Dedicated Priest Served 34 Years

Msgr. C.A. Bienvenu

1936-1970

was the fourth diocesan priest to serve as pastor in Church Point after the Jesuit Fathers.

left that area. Msgr. Bienvenu was promoted to three priors from France, all of whom were the same Augustinians. Augustin Ely, 1832-1931, Very Rev. Augustin Deans, Roger, 1835-1928, and Augustin Canov Vol. 190-198. Msgr. Bienvenu was born on October 2, 1918, one of 12 children. He was ordained to the priesthood at the age of 29 on May 30, 1939. His first assignment was to St. Michael's Church, Crowley. The young priest had a reserved commission as a U.S. Army Chaplain during the summer of 1938, but he was assigned as chaplain to the Washington Artillery, attending Louisiana military units. In 1939, during the depression, the Civilian Conservation Corps, popularly known as the CCC, was established. Msgr. Bienvenu was appointed district captain for Louisiana and Mississippi. In October 1940, he was assigned to the rank of Captain in the U.S. Army.

St. John Chapel

In 1938 Bishop Julius R. Jaworski called Msgr. Bienvenu back to the Diocese of Lafayette and assigned him to Church Point. The priest was a hard worker and began immediatly to put all his energies into reviving the parish. He cleared the matplotlib, cleared the cemetery, and church grounds before pushed hard for increased Mass attendance and was pastor ordained. He also increased attendance of children to confession classes. Parish activities were revitalized and some new organizations were formed. In 1938 he introduced the Confirmation of Christian Diners with 21 members and study classes were formed. The good attendance had doubled by 1950 and the number of confessions was increased so that Msgr. Bienvenu was able to report to the bishop that 5,000 communicants had been received.

New Church

Then in 1958, with the dedication of the new church of Our Lady of the Sacred Heart, Msgr. Bienvenu witnessed perhaps the most exciting time of his priesthood in Church Point. The cemetery was redesigned geographically in 1938 and the Church Point cemetery was rededicated in 1939 with Msgr. Bienvenu presiding. The new church was dedicated in processional in 1938 and the cemetery was reconsecrated. In 1939, Church Point was given the title of St. John's, and the name of the church changed to St. John's Church.

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WATERCOLOR PAINTING DONATED--Mrs. Alice David with her husband Kermit David are building the watercolor painting which the parish will be donating to the O.L.S.H. Centennial Committee. The painting will be framed as a gift of the Church in celebration of the Centennial Celebration on September 18. David's of Church Point donated the raffle tickets which will be sold for $2.00 and $5.00.

CONGRATULATIONS!!
Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Church on your
100th BIRTHDAY
We extend our sincerest "Best Wishes" during the Centennial Celebration on Sept. 18, 1983.
Progress Report On Cemetery Is Given

With the help of a dedicated Cemetery Board working during the last two years there is much progress. Fine work is underway and it is very much appreciated by secretary Mrs. Linda Ryles and caretaker Mr. Florence Doughty.

Cemetery board members have been the moving force behind these accomplishments. These men have given generously of their time and talent for the good of our entire parish. Board members are President, Mr. Dan Higginbotham; Members, Mr. Colbert Lalita, Mr. Lloyd Lalita, Mr. Brian Venable, Mr. Lee Mandel; Secretary, Mrs. Gertrude Beanworth.

The Board has had the advantage of the benefit of a set of rules governing the use of our cemetery. These rules were sent to local funeral homes, service companies, etc., to do business with those holding cemetery plots.

Herald Mr. Wesley Fain to carry all mailings. Thanks to Mr. Ellis Britton who was caring for the maneuvers in the past.

Improved the leveling of the new cemetery property and the building of a bridge.

Investigated several possible benefits for our new cemetery.

The way a cemetery is planned determines the efficient use of the land and the needs of the community. The town of Lakeland, with the help of Mr. Allen Long, has a very large, very open, very efficient, very beautiful cemetery. It takes a lot of time and labor to install the still.

The new cemetery is planned to have the same styling as the Lakeland Cemetery. It is planned to have the same style of the new cemetery.

The logo for the new cemetery has been designed by Mr. Darrell Doughty, and the design is copyrighted. The logo is a stylized letter "O" and is a representation of a new cemetery.

Three members of the cemetery board have been appointed to the new cemetery board. They are Mr. Darrell Doughty, Mr. Allen Long, and Mr. Ellis Britton.

The new cemetery is planned to be a very beautiful cemetery, with trees, flowers, and a great view of the lake. It is planned to have the same style as the Lakeland Cemetery.

Thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Doughty and family for their donation of land for the new cemetery.

The friends who have been helping us with this project are very much appreciated. The new cemetery is planned to be a very beautiful cemetery, with trees, flowers, and a great view of the lake. It is planned to have the same style as the Lakeland Cemetery.

Congratulations to O L S H on their 100th Birthday!!!

The Board of Directors of O L S H would like to express their gratitude to all members for their support and contributions to the growth and development of O L S H throughout the years. The Board has worked tirelessly to ensure that the mission of O L S H continues to be fulfilled.

Happy 100th Year To Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Church

Although we're only 4 yrs. old, our rapid growth is contributed by the Service we give the determination to succeed—an of the Faith of our heritage.

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SUNDERGUT CEMETERY 1965—Here in the OLISH Cemetery, one location sent to the chip photo Church and one on the Lafladd Church Point Highway/bottom photo were our loved ones who have gone to their rest. A third grandad is now in the taking with the land being kept by Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Doughty and family.

100th Birthday!!!

We hope you will come and join us in celebrating the 100th Birthday of O L S H Church. The celebration will be held on July 21st, 2018, at the church. There will be a special service and a reception following the service for all who wish to attend. Please join us in this special milestone of our church's history.
July Mission Week First

Activity Of OLSH Centennial

Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Parish is reaching out during our Centennial Year, 1985. The faith of our ancestors brought the first mission priests to our area. The missionaries served the people of Point Comfort, TX, and other nearby areas.

In gratitude to our Father in Heaven, the Centennial Committee has recommended the adoption of a Jesuit missionary parish in Mexico City.

Paster Of Mexico City

Mission Writes OLSH

The following letter was received from Father Harvey Ortega, J.S., who is pastoring the Mission of Mexico City.

Mission of Mexico City

Dear Fr. Gonzalez,

I am writing to advise you that Mission of Mexico City has adopted the Our Lady of Sacred Heart Parish as a Mission of our Church.

The priests of our Mission are always in need of support and assistance. Our Mission is dedicated to spreading the Gospel and providing spiritual guidance to the people of Mexico City. We rely on the support of our brethren in the United States to help us fulfill our mission.

We look forward to continuing our partnership with Our Lady of Sacred Heart Parish and look forward to working together to provide spiritual support and assistance to the people of our Mission.

Yours in Christ,

Father Harvey Ortega, J.S.

Mission of Mexico City

Custodians Of Proclamation

Meeting Begins Plans For Mission Week

On Friday evening at 6:30 in the Chapel of our Parish, Father Liston spoke to the Custodians of the Proclamation. He reminded the Custodians of the duty they have to serve the people of the Parish. He emphasized the importance of the Custodians to the Mission of Sacred Heart Parish.

The Custodians are responsible for the care and maintenance of the Parish. They are dedicated to serving the people of the Parish and providing a welcoming and spiritual environment.

Custodian Mike Rangel said, "We really need to do a better job of welcoming people who come to the Church. We need to make sure that the Parish is clean and welcoming to all who enter.

The Custodians are also responsible for ensuring that the Church is safe and secure. They work closely with the Parish Office to ensure that the Parish is well-maintained and free from hazards.

The Custodians are an integral part of the Mission of Sacred Heart Parish. They are dedicated to serving the people of the Parish and providing a welcoming and spiritual environment.

We thank all of the Custodians for their hard work and dedication to the Parish. We look forward to working with them to continue the Mission of Sacred Heart Parish.

ST. ANN CHURCH HALL in Lewistown adjacent to the St. John Church was opened and renamed St. Ann Church Hall in 1961 as a special commission. Father Willard Helfenbein was serving the Church at that time.
Mexico City, Fr. Jorge Ortega, the Jesuit priest who is head of the mission, will be sending more details as to how we can help as a community.

The Carlsbaders are the group of people who have been appointed to keep track of this obligation we undertake as a parish. This group has decided to adopt this mission for a period of 3 years. At the end of this liaison evaluation will be made. We may decide in the future to adopt another parish for a shorter period. In time we would like to help other parishes such as a rural area.

More information will be forthcoming as the initiative. Please watch for it and rend it. If you become informed about their situation your heart will go out to these people. This will become the basis for God's blessings to you and to the people who are being helped. Charity begins with those who receive and those who give. Our blessings which will be yours almost immediately as you come to see how those good people who are struggling, in the realization that we have so very much. We are blessed with more freedom, opportunity and material goods. The only effective way to show gratitude is to offer our prayer for them and share our goods as we are able. This will only increase our blessings for our God gives the generous giver and will not be omitted in generosity.

Let me add something personal here. There are many good people in our parish. As your priest I am in a privileged position to that I can see many of these being done. This particular project warms my heart and excites me very much. I sense the hand of God at work here. All who participate are on the edge of a shower of blessings, a deeper understanding of the Church, and a knowledge of Christ in His suffering poor.

A collection will be taken on the weekend we celebrate our centennial on September 17th and 18th, 1983.

In my prayer I ask your pardon to bring light to our eyes and to touch the heart of each person in Church Point to send God's love to those people.

Guidelines for Contributions

Whereas, the Carlsbaders have pledged themselves to the success of Mission Week in Church Point. They are to involve the Church in a special collection taken up yearly on a set date during the first week of July.

Whereas we want our young people to realize the need for sharing, we ask the Carlsbaders to encourage our youth to earn a donation of their own by working beneficial to our youth such as a walk, a run, a bike-athon, a car-wash, etc.

Whereas we understand the strength gained by people to people contact we encourage our people, young and old, to offer personal Missionary services to our adopted mission, such as correspondence between Church point schools and our mission schools, either spiritual and cultural activities, beneficial to both Church point and the mission.

July 1983

In God's Name,

Ste. Annunciation

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Scenes From The Past Make Up Centennial Art Work

Displaced during the Centennial Celebration will be Art Work of scenes from the past. Four young people of the community volunteered to paint scenes from the past. They were assisted by Mrs. Eugene Duple, who also did a painting. Mrs. Duple is the Immaculate Conception prioress in Church Point.

Paintings were done by Judy Boudreaux, Sheila Delhomme, Joan Matte and Robert Kennedy.

Sheila Delhomme has a painting of the Academy and also a painting of the old church. Robert painted the first Negro Baptist, the Baptism of Caesar, son of Sylvester Jardine, slave of Mallard. The first recorded Baptism for the town of St. Paul is the picture of the last of the Sacred Heart Church. Joan's picture is of six Indian Village on Pecanberry Rode. Judy's painting portrays an Academy boy with a farm drawn plow.

L.G. Kennedy (left) & Robert Kennedy (right)

Judy Boudreaux

Sheila Delhomme

Joan Matte

AT DEEDICATION OF ST. ANN HALL--The dedication of the renovated Church Hall at St. John Chapel in Leominster took place in 1952 during the year Father Wilfred Sylvester arrived the parish. Father Sylvester had with a statue of St. Anne (in rear of picture) being blessed. Father Sylvester is shown here presenting a statue to Mrs. Charles Bael, for the role he played in the renovation of the church hall. Father Sylvester, a true priest of the parish, was associate Pastor of Our Lady Church, served the people of Leominster along with the lit of the parish. He was, and remains, the people of the community will long be remembered. Father Sylvester is residing in Opelousas, leaving Church Point in 1952. He is presently ministering at St. Mary's Church and to Chaplains at Doctor's Hospital in Opelousas.

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