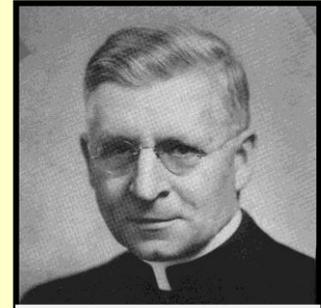


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St. Andrew - St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic School

Rev. Otto J. Herrmann became pastor of St. Andrew Parish in 1947. Under his leadership the much-needed school, which had been the hope of the parish for nearly 30 years, was quickly built on a lot on 555 Main Street, immediately east of the church. The lot had been purchased many years earlier by Rev. Edward Creager who left \$70,000 in St. Andrew's treasury for the school fund.



Rev. Otto J. Herrmann



The two story brick and stone building had eight classrooms, a nursery, a Catholic information center, a kitchen and cafeteria. The architect of the building was George E. McDonald of Cincinnati. Lay Advisors of the parish building committee included Frank Brown, William Albers, Richard Holden, Raymond Hautz, A.G. Kipp and Frank Savage. The school was occupied by 1948, opening to 123 students on September 7th. Although the school had a \$45,000 debt when it was opened, the

resourceful pastor and generous parish contributors paid off the debt within three years.

**Dedication of new
St. Andrew School,
555 Main Street,
Milford, Ohio
August, 1948**

(l to r) Rev. Edward J. Creager, former Pastor of St. Andrew Parish; Archbishop Joseph Albers and assistant, and Rev. Otto J. Herrmann, Pastor of St. Andrew Parish.



A contract was made with the Sisters of Charity of Mt. St. Joseph, Cincinnati, Ohio to staff the school. Sister Angelica (Helen C. Berghoff) became the first principal. She also taught grades 7 and 8. The three Sisters of Charity who joined her in teaching the first year were Sister Daniel Marie Delaney, who taught grades 5 and 6; Sister Ann Therese McGrath who taught grades 3 and 4; and Sister Mary Clementine Kasselmann who taught grades 1 and 2.



Sister
Angelica
(Helen)
Berghoff, SC.

Sr. Daniel
Marie
(Anna
Gertrude)
Delaney,
SC.



Sr. Ann
Therese
McGrath,
SC.

Sr. Mary
Clementine
(Josephine)
Kasselmann,
SC.



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St. Andrew Church Bulletin
Rev. Otto J. Herrmann, Pastor
Sunday August 22, 1948

High Masses for the Week

Tuesday George Nickol
Friday M.M. Rose Gauche
Saturday Catherine Clancy

Server for week Ronald Hautz

Servers for Sunday August 29

7.30 Richard Smith
9.30 Richard Muehlenhard
Fred Muehlenhard
11.30 Ray Riehle

Tuesday Bingo Big Six \$300.00. Prelim games begin at 7.45 P.M. Save your green stubs. The Mirro-matic will be given away this Tuesday.

Last Sunday's Total-\$360.00! Very good.

Thanks: to all the generous donors last Sunday. We realized \$320.00 in our Sodality collection for the Sisters' house.

The Iron Railing: we are still hoping for a speedy installation.

School desks will arrive toward the end of this week. The teachers desks came last week.

After one year we have received word that the hardware for the front doors of the school will be on hand this week. Little by little we are picking up the loose ends.

Rooms for Rent? A young couple to be married this fall want to live in our parish and cannot find accommodations. They prefer unfurnished rooms. Does anybody know of any rooms for rent in the parish? Kindly let us know.

Our school bus is here now. It will be a thrill to have it lettered with the new legend-St. Andrew Schoolour parish will be \$40.00 a year. Milford Ohio. We shall have the fenders painted with a different color to distinguish our bus from the rest.

Benediction after 9.30 mass this morning.

The Sisters Arrive in Milford

The four Sisters of Charity arrived last Friday promptly at 4.30 P.M. After a brief inspection of their future home, they made a "tour" of the new school. From their happy remarks we gathered that they were thoroly pleased with what they saw.

For our parishioners and especially for the benefit of our school children we herewith give the teaching staff of our School for the year-

Grades 7-8 Sr. Angelica (Superior)
Grades 5-6 Sr. Daniel Marie
Grades 3-4 Sr. Ann Therese
Grades 1-2 Sr. Mary Clementine

We extend to these good Sisters our sincere welcome and beg God to bless their stay and their work in our midst.

The village population has now been increased by four. A new chapter has been begun in the history of Milford

This will be an anniversary to be remembered-Friday August 20, the date of the Sisters' coming to St. Andrew's. We should like to remember it as a century-old dream come true.

We say it again-may God bless all our good parishioners whose generous sacrifices made and continue to make all this possible.

P.S. The ladies provided the Sisters with their first "dinner" in St. Andrew's. They enjoyed our hospitality in the school cafeteria.

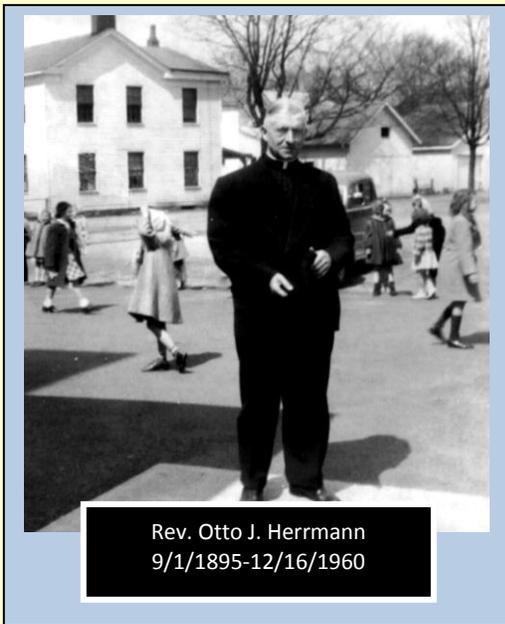
N.B. Watch this column in the Bulletin next week. We shall have some very important announcements to make about the school.

Note: the tuition for those outside

Please hand in your Sales Tax Stamps.

Soon after the completion and opening of the new St. Andrew School, Father Herrmann began to search for land for a second school. In 1956, he found an available parcel of land on Buckwheat Road and purchased all 12.37 acres. Under his persistent direction, a 10 classroom school was completed and opened in September of 1959 and named "St. Elizabeth Ann Seton School" in honor of the "about to be canonized" patron saint of parochial schools and the founder of the Sisters of Charity.

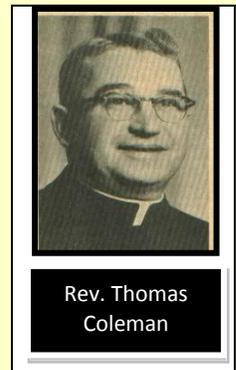




In December of 1960, just several months after seeing the new school open, and after serving as Pastor of St. Andrew Parish for more than thirteen years, Rev. Otto J. Herrmann died as the result of an automobile accident.



Rev. Thomas Coleman, his successor, supervised the completion of the cafeteria/multi-purpose room, where Mass was celebrated on Sundays. After its first four years of operation, he found the new ten-classroom school embroiled in sewage problems. After trial and consideration of many possible solutions, the school was closed in July of 1965 to allow for the installation of a new sewage system.



In 1968, the questions of ownership, control and usage of the Seton school building were complicated by the conditions of overcrowding in both school buildings.

At this point, there existed only one school system under the control of one principal, Sr. Marie Patrice Joyce, S.C. She was placed in charge of supervising the teaching of primary grades 1



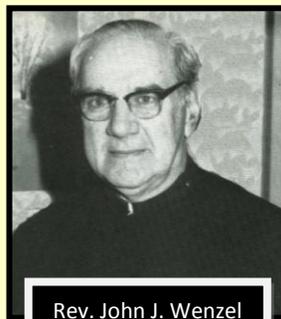
Sister Marie Patrice Joyce

through 5 in one building located in St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish and grades 6 through 8 located in St. Andrew Parish. In the fall of 1968, this structure was changed. Sister Marie Patrice Joyce, SC. was appointed principal of St. Andrew School with Sister Rose Marie Hewitt, SC. continuing as principal of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton School.



Sister Rose Marie Hewitt

On October 1, 1976, St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish was officially formed with Rev. John J. Wenzel appointed as pastor.



In 1977, a coordinating committee was created to draft an organizational and financial agreement for the operation of the school and, thereafter, to determine its operating policies.

In 1994, after a two-year trial and study period, the formal consolidation of both the Seton and St. Andrew Campuses became officially known as S.A.S.E.A.S. School. Expansion plans for Seton included a gymnasium and cafeteria expansion, plus the addition of a new school wing, dedicated on September 22, 1996. Two years later the Seton Pre-School was opened and classes immediately filled.