Notre Dame Nuns, St. Joseph's Commercial School Set Anniversary Celebrations Oct. 17 to 23



MEMBERS OF FACULTY of St. Joseph's Commercial School, Rochester, marking its 59th Anniversary together with the Centenary of the coming of the School Sisters of Notre Dame to Rochester, Oct. 17 to 25 is shown above: Standing, (from left) Redemptorist Fathern, Very Rev. Gerald J. Whelan, CSS.R. and Rev. John J. Crowell, C.SS.R.; seated (from left) Sister M. Cyrille, S.S.N.D.; Sister Herbert Marie, S.S.N.D., Sister Mary Johanna, S.S.N.D., Sister Francia Borgia, S.S.N.D., (Advance Graphic Photo Service).

Nuns Pioneered In City Schools

nial of service in the diocese, seph's came in 1867 when the Commercial Department as a school graduates could afford and required longer schooling, principal at this time, is faced

infant city, the School Sisters of time country roads but the city and techniques. This course, be-Notre Dame came here to begin was rapidly expanding into these gun in 1904, grew into the prestheir devoted and outstanding areas. New parishes relieved the ent day St. Joseph's Commercial work of teaching the children busy down-town parish, and School, one of the first such in the first parochial schools of school enrollments declined schools in the country. this area. In October of 1854, the gradually. Redemptorist Fathers at St. Jo seph's Church invited these nuns to assist them in the spiritual development of their parish, Weverend Mother Caroline, foundress of the Noire Dame community in America brought two Sisters

By 1861, 762 children attended Sister M. Petra who came to St. From the century that is past, the school In addition to the Joseph's in 1893 and Sister M. the decades that lie shead are school at St. Joseph's, the Notre Medulpha in 1899.

At the turn of the century, the more souls and the glory of God.

When Rochester was still an and Elimwood Ave. were at that girls in basic business methods

From 1841 until 1900, the Brothers of Mary from Dayloss, Ohlo, conducted the boys' classes at the school, while the nums instructed the girls.

'In 1861, work was begun to to Rochester and began classes build an orphanage on Andrews for 178 girls on Oct. 17, 1854: St. and was twice enlarged and The Rochester area was still each time soon filled to capacity.

at that time under the jurisdic. This orphanage continued to

Over seventy-five School Sis in other parishes of the city, Notre Dame Sisters noted the business education permeated ters of Notre Dame in Seven such as Holy Family, Holy Reneed for specialized training for with Christian principles. Or Rochester area parishes will deemer, and St. Peter and Paul's. girls who would seek jobs in inganized at the turn of the centrary their community's centen. Highest registration at St. Jo-dustry. The Sisters organized a tury, when many elementary Over seventy-five School Sis- in other parishes of the city, Notre Dame Sisters noted the total reached 1.058. Hudson Ave. "ninth grade" to train boys and neither the time nor money for St. Joseph's extended its courses

> PARISH SCHOOLS conducted by the School Sisters of Notre Dame are the following: Holy Redeemer, Holy Family, St. Michael, St. Joseph, St. Peter and Paul, St. Boniface, in Rochester; and Holy Ghost school at Cold-

The Sixters whose title Notre Themse dedicates them in a special way to our Lady are grateful each year. tion of the Bishop of Buffalo care for neglected and needy and he came on the feast of the children until 1938, when the Immsculate Conception to dedi, group of 18 children was transcate the Sisters' Convent Chapel on Devey Ave and encourage them in their on Dewey Ave.

OUTSTANDING NUNS who Succeeding years noted a remembered for their edusteadily increasing, enrollment, cational and civic leadership are to their Redeemer and Judge.



Two hundred students at St. Joseph's Commercial School, Franklin St., Rochester, will mark the Golden Anniversary of their school at special ceremonies this coming week. Notre Dame Sisters who conduct the school are also observing at this time the Centennial Jubilee of their

Business School Started To Aid Working Teenggers

St. Joseph's Commercial School, Rochester, this Sunday observes its fiftieth year of providing a a four-year High School course, St. Joseph's offered a brief introductory course in basic com-

mercial subjects. It was at first established simply as a Commercial Department of St. Joseph's parish school, under the direction of Sister M. Perfects. Until about ten years ago, boys as well all-girl school.

Eighteen students, enrolled in the first class in 1904, and now nearly a hundred are graduated

St. Joseph's Commercial School in Rochester was one of the first attempts at a bust ness education in this area. In 1994, most grade school gradu-ates immediately began the tank of trying to make a Mying in the highly competitive business world. Those who had some training were obviously more likely to succeed, but

need. Courses in shorthand, book-keeping, typing, commercial law, business English, etc., were offered at St. Joseph's for one year.

As State and Federal Laws re-

stricted employment of minors, to include two years.

Malden, Mass. IN 1910, Sister Ludolpha was ized business education. appointed to St. Joseph's and

business men and office work- have been the Redemptorist Faas girls attended it, but increased ers of the city to this day. In there of St. Joseph's Church. The ed enrollments and limited facily addition to the regular class sub-lities necessitated making it an jects, she also directed dramatic selves as Spiritual Directors or performances, oratorical con- have appointed other Redemptests, and deepened the spiritual torist priests to serve in this program at the school. She also capacity. developed a keener business despite the inevitable weakness that comes with age.

creasing enrollment.

equipment purchased.

A distinctive uniform was decided upon and the Commercial School took its place in the various activities of civic and religious affairs.

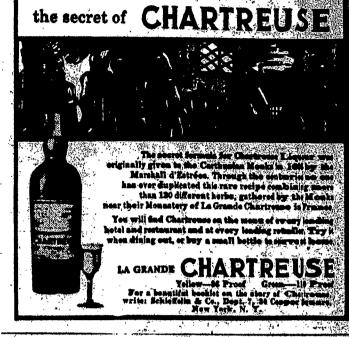
More recently, the New York State Employment Bureau has regularly sent its representatives to administer tests to the stu dents ot help them determine a position suited to their various

SISTER MARY BONAVITA with applications beyond the school's capacity to accept. Plans Succeeding Sister Perfects was are being considered to extend Sister Mary Jude who continues the facilities in every way possito, teach business subjects at ble in order to provide Catholic girls of this area with a special-

Guiding and assisting the nuns she is well remembered by many in their Commercial School work

Looking back over the record acumen in the students and con-tinued as a teacher until 1951, and Faculty of the Commercial School have every confidence that the traditions already estab-Sister Francis Borgia came to lished will be perpetuated in the the faculty in 1951 and Sister years ahead. St. Joseph's Com-Mary Edward in 1946, Another mercial will continue its unique teacher, Sister Edward also came apostolate of educating girls in in 1946 to assist in the ever in- a special way to take their places in the business world, and At this time, the school was bring Christ to their fellow refinished, new lights installed, workers by the compelling exthere were few schools with and the latest automatic office ample of their daily Christian

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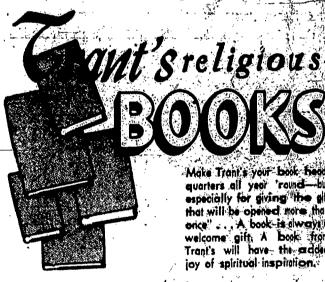
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St. Mary Guild, Fairport, To Mark 10th Anniversary

His Excellency Bishop Kearney will be guest of honor and principal speaker at the 10th anniversary banquet of St. Mary Guild, Church of the Assumption, Fairport, Oct. 20. The affair will be held at 7 p.m.

at Hotel Rochester,

Johning Bishop Kearney and Mrs. John Delaney and Mrs.

Dittingues georetary, Mrs. guild members that evening will Frank Pittinaro; secretary, Mrs. be the Rev. James T. Wood, pas- Earl Graham; and treasurer, tor-emeritus, who was pastor of Mrs. Arthur Dailey. the church when the Gulld was Mrs. Arthur Keele has been

as advisors in its church work ney and Mrs. Donald Walzer. projects. They include: The Rev. Edward P. Dempsey, first spluit-ual advisor; the Rev. John J. Tureen Supper Set Nacca, pastor of St. Francis of By Rosary Society
Assisi Church, Auburn; 1st Lt. By Rosary Society

sistant pastor of Holy Apostles service and a dish to pass. Church, Rochester.

organized; the Rev. Leonard A. named banquet chairman. Her Kelly, pastor; and the Rev. Vin- aides are: program, Mrs. Edward cent P. Collins, assistant pastor. Cary; tickets, Mrs. Charles Ken-THE GUILD also will honor ney and Mrs. Colin Murray; and the five priests, who have served transportation. Mrs. John Ken-

Joseph Natale, chaplain of the St. Jerome Parish Rosary So-82nd Airborne Division, Ft. clety will hold a tureen supper Bragg. N. C.; the Rev. Nicholas on Thursday, Oct. 21, at 6:30 Alletto, assistant pastor of St. p.m. in the parish hall. All wom-Anthony Church, Elmira; and en of the parish are invited and, the Rev. Ignatius St. George, as asked to bring her own table

A program appropriate to the Founded by Miss Anne Gilden Marian Year has been planned. to promote the welfare of the Cochairmen are Mrs. E. J. O'Briparish and assist in church activity en and Mrs. T. Mancuso. The ties, the Guild has increased its monthly Communion breakfast membership rolls in the past 10 will be held Sunday, Oct. 24, years from 50 to 228. Present with Mrs. Beth Afferdick and officers include: president, Mrs. Mrs. Ada Smith as cochairmen.

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