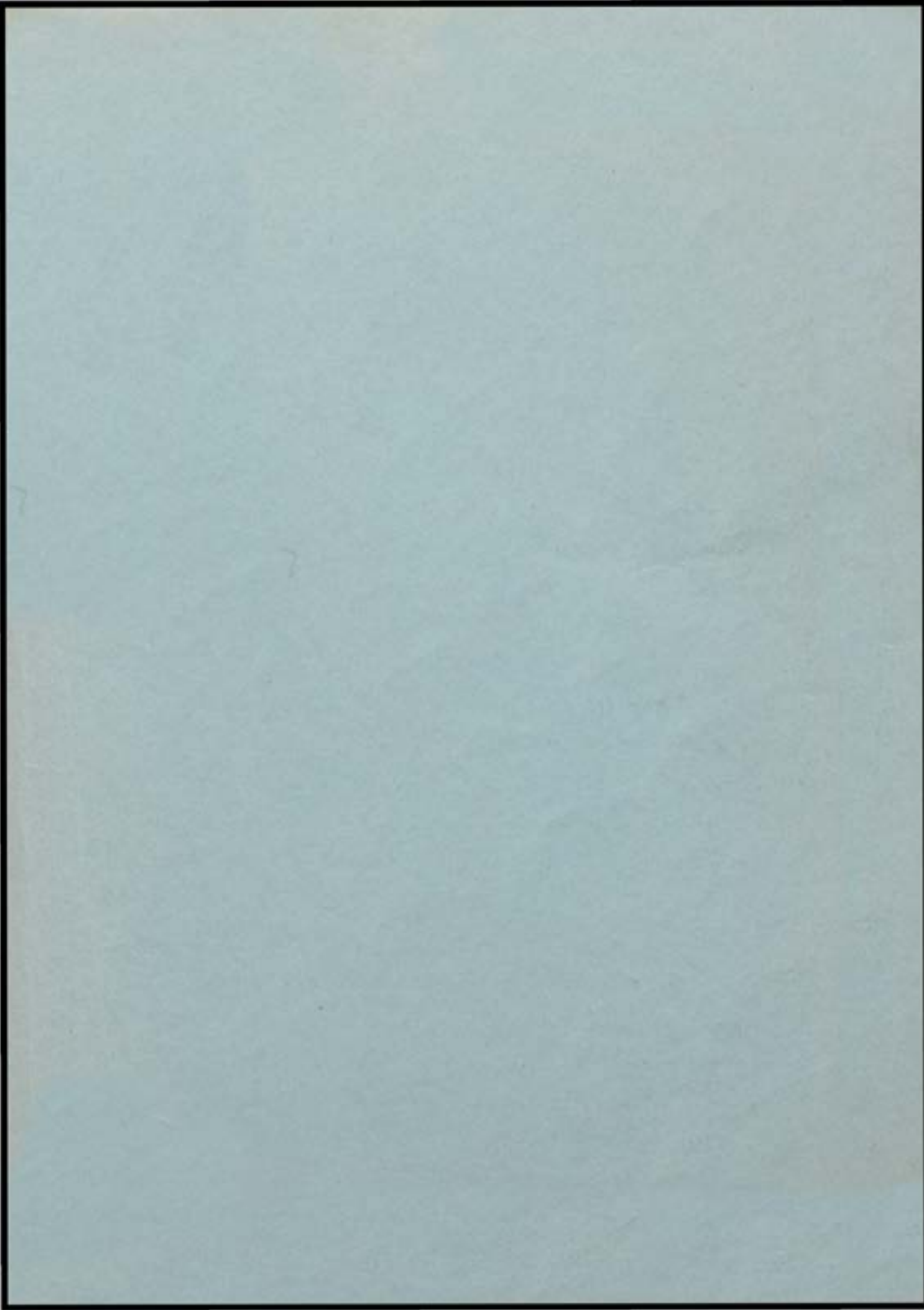


The ECHO

1954

St. Mary's Academy

Hoosick Falls, New York



THE

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ECHO



PRESENTED BY

SENIOR CLASS

ST. MARY'S ACADEMY

HOOSICK FALLS, NEW YORK



Our 1954 Echo Theme

Receive, O Most Sweet Mother, our humble homage
and above all obtain for us that, one day, happy with you,
we may repeat before your throne that hymn
which today is sung on earth around your altars:

You are all beautiful, O Mary!

You are the glory,

You are the joy,

You are the honor of our people! Amen.

Pius XII

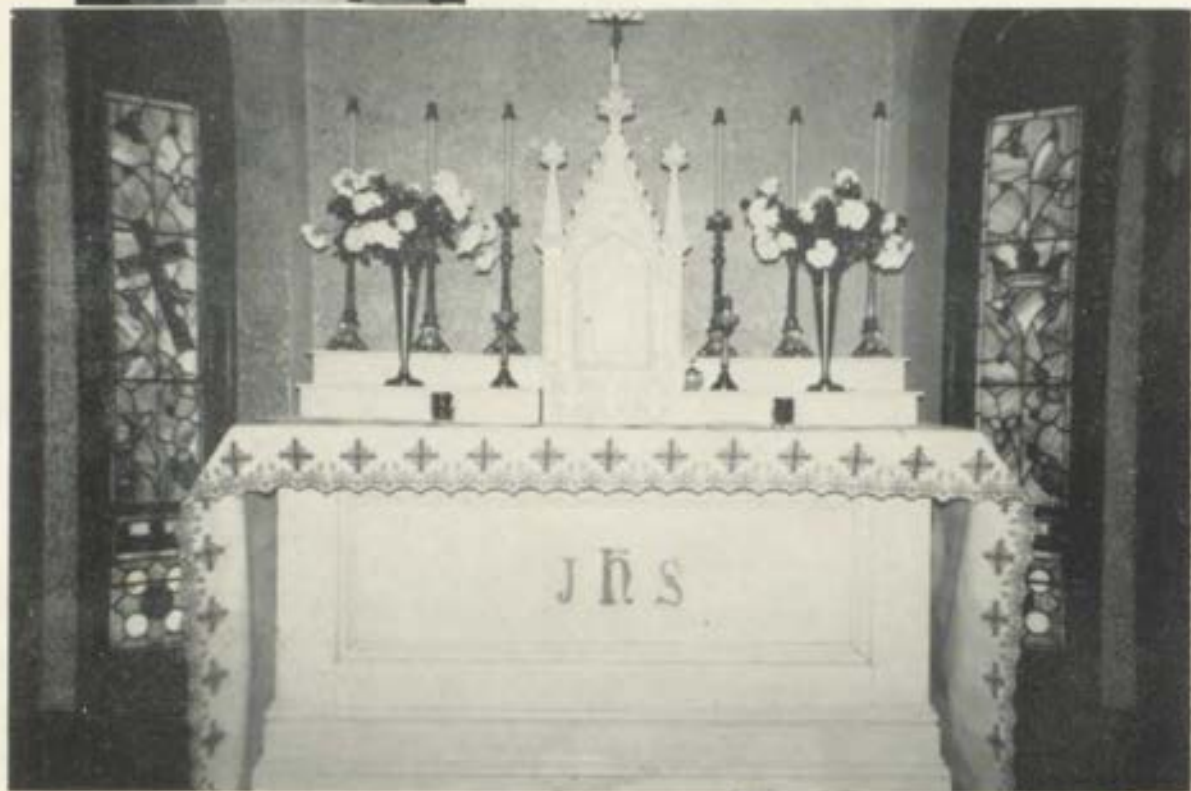


THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

FOREWORD



*"We fly to thy patronage,
O holy Mother of God . . ."*



The spiritual, the most important aspect of a Sister's life, is expressed in the quiet simplicity of the Convent Chapel. Here is nourished that faith without which education would be in vain. Here, through worship of Our Eucharistic King, devotion to Mary and her Rosary, love for St. Joseph, a Sister speaks with God.

*" . . . Hear thy children thee imploring,
May we thy protection find."*





MOTHER MARGARET JOSEPH

For your interest and understanding when we needed it most, for your practical aid on every occasion, for your personal interest in each one of us, for your kindly humor, for your giving us so much of your valuable time to make possible an invaluable Catholic high school education, for your many years spent with us in St. Mary's Academy, we, the Class of 1954, lovingly and gratefully dedicate our Echo to you, Mother Margaret Joseph.

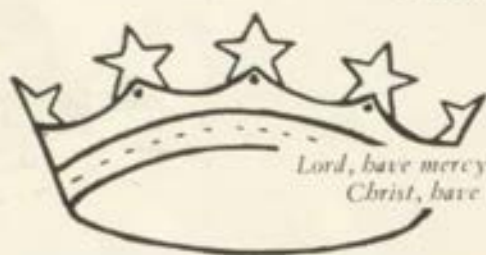
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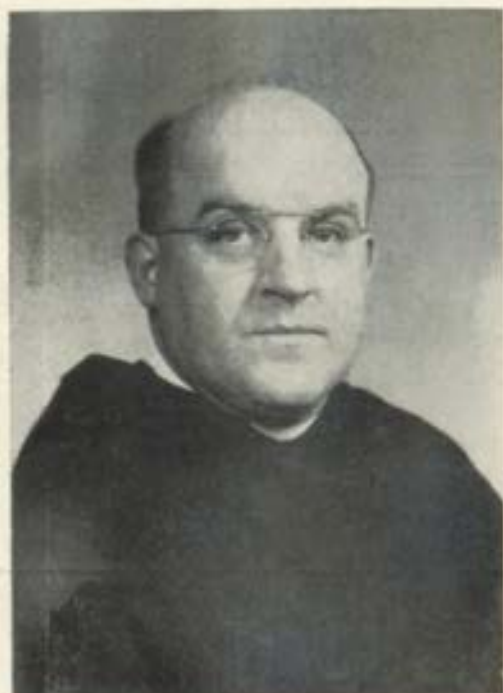


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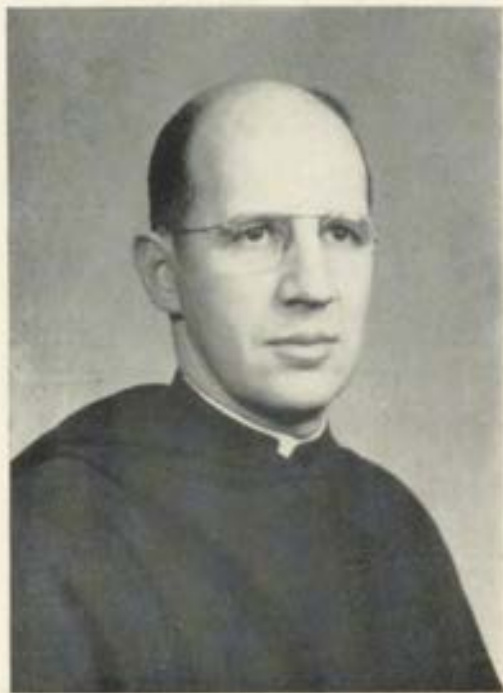
THE REV. GEORGE EGAN, O. S. A.
Pastor of Immaculate Conception Church
Principal of St. Mary's Academy



*Lord, have mercy on us,
Christ, have mercy on us,*



THE REV. LEO McCARTHY, O. S. A.
Altar Boy Director



THE REV. DONALD AMMERING, O.S.A.
Athletic Director



RICHARD SEVERSON

Seriously inclined . . . enjoys working out complicated problems . . . innate horror of test tubes . . . alert for fire whistles . . . goal is teaching . . . reliable . . . thoughtful . . . active . . . "Sevie."

President 1, 3, 4; Prom Committee 3, 4; Empire Boys' State 3; Sports Manager 3, 4; Yearbook Associate Editor 4; Editor-in-chief for School Paper 4; Kiwanis Prize for Boys 3; First Prize Religion 2.

MARGARET RUDITIS

She makes friendliness a habit . . . the life of any party . . . memories of endless hours spent with her Biology book . . . conscientious . . . envied as the driver of that Buick . . . looking forward to a Business Career . . . loquacious . . . tall . . . ambitious . . . "Peggy."

Vice President 3, 4; Sodality President 4; Halloween Poster Prize 1; Christmas Play 3; Glee Club 3; Choir 1, 2, 3, 4; Varsity Cheerleading 2, 3, 4; Prom Committee 3, 4; Queen's Court 4; Office 4; Librarian 3; Yearbook Editor 4; Echo Typist 4; Highest Average 3.



MARY JANE MILLETT

Class Secretary . . . capable . . . "take a sneak" . . . despises butter . . . always in cowboy boots . . . a future Secretary . . . member of "State Line" patrol . . . ambitious . . . neat . . . sincere . . . "Janie."

Secretary 4; Sodality 4; Christmas play 3; Glee Club 3; Choir 1, 2, 3, 4; Prom Committee 3, 4; Queen's Court 4; Librarian 4; Yearbook typist 4; Christmas Party Committee 3, 4; Perfect Attendance 3.



*Lord, have mercy on us,
Christ, bear us,*

OUR CLASS OFFICERS

RICHARD HAYDEN

Capable keeper of Senior funds . . . a mathematical wizard . . . loses his voice . . . would drive all day long . . . longs to go to Florida . . . well liked . . . dependable . . . interesting . . . "Rich."

Vice President 1; Treasurer 4; J.V. Basketball 1, 2, 3; Varsity Basketball 4; Baseball 3, 4; Prom Committee 3, 4; Yearbook Business Manager 4; Christmas Party Committee 3, 4.



CLASS OF 1954



MICHAEL AKOURY

Capable at the wheel of his "hot rod" . . . despises speed zones . . . a good natured fellow . . . a daily long ride from Bennington . . . ever ready for a party . . . capable Business Manager . . . will become a jockey . . . dependable . . . well-groomed . . . "Mike".

Dramatics 2, 3; Basketball 2, 3, 4; Prom Committee 3, 4; Magazine Sales Manager 4; Yearbook Business Manager 4; Echo Sports Editor 4; Initiation 4; Junior-Senior Banquet Committee 3; Highest Salesman (Magazine Contest) 3; Baseball 2, 3, 4.



ROBERT BLINSTRUB

Perfect attendance at all joke sessions . . . fun-loving . . . "If I could only graduate this year" . . . would advocate mass burning of books . . . never without a witty remark . . . hopes to don a serviceman's uniform . . . unpredictable . . . carefree . . . "Rudy".

Basketball 2, 3, 4; Yearbook Publicity Manager 4; Echo Business Manager 4; Christmas Party Committee 4; Perfect Attendance 2.



*Christ, graciously bear us,
God the Father of heaven.*



ROBERT CRAWFORD

Moo's Terror's bowling team . . . likes slow motion . . . Freckles, his constant companion . . . hair-cuts, his specialty . . . never finished his lunch . . . unhurried . . . accommodating . . . athletic . . . "Crow".

J.V. Basketball 1, 2; Varsity Basketball 3, 4; Yearbook Typist 4; Initiation 4; Prom Committee 3, 4; Christmas Entertainment Committee 4; Baseball 2, 3, 4.



BERNARD DAVOCK

Wavy golden-red hair . . . troubles just never daunt him . . . despises work . . . "got a sheet of paper" . . . will manage the Grand Union . . . athletic . . . mannerly . . . fun-loving . . . "Dav".

J.V. Basketball 1; Varsity Basketball 2, 3, 4; Baseball 2, 3, 4; Yearbook typist 4.



SHIRLEY DEMICK

Fashion-wise senior . . . capable with a sewing machine . . . a great liking for sailors . . . despises early morning rising . . . hopes to be a telephone operator . . . reliable . . . petite . . . cheerful . . . "Butch". Sodality 4; Christmas Play 3; Glee Club 3; Choir 1, 2, 3, 4; Prom Committee 3, 4; Queen's Court 4; Office 1, 2, 4; Yearbook Feature Editor 4; Highest Average in Religion 1, 3.



GERALDINE ELDRD

Not bigger than a minute . . . an excess of energy . . . hops a bus for an 8 mile ride to school . . . loves LaSalle uniforms . . . hair-style perfectionist . . . fair . . . gay . . . "Gerry". Class Treasurer 1; Sodality 4; Christmas Play 2, 3; Glee Club 3; Choir 1, 2; J.V. Cheerleader 4; Prom Committee 3, 4; Queen's Court 4; Yearbook typist 4; Salesmanship Prize 4.

NANCY DRISCOLL

Always ready, willing, and able for parties, gab-fests or business . . . always wants a private tutor . . . a pint-sized package . . . snapping, black eyes . . . horns, more horns . . . dislikes lonely nights . . . goal, nursing . . . talkative . . . helpful . . . sincere . . . "Chief".

Sodality 4, Glee Club 3, Choir 1, 2, 3, 4; Varsity Cheerleader 4; Prom Committee 3, 4; Queen's Court 4, Librarian 4; Yearbook Feature Editor 4; Echo Feature Writer 4; Initiation Committee 4; Christmas Party Committee 3, 4.



*God the Son, Redeemer of the world,
God the Holy Ghost,*

RICHARD FLEMING

An enthusiastic rooter for small towns . . . our ping-pong champion . . . so very conserving of time . . . despises promptness . . . never hears bells . . . high bowling average . . . sincere . . . capable . . . well-groomed . . . "Sy".

J.V. Basketball 1; Varsity 2, 3, 4; Baseball 1, 2, 3, 4; Yearbook Sports Editor 4; Prom Committee 3, 4; Invitation Committee 4.





PAUL LAPORTE

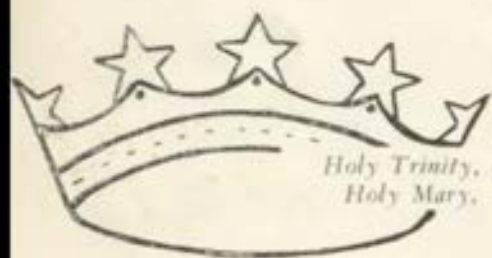
With a horn, efficient and enthusiastic . . . ready talker, even in the early hours . . . would burn all books . . . aims to be a "grease monkey" . . . fun-loving . . . generous . . . talkative . . . "La Poop". Holy Name 4; Halloween Poster Prize 1; Decorating Committee 3, 4; Yearbook Photography Editor 4; Christmas Entertainment Committee 2, 3, 4.



STANLEY LEVANDOWSKI

Basketball shots unequaled . . . likes surprises . . . professional baby sitter . . . "anybody can pass History" . . . always making up for lost sleep . . . athletic . . . capable . . . mannerly . . . "Stan".

Alter Boy 1, 2, 3, 4; American Legion Essay Prize 3; J.V. Basketball 2; Varsity 3, 4; Baseball 2, 3, 4; Prom Committee 3, 4; Yearbook Sports Editor 4; Perfect Attendance: 1, 2; History Prize 3.



*Holy Trinity, one God,
Holy Mary.*



PATRICIA LIPORACE

Shining black; hair . . . a friendly greeting to all . . . anxiously awaits Monday nights to pass . . . The Navy Band her favorite music . . . will be a secretary . . . fun-loving . . . congenial . . . dependable . . . "Pat".

Class Secretary 1, 2, 3; Sodality 4; Christmas Play 1; Glee Club 3; Choir 1, 2, 3, 4; Prom Committee 3, 4; Queen's Court 4; Librarian 2, 4; Yearbook Associate Editor 4; Echo Business Manager 4; Initiation Committee 4.



MARY ALICE NEALON

Never one to pass by a good time . . . excitement never affects her . . . dislikes green and blue together . . . hopes to be a teacher . . . well-liked . . . peppy . . . dependable . . . "Mouse".

Sodality 4; Sodality Secretary 4; Christmas Plays 2, 3; Glee Club 3; Choir 1, 2, 3, 4; Cheerleader 2, 3, 4; Prom Committee 3, 4; Queen's Court 4; Yearbook Photographer 4; Office 4.



GAIL QUINLAN

A lady on every occasion . . . generous . . . an even disposition . . . her dream of success, the F.B.I. . . . would give everybody a crew cut . . . hates liver . . . photogenic . . . accommodating . . . cheerful . . . "Skipper".
Class Treasurer 1; Sodality 4; Dramatics 3; Glee Club 3; Choir 1, 2, 3, 4; Prom Committee 3, 4; Queen's Court 4; Librarian 4; Yearbook Typist 4; Initiation 4; Echo Typist 4.



THOMAS YWAVANISKI

Generous . . . easy going . . . captured prizes with his paint brush . . . great interests in French correspondence . . . likes to make noise with his feet . . . shy . . . mannerly . . . "Tom".
Class Secretary 2; Brotherhood Poster Contest 1; Halloween Poster Contest 1, 2; Prom Committee 3, 4; Magazine Sales Manager 3, 4; Yearbook Co-Editor 4; Echo Staff Artist 4.

EDWARD SMITH

Efficient with a camera . . . loves anything connected with books . . . a good window washer . . . always behind in his bookkeeping . . . dreams of becoming a pharmacist . . . easy-going . . . artistic . . . generous . . . "Critter".
Class Treasurer 3; Altar Boy 1, 2, 3, 4; Prom Committee 3, 4; Yearbook Publicity Manager 4; Highest Average 2; Halloween Poster Prize 2.



*Holy Mother of God,
Holy Virgin of Virgins,*

OUR LADY'S SYMBOL

To Mary, Mother of Christ, we, the class of 1954, must turn. She is the Patroness of our class. Our school bears her name. We are dedicated to Christ's service by membership in her Sodality. We wear her symbol, say her Rosary and ask her to lead us to her Son.





and research in the library an important tool
 historical events and problems in Democracy.



Student Librarians:

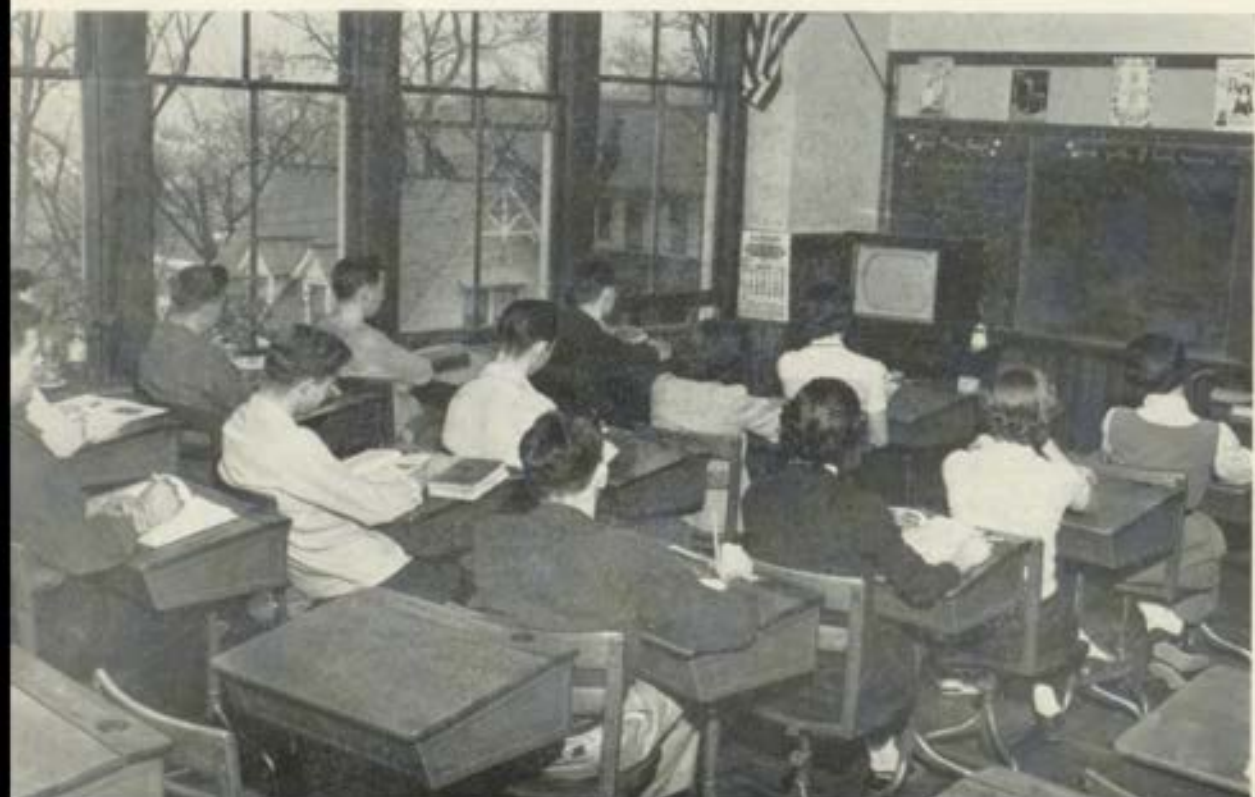
Patricia Liporace
 Mary Jane Millett
 Gail Quinlan
 Nancy Driscoll

check the cards for
 overdue books



*Mother of Christ,
 Mother of Divine Grace.*

School work is made more interesting by watching a TV broadcast

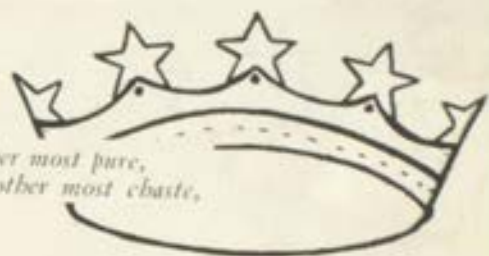




Rules for correct pronunciation seem to absorb this English II Class.



Margaret Ruditis and Shirley Demick give an announcement over the P. A. system from the office.



*Mater magis pura,
Mater magis casta,*

Latin III students are trying to conquer those imperatives.

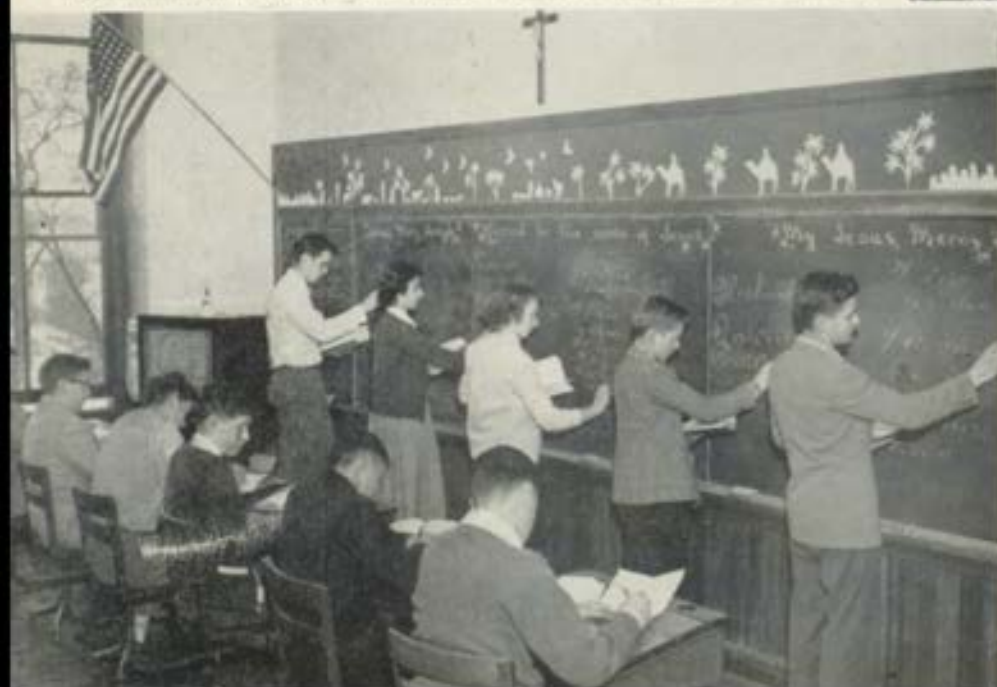




Class of '54. First Row: Geraldine Eldred, Edward Smith, Richard Severson, Mary Jane Millett, Margaret Ruditis, Richard Hayden, Robert Blinstrub, Nancy Driscoll. Second Row: Sister Mary Karol, Shirley Demick, Gail Quinlan, Stanley Levandowski, Michael Akoury, Patricia Liporace, Mary Alice Nealon, Mother Margaret Joseph. Third Row: Robert Crawford, Bernard Davock, Thomas Ywavaniski, Richard Fleming, Paul LaPorte.



The Elementary Algebra class thinks factoring trinomials is a "cinch".



Senior Officers:

- President
Richard Severson
- Vice President
Margaret Ruditis
- Secretary
Mary Jane Millett
- Treasurer
Richard Hayden

'54



The Biology class listens to excerpts from an article on "Environment and Heredity". By using their environment, the Seniors learn that they can improve what they have by nature.



SISTER
MARY
KAROL
Senior
Homeroom



*Mother most amiable,
Mother most admirable,*

Problems will always remain problems! Mary Alice Nealon, Richard Severson and Richard Fleming tackle them at the board. Margeret Ruditis and Richard Hayden work at their desks.



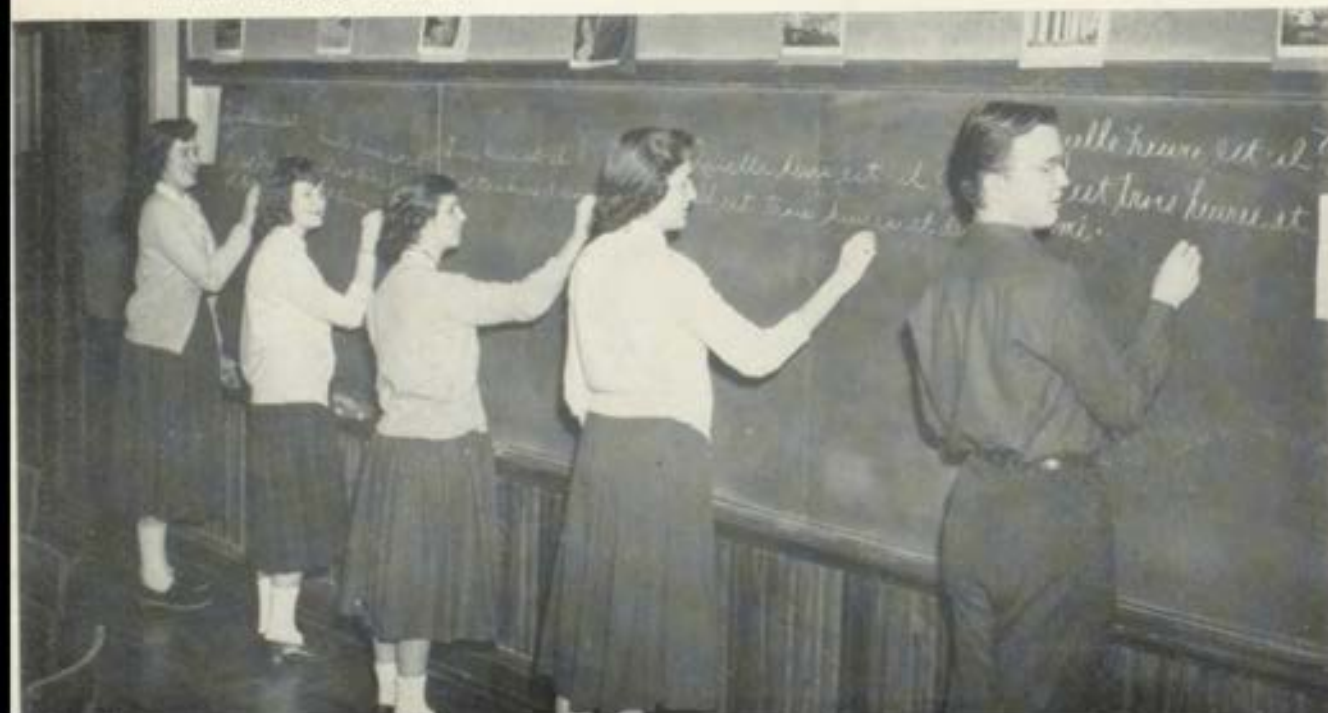


Class of '55: First row, Barbara Burke, Robert Griffin, Mary Madigan, James Graney, William Levandowski, Johanna Butkas, Michael Conway, Mary Jane Brandalik. Second row: Joan Brennan, Noreen Finnen, Gail Eberle, Helene Burns, Ann Marsh, Yvonne Graney, Elizabeth Shaw, Sister Margaret Mary. Third row: Robert Burns, Edward Flynn, John Styczynski, Walter Sheridan and Joseph Murphy.



*Mother of good counsel,
Mother of our Creator,*

"Nous l'aimons"! Gail Quinlan, Mary Jane Millett, Nancy Driscoll, Margaret Ruditis and Thomas Ywavaniski enjoy French.





Meet Our Junior Officers! President, William Levandowski; Vice-President, Johanna Butkas; Secretary, Mary Madigan and Treasurer, James Graney.



SISTER
MARGARET
MARY

Junior
Homeroom



*Mater of our Redeemer.
Virgin most prudent.*

Sister Margaret Mary and her French I class: Frank Mulvihill, Paul Begin, Ann Flood, Margaret McGuire, George Driscoll, Mary Murray, Joan Burns, Reta Pemrick and Mary Ann Kennedy look up at the work on the board.





Class of '56. First Row: Margaret Rose McGuire, Carole Sprague, Lawrence Nealon, George Driscoll, Mary Ann Kennedy, Joan Burns, James Griffin, Francis Mulvihill. Second Row: Ann Flood, Reta Pemrick, Mary Murray, James Moore, David Begin, Paul Begin, Sister Anna Laurentia.



Sophomore Officers:

| | |
|----------------|------------------|
| Secretary | Joan Burns |
| Treasurer | Lawrence Nealon |
| President | George Driscoll |
| Vice President | Mary Ann Kennedy |

Our film strip machine makes learning more interesting.



Robert Blinstrub and Edward Smith get the next picture ready.





George Driscoll sights an important point on the map. Sister Anna Laurentia and the World History Class watch his pointer travel.



SISTER
ANNA
LAURENTIA
Sophomore
Homeroom



*Virgin most powerful,
Virgin most merciful,*

Smiling Latin students listen to an interesting explanation by Sister Anna Laurentia.





Class of '57: First row: Beverly Walsh, Julia Eldred, Ann Marie Grennan, Thomas Finnen, Thomas Morin, Marie Akoury, Joanne Hayden, Lois Styczynski. Second row: Sister Mary Kateri, Gordon White, Barbara Arnold, Jane Clark, Helen Hogan, Nancy Ellis, James Reilly, Leo Bartoski. Third row: John Haussler, William Sherwin, Donald Bradley, Lawrence Cheney, Ralph Lane.



Our Class Officers:

Donald Bradley
Secretary
John Haussler
President
Nancy Ellis
Treasurer
Ann M. Grennan
Vice President



Joseph Murphy sees the mistake in his Business Math problem. Bernard Davock, Paul LaPorte, Richard Fleming and James Graney continue their work at the board.





This freshman and sophomore group is learning the essentials of economics and social living in a class of General Business.



SISTER
MARY
KATERI
Freshman
Homeroom



*Seat of wisdom,
Cause of our joy.*

Sister Mary Kateri's bookkeeping class, Patricia Liporace, Nancy Driscoll, Robert Blinstrub, Edward Smith, Shirley Demick, Paul LaPorte, Bernard Davock and Mary Jane Millett look at the sample work on the black board.





High prices of clothes won't affect us. We'll make our own! M. Kennedy, M. Murray, G. Quinlan, M. Nealon and M. Ruditis use the machines. Sister Mary Karol helps M. J. Millett while P. Liporace and S. Demick do the finishing touches on their pieces.



C. Sprague, G. Quinlan, M. Murray, P. Liporace and S. Demick wear the cotton dresses they have finished.



Business manager Michael Akoury presents a highest salesmanship trophy to Marie Akoury, and a trophy for the highest sales of Catholic Magazines to Rosemary Hoag.

Stanley Levandowski holds his American Legion Essay Prize for Richard Hayden to see.

Margaret Ruditis practices her talk to be given at the Regional Sodality Meeting at Vincentian Institute.

Thomas Ywavaniski and Mary Alice Nealon use the mimeoscope for some art work on the school paper.





Take a letter please, and don't forget the enclosure! Sister M. Kateri gives directions to B. Shaw, H. Burns, J. Moore, D. Closson, M. Brandalik, Y. Graney, J. Graney, R. Griffin, D. Begin, W. Sheridan, B. Conway, J. Griffin and J. Styczynski.



Future Scientists of America!

(Top) General Science experiments on atmospheric pressure. (Lower) Chemistry students study the physical properties of elements.





"WE MADE THE TOP!"

Co-Editor Thomas Ywavaniski shows Patricia Liporace and Geraldine Eldred the First Honors Certificate awarded the "1953 Echo" by the Catholic School Press Association.

How did we do it? 3000 headaches, 1954 bangs on a typewriter, 1 small dictionary. Cream until smooth. Add a pound of patience and sift with 1 heaping tablespoon of inspiration. Flavor with a dash of imagination. Bake in a hot oven. (Serves 300 yearbook customers).



Assistant Editors Richard Severson and Patricia Liporace along with Co-Editors Thomas Ywavaniski and Margaret Ruditis enjoy some amusing features of the book.

OUR STAFF



(Top) Our Yearbook Photographer, Mr. Andrick.

(Lower) Business Managers Michael Akoury and Richard Hayden get a patron by phone. Looks like a full page advertisement!

(Top) The yearbook dummy begins to take shape as Mary Jane Millett and Gail Quinlan type away. Checks and re-checks are made by Bernard Davock, Nancy Driscoll, Robert Crawford, Paul LaPorte, Mary Alice Nealon and Shirley Demick.

(Lower) Last minute details for "The Echo" are aptly taken care of by staff members Richard Fleming, Michael Akoury, Robert Blinstrub, Stanley Levandowski, Edward Smith and Richard Hayden.





WE GREET OUR SODALISTS!

First Row: D. Dooley, M. McGuire, E. Eighmey, H. Betner, M. Ruditis, Father Ammering, M. Nealon, G. Eberle, J. Eldred, G. Eldred, A. Grennan. Second Row: J. Shaw, M. Wallace, G. Myers, P. Myers, J. Brennan, J. Burns, J. Hayden, J. Maleady, P. McMann, P. Ferranini, P. Webster, L. Styczynski, C. Sprague, N. Driscoll, M. Millett. Third Row: J. McMann, P. Kalinowski, P. McGrath, E. Shaw, M. Dooley, L. Merrill, B. Hanselman, M. Madigan, B. Burke, M. Brandalik, M. Akoury, N. Finnen. Fourth Row: J. Butkas, M. Chaponas, S. Demick, P. Liporace, G. Quinlan, A. Marsh, M. Earley, J. Borage, J. Clarke, M. Kennedy, Y. Graney, M. Farrara, H. Burns.



Our Sodality Officers: Treasurer, Ellen Eighmey; Vice President, Helen Betner; President, Margaret Ruditis; Secretary, Gail Eberle, and Corresponding Secretary, Mary Alice Nealon.



*House of gold,
Ark of the Covenant,*

ACTIVITIES

Sodalists at Prayer





OUR CHOIR GIRLS GATHER TO SING GOD'S PRAISES

First row: C. Brandalik, B. Hyde, A. M. Grennan, M. Millett, J. Burns, H. Bromirski, C. Sprague. Second row: J. Hayden, B. Burke, E. Shaw, M. J. Brandalik, J. Galante, M. Powers, M. Madigan, G. Eberle. Third row: P. Liporace, N. Finnen, H. Burns, J. Clarke, M. A. Kennedy, A. Marsh, M. Murray, G. Quinlan, M. Ruditis, Y. Graney, E. Saboski, S. Demick, N. Driscoll, J. Butkas, M. A. Nealon, R. Levandowski, E. Hulihan, Sister Mary Kateri.



Procession at Forty Hours Devotion





Father Egan elevates the Monstrance to be carried in the procession. Father McCarthy and Father Ammering assist him. Stanley Levandowski, William Levandowski and John Fitzpatrick are the servers.



OUR KNIGHTS OF THE ALTAR

First row: J. Hickey, E. Gorman, C. Kemp, W. Herring, M. Galvin, R. Sheridan, W. Castleberry, T. McGuire. Second row: R. Harrington, J. Cahill, J. Galvin, P. J. Graney, T. Kennedy, W. Murphy, R. Mulready, R. Lewsey, J. Fitzpatrick, P. Davendonis, J. Keegan. Third row: B. Barber, G. Madigan, T. Hyland, T. Hyland, J. Fitzpatrick, J. Powers, T. Morin, M. Burke, W. Gutermuth. Fourth row: M. Barber, W. Levandowski, S. Levandowski, J. Murphy, G. Driscoll, J. Davendonis.





It's the best foot forward for the Grand March!

Everyone is enjoying the highlight of the social season---an evening that will remain forever in the Junior-Senior Book of Memories.

JUNIOR-SENIOR BALL

A bright full moon made the evening of May 8, 1953 a truly enchanted one. It was our Junior-Senior Ball.

A huge rainbow and the walls covered with raindrops brought out the theme of the "Rainbow Ball". Rainbow streamers looped across the ceiling added greatly to the colorful scene.



*Comforter of the afflicted,
Help of Christians,*



Peggy Ruditis and Robert Blinstrub
A memorable evening!



Pretty girls plus gowns plus corsages equals an unforgettable ball. Fay Weir, Shirley Demick, Noreen Finnen, Janet Sherwin and Jerry Eldred are really "dolled up". Joe Smith, Joe Braun and Richard Ciuk stop for the camera, then on to the ball.



Idamary Le Blanc reigns as "Queen of the Ball". Her attendants: Fay Ann Weir, Ann Marie Burns, Janet Sherwin, former queen Margaret Hughes, Kathryn Guiden, Marie Morin and flower girl Andrea Hoag.

JUNIOR SENIOR BALL



"O Mary, we crown thee with flowers today". Mary, crowned Queen of all Hearts by Queen Idamary, puts a tender tone of climax to the gala "Rainbow Ball". Pictured with the Queen are former queen Margaret Hughes and flower girl, Andrea Hoag.





Father Ammering convenes with other officials of the Basketball Squad, J. V. Coach Shiland and Varsity Coach Smith to discuss basketball problems. J. V. Manager Bill Levandowski and Varsity Manager Rich Severson are looking on.



JIM MOORE
JOE MURPHY



Remember the pep rally with Walt Wirmusky, leader? Weren't those band players tops? St. Mary's sparked by this enthusiasm, won its first game of the season from St. John's of Albany on the High School Court. The score was 63-43 and the game was a Catholic B contest. During the intermission, we enjoyed a wrestling match between Walt Wirmusky and Bobby (Muscles) Salluzzo. Cheerleader Ann Grennan held the position of managing Walt. The skit was a great success.

Davock, Levandowski and Closson helped to back

St. Joseph's of Schenectady, on the losers' court. What shots those were!

St. Mary's lost a close decision to St. John's of Rensselaer on our home court. At the first quarter the score was 11-11, at half time the score moved to 33-29. The half brought a "bull fight". The "live bull" was filled by Wirmusky and Elmer. The bull tried to attack "Muscles" Salluzzo and really did succeed. Cheerleader Nancy Driscoll threw flowers from the balcony to the victor. The final period found St. Mary's with only five field goals. Down the ladder we go!

RICH HAYDEN

MIKE AKOURY

DAVE CLOSSON



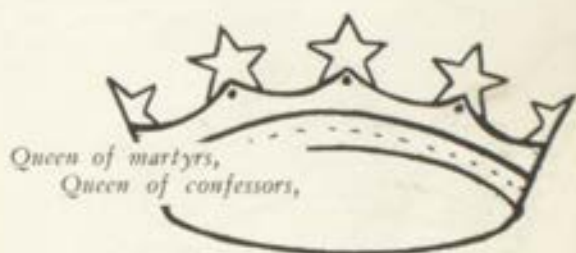


BOB CRAWFORD
DICK FLEMING



"In Unity There Is Strength"

Stan Levandowski, Dave Closson, Bern Davock, Dick Fleming, and Dave Begin join Coach Smith to prove it.



We gave St. Ann's of Albany a bad loss of 78-57. This was our fourth league win. A nine point margin run-up in the first half proved a sure place in the closing periods against St. Mary's of Hudson. In a non-league contest at North Bennington, we came through in an overtime 54-51.

In other important league games, we defeated St. Joseph's of Schenectady, 60-51. The team poured in 71 points to take over the victory against St. John's of Albany. When playing St. Joseph's of Schenectady on our home court, we beat them, 60-51.

| SMA | OPP. | VARSITY SCORES | SMA | OPP. |
|-----|------|---------------------------|------|------|
| 68 | 43 | St. John's, Albany | 71 | 48 |
| 68 | 54 | St. Joseph's, Schenectady | 61 | 51 |
| 59 | 61 | Keveny, Cohoes | 49 | 39 |
| 48 | 63 | St. John's, Rensselaer | 55 | 44 |
| 72 | 59 | St. Patrick's, Catskill | 72 | 48 |
| 78 | 57 | St. Ann's, Albany | 83 | 46 |
| 53 | 50 | St. Mary's, Hudson | 61 | 58 |
| 42 | 55 | St. Joseph's, Albany | 44 | 43 |
| 54 | 51 | North Bennington | | |
| 51 | 50 | Waterford | | |

DAVE BEGIN

BERNIE DAVOCK

STAN LEVANDOWSKI





GOOD PICKINGS FOR THE FUTURE VARSITY

(Kneeling) Tom Morin, Tom Finnen, Leo Bartoski, Paul Begin, George Driscoll, Jim Griffin, Mike Conway. (Standing) Gordon White, Bill Sherwin, Larry Nealon, Bob Haynes, Don Bradley, Jim Moore, Walt Sheridan, Bob Blinstrub and Brian Greene.



Peppy Jay Vee cheerleaders get set for a catchy Purple Eagles Cheer. Ann Grennan, Jerry Eldred, Mary Madigar, Barbara Burke, Mary Ann Kennedy and Yvonne Graney.



Remember the bus trips to the "away games".



"If you're from St. Mary's, yell a little louder", is what these Varsity Cheerleaders want. Nancy Driscoll, Mary Alice Nealon, Gail Eberle, Johanna Butkas, Ann Marsh and Margaret Ruditis get ready for a cheer.



Our Baseball trophy is proudly displayed by Dick Fleming, Dick Severson, and Bern Davock.



*Queen conceived without original sin,
Queen of the most holy rosary.*

Father Lynch stands proudly with his 1953 team. (Kneeling) Bob Crawford, Bill Hayden, Dick Fleming, Rich Hayden, Jim Moore and Joe Murphy. (Standing) Father Lynch, John Liporace, Joe Smith, Tom Bass, Fred Murray, Dave Closson, Stan Levandowski, Coach McGuire and Dick Severson.





What is so rare as a day in June? Especially one like the school picnic day at Hedges Lake!

(1) Dick Fleming and the boys just "loafing". (2) Mary J. Millett and Tom Ywavaniski play at the sand box. (3) Noreen Finnen, Peggy Ruditis and Mary J. Millett are the "tennis queens" for the day. (4) Looks like a big fish story by Ed Smith. (5) Larry Nealon enjoying his hotdog. (6) Janet Sherwin, Jerry and Judy Eldred having the time of their lives. (7) Mary Murray and Rita Pemrick at the end of a perfect day.

MEMORIES

Come along and join the fun!
Where? Bennington Battlefield Park.

Why? Hotdog Roast and Initiation Day.

(1) Sister M. Kateri and Sister M. Patricia waiting for their "dog" to get done. (2) Judy Eldred gives Jimmy Reilly "the works". (3) Sister Anna Laurentia and Mother Margaret Joseph enjoy the day. (4) Peggy Ruditis feeding the freshmen "atomic vitamins". (5) Full fledged freshmen now! Judy Eldred and Nancy Ellis.





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"As merry as the day
is long."



Best Dancer
Paul LaPorte
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"All I want is music,
music, music."



Most Ambitious
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"This world belongs
to the energetic."



Most Popular
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"To know them is to
like them."



Quietest
Robert Crawford
Mary Jane Millett
"Let thy words be
few."

WHO'S

WHO



Best Student
Thomas Ywavaniski
Margaret Ruditis
"Oh, this learning!
what a thing it is."

Most Cooperative
Edward Smith
Patricia Liporace
"To generous souls
every task is noble."

Best Dressed
Michael Akoury
Gail Quinlan
"Still to be neat, still
to be dressed."

Best Mannered
Richard Fleming
Nancy Driscoll
"The manner of all
courtesy."

Best Athlete
Stanley Levandowski
Bernard Davock
"Practice makes
perfect."





Junior and Senior girls enjoy a day out of school to attend "Open House" at the College of St. Rose.



(Top) Junior and Senior girls pack used toys for St. Joseph's Infant Home.

(2) Destination? Dannemora, N. Y. What? Used Christmas cards are being fixed by Freshman girls.

(Lower) Sodalists stop to pay homage to Our Heavenly Queen and ask for help in their studies.

"Here Comes Santa Claus"

(1) George "Santa" Driscoll with his bag of gifts at the Christmas party.

(2) Senior boys add their bit to the entertainment.

(3) Joan Brennan and Paul LaPorte furnish the music for dancing.

FORGET-ME-NOTS

Memories of the Junior-Senior Banquet at State Line Restaurant. The dinner and speeches are over, all too soon!





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A patriotic discussion is in progress



*Queen, assumed into heaven,
Queen of peace,*

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Brushing up on our Math.





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A discussion of the pros and cons of the Feudal System.



*Lamb of God, Who takest away
the sins of the world,*

We gather
flowers for
Our Lady's altar.

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Artists in the making



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Some of our star readers

Do you like our farm?



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