

New Abbey fire truck is manned by "Chief" Brother Anthony.

Monks Turn Firemen At Trappist Abbey

By FRED BEUERLEIN
Mt. Morris — A twelve man fire brigade to be known as the Abbey Fire Department has been organized at the Trappist Abbey of Our Lady of the Genesee, located at Piffard on the River Road in the Town of York.

THE TRAPPIST brothers that make up the fire department have just completed 15 hours instructions of the basic course of the New York State Firemen's Training Program given by Gil W. Jenkins, Livingston County Fire Coordinator.

Recently a four wheel drive red-panel truck equipped with fire fighting apparatus was put in service to provide fire protection for the buildings and grounds of the abbey. To date the truck has 500 feet of 2 1/2 inch hose, 500 feet of 1 1/2 inch hose, dry chemical and CO2 extinguishers, tools, nozzles, aluminum ladders, Scott Air masks, hand lights and a hose repair clamp.

There are a number of hydrants with good water pressure around the grounds and a fire alarm system is currently being installed in the buildings. A section of the garage building has been set aside as the fire house.

THE ABBEY Fire Department is headed by Brother M. Anthony as fire chief. Brother Anthony is a vigorous 23 year old man who also serves as plumber for the abbey. He is an Aquinas Institute graduate and one of the youngest fire

Forty Hours

Sunday, Oct. 1—Good Counsel, Holy Cross, Perpetual Help, Rochester; St. Patrick, Danville; St. Patrick, Mt. Morris; St. Mary, Canandaigua; St. Mary, Horseheads; St. Mary's of the Lake, Ontario; St. Joseph, Rush; St. Rita, West Webster.

chiefs in Livingston County. He has a deputy chief to assist him with his fire department activities. Coordinator Jenkins will assist the Trappist fire fighters in making a survey to determine the number and types of fire extinguishers needed in the various buildings. Brother Anthony hopes to get more fire equipment for his department as time and conditions permit.

Bishop Launches CYO Drive

Following an address by Bishop Kearney at the Columbus Civic Center last night two hundred enthusiastic workers began a nineteen day membership campaign for the C.Y.O. The first report meeting will be on Thursday, Oct. 5, and the final results will be announced at a dinner meeting on Tuesday, Oct. 17.

AN "ATTRACTIVE" folder prepared by the general committee under Chairman Joseph J. Maller has been mailed to a large list of prospects and in it Bishop Kearney makes this appeal: "The work of the C.Y.O. is one of the most effective efforts on behalf of our young people. Its continuation depends upon your generous assistance in this annual appeal. May I ask your continued interest in this cause?"

Comments of other prominent citizens on the work of the C.Y.O. include one from Mayor Peter Barry who stated that "The planned comprehensive program of activity that is offered to the boys and girls of this community by the Catholic Youth Organization is stimulating and inspiring."

Judge Joseph G. Fritsch said: "As Children's Court Judge I take this opportunity to tell you that the court appreciates all that the C.Y.O. offers our boys and girls." Fred M. Tobin

Under the Livingston Mutual Aid System, when a fire is reported at the abbey trucks will be dispatched from the Retsof and York fire departments to assist the Abbey Fire Department if needed.

Father Zimmer Listed By First Friday Club

Rev. Edward A. Zimmer, assistant pastor, Sacred Heart-Cathedral will speak at Lorenzo's Restaurant, 33 Chestnut St. to men of the First Friday Luncheon Club, Oct. 6.

In announcing the change of location for the monthly session, Chairman Emmett J. Schupp of the Knights of Columbus sponsors a ring committee, said the change is temporary.

Saturday Mass Breakfast Set

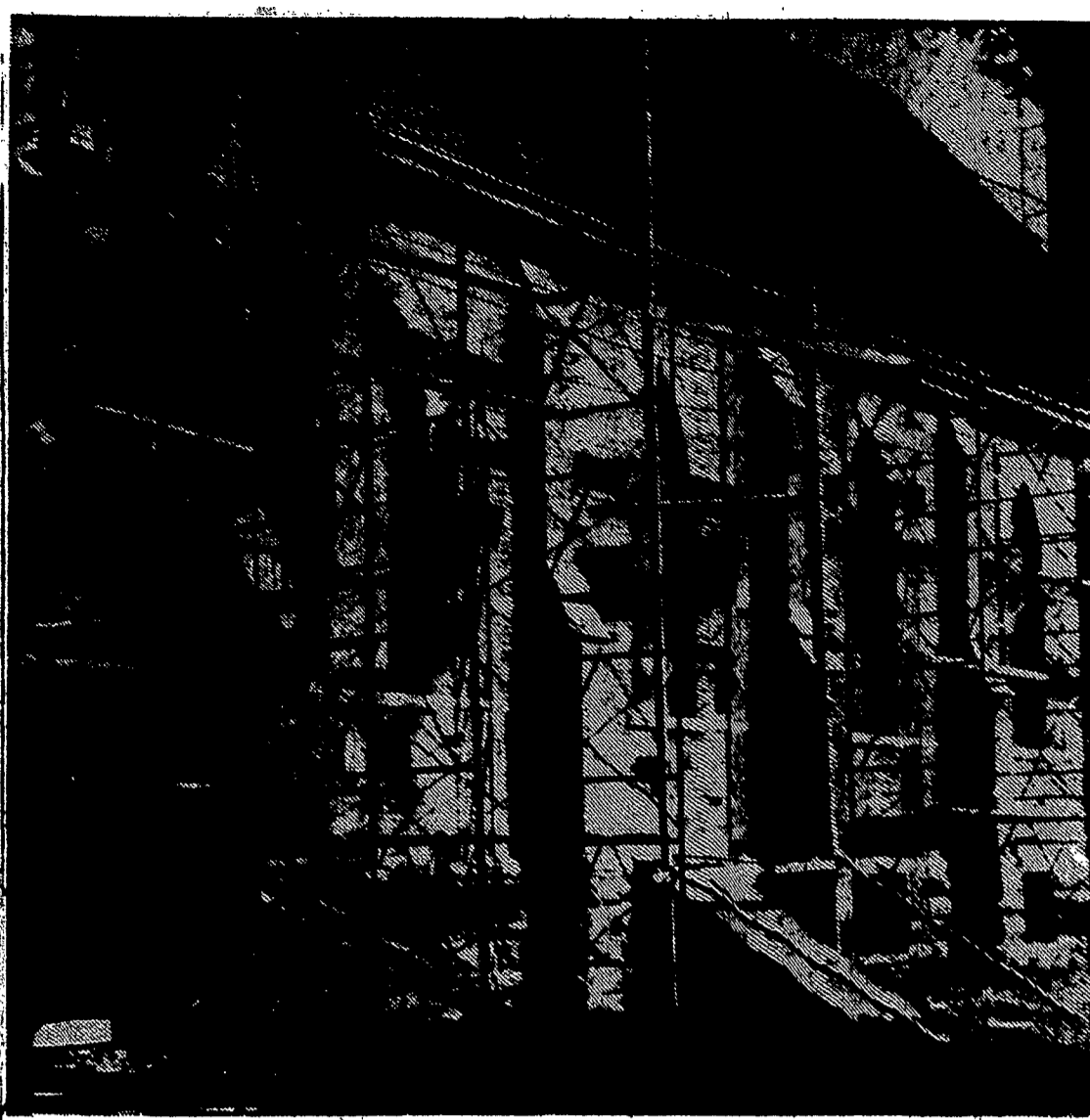
The Rev. Emmett Halloran, moderator of the First Saturday Mass and Breakfast, will celebrate the 9 a.m. Mass at St. Joseph's Church on Saturday, Oct. 7.

Breakfast will follow at the Franklin House. The Rev. Lawrence Murphy, assistant pastor of St. John the Evangelist Church, Greece, is guest speaker. St. John's Rosary Society will act as hostess.

Little Flower Feast Readied

Feast of St. Therese, the Little Flower will be observed at Carmelite Monastery, Jefferson Road, in the chapel, Thursday, Oct. 3. Bishop Kearney will celebrate Mass at 9 a.m.

Girls from Our Lady of Mercy High School will sing. The Discalced Carmelite Sisters will conclude their Novena in honor of St. Therese.



SCAFFOLDING enables workmen to transform exterior of Ovid Church to conform with area's refurbished buildings.

Ovid, Romulus Churches Highlighted By 'New Look'

A "new look" has come during the past year and a half to two of the Rochester Diocese's oldest churches located in the heart of the Finger Lakes country. The Rev. Francis Harding, pastor of Holy Cross Church, Ovid, and Sacred Heart Church, Romulus, has directed a series of striking improvements on the two parish buildings.

HOLY CROSS parish was founded in 1849 and the present church was built in 1896.

Sacred Heart, mission of the Ovid church, was given a new appearance with birch white siding by John Mansville and repainted trim. Work was done by the Gable Construction Co. of Romulus.

Extensive changes were made to both the interior and exterior of Holy Cross Church. The late Henry J. Butler, Canandaigua architect, designed the art work and Eoucher and Son of Elmira executed the decoration.

focal point in the sanctuary is a hand-carved wooden crucifix hanging over the altar, with three painted wall panels providing the background.

New decorating on the side walls of the sanctuary depicts in an overall stenciling the instruments of the Passion.

The white marbled main altar is remodeled and features an ornate brass tabernacle door. The entire sanctuary flooring is of black and white marbled rubber tile.

The blue sanctuary ceiling is highlighted with a gold cross, symbol of the Last Judgment. THE SIDE ALTARS resemble the main altar in styling. The

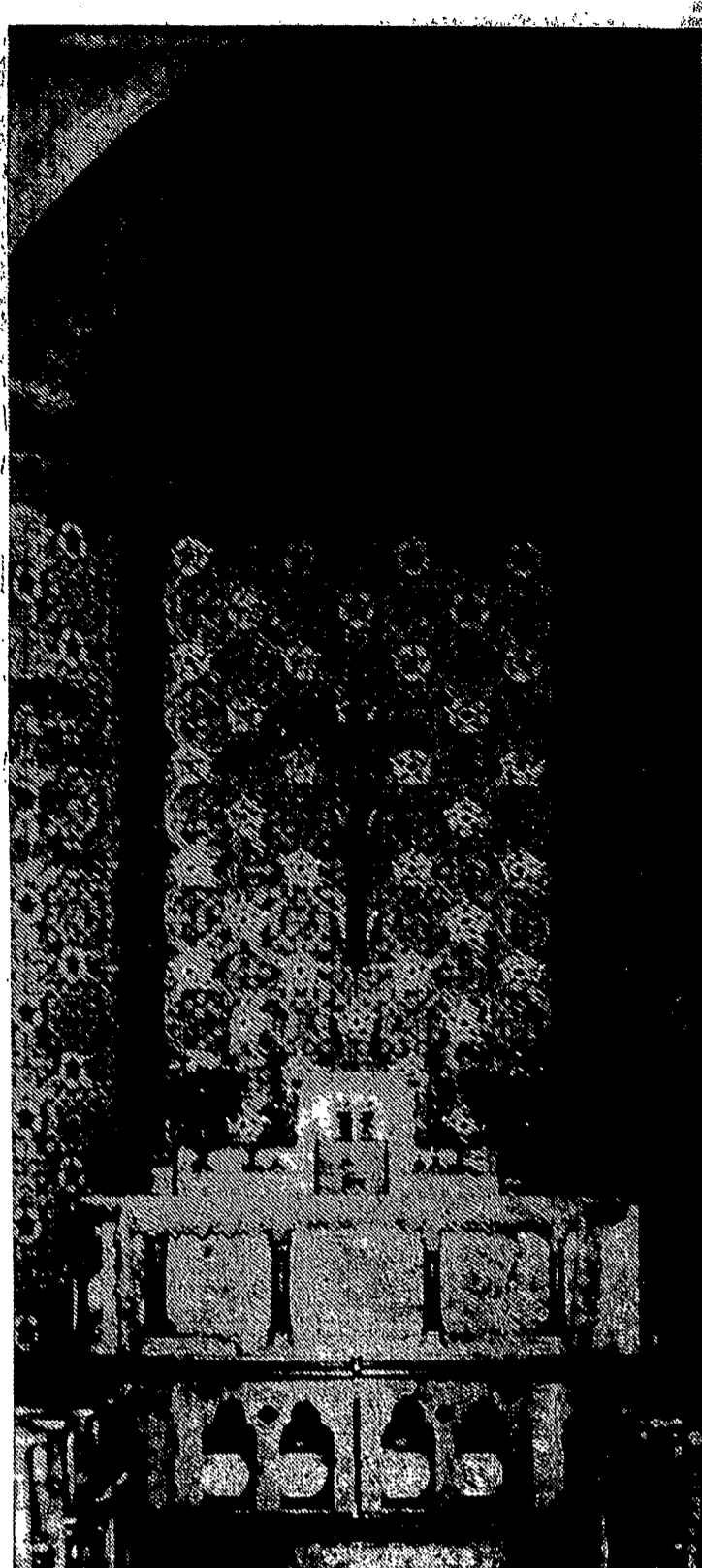
back ground wall of the niches is stenciled with gold leaf to correspond with the stenciling around the main altar. Blue trim is used for the Blessed Mother's altar, while red trim finishes off the niche of St. Joseph's Altar.

Stations of the cross have been painted grey and trimmed with gold to correspond with

the grey pillard corners that frame the picture of the major portion of the sanctuary. The walls are stippled pale green over golden buff. The ceiling over the nave is painted blue green and the mahogany stained wooden cross beams ribbing the ceiling are ornately treated with multi-colored stenciling and chevron designs.

A public speaking system has been installed and a new sanctuary lamp and holy water fountains have been added. The altar rail, confessionals, choir loft and wainscoting have been varnished, and the radiators bronzed.

Exterior of the Ovid Church is being renovated at the present time by the Genesee Waterproofing Co. of Rochester. Included in this project are sandblasting the brick and stone



NEWLY DECORATED interior of Holy Cross Church in Ovid.

removal and replacement of damaged brick, repainting of masonry joints, waterproofing the entire surface, repairing and replacing metal flashings and down spouts etc., repainting all trim, sanding and revarnishing all doors.

"When the work currently being done is completed, the Church of the Holy Cross will be a credit to the Diocese of Rochester as well as to the parish of Ovid," Father Harding stated.

"It is hoped the villagers of Ovid will all be justly proud to have another building of remarkable style and beauty, to complement the panorama of their other beautiful public buildings—the Central School, Municipal Building, and the New Memorial Library," he said.

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