



At St. Lucy's, the mood was restrained. Above left, Sister Maureen Halack leads pupil between classrooms with affectionate gesture. Above is St. Lucy's combination school and church building, put up when the parish was known as Santa Lucia. Father Farier, pastor of St. Lucy's, talks at left with Sister Maureen about end of early childhood education program. Meanwhile, unaware of larger events, Bridget Linder and Sharon Stone tussle playfully.



ed. John Tinoglio wanted a recount of the CICIP vote. Francine Secor regretted that. "pretty soon there will be no neighborhood schools." Ramey Gift offered, "If it's more money they need, we'll help."

The situation at St. Lucy's was much different. All three of The CICIP's proposals included shutting down the Troup Street school, so everyone knew what to expect.

Most of the four-to-six-year-olds there can be absorbed into Immaculate Conception School, only five minutes away. And Father Stanley Farier, SVD, pastor, has plans to convert the school into a community center, if he can get the funds.

Sister Maureen Halack, SSJ, has been teaching at St. Lucy's for six of the past seven years. She said of CICIP's new plan, "I guess it can work."

She liked the atmosphere St. Lucy's gave to the young-

er children. "We were at the point where we were kind of pleased," she said.

Mrs. Rena Lessard has taught at St. Lucy's and Immaculate for 12 years. She likes St. Lucy's, and spoke of the "enormous good" the school had done for children. "Parents must have had a good reason for sending their children here," she said.

At least the people of St. Francis and St. Lucy's can look forward to one last semester.