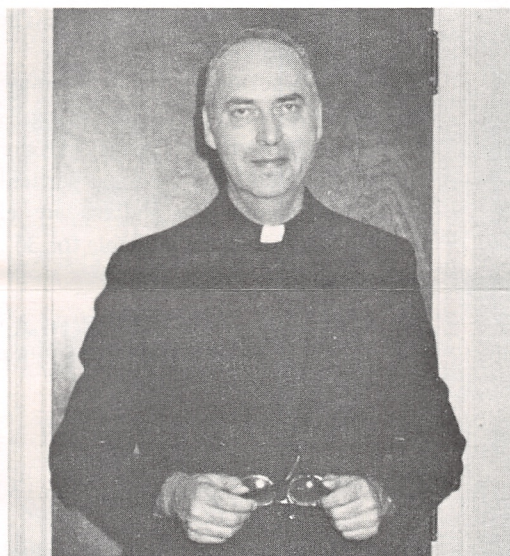


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NEW SUPERIOR FOR JESUITS AT AURIESVILLE



Rev. Edward F. X. Kennedy, S.J.
New Superior

On September 21st the Rev. Edward F. X. Kennedy, S.J. was designated by Very Rev. James J. Fischer, S.J. Provincial for Apostolic Ministries in the New York Province, to be successor to the Rev. James J. Shanahan, S.J. as Superior of the Jesuit Community at Auriesville. In addition to his role as Superior for all the Jesuits in the Community he will be actively engaged in the retreat work at the Jesuit Retreat House at Auriesville as well as working with the Shrine Staff in taking care of the thousands of pilgrims who visit here each year.

Fr. Kennedy has been a member of the Society of Jesus for thirty-three years. After completing his novitiate at St. Andrew on Hudson, Poughkeepsie, N.Y. he pursued his collegiate studies in the mid-west, where he was awarded his academic degrees of Bachelor and Master of Arts by Loyola University, Chicago. After teaching for three years at Regis High School in New York City, he studied Theology at Woodstock College in Maryland, where he was ordained in 1952.

As a priest Fr. Kennedy has been engaged in a variety of apostolates. He has taught Theology at Canisius College, Buffalo, and at Fordham University, New York City. From his teaching career Fr. Kennedy entered the field of administration and served successively as Vice President for University Development at Fordham and as President and Director of the Catholic Medical Mission Board, a world-wide service to provide medical supplies and personnel for foreign missions. Most recently he had held the post of Administrator of Xavier High School in New York City and of General Manager of America Press.

Father Shanahan, whose duties as Superior Father Kennedy is assuming, has returned to Canisius College in Buffalo, where he will be engaged in the religious and spiritual activities of that community.

To Father Shanahan the Jesuit Community at Auriesville says a grateful farewell and to Father Kennedy a hearty welcome. May God's blessing be on the work of both of them.

Isaac
Jogues

Rene
Goupil

Jean
Lalande

Jean
Brebeuf

Charles
Garnier

Gabriel
Lalemant

Anthony
Daniel

Noel
Chabanel



*Twelfth Station on the Esplanade with
Mohawk Valley in the background.*

NEW BOOKS AND PAMPHLETS ABOUT MARTYRS AND KATERI

We are happy to report that biographies of Kateri and all the North American Martyrs are now available. For several years the popular lives of Jogues and Brebeuf, written by Fr. Francis Talbot, S.J. have been out of print, as have been full length books on Kateri. Now, however, Fr. Angus MacDougall, S.J., the Director of the Martyrs Shrine at Midland, Ontario, and Fr. Francis X. Weiser, S.J., have supplied a long felt need. Fr. Weiser has written a beautiful biography of Kateri which is available in a hard-cover edition which sells for \$4.00 and in a paper-back for \$2.25. The volume is comprised of 165 pages.

Fr. MacDougall has written two pamphlets of considerable length, the life of Jogues in 60 pages and the life of Brebeuf in 50 pages. All the essentials of the lives of these heroes of God and particularly of their lives and deaths among the Indians are captured by Fr. MacDougall. These are available for 35 cents per copy.

ORDER BLANK FOR SHRINE LITERATURE

Memo to: Rev. Fr. Director
Martyrs Shrine
Auriesville, N.Y. 12016

*Please send me the books which I have checked in
the following list.*

_____ Weiser, Kateri Tekakwitha	
Hard-cover	\$4.00
Paper-back	2.25
_____ MacDougall, JOGUES	.35
_____ MacDougall, BREBEUF	.35
_____ Shrine Memorial Booklet	1.00

*Enclosed please find the following sum as my pay-
ment.* \$_____



Kateri, Lily of the Mohawks, for whose beatification we devoutly pray in 1976, the Semicentennial of her baptism and the Bicentennial of our nation.

AURIESVILLE PILGRIM'S HYMN

The Summer issue of the PILGRIM featured an article by Hugh Donlon, relating the history of the Shrine to the Bicentennial of Montgomery County, in which Auriesville is located. Because of the request of a nun who came here for retreat during the summer and who professed herself a frequent visitor to the Shrine in years past, a momento of the **TERCENTENARY YEAR** of the Martyrdom of Isaac Jogues and Jean Lalande here at Auriesville was discovered. The year of their martyrdom was 1646, and the month was October, so 1946 was the Tercentenary Year. As part of the observance of the occasion a hymn was composed with words by Father Thomas J. Coffey, S.J., then the Director of the Shrine, with music by Father John J. Hooper, S.J., an Assistant during the Centennial celebration. For the benefit of present day pilgrims we are reprinting the words for which (along with the music which we cannot reproduce here) the Shrine at Auriesville holds the copyright. We hope you enjoy reading and learning the words, so that when you come to the Shrine next year you can join in the singing in the Coliseum of this very special hymn.

AURIESVILLE PILGRIMS' HYMN

*Humbly we hail you, America's Martyrs,
Glory of Auriesville, Saints of our land:
Holy the Hill which your blood has
encrimsoned.
Hopeful the prayers of your pilgrim band.*

Refrain:

*Hear us, O heed our lowly plea,
Look on your pilgrims lovingly;
This is the hour to show your power
Here at the Shrine of your victory!*

*Walking the way that winds up to the gibbet
Drowning the din of your foes with our hymn,
Marking the place of your perilous passing,
May our proud praise of you never grow dim.
Here at the scaffolding red from your torture
White is the Altar and golden the cup;
Here at each dawning where once was all dark-
ness*

Beauty eternal is lifted up.

*Done are the dark deeds of murderous Mohawks
Peaceful the pilgrims who throng to your Hill;
Happy to harbor their cares and their crosses
Safely with Saints who will speak to us still.*

*Heroes of holiness, hear us, poor pilgrims;
Help us to handle our task for today
Through thy sweet sorrow garnished with glad-
ness*

*Teach us the truth that through Christ is our
Way.*

LOOKING FOR A SPEAKER FOR A LUNCHEON OR COMMUNION BREAKFAST OR THE NEXT MEETING OF YOUR PARISH SOCIETY?

Father Egan and Father Fleig will be available over the winter months to retell the story of our early martyrs and missionaries and the development of the Shrine and enliven the program with a colorful slide presentation. They'll be glad to oblige.



DIRECTOR'S LETTER

Dear Friends and Pilgrims:

As another Shrine season passes into history (incidentally, it was my fifth full season at Auriesville), there are so many items to bring to your attention that the only sensible thing to do is to brief you about a number of things.

It was difficult to say goodbye to Father James Shanahan and Father James Thiry who for the past two years served as our Superior and our Treasurer, respectively. They were both old friends and both did much for the Shrine in their recent stay with us. Their successors, Father Edward Kennedy and Father Robert Fleig who are written up elsewhere in this issue are also old friends. Father Kennedy and I spent three memorable years on the faculty of Canisius College together back in the '50's and Father Fleig had the dubious distinction of taking a summer course from me shortly after my ordination when he was still a seminarian.

Our longstanding tax case in which we sought exemption for the Shrine cafeteria was argued at last before the judges of the Appellate Division in Albany on October 19. Were we rash in detecting a favorable omen in the fact that this was the date of the new feast of the North American Martyrs? St. Isaac and the others may well have arranged this in order the better to intercede for us. With this in mind the Jesuits here on the Shrine and Retreat House staffs joined in a novena of masses to beg the Lord's assistance. As we await the decision of the five judges, still weeks and possibly several months away, we ask you as our friends to link yourselves with us in praying that a just solution may be found.

One of the most impressive events of the season was this year's Kateri Weekend (September 2 and 3), when the Shrine honored Father Michael Jacobs, our Mohawk Jesuit, who com-

pleted fifty years in the Order this past summer. Father Francis X. Weiser, S.J., of Boston College, who has just written a stirring new biography of Kateri, preached at the Jubilee Mass. He told how as a boy in Vienna he dreamed of coming to America to meet the Indians and how as a novice in the Jesuits' Austria Province he read that a full-blooded Mohawk lad had entered the same Society half a world away in Canada. And here he was a half century later preaching at the Golden Jubilee of that same Father Jacobs!

A most unusual visitor came to the Shrine in early October for an overnight visit, an unassuming lady who might well have passed unnoticed, had we not been fortunate enough to hear her story. A widow with five children, one of whom is now a priest, she had entered the convent after the death of her husband, who was none other than a direct lineal descendent of Jogues' younger brother, Phillipe. Madame Crigny de Bagneaux brought with her the Jogues family tree of the past three centuries. We promise to tell you more about this in the next issue of the PILGRIM.

The Shrine was triply honored in the late season when the Spiritual Father of the Albany Diocese, Bishop Edwin B. Broderick came to the Shrine on three successive weekends for the Knights of Columbus pilgrimage, the Retreat-Encampment of the Boy Scouts, and the annual visit of the Ladies of Charity and the Knights and Ladies of St. John. We Jesuits here deeply appreciate his interest in our work and shall certainly commend to the martyrs his concerns for the spiritual welfare of his people.

May the Lord bring blessings and joys to all your families this Thanksgiving.

Devotedly in Our Lord,

Father Egan

Rev. Thomas F. Egan, S.J.
Director, Martyrs Shrine

THE MARTYRS' SHRINE

Auriesville, New York 12016

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FOR I AM
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REV. ROBERT L. FLEIG, S.J.

A welcome addition was made to the Jesuit community at Auriesville and to the Shrine during the summer when Fr. Robert L. Fleig, S.J. arrived from Canisius High School in Buffalo. He is taking over the duties of the Treasurer of the house and will be active in many capacities in the Shrine work.

Father Fleig was born in Albany and was raised in Glens Falls where he graduated from St. Mary's Academy. After one year at the Jesuit college of Lemoyne in Syracuse, he entered the Society of St. Andrew on Hudson, Poughkeepsie, N.Y. His academic studies were completed at Shrub Oak division of Fordham University after which he went to Canisius High School to spend three years on the faculty there. His theological studies were made at Weston College in Massachusetts, where he was ordained in June of 1963. He returned to teach at Canisius High School for the past seven years, during which he achieved a degree of Master in Sociology at the University of Buffalo.

Like Father Thomas F. Egan, S.J., the present Director of the Shrine and a native of Amsterdam, Father Fleig will contribute the enthusiasm of a native son of the area to an already dedicated life of interest in the work of the Shrine.

STATUES AND SCROLLS

A walk around the inside perimeter of the Coliseum brings the pilgrim in contact with a large number of Jesuits who have become saints. When the Novitiate at St. Andrew on Hudson, Poughkeepsie, was sold two years ago, Fr. Egan brought many of the statues which graced the chapel and grounds there to Auriesville. Some of these have found permanent spots about the grounds here at the Shrine, but most of them stand about the walls of the Coliseum.

For a long time they remained without identification. This summer, however, the newest addition to the Jesuit staff at the Shrine and Residence, Fr. Robert Fleig, S.J. composed a series of scrolls which give a brief biography of each one of the Jesuit saints. Many of this summer's pilgrims were pleased with the gallery of saints who were members of the same Society of Jesus as the Saints who gave their lives for Our Lord here at old Ossernenon. They are also the brothers in Christ of this present generation of Jesuits who work at the Shrine and who find a great deal of inspiration in brothers so illustrious.

Father James H. Thiry, S.J., veteran of 16 years of service at Auriesville, was forced by illness to relinquish his duties as Treasurer early this year. We are happy to report that he is now in much better health. In fact, sufficiently vigorous to accept a new assignment as chaplain at St. Vincent's Hospital, Montclair, New Jersey.

AURIESVILLE BIRCHES

Lonely missionaries mark

JESUS on the birches, MARY.

JOSEPH, and the silver bark

IS a silver reliquary.

What will strangers think who trace,

Some far June, this carving? Only

That this was a trysting place,

That some lover once was lonely.

Alfred J. Barrett, S.J.

Tertian Father, Auriesville

1939



REV. THOMAS P. WARD, S.J.

Readers of the PILGRIM over a long period of time will be saddened by the news of the death of Rev. Thomas P. Ward, S.J. He passed to his eternal reward on September thirtieth at Lemoyne College, Syracuse. His funeral Mass was offered in Syracuse on October third and later in the day he was buried in the Jesuit cemetery here at Auriesville.

He was well known to many visitors to the Shrine. For three years (1953-59) Fr. Ward was the administrator of the Jesuit Residence here. During that time he helped frequently in the Coliseum and on the Shrine grounds.

His last assignment in a distinguished career as a Professor of History was at Lemoyne College, from 1959-1971. During the summers of these twelve years, Fr. Ward returned to work each year for at least a month at the Shrine. It was in these summers that he endeared himself to the visitors to the Shrine and to all who worked with him, lay or religious. This summer work at the Shrine was voluntary on the part of Fr. Ward. He chose it because he loved the priestly character of it, and he loved Auriesville and the Shrine itself. It was repaid in kind, for he was well loved in return. May he rest in peace.

CONCERNING MASS CARDS

Address all Mass requests to:

Rev. Thomas F. Egan, S.J., Shrine Director
Martyrs Shrine
Auriesville, N.Y. 12016

Enclose your offering for each Mass. (The usual offering is \$2.00, but larger stipends for the upkeep of the Shrine are gratefully received.) Check or Money Order are preferred.

Date _____	
Dear Father Director:	
Enclosed find my offering for _____ Mass(es) for	
M _____	(living) (deceased).
Send Card to: _____	
Name _____	
Address _____	
City _____	
State _____	Zip Code _____
Before mailing sign card _____	

CONCERNING ENROLLMENTS In the Martyrs' Memorial Association

Each year 365 masses are offered for the living and deceased members of the Martyrs' Memorial Association.

The members also share in the novena of masses offered at Christmas, Easter, Mother's Day, Father's Day, and Assumption as well as in the November masses for the Holy Souls.

The usual offering is one dollar for an individual annual enrollment, five for a family, living or deceased. A perpetual enrollment for a deceased individual is twenty-five, while for a family it is fifty.

Dear Father Director:	
Kindly enroll _____	
in the Martyr's Memorial Association for _____ year	
(or years) or perpetually.	
Send enrollment to: _____	
Name _____	
Street _____	
City _____	
State _____	Zip Code _____
Signature _____	
Street _____	
City _____	
State _____	Zip Code _____

Remember the Martyrs Shrine in your will. (The Legal Title: Shrine of Our Lady of Martyrs of Auriesville, N.Y.)