

Wilfred J. Rauber, 84; wrote parish's history

DANSVILLE — Wilfred J. "Wutz" Rauber, a lifelong parishioner of St. Mary's Church in Dansville, died Wednesday, Feb. 12, 1992, at Noyes Memorial Hospital following a short illness. He was 84.

A Mass of Christian Burial for Mr. Rauber was celebrated Friday, Feb. 14, at the church. Father Andrew Teuschel, pastor of St. Mary's, was the main celebrant.

Mr. Rauber was born Aug. 16, 1907. He married Mildred Dunne in Rochester on July 16, 1931.

In addition to serving as an usher at St. Mary's, he was active in the parish's St. Boniface Society. Mr. Rauber also was a parish trustee from 1950-65.

A member of a number of historical societies, he wrote a history of St. Mary's, entitled *Parish Pathways: 1845-1945* for the parish's centennial celebration in 1945. At the time of his death, he was updating the history for the parish's sesquicentennial in 1995. He also authored a 1990 history of the church building for a directory commemorating the edifice's 75th anniversary.

Despite his arthritis, which kept him

from leaving home much of the time, Mr. Rauber maintained a lively interest in parish events, Father Teuschel said.

"One of the first things he'd say when I went to see him was, 'What's new at the church?'" Father Teuschel said. "He was always looking for knowledge."

Father Teuschel added that parishioners and Dansville residents relied on Mr. Rauber's keen knowledge of history. "I learned a lot about the community just in talking to him," the pastor observed.

In addition to his wife, Mr. Rauber is survived by three sons, Jerry and John, of Dansville, and James, of Gates; three daughters, Carolyn Hitchcock, of Dansville, and Mary Ann Ehrentraut and Peggy Rauber, of Rochester; as well as 10 grandchildren; five great-grandchildren, and several nieces and nephews.

Interment was in Dansville's Holy Cross Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to the St. Mary's Window Restoration Fund, 40 Elizabeth St., Dansville, N.Y. 14437.

Sr. Marie Hennessy, 89; served at BK for 13 years

Sister Marie Hennessy, SSND, who served at Bishop Kearney High School from 1965-78, died Sunday, Jan. 19, 1992, in Lourdes Health Care Center in Wilton, Conn. She was 89.

Born in Ballston Spa, N.Y., on Dec. 8, 1902, the former Sister Mary Clarella entered the School Sisters of Notre Dame from her home parish of St. Mary's in Ballston Spa. A professed member of the order for 60 years, she served as a teacher and librarian in elementary and high schools for more than 50 years.

Sister Marie began her teaching career at St. Theresa School in Washington, D.C., in 1928. She later taught at various schools in Massachusetts, New

Jersey, Pennsylvania and Maryland. After serving at the Institute of Notre Dame in Baltimore, Md., from 1952-65, Sister Marie came to Bishop Kearney High School. She left Kearney in 1978 to take a position at St. Clement School in Saratoga Springs, N.Y.

Sister Marie moved to the SSND motherhouse in Wilton in 1987.

A Mass of Christian Burial for Sister Marie was celebrated on Wednesday, Jan. 22, in the motherhouse chapel. Interment was at St. Mary Cemetery in Bethel, Conn.

Donations in memory of Sister Marie Hennessy may be made to the SSND Development Fund, 345 Belden Hill Road, Wilton, Conn., 06897.



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