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THE NEW YEAR OF 1959

St. Peter's Parish was in the red to begin the New Year, but only \$44.49.

VINCENT MARASCALCO'S DEATH

Death brought to a close the life of Vincent Marascalco, a merchant of means and from time to time very generous to the Church when called upon. When the funds were being solicited in 1942 and when asked to sign a note with others, he gave \$1,000.00 instead. Death came to Vincent Marascalco February 13 after being confined to bed a couple of months although he had been complaining for the past year. His remains were laid to rest February 14. Vincent left no will, but he directed his wife, before his death, to give \$1,000.00 to the parish which she did a few days after his death.

ANNETTE MARASCALCO DIES

Annette was the sister-in-law of Vincent who died 24 hours earlier. Both bodies were lying in state at the same time. Vincent was buried on February 14; Annette on the 15th, both at Mass. Mrs. Annette Marascalco was the mother of Joseph L; Sam L; Louis C; and Frances Fonti, and the step-mother of Mrs. Vincent Barranco.

WINONA CHURCH REPAIRED

With a donation of \$50.00 by Mrs. Bryand McGeary and other small donations, Sacred Heart Mission Church of Winona underwent repairs and a good coat of paint. John Lukas, a parishioner, was in charge and did a fine job.

NEW FURNITURE

As the pastor's Silver Jubilee was coming up in May, a few pieces of furniture were needed for the lounge room on the second floor. These items were purchased from the Tardy Furniture Company. The manager, John Edward Artman, a member of the congregation, gave us a discount of 25%, which was approved by the owner, Mr. Tom Tardy of Winona, a non-Catholic.

PIONEER OF ST. PETER'S PARISH
called to his eternal reward



VINCENT MARASCALCO

SILVER JUBILEE OF FATHER MEADOR, MAY 20, 1959

Bishops Gerow and Brunini and Father Malachy Burns, O.S.B., of St. Benedict, La., attended the Silver Jubilee of Father Meador on May 20, 1959. Father Burns had been in the novitiate with Father Meador. These three arrived on the evening train from New Orleans where they had been for the consecration of Bishop Tracy.

Father Meador's brother, Joseph, and his wife, Marie, and his daughter, Rose Mary Foley, and her daughter, also attended the jubilee celebration. Mrs. Jake Dornman and several other friends from Biloxi, and Mr. and Mrs. P. L. Laussade of New Orleans also attended.

Also present on this occasion were former classmates, Msgr. John Adams, who preached, and Fathers George Braquet and Augustine Wyshoff, as well as Father Frank Lamendola. Father Malachy Burns, O.S.B., represented St. Joseph's Seminary, and Father Costello represented Notre Dame Seminary.

Close to 100 priests were present for the ceremonies and banquet. They came from the northern part of Mississippi and from out of the State.

In the evening of Wednesday, May 20, a reception was held in the rectory for the congregation. Many gifts were given to the pastor. The Sisters of Christian Charity of New Orleans, who teach the Summer Religious Vacation School, sent some nice things that can be used in the church.

VACATION SCHOOL

The annual Summer Religious School started classes on June 10, 1959, and with four Sisters of Christian Charity in charge, closed on July 10. Seventy children were in attendance. Sisters Vivian, Annella, Louisita and Arline, as well as our seminarian, Sam Messina, were in charge of classes. Sister Elvana was sick during the year so her Superior thought it would be best if she rested this summer.

Those making their First Communion on July 5 were: Stephen Howell, Barbara Wilson, Theresa Marascalco, John Liberto, Kathleen Anne Daly, Pamela Harrison.

CONFIRMATION

Bishop Joseph B. Brunini confirmed a class of 23, including 2 from Winona Mission, on July 8.

FATHERS WYSHOFF, MEADOR, BRAQUET



BISHOP GEROW & FATHER MEADOR



These pictures were taken at Father Meador's
Silver Jubilee

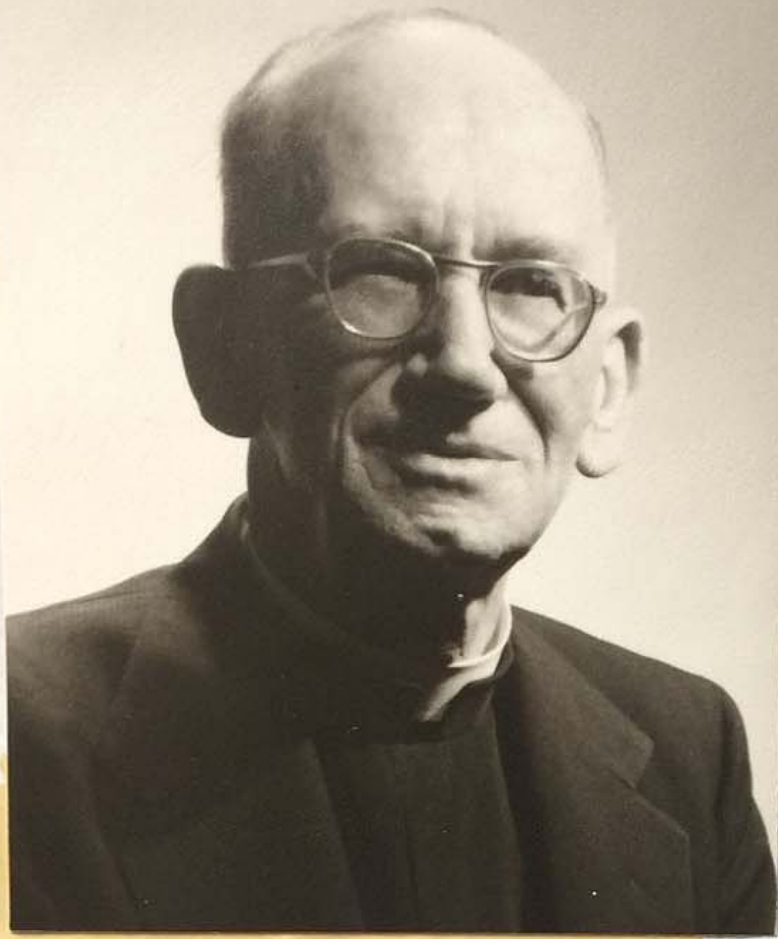
Some more snapshots of Father Meador's Silver Jubilee



Father Meador thanking the many friends who honored him with their presence on his Silver Jubilee.



Bishop Brunini, Msgr. McCarthy, Msgr. Hannon



Father Meador
25 years a priest

Party given at
Winona on occasion
of Silver Jubilee



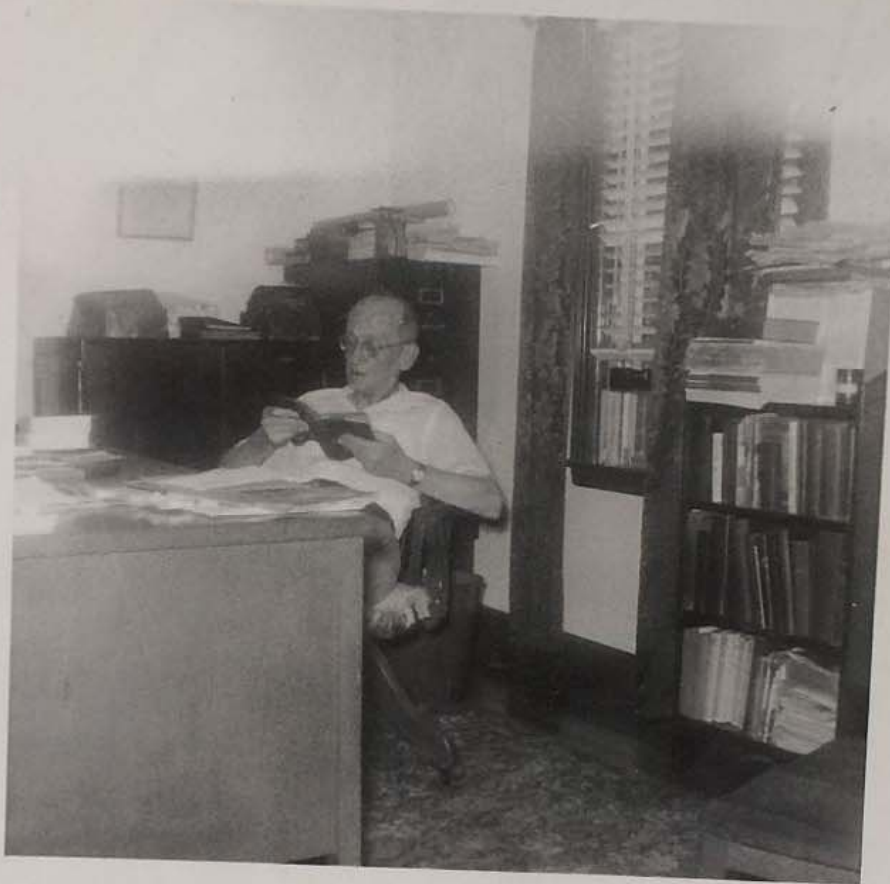


John Lukas presenting Father Meador with a box containing \$200.00 in silver dollars on Sunday, May 24, as a surprise tribute to his 25 years as a priest.



Another snapshot with the congregation of Sacred Heart, Winona, in the home of Doctor and Mrs. Luther P. Crull, Sr.

WHOLESOME MOMENTS



AFTER THE JUBILATION AND EXCITEMENT
OF THE DAY, FATHER REFRESHES HIMSELF
WITH SPIRITUAL FOOD.



Cynthia Matassa

and

her attendants





Fr. Simon, O.F.M., Msgr. McKenna, Bishop
Brunini, Fr. Meador, Fr. Tarsi.



CONFIRMATION CLASS
July 8 1959

CONFIRMATION CLASS- 1959

Vincent P. Barranco	Elizabeth C. Bailey
William P. Daly	Marie T. Barranco
Sam R. Fonti	Mary Anne Daly
Curtis Hopkins	Mary C. Dyre
Frank P. Liberto	Barbara T. Dyre
Vincent B. Liberto	Suzanne T. Howell
Vincent DeP. Marascalco	Angeline T. Marascalco
Louis John Marascalco	Rose Mary T. Marascalco
Aloysius M. Marascalco	Virginia C. Marascalco
Frank L. Marascalco	Nancy C. Marascalco
Sam Anthony Verderaiame	Mary Rita Messina
Robert E. Wilson	

Due to the fact the Rectory was converted into a Convent for the duration of the Sisters' stay, it was necessary to lodge Bishop Brunini and the young man who was driving his car in the Park View Motel for the night.

WINONA PARISHIONER DIES

To come back to death, Mark Clifton, a convert before my time, died April 20, 1959. Mark was an excellent Catholic and was faithful in providing for the priest. He was a great help especially in seeing that the church was comfortable for the congregations on Sundays. On his way to his little Cafe at 4 and 5 o'clock in the morning he would get the fire burning so as to have the church warm for Mass, and later when he retired from business he still took care of things about the church that that the ladies did not see to.

BARRANCO INFANT LIVES 45 DAYS

Theresa Rita Ann Barranco was born June 6, a premature birth, was baptized by the Pastor, Father C.E. Meador, in Granada hospital, then after several days she was rushed back to the hospital and the pastor administered the Sacrament of Confirmation as she breathed her last. The funeral took place July 22.

BARRANCO-FULLER WEDDING

As this marriage was a mixed one, the ceremony was performed according to rules laid down by proper authorities. Sam R. Barranco, son of Vincent and Mary Barranco, met Dorine Fuller while attending radio school in Hollywood, California. Prejudice on the part of the preacher of the parents prompted the young couple to come to Grenada where they could have a wedding to their liking. As Sam had completed his course and was now an engineer, the move was not difficult.

BARRANCO-FULLER WEDDING
September 9, 1959



Mr. & Mrs. Samuel R. Barranco



Mrs. Samuel R. Barranco, the former Dorine Fuller of Hollywood, California, and her husband, Sam R. Barranco, admiring the Bridal Cake.

C.Y.O.

Organized October 11, 1959



Left to right: Helen Daly, Chairman; Rose Messina, President; Anna Marascalco, Secretary & Treasurer; Catherine Marascalco, Vice-President.

CATHOLIC YOUTH ORGANIZED

In April a group of youth accompanied by the pastor, Father Meador, attended an organizational meeting in the city of Greenville. The local group was headed by Rose Messina as Chairman. Thus began the C.Y.O. of St. Peter's. In September the C.C.D., Sodality and Holy Name Society donated \$25.00 to the youth to affiliate with the National organization. Temporary officers were elected with Rose Messina as their leader.

PARISH HALL DONATION

Much talk had been heard about a Parish Hall, but only talk, for three or four years. Miss Mary Marascalco donated \$1,117.61 January 1957 when they talked about a hall. Now this year, November 1, Joseph S. Messina made a donation of \$500.00. It seems that we may get it this time as the debt on the rectory can be paid with money set aside for the purpose.

1960

The New Year of 1960 finds both the pastor and the parish disencumbered of financial means, but the pastor is not disheartened, but rather optimistic. He says "Deus Providebit" and goes about his daily chores with the confidence that must produce something.

PALAZZOLO-TESTA NUPTIALS

Sarah Testa, the daughter of Rose Testa and the late Sam Testa, was united in the bonds of matrimony with John B. Palazzolo in St. Peter's May 25, 1960. Sarah was our organist for several years, but after graduation through a correspondent school she won a scholarship to a business course in Memphis where she found a position in the Merchants Bank and worked there until after her marriage. Several months later she returned to Grenada with her husband who was given a job with Oliver-Lilly Motor Company as a mechanic.

WINONA CHURCH IMPROVEMENT

Cushioned kneelers were installed in Sacred Heart Mission Church of Winona June 14 at a cost of \$159.00. The work was done by John Lukas, one of the parishioners, at no extra cost.



VACATION SCHOOL - 1960

Saturday, June 11, four Sisters of Christian Charity arrived to open the Summer Religious Vacation School on June 13. The school was well attended with practically all the children taking advantage of the Sisters' presence, to supplement what they had learned during the year. We had 19 boys and 45 girls, 64 in all. Eight little girls were prepared to make their First Holy Communion in August.

CREDESCENCE TABLE

Joseph S. Messina donated a credence table to match the one donated previously by Mrs. William Lance.

FIRST COMMUNION

On Sunday, August 14, the Vigil of the Feast of the Assumption, the following received Our Lord in Holy Communion for the first time: Lowery Ann Dyre, Cecilia Marascalco, Ann Verderaine, Sandra Ann Hodges, Deborah J. Wood, Montea Katherine Harrison, Patrice Marascalco, Conchetta Marascalco, Rita Ann Ponti.

BRAUTIGAN-FONTI NUPTIALS

Marie Ponti, the daughter of James and Frances Ponti, married John K. Brautigan of Memphis at a Nuptial Mass with Father Meador officiating. The witnesses were: Gary L. Belton and Florence G. Jesse. Typical Italian wedding, much display.

HAMMOND ORGAN DONATED

On December 19, Dr. A. T. Nadeau donated a Hammond Organ to the church. The Doctor had the instrument in his home for about three or four years, and having satisfied himself with it he decided to get it out to make room for something he desired. We were glad to get it as the church in Winona wishes to have an organ but at present they do not have any one to play, so we are waiting for the time when we can move it down there.

1961

With New Year of 1961 I hear "vox populi" ringing in my ears, and knowing or rather being familiar with the phrase "vox populi, vox Dei", I am waiting for "Facta, non verba." So all there is left for me to do is "Laborare et orare."



FIRST COMMUNION CLASS, 1960

1st row: Sandra Hodges, Cecilia Marascalco, Ann Verdiraimi, Lowrey Ann Dyre; 2nd row, Patrice Marascalco, Concetta Marascalco, Ann Rita Fonte from Winona, Deborah Wood and Katherine Harrison.

August 14, 1960

CIARAMITARO-MARASCALCO NUPTIAL



CIARAMITARO - MARASCALCO NUPTIAL

On June 14th.1961, Miss Annette Marascalco the daughter of Mr.& Mrs Joseph L.Marascalco was united in the bond of Christian marriage at a Nuptial Mass, by the Reverend C.E.Meador, to Mr.Joseph Ciaramitaro of Memphis, Tennessee, before a capacity congregation of relatives and friends from in and out of town.

Following the ecclesiastical ceremony in St. Peter's, a reception was given for the youngsters by their parent, to receive the congratulations of their home and out of town relatives and host of friends, then they left on their wedding trip to points unknown. On their return they will make their home in Memphis, Tennessee

GARDELLO - MESSINA WEDDING 1961

Miss Catherine Messina, the daughter of Mr & Mrs Joseph S. Messina, exchanged wedding vows with Mr. James Gardello at a nuptial Mass June 26th 1961 with the pastor, the Reverend C.E. Meador the official representative of the Church celebrating. Following the religious ceremony, a reception was given by the bride's parents, to receive the congratulations and best wishes of the extra large crowd of relatives and friends. While the folks were enjoying themselves the young couple slipped off on their wedding trip. The young couple will make their home in Memphis, Tennessee, when the groom has a position in politics.

GARDELLO-MESSINO WEDDING





MR. & MRS. JAMES VINCENT GARDELLO, JR.
June 26, 1961

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION, JULY 9, 1961



Patrick Corbett, William Hannan, Julie Stevens, Ennis Bailey; top row, Mary Marascalco, Father Meador, Jammie Marascalco. Mary and Jamie Marascalco are twins.

MISSION OF HOLY CROSS PATHER

Ft.aher William Scheiner, of the Holy Cross Mission Band of Notre Dame, Indiana conducted a mission from February 5th to the 10 inclusive.. The mission was well attended, and I hope much good was accomplished.

RECTORY LOAN PAID

It seems that the story Father Scheiner told the people about getting on the ball is having its effects. The "Vox Populi" seems to be dying down and "facta" are the order of the day and "non verba" If things continue as they are now, I should soon hear the hum of saws and the bang of hammers, for it seems the long talked of parish hall will be a reality before the end of the year. The balance of \$1,546.56 due Lamar Life was paid May 22nd 1961. This loan had to be satisfied before another could be negotiated to build the parish hall.

CHURCH * NEW ROOF

WHILE plans were under consideration to build the parish hall, it was discovered that a new roof was needed on the church, so this was taken care of by Lockett Lumber Company for the sum of \$494.00. Yes the church needed a new roof after twenty years.

BREAKING GROUND FOR PARISH HALL

After several months of planning, blue prints were given to five contractors, and on June 11th all bids were opened and E.J. Henry had a bid of \$15,000.00 a difference of \$4,656.00 as Lockett Lumber Company had the highest bid, so the contract was given to E.J. Henry who is a good, reliable contractor. The contract was later revised to include air-conditioning and heating. The final contract price was \$19,402.00, still in round figures 500 dollar cheaper than Lockett. The contract was signed June 12th, and work started June 14th. The loan of \$15,000.00 at 5% was sealed and delivered July 7th with Grenada Bank. The first note is due August 1st 1961.

CASH ON HAND

John V. Messina in September gave the promised \$2,000.00 he promised and his brother Joseph S. Messina gave \$500.00 sometime earlier in the year, and with the \$1,200.00 Miss Mary Marascalco gave a couple years before, when the subject of a parish hall was brought up, we now have \$3,700.00 and were able to accept the Parish Hall on September 30th, 1961.

BREAKING GROUND FOR PARISH HALL



Left to right: Ross Liberto, John V. Messina, Joseph S. Messina, Father Meador, Samuel Messina (our seminarian); Vincent Barranco.



Another view with American Legion Hut in the background.

PARISH HALL FURNISHED

The first Sunday evening in October a meeting was called by the pastor after Benediction. After a short presentation of needs to furnish the hall, Vincent Barranco suggested that all pledge to give something. As soon as those present knew what was needed the donation started rolling in in the form of checks to pay for the different items Mrs Vincent Marascalco gave six card tables, on abnquet table and a 50 cup coffee maker, all amounted to \$150.00 Following this donation, bussiness picked-up Tables at \$36.00 were given by the following: P.R. Daly. Anthony Liberto. Miss Mary Marascalco Dominic Liberto, Jim Fonti John V. Messina. Peter Marascalco. Seven table \$252.00 Other donations for chairs etc.; Charlie Michele \$20.00, Ross Liberto \$24.00 John E. Artman \$25.00 Sam Marascalco \$50.00 Richars Skorupski \$25.00. Table wear. Mrs Nick Zelenak. 12 dozen spoons \$11.40; Tom Tardy of Tardy Furniture Company Grenada and Winona. 8 sets of beautiful steel wear. Tom is not a catholic but a good friend of the pastor and catholics in general. Soon we will have the palce well furnished, as some of the things have been ordered.

\$1,000.00 DONATION WINONA CHURCH

Mrs. BRYANT McGeary donated \$1,000.00 to the Winona Church so that it may be bricked-veneered sometime in the future. I am afraid I will not be here when that takes place for it is going to take quite a bit of money to do this work..

Bishop GEROW BLESSES HALL

Bishop R.O. Gerow arrived on the city of New Orlean at noon to have dinner with the pastor and visiting priests, and blessed the hall 3 o'clock in the afternoon, and left on the 7 o'clock back to Jackson. Mayor Murry and the city amnager, Mr. John McEachin, were present. The Bishop expressed his surprise. He stated that when he left Jackson and was coming up on the train he had no idea to find such a fine building He congratulated the people on their work. The Bishop returned to Jackson welll please with what he had seen.

The people certainly got off the ant hilland got on the ball after hearing the "vox populi" so long. I their leader recognized that now was the propitious time to heed "vox Dei." We all acted together and the results are herein recorded, and the ball is still rolling and should continue to roll in 1962.



After 18 years, both Church and Rectory
free of debt, by the first Pastor -
Father C. E. Meador



A view of the first Catholic Church and Rectory
in Grenada County and of course in the City



MESSINA SILVER WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

On December the twenty-sixth, nineteen hundred and sixty-one, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph S. Messina in the presence of their four daughters and small son, renewed their wedding vows at Mass with their pastor Father C. E. Meador officiating, and receiving his hearty congratualations.



CERVETTI-MARASCALCO NUPTIAL
October 2, 1961

CERVETTL - MARASCALCO

Miss Mary, the second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph L. Marascalco, was united in the holy Sacrament of Matrimoney, at a Nuptial Mass by the Pastor - Reverend C.E. Meador to Mr.

Lawrence Cervetti of Memphis, Tennessee, October the second, nineteen hundred and sixty-one in the presence of large congregation of relatives and friends. Following the divine service a reception was held in the parish hall, the first since it was completed the last of September. The convenience of the hall for such and similar events is appreciated by the congregation, and are happy they made such an investment. The young couple during and at the end of the reception left for their wedding trip, with the understanding they would return to Grenada on their way back, before going on to Memphis where they will make their home.

NEW YEAR OF 1962

NEWCOMERS WELCOMED.

In March of 1962 the Pastor, with the ladies of the Sodality and the men of the Holy Name Society, staged a supper for the people from Detroit working in the Lyon Plant. All Catholics were invited to bring their non-Catholic friends. About 60 or more were present, and enjoyed the affair very much. The C.Y.O. girls helped serve the tables. In all, we had over 70 for the party.

CHURCH AND RECTORY BRIGHTENED

In March the exterior of the Church and Rectory were given a fresh coating of paint, and in April the interior of the Rectory was redecorated.

AIR-CONDITIONING

The three bedrooms on the second floor were air-conditioned so the Sisters would find it more comfortable during the hot days in Grenada to teach Religion.

VACATION SCHOOL

The four Sisters of Christian Charity arrived June 9th for the annual Summer Vacation Religious School. Sam Messina, our seminarian, also taught one class. Two days after the Sisters arrived, the Thrasher Company of Jackson, Miss., installed the folding doors or partitions so that we had plenty of room for the different classes.

MATTEI-MARASCALCO NUPTIALS

Wednesday preceding the Summer School, Grace Marascalco, the daughter of Joseph L. Marascalco and Mary, his wife, was married at a Nuptial Mass and the reception was held in the parish hall. After the reception, the young couple took a wedding trip and returned to Memphis where they will make their home.

MATTEI-MARASCALCO NUPTIAL



MR. & MRS. RALPH A. MATTEI

JUNE 6, 1962

FIRST COMMUNION 1962 - The children for First Communion were prepared by the Sisters during the Vacation classes and made their First Holy Communion on August 12, the Sunday before the Feast of the Assumption.



First row: Josephine Marascalco, Nancy Wood, Carrie V. Liberto, Mary E. Marascalco; second row: Samuel Barranco, James Wood, and James M. Stergas. Gilda Marascalco was sick so she is to make her First Communion in 1963.

McGEARY DONATION 1962

In November of last year, Mrs. Bryant McGeary gave \$1,000. toward a fund to brick veneer the little church in Winona, and one year later, November 4, 1962, she has repeated her act of last year and donated another \$1,000. for the same purpose. Sacred Heart of Winona is a nice little church and has a fine class of people who are proud of their little church and keep it looking lovely at all times.



Sacred Heart Church
Winona, Miss.

View of Altar
in Sacred Heart Church



HERE ENDS 1962

WE NOW

LAUNCH

INTO

THE NEW YEAR OF

NINETEEN HUNDRED & SIXTY-THREE.



BILL DALY

Ad Altare Dei Recipient - 1963

A PRAYER OF THANKS

Immaculate Heart of Mary, as we bring the record of these twenty years to a close, allow us to offer YOU our thanks for the help and courage given us to carry on the work of Thy Divine Son in this small section of His Vineyard. We further pray, Dear Mother, that you shall continue to watch over and guide us in the future, Amen.

MAY
THE FIRST
NINETEEN-HUNDRED
AND
SIXTY-THREE
THE FIRST DAY
OF
THE TWENTY-FIRST YEAR
OF
SAINT PETER'S PARISH
AND
SACRED HEART MISSION
WINONA

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THE NEW YEAR 1963

St. Peter's Parish begins the New Year with a current deficit of \$32.09 which is minuscule and poses no reason for any major apprehension, for the building and improvement fund of St. Peter's has a balance of \$3,943.91, and the Mission in Winona has likewise a balance of \$3,945.43. With fine financial showing there is no reason to believe we cannot continue to make progress, although we have a debt of \$13,302.09 incurred when we built the Parish Youth Center or Parish Hall, for we have no difficulty in taking care of the monthly notes, especially with the balance we have on hand.

The Catholic population in Grenada numbers 227 white and 1 colored. In the Mission of Winona there are 59 Catholics, making a total of 286 souls, and we have a few more who have moved in since the first of the year.

AD ALTARE DEI AWARD

Billy Daly, son of Mr. and Mrs. P. R. Daly of Grenada, is the first boy in Grenada to receive the Ad Altare Dei Award from the hands of His Excellency, the Most Reverend R. O. Gerow, Bishop of Natchez-Jackson. Bill is a member of Boy Scout Troop 15. Billy Theisman is the Scout Master.

The Ad Altare Dei medal is the highest award of a religious nature for the Catholic Boy Scout. First Class Scouts who have proven themselves faithful in the service of the altar, and who have met other requirements in the knowledge of the Church's teachings, are eligible as candidates.

Bill is a freshman at John Rundle High School where he is a member of the Band.

TWENTY YEARS A PARISH

After looking back over the twenty years of the parish, we look forward to May 19th when we shall have His Excellency Bishop Gerow here to confirm the largest class in the history of the parish - 34 children and 1 adult - and to celebrate with us at a banquet the 20 years of slow but steady progress. The adult, Mrs. Joseph F. Boone, is a convert. We end these first 20 years with hope and a prayer that, as one, we may in the next 20 years make St. Peter's of Grenada a sparkling gem of great value in the Diocese of Natchez-Jackson.

TWENTY YEARS

This the first day of May, 1963, marks the beginning of the twenty-first year of Saint Peter's Parish, Grenada.

The first twenty years of progress demonstrates the zeal and hard work of the people. When St. Peter's Parish was established, it's material worth was a rectory and church of less than \$25,000.00. Today with improvements on the church and the new rectory, and the parish hall, the property is worth about \$140,000.00.

Plans are now under way to have confirmation and a small commemoration of the twenty years with a banquet.

The ladies of the Blessed Virgin Mary Sodality, the men of the Holy Name Society, and the members of the Catholic Youth Organization are working with the pastor to make May 19th a day long to be remembered.

To close the period between 1943 and 1963, we offer snap-shots of the first Rectory and the church as they were twenty years ago and the church and rectory as well as the parish hall of 1963.

FIRST SUNDAY OF MAY 1963

MAY CROWNING



Jeannette Marascalco had the honor of crowning the statue of the Blessed Virgin, May 5th. The others in the party are: Left to right, First row: Rita Fonte, Michael Liberto, Patrice Marascalco, Mary Liberto, Mary Marascalco. Second row: John Liberto and Jeannette.

SECOND SUNDAY, MAY 12, 1963:

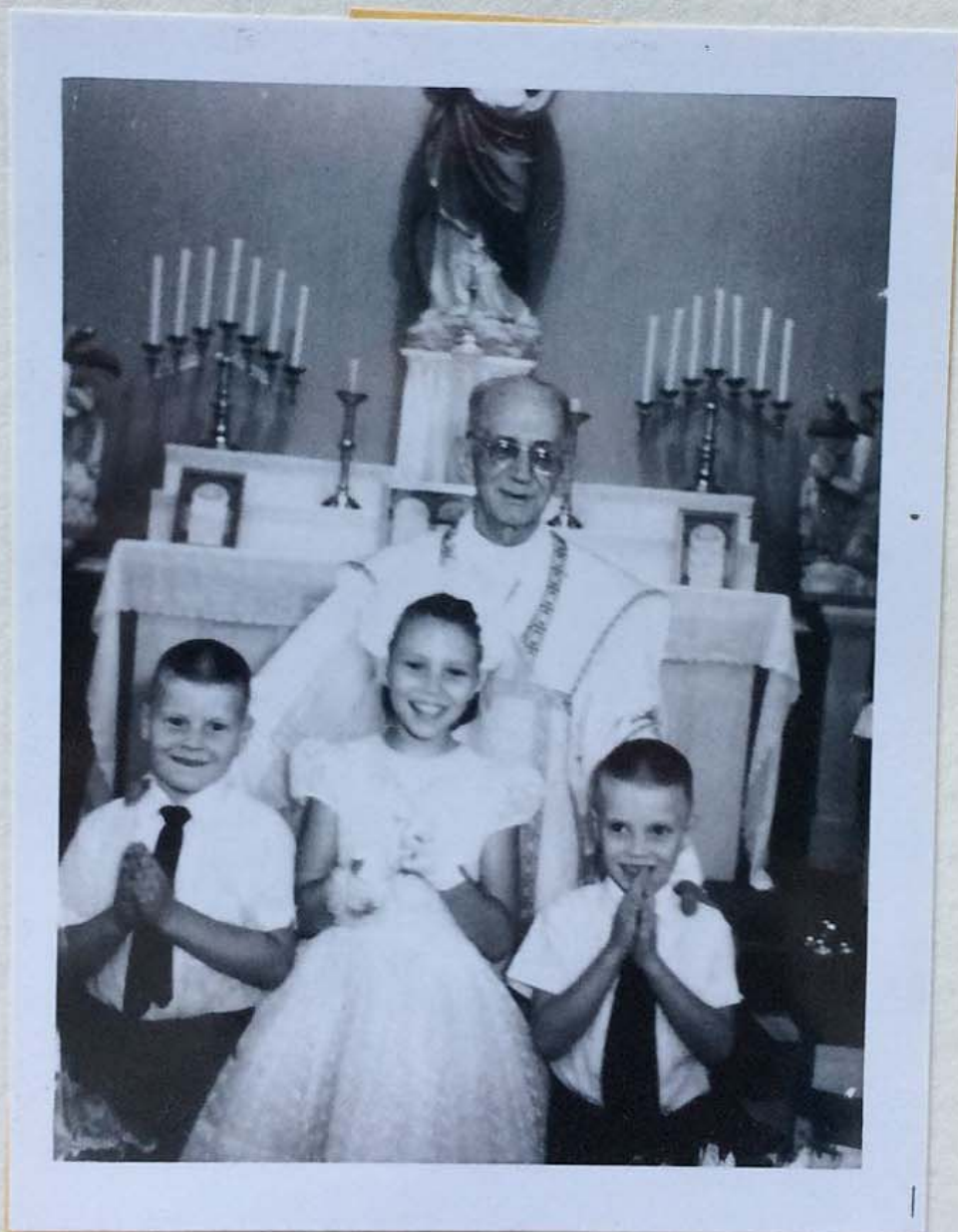
FIRST COMMUNICANTS



Gilda Marascalco and Mary Liberto.

FIRST COMMUNION, WINONA, MAY 19, 1963

At the 11 o'clock Mass in Sacred Heart in Winona, the two sons of Doctor Louie and Mary Ann Harrison, Leonard and Louie along with Sharon Ann Wafford. These Children, as well as those to be confirmed this afternoon in Grenada, were prepared by Miss Ruth McGeary, Mrs. Herschal Gray and Mrs. Raymond Diette. These ladies have been faithful in instructing the children for several years, and are a God-sent to the old pastor.



Louie and Leonard Harrison
and
Sharon Ann Wafford.

May 1963

Graduates of 1963

THIRD SUNDAY OF MAY

May 19th the four graduates of the public school attended the 9 o'clock Mass, and Father Rembert Bardarzynski, O. F. M., of Saint Francis Mission of Greenwood gave the baccalaureate sermon.



Jaunita Artman, Carmen Marascalco,

Sarah Agnes Messina, Rose Mary Meki,

Joseph S. Messina, taking pictures.

CONFIRMATION, MAY 19, 1963

In the afternoon of Sunday, May 19, 1963, at 5 o'clock Bishop R. O. Gerow, assisted by Fathers Peter Machesky, O. F. M., John Neimeyer, Walter Maloney, James Carroll, the pastor, C. E. Meador, and Brother Hilary, O. F. M, conferred the sacrament of Confirmation on 34 youngsters and three converts.

Those Confirmed:

Girls:

Josephine Ann Barranco, Dorothy E. Daly, Cathy A. Daly, Anne M. Dyre, Theresa M. Dyre, Sylvia C. Sykes, Rita L. Fonte, Kity A. Harrison, Pamela M. Harrison, Sandra Hodges, Angela P. Liberto, Mary C. Liberto, Annette T. Marascalco, Buena Ann Marascalco, Cecelia Ann Marascalco, Jeannette D. Marascalco, Jamie Ann Marascalco, Mary Diana Marascalco, Patrice Carmela Marascalco, Theresa Ann Marascalco, Theresa M. Messina, Wanda Ann Webester, Barbara B. Wilson, Miriam Ann Wood, Jean M. Wood.

Boys:

Harry A. Clayton, Luther P. Crull, Jr., Gus J. Hodges, Stephan P. Howell, John A. Liberto, Michael J. Liberto, John Anthony Marascalco, David Wood, James Wood.

Converts:

Mrs. Catherine J. Boone, Mr. Thomas P. Woodall, Mrs. Jean A. Woodall.

THIRD SUNDAY OF MAY 1963

The Confirmation class of 1963



Bishop R. O. Gerow and Father Meador, Pastor
in the background of the 37 confirmed.

PARISH 20th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION:

Immediately after the ceremonies of Confirmation and Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament, the congregation proceeded to the parish hall, where a great banquet awaited them. The Bishop, Most Reverend R. O. Gerow and the seven priests and Franciscan Brother were seated at a special table and served by members of the Youth Organization. The congregation was served in buffet style. The children were assigned to tables in the yard, to give the adults more seats in the hall. More than 200 were served.

The main table was decorated with a floral piece dominated by a statue of the Blessed Mother. In front of the Pastor was a small but beautifully decorated cake with the inscription in silver, "20 years pastor and 29 years a priest". The cake was made by J. C. Meador, a brother of Father Meador, who with his wife were present for the occasion.

As the Bishop was anxious to get back to Jackson, Father Meador gave a resume of the Parish of St. Peter, and its progress during the 20 years, and also launched the campaign to take care of the \$5,000.00 assessment for the Diocesan Program. The Bishop in response, gave an idea of the needs of the Diocese..

The menu, prepared by the ladies of the Sodality and Ida Mae Edwards, Father's cook, was such as to appeal to the most fastidious connoisseur of food..

The writer of this article has attended many banquets, but none compared with this one for variety and for being well prepared.

It might be mentioned here that Father Meador thanked the members of the Sodality, Holy Name Society and the Youth Organization for their spiritual and monetary gifts in honor of his 20 years a pastor and 29 years a priest.

A snapshot of the table with a small part
of the viands and the ladies waiting to
serve the more than two hundred.





was honored at a dinner to commemorate his 20 years
as pastor and 29 years as a priest.

At the end of the meal, a money tree was placed before
Father Meador to express in a tangible manner their love
and appreciation for the faithfulness and interest in
their mission and each of them individually. Father,
in a few words expressed his thanks and appreciation.



Present at the dinner:

1 to r. Seated, Miss Ruth McGeary, Mrs. B. G. McGeary,
Little Sharon Ann Watford, Mrs. Raymond (Jack) Diette,
Harry Clayton, D. Homolik, Second Row: A guest from
Chicago, Mr. Homolik, Raymond (Jack) Diette, Gonzales
(Charlie) Teller, Father Meador, Mrs. Gonzales (Charlie)

JUNE 1963

This snapshot was taken during the last week of the Summer Religious Vacation School, with about half on vacation or at least not present.



Fourth week of Vacation School, 45 out of 71 still taking advantage of the Sisters' presence to try and learn a little more about their religion.

SUMMER VACATION SCHOOL:

The Summer Religious school was a little late this year due to the fact the Sisters had to make their retreat before instead of after the School as in previous years. The same four Sisters who were here last year returned this year. They were: Sisters Arline, Elvana, Louisita, Annella and our seminarian, Sam Messina.

The school opened June 18, which was a Tuesday, and closed July 12th, Friday. The attendance numbered 71 for the first two weeks and then vacations caused the number to dwindle to 45 for the last week. A snapshot is on the next page as well as one of the Sisters and Sam.

After the school, Father Meador and Sam Messina attended the first Solemn Mass of Father Watt of Brookhaven, who finished up in Rome, Italy. After a night in Brookhaven, the two visited Father's brother Joe in Natchez, returning to Grenada on Friday. The following week Father was sick and things were at a standstill.



Sisters Arline, Elvana, Louisita, Annella





Nicholas and Helen after the Mass and the renewal of their nuptial vows. The Pastor , Father Meador got them to smile while the picture was snapped. The altar boy happens to be Gus Hodges. The Zelenak family with

On Monday, August 5, 1963, at 10 o'clock in the morning, an impressive ceremony followed by a Nuptial Mass, united in the Sacrament of Matrimony, Miss Mary Rita Messina, daughter of Joseph Samuel Messina, Sr. and Concettina, his wife, and Daniel Joseph Camella, son of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Joseph Camella of Memphis, Tenn.

The Reverend C. E. Meador officiated at the double ring ceremony, assisted by Samuel John Messina, who also served the Nuptial Mass.

Miss Rose Ann Messina served her sister as Maid of Honor. Bridemaids were Miss Sarah Agnes Messina, sister of the bride and Misses Mary Ester Messina and Marie Barranco, cousins of the bride.

James Vincent Gardello, Jr., brother-in-law of the bride served as best man. Groomsmen were Michael Harper, Ronnie Hawks and Felice Fermo, Jr. all of Memphis.

Little Della and Rebecca Camella, sisters of the Groom served the bride as flower girls.

Joseph Samuel Messina, Jr., brother of the bride, served as ringbearer.

Music for the occasion was provided by



WEDDING LUNCHEON:

Following the ceremonies in the church and the taking of photographs, the Bride and Groom with their out-of-town guests, had lunch at the Lakeshore Restaurant.

RECEPTION:

At two o'clock in the afternoon, a reception was held in the Parish Hall. The reception, as usual, was more than that. It was more of a wedding party with plenty to eat and drink.

It might be well to mention the fact that the rehearsal supper was given by the parents of the groom, Mr. and Mrs. Michael Camella of Memphis.

After the reception, the young couple left on a wedding trip to St. Paul.

MARASCALCO-CARSON WEDDING

On September 26, 1963, Miss Sarah Marascalco was married to Mr. Earl Wayne Carson, in a double ring ceremony. The Reverend C. E. Meador, Pastor officiated.

Immediately after the ceremonies a reception was held in the Parish Hall. The young couple, after a wedding trip will make their home in Grenada. Mr. Carson teaches in the public school, and Mrs. Carson is a nurse at the local hospital.

October 21, 1963

Religious Classes:

Religious classes were resumed for the 1963-64 years. Mrs. Mello Marascalco taught the little ones, teaching them their prayers and getting them prepared to make their First Holy Communion. Mrs. Marion (Rose) Knight taught the elementary group and Father Meador taught the Junior and Senior High.

HALLOWEEN PARTY:

Under the auspices of the Ladies of the Sodality, a Halloween Party was staged Sunday preceeding



Mr. Carson and Bride with his Father,
Mother and Brother





One dressed as a girl-teenager.
Gary Theis

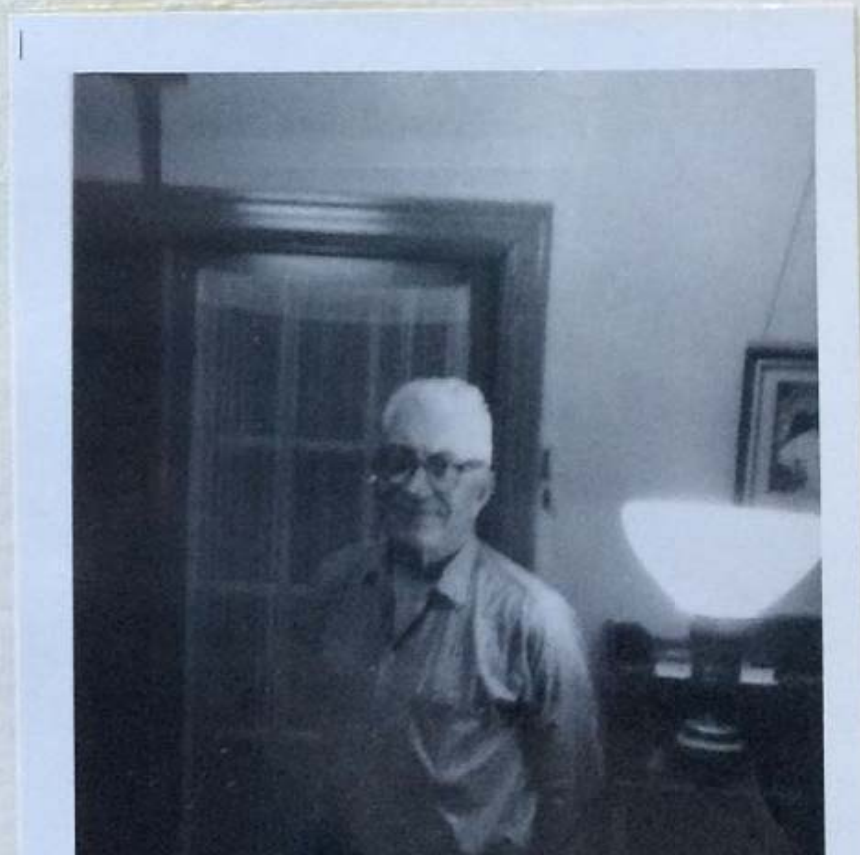


Patrick J. Dailey

spent two months, doing odd jobs about the place and was a great help. Early on the morning of December twenty-six, he departed for his home in Dayton, Ohio. Pat is a mission-minded man, spending months first in one place and then in another, taking no pay, but working and contributing cash to the Parish in which he does work.



Patrick J. Dailey



Bonomo-Marascalco

In the afternoon of April the Fifth, 1964, Miss Anna Louise Marascalco, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sam L. Marascalco, married Joseph Bonomo by the Reverend Clifford E. Meador, Pastor. After the ceremony and the reception in the Parish Hall, the young couple left for New Orleans, where they will make their home.





Ann Dyre, Cathy Daly, Sandra Hodges

MAY, 1964

WEDDING

A very quite wedding took place May 15, 1964 in St. Peter's between Ted Robert Artman, the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Ed. Arrman and Miss Willie Pearl Bennett. Father Meador, the pastor, officiated. John Ed. Artman, Sr., father of the Groom and Rachael were the witnesses.

CONVERT

When a male is received into the Church in these parts, it is something to write about, especially a character as is Jim Criss. Jim McRae Criss, after a very extensive course in Catholic Theology was received into the Church by the pastor, the Reverend Clifford E. Meador, May 31, 1964. Jim is a partner in the Law Firm of Criss & Criss, also a partner in the Certified Public Accountant Firm of Criss & Criss. He is also the County Prosecuting Attorney, and Kiwains' District Lieutenant Governor.

JUNE 1964

KINDRED-PARKER WEDDING

A very quiet wedding took place in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Kindred in Winona, when their son Bill married Miss Joanne Parker of Pickens, Mississippi. This took place June 4, 1964. Father C. E. Meador officiated.

1964 FIRST COMMUNION CLASS, JUNE 5

EIGHT FIRST COMMUNICANTS



Left to right-- Gary Lance, Joseph S. Messina, Jr.,
Carl Marascalco, Dianne Liberto. (Second Row)
Theresa Corbet, Thomas Dyre, Sam Marascalco,
Joseph Fonte.

The Summer Religious Vacation School closed
July 8, 1964, following 40 Hours Devotions.
Four Sisters of Christian Charity from New
Orleans conducted the classes under the super-
vision of the Pastor, the Reverend Clifford E.
Meador.

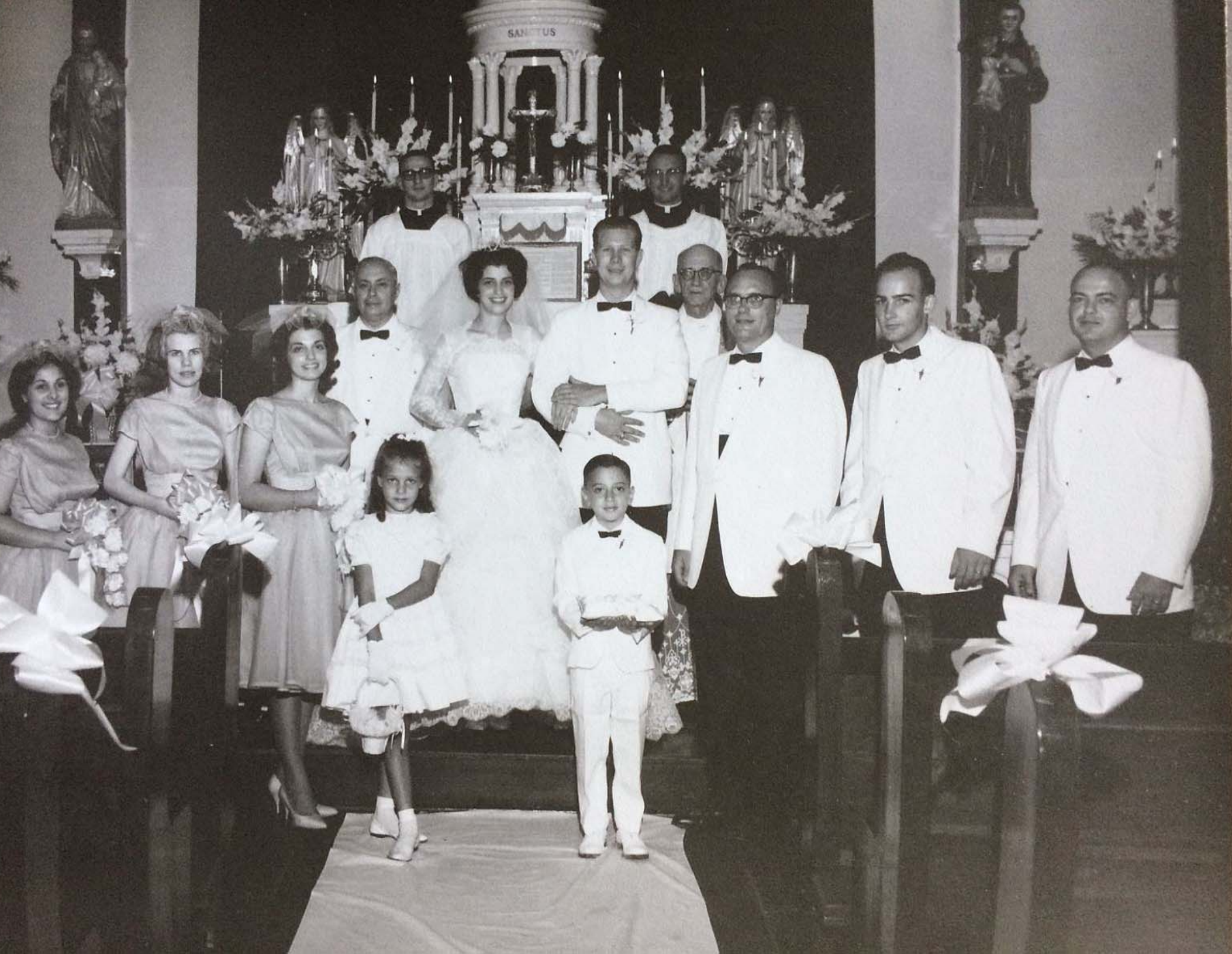
June 8, 1964

MARDIS-MESSINA NUPTIAL

Miss Rose Ann Messina, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph S. Messina, and James O. Mardis, Jr., the son of Mrs. Mary Mardis and the late James O. Mardis, Sr., of Memphis, Tennessee, were united in the bond of Matrimony at a Nuptial Mass. The Pastor, Father Meador officiated.

Miss Sarah Agnes Messina, sister of the bride served as maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Miss Elizabeth Ann Mardis, sister of the groom, and Miss Mary Virginia Glorioso.

Thomas Adams served as best man. Groomsmen were Charles F. Liles and Daniel J. Camella. Flower girls, Rebecca C amella. Ring Bearer, Joseph S. Messina, Jr., brother of the bride. After a wedding trip, the young couple will make their home in Grenada.



SANCTUS



JUNE 22, 1964

CRISS-MESSINA WEDDING

St. Peter's was the setting for the marriage ceremony followed with a Nuptial Mass June 22, 1964, uniting Miss Sarah Agnes Messina, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph S. Messina, and Jim McRae Criss, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Francis Wortham Criss, Sr. The Reverend C. E. Meador, the Pastor, officiated at the ceremonies.

Matron of Honor was Mrs. James Mardis, Jr., sister of the bride. Bridesmaids were Miss Jo Ann Phillips and Miss Grace Michele. John Criss, brother of the Groom served as best man. Groomsmen were James V. Gardello and Suggs Ingram.

Photograph next page.

CRISS - MESSINA

WEDDING

JUNE

TWENTY - SECOND

NINETEEN - SIXTY FOUR

NEXT



JULY 25, 1964

DIOMEDI - ZELENAK

On July 25, 1964 at an eleven o'clock Nuptial Mass, Miss Kathleen M. Zelenak, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Nicholas Zelenak became the wife of Mr. David Paul Diomedi, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Orin Diomedi of Mingo Junction, Ohio. The celebrant of the Mass was the Pastor, Reverend C. E. Meador. The Groom's best man was Doctor A. T. Nadeau. The Maid of Honor was Miss Kaye Gabbet. The Maids were the bride's twin sisters, Patrica and Pamela. The Groomsmen were David Skorupski and Horton Townes.

Mrs. W. A. Lomax was the organist and Mrs. Jim Criss the soloist.

After the ceremonies, a reception was held in the Parish Hall. In the evening they departed for a wedding trip, after which they went to California where they will make their home, in San Berardino.

The following pictures are of this wedding.



SANCTUS



HALLOWEEN PARTY (October 1964)

The Sodality and CYO held their annual Halloween Party. And the youngsters had a great time.



Left to right:
Mrs. John J. Messina, Mrs. Bernice Wood
Miss Mary Marascalco and Mrs. M. J. Marascalco.



FURNISHING TO MEET CHANGE

Complying with the changes advocated to meet the change in the LITURGICAL set up. A new table altar, two Ambos were ordered, the sanctuary had to be changed a little, the altar rail was taken out, carpet was installed and the fixtures of furniture were arraigned according to directions. The following snap-shot gives one a slight idea of the appearance of the change.



The Altar was given by Miss Mary Marascalco..\$300.00
Other contributors. Joseph F. Boone. \$130.00; Mrs Vince
Marascalco \$150.00; Dr. A. T. Hadeau, \$100.00; Joseph S
Messina \$ 77.00; John V. Messina, \$ 50.00: Twenty-three
others gave \$ 25.00 each and others \$15.00 down to
\$ 3.00. The collection amounted to \$ 1,406.00. which
took care of the entire job.

DEATH BRINGS PEACE

Miss Jenny Lee Poe, a faithful parishioner of Sacred Heart Mission, Winona, Mississippi, after and extended illness passed away very suddenly in the early morning of November 10, 1964. The smiling Jane, as she was affectionately called, shall be sadly missed for many years to come. The Requiem by Father Meador took place in the little church she loved so dearly November 12. She was not only faithful to her Church, but to her invalid mother. The mother did not live very long after, less than a year.

NADEAU-GRATZ WEDDING

Miss Cecilia Nadeau, the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. A. T. Nadeau, Jr., and James Gratz, the son of Mrs. Elizabeth Gratz and the late James M. Gratz, were united in the Bond of Matrimony December 26, 1964, by the Reverend Clifford E. Meador, Pastor of St. Peter's Parish. The witnesses were Miss Yvonne Nadeau, sister of the bride and Michael B. Gratz, brother of the groom.

JANUARY, 1965

SODALITY INSTALLATION

Miss Mary Marascalco was recently installed as the 1965 Prefect of the Sodality of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Others installed were: Mrs. Dominic Liberto, vice-prefect, and Mrs. P. R. Daly, secretary and treasurer.

WEEK MISSION

Father Conrad, O. M. I., of the Itta Bena Church gave a very successful mission in St. Peter's, Grenada. A special afternoon was given for the children which was not only well attended, but appreciated. The results of the mission is very noticable to the great pleasure of the pastor.

MR. AND MRS. LARRY NICKELL, 1965



CUTTING CAKE



JUST POSING

NICKELL*ARTMAN

Miss Jaunita Artman, the daughter of Mr. & Mrs. John E. Artman, was united in marriage to Mr. Larry Nickell the son of Mr. & Mrs. Lexie B. Nickell, Flemingsburg, Kentucky. The ceremony took place in St. Peter's with the Pastor Reverend C.E. Meador officiating February 14th 1965.

Out of town guests were the Parents of the groom and his brother Rayburn and Sister Loie. The Bride had her brother and his wife and son Mr. & Mrs. John E. Artman Jr, and a host of friends from the city. The ceremony was followed with a reception, after a few farewell hand shaking they left for a trip, They will return to Grenada to make their home as Mr. Nickell is a pharmacist with the Kent Drug Store.

CATHOLIC YOUTH ELECTS

Billy Daly was elected to succeed Frank Liberto, as President Theresa Messina, vice-president succeeding Marie Barranco, Dorothy Daly, Secretary and Gene Wood, Treasurer. Mr. & Mrs. Dominic Liberto will sponsor the youths. The Chairmen will be appointed by the president at the next meeting.

C.Y.O. OFFICERS INDUCTED

Sunday evening March 21, 1956, the newly elected officers of the Youth Organization were solemnly inducted into office by their spiritual director, Rev. C.E. Meador. The officers are. Billy Daly, President; Theresa Messina, Vice-president; Dorothy Daly, Secretary; and Gene Wood, Treasurer. The installation was followed with Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament.



SUMMER RELIGIOUS SCHOOL

Summer Religious School closed with 40 Hours Devotions, Grenada, St. Peter's. The annual Summer Vacation School of four weeks, under the supervision of the Reverend C. E. Meador, with Four Sisters of Christian Charity from New Orleans, Louisiana, closed a very successful program with 40 Hours Devotion.

Eighty Children attended ranging in age from 5 to 17. The Sacrament of the Eucharist was administered to four boys: Michael Hancock, Danny Corbett, Edwin Hammen, Glen Marascalco and two girls: Suzanne Hancock, Margaret Marascalco.

Four boys were taught by the Pastor were initiated in the Society of Acoolytes. Madams Raymond Diette and Lane Harrison transported the children from the Sacred Heart Mission in Winona for two weeks.

First Priest

The ordination to the Holy Priesthood of the Reverend Samuel J. Messina May 29th. 1965 took place in the chapel of the Pontifical Josephine College at Worthington, Ohio. by His Excellency, The Most Reverend Egidio Vagnozzi, Apostolic Delagate to the United States of America.



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A PRIEST

A POSE IMMEDIATELY AFTER ORDINATION

FATHER SAM & FAMILY



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FATHER SAMUEL MESSINA AND IMMEDIATE FAMILY
(l to r)MRS WM(ROSE) HEUEL*sister,Chicago
Illinois;MRS JOHN V.MESSINA ,mother; NEXT
MRS. F.B(CATHERINE)TERRELL,BOSTON MASS.:
FR.SAM., hsi brother JOSEPH,Boston,Mass,Mr.
JOHN.V.MESSINA, hsi Father,and Miss Teresa
Messina his youngest sister. This snap-shot
was taken after the Mass of ordination.
Secerel other relatives were there for the
occasion including Father Meador.

RETURN TO GRENADA

On Monday afternoon Father Messina and Father Meador boarded a plane in Columbus, Ohio and returned to Grenada to prepare things for the First Solemn Mass in the City of His Birth.

On Pentecost Sunday Father was given the 9 o'clock parish Mass, so that the congregation that would not be able to get in for the solemn Mass could offer up Mass with him on this great day of his. The Pastor gave the sermon. The church was filled to capacity, some standing.



FIRST PUBLIC LOW MASS IN HOME PARISH

FIRST SOLEMN MASS

ON the Feast of Pentecost Sunday June 6th, 1965 The Rev. Samuel. J. Messina, offered his first Solemn Mass to an onerflowing church of relatives and friend from home and out of town.

This was a great day for Father Sam, but just as great for the pastor, for it was the first young man to start and complete his studies and received ordination during his (Fr. Meador) 30 years a pastor.

The procession to the church started so as to have the M Mass to begin at 2:30 o'clock in the afternoon.



OFFICERS OF THE FIRST SOLEM MASS OF FR MESSINA

(1 to r) Rev. Alfred Camp, deacon; Fr. Messina, Celebrant, Rev. Paul Canonici Assistant Priest; Rev. Mr. John McMahon. Subdeacon. Not shown in picture Mr. George Kitchin, Mater of Ceremonies.. Rev. Bernard Law, preached the sermon



A SAD CHRISTMAS, 1965

Requiem Mass for the repose of the soul of Sam Testa, Jr., was offered at St. Peter's Catholic Church., December 28, 1965 at 11 o'clock. The Reverend Sam J. Messina, a first cousin of the deceased was the celebrant, assisted by the Reverend C. E. Meador, Pastor, and Reverend Nicholas Filipich. Mr. Testa died Christmas Day in Mobile, Ala. following a short illness. For the past five years he had been an electrical engineer at Brookly Air Force Base. He is survived by his wife, Majorie James Testa, one son, Sam III, three daughters, Clara Rose, Mary Elizabeth and Rita Kay, all of Mobile, his mother, Mrs. (Sam) Rose Testa of Grenada, three sisters, Mrs. Frances Verderime of Chicago, Ill., Mrs. Catharine Liberto, Mrs. Sara Palazzolo and one brother Joseph of Grenada.

PALAZZOLO INFANT

Burial services were held at the Garner Funeral Home, December 30, 1965, for the infant, stillborn, of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Palazzolo. This took place the day after Mrs. Palazzolo buried her brother.

DEATH STRIKES AGAIN

Death came to Vincent Barranco about a year after his first stroke. The second stroke came very suddenly Sunday evening about 8 o'clock, January 2, 1966. Requiem Mass was offered for the repose of his soul January 5, 1966, in St. Peter's Church. The Reverend C. E. Meador was the celebrant, assisted by Father Nicholas Filipich. Vince was a native of New Orleans, Louisiana, moving to Grenada about 1920 and made his home here these past 45 years. Vince was a successful merchant, devout Catholic, and held in high esteem by the entire community. Survivors are his wife, Mrs. Mary Marascalco Barranco, four sons, Charles and Louis of Grenada, Joseph, Pharmaceutical student at Mississippi U (Ole Miss), Samuel of Decatur, Ala., nine grandchildren, four sisters in New York and Cefalu, Italy, one brother Dominic of Durant, Miss.

SAMUEL L. MARASCALCO RITES, 1966

Regulen Mass for the repose of the soul of Samuel L. Marascalco was offered Saturday morning, May 21, 1966 at 11 o'clock with Reverend C. E. Meador officiating, assisted by Reverend Sam J. Messina. Samuel Marascalco, 49, died suddenly Ascension Thursday, May 19 at 3 o'clock. He was a merchant. Survivors are his wife, Josie, two sons Aloysius and John; three daughters, Angelina and Concetta Mary all of Grenada; one married daughter Mrs. Anna Bonomo of New Orleans, La.; three brothers, Joseph L. and Louis C. of Grenada, Sebastian of Chicago, Ill.; three sisters, Mrs. Vince Barranco and Frances Fonte of Grenada; Mrs. Vince DiFatta of Celfalu, Italy and one grandchild.

MESSINA - CASTRO NUPTIAL, 1966

Miss Mary Messina, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Messina of Grenada and Raymond Castro, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Manuel Castro of Lodi, New Jersey, exchanged vows June 1, 1966 at the Nuptial Mass offered by her brother the Reverend Samuel J. Messina, assisted by the Pastor, Father C. E. Meador. Miss Teresa Messina, sister of the bride served as maid of honor and Mr. Manuel Castro, the father of the groom acted as his son's best man.

NADEAU - PATTERSON WEDDING, 1966

Miss Yvonne Nadeau, the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. A. T. Nadeau of Grenada and Mr. Charles Patterson, the son of Mr. C. L. Patterson of Lubbock, Texas were united in the bonds of Matrimony at highnoon June 4, 1966, by the Reverend C. E. Meador, assisted by Father Samuel J. Messina. Miss Nadeau was attended by her sister, Mrs. Louis Nolan and Mr. Patterson was served by his brother George as best man.

1ST COMMUNIONS AND CLOSING OF SUMMER VACATION SCHOOL, 1966

First Communion closed the Summer Vacation School of Religion conducted by the Sisters of Christian Charity of New Orleans, Louisiana. Nine girls and four boys made their First Communion. One Convert, Mrs. Majorie Testa, made her First Communion with her seven year old daughter, June 26.



SANCTUS

MAY CROWNING 1965



Mary Liberto Places Crown on the
head of the Blessed Virgin's Statue.

Back row:

L to r - - Mary Marascalco, Cecelia Marascalco

Gilda Marascalco, James Wood.

Front row, l to r - - Josephine Marascalco and

Mary Elizabeth Marascalco.

TESTA NUPTIAL, 1966

On June 29, 1966, Joseph Testa and Majorie James Testa, the widow of the late Sam Testa, were united in the bonds of Matrimony at a Nuptial Mass by their Pastor, Father Meador. The attendants were Mr. and Mrs. Dominic Liberto, the brother-in-law and sister of the groom. A reception was held in the Parish Hall.

CONFIRMATION BY BISHOP GEROW

Among the 35 confirmed by Bishop Gerow, July 31, 1966, were five converts: Mrs. Robbie Marascalco, Mrs. Majorie Testa and Mr. Jim McRae Criss of Grenada, and two from the Mission of Sacred Heart, Winona: Mrs. Ann Saia and Mrs. Dorothy Artman. For the last two, it was a great day, for they received Conditional Baptism, Penance, Holy Eucharist and Confirmation.

BOONE-HOWELL VOWS

Miss Suzanne M. Howell, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Herman L. Howell, was wedded to Mr. John Curlee Boone, III, the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Curlee Boone, Jr., in St. Peter's Church by the Reverend C. E. Meador on the afternoon of August 31, 1966. The maid of honor was Miss Nancy Hamby, and the maids were Misses Sallie Boone, Sallie Henry and Kay Simmons. The Groom was served by his father as best man, and the groomsmen were Mike Lockett, Louis Freely and Sam Simmons. Debra Howell, the sister of the bride was the flower girl. The ushers were her brother, Stephen, Hugh Boone, brother of the groom, James E. Howell and Ralieg Schultz. After a short wedding trip the couple will make their home in Grenada, where Mr. Boone is in business with his father.

HAILEY - DALY WEDDING

On the evening of October 13, 1966, Miss Helen Elizabeth Daly, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. P. R. Daly, and Mr. William Andrew Hailey, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Hailey of Crowder, Miss., were united in the Holy Bonds of Matrimony by the Reverend Clifford E. Meador, Pastor of St. Peter's Parish, Grenada. The witnesses were Mr. C. M. Hailey, father of the groom and Mrs. Patricia Kelley, sister of the bride. The Groom is in the armed forces and is to leave shortly for Germany. The wife will follow as soon as he can get arrangements made to accomodate her when she arrives.

TESTA RECEPTION, JUNE 26, 1966



Bride and Groom



Mrs. Testa and Mrs. James, mothers of the couple with
Mr. and Mrs. Dominic Liberto, witnesses and the Couple





COCO - MARASCALCO WEDDING:

Sunday afternoon of October 2, 1966, Miss Angelina Marascalco, the daughter of Mrs. Josephine Marascalco and the late Sam L. Marascalco, became the bride of Salvatore Coco, the son of Mrs. Rosario Coco and the late Salvatore Coco, Sr. The Matron of Honor was Mrs. Joseph Bonomo, sister of the bride, the maid, Miss Concetta Marascalco, also a sister of the bride. The best man was Joseph Veninatu. Groomsman was Joseph Bonomo. The brother of the bride, Louis, gave his sister in marriage. The flower girl was Little Theresa Liberto. The ring bearer was little John Liberto.

After the ceremonies, a reception was given in the Parish Hall from 3 until 5 o'clock.

The young couple will make their home in New Orleans, Louisiana, where the groom is a draftsman.

HALLOWEEN PARTY

The annual Halloween Party took place as usual and the youngsters as always had a great evening of it. A few snapshots may be seen on the next pages.

SNAPSHOTS OF COCO - MARASCALCO WEDDING



HALLOWEEN SNAPSHOTS (CONTINUED)



Waiting to get in the horror room.



Spearing balloons for prizes. Great fun!

ST. PETER'S PARISH, 1967

The first event of 1967 was clearing the Parish of all debt. The remaining \$5,715.50 due Grenada Bank was paid January 4, 1967.

CONSULTORS BURN NOTE

The Parish Consultors, with their Pastor, Father C. E. Meador and a large representative crowd of the Parish looked on while the Chairman put the torch to the note that cleared the Parish of all debt, January 4, 1967.



Seated (1 to r) Ross Liberto, Charlie Michele, Chairman, John V. Messina, Vice-Chairman, Joseph L. Marascalco, Pastor, Father Meador.. Standing, (1 to r) Patrick R. Daly, Dominic Liberto, Joseph S. Messina, Sr., Pete Marascalco.

McWILLIAM REQUIEM:

After an extended illness, Mrs. Josephine McWilliam, 87, passed on to eternity the afternoon of Friday, February 24, 1967. The Reverend C. E. Meador of St. Peter's Parish conducted the last rites and was celebrant of the Requiem Mass Saturday afternoon, February 25, at 3 o'clock. The survivors are one daughter, Mrs. L. D. Boone, Sr., two grandsons, L. D., Jr. and Joseph Boone and four grandchildren.

LIBERTO COUPLE DEPARTS:

Mr. and Mrs. Dominic Liberto departed March 4, 1967 for Cefalu (Scicily) Italy, where they will make their future home. Dominic and Catherine were married in Cefalu, December, 1956 and came to this country. Now they returned where he has his mother and relatives and many friends. A going-away party was given them by the Senior and Junior C. Y. O. and the Sodality of the Blessed Virgin Mary, in appreciation of their work among them, as well as their cooperation with the Holy Name Society.



Dominic and Catherine

APRIL 22, 1967

CONFERENCE HELD

The Sisters of the Northern Region of the Jackson-Natchez Diocese met at St. Peter's ,Grenada, Miss April 22, 1967. The meeting was guided by the co-chairmen, Sister M. Susanna, M.S.B. AND Sister M. Joel. R.S.M., The three chairmen and alternates elected for the next meeting were: Sister m. Damel, O.S.P., Mound Bayou; Sister Ellen DePaul, S.C.N.; Clarkesdale; Sister M. Tarcisius, C.S.J. Columbus; Sister M. Harriet, R.S.M. Greenville; Sister John Loretta, S.C.N., Clarkesdale;

Revverend C.E. Meador was host to the Sister, with Mrs. Bob Drews, chairman of arrangements.



STANDING-SISTER SUSANNA: SEATED, SR. JOEL

May CROWNING 1967.

The annual May crowning took place Sunday May 7, 1967 at 7:30 in the evening. Nancy Wood had the honor of crowning the statue of the Queen of Heaven. Those in the ceremony are: (l to r) Dianne Liberto, Josephine Marascalco, Gilda Marascalco, Carrie V. Liberto, Patrice Marascalco.

Ladies in charge of arrangements were: Mrs Robbie M. Marascalco, Mrs Marie (Pete) Marascalco and Mrs Jean (Bob) Drews.



May 14, 1967 :

The congregation of Sacred Heart Mission in Winona honored Father Meador with a banquet at the Country Club in their county, after the 11 o'clock Mass May 14th, 1967. Mr. Jack Diette was the spokesman for the congregation, and presented Father Meador with a purse from the people in appreciation of the service given to their mission. The Pastor with humor thanked all those present for their kind words and gift. Wished God's blessing on them and the work they were doing in the mission, and promised he would ^{be} back to see them again and again after retirement.

AN EMBARRASSMENT moment:

AFTER lunch the pastor went to the hall to see how things were going, and this is what he found a four tier cake along with punch. Was he embarrassed and told the ladies he was not going to get married, they assured the pastor it was perfectly alright to have such a cake on such an occasion.



FAREWELL PARTY

The congregation of St. Peter's gave Father Meador a farewell party on the 33d year of his ordination and 24 years as pastor of St. Peter's. This took place Saturday afternoon from 4 until 6 o'clock, May 20th 1967. Twenty-four years ago no one would have entertained the idea of a party on a Saturday, as all would have been busy in their different businesses, but change has come just as it has come in the Church, and all for the better.

Mr. Patrick R. Daly the chairman of the party committee introduced the speaker for the occasion The Reverend Samuel J. Messina, our own native priest. Father Messina pointed out the accomplishments of the congregation during Father Meador's pastorate.

Mr. John V. Messina, president of the Holy Name Society, in the name of the Society and the entire congregation presented the RESIGNING PASTOR a purse, with their thanks and best wishes in his coming days of leisure.

Mrs Joseph L. Marascalco, Prefect of the Sodality of the Blessed Mary, with a few choice words presented their departing Pastor with a plaque which reads as follows:

FATHER C. E. MEADOR

FOR DEVOTED SERVICES RENDERED

MAY 1, 1943 TO MAY 31, 1967

WITH LOVE AND APPRECIATION

THE HOLY NAME SOCIETY

SODALITY OF OUR LADY QUEEN OF PEACE

AND YOUR

PARISHIONERS

After all was said and done Fr. Meador expressed his thanks and appreciation, and especially thanked his many non-catholic friends.

WINONA CHURCH RENOVATED:

On March the 18, 1964, a contract^c to brick veneer and repair the church in Winona was signed between Rev. C.E. Meador and a Mr. J.C. Harris at a cost of \$ 6,370.55. The addition of other work to the building kep the price going up and up until it reached over \$ 20,000.00.

Mrs. B.S. McGeary and son put up the money for the Bricking and repairs, the additional work was financed by the daughter, Miss Ruth McGeary. The work Ruth was paying for was work we were to do at a later date when we would have the means to take care of the cost, but, this young lady wished to see it completed so she did not spare the money. Ruth had a sheet-rock sealing, and painted, the floor of the entire church and choir loft covered with beautiful carpet, complete bathroom with shower, a kitchenette plus several large items. How much \$4,907.60 plus ???

For the past four or five years the congregation contributed to a fund to install central Air-conditioning and heating so while the work was going on, the money was in the fund for this work so the Pastor signed a contract with C.H. George for the Syster, plus rewiring the entire building and new light fixtures. at a cost of \$ 3,907.60.

This work started march 18, 1964 and completed the last week in May just a few days before Father Retired.

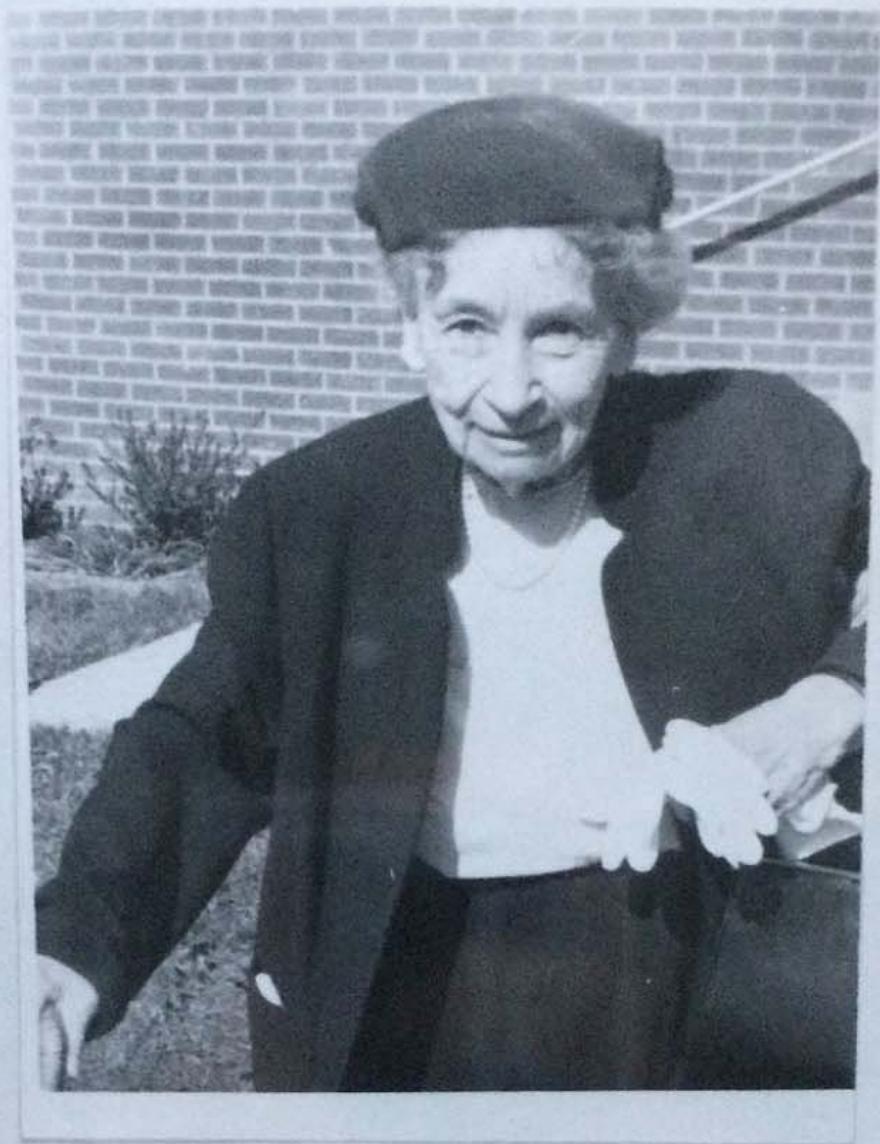
Mr. Charlie Tellez was a great helper and doer for the church, many articles he made and donated to the church. Gold-leafed the crucifixion, donated the table altar (a beauty) ambo and other articles of furniture for the sanctuary. Two other gentlemen were great helper and a source of great consolation, are Mr. Jack Diette and Dr. Louie Harrison. The two oil paintings are the work of Mr. B.F. Lewis, a nephew of Father Meador. This work was done just for the material needed. The one above the Eucharistic Altar, is symbolic of the Holy Trinity, the one behind the ambo, is symbolic of the only One who can interpret the Word of God.

The hammon organ with the magna-box worth \$4,000.00 was donated by Dr. A.T. Nadeau of Grenada. And the total cost of renovating the little church was \$ 20,000.00

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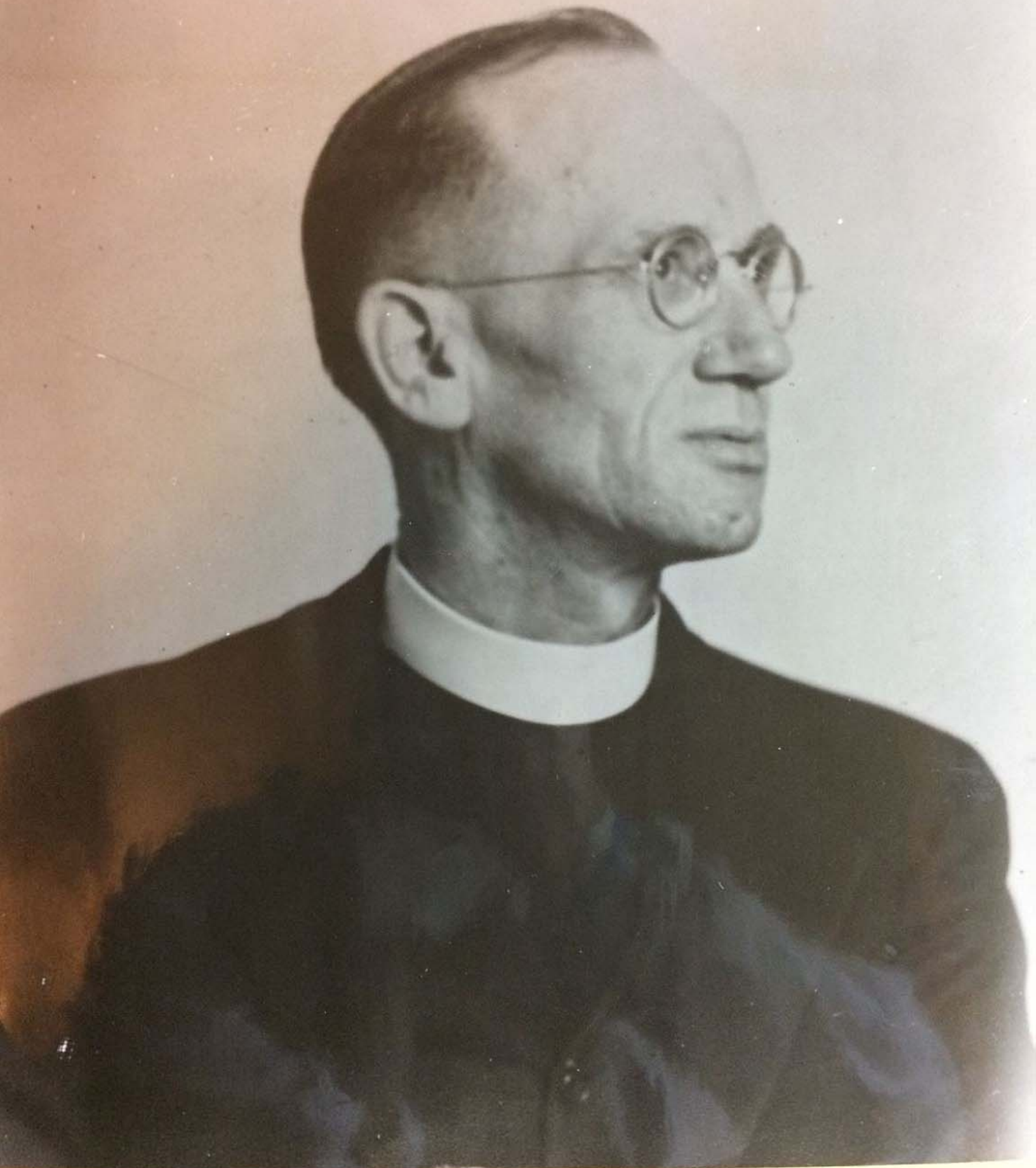
WINONA MISSION



MRS. BRIAN MCGEARY

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REV. C.E. MEADOR - RETIRED MAY 31ST 1967