



## Milliken church dedicated, Cardinal officiates in mass

More than 1000 parishioners and visitors crowded into the new church of St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic Church last Sunday, Nov. 30th to share with His Eminence G. Emmett Cardinal Carter, Archbishop of Toronto, and 20 other clergy in the Dedication and Official Opening.

Fr. Basil Breen, the Pastor turned the initial proceedings over to Mr. Frank Chong, a member of the Building Committee. Mr. Chong informed the Cardinal of the hard work and many meetings which, with the assistance of Mr. Domenic Amato, architect and Mr. Vince Citriniti, contractor, brought about the realization of this beautiful church building.

A number of parishioners were presented to the Cardinal— had

people who had contributed their time and energy to establishing the Parish as well as building right from the time of inception under the founding Pastor, Fr. Siro Lunardon.

His Eminence then began the ceremonies by blessing the building and congregation with Holy Water. After the Scriptures were read by Stephanie Viegas, Bill Paterson and Deacon Larry Oerson, His Eminence gave a homily during which he spoke of the Mystery of the church.

After the recitation of the Creed, and the singing of the Litany of the Saints, His Eminence anointed the Altar with Sacred Chrism.

Of special interest was the pro-

cession of gift bearers; each of the 12 children clothed in national costume. They sang right up beside the Cardinal with the song: "What Colour is God's Skin?"

A slide presentation by Mr. Donald Chung, and a collage of photos prepared by Val Viegas showing Parish activities and church construction added further interest to the afternoon. Mr. Everard Hoo was the Master of Ceremonies for the social part of the program. See photo on page 33.

### Back to "class"

Class will take on another meaning at the historic Hagerman schoolhouse on 14th Ave. next year when it's renovated to become a new restaurant. Here, it's pictured still in its original state but will soon be expanded and extensively renovated for the transformation. Markham Planning committee gave the project the go-ahead at its meeting last week. The developer will retain the building's history while combining classic and contemporary architectural themes. —Sjoerd Witteveen

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