

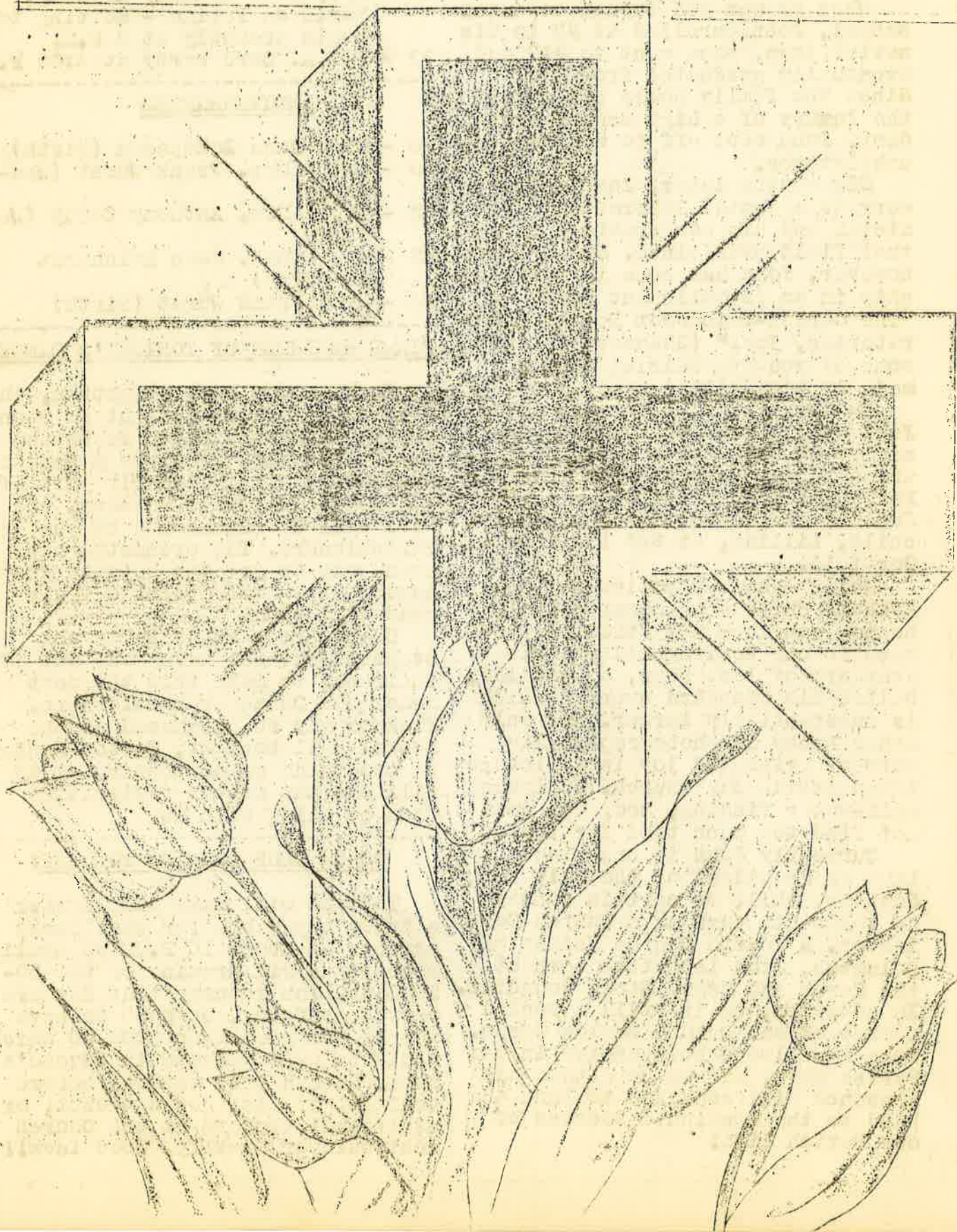
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It was on August 19, 1908 that Sir Stork made the second of four visits to Frank Reichardt and Gizella Bakos in the city of Passaic. The bouncing little boy, who had been left at the Reichardt, was eventually christened "John".

When he was old enough to enter school, John enrolled at #2 in his native town, then went to #10 and eventually graduated from #12. Since the family could not afford the luxury of a high school student, John went off to work as an upholsterer.

Six months later, John went to work as a dental laboratory technician and has remained in that field ever since. Since 1945, however, John has been in partnership in an establishment known as "The Gordon-Reichardt Dental Laboratories, Inc." (Chances are that some of you are wearing plates made by his skilled hands.)

On the 23rd of this very month John will celebrate the 20th anniversary of another partnership which began right here at this Parish when he married Margaret Juhasz. They live with their only child, Lillian, at 265 Lanza Ave., Garfield.

While John was active in basketball while at grammar school, he now confines his athletic prowess to our bowling alleys. His average of last year, a puny 138, belies his standard average which is substantially larger. His only other hobby is photography. His current pride and joy is a picture taken inside our church. He loves salt-water fishing, too, but does not find too much time for that.

Currently John is enjoying a term as President of the Holy Name Society, while on certain Sundays he takes his turn as a Church Collector. A Fourth Degree Knight of Columbus, John is active both at the Perex and Msgr. Stein Councils. In addition, he is still a social member of our Drum & Bugles Corps. John has always been active in our Parish work, and we hope that his presence will continue to lend a hand to the continued success of our Parish life!

- 13 - Easter Sunday - Masses as usual - 7:30, 9, 10, 11, & 12  
Easter Dance sponsored by the Holy Name featuring Kara Bros & Nemeth Radio Orchestra.  
50-50 Club Drawing, at 10 P.M.
- 14 - Holy Name Monthly Meeting.  
Movie on Fatima - Meeting to begin promptly at 8 P.M.
- 27 - P.T.A. Card Party at 2:30 P.M.

#### ANNIVERSARIES

- 8 - Mrs. Anna Zakopcsan (Birth)
- 12 - Mr. & Mrs. Frank Wurst (Wedding)
- 23 - Mr. & Mrs. Anthony Cerny (Wedding)
- 23 - Mr. & Mrs. John Reichardt (Wedding)
- 26 - Mrs. Frank Wurst (Birth)

#### FINAL REMINDER OF TONIGHT'S DANCE!

In case you have forgotten, the Holy Name Society tonight is sponsoring an Easter Dance featuring the famous Kara Brothers & Nemeth Radio Orchestra, formerly part of the Royal Hungarian Hussars, who will well be remembered by our Parishioners. The orchestra has even gone to greater heights and will assure those who attend a truly wonderful time.

Co-Chairmen Frank Zurey and Stephen Weninger have gone out of their way to make this the most memorable Dance ever held here. Tickets may be purchased at the School Hall tonight, Easter Sunday. We can think of no better way to fill out the Easter festivities than by being with us.

#### 50-50 CLUB DRAWING TONIGHT!

Tonight will make this Easter a truly happy one for some lucky person. At about 10 P.M. we shall have the April drawing of the 50-50 Club. The returns thus far are very gratifying. We hope to have a prize of more than \$200.00 which would be most welcome in anyone's home. Return your tickets before tonight, or else get a ticket, or additional tickets at the Church vestibule or Rectory. Good luck!!!



Easter Sunday may bring a lot of joy to the gals, who just love sporting their new outfits, but the men folks keep thinking about those price tags and bills. Who are you fellows kidding anyway? You know you enjoy going to Church with the most beautiful gal in the world - your wife!...What is this new epidemic? The Holy Name Members one after another are becoming proud Papa's. The latest cigar distributor is Steve Weninger who wound up with another boy - his third. Now Steve is putting the hex on Francis Swinarsky, who has two boys and is waiting for a third visit from Sir Stork. Cross them up, Francis, or maybe we better apply that to the missus instead....A big hand for Frank Lucas and Hank Andrejcsak for the great job they did on the Easter Communion Breakfast. Nice going boys. As usually is the case, Bill Hudak & John Militello were holding down the kitchen chores. The women showed us up but good with their Breakfast. What's that old line: - "Wait till next year!" The handsome and capable orator we had for a Toastmaster was none other than our own Tony Cerny. All who had anything to do with the affair deserve our plaudits!...Frank Zurcy and Steve Weninger have been chewing their nails over the Easter Dance and its outcome. We are sure both of them will have a wonderful sleep after the dance tonight.... Say, we haven't had a new member join us in a long time. How about getting after some of the other men in the Parish and dragging them down to our next meeting? Let's give Paul Baesardi, our Membership Chairman, a little extra work to do for a change....We could also use a little more cooperation on the sale of 50-50 Club tickets. Do you see how big the prizes are in other Parishes, some of which are smaller than ours. Try selling one extra ticket this next month.... Don't forget our next meeting on Easter Monday night at 8 P.M. Try to bring a new member with you. We will have the Fatima movies and know all will enjoy them....

EASTER GREETINGS ONE AND ALL!...I trust you have all completed your Easter shopping and that includes "goodies" as well as "clothes". I can just see all the proverbial dicts going "TABU"...Oh well! Speaking of good things to eat, the gals who took part in the Sodalist Day or Recollection sure had themselves a delish breakfast. Shall we shall they dined lavishly among the daffodils!!! And to those foolish gals who let this opportunity to better themselves spiritually and intellectually pass them by, we pity you for not having had the good sense to attend. To say we had a wonderful day is putting it mildly and our thanks to Father Gregory who made it so interesting for us. Let's hope our next one will be an even greater success... (One thing sure, we'll not scat E.M. next to P.Z. anymore - what a mistook)...For a while there during our recreation periods, so many "eggs" were laid that Martha L. was hoping to collect them for Easter. She tells us that she received a compliment on behalf of the choir - once, by someone, from somewhere! Never fear, without her the party would be dull. We were happy to see Irene Bitschi in our midst again. Hope you'll be with us often now that you have some free time. Also a word of welcome to Betty Zakopesan who recently joined our Choir and Sodality. We know you'll never regret it and we sure are glad to have you. Say, did you hear about the two "famous" sopranos who did all the vocalizing at the last rehearsal? One was an "old maid" (ahem); the other a "young girl" (it says here in small print Well, the minstrel has long past and I'm certain it was enjoyed by all those who partook in it as well as those witnessing it. Yours truly had many good times and shall we say many "surprises"...A little birdie tells us that we may be seeing Joe Toth around during the holidays. Another "Big Brother" named Bob Winter is also doing fine studying to be a physicist. Continued good luck to both of them. Be good now!



Tomorrow night, April 14, the Holy Name Society will have their regular monthly meeting at 8 P.M. sharp. Every attempt shall be made to make things brief, for after the meeting, there will be presented the movie entitled: "The Peace Plan For Heaven", which is the story of Fatima. All men of the Parish and not just members are invited to attend.

The Drum and Bugle Corps of the Parish express their gratitude to all who helped make their Minstrel the success that it was. Despite bad weather both evenings played to a full house. In case you have not heard the winners of the raffles were:- Maryann Jurkowsky, 44 Fourth St., Passaic (Portable Radio); William Freck, 193 Maple Ave., Wallington (Sun Lamp) and Marion Potter, 402 E. 30th St., Paterson (Ranson Pencil Lighter). The proceeds of the raffle and Minstrel went towards their trip to Grand Rapids, Michigan, when they will defend their National Amvet Senior Championship this year.

On April 27 at 2:30 P.M. the PTA will hold their annual Card Party for the school benefit. Everyone should consider it a happy privilege to help support our school. Next year we shall see our first grammar school graduation, and this event will afford us justifiable pride. Help the PTA help your children. Donations will be gratefully accepted, at least buy a ticket. It is our school and we must all get behind its support.

For the benefit of those who may not know it, each Wednesday we have Novena services in honor of Our Lady, Queen of the Most Holy Rosary. Hungarian services begin at 7, the English at 7:30. Kissing of the relic of St. Elizabeth of Hungary takes place after each service. A box for Novena intention can be found at the side of the Blessed Mother's altar complete with cards and envelopes. Every Wed. the 7 o'clock Mass is for these intentions.

In case you have not returned your self-denial cards as yet, please send them in as soon as you can. If the cards have not been used, they should still be returned. If you have not made your Easter offering, that, too, should be made this week.

We again urge parents of public school children to send them each Saturday for Catechism. It is the only opportunity they have to learn their Catechism. You cannot under any circumstances expect them to respect you when you permit them to omit their obligation to respect God. To expect otherwise is ridiculous.

Many of our Parishioners have fallen into the habit of attending Masses on Sundays in other Churches. While you fulfill your obligation of hearing Mass you do not fulfill your obligation of supporting your own Parish. This too, is one of the laws we must obey. The mere fact that there is another church near by, does not excuse you from this obligation. THIS, and not some other church, is your Church - your place is HERE, not elsewhere. We cannot support the Parish on contributions that you make elsewhere.

When was the last time you looked at the pamphlet rack in Church? We have a wide assortment of pamphlets dealing with diverse topics which should interest all Catholics. There is no excuse for an ignorant Catholic. We learn news by reading the paper; we can learn about religion by reading these condensed pamphlets. If you have never read one, try it; we are sure you will find them interesting. The same goes for the Catholic newspapers on Sundays. We have time and money for the secular papers, we should have the same for the Catholic papers.

If you have not made your Easter duty, you can still make it. You have until Trinity Sunday, which is June 8th this year. Go now!



## THE KIDDY CORNER

Well, boys and girls, here it is - another Easter Sunday, and I'll bet all of you are very proud of your new Easter clothes, aren't you? I suppose by now you have shown your pretty clothes to almost everyone. You must have stopped and looked at yourself many, many times in front of the mirror, and said to yourself: "Gee, I look pretty!"

I'll also bet that all day long you will be extra special careful to make sure that you will not put even the smallest, tiniest spot of dirt on your nice clothes. No, not because you are afraid that your Mommie will get angry, but because you want to keep them clean and pretty as long as you can.

Now I want to ask you a question right here. Suppose, you were on your way home from Church and some very bad boys took some dirt and began to throw it on your nice clothes. Suppose they got some mud and put it all over your dress or suit. Suppose they dragged you around on the ground until your clothes were all torn and dirty. Suppose this happened to you, would you like it very much. I'll bet you won't! Why you would get so angry that you would almost be ready to kill them.

Now, boys and girls, that should be the same feeling that we should have about our souls. All of you, I hope, went to Confession and Communion for Easter. When you went to Confession, God took away all those nasty stains of sin from your soul. And when you went to Holy Communion, God made your soul absolutely the most beautiful thing in this world. We cannot see our souls, but we know that after a good Communion, there is nothing more beautiful than your soul. It is much more beautiful than the nicest Easter clothes in the world.

Now during Lent, many of us wanted to show God how much we love Him, and so we gave up many things. Some of us gave up candy, or cake, or movies, or maybe something else,

but all the good boys and girls gave up something to show their love to God. Now that Lent is all over we shall go back to those things. This part is alright, but remember that your souls now after Communion are the most beautiful thing in the world. It is alright to go back to all those things you did before Easter, except one thing - sin.

The devil will keep coming after you trying to get you to make a sin but don't listen to him. You must remember how proud you are today of your beautiful clothes and remember how you would feel if someone made it all dirty for you. Do not let anything make you commit a sin and then dirty up your lovely soul.

Keep up all the good habits that you had during Lent. Keep going to Confession at least once a month, and try to go to Communion every time you go to Mass. It may be hard to believe, but each time we go to Communion, God makes our souls more and more beautiful.

There is another thing we would like to ask you. The fathers and mothers of some of you have not gone to their Easter Communion. If any of them have even only one big sin on their soul and they should die, you know that they would go straight to hell. You wouldn't want that to happen to your father or mother, would you? What a horrible thought - your father or mother in hell.

Oh, please, boys and girls, ask them to go to Confession and Communion now this next week, so that their souls will be beautiful just like yours is today.

Please pray for them, and pray for all the other people in the world who have not gone to Communion for Easter. Even for that God will bless you and make you very happy not just for Easter Sunday, not just for while we are living in this world, but God will make you very, very happy forever in heaven. Do it, won't you?

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Minden hívemnek és Egyházközségünk jóakarójának őszinte szívből kívánunk boldog és szent húsvéti ünnepeket azzal a kéréssel, hogy az újonnan feltámadt Mester hozza meg mindenkinek a sokat vágyott lelki megújulást és a szt. missiókor kapott kegyelmek virágozzanak ki egy termékeny keresztény életben.

Húsvét vasárnap este mindazok, akik hűségesen tartották meg a szt. bűjtöt és törvényünk szándéka szerint távol maradtak zajos táncvigalmaktól, szívesen látott és meghívott vendégeink lesznek. A Kára Németh, angol-magyar zenekar kitűnő együttése várja a szórakozni vágyókat. Híveim jól tennék, ha vendégeket is hoznának, hiszen húsvét a rég nem látott rokonok és ismerősök boldog viszontlátása szokott lenni.

Híveim között valószínű van még aki a sok elfoglaltság vagy gond mellett, elhagyta a legfontosabbat a húsvéti köteleltségét, hát még nem késő. Tudta Egyházunk, mily lassan cammogunk, azért szt. Háromságvasárnapig, vagyis Jun. 8-ig lehet húsvéti köteleltséget végezni.

Április 27-én PTA-nek, vagyis a Szülők és Tanítónők Egyesületének kártya-pártija lesz. Célja, hogy gyermekeink kath. nevelését minél eredményesebbé és minél több részére lehetővé tehessük. Ez minden hívem érdeke és azért legyen szabad minél nagyobb részvételre számítani. Ajándékok, sorsolótárgyak szükségese a nagyobb haszon elérésre.

Most vasárnap, Apr. 20-án a szt. Név Társulatok esztendői közös nagy gyűlése lesz Patersonban. A lelki rész a Kathedrálisban lesz, majd a megbeszélés és határozatok a Hotel Hamiltonban. Elsősorban minden társulatitagg, másodsorban minden férfiú hivatalos, akit a Kath. akció érdekel. A kocsik a templom elől indulnak. Minél többen vagyunk, annál jobb. Jövőnkkel mi lesz, az attól függ; milyen öntudatos férfiakunk vannak. Ha vannak, akkor a Szt. Név Társulatban a helyük. Ha újaimat egyenként használom nem tudok erősen ütni, ha ökölbe szorulnak, akkor várhatok hatást.

Aranyjubiléumi Esztendők, most van-1952. Hosszu esztendők után méltó és igazságos, hogy egy rövid pár órára megálljunk és jólesően nézzünk körül. Van-e még valaki, aki a bölcsönél ott volt? Tudom, sok nincs, de még vannak. Ők tudják mindenkinél és mindennél jobban, mi volt és mily nehéz volt a kezdet. Mindenkit, aki e soroka olvassa, szeretettel kérek, hogy azonnal jelentse a plebánián, ha tud oly élő alapító tagról, akit el tudunk érni. Kis megbeszélést szeretnénk velük tartani.

Egyházközségünknek történetét az idén megírjuk. Mindkét nyelven hogy gyermekeink is el tudják olvasni, kinek köszönhetik e fenség és templomot, annak magyar és izléeses diszítését és berendezését. Kinek az érdeme, hogy napi iskolánk van, kik voltak lelkipásztoraink, stb. Soká élő emlékek szánoez évet és mindazt, amit az idén teszünk. Nem azért gyűjtöttünk meg az égő gyertyát, hogy véka alá rejtjük. Van miért hálát adni, és van mivel dicsekedni. Ha bárkinek régi képei vagy szövege van a régi jubileumokból, -1, 15. és 25-évi évfordulókból, az jó segítség volna nekem.

Híveim szíves tudomására adom, hogy iskolánk, ahogy most van, kicsi lett. Már múlt szeptemberben egy osztály kiszorult és most megint egyet nyitunk- a 8-ik osztályt, tehát már kettő osztály szorul ki. Terjeszkednünk kell. Minimálisan két osztály terem, egy gyűlés szoba és egy raktár helyiség kell. Mivel szept.-ben már meg kell nyitni, nincs időnk várni Húsvét után egyik vasárnap híveim majd nagy mise után lefáradnak rövid időre az auditoriumba s ott megbeszéljük, ill. előterjesztjük terveinket. Ezzel aztan véglegesen végzünk, több építés nem lesz, s ha lesz, az a későbbi utódaink dolga lesz.

Szép, hogy pont az 50 évforduló hozta meg, hogy teljes Egyházközségünk és teljes iskola lehetünk. Nektek köszönöm és a hiteteteknek a jó Istenben és a magyar jövőben.

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