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THE CANTWELLS - A PIONEER CATHOLIC FAMILY OF MORROW COUNTY

The story of St. Joseph Church in Cardington, Morrow County, was published in the Bulletin of September, 1982. St. Joseph mission was organized from Delaware by the pastor of St. Mary's Parish, Rev. Henry Fehlings, in 1868. Monsignor Mattingly wrote as follows in 1982:

Tradition seems to indicate that the parish had its beginning about 1860, due to Irish families who came from New York State between 1845 and 1850 to help build the New York Central railroad. ...it can be presumed that among the early Catholics were Frederick Conrad and family, as well as John Hunt and his family. These are among the names of the early members of the mission as given by tradition. Other names are the Donovans, the Sullivans, the Peppords and the Burkes.

We are now able to present the brief story of a Catholic family which lived not in Cardington itself, but about ten miles south of that town and just north of the present Morrow County line. They were in the area earlier than the dates given above, having arrived here by 1838.

James Cantwell was born in County Kilkenny, Ireland about the year 1804. His wife was born Bridget Donavan in County Tipperary about 1808. (1) The couple were in Massachusetts by about 1835 when their daughter was born and were in Ohio by 1838. On September 29 of that year James and Patrick Cantwell purchased a 100-acre farm on Indigo Run, on the southern edge of Peru Township and now of Morrow County (on the south side of the West Liberty-Mt. Vernon Road, County Road 15, and east side of County Road 227). (2) In 1842 James and wife Bridget and Patrick and wife Margaret sold the eastern fifty acres of the farm. Of the four, only Margaret could sign her name. (3) James apparently purchased Patrick's interest in the remaining fifty acres and he lived there until 1883.

Children of both of these couples were baptized by priests visiting the Delaware area from Columbus in 1843 and 1844. In 1845 four children of a John and Helen Cantwell were baptized by Father Senez and their names likewise were recorded in Columbus. (4) The Cantwells did not remain in religious isolation for long, for in 1845 there settled on a nearby farm the family of John and Ann McDonald. The McDonalds were Catholics from County Carlow, Ireland, who had immigrated to the United States in 1828 and had lived in New York State for six years before moving to Ohio. (5) The baptisms of their grandchildren were recorded at Delaware St. Mary's.



Ann Cantwell Burns
(Courtesy of Rose Ann Holocher)

James Cantwell was remembered as one of the pioneers of St. Mary Parish in Delaware of the early 1850s. (6) Delaware was the Catholic mission closest to his farm in those days, when it was visited by priests from Columbus. Its small frame church was built in 1854 and the first resident pastor arrived late in 1856.

James and Bridget sold their farm in the spring of 1883 and moved into Delaware. (7) Mrs. Bridget Cantwell died of tuberculosis on April 8, 1885 at the age of 77 or 78 years. (8) The new (present) St. Mary Church in Delaware was soon being built and was blessed in October of 1888. In memory of Bridget, James donated to this church the center stained-glass window, behind the main altar. (9) James died of influenza on February 10, 1890, aged 85 years. (10) The first generations of their family were:

- 1) Mary Ann Cantwell, born in Massachusetts about 1835, had moved from Morrow County to Columbus By the late 1850s and was renting a pew at St. Patrick Church. In 1860 she was a servant in the household of Dr. J. H. Coulter at 80 North Third Street. On January 1, 1861 she married Patrick Burns before Rev. Edward M. Fitzgerald at St. Mary Church in Delaware. Father Fitzgerald noted in the register, in Latin, "They have their home in Columbus." Patrick was a native of Kiltown, Castlecomer Parish, County Kilkenny, Ireland; it is possible that the Cantwell and Burns families were familiar with each other from the old country. Patrick worked at one time for a railroad near Columbus and in 1864 was employed at the gas works (at Long & Water streets). Both Mary Ann and Patrick seem to have died by 1870.
 - 1) Margaret A. or Maggie Burns was born on February 1, 1862 and was baptized at St. Patrick Church in Columbus. Sponsors were Henry Burns and Anna Cantwell. She was raised by her Cantwell grandparents in Morrow County. She died at St. Francis Hospital in Columbus in February of 1885.
 - 2) Louis Burns was born on November 24, 1863 and was baptized at St. Patrick's on December 6. He apparently died young.
- 2) Catherine Cantwell, born in Massachusetts about 1836
- 3) Margaret Cantwell, born in Ohio about 1840. There is a marker at Whitehall Cemetery in Peru Township for Margaret, Anna, and Catherine Cantwell, daughters of James and Bridget. (11)
- 4) Ann Cantwell was born about 1842. By 1860 she was living in Columbus, when she and her sister Elizabeth were servants in the household of Haldamon Crary, a sewing maching agent, at 74 North Front Street. She married Michael Burns, a younger brother of Patrick, and together they moved to Springfield, Illinois, where Michael was foreman at the gas works. Ann died there around 1876.
 - 1) Elizabeth Burns was born July 28, 1867 and was baptized at Immaculate Conception Church in Springfield. She married Ben Dudley and lived in

- Springfield, to the great old age of 108 years.
- 2) Julia Burns was born November 21, 1869 and was baptized at Immaculate Conception Church. She moved back to Columbus and married Stephen Davies in 1896. They lived on the west side and Stephen was a manager for the Hardware Products Company. Julia died at St. Anthony Hospital on December 16, 1942. The Davies family which for many years were members of Holy Family Parish are her descendants.
 - 3) James Henry Burns was born on September 27, 1871 and was baptized at Immaculate Conception Church. He died in infancy.
 - 5) John Cantwell, born March 7, 1844, was baptized in Delaware on October 2 by Rev. William Schonat, pastor of St. Remigius in Columbus. He died in 1899. He and his family are interred in St. Mary's Cemetery, Delaware.
 - 1) Mamie Cantwell (1874-1878)
 - 2) Margaret Cantwell (1876-1958) married James O'Bryan.
 - 3) Mary Cantwell, born ca 1878.
 - 4) James Cantwell (1879-1930)
 - 5) Mayme Cantwell Beam (1884-1941)
 - 6) Elizabeth Cantwell Nelson (1887-1958)
 - 6) Elizabeth Ann or Ann Elizabeth Cantwell, born June 27, 1846 was baptized in Delaware by Father Schonat on September 8. In 1860 she was living in Columbus, when she and Ann were servants in the household of Haldamon Crary on North Front Street. In 1867 and 1870 she was a waiter or house keeper at the U.S. Hotel, corner of Town and High. She is probably the "Anna" commemorated on the marker in Whitehall Cemetery, mentioned above.
 - 7) Cecilia Ellen Cantwell was born on February 24, 1849 and was baptized on May 1 by Rev. C. H. Borgess, pastor of Columbus Holy Cross Parish. She married John H. Shoub (1849-1891). She died in 1929.
 - 1) John F. Shoub (1882-1958) was a member of St. Mary's, Delaware, and was vice president of the Delaware Gas Company.
 - 8) Agnes Cantwell, born about 1856, married Clarence Heverlo of Peru Township on October 4, 1880 at Delaware St. Mary's. She later married a Mr. Temple.

NOTES

1. Monument at Delaware St. Mary Cemetery, second lot northeast of the priests' circle. Bridget's birthplace on the monument is so worn as to be almost illegible, but appears to be "Clesty" or something similar. Her maiden name is given in the baptismal record of her daughter Cecilia at Columbus Holy Cross Church.
2. Lake, D. J., Atlas of Morrow County; Philadelphia: C.O. Titus, 1871, p. 43. Delaware County Deed Record 17/462.
3. Delaware County Deed Record 23/327.
- 4 See the Bulletin, Vol. VII (1981), pages 63, 78, and 86. In one record the name is spelled Kentuel.
5. History of Morrow County, Ohio; Chicago: O.L. Baskin & Co., 1880; pp 655-656.
6. History of Delaware County and Representative Citizens, 1908, page 252.
7. Morrow County Deed Record 36/350.
8. Delaware County Death Record 2/26.
9. Memorial Record of St. Mary's Parish, Delaware, Ohio. (1986) p. 49.
10. Delaware County Death Record 3/56 and Estate no. 4677.
11. Powell, Esther Wygant, Tombstone Inscriptions and Other Records of Delaware County...; 1972; page 343

PRIESTS' CIRCLE, DELAWARE ST. MARY CEMETERY

Only in God is my soul at rest. V. Rev. Paul Joseph O'Dea, born Aug. 11, 1916, died Oct. 10, 1973, ordained May, 1941.

Rt. Rev. Msgr. William C. O'Brien, 1880-1966; ordained in 1910...

Rev. Arthur C. Haid, LL.B., A.B., Mus.M., born April 2, 1904; ordained March 29, 1936 in Innsbruck; died May 8, 1941.

Rev. Thomas A. Hanrahan, born Delaware, Ohio April 2, 1881; died Cleveland, Ohio April 10, 1930.

A la Memoire du Rev'd Philippe Steyle, ne en France le 10 Octobre, 1846, decede a Delaware le 9 Decembre 1915, Priez pour lui.

Hic Jacet Revendus Dominus Joseph M'Phillips, natus in Hibernia anno 1810, Rector Ecclesiae Sanctae Mariae, Delaware, Ohio, ab anno 1869 usque ad annum 1874, obiit in Domino Die 27 do Mensis Februarii 1874. Requiescat in Pace.

CHRONICLE OF EVENTS IN THE DIOCESE OF COLUMBUS
FOR 1991

UNIVERSAL CHURCH

Jan. 22 Pope John Paul II issued his eighth encyclical, Redemptoris Missio, on the missionary efforts of the Church.

May 1 Centesimus Annus, marking the 100th anniversary of Rerum Novarum, and addressing the state of society today, was issued by Pope John Paul II.

DIOCESE OF COLUMBUS

May 9 Horizons of Faith: Reflections on Evangelization Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow was promulgated by Bishop Griffin.

Sept. Bishop Griffin was appointed president and chairman of the board of Catholic Relief Services. He has served six years as a member of the board.

PARISHES

Feb. 3 Bishop Griffin dedicated the new St. Monica hall at St. Dominic Parish in Columbus. It is attached to the existing hall, which has been renamed St. Cyprian Hall.

Feb. 12 It was announced that St. Augustine School in Columbus would discontinue grades 6 through 8 at the end of the current school year.

June 2 Ground was broken for a new church at [St. Elizabeth] Seton Parish, Pickerington.

June 15 The last of the Sisters of St. Francis of Mary Immaculate (Joliet) was withdrawn from Columbus St. Mary Parish. They had arrived there in 1875.

June The closing of St. Augustine School in Columbus was announced.

July 9 Effective with the retirement of Father Marrapese, care of St. John the Baptist Parish in Columbus was transferred from the P.I.M.E. Fathers to diocesan priests.

Aug. 15 St. Brigid of Kildare Church, Dublin, was dedicated by Bishop Griffin.

INSTITUTIONS AND AGENCIES

Feb. 4 Father Sorohan announced that Fr. Wehrle Memorial High School would close at the end of the school year because of declining enrollment and financial problems.

June 5 Bishop Griffin dissolved the lay association of Carmel Community because of concerns of its canonical status, financial stability, and questions of lifestyle of some members.

Sept. 1 The Jesuit Community at Holy Rosary and St. John the Evangelist in Columbus was canonically established in the diocese.

Oct. 31 The Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur closed their convent on Rich Street in Columbus.

PERSONNEL AND VOCATIONS

Jan. 5 Sr. Rose Walker, O.P., a native of Somerset, died at St. Mary of the Springs, aged 80 years.

Feb. 23 Bishop Griffin ordained permanent deacons Thomas Spaith of Columbus St. Mary Parish and Philip Spina of Columbus St. Cecilia Parish.

Mar. 8 Rev. Edmund B. McCormick, retired priest of the diocese, died at Sts. Mary and Joseph Home for the Aged in Cleveland, aged 89 years. Interment was at his home town of Mt. Vernon, Ohio.

Mar. 12 Died at Stella Niagara, N.Y., Sister Wilma Sorohan, of the Sisters of St. Francis of Penance and Christian Charity, aged 77 years; she was a native of New Lexington.

Mar. 15 Rev. Msgr. Harry Estadt, retired pastor of St. Thomas the Apostle Parish, died at St. Raphael Home at the age of 83 years.

Mar. 20 Rev. Msgr. William Kappes, retired priest of the diocese, died in Newark at the age of 80 years.

Apr. 11 Thomas Buffer of Columbus St. Agatha Parish, diocesan seminarian, was ordained a deacon in Rome.

Apr. 13 Robert E. Willmann of Newark St. Francis de Sales Parish, diocesan seminarian, was ordained a deacon in Washington, D.C.

June 10 Rev. William J. McEwan, former priest of the diocese, died at his home at Inverness, Florida at the age of 71 years.

June 22 Revs. Thomas Buffer, Theodore F. Machnik, Patrick J. Naughton, and Jan C. P. Sullivan were ordained to the holy priesthood at St. Joseph Cathedral by Bishop Griffin.

June 23 Rev. Maurice Flood was ordained to the priesthood at the Abbey of Our Lady of the Holy Cross, Berryville, Va. A Trappist lay brother since 1957, Father Flood was a native of Lancaster, O.

June 26 Sr. Genevieve Baker, O.P., age 88, a native of Columbus, died at Mohun Hall at St. Mary of the Springs.

July 9 Revs. John V. Wolf, pastor of Immaculate Conception Parish in Kenton, and Casto Marrapese, P.I.M.E., pastor of Columbus St. John the Baptist Parish, retired.

July 9 Rev. Lawrence L. Hummer, pastor of St. Peter Parish, Millersburg, transferred to the Archdiocese for the Military Services, U.S.A.

July 19 Rev. Leo Lawler, a native of Galloway, Ohio, retired priest of the diocese, died at Vianney Residence, Worthington, at the age of 76 years.

July 28 Msgr. James W. Kulp, P.A., co-pastor of St. Margaret of Cortona Parish, retired.

Aug. 11 Died in Columbus, Msgr. George J. Kennedy, aged 83 years, pastor emeritus of St. Agatha Parish.

Sept. 8 Sr. M. Emerita McGonigle, aged 89 years, died at St. Mary of the Springs. She was a native of New Lexington.

Sept. 11 Sr. M. Rosaire (Schlueb), O.S.F. (Sisters of St. Francis of Mary Immaculate, Joliet), a native of Columbus, died at the age of 63 years.

Oct. 5 Rev. Denis Ssebuggwawo Kigozi, a native of Uganda, was ordained to the holy priesthood by Bishop Griffin at St. Joseph Cathedral. Albert E. Cain of Heath St. Leonard Parish and Rodney Damico, a candidate for the priesthood, were ordained to the diaconate.

Oct. 7 Died: Rev. Thomas Lowery, pastor of St. Edward Parish, Granville, aged 66 years.

Oct. 7 Msgr. Robert A. Brown, retired pastor of Woodsfield St. Sylvester Parish, died at the age of 79 years. He had been ordained for the Diocese of Columbus in 1939.

Nov. 15 Rev. Francis M. Maloney, S.M. died at Miami Valley Hospital at the age of 76 years; he was a native of Columbus.

Nov. 30 Brother James P. Reilly, a native of Lancaster, professed final vows as a member of the Congregation of the Holy Cross in St. Joseph Chapel, Notre Dame, Indiana.

Nov. 30 Sr. Mary Ann Sullivan, from Sugar Grove St. Joseph Parish, professed final vows as a Sister of St. Joseph of Medaille, in Cincinnati.

Dec. 10 Rev. Daniel T. Rice, S.J., a native of Glouster, Ohio, died in Patna, India; he had been a missionary since 1946.

Dec. 19 Rev. Carl J. Breitfeller, O.P., a native of Corpus Christi Parish in Columbus, died in Zanesville at the age of 65 years.

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH, SOMERSET, OHIO
REGISTER OF BAPTISMS AND MARRIAGES, 1827-1851
(Concluded from Vol. XVII, No. 1)

1844, continued

Aug. 27 Marcus Dury to Angelina Gangloff; wit. C. Grimes and Margaret Hart. FJTJ
Oct. 22 Michael Braddock to Grace Keenin; wit. Mary Ann McDonald and William Welch. FJTJ
Nov. 25 Samuel Benjamin to Magdalene G. Smith; wit. James Deen and Mary Ann Deen. F. Francis Cubero

1845

Jan. 7 Thomas McManis, son of Francis McManis and Jane, to Elizabeth Anderson, daughter of Daniel [Anderson] and Ann Henrixon; wit. Charles Cornyn and Samantha ---ket. Pozzo
Jan. 14 Charles Gallinger to Priscilla McCan; wit. John Braslant and Mary Donally. FJTJ
Jan. 26 Joseph Kelly to Mary Ann Musselman; wit. John Bringardener and Sara Ann Swinehart. FJTJ
Jan. 28 Tilman Delong to Cecilia Snider; wit. Didaio Snider and Mary Maguines. Cubero
Apr. 1 Basil Gordon to Sara Ann McCormick. FJTJ
same John Beck to Anna Agnes Hardin; wit. Peter Zahm and Elizabeth Harden. Cubero
Apr. 22 Mathias Dury to Mary A. Gongloff; wit. Nicholas Gongloff and Apolonia Gongloff. Cubero
{ Aug. } 13 Henry Filler to Eliza Finck; wit. William Finck and Mrs. Filler. FJTJ
{ Aug. 26 } John Lambing to Sara Ann Higgins; wit. Mary Ann Finck. FJTJ

1846

Feb. 3 Minrod Bushure to Rachel Musselman; wit. Francis Decko. A. P. Anderson
{ Feb. } 3 Moriss Wallace to Mary Keenin; wit. Michael Braddock and Mrs. Beckwith. APA
{ Nov. } 10 George Hefley to Lucy Gordon. NDY

1847

{ Feb. } 9 John Baptist Larger to Apolonia Gongluff; wit. Nicholas Gongluff and Sara Rozella McGowen. APA
--- 9 Joseph Swartch to Lydia Trovinger (disparity of cult); wit. Curtis Trovinger and Anne Wirick. APA X
Mar.? 30 Patrick Slevin to Mary Vilana Sampson; wit. John Slevin and Jane Fisher or Slevin, widow. APA

- Apr. 27 Frederick Stephens to Agnes Smith; wit. Francis Smith and Agnes Hardwick. APA
- June 10 Frederick Weist to Mary Herholder; wit. Victor Weist and Mary Weist. G. A. P. Wilson X
- Aug. 24 Conrad Snyder to Sara Ann Brannon; with William Jackson and Mary ----- . NDY
- Aug. 29 Cornelius Sweeney to Mary Conelly. NDY
- Sept. 7 Stephen Jay to Elen Collins. NDY
- Oct. 17 ---- Frymote to Elizabeth Mc-----; wit. Thomas Riley and Elizabeth Dittoe. APA {Not found in Fairfield or Perry county records}
- Dec. 22 Ruben {Kuhns} to Mary A. Hook. NDY

1848

- Jan. 11 William Marr to Catherine Mo{orehead}. NDY
- {Apr.} 25 John Slavin to Apolonia Hodge; wit. Thomas McGuines and Elizabeth Elder. NDY
- July 2 John Rien {Ryan} to Rosanna Cull; wit. Patrick Sheridan. NDY
- Aug. 9 Thomas McGinnis to Mary C. Jackson; wit. John O'Neil and Eliz. Griffin. NDY
- Oct. 10 Thomas Kircher to Cecilia Weist. NDY
- {Oct.} 23 James Gormly to Ellen Murtaugh. NDY
- {Oct.} 22 Martin K{ureth} to Magdalene Hines. NDY
- {Oct.} 29 James Snider to Mary C. Swartz. NDY
- Nov. 2 Theodore Benni[n]ghouse to Mary A. Slevin. NDY
- Dec. 30 Constantine Dorothey Dougherty to Mary Dowdle. NDY

1849

- June 10 {Jonas} Burshow to Catherine Flumm; wit. John Flumm and Matilda. Francis Cubero
- Aug. 19 {Martin} Mason to Elizabeth Young; wit. John Young. NDY
- Sept. 4 John Kineda [Kenedy] to Mary Frances Gon[g]loff. NDY
- Nov. 27 John O'Neil to Catherine Beckwith; wit. ---- McElwee and Elizabeth Griffin. F. James W-----

(End of Register)

DONATIONS AND ACQUISITIONS FOR THE SOCIETY'S LIBRARY

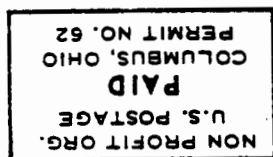
These items were donated to the Society by Mrs. Dory Rogers, niece of the late Monsignor Mattingly:

- Mattingly, (Rev.) Herman E., The Descendants of Henry Mattingly (c.1750 - 1823); 1969. This was Monsignor's own copy, with corrections and additions.

- same, The Mattingly Family in Early America; 1975.

- Chronicles of St. Mary's, monthly bulletin of the St. Mary's County, Maryland, Historical Society, an incomplete run from 1978 through 1982.

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