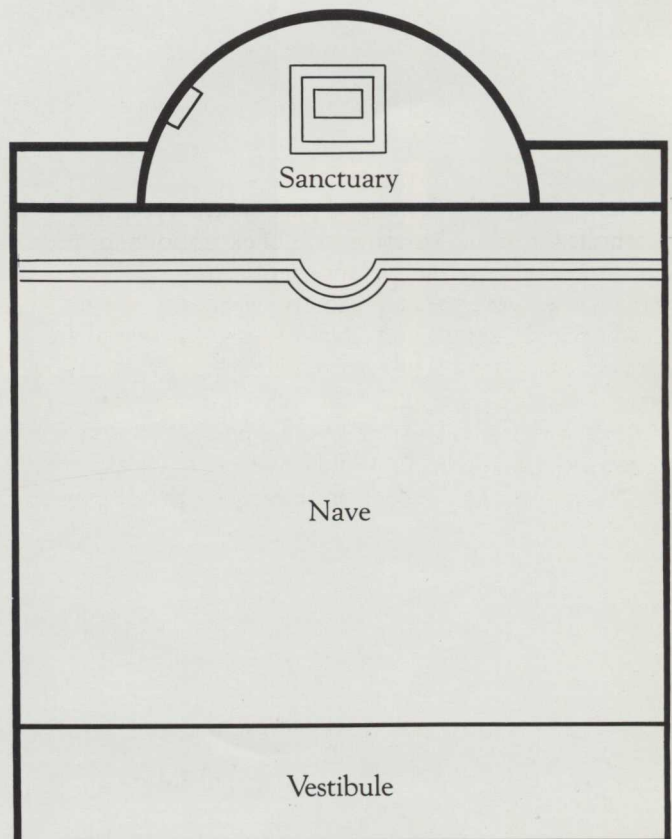
Dome

Atop Byzantine Catholic Churches we find domes. The number of domes on a church carries with it a certain symbolism. If, for example, there is but one dome outside the church, it is said to represent the fact that there is only one God; two domes would represent the two natures of Christ; three, the Trinity; and four, the Four Evangelists. Further, the inner circular dome is said to represent Heaven. Domes have been characteristic of Byzantine architecture for a long time . . . we can easily recognize a church as a Byzantine Church by the domes we see as we approach it.

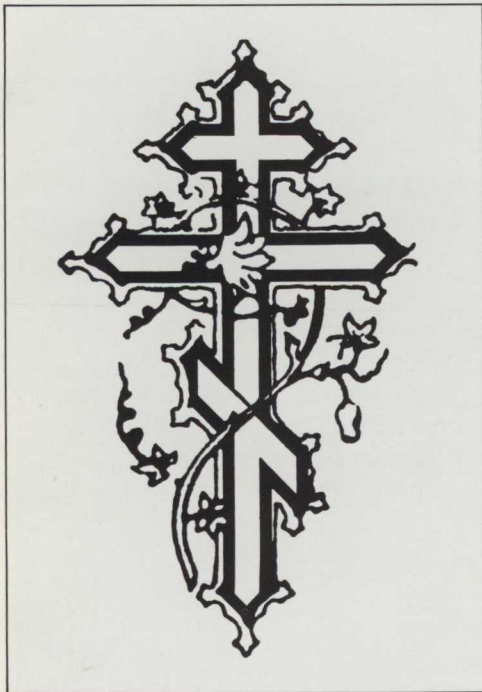
Church

The interior of a Byzantine Catholic Church has a distinct and symbolic shape. It is divided into three parts; the Vestibule, the Nave, and the Sanctuary. The part of the church where we, the faithful assemble is called the Nave, derived from the Latin "navis" meaning "ship". This reminds us that we are in a ship, the Church, and are on a journey. Our destination is to be united with God. This is achieved each time we receive the Eucharist during the Divine Liturgy. Thus, the Nave is said to represent earth while the Sanctuary represents Heaven.

A further characteristic is that the church is constructed so that the altar faces East; since the sun rises in the East and light (i.e., the sun) has always been a symbol of God and goodness, we are thus reminded that Jesus, Who is present on the altar, is the Eternal Sun . . . the Light of the World.



We Proudly Share Our Faith



Cross

The Three-Bar Cross, characteristic of our Byzantine Catholic Churches, is properly known as the “Slav Cross” (a.k.a. “Byzantine Cross”). People often wonder why the three bar Slav Cross is so different from the more frequently seen single bar cross. The top bar of our three bar cross represents the inscription containing the “crime” for which Jesus was crucified, while the bottom bar represents the plank to which His feet were nailed. More symbolically, however, tradition tells us that the top bar represents St. Peter, who was crucified upside down, while the bottom bar symbolically represents St. Andrew who was crucified on an X-shaped cross.

Iconostas

The Iconostas is an integral part of any Byzantine Catholic Church. Although it is of exceptional beauty, an Iconostas is not merely another decoration. An Iconostas serves as a separation between Heaven and Earth, that is, between the Nave (representing Earth) and the Sanctuary (representing Heaven). The priest, representing Jesus Christ, serves as a link between Heaven and Earth for whenever he passes through the Royal Doors . . . the Gates of Heaven so to speak . . . he always carries something representing Christ. It may be,

for example, the Gospel Book — the word of God, the Holy Eucharist — the Body and Blood of Christ, or the chalice and paten — containing the bread and wine to be consecrated.

Only the priest may pass through the Royal Doors, and this may be done only during church services. At all other times the Royal Doors must remain closed and the Deacon’s Doors are to be used for entering the Sanctuary.

The Iconostas



The Royal Doors of the Iconostas, center, are highlighted with paintings of the Four Evangelists: Matthew, John, Luke and Mark. To the immediate left is the Icon of Mary, the Mother of God, and to the immediate right, the Icon of Jesus. Far left is the Icon of St. Nicholas and to the far right, the Patron of our Parish.

Center of the first row, above the Royal Doors, is The Last Supper. Paintings in this row highlight the twelve Major Feast Days, namely: Assumption Of The Mother of God; Pentecost, Presentation of Christ In The Temple; Annunciation; Presentation of Mary In The Temple; Birth of Mary (Nativity of Mary); Birth of Christ (Nativity of Christ); Baptism of Christ, Transfiguration, Entry Into Jerusalem (Palm Sunday); Resurrection and Ascension.

The Top row of the Iconostas has a Painting of Christ The High Priest in the center. Christ is dressed in

Bishop's Vestments, reigning over Heaven and Earth. Paintings appearing here are of the twelve Apostles, namely: John, Thomas, James The Less; Philip, Andrew, Peter, Bartholemew, Matthew, Simon, Jude, James The Great and Matthias.

On the very top of the Iconostas is the Deesis – Christ on the Cross in the Center with the Mother of God to the left and St. John the Apostle to the right. Appearing below are major and minor prophets of the Old Testament.

The Deacon Doors of the Iconostas feature St. Michael The Archangel on the left and St. Stephen the First Martyr on the right. The Iconostas of the Byzantine Catholic Church, as ours, is called “Slav”, denoting its structure from floor to ceiling.

To the left of the Iconostas is “The Nativity” Mosaic, while to the right is “The Resurrection” Mosaic.



History of St. Mary's Byzantine Catholic Church

The celebration of the 100th anniversary of St. Mary's Byzantine Catholic Church is a remarkable milestone. It signifies 100 years of faith in the parish community passed on from one generation to another. Throughout this passage of time, the bonds of faith and friendship have kept this community together and have forged a church history unique in the United States.

Its history draws attention to a people emigrating to this country, and to this region, to develop a better life for themselves. The one strong bond shared by these people was their religion.

The Sub-Carpathian Ruthenians (or Ruthenians) of Eastern Europe were Slavic in origin. They came from the northeastern regions of the Austro-Hungarian Empire, much of which lies in Czechoslovakia today. The Ruthenians left their homes in the Carpathian Mountains to come to America in order to escape the poverty, discrimination and political oppression of their native land. They were willing to come to Northeastern Pennsylvania to work in the hard coal fields.

The immigrants were not afraid of hard work. They saw this work as a stepping stone to better employment and a better life. The majority of these people had tilled the unfertile soil of their homelands and sought the opportunity of advancement which was impossible at home.

And so they came to this area, to the coal mines, not much better than Europe, but with the hope that their children might experience the wealth and freedoms America had to offer. They learned that the streets were not paved with gold but with sweat and toil. The future could only improve.

Northeastern Pennsylvania already had its established ethnic groups and churches by the time the Sub-Carpathian Ruthenians began to immigrate in large numbers in the 1800's. Preceding them were the English, Germans, Irish, Italians, Polish and Slovaks. They already had established their Protestant and Roman Catholic churches. Upon arrival, the Ruthenians were immediately discriminated against because their customs and religion were different. They were Catholic but of the Eastern Rite which differed in custom and ceremony from the Roman Rite. Many Polish and Slovak customs were similar including their ethnic background, but their religious Rite was very much different from the Ruthenians.

St. Mary's parish in Kingston is one of the oldest in our diocese and the second in the Metropolitan Province of the Byzantine Catholic Church in the

U.S.A. Approximately 40 families gathered together in 1887 under the leadership of the Rev. Father John Wolanski for the purpose of building a church of the Byzantine Rite so that they could freely practice the faith they brought with them from Austria-Hungary to their new country — America.

It was not until 1892, however, that an application for a charter was presented to the Luzerne County Court and on May 16 of that year, the articles of incorporation was granted to the parish under the title of Saint Mary's Patronage Greek Catholic Church of the Borough of Kingston, Pa. Individuals seeking the articles of incorporation for the parish were: Michael Petrillick, Anthony Skapiak, Conrad Selewak, John Kmesh and Michael Sas. The charter was granted by Judge Stanley Woodward later that year.

St. Mary's Church in Kingston is the mother church for four other Ruthenian Catholic parishes: Saints, Peter & Paul (Ukrainian) Church in Plymouth (f. 1898); St. Nicholas (Subcarpathian) Church, Swoyersville (f. 1904); Saint Vladimir (Ukrainian) Church, Edwardsville (f. 1910); and, Saint John Russian Orthodox Church, Edwardsville (f. 1910). Saint Mary's (Subcarpathian) Church in Wilkes-Barre was founded and built soon after Saint Mary's Church in Kingston was established. Until their house of worship was erected, the Wilkes-Barre faithful attended the Kingston church.

There is no record to designate the actual date when the church in Kingston was built in 1887. The original structure was a frame building, later brick veneered and is now used as a parish hall. This wooden church was used until 1911 when at a meeting of the congregation, in May, one-hundred members of the parish were present to formulate plans for a new church. The architect was Owen McGlynn of Wilkes-Barre. The firm of Kehoe and Mowery were the contractors for the new church building. The present church of red brick, of Byzantine style, was built for the sum of \$32,933.00.

A first mortgage was received from the Deposit & Savings Bank, Kingston, Pa. for \$5,500.00. Later that year and again in 1912 and in 1915, five other loans were made, bringing the total mortgage to \$22,500.00. A note payable to the Wilkes-Barre Deposit & Savings Bank was received in the amount of \$3,600.00. Two individual parishioners and a few fraternal lodges came to the assistance of their church with loans in various amounts during the construction.

History of St. Mary's Byzantine Catholic Church

Parishioners were requested to donate the sum of \$25.00 per family (single persons half that amount) towards the construction of the new church. The cornerstone of our present church was blessed on July 4, 1911.

The church bells were purchased from McShane Bell & Foundry Co., Baltimore, Md., for \$1,450.00. The largest bell, named Paul, and the smallest, named Peter, together with the medium sized one, named Mary, (which was removed from the tower of the old church) were blessed in November of 1911.

Stained glass windows were purchased from H. I. Smith & Sons Co. for the sum of \$2,436.00. An iron fence, extended the full frontage of the property, was purchased for the sum of \$155.00. (It later was removed.)

The present church was first decorated in 1918, again in 1928, and in 1984. Following the 1972 Agnes Flood Disaster the church was redecorated and throughout a two-year period preceding our 100th Anniversary Observance. The church was first blessed by the Most Rev. Michael J. Hoban, Bishop of Scranton.

Our old church building was remodeled into a school complex, now a parish hall. The old parish house was located immediately to the rear of the present school . . . and in 1935 it was demolished and the present parish house was built by Frank Pizner, contractor, and member of the parish, for the sum of \$13,556.00.

The first cemetery of the parish is located in Courtdale and was originally named after the parish lodge of St. Nicholas and was used as a burial place for our parishioners until 1933. That year the Kingston Coal Company requested the parish to discontinue burials there due to mine settlements and soon this same company offered the parish a new tract of land (three and one-half acres) located in Edwardsville Borough. In 1960 an additional purchase of three and three-quarters acres, adjacent to our cemetery, was purchased from the Glen Alden Coal Company for the sum of \$1,800.00.

Our parish Golden Jubilee was celebrated in October, 1937 and our Diamond in 1962. In the years following the Golden Jubilee, many improvements to the parish were made . . . including introduction to the Envelope System for use by the parishioners in 1951; the Gregorian Calendar approved in July of 1952; a new roof placed on the church, the brick steam-cleaned, new kneelers placed in the church proper.

In 1953 a new church lighting system was added to the interior and a year later new marble altars were purchased and holy water fonts placed in the vestibule. Considerable improvements were made to existing church properties and grounds. From 1955, cement walks added, a Shrine to Our Lady erected on the front part of the parish lawn; a modern kitchen for the school building, a granite altar and crucifixion group erected for the parish cemetery. This Altar and Statuary was the gift of Mrs. Mary Semetkovsky in memory of Father Emil Semetkovsky, a former pastor of the parish, and of their daughter, Edith. On May 30, 1957, this memorial was solemnly blessed by His Excellence Most Rev. Nicholas T. Elko, D.D.

For our Diamond Jubilee, new exterior doors for the church and school were installed and the interior of the church redecorated by the artist, Norman Gruenberg, Hazleton. The church floor was completely vinyl tiled and the parish house repaired interiorly.

The terrible floodwaters, which resulted from the deluging rainfall brought by Hurricane Agnes in 1972, devastated the church interior and property. Much loss resulted . . . in property and records, the latter beyond restoration.

A high percentage of the congregation personally was affected by the Agnes Flood, their homes and places of employment hit quite hard. A rallying of parishioners did come forth to help in the restoration of their parish. During the interim, weekend liturgies were held at St. Anthony's Church, Larksville, for which all were appreciative. No words adequately explain the heartfelt pleasure upon returning to their own church for Mass — after initial cleaning of waters and mud — even but to sit on folding chairs. A joyous feeling accompanied with respons in song and tears.

Despite this awful setback the church was restored and rededicated by the Most Reverend Michael J. Dudick on August 26, 1973. Today the beauty of the church interior in particular is well-known throughout the Kingston and Greater Wilkes-Barre area.

Much renovation of the parish property (church, home and hall) obviously followed the Agnes Disaster. Complete renovation of the interior also included replastering and repainting . . . carpeting throughout the church, new pews and kneelers (padded) two Mosaics from Italy highlighting both sides of the Iconostas, plus numerous fixtures added and/or replaced throughout the facility.

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Renovation of the parish hall interior, throughout, has made it a most welcome structure for parish functions and social events on a year 'round basis. Replastering, repainting, paneling, carpeting areas, partitioning classrooms, new chairs for socials, kitchen improvements, new lighting and fixtures, plus new windows all make for a hall complex of beauty and serviceability. Interior and exterior improvements made to the parish home also have greatly enhanced its beauty and liveability.

In the late 70s when the Diocese Stewardship Campaign was introduced, St. Mary's of Kingston provided a stimulus of outstanding parishioner support which extended goals established and has maintained this yearly support of subsequent Diocesan Development Drives, meeting and/or surpassing each goal.

In advance preparation of the 100th Anniversary Celebration, considerable work on the church properties was achieved. The church interior was refurbished/repainted . . . and the Iconostas repaired/repainted, adding further to its beauty. A new Chapel in the parish cemetery became a reality for parishioners of St. Mary's in the year of its 100th Anniversary. Thanks to parishioners support, the facility was completed under direction and execution of parishioner and trustee Nicholas Kovalchik. The Chapel was blessed and additional land consecrated on November 7, 1988 by Most Rev. Michael J. Dudick, D.D., Bishop, Diocese of Passaic, N.J.

The first pastor of the church was the Rev. Father John Wolanski and succeeded in 1888 by the Rev. Father Nicholas Zubritcky. The year following the Rev. Father Constantine Andruskovich became pastor and he was succeeded by the Rev. Father John Zapotoszky who remained until 1891. Then followed the Rev. Father Vladimir Molchanyi. Between the years of 1890 and 1903, besides the above-mentioned pastors, others who served the parish were: Rev. Fr. Victor Martyak, Rev. Fr. Victor Stecovics, Rev. Fr. Cyril Gulovich, Rev. Fr. John Halko, Rev. Fr. Gabriel Martyak, Rev. Fr. Theophane Obuskevich, Rev. Fr. John Jarda, Rev. Fr. Valentine Balog, Rev. Fr. Michael Jaczkovich, Rev. Fr. A. Gzay, Rev. Fr. Nicholas Burik, Very Rev. Fr. Nicholas Chohey, Rev. Fr. Porubsky, Rev. Fr. Irenaeus Janicky, Rev. Fr. John Wolanski, Rev. Fr. John Parscouta, Rev. Fr. Teradi, Rev. Fr. Nicholas Hecovidi, Rev. Fr. Peter Popovics, Rev. Fr. Alexander Komporday,

Rev. Fr. Orest Zlocky, Rev. Fr. John Korontnoky, Rev. Fr. Churdi, Rev. Fr. Myron Volkay, Rev. Fr. Augustine Hodobay and Rev. Fr. Thomas Szabo.

Between 1904 and 1909 the following priests administered to the needs of the parish: Rev. Fr. Myron Volkay, Rev. Fr. Alexander Koszey, Rev. Fr. Cornelius Laurisin, Rev. Fr. Artim, Rev. Fr. Alexis Medveczky, Rev. Fr. Nicholas Lengyel, Rev. Fr. Basil Volosin, Rev. Fr. Nicholas Molcsanyi, Rev. Fr. Michael Lysak, Rev. Fr. Vladimir Spolitakevich, Rev. Fr. Michael Oleksiw, Very Rev. Fr. Nicholas Chohey and Rev. Fr. Theodore Hodobay.

Records show the following pastors from 1902 to 1955: Rev. Fr. Acacius Kaminsky, Rev. Fr. Nicholas Molchanyi, Rev. Fr. Thomas Szabo, Rev. Fr. John Parscouta, Rev. Fr. Emil Semetkovsky, Rev. Fr. Method Royko, O.S.B., Rev. Fr. Michael B. Rapach and Rev. Fr. George Bonchonsky.

From 1955, the following have served: Rev. Gregory Moneta, Rev. Msgr. Nicholas Benetsky, Rev. Robert Radvansky, Rev. Emil Moskva and Rev. Robert Skurla. The present pastor, Rev. Michael J. Miyo, has served St. Mary's since 1982.

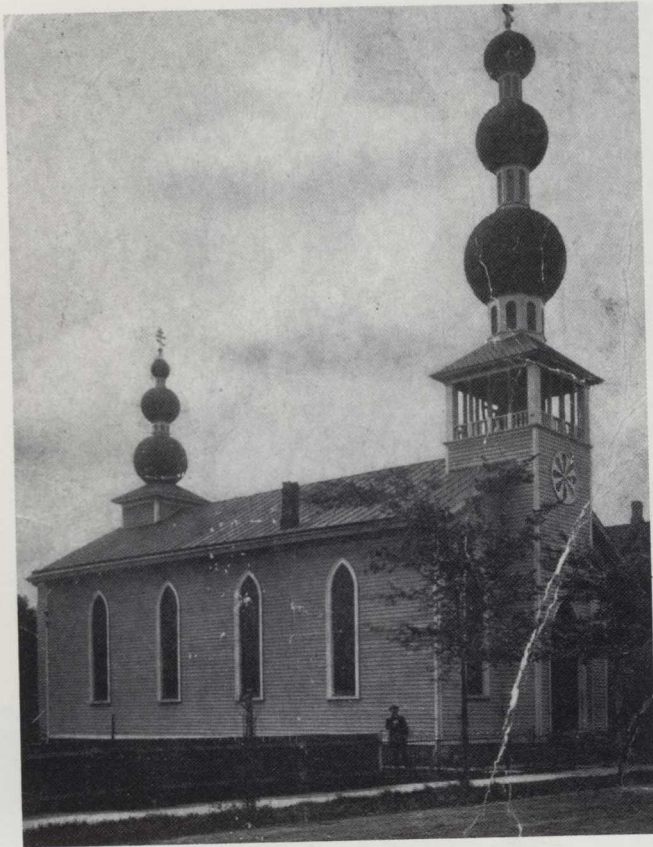
The following cantors and choir directors served in the parish (records do not show who the first cantor was): Mr. Andrew Marko, Mr. Bobby, Mr. Michael Yuhasz, Mr. Andrew Marko, Mr. Michael Pauley, Mr. John Metrovka, Mr. Michael Demyan, Mr. George Kostraba, Mr. John Wischak and Mr. Edward Gaydos, who is the present cantor.

Church-affiliated organizations over the years at St. Mary's in Kingston, have included the Rosary Society, Holy Name Society, Catholic War Veterans (Post #1856) Choir, Sodality, Junior Holy Name, Byzantine Catholic Youth Group and Altar Boy Group.

A Summer Catechetical School for children was conducted by the Sisters of St. Basil the Great from the year 1951-56, inclusive. Religious instruction, over the years, has been continued through teachings by the priests, cantors and lay instructors.

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Our Old Church and Parish Home



The Old Church/School Hall



School Hall



OCTOBER 20, 1935

Rev. Emil Semetkovsky, Parish Home in background - 1935.



Parish Home

A Beginning



The crystal chandelier which was imported from Italy after the 1972 flood, is being cleaned and assembled for the Pascal season by trustees.



Ordination of Four Priests - 1976

The Old Dome



1972



1972

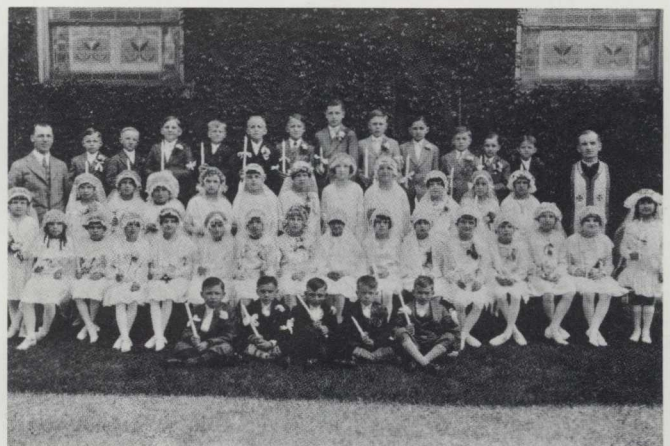
Holy Communion Groups



1908



1922



1930



1942

Holy Communion Groups



1963



1970



1980



1987

Parish Sodality



First Officers



Sodality



May Crowning - 1951



1953

Parish Sodality

Marion



May Crowning - 1958



May Crowning - 1958



May Crowning - 1961



May Crowning - 1961



May Crowning - 1979

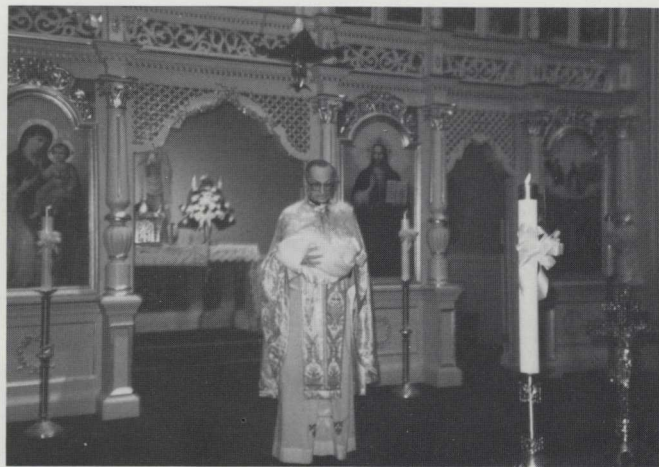
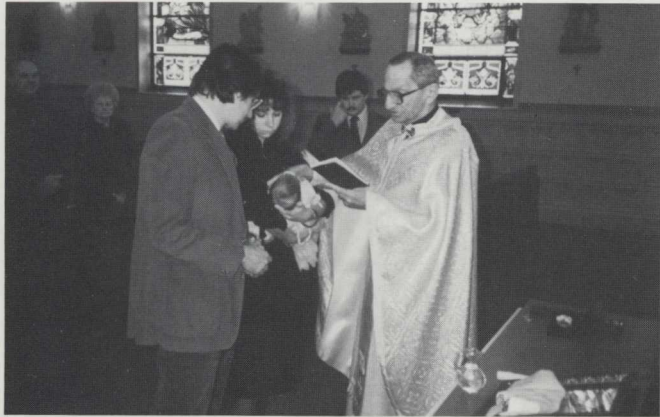
Matrimony



Matrimony



Baptism



Our Children and Their Instructors



School Children - 1917



Summer School - 1951



C.C.D. Children - 1987



C.C.D. Instructors - 1987

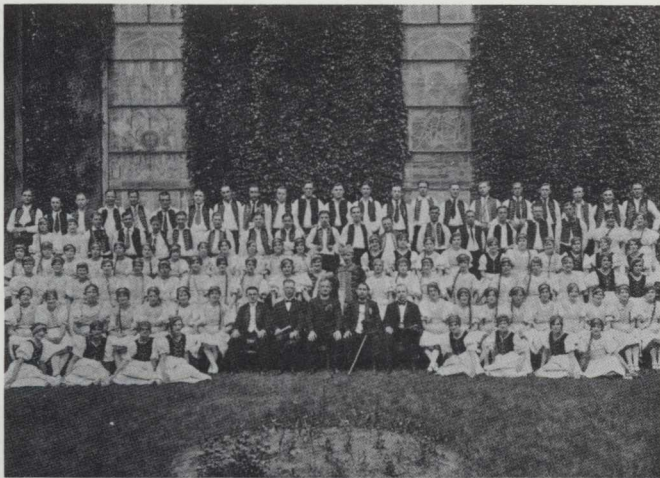
Parish Choirs



1918



Choir



Combined Choirs - 1925



Choir



1977

Parish Players



1912



1912



1917



1917

Parish Players



1934



1980

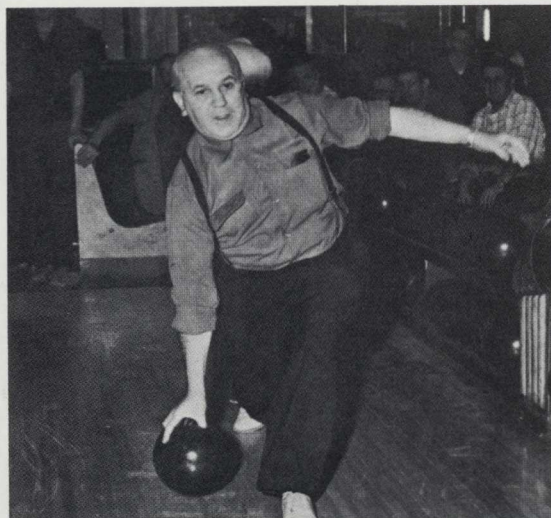


1987

Parish and Holy Name Baseball Teams



Parish Bowling Teams



Service Groups



American Rusin Club - 1948



Catholic War Veterans Post #1856 at Memorial Day Service - 1977

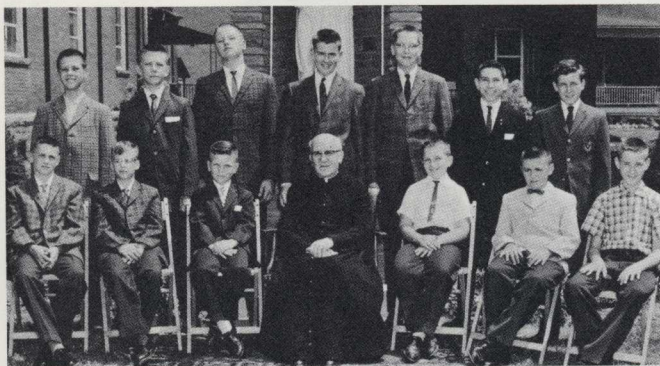


Blessing World War II Memorial - 1944

Holy Name Society



Holy Name Society



Junior Holy Name Society



Holy Name Society



Holy Name Society Trip - 1973

Holy Name Society



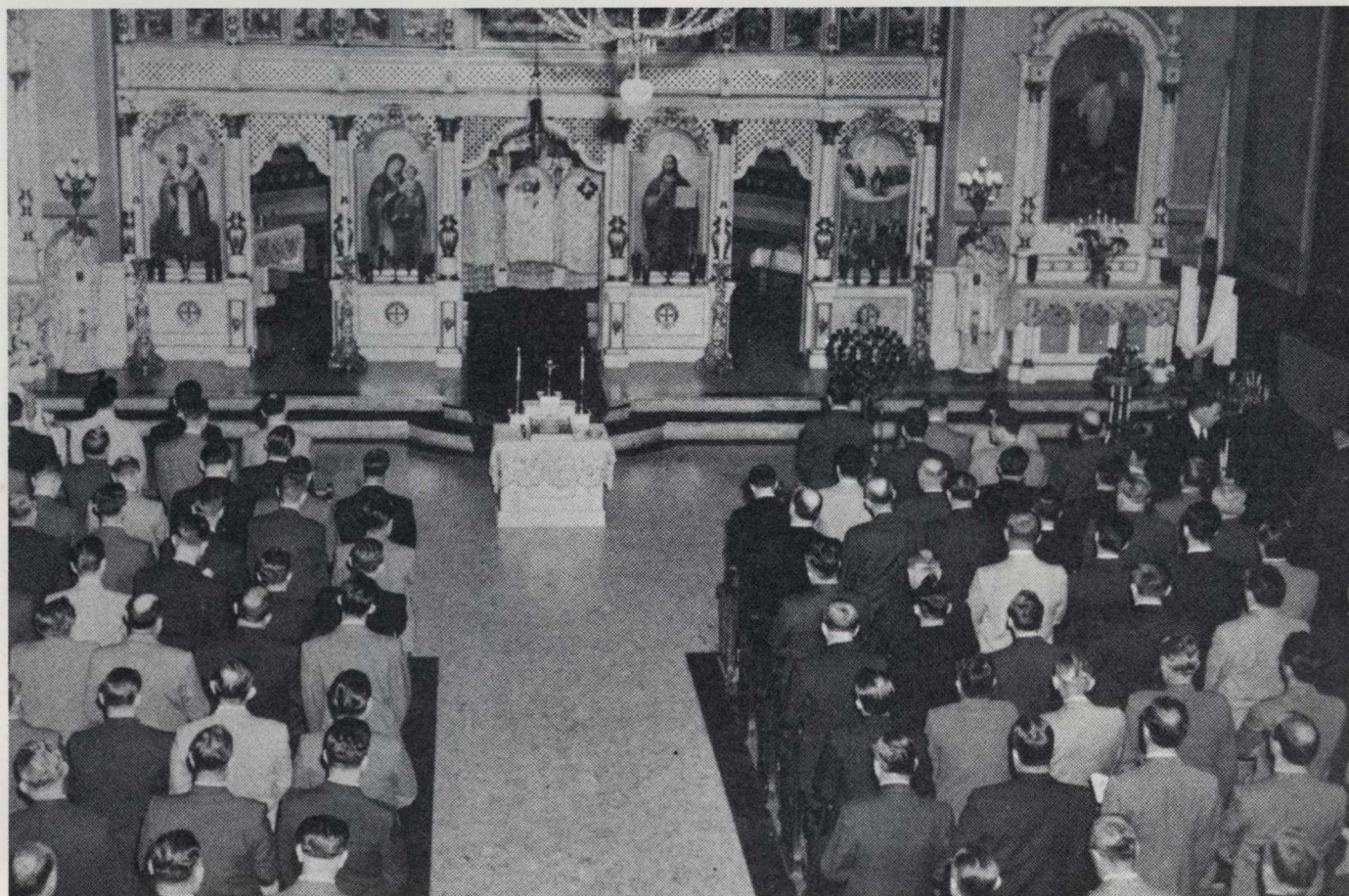
Marian District Holy Name Breakfast - 1984



Holy Name Rally



Scranton Diocese Eucharistic Procession



Combined Holy Name Communion

Rosary Society



Rosary Society Banquet



Rosary Society



Rosary Society



Rosary Society

Rosary Society



1952



1962



1966



1969

Rosary Society



1972



1977



1979



1981

Rosary Society



1982

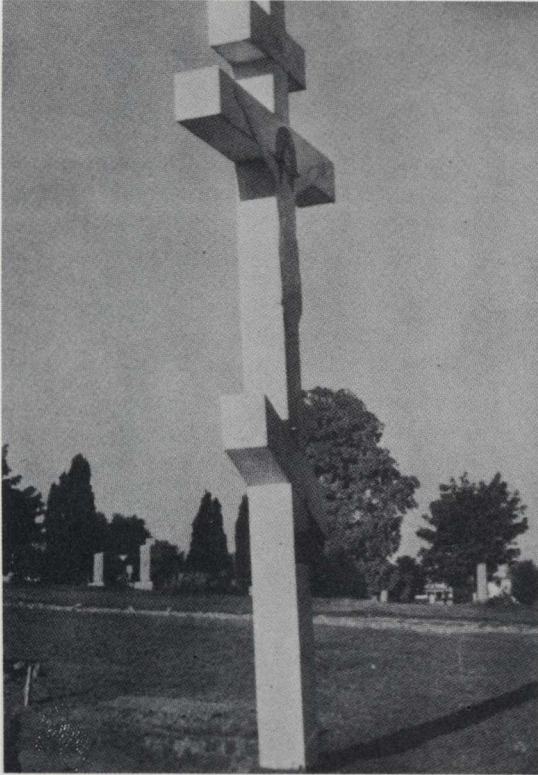


1986



1987

Parish Cemetery



Wooden Cemetery Cross



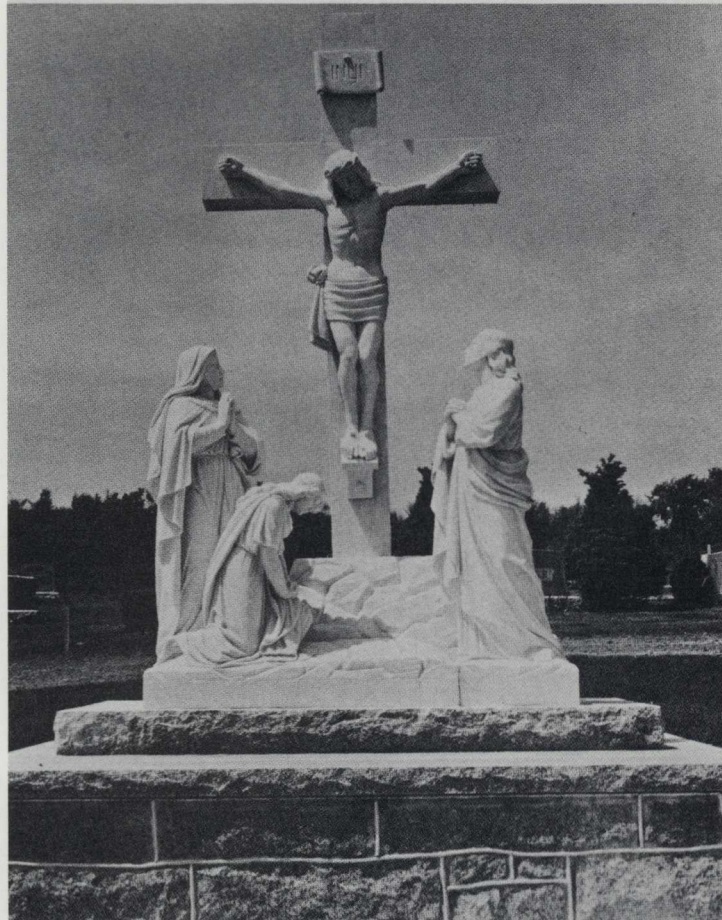
Blessing of Cemetery Altar by His Excellency,
Most Rev. Nicholas T. Elko, D.D.



Banquet

The Parish Cemetery

Eternal rest grant unto them O' Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them.



Entrance Sign

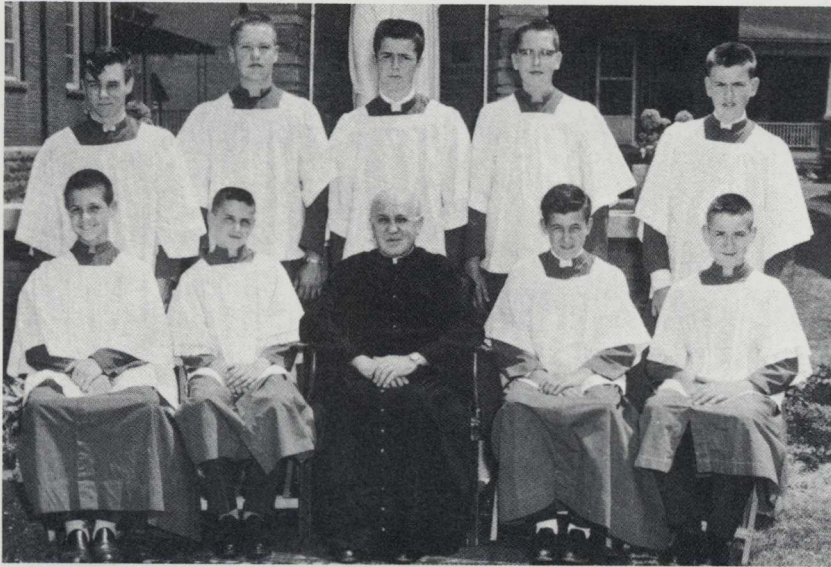
They died for their country:

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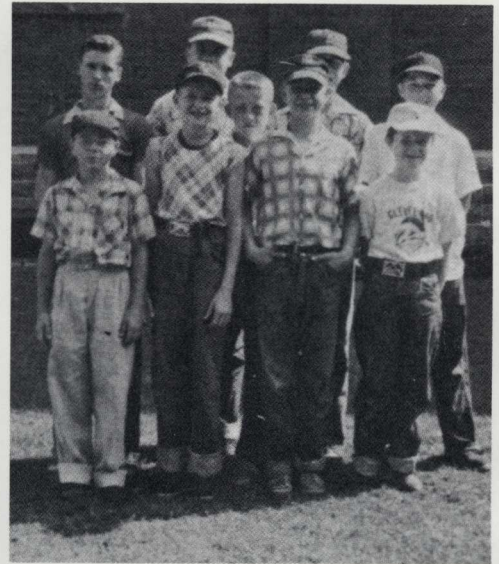


Cemetery Altar

Altar Boys



Altar Boys



Altar Boys Outing



1987

Bazaar



Memories



Mother-Daughter Breakfast



Blessing Easter Food - 1959



Michael Mankovich, Sr., custodian
Late 20's through Mid 40's

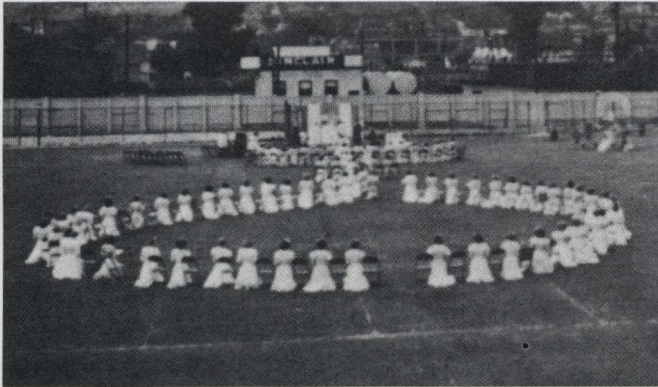


Resurrection - 1953



Christmas Caroling

Memories



District May Crowning - 1949



Vigil at Grave - 1951



Retired Cantor John Wischak is Honored - 1987



Visitation to sick



Children's Christmas Party

1972 Flood – Newspaper Article



BEFORE AND AFTER — A lot has happened in the last 359 days since Hurricane Agnes visited Wyoming Valley. . . Shown is Wyoming Seminary's Nesbitt Field as it appeared during the flooding of the valley. St. Mary's Byzantine Catholic Church and School Hall can be seen in both photographs, showing how high the water came. In the church interior, it reached to the height of the Main Altar.

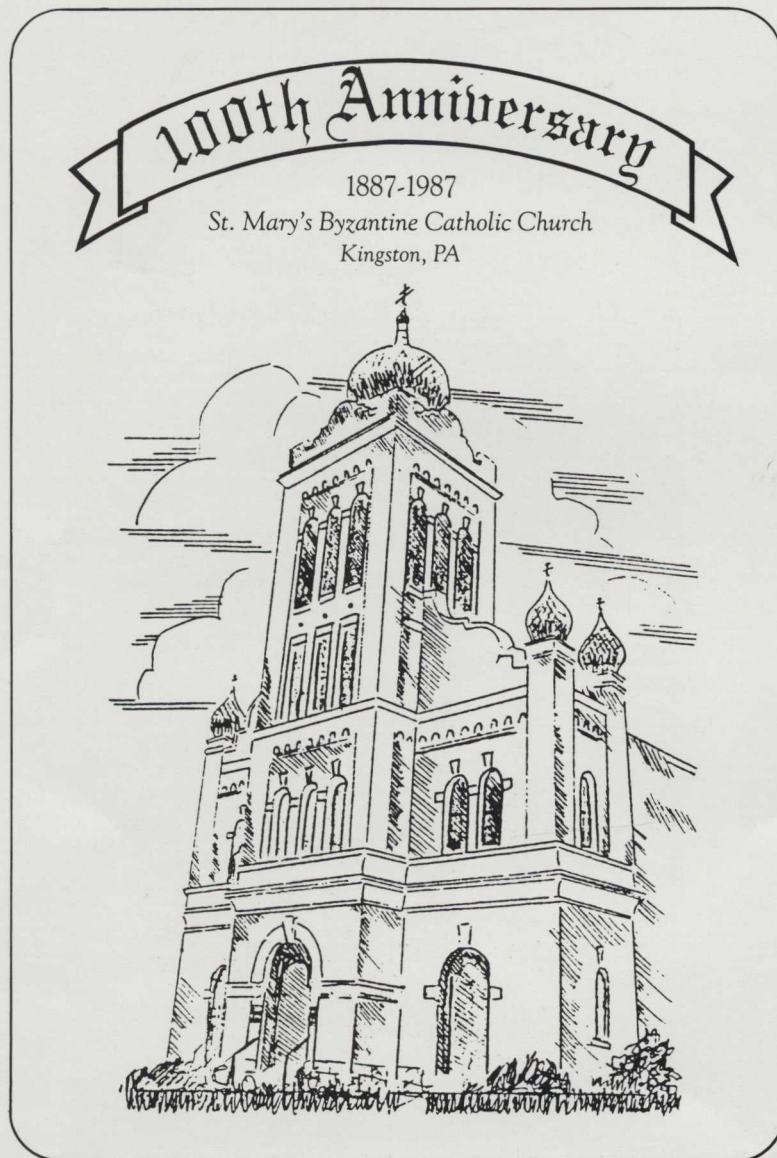


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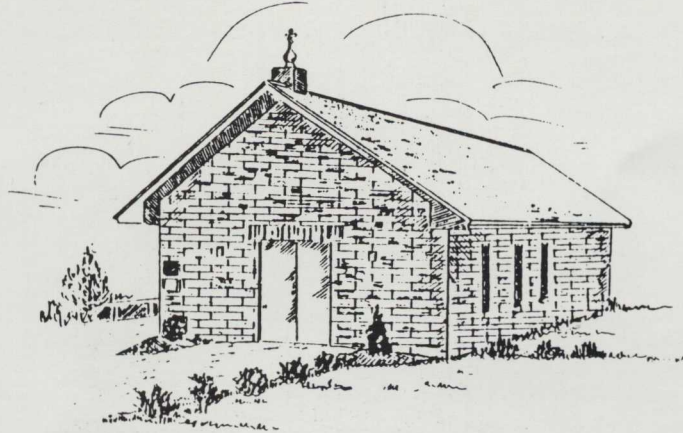
100th Anniversary
1887-1987

100th Anniversary Post Card



100th Anniversary Post Card

The Solemn Rededication of St. Mary's Byzantine Catholic Church, Chestnut Ave., Kingston, Penna., was held on Sunday, November 8, 1987 . . . commemorating its 100th Anniversary. Pontifical Liturgy held at 3:00 p.m. Dinner/Dance of Celebration held at the Holiday Inn of Wilkes-Barre. Rev. Michael J. Miyo, Pastor Occasion of Celebration included the Dedication of a New Chapel in the Parish Cemetery located in Edwardsville. Ceremonies held Saturday, November 7, 1987 at 3:00 p.m.



100th Anniversary Solemn Rededication

The Solemn Rededication
of
St. Mary's Byzantine
Catholic Church
Kingston, Pennsylvania



Sunday, November 8, 1987
100th Anniversary (1887-1987)

100th Anniversary Solemn Rededication

Liturgical Program

Welcome Greetings	William A. Zdancewicz <i>President, Parish Trustees</i> Roger Nenni <i>Vice-President, Parish Trustees</i>
Blessing of the Church	Most Rev. Michael J. Dudick, D.D. <i>Bishop, Diocese of Passaic, NJ</i> Most Rev. George M. Kuzma, D.D. <i>Auxiliary Bishop, Diocese of Passaic, NJ</i>
Celebrant	Most Rev. Michael J. Dudick, D.D.
Concelebrants	Most Rev. George M. Kuzma, D.D. Most Rev. Andrew Patacki, D.D., J.C.L. <i>Bishop, Diocese of Parma, Ohio</i> Rev. Michael J. Miyo <i>Pastor, St. Mary's, Kingston, PA</i> Rev. Robert Skurla <i>Pastor, St. Mary's, Jersey City, NJ</i>
Homilist	Most Rev. George M. Kuzma, D.D.
Master of Ceremonies	Rev. Leonard Hollick <i>Pastor, St. Mary's, Freeland, PA</i> Rev. Gerald Dino <i>Pastor, Holy Ghost, Jessup, PA</i>
Processional & Recessional	Rev. Michael Mondik <i>Pastor, St. Michael's, Pittston, PA</i>
Assistentia & Servers	Parish Altar Knights
Epistle Reader	Deacon Michael Pataki
Responses	Congregational Singing

100th Anniversary Solemn Rededication

Banquet Program

(Holiday Inn of Wilkes-Barre)

- Welcome & Introduction of Toastmaster Rev. Gerald Dino
Pastor, Holy Ghost, Jessup, PA
- Toastmaster Rev. Leonard Hollick
Pastor, St. Mary's, Freeland, PA
- Invocation Rev. Msgr. Joseph Jackanich
(Retired), St. Mary's, Wilkes-Barre, PA
- God Bless America (Congregation) Edward Gaydos
Cantor, St. Mary's, Kingston, PA

— DINNER —

- Remarks John L. Carey, M.D.
Kingston, PA
- Remarks Rev. John Sekellick, J.C.L.
Dean, Regional Byzantine Catholic Churches
- Remarks Rev. Alex Burak
Pastor, St. Vladimir's, Edwardsville, PA
- Remarks William A. Zdancewicz
*President, Parish Trustees
Anniversary Event Chairman*
- MAIN ADDRESS Most Rev. Michael J. Dudick, D.D.
Bishop, Diocese of Passaic, NJ
- Remarks Rev. Michael J. Miyo
Pastor, St. Mary's, Kingston, PA
- Benediction Msgr. George Durisin, V.G., V.F.
Cathedral of St. Michael, Archangel, Passaic, NJ

(Dance Music: Henry Charles & His Orchestra)

100th Anniversary Solemn Rededication

Menu

Cocktail Hour

Hors D'oeuvres

Chicken Livers wrapped in bacon – Fried Zucchini
Mini Potato Pancakes – Fish Puffs – Potato Balls
Franks in bar-b-que sauce – Chicken drummets
Swedish Meatballs

Wine Toast

Pink Chablis

Appetizer

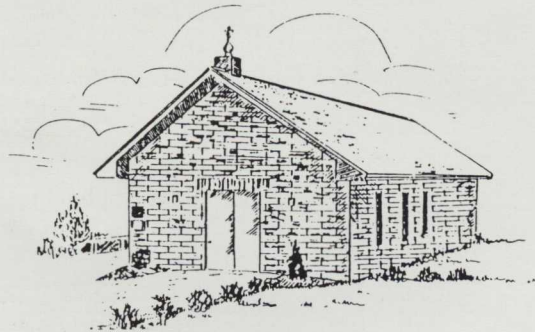
Fresh Fruit Cup

Salad

Crisp Tossed Garden Salad (choice of dressing on table)

Main Course

New York Strip Steak or South African Lobster Tail
Baked Stuffed Potato – Fresh Vegetables in Season
Fresh Baked Rolls and Butter
Coffee – Tea – Sanka
Dessert



Dedication of Our New Cemetery Chapel
Edwardsville, Penna.

Saturday, November 7, 1987

100th Anniversary Solemn Rededication

Jubilee Committee

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General Chairman William A. Zdancewicz

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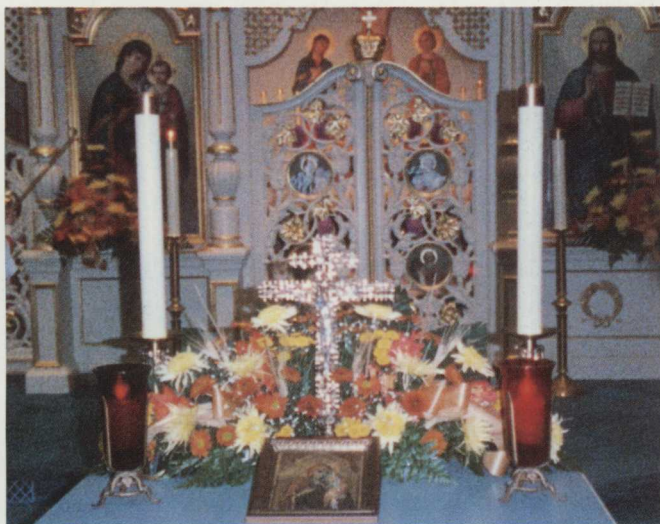
Liturgical Program



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Evening Banquet Program



Evening Banquet Program



Cemetery Chapel



Chapel Blessing



Consecration of Grounds



100th Anniversary – Newspaper Article

Centennial noted by St. Mary's Byzantine Church



Speakers at centennial anniversary

Principal speakers at the centennial anniversary dinner of St. Mary's Byzantine Catholic Church, Kingston, are shown.

Seated, from left: Most Rev. Andrew Patacki; Bishop Dudick, Auxiliary Bishop Rev. Father Kuzma, Rev.

Father Miyo and Msgr. George Durisin, V.G., V.F., Cathedral of St. Michael, Archangel, Passaic, NJ.

Standing: Dr. Carey, Rev. Father Sekellick, Rev. Father Hollick, toastmaster; Rev. Father Dino, and Zdancewicz.

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Homilist was Bishop Kuzma; masters of ceremonies, Rev. Leonard Hollick, Freeland, and Rev. Gerald Dino, Jessup. Processional and recessional was directed by Rev. Michael Mondik, Pittston; deacon Michael Pataki, epistle reader.

Bishop Dudick and Bishop Kuzma officiated in the blessing of the church, received in welcome by William A. Zdancewicz, president, parish trustees and Roger Nenni, trustees vice president. Congregational responses to the liturgy were offered with leadership given through cantor support locally, including the current cantor, Edward Gaydos, Wilkes-Barre, and

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100th Anniversary – Newspaper Article

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Congregation responses to the liturgy were offered, with leadership given through cantor support locally, including the current cantor, Edward Gaydos, Wilkes-Barre, and previous cantors John Wischak, Kingston, and George Kostraba, of New Jersey.

Speakers at the anniversary dinner included Dr. John L. Carey, Kingston, close friend of Father Miyo; the Rev. John Sekellick, J.C.L., dean, regional Byzantine Catholic churches; the Rev. Alex Burak, pastor, St. Vladimir's, Edwardsville; William Zdancewicz, trustees' president, and Father Miyo.

A special plaque of welcome was presented to Bishop Dudick from the parish altar boys in tribute to the occasion. Its presentation was made by altar boy Mark Savage, Pringle.

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Special blessing bestowed

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100th Anniversary — Newspaper Article

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An assembly of parishioners and friends was in attendance for the liturgy, attended by numerous clergy of the diocese. The dinner-dance, held at the Holiday Inn of Wilkes-Barre, was opened with welcome remarks by Rev. Dino; invocation offered by Rev. Msgr. Joseph Jackanich (retired), St. Mary's, Wilkes-Barre. Congregational singing of "God Bless America" preceded dinner.

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In his comments, Bishop Dudick drew public attention and praise to the long history of St. Mary's, its parishioner dedication and support to both their church and diocese. He also paid tribute to St. Mary's being the second oldest in the Metropolitan Province of the Byzantine Catholic Church in the U.S.A.

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As part of the celebration, the parishioners supported a drive to erect a chapel, blessed by Bishop Dudick. He praised its beauty and construction as a lasting memorial tribute to the parish and its parishioners. The first pastor of the church was Rev. Father Wolanski.

The first baptism recorded is that of Anna Petrunya, June 26, 1887; the first wedding, Alex Stetz and Julia Ondrakonski, July 7, 1887; first death, that of John Ribar, July 8, 1886. Records do not show who was the first cantor.

Parish trustees include Zdancewicz, Nenni, financial secretary Nick Kovalchik, Kingston; secretary Stephen Tribus, Kingston; treasurer David Kovalchik, Kingston, and Michael Homza, Larksville; Joseph Putprush, Edwardsville; Stephen Dudascik and John Shutlock, Dallas; John Evans, Wilkes-Barre, Stanley Kochevar, Kingston, and Andrew Germick, Wyoming; auditors Michael Kolessar, Jr. and Mrs. Mary Ann Savage, Pringle.

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Parish Patrons and Friends

\$300.00

Mr. and Mrs. George Anthony
John E. Figler

\$250.00

Mary, George, Emily Gresh
St. Mary's Rosary Society

\$225.00

Mrs. Anna Polk (Deceased)

\$200.00

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Mrs. Marian Petro (Trucksville)
Mrs. Mary Shimborsky
Eleanor C. Yasenchak
William A. Zdancewicz

\$150.00

Mrs. Catherine Fender
John Zdancewicz

\$120.00

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\$100.00

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Anna Yastremski
Anonymous
Anonymous
A Friend

\$50.00

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Mr. and Mrs. John Busha
Michael Chisarick
Richard, Jean & Nathan Collins
Mr. and Mrs. Michael Domarasky
Michael Drugach
Theresa A. Figler
Vincent G. Figler
Verna Gamrot
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 Irene, William (son) Yasenchak
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 Mr. and Mrs. Pedro Martinez Family
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