

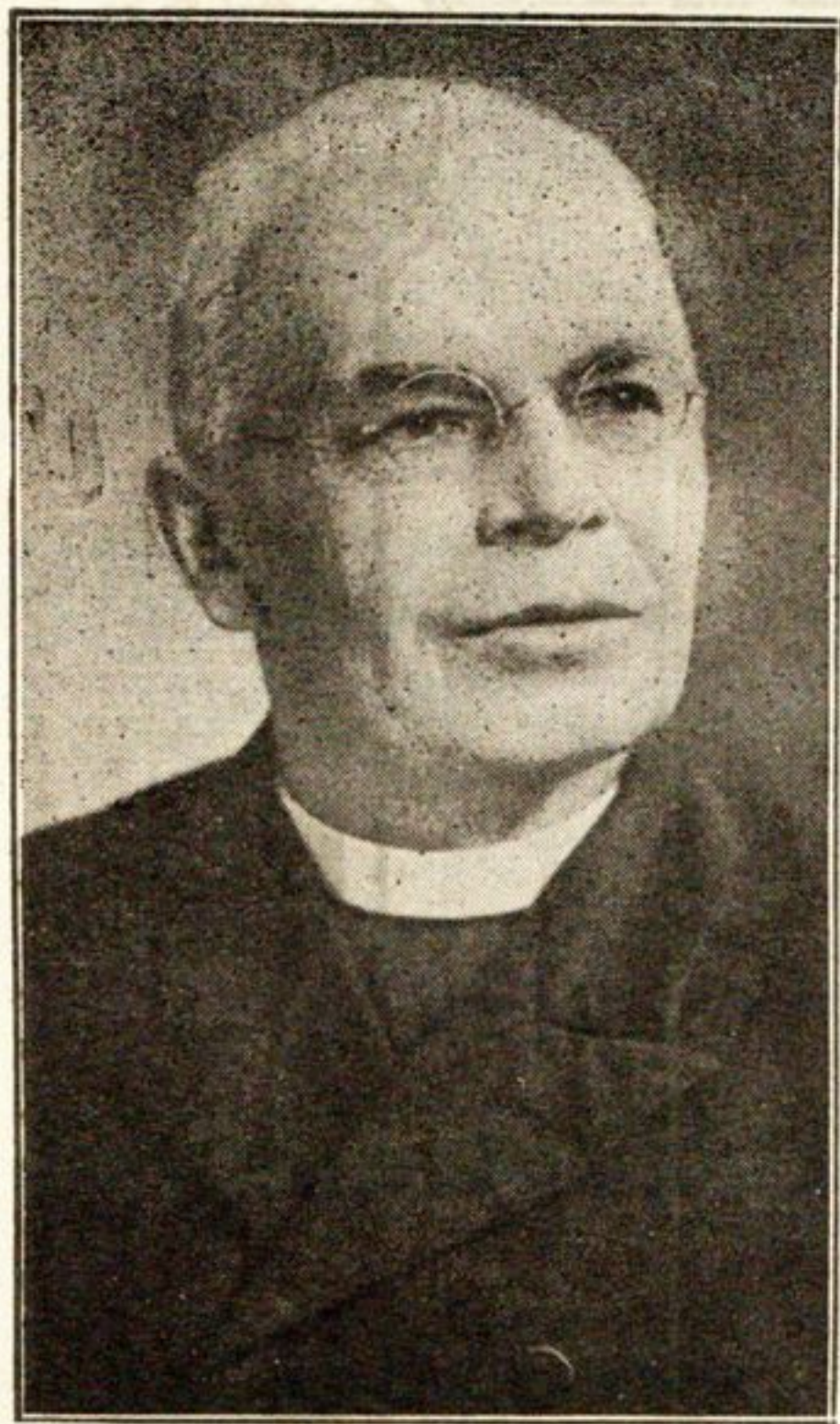
NEW RECTOR AT ST. JOSEPH'S

Rev. Netstraeter Becomes Rector Emeritus; to Stay in the Parish

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Assistant Rector Goes to Chicago Church

Three important changes in the ministry of the St. Joseph Catholic parish, Wilmette and Gross Point, were made this week when the Rev. William Netstraeter, rector of the St. Joseph's church for the past 52 years, retired from active service to become rector emeritus of the parish; Rev.



Rev. William Netstraeter

J. A. Neumann, rector of a Chicago church, succeeded the retiring priest, taking full charge of the local parish today, and Rev. N. J. Kramer, assistant rector of St. Joseph's for eight years, went to Chicago to take the place left vacant by Rev. Neumann.

To be Rector Emeritus

Rev. Netstraeter will continue to reside in the parish house as rector emeritus. Complete supervision of the work of the church, however, will be in the hands of the incoming minister from the St. Mauritius church, Chicago.

It was in 1872 that Father Netstraeter first came to Gross Point. The term of his pastorate was 52 years—the longest, it is said, of any minister in the country. During his ministry the St. Joseph parish has enjoyed a remarkable growth and development, starting with just a few pioneer people and expanding until it now numbers 400 families. Under

his direction the physical properties of the church have been enlarged in a corresponding manner.

The parish of St. Joseph has an interesting history, wrapped up as it is with the growth of Wilmette and of the surrounding territory. Way back in 1671 the first church building was constructed in the locality now known as Gross Point. It was a small frame structure operating under the direction of Father Pinet and called the Guardian Angel Mission. Members of the congregation were mostly Miami Indians. For a time this mission enjoyed unusual prosperity. Then came the English expeditions against the French, and in the resulting confusion the little church and congregation were wiped out.

In 1844 a little band of German citizens from Treves (Trier), Germany, settled in the neighborhood. They named their village Gross Point. Then they built a church—the first St. Joseph church. A few years later the Frenchman, Ouilmette, came into the territory and settled with his friends between Gross Point and the lake.

First Building in 1844

Twenty years later, during the pastorate of Rev. Heschemann, the main auditorium of the present building was constructed. At that time the parish house stood next to the church, on what is now Lake street. Then Rev. Nedstraeter came to the vicinity in 1871. Immediately things began to hum. A wing was built onto the church building to serve as a school. Ten years later another wing was added to the West side of the church. The second wing was also used as a school. Then came the development of Wilmette, the opening of Lake street, the moving of the parish street, and the great growth of the church of which Rev. Netstraeter was minister.

Rev. J. A. Neumann, who succeeds Rev. Netstraeter, has been at his present charge for eight years. Previous to that appointment he spent a number of years at St. Henry's as assistant rector. Rev. Kramer, who has been of great aid to Rev. Netstraeter in the last eight years, has assumed full charge at the church left vacant by Rev. Neumann.

Father Cramer has been extremely popular in the community and particularly active in the affairs of the Ouilmette council, Knights of Columbus, of which he was chaplain.

Volunteers' Drive Nets \$218.56 for the Needy

Winnetka residents opened their hearts and purses last Saturday upon the occasion of the annual "Heart Day" drive of the Volunteers of America. The total contribution of the tag day was \$218.56.

The statement issued by the local committee of the drive expressed appreciation of the valuable aid given by merchants of the village, and Miss Claire Bernhard who directed the youthful taggers.

Children who won special awards for working as taggers were: Grace Smith, Betty Horsman, Florence Burnham, Isabelle Laing, Janet Miller, and Mabel Anderson. Twenty-seven children received minor awards.

Indian Hill Golfer Plays Well in Chicago Tournament

Miss Dorothy Klotz, a member of the Indian Hill Golf club, has been doing some very creditable playing in the Chicago tournament of the Western Women's Golf association at Midlothian this week. By winning her match on Wednesday she broke into the semi-finals on Thursday afternoon. In the semi-finals she was scheduled to play Miss Edith Cummings, one of the favorites for the title.

Adams Pharmacy Installs Line of Splendid Books

Alva Lee Adams, proprietor of the drug store at Elm and Linden streets, has introduced an interesting novelty in the pharmacy comprising more than 200 popular novels, all of which have been interpreted in the motion pictures.

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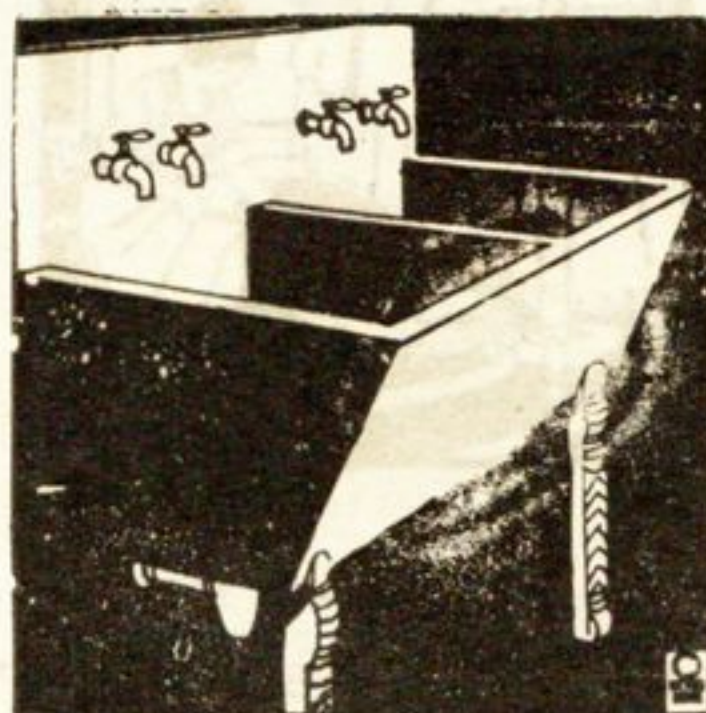
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