In the *Bulletin* of September, 1982, the late Monsignor Herman Mattingly wrote the short story of "St. Joseph's, Cardington, Morrow County's First Catholic Church, 1868-1972."

The first St. Joseph Church was a small brick structure, built by 1868, that still stands on the east side of North Marion Street. Father Henry Fehlings, pastor at Delaware, first bought 3/4 of an acre at this site for $650 on September 30, 1864. On June 12, 1866 for the same price he transferred the land to Ellen Conrad. On October 30, 1868 Frederick and Ellen Conrad sold back to Father Fehlings a small portion of the lot measuring 28 feet along the street and 51 feet deep where the Catholic church then stood, for $150. Father Fehlings transferred the church to Bishop Rosecrans in 1870 and it served as St. Joseph Church until 1959.¹

In 1957, the old church having been outgrown, Bishop Edward Hettinger as administrator of the diocese purchased a former Lutheran church, a frame building still standing on the south side of West Main Street. The building was fitted up for Catholic services and was dedicated in 1959. This second St. Joseph Church was used until 1972, when it and St. Matthew Church in Mt. Gilead were replaced by the present Sacred Hearts Church, between the two towns.

In his 1982 story, Monsignor Mattingly lamented that it was not possible to document the names of the mission's members, the baptisms being mixed in with those at Delaware without the location being designated. Monsignor Mattingly seems not to have been aware that the names of many of the mission's members are preserved in a Catholic section of Cardington's Glendale Cemetery.

¹The first St. Joseph Church on Marion St., now used as a residence.
It was on July 26, 1887 that John McNamara of Cardington purchased from the Village of Cardington a large section in what then was the northwest corner of the cemetery. It measured 148.5 feet east and about 165 feet south of that corner. It now is on the north side of the drive inside the western gate (south of section 18) and is divided from the first north-south roadway by a narrow, four-row strip called section 1. McNamara sold the lot to Bishop Watterson for $150 on February 4, 1897, for burial purposes only, and subject to the rules of the cemetery, "for the use of the Roman Catholic Society of Cardington, O." This section lies about 1,200 feet due east of the original church lot.

This section served as the parish cemetery until the late 1990s. At that time, confusion between the parish and the cemetery over the sale of lots and responsibility for maintenance led to a decision to sell the Catholic section back to the cemetery trustees.

On February 2, 1999 the section was transferred to the Trustees of Glendale Union Cemetery. The trustees agreed that the lot would remain the "Catholic Section" and that, to the extent allowed by civil law, the laws and regulations of the Diocese of Columbus regarding burial privileges and ceremonies there would be followed. The cemetery intends to expand the Catholic section to the west.

NOTES
1) Morrow County Deed records 18/145, 19/279, 19.280, 22/185, 23/420, 27/438, 42/117, and 151/162 all pertain to Catholic ownership of the first church lot.
2) Morrow County Deed Record 49/254.

The Catholic section lies north of the roadway leading in from the west entrance, but excludes the four rows on the east, adjacent to the north-south roadway. Although the earlier graves are in the west, the section eventually will be expanded in that direction, so we will begin row numbers in the east, beginning with the fifth row from the roadway. Stones are read from north to south.

Row 1
John Moore, born May 3, 1872, died Jan. 15, 1903
Mary E. Hunt, 1867 + 1933
Daniel Hunt, 1885 + 1941
John William Hunt, 1880 + 1948
Patrick Hunt, a native of Ireland, died Oct. 1, 1889, aged 55 years (with G.A.R. marker)

STEED: Ernest, 1872-1951
+ Rose M. 1886-1961
Foot: Earnest F. Steed, Ohio Sgt 3 co Coast Artillery SP AM WAR, Feb. 10, 1872-Aug. 29, 1951
Marguerite M. Sutfin, Apr. 12, 1897-Oct. 28, 1965
L. D. Sutfin, May 15, 1896-Aut. 20, 1992

Margaret [Moore], 1879-1964
Mary C. [Moore], 1895-1957
Mother [Moore], Apr. 1, 1843-Mar. 10, 1916
Father [Moore], Mar. 17, 1847-Jan. 22, 1915
William Moore, June 28, 1876-Sept. 21, 1898

Dennis P. Carney, 1879 + 1931
Henry W. Beecher, 1870 + 1900
Ellen Lynch Hunt, 1846 + 1907
John Hunt, 1829 + 1911
+ Paul D. Murot, 1858-1947
+ Julia J. Murot, 1865-1952
Lorretto Coots, 1894-1960
Howard J. Winchell, 1928-1947
{Helen C. Winchell, 1902-1976
{Albert C. Winchell, 1893-1960
SARCONE: Blanch, 1888-1972
Humbert, 1886-1967

Dorothy Sarcone Benson, Aug. 9, 1926-July 15, 1993
DENTON: (Duck) Richard F., 1919- (Kay) Kathryn T., 1921-married June 4, 1943
+ Dolores M. Walsh, Oct. 8, 1925-Oct. 8, 1986
JACKSON: George E., 1924-1998
Betty L. 1927-


Row 3:
PEPPER:
{Michael died Dec. 30, 1887, aged 66 yr
{Dennis, 1852-1933
{John, 1865-1888
{Bridget, 1857-1886
{Ann Pepper, died June 17, 1911, aged 90 yr
{Catherine, 1862-1933
{Michael, son of M. & A. Pepper, died Jan. 25, 1882, aged 32 years
{Darby Lynch died Dec. 4, 1888 in his 84 yr
{Mary Lynch died Jan. 19, 1890 in her 80 yr
GARVERICK: Lloyd 1887-1958
Catherine 1880-1974
James W. McNellis Sr., 1939-1969
MACEYKO: Stephen J,
July 28, 1905-Sept. 4, 1977
Pearl Grady, Jan. 7, 1900-July 12, 1908
Gilbert Allan Grady, FA US Navy
Nov. 20, 1930 + Nov. 4, 1990
John William Grady, BT 2, US Navy, Kora,
July 27, 1929-May 7, 1981
John F. Crum Jr., Aub. 17, 1964 + Mar. 28, 1988, beloved son and brother
+ Ida K Shaw, 1903-1987
Beloved Grandmothere Marie Strine,
Feb. 13, 1898-Feb. 12, 1977

Row 4
Joseph Carney, 1876 + 1905
Julia Carney, 1847 + 1920
John Carney, 1835 + 1889
Joseph L. Flavin, 1906 + 1927
Anna M. Flavin, 1874 + 1943
Michael J. F lavin, 1878 + 1932
(Mother) Rae Edwards, 1880-1947
William T. Bellamy, Oct. 2, 1943
Matthew Bellamy, Mar. 28, 1971
MACEYKO: Melvin A.,
Aug. 9, 1934 - Jan. 13, 1996
Judy F., July 2, 1942 -
moved Sept. 22, 1962

Dorthe M., June 13, 1918 - May 30, 1988
Evelyn Weisenberger, March 1, 1914 - Sept. 3, 1999
Eleanor Rutkowski, Sept. 23, 1921 - Feb. 20, 2002
Dorothy Frances Vanden-Eynden, beloved wife and mother, Jan. 24, 1913 - March 8, 2001

Mary McNamara died --- 25, 1892, aged 82 y.
+ Edgar R. Shoults, Ohio PVT 27 Inf, 25 Inf Div, Korea, Apr. 30, 1929 - June 4, 1951
Frank Shoults, Ohio PFC, BTRY E, 134 Field Arty, World War I, Mar. 26, 1890 - May 12, 1970

MACEYKO: "Hub" Steven J. Jr., 7-31-1933 - Linda A., 11-8-1940 - married Aug. 31, 1959


Between Rows 5 & 6:
Debra Mary Gompf, infant daughter of Howard & Harriet Gompf, 1963
Susana, daughter of H. & M. Nolk, died Nov. 20, 1887, aged 13 yr 4 mo & 1 d

Henry [Peppard], 1882-1932
James [Peppard], 1860-1908
William [Donovan], Oct. 30, 1872 - Oct. 10, 1874

Nellie [Donovan], Oct. 26, 1863 - Sept. 21, 1885
James [Donovan], Feb. 7, 1858 - Mar. 1, 1884
Minnie [Donovan], May 14, 1861 - Sept. 17, 1881

Father [Donovan], Apr. 10, 1822 - Dec. 17, 1883
Mother [Donovan], Feb. 29, 1832 - Apr. 6, 1915
DONOVAN: J. Joseph, 1904-1958
Esther W., 1905-1997
Leon Thomas Etgen Jr., Dec. 6, 1949 - Dec. 13, 1951
ETGEN: Leon Thomas, 1912-1982
Genevieve Dietz, 1915-1982
married Nov. 7, 1933
married Sept. 20, 1952

George Etgen (temporary marker)
PATRICK: Grandpa Floyd, Jan. 2, 1931 - Jan. 20, 2002
Grandma Barbara E., Aug. 26, 1932 - June 9, 1999
married Apr. 16, 1952

Dudley Donovan, Mar. 10, 1865 - Nov. 6, 1891
Bridge Donovan, Jan. 1, 1854 - Mar. 2, 1892
Michael Donovan, Oct. 14, 1870 - Jan. 3, 1897
Joseph Donovan, May 3, 1876 - Aug. 5, 1899
ETGEN: Ilene Mary, 12-10-53 - 12-19-60
Irene Ann, 12-10-53 - 3-15-65
V. Julia, Jan. 18, 1941 - [blank]
married Feb. 23, 1963

Alice [Peppard], 1872 - 1952
Margaret [Peppard], 1875 - 1937
Mae Kidwell, 1895 - 1931 [on Peppard lot]
Kathryne C. Ogle, 1904 - 1981
CAVANAUGH: Jeremiah, 1869-1940  
Helen, 1884-1977  
Michael M. Piepsny, 1905-1978  
DONOVAN: Daniel J., 1868-1941  
Nellie C., 1864-1940  
Ruth Marie Meige,  
Sept. 9, 1905 - Feb. 10, 1997  
(Beloved Mother and Grandmother) Dorothy G. Woodward, Feb. 6, 1928 - Mar. 29, 2001  

Row 9  
{John Dugan, 1820-1902  
{Ellen Dugan his wife, 1847-1915  
HACKER: Charles M., 1886-1972  
Bertha E., 1887-1952  
DIEFENBACH:  
Carl L., July 28, 1943 - July 6, 1998  
Margaret M., Apr. 15, 1943 - married June 22, 1963  


Row 10  
Mary Schwartz, 1862 + 1943  
RUSSET: Eileen (Mom), 1893-1962  
John L. (Dad), 1881-1959  
Merrill L. Bodine, 1913-1972  

Row 11  
Bridget O'Conner (Grandma), aged 85 yr  
Anna Dean (Mother) died Aug. 9, 1905, aged 75 yrs  
Jerry Dean (Father) died Aug. 29, 1907, aged 91 yrs  

Next Month: Some Cardington burial records from Delaware St. Mary.

Calendar of Circular and Pastoral Letters: Gallagher, Watterson, and Specht  
(Concluded, from Vol. XXVIII, No. 1)

March 1, 1894 To the clergy. Letter to be read at Sunday Mass to promote better individual and public conscience on the subject of temperance and total abstinence. Withdraws his approbation from any and every Catholic society or branch or division thereof that has a liquor dealer or saloon keeper at its head or anywhere among its officers. "Happily there is not much occasion now for such suspensions." For new societies or new branches, no one who is engaged either as principal or agent in the manufacture or sale of intoxicating liquors can be admitted to membership. The same applies for admission of new members into old societies from this time forward.

December 17, 1894 Circular to clergy. Christmas Appeal for the Orphans.

January 8, 1895 Publishes the decree of Pope Leo XIII forbidding Catholics to be members of the Odd Fellows, Knights of Pythias, or the Sons of Temperance.

January 10, 1895 Circular to clergy. School examinations.

January 20, 1895 Blank letter to clergy regarding the Diocesan Assessment for reduction of the diocesan debt, as called for at the Third Synod of Columbus.

April 2, 1895 Circular to the clergy. Regarding the Good Friday collection for the needs of the Holy Land. Rules for functions of Holy Week.

May 21, 1895 Circular to the clergy. Pentecost collection for the seminarians. Prayers for crops and harvests.

September 1, 1895 Pastoral letter on week-day and Sunday schools and house education.
September 10, 1895 To the clergy and laity. On the rights of the Pope, in response to the celebration by the Italian government of its forcible entrance into Rome. Directs High Mass to be offered on September 20 (the anniverary), to be followed by the Litany of the Saints; and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament and the Rosary that evening; all to be repeated on Sunday, the 22nd. Recommends the Eucharistic League to the clergy.

October 2, 1895 In response to a new encyclical, directs the clergy to recite five decades of the Rosary each day of October, in church.

December 12, 1895 To the clergy and laity. Bishop's Christmas Appeal for the Orphans.

February 14, 1896 To the clergy and laity. Individuals engaged in hard labor and their families are permitted the consumption of meat on all days, even fast days (one meal), except Fridays, Ash Wednesday, Holy Week, and Christmas Eve. The law forbidding consumption of flesh and fish at the same meal remains in force. Some other form of penance is urged. For one year only.

February 23, 1897 Regulations for Lent.

May 25, 1897 Circular to clergy. Pentecost collection for support of the seminarians. June devotions to the Sacred Heart. Prayers for blessing on the crops and harvests. Results of the 1896 Pentecost collection.

December 13, 1897 Bishop's Appeal to the clergy and laity for the Orphans.

January 11, 1898 Circular to the clergy. School examinations.

January 12, 1898 Order of Forty Hours' Devotion for 1898. Signed Charles H. A. Watterson, Secretary.

May 10, 1898 Circular to clergy. Pentecost collection for the education of priests. Devotions to the Sacred Heart. Mass prayers Tempore Belli and Pro Pace until the end of the war and prayers for deceased soldiers and sailors. Novena to the Holy Ghost in preparation for Pentecost, as ordered May 9, 1897 in Pope Leo XIII's encyclical. Results of the last Pentecost collection.

Nov. 17, 1898 To the clergy. Recommends High Mass on Thanksgiving Day.


December 31, 1898 Schedule of taxes on occasion of dispensations from matrimonial impediments.

Rev. F. X. Specht, Administrator
December 1, 1899 Official statement of the financial condition of the diocese. Indebtedness as of April 17, 1899 is $186,527.20.

+++ SACRED HEART GRADUATION +++

School Year Formally Closed on Feast of St. John the Baptist, Pastor's Namesday.

Sacred Heart school formally observed the closing of the year Saturday morning when nine girls and four boys were graduated. The exercises were deferred that they might be held on the feast of St. John the Baptist, the namesday of the pastor of the church, Father John B. Eis. Father Eis presided at the exercises and presented the diplomas.

The graduates are as follows: Helen Coady, Ruth McCabe, Edith O'Hara, Marie Donahue, Helen Byers, George Welsh, William Hayes, Edwin Cotter and Thomas Nash.

-The Ohio State Journal, Mon., June 26, 1905
April 10, 1852

"MATERIAL AID"

The City of Chillicothe has been visited by a heavy calamity. A correspondent who wrote the day after the conflagration, thus alludes to it:

"The whole of the business part of the town was burnt up yesterday, destroying, without exaggeration, a million of dollars worth of property. A great number of poor and helpless families have been thus turned out into the cold and blustering night. Now would be a good opportunity for some philanthropist, with warm heart and head, to try our native sympathy for home-made sorrows and sufferings. ... At the fire two circumstances occurred worthy of notice—one was, that our church, lately purchased from the Methodists, escaped unscathed, though the fire came within two houses on the east and west, and swept all for a square, on one side, and a quarter of a mile on the other. The second was, that the Rev. Mr. Beecher did more good than, perhaps, any ten men in protecting our church. His exertions which had for their immediate object the Catholic property, were active, energetic, and efficient"

This statement of our correspondent shows that, in any calamity, the Catholic and Protestant will stand shoulder to shoulder in every work of charity. No two gentlemen differed more widely than this same Rev. Mr. Beecher and our correspondent on the questions which have lately agitated the country, and yet, when their fellow-citizens were in danger, both were in the front rank doing good. This is the kind of charity we like. There is no humbug about it, no calculations about votes, no putting of feathers in your hat to catch the fashionable breeze and bend to its variations. Now is the time for "material aid!"


June 19, 1852

Pursuant to notice a public meeting was held at City Hall, Columbus, on Saturday last, for the purpose of welcoming to America the great Irish patriot, T. F. Meagher, and to tender him the hospitalities of the Capital of Ohio, Mr. John Geary in the Chair; and Mr. Emory Butler, Secretary. A committee of three was appointed to draft resolutions: Messrs. Donaldson, Fought and Chance; and reported the following:

[four resolutions of sympathy with the banished Irish patriots, offering the hospitality of the city, to appoint a committee of invitation, and authorizing it to appoint three to visit Meagher in Cleveland and invite him to Columbus.]

The meeting was addressed by Hon. Wm. Dennison jr.; Judge Rankin; Hon. John Candlebaugh; and Col. Medary.

June 26, 1852

We have received the most gratifying relation of the good done in Guernsey and Monroe counties by the missionary labors of Rev. Mr. Hengehold, during the last Winter and Spring. Many first communions were made by old as well as young persons. Many sheep that had strayed were brought back to the fold, and about forty,
including children whom he had baptized, were added to the ranks of the faithful. Rev. Mr. Kraemer has long and faithfully borne alone the burden and the heat of the rough and extensive missions. For many a long year have we sought for priests who could be spared elsewhere and who would be generous enough to suffer hardship and privation, to ensure a large harvest in this part of the diocese. But since the death of Rev. William Murphy, a priest educated in the diocese, who there fell a victim to his zeal, we have not found one. Let us ask the Master of the Vineyard to send into it laborers! Rev. Mr. Hengehold will again visit the same missions in August, God willing, to prepare them for the coming of the Archbishop in September, or October.

We have heard with much regret of the death of Mr. Beninghaus and his daughter, Euphemia, in the Malaga congregation; and of Mrs. (Nicholas) Galagher and Mrs. Rosanna Gallagher at St. Dominicks. Their death was like their life—most edifying—may they rest in peace.

In Mount Vernon and St. Luke's, Danville, Knox county, we learn from Rev. Mr. Brent, the exercises of the Jubilee were followed with much fruit. In the two places five hundred persons approached the Holy Table. Mr. David Morton, one of the most estimable citizens of Mount Vernon, who always enjoyed an unsullied and enviable reputation as a man, and who was one of the most consistent, quiet, exemplary pioneers of Catholicity in this State, died at his residence in Mount Vernon a few weeks ago. An immense number of the citizens, of every denomination, testified their respect for his memory by attending his funeral.

We hope soon to be able to station a priest at Columbus who will not be easily frightened away by difficulties and contradictions, and who will know how to do the good that is there to be done—the building of another church there, and helping at same time to erect those so much needed at Urbana and Delaware.

Rev. Mr. Driscoll, S.J., has lately preached a mission at Ironton and Portsmouth, where much good was done which calls for a true priest to preserve and increase. Alas! that none are to be just now found to do the work of God in that part of the diocese. The same zealous clergyman is seeking to make some impression, at this time, on Gallipolis. May he be successful!

Subscriptions: James Gallin and Michael Dittoe, Somerset.

(To be continued)