

St. Gregory Parish

15031 Dexter Avenue • Detroit, Michigan
REV. RONALD CYPRYS, Pastor



Fifty-Sixth Anniversary
1923-1979



St. Gregory the Great

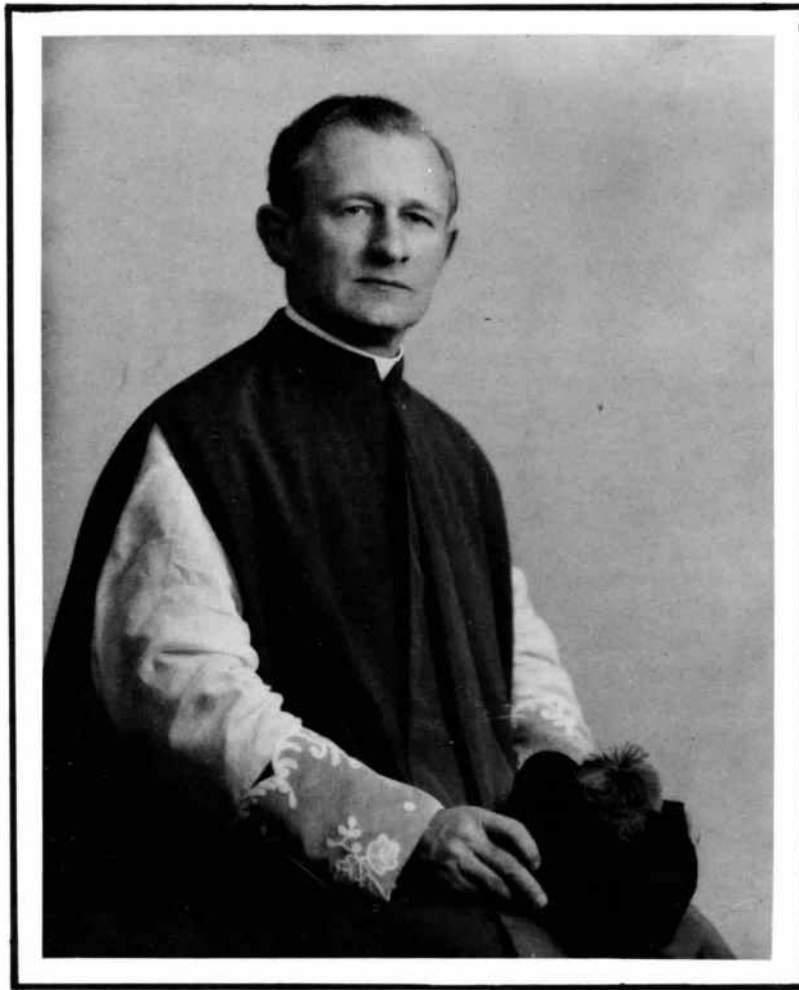
Gregory the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church, was born in 540 and died in 604. On account of his illustrious deeds and his efforts to bring the English to believe in Christ, he is surnamed “the Great” and called the Apostle of England.

In the field of liturgy and writing, Gregory ranks as one of the greatest of all Popes. Among the more important of his many writings are: the *Regula Pastoralis*, a treatise on Pastoral duties that was widely used during the Middle Ages; *Moralia*, a textbook on Moral Theology arising from reflections on the Book of Job. The deep, spiritual tone pervading all of Gregory’s writings and his personal character, point to the careful, early training in piety and holiness of his mother, Sylvia.

Seeing a great need for reform in the Church Music, Gregory gave birth to an ecclesiastical chant. He extended his vigilance to the minute details of the service of God.

Being a very Pastoral Person, Gregory was interested in the people of his time and the spread of the faith in Jesus. Engaging in the everyday business of the people filled a great portion of his time. His works of mercy and charity endeared him to his people and they always welcomed his presence among them. Besides his involvement in public duties, Gregory did devote much time to private prayer and always worked to promote mutual love between his brethren—bringing souls to God and correcting any wrongs in the Church.

In Loving Memory And In Dedication
To Our
Founding Pastor



Msgr. Frank A. Pokriefka
1887-1967



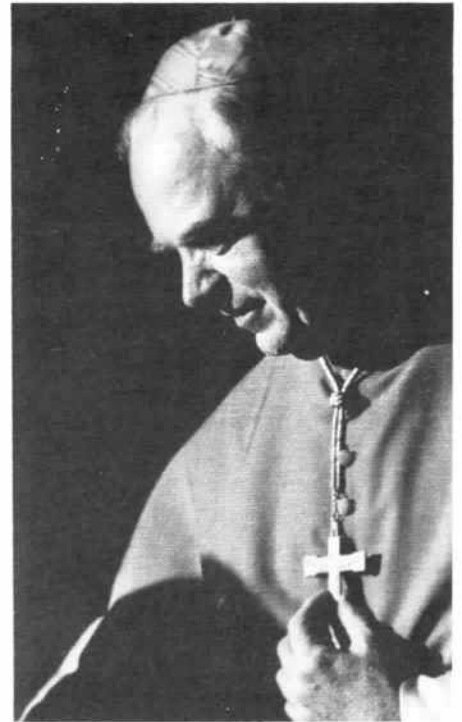
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ARCHDIOCESE OF DETROIT

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DETROIT, MICHIGAN 48226

September 14, 1979



Dear Friends in Christ,

I welcome the opportunity that this letter offers me to congratulate the entire parish community on the occasion of your anniversary celebration, October 14, 1979.

This celebration gives us the occasion to pause and count the many blessings that have come to so many since the founding of the parish. I am confident that past and present parishioners will join together in prayer that God in His goodness will continue to keep St. Gregory's parish faithful to its mission in the Church.

I join you in that prayer asking God's blessings on the entire parish community in the years ahead.

With every good wish, I am

Cordially yours in Christ,

John Card. Bearden
Archbishop of Detroit

*St. Gregory the Great Parish Community
15031 Dexter Boulevard
Detroit, Michigan 48238*

ARCHDIOCESE OF DETROIT

1234 WASHINGTON BOULEVARD
DETROIT, MICHIGAN 48226

September 19, 1979

Dear Father Cyprys and the People of St. Gregory's,

I don't know of any other parish in the diocese that has made a special observance of its 56th anniversary, and so St. Gregory's is rather unique in that regard. For many reasons the parish was unable to have a special celebration for its 25th or 50th anniversaries, and so I can't think of a better solution to that than to celebrate its 56th anniversary.

St. Gregory's is unique for more reasons than this, however. I have always known that community to be an open and honest one, eager to accept the challenges that come to all Christian communities -- in good times and in difficult times as well. An anniversary is the perfect time to look back on all that has been accomplished and at all that lies ahead. The parish at St. Gregory's has witnessed many changes in the past 56 years. There must have been times when it seemed easier to let things go and simply allow the parish to drift along with little concern for its welfare. But St. Gregory's never did that. The people there, though smaller in number now, are as strong as ever, and the leadership there is marked by that same kind of spirit.

I look forward to the opportunity to celebrate this, your 56th anniversary with you on October 14th. Congratulations, and may the Lord continue to bless this community for at least another 56 years!

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Thomas J. Gumbleton

Bishop Thomas J. Gumbleton
Assistant Bishop-West Region

Rev. Ronald Cyprys
St. Gregory's Parish
15031 Dexter
Detroit, Michigan 48238

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Most Reverend
Thomas J. Gumbleton, D.D.
Auxiliary Bishop



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September 20, 1979

Members of St Gregory the Great Church,
Members of the Parish Council,
Reverend Ronald G. Cyprys and Sister Virgianne Wantuch

Dear Sisters and Brothers:

It is a great and distinct pleasure for me to join my congratulations and prayers to all the others offered to and for you on the 56th Anniversary of your Church Community.

We are very much aware these days of what appears to be "instant creation" when things begin to exist quickly and superficially. You, however, are a long time in the making, a work of the Holy Spirit of God among a receptive people.

Much of what is made today lasts for a short time; it is planned to become obsolete. You, however, are a community that is built to last since Jesus Christ and the Apostles and great teachers of faith are your foundation.

It is clear to me that your lives in faith are overshadowed by the Cross as was Jesus'. Nothing comes easily, not even to Christians. Still, from your patient and consistent shouldering of the contradictions which come out of discipleship, you can hope to gain glory.

God bless your celebration and your holy lives. Please rejoice in the Holy Spirit, keep faithfully at the task of giving witness to the power of God in your daily lives and work.

Live a hundred years, and, pray for me as I pray for you.

Sincerely yours,

Donald M. Clark

Reverend Donald M. Clark,
Vicar, Grand River Vicariate

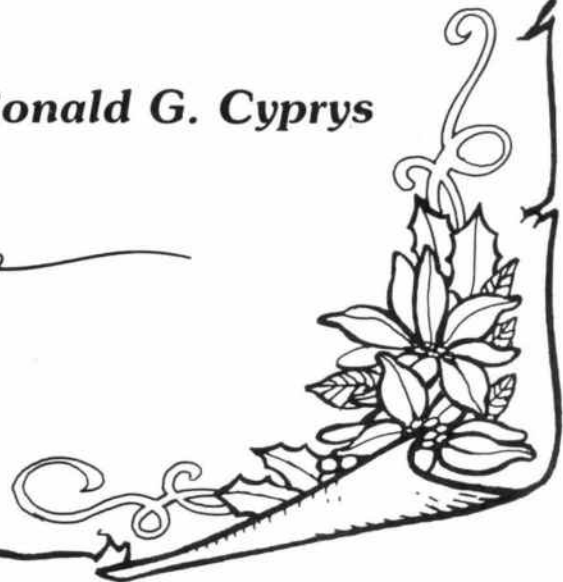


In gratitude to all the faithful parishioners who have given their time, energy, and resources to help build the faith community at St. Gregory. You are the "Living Stones" that give meaning and life to the word "Church." I am proud to be pastor with a people whose belief in Jesus gives witness in so many countless ways. May God's special blessing sustain and strengthen you always.



In token of appreciation
For the love and support my parents,
Blanche and "Hap"
Continue to give me.

Rev. Ronald G. Cyprys



To Every Thing There Is a Season . . .

A time to REMEMBER
A time to CELEBRATE

A time to DREAM
A time to BEGIN AGAIN!

A Time to CELEBRATE — The FIFTY-SIXTH YEAR Of the Founding of St. Gregory Parish

As one looks around the beautiful buildings and grounds, and looks into the hearts of the faithful believers who make up the Family of St. Gregory Parish, one agrees that there are certainly reasons for which to CELEBRATE. We celebrate the "Good News" that nurtured and strengthened the faithful to be "witnesses" to the Word.

A Time to Remember The Michigan Catholic dated October 25th, 1923 tells us that there was rapid growth in the Northwestern part of Detroit. Bishop Gallagher purchased a tract of land for another church and school to service the people in that area. The property chosen was on Dexter Boulevard, between Chalfonte and Fenkell. Until the erection of a school with a hall, the Chapel of St. Francis Home was used as temporary quarters, and services were held there to accommodate the large number of Catholics living in that district.

Reverend Frank A. Pokriefka was appointed Pastor of the new Church which was given the title of St. Gregory the Great. Two Masses, one at 8 o'clock and one at 10, were offered on the first Sunday. The only announcement of the creation of the Parish was in the form of handbills distributed in the neighborhood, yet there were 100 persons at the first Mass and 200 at the second. This number demonstrated the need of a church in that vicinity. Rev. Daniel P. O'Donnell, chaplain of St. Francis Home, assisted Fr. Pokriefka in the work of the new Parish.

Thus, the seed was sown, and the Parish of St. Gregory the Great from its earliest years served with great zeal the needs of the People within the Community.

Educating children in the principles of the Faith was a primary concern to Pastors, and Father Pokriefka saw to it that his "community" received a good education. The Sisters, Servants of the Immaculate Heart of Mary staffed both the Grade and High School. St. Gregory School became the haven from which scholars, athletes, Religious Sisters, Brothers, and Priests stemmed.

St. Gregory Parish has always been known to have programs and organizations that suited the needs of the people of the day. We find then that the Parish and Community reaped many benefits thru such Organizations as The Altar Society, the Sodality of the Blessed Virgin, St. Vincent De Paul Society, the Scouts, Holy Name Society, and the Legion of Mary. The Ushers Club and the Catholic Family Movement were very strong.

The Parish had grown mightily from its beginnings.



Looking Back Over Fifty-six Glorious Years

Turning sod for the
new convent, 1949



May Crowning



Graduates, 1945



Drafting class, 1952



Msgr. Pokriefka and ladies of the parish



Book exhibit

*Congratulations
on your
56th Anniversary*

In Memory of Frances & Herman Noftz



Martha Noftz

Sincere Best Wishes and Salutations
on your
56th Year of Service
to
God and Man

May the Lord continue to bless
the Parish Community of Saint George The Great!

**Mr. & Mrs. Edward Elbrecht
And Family of
Brother Thomas P. Ross,
B.M.D.P.**

*In Memory of Mary & Walter Bik
In Memory of Anna & Stanley Elbrecht*

Religious Vocations From St. Gregory Parish

The Following Have Served As Pastors of Saint Gregory Parish

Msgr. Frank A. Pokriefka
Rev. Carlton J. Kraus
Rev. Michael G. O'Leary
Rev. Joseph A. Gagnon
Rev. Ronald G. Cyprys

The Following Have Served As Assistant Pastors of Saint Gregory Parish

Rev. Daniel P. O'Donnell
(Chaplain St. Francis
Home for Boys)
Rev. Clarence Doherty
Rev. Robert A. Benson
Rev. Leo S. Dorsey
Rev. Francis O'Reilly
Rev. James Shannon
Rev. George Montie
Rev. John F. Finnegan
Rev. John Weier
Rev. J. Leo Healy
Rev. Walter A. Markowicz
Rev. James P. Mc Cabe
Rev. J. Edward Seifen
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Rev. Gerald S. Brennan
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Rev. Raymond R. Schlinkert
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Rev. Joseph J. Lisee
Rev. Joseph R. Rettig
Rev. Walter H. Ford
Rev. Leo J. Van Hoof
Rev. James A. Bullion
Rev. John Berkenbosch
Rev. Richard Maurer
Rev. Thomas J. Duffy
Rev. Terrance F. Treppa
Rev. Joseph C. Schoemiller

Sisters, Servants of the Immaculate Heart of Mary Monroe, Michigan

Sister Margaret Basso, I.H.M.
Sister Mary Faith Bell, I.H.M.
Sister Zita Bourgoin, I.H.M.
Sister Barbara Cardinal, I.H.M.
Sister Joan Charnley, I.H.M.
Sister Jean Chipman, I.H.M.
Sister Mary Copperstone, I.H.M.
Sister Dorothy Diederichs, I.H.M.
Sister Marion Duggan, I.H.M.
Sister Mary Sienna Ehlen, I.H.M.
Sister Julia Harrington, I.H.M.

Sister Gertrude Haviland, I.H.M.
Sister Edith Kenny, I.H.M.
Sister Dorothy Krause, I.H.M.
Sister Esther LeDuc, I.H.M.
Sister Paulette LeDuc, I.H.M.
Sister JoAnn McAnoy, I.H.M.
Sister Margaret McAnoy, I.H.M.
Sister Judith McCourt, I.H.M.
Sister Mary Naughton, I.H.M.
Sister Maureen Nolan, I.H.M.
Sister Mary T. O'Donnell, I.H.M.
Sister Patricia O'Donnell, I.H.M.
Sister Virginia Parker, I.H.M.
Sister Vita Marie Pierce, I.H.M.
Sister Carol Reddy, I.H.M.
Sister Janice Reddy, I.H.M.
Sister Annette St. Amour, I.H.M.
Sister Margaret Sullivan, I.H.M.
Sister Marie Sullivan, I.H.M.

Sisters of Saint Dominic Adrian, Michigan

+Sister Jean Cella, O.P.
Sister Flora Corhonn, O.P.

Cloistered Dominican Sisters Farmington, Michigan

Sister Mary Joseph, O.P.
(Helen Fox)
Sister Mary of the Incarnate Word,
O.P. (Mary Jane Hennesey)

Order of Saint Augustine Villanova, Pennsylvania

Fr. John Joseph Creapeau, O.S.A.

Holy Cross Fathers South Bend, Indiana

Fr. Arthur E. Near, C.S.C.

Sulpician Fathers Baltimore, Maryland

Fr. Kenneth Bernard McKernan

Consolata Missionary Sisters

Denise Yvette Solomon
(Affiliate 1979)

Norbertine Fathers

+Fr. Louis, O. Praem.
(Gregory Bourgoin)

Crosier Fathers

Fort Wayne, Indiana

Fr. Bruce Maxwell, O.S.C.

Franciscans of Dun Scotus Detroit, Michigan

+Brother Augustine, O.F.M.
(Roger L. Steel)

Dominican Fathers Dover, Mass.

Fr. Michael Burke, O.P.

Diocesan Priests

Fr. Edward Baldwin
Fr. Thomas Bennett
Fr. Leo P. Broderick
Fr. George Charnley
Fr. Kean Cronin
+Fr. George Horkan
Msgr. Vincent J. Horkan
Fr. Thomas Horton
Fr. Arnold Kosco
Fr. Ralph Kowalski
Fr. Michael Kundrat
Fr. Thomas McAnoy
Fr. Paul Matheson
Fr. Michael O'Leary
(+ Deceased)

Congratulations On The 56th Anniversary
of St. Gregory

MRS. ANN E. WISMER

JOANNE WISMER-MISKO

DR. GARY WISMER, M.D.

A Time To Dream . . .

ST. GREGORY PARISH

56th

ANNIVERSARY

A Time To Begin Again!

"We'll just say that we've been to the mountain and caught a glimpse of all that we could be. We will know that a new day is dawning, with a morning sun for all of us to see."

Change must come with time, and so in the mid Sixties, we find that life is disturbed by the Vietnam War, the Generation Gap, and the atmosphere of permissiveness. Within the Church, Pope John 23rd called for Church Renewal. Liturgies began to be celebrated in the vernacular rather than in the Latin Language.

At the same time, the neighborhood of the Northwest Area of Detroit felt the tremors of social change. While there were painful moments caused by the social change, the Priests and People of St. Gregory Parish continued their efforts to live as Jesus asked us to live. Lay members became more involved in the affairs of their Parish through the formation of the Parish Council and Commissions. As a result, too, the Priests, Sisters, and Lay Members shared in a more equal responsibility of leadership. A new interest in and the enthusiasm for the Church's life and neighborhood needs was highly promoted.

Our Parish thus lives on through such vibrant groups as: The Parish Council and its Commissions (Worship, Christian Service, Administration, and Education), the Altar Society, so dedicated to the upkeep and beautification of the Altar and Sanctuary, the Ushers Group, Men's Club, the Ministers of Service, the Lectors, Commentators, Eucharistic Ministers, a Senior Choir, Religious Educators, Acolytes, St. Vincent De Paul, The Young At Heart Group, and a fine group of Scouts (Troop No. 194).

As our hands extend into the Community we find that St. Gregory serves such Institutions as:

Stallworth Adult Foster Care Home situated on the corner of Oakman Ct. and Linwood. Through the goodness of the Ladies of the Altar Society and the members of the Christian Service, monthly activities take place at the home. The Home is also assisted by the Women of Our Lady of Sorrows Parish and a faithful group from Christ the Good Shepherd, Lincoln Park.

Kirwood General Hospital is serviced particularly in the area of Pastoral Care and yearly visits from the Youth Group at Christmas time.

The Community Headstart Program sponsored by Catholic Social Services takes place in the St. Gregory Convent Building on Holmur. Children from the ages of 3 to 6 years are cared for in this Program.

The NYA, formed just some three years ago, is dedicated to the Youth in the Community. The main activity of this group is the Summer Program, which involves some 200 youth in Sports and Educational Activities.

Through the efforts of the St. Vincent De Paul Society and the Christian Service Commission, a Food Depot is set up to assist those who come to us "hungry and in need."

Conscious of the fact that we are a Community on Pilgrimage, we cannot help but appreciate the tremendous heritage that is ours. We pledge to remain faithful to that heritage and to strive continuously to be a Community who listens to each other, respects each other, helps one another and who *Celebrates the Goodness of the Lord!*



PASTORAL TEAM

Fr. Ron Cyprys, Sister Virgianne Wantuch, S.S.J.; and Bro. Thomas Ross, B.M.D.P.



EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Front row, seated: A. Woods, T. Flood, B. Moore, M. Crowell, M. Jones, L. Fleming, B. Hall. Back row: B. Clay, N. Williams, L. Dunklin, A. Morris, L. Moore, M. Noftz, D. Hurd, E. MacNear, G. Pryor, Sr. Virgianne.



USHERS

Front row, seated: F. O'Rourke, E. McDermott, L. Moore, J. Hefferman, T. Flood. Back row: B. Abernathy, C. Solomon, B. Boskovich, A. Thurman.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Juanita Reece, Sister Virgianne, and Flossie Grimes



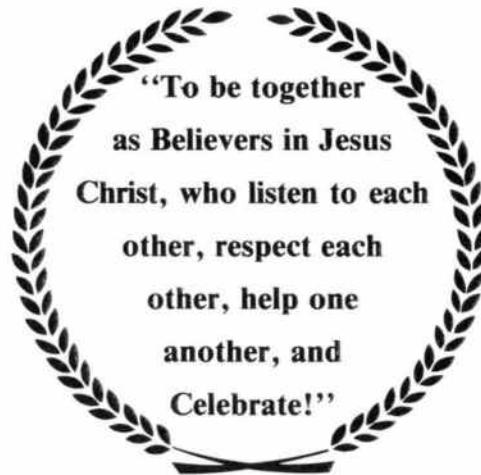
PARISH COUNCIL MEMBERS

Seated, L-R: L. Moore, P. Polson, M. Durant, J. Kirk. Standing, L-R: Fr. Ron, B. Moore, K. Baxter, Sr. Virgianne, E. MacNear. Absent from photo: L. Drayton, T. Drew, M. Ford, M. Mabry, H. Polson.



ACOLYTES

Sitting, L-R: C. Durant, D. Crowell, D. Thurman, L. White. Standing, L-R: M. Stafford, Bro. Tom J. Stafford. Absent from photo: S. Stanfield, P. Patterson.



LECTORS & COMMENTATORS

Sitting, L-R: A. Woods, P. Polson, M. Crowell, R. Pugh, L. Wright, E. Lowe. Standing, L-R: A. White, M. Durant, M. Pryor, D. Hurd, Bro. Tom, J. Kirk, J. Mitchell, V. Reece. Absent from photo: P. Crowell, C. Crowell, Sr. Virgianne, A. Johnson.



MEN'S GROUP

Seated, L-R: R. Brown, T. Flood, L. Fleming, A. Thurman, J. Hefernan. Standing, L-R: S. Medley, S. Bruce, L. Moore, B. Abernathy, C. Solomon, C. Calhoun, B. Boskovich, E. MacNear, K. Baxter, G. Comb.



Altar Society Christmas Fair



St. Gregory Dinner-Dance



Communion Class—1978

We Are A Parish Living On!



Fr. Ron blesses food on Holy Saturday



Preparing for Seder Meal



Young At Heart Returning from Bob-Lo



Food collecting for needy



Picnic, 1977



Men's Retreat



Fr. Joe and Mary Ford



Young at Heart in Rockford, Mich.



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Committee Members

Absent: Ticket Committee
Games and Chances



Coordinating Members



Town Hall Meeting (Parishioners meet to discuss
Festival needs)



Publicity Committee



Food Committee



Arts & Crafts Committee

Our Very Best Wishes for Many Blessings

To

ST. GREGORY PARISH FAMILY

From

THE FAMILY OF SISTER VIRGIANNE

Sister Regina Wantuch

Mr. & Mrs. M. Matuscak (Irene)
Mr. & Mrs. V. Malczewski & Daughters

Mr. & Mrs. V. Watroba (Bernice) & James
Mr. & Mrs. Ralph Watroba & Family
Mr. & Mrs. Ron Watroba & Family
Mrs. Delphine Serwatowski & Family
Mr. & Mrs. M. Kanir (Klann) & Family
Mr. & Mrs. David Watroba & Family

Mr. & Mrs. John Shankin (Helen) & Daughters
Mr. & Mrs. Jerome Shankin & Family
Mr. & Mrs. Richard Shankin & Daughter

Mr. & Mrs. Jack Salters (Theresa) & Family
Mr. & Mrs. F. Archutowski & Family
Mr. & Mrs. K. Salters & Family
Mr. & Mrs. Michael Salters
Mr. & Mrs. G. Stanislawski & Daughters

Mr. & Mrs. John Chrzanowski & Daughters
(Beatrice)

In Loving Memory of Cecilia
Mr. & Mrs. E. Otrompke & Daughters
Mr. E. Andreski & Daughters
Mr. T. Andreski & Children
Mr. David Andreski



Congratulations St. Gregory

on your

56th Anniversary

THE ALTAR SOCIETY

"Celebrating its Fifth Anniversary on August 5th of this year"



First Row (left to right):

Second Row (left to right):

Third Row (left to right):

Not Pictured:

Stella Boskovich, Theresa Bowles, Irene McDermott, Mary Crowell and Missouri Taylor

Elnora Johnson, Melissa Jones, Johnnye Kirk, Lytelia Wright, Blondena Klopner, Helen Bruce, Mary Durant, Mollie Reeves and Brenda MacNear

Lucille Dunklin, Muriel Bess, Princilla Polson, Annie Woods, Norma Williams, Geraldine Bell and Estelle Boykins.

Cecilia Malone, Martina Brown, Evelyn Anderson, Margaret Fountain and Carolyn Connor

HISTORY

The present St. Gregory Ladies Altar Society was founded in 1974. It began with 16 members who volunteered their services fully to the upkeep of the altar. As time went by, the membership increased and their benevolence expanded to other areas of the church such as: keeping the parishioners and community acquainted with each other by sponsoring breakfasts, dinners and festivals; assisting the elderly of the church by doing housework for them and providing them with food whenever necessary and preparing food for special occasions such as christenings, first communions, baptisms, confirmations, funerals, special guest, etc.



— OUR PRAYER —

"May the Lord watch between me and thee while we are absent one from another."

St. Gregory's, we are proud of you!
Congratulations & God's continued blessings on our parish family!



THE CHRISTIAN SERVICE COMMISSION

Front Row—Patricia Brown, Bernice Moore, Mary Crowell, Melissa Jones. Second Row—Norma Williams, Sister Virgianne, Annie Woods. Absent—Joshua Brown, Vivian Lee, Theresa Drew, Ruby Williams.

Our love and warmest wishes to our parish family . . . May God continue to bless us!



THE YOUNG AT HEART MEMBERS

Front Row—Prinscilla Polson, Annie Woods, Samuel Medley, Robert Brown. Back Row—Martina Brown, Irene Mc Dermott, Annie Mae Morris, Sister Virgianne, Melissa Jones, Earlyne Lowe.



We, the Saint Gregory The Great Church Choir, including the present members, all former members, and in memory of our deceased members, extend our heartiest congratulations to the Saint Gregory The Great Parish Community on this most auspicious occasion of the 56th year of service to God and mankind. May God, through the intercession of our church patron, Saint Gregory The Great, continue to bless and guide our church and all of us in the future years.

Sincerely yours for better singing,
The Saint Gregory The Great Senior Choir

Sopranos

Portia Hunter
Geraldine Pryor
Madge Savage
Daisey Allen
Juanita Reece
Dorothy Thurman

Altos

Flossie Grimes
Bertha Brown
Vivian Lee
JoAnn Stafford

Tenors

Paul Foster
Princilla Polson
Aaron Boykins
LeRoy Mathis

Bass

Henry Reece

Minister of Music

Brother Thomas P. Ross, B.M.D.P.

WARM CONGRATULATIONS FROM *THE KITCHEN COMMITTEE*



MARY DURANT

LUCILLE DUNKLIN

NORMA WILLIAMS

ELNORA JOHNSON

(Absent from photo: Mollie Reeves & Mary Crowell)

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Mrs. Helen Zbytniewski

SAINT GREGORY'S, MY HOME PARISH

- where I attended Mass
- where I heard the Word of God
- where I received First Holy Communion
- where I was confirmed
- where I went to school
- where I offered my First Mass

SAINT GREGORY'S, MY HOME PARISH

- still in my heart
- ever in my prayer



Father Thomas M. Bennet

Columbus, Ohio



In Memory of

My Wife
BEULAH A. MEDLEY
1910—1975

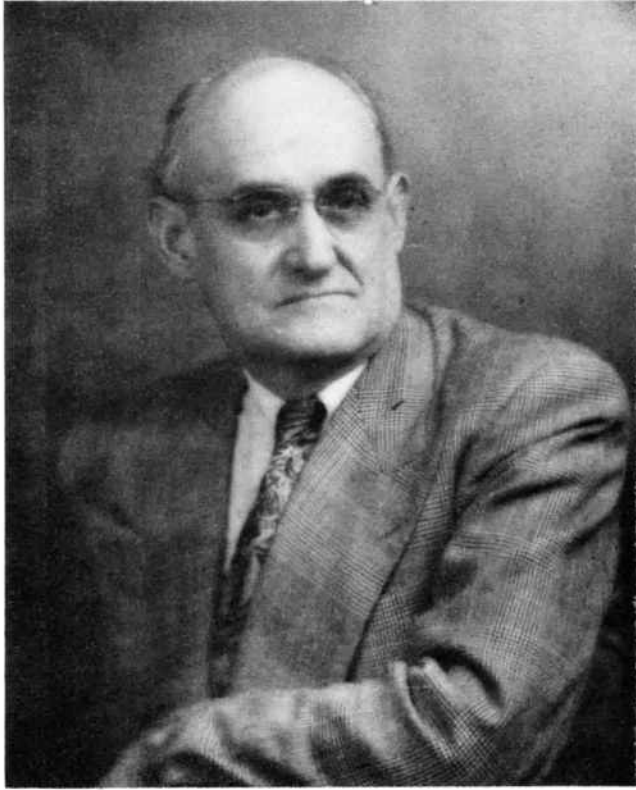


Safely Home

I am home in Heaven, dear ones:
Oh, so happy and so bright!
There is perfect joy and beauty
In this everlasting light.
All the pain and grief is over,
Every restless tossing passed:
I am now at peace forever,
Safely home in Heaven at last.
Did you wonder I so calmly
Trode the valley of the shade?
Oh! But Jesus' love illumined
Every dark and fearful glade.
And He came himself to meet me
In that valley so hard to tread:
And with Jesus' arm to lean on,
Could I have one doubt or dread?
Then you must not grieve so sorely,
For I love you dearly still:
Try to look beyond earth's shadows,
Pray to trust our Father's will.
There is work still waiting for you,
So you must not idly stand:
Do it now, while life remaineth
You shall rest in Jesus' land.
When the work is all completed
He will gently call you home:
Oh, the rapture of that meeting,
Oh the joy to see you come.

From Husband, Sam Medley

In Loving Memory of My Parents,
SAMUEL & MARTHA MEDLEY



“Only A Little While”

Only a little while, He saith
Only a little while
A few more days, or a few more years
A few more cares and smiles and tears;
At longest 'twill seem but a fleeting
breath,
Only a little while.

Only a little while, He saith
Only a little while
Dark clouds may enshroud us, rugged
and steep
Be the path we tread, we may wearily
weep
But courage, my soul, for the Lord saith;
Only a little while.

Only a little while, He saith
Only a little while
A little while here with the pain and the
cross,
A little while here to be purged from
our dross
And then, oh! the glory beyond that, He
saith
Only a little while.

Oh! the crowns and the palms and the
Victorious songs
Oh! the joys, the glad raptures of
glorified throngs
The unknown, the unspeakable glories
that await
After this little while.

—Mr. Sam Medley

From an old parish family back in the '20's . . .

THE SCARPACES

Roy

Joe

Marie

Larry

Marion

Richard

Casper



Our Mother and Dad

AUGUSTA AND JAMES

Congratulations
SAINT GREGORY ON YOUR 56TH ANNIVERSARY

THE THURMANS

Andrew

Dorothy

Dee

Darryl

Dana

Felicia

Dupree



Dupree

Best Wishes From
THE REECE FAMILY



*With Best Wishes to St. Gregory Parish
on the 56th Anniversary
from*

DEXTER-HOLMUR HOME IMPROVEMENT BLOCK CLUB

President: Norma Williams
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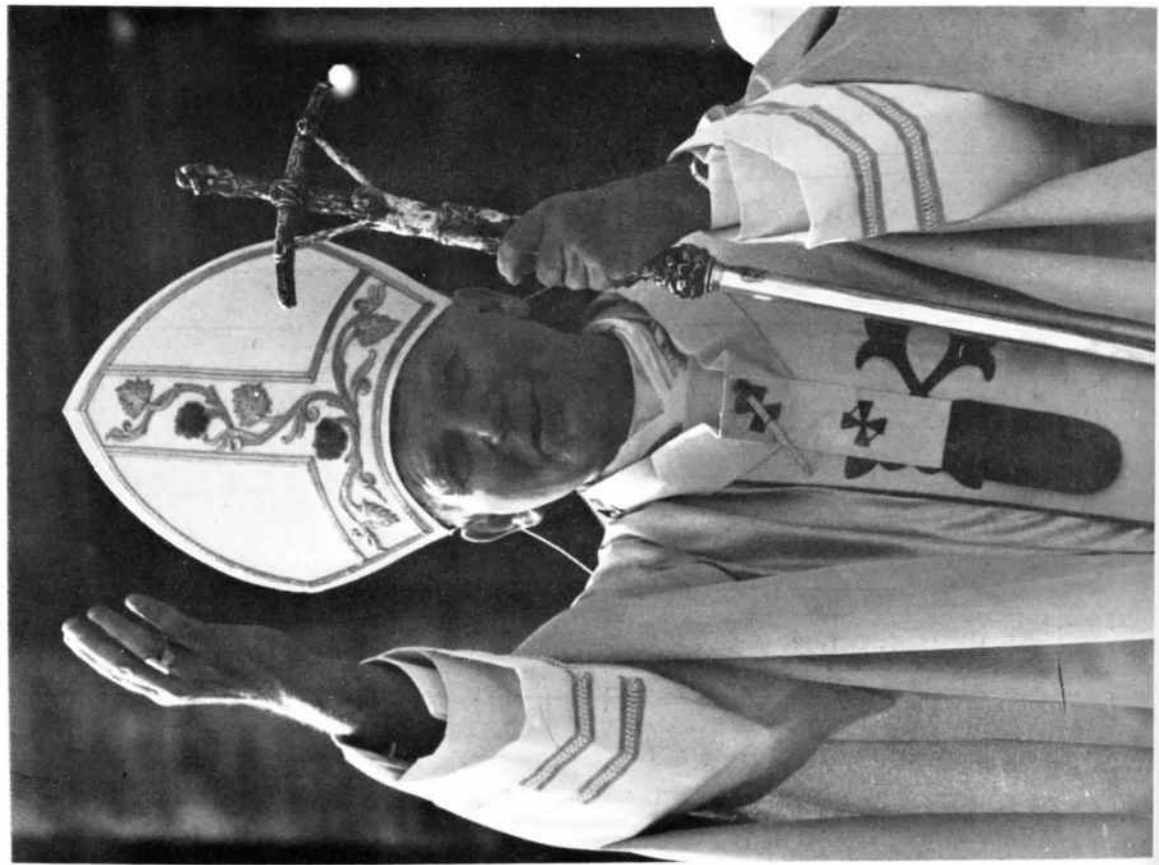
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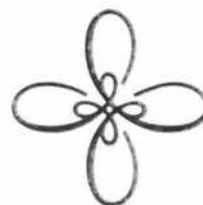
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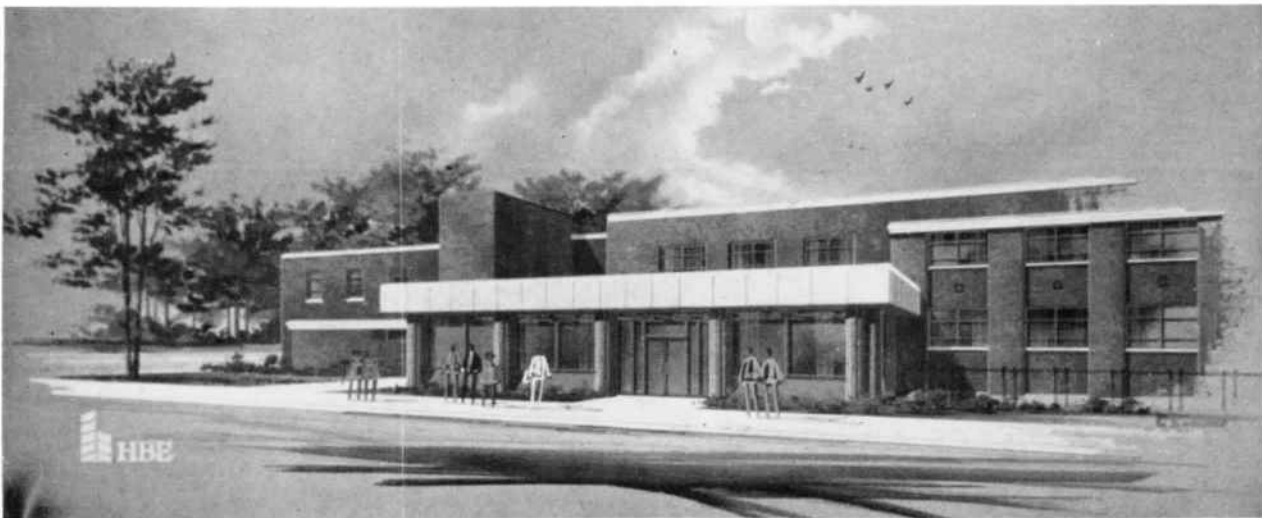
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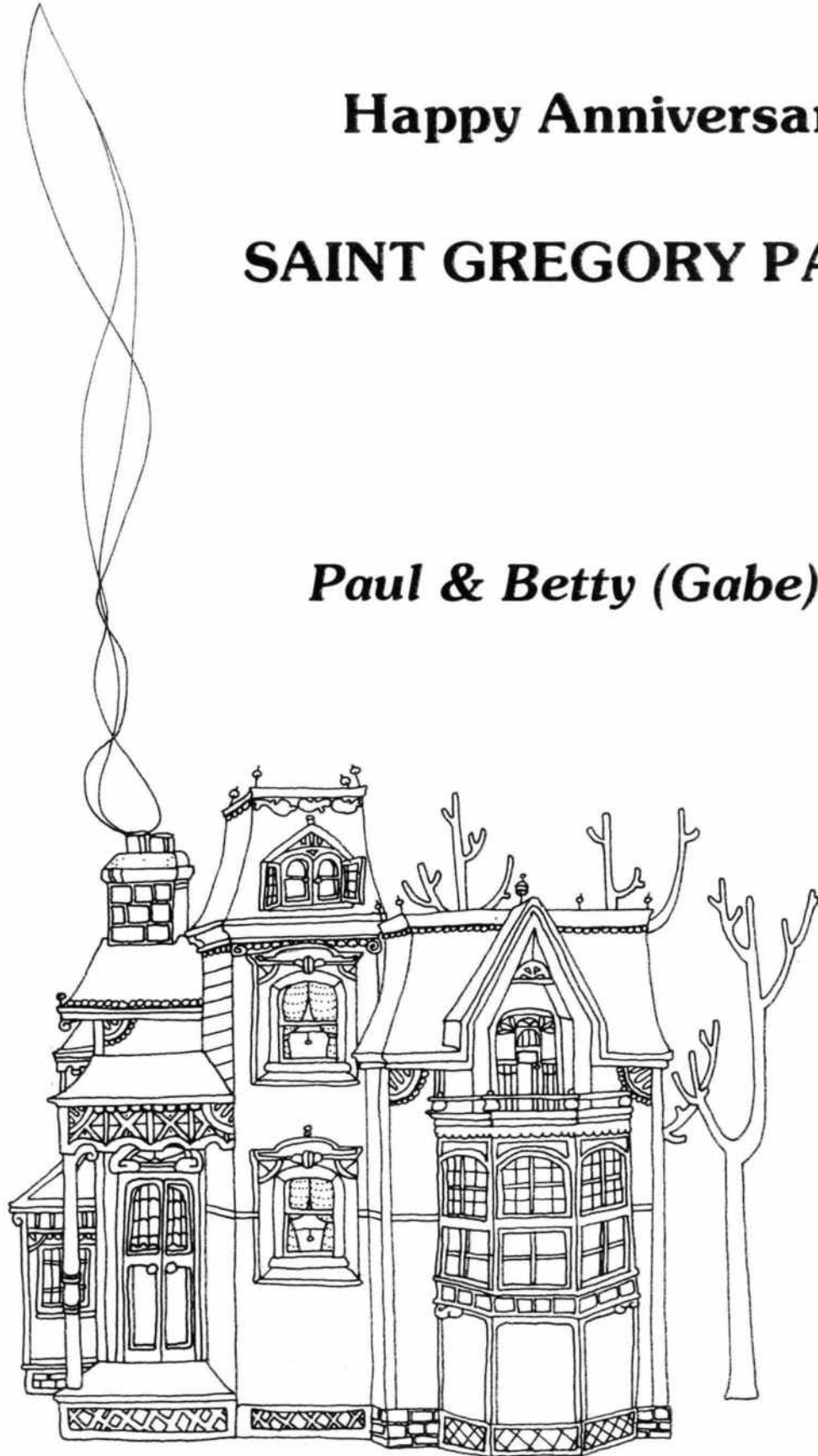


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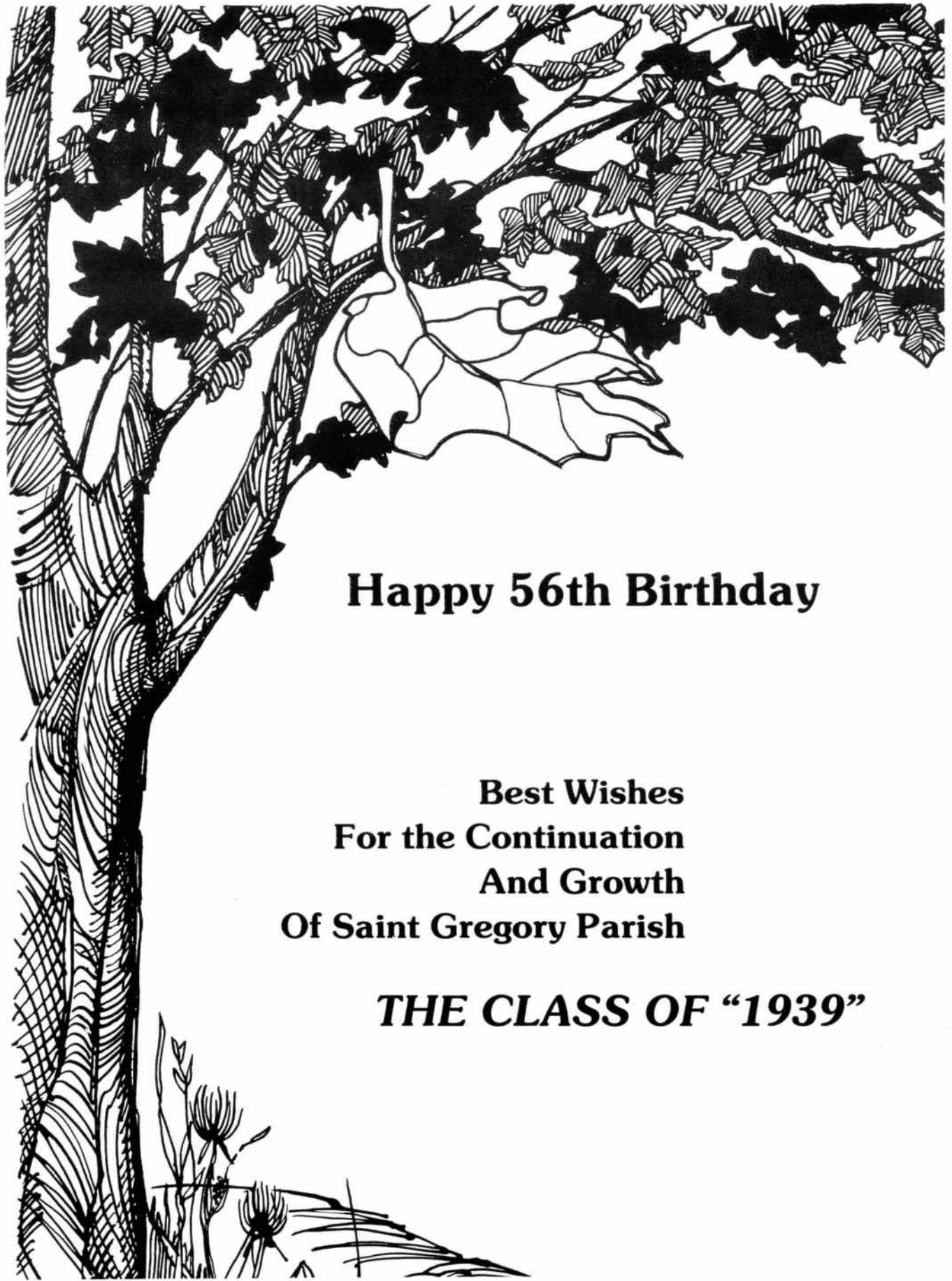
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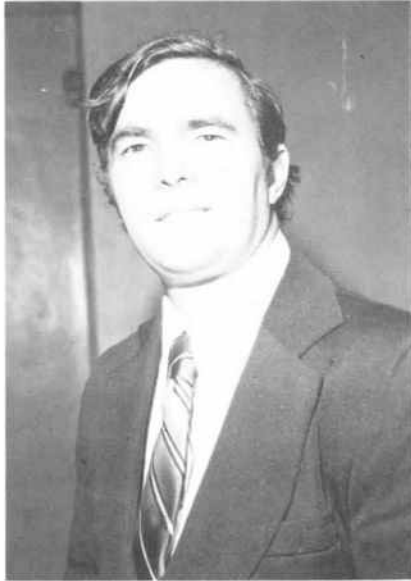
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