

My dear Father Barnett,

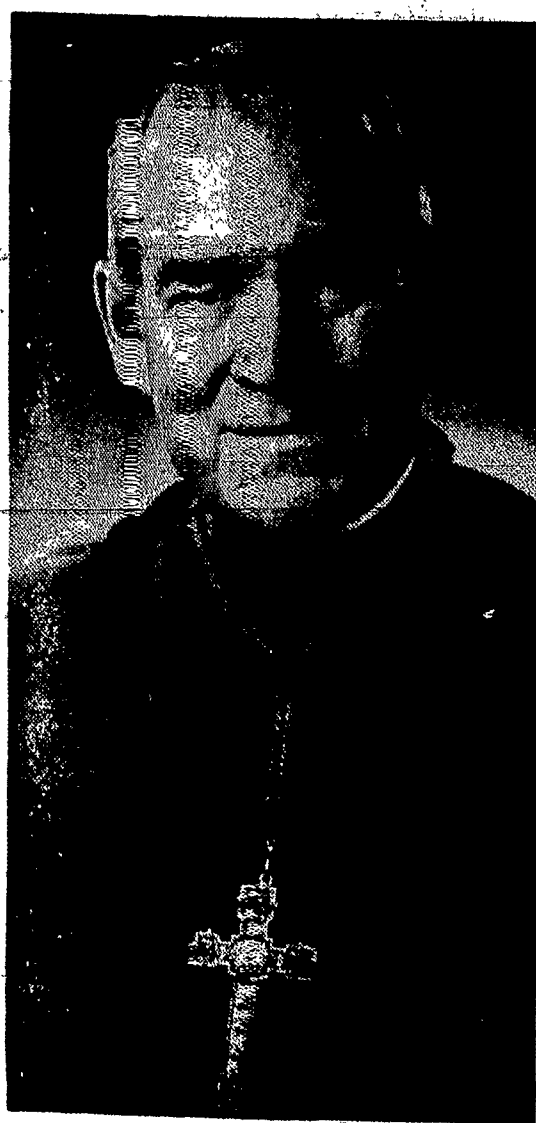
The dedication of the Jesuit High School in Rochester is an outstanding event in the history of education in the diocese of Rochester.

My congratulations go out to the Society for this addition to the magnificent chain of educational institutions which dot our beloved country from the shores of the Atlantic to the Golden Gate.

My congratulations go also to the diocese of Rochester, which now will share in the rich educational traditions of the Society of Jesus.

Under the patronage of the saintly scholar and apostle, St. Francis Xavier, this school is destined to a great future, "ad majorem Dei gloriam."

+ JAMES E. KEARNEY  
Bishop of Rochester



His Excellency  
Bishop Kearney

# Bishop To Bless \$2,300,000 McQuaid Jesuit High For Boys

Formal dedication of the \$2,300,000 McQuaid Jesuit High School, Rochester's newest high school for boys staffed by the Jesuit Fathers, will take place this Sunday, Sept. 25 at the beautiful 25-acre Clinton and Elmwood Ave. site.

His Excellency Bishop Kearney will officiate at the blessing ceremonies, in which the building, classrooms and grounds will be officially dedicated, according to the Very Rev. James R. Barnett, S.J., rector of McQuaid High.

The Rev. Robert L. Gannon, well-known speaker and former president of Fordham University, will give the keynote address and the Very Rev. Thomas Henebery, S.J., provincial of the New York Province of the Society of Jesus will be present for the ceremonies. Dedication rites will begin at 3 p.m.

McQUAID JESUIT High School, one of four new high schools of the Rochester diocese, opened its doors to over 400 students in freshman and sophomore classes on Sept. 6. Last year the freshman students took classes in the temporary quarters of McQuaid Jesuit High in the old Cathedral High School building at the corner of Plymouth Ave. N. and Brown St.

Designed in modern functional style of cream-colored facing brick by architects Flynn and Bohack and constructed by A. Friederich and Sons Co., the new school, equipped to accommodate 1000 students, is situated on a slight promontory facing Clinton Ave. S.

A jutting front wing opens to a foyer and the offices of the rector, principal, prefect of discipline, treasurer, student council and sodality.

TWO-STOREY wings hold thirty classrooms, 2 science lecture halls and laboratories, a combination auditorium and cafeteria, chapel, gymnasium, library and students' recreation room.

An innovation in the conventional high school building is the teacher-student conference room, made up of several partitioned cubicles where the teacher and student may discuss privately personal or scholastic problems.

The 25-acre campus, purchased by the Jesuit Fathers in March 1953 for \$65,000, will have a football field and running track, a baseball field, five soft ball diamonds, four tennis courts and three outdoor basketball courts when completely landscaped.

Headed by the new principal, the Rev. John W. Kelly, S.J., the present staff at McQuaid includes thirteen Jesuit Fathers, 9 scholastics of the Order and four laymen.

Living quarters for the Jesuits are in a separate wing of the school building. The Fathers have two community rooms, a refectory, library, music room and 39 bedrooms. The high school chapel is jointly used by the students and faculty.

McQuaid Jesuit High School was built as a result of the Bishop Kearney High School Campaign conducted in the Fall of 1952 for the construction of four new high schools in the Rochester diocese.

AS A RESULT of the fund drive honoring Bishop Kearney's 20th anniversary in the Episcopacy, the diocese provided \$1,500,000 towards the costs of building McQuaid and the remainder was financed by the Society of Jesus, Bishop Kearney and the Very Rev. John J. McMahon, then head of the Jesuits' New York province, jointly announced on Sept. 26, 1952 that the new school for boys would be named after Rochester's first bishop, Bernard J. McQuaid, pioneer in Catholic education in America.

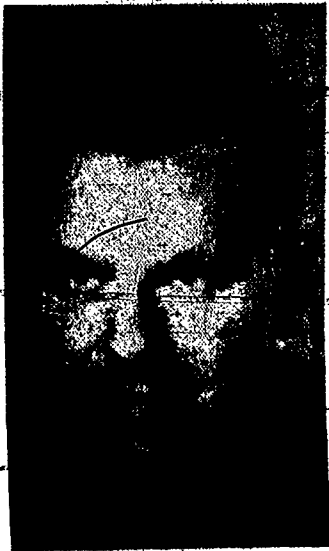
Father Barnett was appointed rector of the new school in May 1953, and together with the Rev. Lorenzo K. Reed, S.J., former director of the Jesuit high schools of the New York province, negotiated the purchase of the building site and asked for contractors' bids.

GROUND-BREAKING ceremonies for McQuaid Jesuit High School took place on Tuesday, June 23, 1953. Bishop Kearney was joined by Fathers McMahon and Barnett in turning the first spadeful of earth.

A large number of the diocesan clergy, members of the religious communities, city officials and laymen were present for the rites.



Father Barnett  
McQuaid Rector



Father Kelly  
McQuaid Principal

Both Samuel B. Dicker, then mayor of Rochester, and Leonard A. Boniface, supervisor of the Town of Brighton, gave speeches of welcome to the Jesuit Fathers and praised the new educational institution soon to rise.

The Rev. Gerard F. Fagan, S.J., was appointed first principal of McQuaid in June 1954 and was assigned a staff of five priests and five scholastics to teach at the temporary quarters at 444 Plymouth Ave. N.

Cornerstone rites for the new school were conducted on Sept. 19, 1954 with more than 1,000 spectators attending the ceremony.

BISHOP KEARNEY, introduced by Father Barnett, addressed the gathering as did the Provincial, Father Thomas Henebery, and Robert E. Ghina, general chairman of the Bishop's High School Jubilee Fund.

Music and songs were provided for the ceremonies by the first freshman class of McQuaid High. Among the civic officials present were Rep. Kenneth B. Keating, former Mayor Dicker, Sheriff Albert W. Skinner, State Senator George F. Manning and former Rep. James P. Duffy.

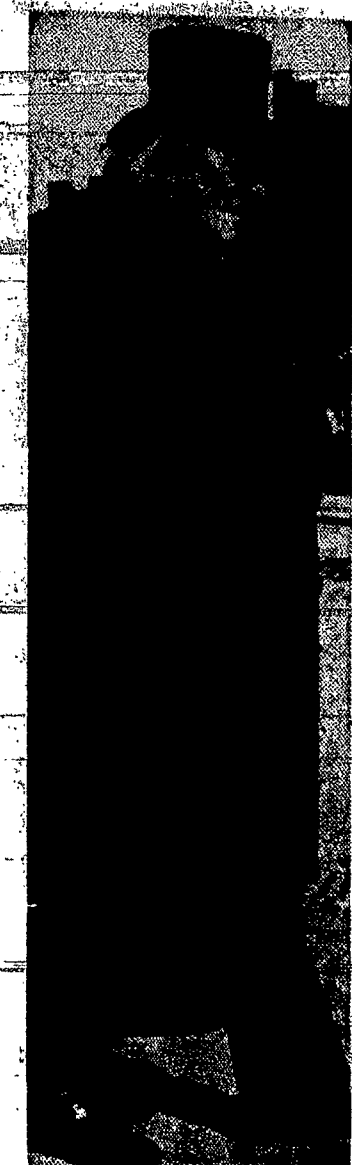
Construction on the school was briefly interrupted on Dec. 16, 1954 when a boiler room explosion caused injury to three workmen and minor building damages. Work was halted for a six-week period in May and June of this year as a result of masons' and painters' strike.

Besides the architects and general construction contracts, local companies involved in the completion of McQuaid Jesuit High School include: Neumann Brothers Paving Corp., Horvack and Hayden Inc., William A. McCormick, Leach Steel Corp., Remington Rand, Maurer Co., William Werner and Son, Newman and Erbe, Hendershot and Diederick, and Monroe Tree Surgeons.

## Patron

At the groundbreaking of McQuaid Jesuit High School on June 23, 1953, Bishop Kearney named St. Francis Xavier as patron of the new institution.

One of the original companions of St. Ignatius Loyola, founder of the Society of Jesus, St. Francis Xavier is considered the greatest missionary since the time of the Apostles. The zeal he displayed, the wonderful miracles he performed, and the great number of souls he brought to the light of the true Faith, entitle him to this distinction.



Bishop McQuaid  
On State Street

## New School Named For First Bishop

Appropriately named for Rochester's first bishop, Bernard J. McQuaid, Rochester's new Jesuit High School carries on the tradition of Catholic education which merited for that pioneer bishop the title of "Champion of Christian Education."

The infant Diocese of Rochester was poor and humble when its first Bishop, Bishop McQuaid was consecrated on July 12, 1868.

On his arrival here, there was but one Irish Catholic and five German Catholic schools in Rochester. The Academy of Christian Brothers, founded by Bishop McQuaid, organized the Sisters of St. Joseph and began the present diocesan school system with three teachers and about 600 pupils.

To support his first schools and to win the assistance and help of the laity, Bishop McQuaid entered the lecture field. His efforts were published under the title, "Christian Free Schools." With the backing of the authorities in Rome, Bishop McQuaid revived in this country the policy of the church in relation to the education of children.

His efforts in the Rochester Diocese were marked with outstanding success. Today the Rochester Diocesan School System is the model for the United States. As news of Bishop McQuaid's work spread, educators from all over the nation, both Catholic and public, came to the city to study his plans.

Bishop McQuaid's education plans were not restricted to the parochial school. Far in advance of the thinking of his time, he saw the need to build a clergy for the future. He brought under his direct supervision those young men who aspired to the priesthood when in 1870 he established St. Andrew's Seminary.

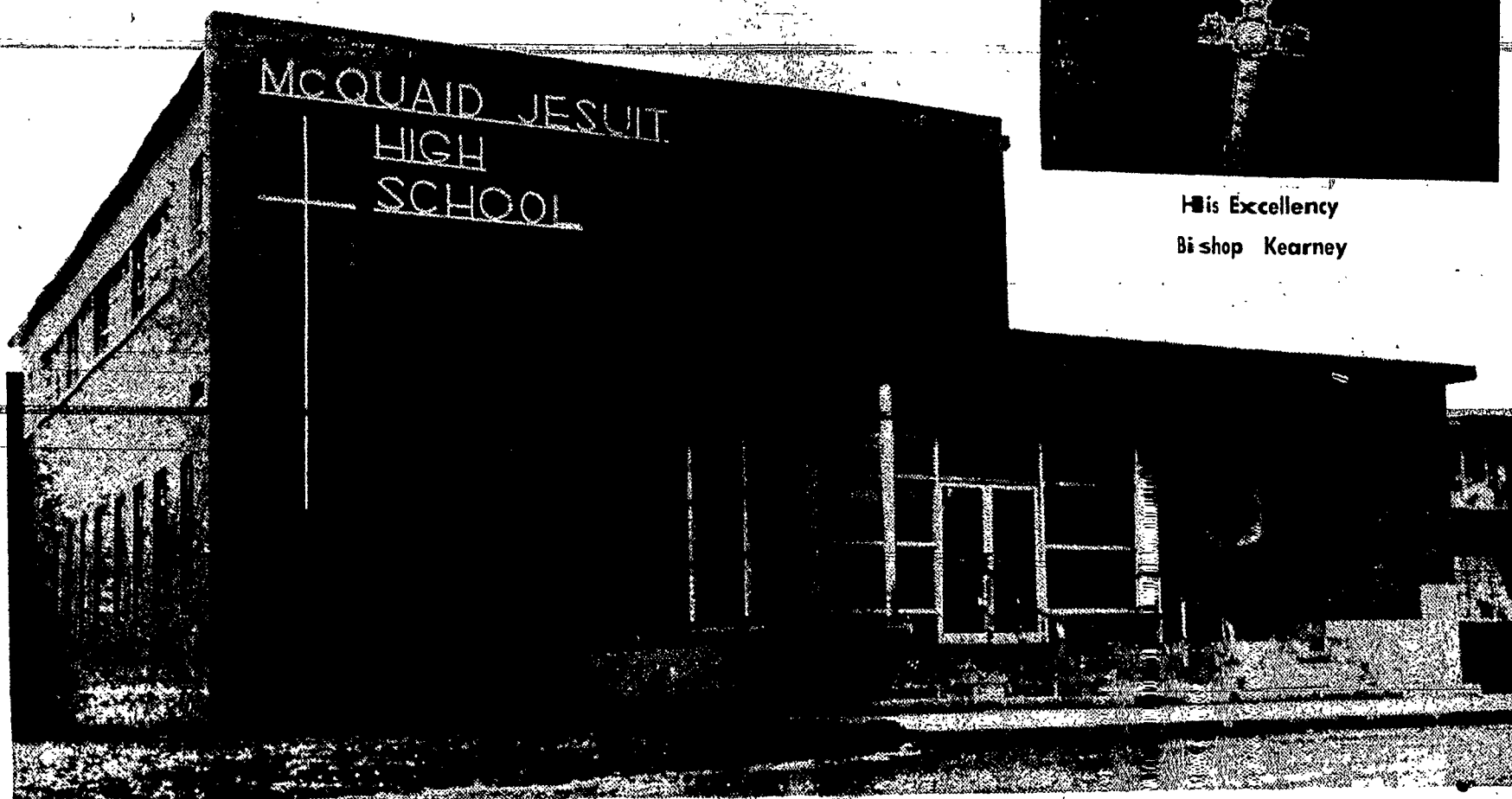
Rochester's first Bishop had even bigger ideas for the training of future priests. He wanted a theological seminary and as early as 1875 began planning. By 1879 he was sending young men to the best schools in Europe to prepare for teaching work in his future seminary.

The first stone of St. Bernard's Seminary was laid Mar. 31, 1891, and the building was dedicated on July 12, 1893. It was in 1901 that the Holy See in a Papal Brief granted St. Bernard's the faculty of conferring degrees in philosophy and theology, a privilege rarely granted to diocesan seminaries at that time.

When Bishop McQuaid came to Rochester he was 45 years old, a man of fine physique, spiritually, mentally and physically equipped to handle his new duties. He was unflinching in his efforts for the new Diocese, giving of his time and energy selflessly.

After a lingering illness covering more than six months, Bishop McQuaid died in the Episcopal residence on Jan. 18, 1909, at the age of 85, having served the Rochester Diocese for 40 years.

The work of Bishop McQuaid lives on in the educational monuments founded and encouraged by him and now in McQuaid Jesuit High School named for Rochester's beloved patron of the schools.



Marques Entrance of the \$2,300,000 McQuaid Jesuit High School.

## Jesuits Founded 400 Years Ago

The Jesuits, officially called the Society of Jesus, were established over 400 years ago by an ex-soldier, St. Ignatius Loyola.

It was from his meditations during a convalescence from a battle wound that St. Ignatius prepared the Spiritual Exercises and Constitutions which still guide the Jesuit Fathers.

The Society of Jesus today numbers nearly 32,000 men on every continent. Almost 7,000 are listed on the rosters of the eight Jesuit Provinces in the United States.

There are today in the U. S. 28 colleges and universities and 42 high schools conducted by the Jesuits. McQuaid Jesuit High School is the eighth and newest in the Jesuits' New York Province.

During the 400-odd years of its existence, the Society of Jesus has produced 23 canonized saints and more than 100 holy men who now bear the name "Blessed," the last step prior to canonization.

A 15-year course of training, spiritual and mental, is prescribed by the Jesuits to prepare a member of the order for his assignment.

When an aspirant for the Jesuit priesthood first enters the Society, he begins a two-year period of novitiate dur-

ing which he studies the Order's Rules and Constitutions, and the Order gets to know him.

After the completion of Novitiate, he pronounces the simple perpetual vows of poverty, chastity and obedience. Then he devotes two years to the study of the natural sciences and the liberal arts. He is then called a "Scholastic."

Next come three years of Philosophy and the further study of literature and the social and physical sciences followed by a three-year period of teaching in one of the high schools or colleges of the Province or in the missions.

He then returns to a major seminary for Theology and is ordained to the priesthood at the end of his third year. After his fourth and final year of theology, the young priest enters a year of prayer, meditation, a spiritual recap of his fifteen years.

At the end of this comprehensive program, the Jesuit priest is ready for assignment to any one of the many foundations of the Society; to the missions, the high schools or colleges, the parishes, to a Jesuit publication or radio station, a military or hospital chaplaincy, or a retreat house.

## Trained Staff Directs Boys

A highly experienced roster of Jesuit priests and scholastics forms the faculty and administrative board of McQuaid Jesuit High School at the new Brighton site.

The Rev. James R. Barnett, S.J., rector, was dean of the School of Business, St. Peter's College, Jersey City, and prior to his entering the U. S. Army as a chaplain where he served at the rank of Major. He held the rank of Major General in the U. S. Army and was chairman of the \$1,000,000 Jesuit Seminary Building Fund.

The new principal, the Rev. John W. Kelly, S.J., was instructor at the Fordham Preparatory School, Dean of the School of Business, St. Peter's College, Jersey City, and prior to his entering the U. S. Army as a chaplain where he served at the rank of Major. He held the rank of Major General in the U. S. Army and was chairman of the \$1,000,000 Jesuit Seminary Building Fund.

Staff of McQuaid Jesuit High School with their academic degrees is as follows:

- Very Rev. James R. Barnett, S.J., Rector, A.B., M.A., Woodstock College; graduate studies, Fordham University, Ph.D. Gregorian University, Rome.
- Principal, John W. Kelly, S.J., Ph.D., M.A., Georgetown University; M.A., Fordham University; Ph.D., St. Louis University; Ph.D., St. Louis University.
- Rev. Henry C. Avery, S.J., A.B., Woodstock College.
- Rev. Robert J. Boyle, S.J., M.A., Woodstock College.
- Rev. John L. Farnand, S.J., A.B., M.A., Ph.D., S.T.L., Woodstock College.
- Rev. Henry A. Hoffer, S.J., A.B., M.A., Woodstock College.
- Rev. Irving J. Kish, S.J., S.J., Treasurer, A.B., Woodstock College.
- Rev. James P. Maloney, S.J., A.B., Georgetown College.
- Rev. Maurice J. Miller, S.J., A.B., Woodstock College.
- Rev. Thomas D. McAl USA, A.B., Loyola University (Chicago).
- Rev. John J. Parel, S.J., M.A., Boston College, S.T.L., Woodstock College.
- Rev. Francis J. Stabile, S.J., A.B., Georgetown University; Ph.D., Woodstock College.
- Rev. Robert A. White, S.J., A.B., West Baden College, M.A., Loyola University.
- Mr. John E. Brownning, S.J., A.B., Bellarmine College.
- Mr. James P. Cotter, S.J., B.S., Canisius College.
- Mr. George C. Frank, S.J., A.B., Ph.L., Bellarmine College.
- Mr. Robert F. McDonagh, S.J., A.B., Ph.L., Bellarmine College.



McQuaid High  
Coat Of Arms

The coat of arms of McQuaid Jesuit High School is designed in the conventional shield form, the upper portion of which contains the arms of the Loyola family showing two standing figures, a blue background and a gold diagonal stripe.

The lower portion of the shield is taken from the arms of the Society of Jesus, a blue background with a gold X-shaped St. Andrew's cross, centered by a golden book.

It is interesting to note that this same type of cross is found in the arms of St. Ignatius, martyred bishop of Loyola, England, and patron of the Rochester, N. Y. Diocese.

Above the shield is a crest, an open book with the letters A.D.M. and the motto "Ad Majorem Dei Gloriam" for the greater glory of God, motto of the Society of Jesus.



Main Corridor of McQuaid Jesuit High School.