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Priest-Pilot Set Booklet Views 100-Year Ithaca Parish For Pacific Work

Geneva, III. - (NC) - The Rev. Charles Patrick, member of Events in the history of the Society of the Missionaries one - hundred - year - old Imof the Sacred Heart and an ac imaculate Conception Parish. complished pilot, is finishing test mother-church of Ithaca, are reflights in a Cessna 140 which he viewed in a booklet published will take soon to his mission in connection with the triple celstation on Manus Island, in the ebration scheduled next week in vicariate apostolic of Rabaul. the parish.

Father Patrick, who will cover Recording milestones in the New Britain, New Ireland, New history of Catholicism in Itha-Hartover and the Admiralty Is- ca, the booklet is intended as a lands in his plane, studied avia- souvenir of the observance of tions for two years at the Lewis the three outstanding events in College of Science and Tech the history of Immaculate Connology, Lockport, Ill. He earned ception parish -- the centenary these licenses and ratings: pri- of the parish, the golden jubilee vate and commercial pilot; flight; of the church and the laying of instructor; pilot, multi-engine; the cornerstone of the new helicopter pilot with instructor's school. rights; instrument and blind fly-

His plane was donated by the missionary Sisters of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, Bernharts, Pa., and was named "Our Lady of the Sacred Heart."

Tokyo Literary **Guild Convenes**

Tokyo --- (NC)- The twoyemr-old Catholic Literary Guild, which seeks to Christianize the ideas of children and young women through the primted word, has just held its first convention and retreat at the convent of the Handmaids of the Sacred Heart, in Yokzosuka.

Founded by Miss Mary Inoukal, daughter of Ken Inoukai, a founder of the Japan Democratic Party, the guild begin with five members. It now has 75, including several writters, A book of Christmas stories published last year was so successful its proceeds financed the convention and retread, and a new book is projected for this Christmas. Writter members also publish Cathaolic articles articles in various magazines and newspapers.

Irish Brothers

Sarata Monica, Cal. - (NC) - | Ithaca city nall, distributed Holy Five Brothers have arrived here Communion to seventy, and confrom Ireland to take charge of firmed twenty lour persons. St. Monica's High School for Within a year, he established a boys. It is the first establish parish in Ithaca appointing the ment of the Irish teaching com Rev. M. Juilbade as the first munity in the United States. i resident paster

Father Guilbride's pastorate, the initial step in erection of an Itha-Raymond's ca parish was taken when the decision to build a church was made. The church was completed while the Rev. Michael Cree (71 E. MAIN den, his successor, was pastor. Under a third pastor, Father Malion, the structure which occupied COCHESTER, N.Y.

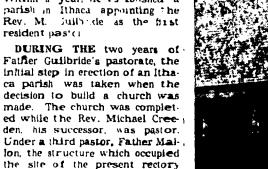
THE BOOKLET, written by William J. Waters of Ithaca, is illustrated with pictures of the parish buildings at various stages in their history, and reproductions of photographs of the Pope, Archbishop Amleto Giovanni Cicognani, the Apostolic Delegate Bishop Kearney, the Rev. Dr. William E. Byrne, pastor, and

his assistants, the Rev. John S. Maloney, the Rev. John T. Walsh and the Rev. James F. Baker. Immaculate Conception parish had its humble beginning back in 1833. In that year, 44 years after the founding of the settle-ment, three Catholics named Thomas Casey, Michael Mooney and a Mrs. Maloney brought the Faith to Ithaca.

Visiting priests of the Diocese of New York ministered to the spiritual needs of Ithaca's Catholics in the early days when the diocese covered all of New York State and half of New Jersey, an area with a Catholic population of 150,000, 18 priests and 12 churches.

After the Discess of Buffalo was set up, Ithaca Catholics hecame subjects of the Most Reverend John Timon, who made his first visit to the community in 1848. The condition of Catholicism in that day is revealed in a letter to the Bishop telling how he relebrated Mass

and heard confessions in the



ceeding pastors.

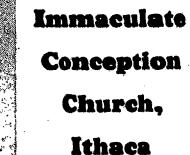
assistants to Bishop McQuaid. They were the Reverend Fathers

THE DEATH of Father Evans

The Rev. William Harrington

After the death in 1921 of Fa-

BORN IN Victor. Doctor Byrne



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Catholics in the Ithaca area are preparing to observe A triple celebration next weekthe 100th year of the existence of the parish, the golden jubilee of the present church building, and the 50th annivorsary of the laying of the cornerstone of the parish school.

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Facilities of the new school will include ten new classrooms, add-ed to a new kindergarten and two classrooms in the undam-aged wing of the building on Picture Found in Vienna West Buffalo Street. It will face North Plain Street.

North Plam Street. Turning the first spadeful of earth for the new building. Fa-ther Byrne sounded the keynote of the present centennial cele-bration. He said: "We are beginning this year a new century in the history of the Catholic Church in Itha-ranking artist of 300 years ago, painter - Kupelwieser portwaye

ca. We can think of no better way of celebrating 100 years of Catholic life, and beginning a new ers, than by the creetion of a school for the education of our children.

"With God's blessing and the gemorous support of all our ITHACA OPENS people, we shall go forward with renewed real and energy to the work at hand -, a new (Continued from page 1) school to mark the second century of our labor for God and Eagle's Home, Ithaca. On Wednesday morning at 10 country in Ithaca."

guidance for Catholic students at Cornell University was estab-lished. In 1929 Bishop O'Hern named the Rev. James T. Cronin as chapiain to the students, and a school in its hundred that is the students, and a school in its hundred that is the students and a school in its hundred that is the students are students. o'clock, a Solemn High Mass for Early in Father Byrne's pasthe following year saw regular istence. The first church was religious services being started dedicated in 1851 and replaced

at Barnes Hall. in 1860 by a second building. MANY OTHER active lay or. Erection of the present church

Friendly Sons of St. Patrick larged in 1915. In April, 1948, which organized in 1861. It was given an carly vigor by destroyed seven classrooms com. Prague Once of War Resist

Rosary Society, the Sodality of the children of Mary, and the Sodalities of St. Aloyslus for boys and Holy Angels for girls. Sodalities of the Infant Jesus and of St. Agnes were formed in 1981 for the pre-First Communion group.

BEFORE THE turn of the century the Ladies Ald Society, the Temperance Society and the Holy Name Society had established themselves in parish life. Ithaca Council 277, Knights of Columbus, was founded in 1897, and a companion order, Court Santa Maria 240, Catholic Daugh ters of America, came into being in 1914.

The National Council of Catholic Women organized its Ithaca District in 1931. The five years saw the birth of a Nocturnal Adoration Society, Young Ladies Sodality, the Parent-Teacher Association of the Immaculate Conception School and the Aquinas Guild. Three of the adult organizations have been active in the establishment of boy and girl Scout troops. Immaculate Conception parishioners also have an active, though unorganized, re-

treat movement. THE YOUNGEST

Vienne - A masterpiece paint tury the last mention of the ed by a Jeanit of the 17th cen- work was made in official re-

ranking artist of 300 years ago, painter Kupelwieser porrayed had painted a huge altar piece the Assumption. Kupelwieser's for the church, at that time at painting hung at the altar tached to the University of The Kupelwieser altar piece Vienna.

But sometime in the last cen- church.



campaign and raised over \$170. will take place in the evening at 000 for a new achool. Ground was broken last July and the Ithaca parish is preparing to lay

the cornerstone. Helping Father Byrne similar

Bratislava -- (NC) -- The Rev. Jakub Sefelk of Brailalava who is known throughout Slovakia ganizations are credited with a big role in the development of The Immaculate Conception parish. School, which was completed in 1898. The Immaculate Conception parish. School, which was completed in 1884, was en. Monsignon Monsignon Saturation of the title of Monsignon Monsignon Saturation of the title of Monsignon Monsignon Monsignon Saturation of the title of Monsignon recently cooperated with the



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under the patronage of St. Luke. To the prosperously growing narish then came the Rev. James I. McManus, and the Rev. Bernard McCool, builder of the second church. This church, erected on the site of the present edifice, was dedicated by Bishop Timon under the title of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary, on Dec. 12, 1860. Six years later, Immaculate Conception Church was incorporated with the Rev. James Tuohey as pastor and Cornellus Leary and Lawrence Herson as ay trustees

as formally dedicated in 185;

WHEN THE Diocese of Rochester was created in 1868, the Ithaca parish passed into the administrative hands of its first Rochester Bishop, the Most Rev. Bernard McQuaid, "the venerable and belowed apostle of Catholi-

cism in Northwestern New York. Bishop McQuaid appointed the Rev. Gilbert Nuono, who was succeeded in two years by the Rev. P. F. Lynch. Purchase of the house and lot on West Buffalo Street now occupied by the and Parochial School was accom- Joseph

olished under Father Lynch. With the appointment of the Rev. Alfred J. Evans in 1879, the biggest building period in Immaculate Conception parish history was launched. It was Father Evans who enlarged the sec-Raymond's ond church, built the parochial school, acquired the original land

for Calvary Cemetery and in 1895 proposed the construction of the third church. SEVEN MONTHS after his ap-





pointment Father Evans began Christ Rochester He was asthe alteration of the second signed pastor of St Mary's of church which included extending the Lake Church Ontario, in taking over the parish, Father the structure 15 feet rearranging 1917 and in 1925 became presi- Byrne effected an addition to the the galleries and entries and in- dent of Aquinas Institute, Roch-rectory consisting of an office stalling three new altars Con- esler. struction of Immaculate Concep-

In 1932 at the anniversary tion School was underway by Mass marking Father Byrne's 1883, and the building was dedi silver jubilee as a priest, the , cated the following year. It was opened with 326 pupils under the Rev. Thomas J O'Hern of Buf-Immaculate Conception Convent | tutelage of the Sisters of St. falo, a seminary classmate of tion. Father Byine and brother of the

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A lasting distinction was be late Bishop John Francis O'Hern stowed on the linaca parish of Rochester preached the serwhen in 1885 Bishop McQuaid mon Said Father O'Hern formally recognized its impor-"For 25 years father Byrne tance by awarding the title of ir-

has been a devoted servant of removable recto: to Father his Lord and Master. He has Evans, to be shared by all sucnever faltered in his service to God. He has been a true The new church was dedicated pastor of souls. He has been Sept. 11, 1898, with the first three a good shepherd." His parishmembers of the parish who enloners gave the lthaca pastor tered the priesthood acting as

a rolden chalice. Purchasing land shortly after suite on the first floor and rooms for the assistants. He also ac

quired the Haley and Mobbs properties immediately north of Calvary Cemetery on Floral Avenue, and developed the new sec

He directed the installation of new marble altars and the remodeling of the sanctuary, and finished the redecoration of the church with the erection of new Stations of the Cross in 1944.

LAST JULY, two years after fire gutted the original Immaculate Conception School, ground was broken for a modern fireproof structure to replace its charred and razed predecessor.



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group is the Catholic Youth Organization which the Rev. John Hedges inaugurated at the dlrection of Doctor Byrne. Last year, the CYO acquired eight acres of land near the Newman Municipal Golf Course for de velopment as an athletic field, with eventual facilities for outdoor parish activities. Since March, 1948 a momber ship corporation, the Ithaca Ca-

tholic Activities, Inc., has been in charge of this CYO property. Doctor Byrne and Father Maloney, assistant pastor, are current members of the board of directors.



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