

Corpus Christi School to change buildings

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ROCHESTER — Corpus Christi School, currently located at 880 E. Main St., will move its programs to Blessed Sacrament School, 546 Oxford St., where it will begin operating next fall.

The move will entail the transfer of the school's 180 students and its staff to the new location, which is about 1.5 miles from the current site. Blessed Sacrament — which currently houses a junior high — is slated to close this June.

The school will be called Corpus Christi

School at Blessed Sacrament Parish.

Sister Eileen Daly, principal of Corpus Christi — which operates grades kindergarten through eighth — cited the potential cost of repairing Corpus Christi's 102-year-old building as the major reason for the move. She noted that a recent building-repair estimate came to \$170,000, which included the cost of fixing such items as the school roof.

Sister Daly also explained that enrollment has been increasing in Corpus' lower grades, and that last year she turned away 35 potential registrants for kindergarten

and 15 for the first grade because of a space crunch. She commented that the Corpus building contains 10 rooms as opposed to the 16 rooms that will be available to her students in the Blessed Sacrament building.

Sister Daly explained the move along with Father John M. Mulligan, vicar general of the diocese, who announced the plan at a news conference with diocesan and school officials at the Pastoral Center on Friday, May 11.

Michael Sullivan, a member of the Commission on Reorganization of Catholic

Schools, said that the commission approached Sister Daly with a proposal to move her program after looking at the cost of repairing the Corpus building.

"It was decided a delay would serve no other purpose," Sullivan said, alluding to a probable change in Corpus Christi's status when school reconfigurations in the Southeast Quadrant are released later this summer.

Monroe County's Catholic schools are divided into geographic quadrants — Northeast, Southeast, Southwest and Northwest. The Blessed Sacrament facility lies near the border between the Southeast and Northeast Quadrants and for planning purposes was included in the Northeast, although ultimately it will be administered by the Southeast Quadrant Governance Board.

Under a proposal released by the schools commission earlier this year, Corpus Christi's K-6 program was slated to move to Blessed Sacrament next fall. But stiff opposition to the proposed reconfigurations throughout the Southeast Quadrant led the commission to table the proposals until this summer.

Under the reconfiguration plan for the Northeast Quadrant, Blessed Sacrament's student body will transfer in September to Northeastern Catholic Junior High School, which will be housed in a wing of Bishop Kearney High School in Irondequoit.

Sister Daly commented that enrollment in Corpus Christi's seventh and eighth grades would be open to Blessed Sacrament students, who might otherwise attend Northeastern Catholic Junior High, but she doubted that Corpus would receive an "influx" of registrants from the Blessed Sacrament neighborhood next fall.

She also said that arrangements had been made with the city school district for transporting Corpus Christi students to Blessed Sacrament. Students — public and parochial — are legally guaranteed school transportation when they live more than one and a half miles from school. Currently, about half of Sister Daly's students walk to school, she said.

In whatever manner the Corpus students arrive, they'll be welcome when they get to Blessed Sacrament, according to Father Bruce F. Ammering, pastor. He said his parish council recently surveyed parishioners, the majority of whom said they were in favor of having a "school presence" in the parish.

Father Ammering added that the details of Corpus' leasing agreement with Blessed Sacrament have yet to be worked out.

Despite her support for the move, Sister Daly said she had "a certain sense of sadness" moving from her old building.



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Nazareth Hall students Vonnica Smith and Jason Berger attend a Nazareth Academy Spanish class. Nazareth Hall's seventh and eighth grades will move to Nazareth Academy next fall.

Nazareth Hall will move junior high to academy

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ROCHESTER — Nazareth Hall's seventh and eighth grades will be moved next fall from the school at 180 Raines Park to Nazareth Academy, two blocks away at 1001 Lake Ave.

The move will entail the transfer of 20 Nazareth Hall students to the academy building, which houses grades nine through 12. Currently, Nazareth Hall — a co-ed pre-K-8 program — sends its students to Nazareth Academy for daily afternoon classes in science and foreign

languages.

The academy is an all-girls' school, and, like Nazareth Hall, is owned and operated by the Sisters of St. Joseph.

Nazareth Hall's principal, Sister Mary Anne Laurer, SSJ, cited several reasons for the move, including a growing need for space at the hall and a desire to expand the quality of programming available to her junior high students.

She noted that in recent years the school has added an extra kindergarten and first grade, as enrollment has increased in the lower grades. The seventh- and eighth-

graders currently share a classroom, which will become available for elementary-grade use when the junior-high students move to Nazareth Academy, she said.

Nazareth Academy's principal, Sister Ann Collins, SSJ, said the presence of Nazareth Hall's co-ed students would not affect the academy's all-girls admissions policy. The Nazareth Hall seventh- and eighth-graders will be housed in the academy's southwest wing, in six classrooms separate from the rest of the school, she said. Currently, the junior-high students

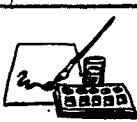
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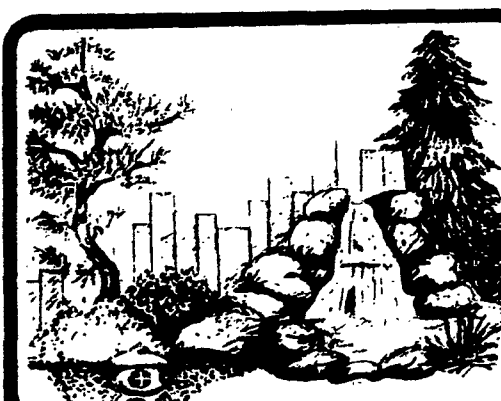
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