

St. Lucy's Parish to Mark Golden Jubilee

St. Lucy's parish, Troup St., Rochester, will mark its golden jubilee this week.

Bishop Kearney will preside and preach at the jubilee Mass this Sunday, Dec. 13, at 11 a.m.

A new stained glass window over the church's main entrance, installed this week, will be blessed this evening at 7:30 p.m.

Other anniversary events, as announced by Rev. Ignatius St. George, pastor, include:

A triduum in honor of the parish patron held Wednesday and Thursday will conclude with the feast day Mass this evening following blessing of the new stained glass window.

Mass for deceased parishioners tomorrow morning, Saturday, Dec. 14, at 11 a.m.

A buffet-dance will be held in the parish hall Saturday evening beginning at 9 p.m. and a parish jubilee dinner will follow Sunday's solemn Mass.

Chairmen of the anniversary program are Angelo Bucci and Mary Ranalletta.

The Angel Choir of Holy Redeemer Church, directed by John Woolfolk, will sing Sunday's jubilee Mass. Father St.

DeSales Names Grid Captains

Guard Marty Eades and Halfback Tom Chibbert will captain the DeSales football team, it was announced at the annual Gridiron Hop.

Eades was a regular starting guard while Chibbert was hampered much of the campaign with an injury.

Special most valuable player awards also were presented at the dance. Named most valuable lineman was tackle Larry Duchaney, a senior, while the most valuable back was halfback Bill



FATHER ST. GEORGE

George will be celebrant assisted by Rev. Gennaro Ventura and Rev. Nicholas Alletto, former pastors at St. Lucy's Church.

The parish school has an enrollment of 160 pupils taught by four Sisters of St. Joseph and one lay teacher.

FOLLOWING is an historical review of the parish's fifty years:

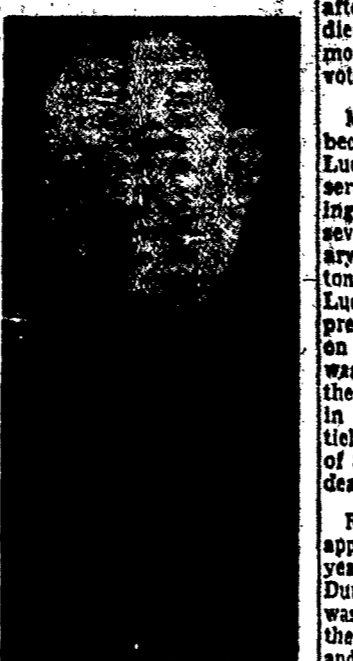
In 1912, the construction of the present church was begun, on land located at the corner of Troup and Tilden Streets. During the construction period of the present church, Mass was celebrated for parishioners in St. Peter and Paul's Convent on King St. and upon completion of the church the congregation moved to their present location.

At this time, under Father Mario Catalano's direction and assisted by Flora Barbato, Gen-

erale Maselli, Liberate Spina and Salvatore Aletto, the present St. Lucy's church and school were completed. Windows, bricks, pews and altar from the old St. Peter and Paul's Church were used in the new St. Lucy's.

The Sisters of St. Joseph began their missionary work in the parish in 1913. The school was opened to the children in the autumn of that year. The nuns resided at St. Mary's Orphan Asylum and St. Patrick's Girl Asylum on Clifton St.

The school children's registration gradually increased and in 1919 there was a registra-



MONSIGNOR MASELLI

tion of 304 pupils under the guidance of Sister M. Bertrand who was principal for 14 years.

Members of the 1918 class, the first to graduate from St. Lucy's were Ann Belardino, Florence D'Argento, Philippine Mendercole and Anna Palermo. Classes for public school stu-

dents were also conducted by the Sisters of St. Joseph at St. Lucy's.

In 1921 the construction of the present rectory was begun on land purchased a few years before and completed in the summer of 1924. Father Catalano then moved from the temporary rectory on Tilden St. which had no adequate facilities such as central heating plant, bathroom or electricity to the new "modern building."

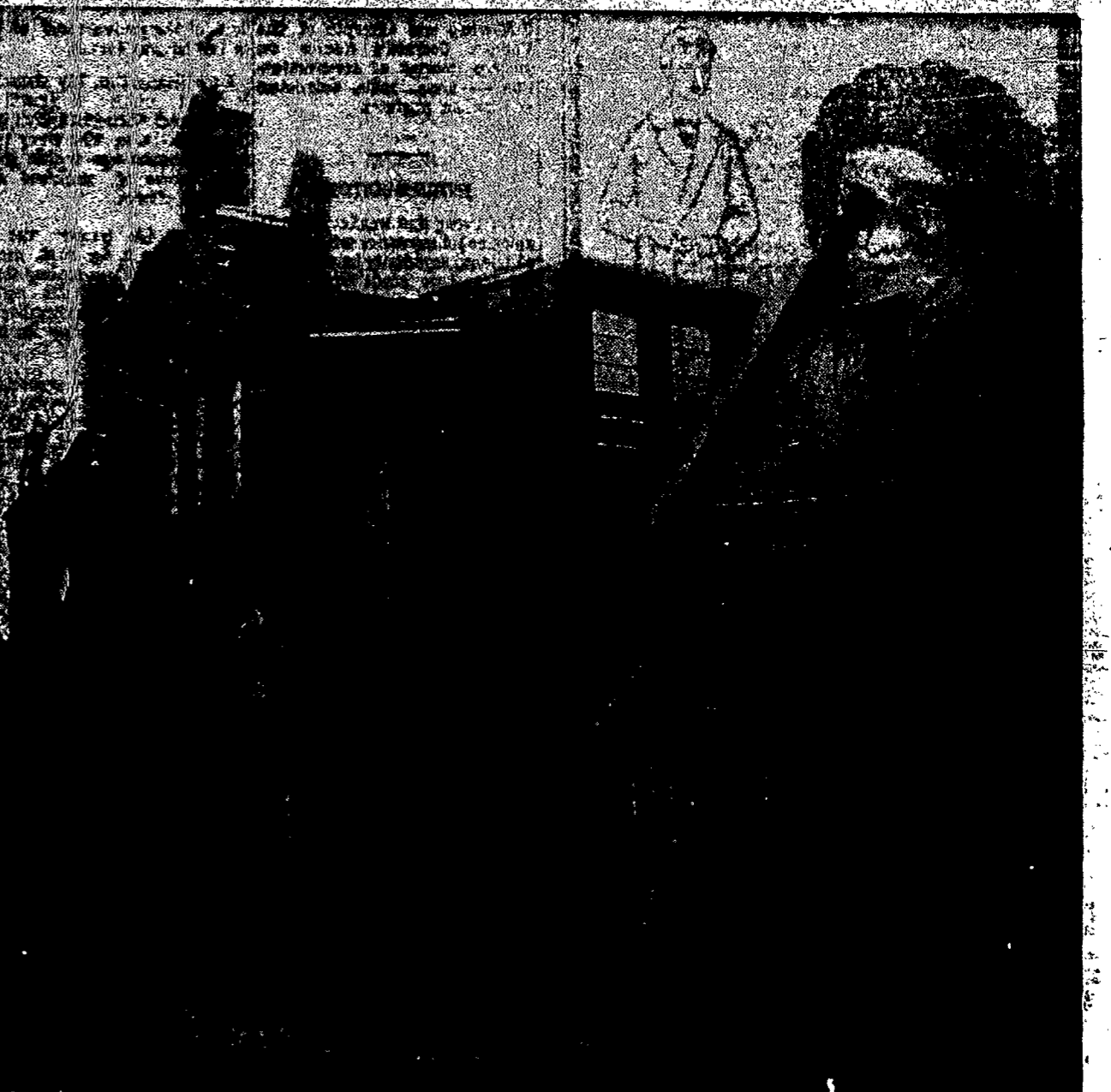
Owing to his zeal and the hardships he had to endure, his health became impaired and several times he was obliged to interrupt his work. In the fall of 1926 it became evident that he was seriously ill, and after months of suffering he died Dec. 29, 1926, deeply mourned by his faithful and devoted flock of St. Lucy's parish.

Monsignor Benedict Maselli became the second pastor of St. Lucy's in February 1927 and served until April 22, 1934. During Monsignor Maselli's twenty-seven year pastorate, a temporary convent was opened on Clifton St. for the Sisters of St. Lucy's School and, in 1943 the present convent was purchased on Reynolds St. Sister Hilary was principal at this time. Upon the death of Monsignor Maselli in 1934, Rev. Francis Christianelli became the third pastor of St. Lucy's, to serve until his death in 1936.

Rev. Gennaro Ventura was appointed administrator and a year later, pastor of St. Lucy's. During his pastorate, a drive was begun to raise funds for the remodeling of the church and successfully completed.

In the summer of 1931 Father Ventura was appointed pastor of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church and Rev. Nicholas P. Alletto was appointed pastor of St. Lucy's church, serving until June of 1933, when he was transferred to be pastor of St. Anthony's Church.

Rev. Ignatius St. George succeeded Father Alletto as pastor of St. Lucy's and is still serving in that capacity.



St. Lucy's Church and Rectory, Troup Street, Rochester.

In celebrating the Golden Anniversary of the founding of St. Lucy's Church and school and looking over the 50 years of its existence, fond memories come back to many. In two score and ten years of its existence, three generations have found in St. Lucy's a spiritual fortress where lives of thousands have been intertwined with the life of the parish. Priests of St. Lucy's have, for half a century, been with her loved ones who they throw off the shadows of this life to enter the shadowless light of the Presence of God.

Thousands have learned the eternal truths of their religion under the self-sacrificing work of the nuns.

St. Lucy's parish has spiritually nourished its children for a full half-century. She has joined them in marriage, she has forgiven them their sins, she has ever been concerned with their children. She has striven to make them rich with treasures that do not grow old, treasures that endure forever in Heaven.



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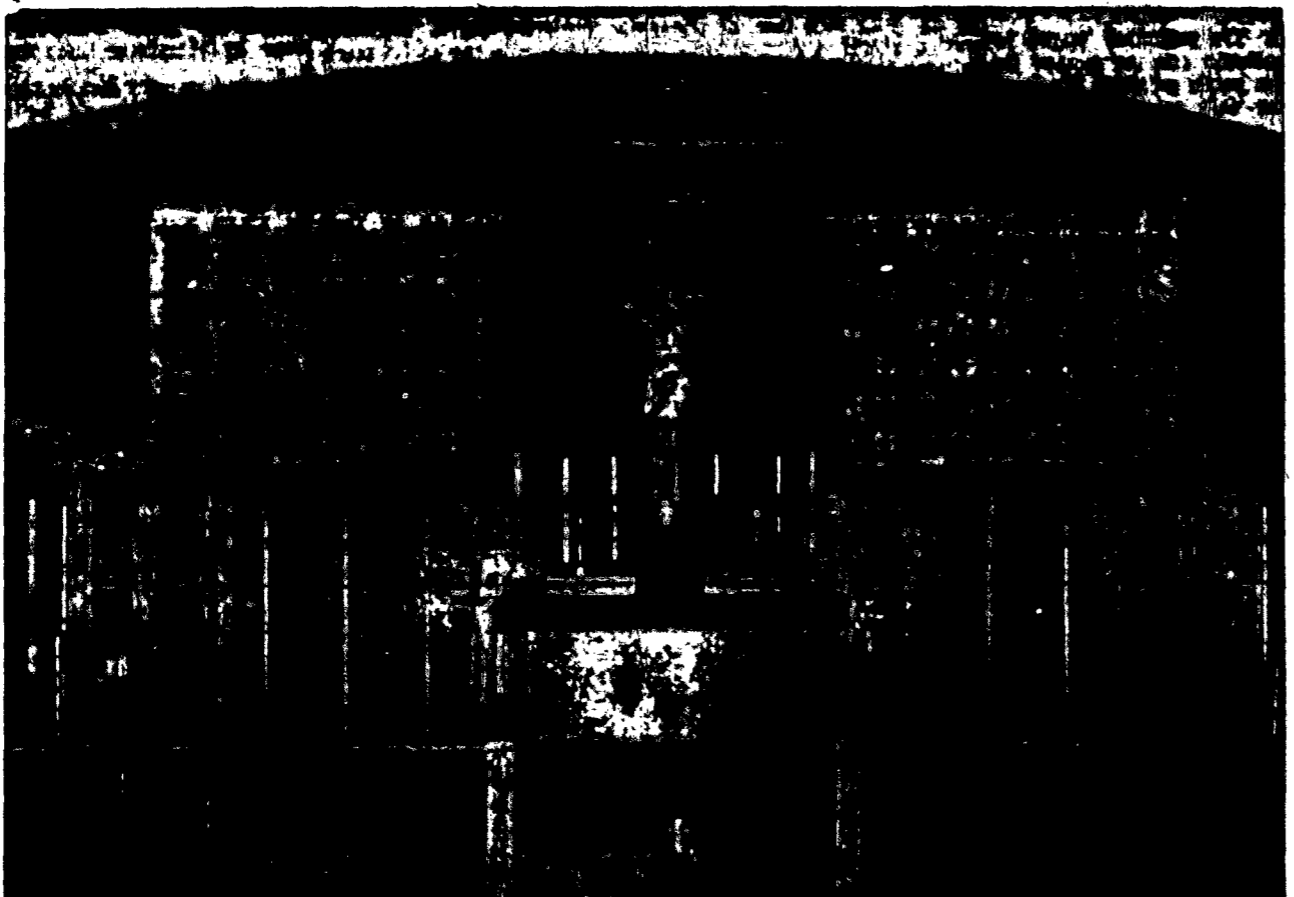
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Interior of St. Lucy's Church.

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South Orange, N.J. — (RNS) — Father Georges Dominique Pire, O.P., Belgian-born priest who won the Nobel Peace Prize in 1938, called here for the creation of a public opinion supporting "the will to live in a world free of racism, hunger and war."

The priest, who is famed for extensive aid to refugees, spoke at Seton Hall University, a Catholic institution. The school had awarded him an honorary doctorate of humane letters.

"Create implies that this pub-

lic opinion does not yet exist," Father Pire said. "This opinion is not yet conscious and it accepts blindly all that the mass media propose."

Establishing this new public opinion, he continued, places a great responsibility on people of influence — professors, intellectuals, journalists and parents.

Referring to the current civil rights crisis in the U.S., the priest called for an elimination of racism in all of its forms.

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