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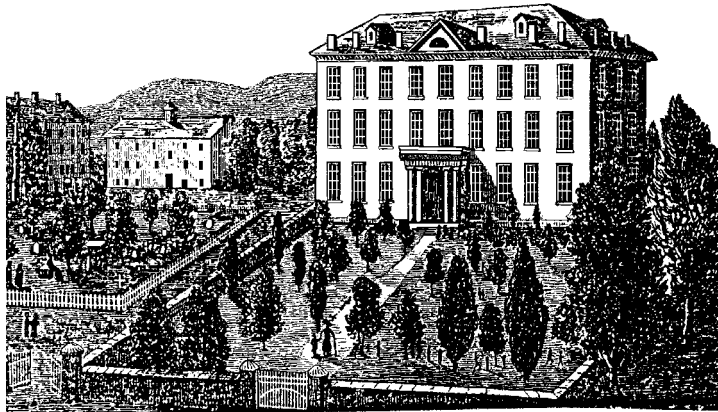
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St. Joseph Cemetery, Priory, and College Based on an engraving by "Grosvenor," published in the college newspaper *The Collegian*, Vol. 2, No. 4 (April, 1855). Original courtesy of the Archives, St. Mary of the Springs.

## St. Joseph College in 1853 Abstracts from *The Catholic Telegraph* (Continued from Vol. XXIX, No. 1)

March 5, 1853

VERY REV. AND REV. SIRS -- Being lately in the neighborhood of Somerset, Perry county, I was induced to make a visit to the Dominican Convent and College of St. Joseph, about two miles from the little town, and being interested, too, in the agitation of the school question, now so important to the Catholic community, I was determined to make enquiry into the system of education carried out in this celebrated establishment.

St. Joseph's stands on a rising ground, in a fine, healthy district of country, and contrasting with the monotonous scenery of the

surrounding country, it presents an agreeable and cheerful view to the approaching stranger. A handsome Gothic Church stands in front, running East and West; north of the Church is the convent, running nearly due north; to the rear of the Convent the College stands, East and West, and south-east of the Church is a public cemetery, which the good Dominicans have laid out and given, free of expense, to the Catholics of the neighborhood.\* The religious community consists of twenty-six inmates--six Priests, thirteen novices, and seven lay brothers. Their dress is a white habit and cowl, emblematic of that simplicity and purity

of soul so manifest in their manner, their gate, and their appearance, but in nothing so striking as in their bland and kind attention to strangers.

[\* The original priory ran west of, behind, the church and the "old" cemetery lies to the northwest. It probably was in use before the property was donated to the Dominicans. Despite these errors, this account establishes with certainty that the college stood roughly behind the church, as depicted in a drawing in the college newspaper, and not on the more northerly site of the later ecclesiastical college, which now is the "new" cemetery. - ed.]

The Convent is a good, plain building, well ventilated, and affording a simple but healthy accommodation to the holy inmates; it contains also a fine library of 4,000 volumes, from the choicest works of the ancient Fathers and Ecclesiastical writers, with a fair proportion of classical and miscellaneous literature.

This Order has already extended itself considerably through the States, having a branch in Kentucky, one in Memphis, and one in Wisconsin, but the one at Somerset is the parent house.

We are indebted to the pious Fathers of the Dominican Order for the first introduction of the Catholic Religion into the State of Ohio. The deceased venerated Bishop Fenwick and his Reverend nephew, Father Young, of Somerset, were the first missionaries in this State, and built a small log church in the year 1818 the site where the beautiful gothic building now stands. They alone had the spiritual charge of this large State, and many a weary night and day did they travel on horseback and on foot, through snow and ice, and through pathless wood, seeking after and hording the scattered flock of Christ. The Bishop is gone to receive his crown, the well merited reward of his labors; the other, now in his old age, is still pursuing the course of his holy calling with all the fervor and zeal of a faithful missionary. The Rev. Mr. Young is still doing the missionary duties of Somerset, and officiating as chaplain

to the Dominican Convent of Nuns in that town. I spent part of a day with this fine old gentleman, and was much edified with the accounts of his early mission.

But the College--the pupils count 75 in number, a fine, healthy set of young boys, neatly kept, and full of life and innocent frolic. The education Department is conducted by the Fathers, and gives a grand proof of their literary taste as well as of their well tempered moral discipline.

The school system comprises an English, classical, and philosophical education. The English department, again, comprises all that is requisite to form the scholar, the gentleman and the man of business, arithmetic, science, globes, composition, and education.

The classical department includes the ancient Green and Latin authors, together, with the French and German languages. And the philosophical course embodies as much of material and moral philosophy, as the youthful minds of the pupils could profitably receive.-- There are public examinations in all the classes at the end of each session, at which the parents of the children attend with much pleasure and interest. There are also two debating societies, in the College, the philopedian society and the philohistoric society, at which the students exercise themselves twice in the week. It is needless to speak of the great advantages of such societies. I was present at one, in which the subject debated, was, "The relative claims of Columbus and Lafayette on American sympathy." The young disputants showed a thorough knowledge of these two historic characters, and defended their views with eloquence, and argument well worthy of maturer years. But apropos! Our present school question! This College is taxed by the Government, and the library of the Convent is taxed for the support of public schools, great encouragement, no doubt, to good, sound, and moral education! The charge to each pupil at this college is \$45 per session, that is precisely \$2 per week, for board, washing, mending and education. The two dollars

per week, will pay for the board &c., but the education is entirely free, and the good Fathers are taxed by the government for giving a gratuitous education to the public. Hear this ye babblers and besotted bigots, and say that the Catholic Church is opposed to education and the enlightenment of her children. but, is not this a strong case, too, in favor of Bishop O'Connor's admirable plan of educating the children according to the wish of their parents, and according to the principles of their religion?--Here are schools (that will be kept up) affording a general education, combined with morality, and with the teachings of that religion in which the children were baptised, and in which they will live. Here is cheap, on rather gratuitous education, don't tax it but give it its full right, give it a share of the public taxes, and you will carry out a system of education, just in itself, and agreeable to the people, and you will materially lighten the public taxes.

But remonstrance is useless, let us agitate, let us use our right as American citizens, let us petition the Government, let us go further still, the law should come from the people, and the legislators are only the nominees of the people to make the laws, let us test our candidates, and vote for no man, Whig or Democrat--empty sounds--but for him that will stand up for our rights, and support those views which, we conscientiously hold, and which, under the principles of a free constitution we are authorized to enforce.

Unwilling to dwell any longer, for the present on this subject, I remain, Very Rev. and Rev. gentlemen.

Respectfully yours, &c.  
JOHN FABER

April 16, 1853

PORTSMOUTH.--The Most Rev. Archbishop has recommended the establishment of a second congregation at Portsmouth which, accordingly, has been already organized by the respected Pastor, Rev. Mr. Gilmore. The German Catholics retain the present church

and Priest's house, for which they have paid cash \$1200, and assume the debts and cost of repairs--and the English have rented the old Presbyterian meeting house, until they can erect suitable buildings for themselves, which, we hope, they may be able soon to accomplish. MARIETTA.--Rev. Mr. Perry has, with permission, laid the corner stone of a new church, which is to be 100 by 50, at Marietta, with the usual ceremonies. We wish the good work "God speed."

April 23, 1853

This issue notes the death of Rev. Stephen T. Badin and gives a sketch of his life and his character.

May 7, 1853

On Corpus Christi, in the forenoon, will be placed the corner-stone of the church of Urbana and that of Bellefontaine in the afternoon; and on the following Sunday, 29th, Piqua will be visited. Kenton will be visited on Wednesday, 1st of June. Ironton, Sunday, 5th of June.

On page 5 are printed letters from Bishop John Carroll to Father Badin, dated August 2, 1794 and Oct. 17, 1799, along with a picture of Badin sent from Nazareth, Ky.

May 14, 1853

A letter gives an account of Notre Dame de Lac, from PBE [perhaps P. B. Ewing?], "where I have been kindly entertained for the last few days."

Subscriptions: James F. Furney, Columbus; Rev. Peter Perry, Marietta

May 21, 1853

Ordinations: at the Cathedral by Archbishop Purcell, to the subdiaconate on Sunday, Hemsteger, Kelly, J. B. Donohoe; to the diaconate on Tuesday, Kelly and Donahoe; to the priesthood on Saturday, May 21, Kelly and Donahoe.

May 28, 1853

Episcopal visitation schedule: Piqua May 29, Kenton June 1, Ironton June 5, Gallipolis June 8, Wilkesville June 9, Pomeroy June 12, Marietta June 14-15, Steubenville June 19, Canal Dover June 26.

A long note on page 5 accuses T. F. Meagher of being anti-Catholic.

Subscriptions: John O'Malley, Dresden; Patrick McMullen, Rehoboth; S. H. Zink, Lancaster.

#### 500 LABORERS WANTED,

On the section of the Cincinnati, Wilmington, and Zanesville railroad, between Zanesville and New Lexington, Perry county, Ohio. Steady hands will have two years work, in the healthiest part of the State.--Wages \$1,10 per day; boarding \$2 per week; hands wishing to leave will be paid at any time. For further information enquire of Alexander Graham & Co. corner of Main and Fifth sts., Zanesville, Ohio. St. Dominick's Catholic Church is only 1 1/2 miles from the heaviest section of the work; information in regard to the above statements can be had by addressing the Rev. Pastor, Rehoboth, Perry county, Ohio.

June 4, 1853

The episcopal visitation of Urbana, Sidney, and Middletown is described.

June 11, 1853

KENTON, HARDIN CO., O.

The Archbishop visited this place on Wednesday, 2d June. The court house having been burned down, there was no place of meeting but a private Catholic dwelling. This was crowded almost to suffocation at the Masses celebrated by the Most Rev. Archbishop and Rev. Messrs. Sheahan, Eberhard and Kearney, by whom he was accompanied.--There were many communions, and nineteen were confirmed. Several highly respectable Irish Catholic families are settled in the neighborhood, and a large number of

Irish Catholics are engaged on the Railroads. There are also some worthy German Catholic families. Rev. Mr. Sheahan is doing much for the spiritual welfare of his fast increasing flock here and in Sidney and Bellefontaine. He also buys for them cheap lands in healthful situations and thus contributes largely at the same time to their temporal well-being. A lot has been purchased and paid for in an eligible site for a church which we hope will be soon commenced.

June 18, 1853

TUESDAY MORNING, JUNE 7. The ceremony of Laying the Corner Stone of the new Catholic Church was performed yesterday afternoon, in the presence of a very large and respectable assemblage of persons from the city and vicinity. The discourse of Bishop Whelan was listened to with profound attention. [The words on a scroll placed in the cornerstone are given.]

The contractors for building the new church, are as follows:--Carpenter, Jas. O'Neil; Bricklayers, Manley & Foster; Stone-mason, D. Naughten; Plasterer, A. M. Steward, and Painter and Glazier, Samuel Filson. The following are the names of the building Committee:--Rev. Emanuel Thienpont, present pastor of this congregation, President; Valentine Owsney, Treasurer; James M'Ginnis, Sr., John Smith, Michael Feist; James V. Reid, Secretary.

Subscription: Bernard Mathews, Kenton

To Be Continued...

# Chapel Hill, Perry County

Baptismal Records 1840-1850

(Continued, from Vol. XXIX, No. 2)

1842 continued...

Aug. 30 [SC], Elizabeth, daughter of James and Jane Lavin; spon. Bartholomew and Ann Mcdonnal AO

Sept. 3 [SC], Mary Agnes, daughter of John and Ann Curren; spon. Michael Curren and Alex Mallon AO

Sept. 18, John, son of Martin and Catharine Duran; spon. John Duran and Elizabeth Powers AO

Sept. 19 [A], Catharine, daughter of Edward and Ann Sheridan; spon. Michael Mccuait and Elizabeth Feagan AO

Oct. 6 [A], Margaret Jane, daughter of John and Bridget Bety; spon. Ml. Olivetti and Elizabeth Bety AO

Oct. 8 [C], Mary, daughter of Samuel and Susanna Dennon; spon. Ml. Olivetti and Mary Huingh AO

Oct. 10 [C], Mary Ann, daughter of John and Mary Sweefth; spon. Jeremy and Mary Kenrik AO

Oct. 16 [SC], John, son of Patrick and Bridget Mellin?; spon. John Mcgovern and Mary Curren AO

same day, Ann, daughter of Bernard and Mary Masterson; spon. Andrew and Catharine Masterson AO

Oct. 17 [L?], Johanna, daughter of Michael and Sarah Collins; spon. John and Mary Ryan? AO

Oct. 18 [A], conditionally, Thomas Cross, 24? years old.; spon. Ml. Olivetti and Mary Feagan AO

same day, John, son of James and Helen Drumny?; spon. James Mclaghlin and Elizabeth Crow? AO

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same day, Mary Ross, 19 years old; spon. John Crow and Mary Sheridan AO

Oct. 23, I supplied the ceremony of baptism to Charles, son of Bartholomew and Ann Molligan; spon. Andrew Mckoernan and Mary Mulligan AO

Oct. 24 [D], Michael Herman, 4 years old, son of Aloysius and Fibia Flowers; spon. Frederick Gosman and Mary Flowers AO same day, William, age 8? years, son of Aloysius and Fibia Flowers; spon. Frederick Gosman and Mary Flowers AO

Oct. 30 [SC], Christopher, son of Francis and Mary Riceker [Hopher Reisacher in Monroe Township in 1850]; spon. Michael Doyle and Mary Feagan AO

Nov. 8 [D], conditionally, Mary Fibia, age 25 years, wife of Aloysius Flowers; spon. Ml. Olivetti and Sarah Ann Gosman AO same day, Matilda Ann, daughter of Henry and Mary Jane Flowers; spon. John and Jane Flowers AO

Nov. 24, Margaret, daughter of Francis and Elizabeth ---- ; spon. Michael Smith AO

Nov. 20 [D], Sarah Ann, daughter of Joseph and Mary Ann Pearl; spon. John Mallon and Sara Ann Pearl AO

Nov. 29 [SC], Mary Salem, age 24 years, daughter of n. Petet; spon. James and Ann Martin AO

same day, conditionally, Thomas Daniel, son of Daniel and Mary Ann Salem Mcconelli, 5 months old; spon. Thomas Skennan and Margaret Mcconelly. Olivetti

same day, Margaret, daughter of James and Ann Martin; spon. Stephen Fagan? and Margaret Mccanelly AO

Dec. 3, Michael, son of Michael and Ann Kenny; spon. Bernard McCabe and Mary Mckeenan AO

Dec. 27, Henry Deaver, age 20 years, spon. Mr. Goulding and Catharine Thompson AO

1843

Jan. 1 [SC?], Susanna, daughter of James and Bella Gallegher; spon. Dominic Gallegher and Catharine Duffy AO

same day, Sarah, daughter of Michael and Catharine Welch; spon. J--- James? and Catharine Devany AO

Jan. 6, Thomas, son of Timothy and M---  
Degens?; spon. John Linch and Helen Mitchel  
AO

Jan. 20 [D], conditionally, Mary Ann Patten,  
age 22 years; spon. Ml. Olivetti and Mary  
Geiger AO

Feb. 5 [C], Lucy, daughter of James and Mary  
Hendebow; spon. Jeremy Kelly and Mary  
Ryans AO

Feb. 6 [C], conditionally, Michael William  
Bartlet, age 25; spon. William and Eufronia  
Edwards AO

Feb. 7 [C], Mary Ann, daughter of Jeremy and  
Ann Skelly; spon. Thomas Solon and Mary  
Hendebow AO

same day, Felix, son of John and Jane Mouren,  
14 years old; spon. John and Mary Ryans AO  
same day, Patrick, son of John and Jane  
Mouren, 12 years old; spon. William Edwards  
and Mary Ryans AO

same day, Daniel, age 10 years, son of John  
and Jane Mouren; spon. John and Mary Ryans  
AO

same day, Francis, age 8 years, son of John  
and Jane Mouren; spon. John and Mary Ryans  
AO

same day, Sarah Jane, age 4 years, daughter  
of John and Jane Mouren; spon. William  
Edwards and Mary Ryans AO

same day, Michael Robert, age 1 year, son of  
John and Jane Mouren; spon. William  
Edwards and Mary Ryans AO

Feb. 10, Thomas, son of William and Margaret  
Hokran; spon. Charles MCGovern and Bridget  
Hakran AO

Feb. 15 [D], Catharine Fibiana, daughter of  
Charles and Mary Winer; spon. Catharine  
Pearl and Andrew Gosman AO

same day, John, son of Joseph and Agatha  
Rehart; spon. Solomon Gosman and Mary  
Gosman AO

Feb. 19 [SC], Bernard, son of Michael and  
Mary Hays; spon. James Ryans and Helen  
Mortah AO

Feb. 22 [SC], Mathew, son of William and

Margaret Horen; spon. George and Catherine  
Thompson AO

[Feb.] 23 [SC], Sarah Ann daughter of Thomas  
and Catharine Skennan; spon. William  
Goulding and Mary Ann Skennan. AO

[Feb.] 26 [D], Anna Maria daughter of n.n.  
Trast; spon. Philip and Ann Longstreth AO  
same day Matilda Ann daughter of John and  
Susanna Gasman; spon. Solomon Gosman  
and Mary Pearl AO

[Feb.] 27 [D], Catharine, daughter of Daniel  
and Mary Dikes; spon. Francis and Frances  
Geiger AO

March 5 Ann Mary, daughter of Michael and  
Alice Mccullar; spon. James Has and Ann  
Fennely AO

Apr. 1 [A], Helen Jane, six years old, daughter  
of James and Helen Sale; spon. Ml. Olivetti  
and Bridget Bety AO

Apr. 2, Mary, daughter of John and Alice  
Kelly; spon. John Brufy and Catharine  
Downey AO

same day, Jonathan Brower Edward, son of  
William and Luarentia Bartlet; spon. Ml.  
Olivetti and Anna Fennely AO

same day, Helen, daughter of Hugh and Mary  
Fitspatrik; spon. James and Sarah Collins AO  
same day, Catharine Frances, daughter of  
Nicholas and Mary Sowrs; spon. Patrick and  
Frances Mcdearman AO

Apr. 9 [SC], Thomas, son of Hugh and Helen  
Donnaly; spon. John Cunningham and  
Elizabeth Hosy AO

same day Philip son of Henry and Margaret  
Hofer; spon. Francis and Frances Geiger AO

Apr. 15 [D], William son of John and  
Temperance Geiger; spon. Ml. Olivettia nd  
Frances Geiger AO

Apr. 16, Catharine daughter of Catherine  
and Alice Flower [“ego baptizavi filiam  
Catharinam filiam Catharinae et Aloysiae  
Flower”]; spon. Joseph and Mary Ann Pearl  
AO

same day, Philip Justine Klipstine, age 24,

spons. Hugh Donnaly and Helen Donnaly AO  
May 2 [SC], John, son of Michael and Julia  
Wil; spons. John Mallan and Mary Brufy AO

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same day, James, son of Patrick and Sarah  
Hines; spons. Patrick Killin and Ann Mcdonnal  
AO

same day, William, son of Edward and Ann  
Kennan; spons. Patrick and Ann Masterson  
AO

May 4, Elizabeth, daughter of John and  
Elizabeth Oagener?; spons. Jesse and Mary  
Carpenter AO

May 6 [A], John, son of Policarp and Justine  
Fhsees?; spons. Michael Smith and Margaret  
Wise? AO [apparently Burigard and Christina  
Sees; see Feb. 13, 1848]

same day, Joseph, son of John and Mary Ann  
Smith; spons. James Ulrik and Margaret Urlik  
[sic] AO

same day, Michael, son of John and Ann Mary  
Smith; spons. James and Margaret Urlik AO  
[SC], Rev. Mccaffrey baptized John son of  
Nicholas and Mary Kily; spons. John Skennan  
and Mary Ann Skennan AO

Aug. 5 [SC], Elise Jane Mills, 18 years old,  
spons. John Mallan and Mary Mckearnan AO

same day, Marc Antony, son of Stephan and  
n. Word; sons. Edward Kennan and Emiline  
Klipstine AO

Aug. 24, Urs Victor, son of James and Mary  
Ann Borer; spons. John and Ann Wise AO

Sept. 3, John, son of John and Catharine  
Power; spons. Laurence Duffy and Isaac  
Gallagher AO

same day, John, son of James and Mary  
Collins; spons. James O'harra and Mary  
O'harra AO

Sept. 4, Margaret, daughter of Timothy and  
Catharine Mcgravy; spons. John Linch and  
Alex Mccullar AO

Sept. 24, Simon, son of John and Catharine  
McCabe; spons. Bernard McCabe and Helen  
Mourtah AO

same day, Catharine, daughter of John and

Mary George; spons. John Skennan and Miss  
Tool AO

same day, conditionally, Juliana, daughter of  
Philip and Ann Longstreth; spons. John Geiger  
and Margaret Cunningham AO

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Sept. 26, Catharine, daughter of Patrick and  
Mary Feagon; spons. Ferdinand and Helen  
Mallan AO

Oct. 1, Hilary, son of Charles and Catharine  
Mcgravi; spons. John and Sarah Kelly AO

same day Mary Jane, daughter of James and  
Mary Mcgravi; spons. Timothy and Catharine  
Mcgravy AO

Oct. 8 [SC], William, son of John and Helen  
Mitchel; spons. Timothy Rean and Ann Curren  
AO

Oct. 11 [SC], Mary, daughter of George and  
Catharine Thompson; spons. Patrick Skennan  
and Elizabeth Goulding AO

Oct. 18 [SC], Francis, son of Michael and  
Bridget Mallan; spons. Brian and Ann Mourtah  
AO

Oct. 22 [SC], Andrew, son of Andrew and  
Mary Du; spons. Bartholomew and Mary  
Mcdonnal AO

Nov. 12 [D], Margaret, daughter of John and  
Mary Ann Longstreth; spons. Ml. Olivetti and  
Ann Geiger AO

Dec. 10 [D], David, son of James and  
Elizabeth Burgoun; spons. Mary Gosman and  
Philip Longstreth AO

same day, Ann, daughter of Thomas and Elisa  
Ferrel; spons. John and Mary Geiger AO

Dec. 24 [SC], Frances, daughter of Michael  
and Elizabeth Mulligan; spons. Thomas and  
Mary Walpol AO

Dec. 25 [D], John James, son of Frederick and  
Sarah Ann Gasman; spons. Solomon and Mary  
Ann Gosman AO

To Be Continued...

## Thienpont or Mollinger? -- A Correction

In 1983 while Monsignor Mattingly was writing a biographical sketch of Father Emmanuel Thienpont (1803-1873), he was delighted when an associate in Dayton pointed out to him a photograph of Thienpont. It had been published in a 1956 history of St. Peter Parish in Steubenville, where Thienpont had been pastor when the first St. Peter Church was built. A copy of the photo ran with the article "Rev. Emmanuel Thienpont, Pastor and Missionary" in the Bulletin of February, 1983. Unfortunately, the 1956 history was incorrect.

Record Society Chairman Patrick Mooney found and recently donated to the Society an original of the photo. On the reverse is inscribed "Fr. Mollinger". Pat was able to find information about this priest, including similar photographs, on the internet.

Father Suitbert Goedfriend Mollinger, son of a wealthy Belgian family, was the first pastor of Most Holy Name of Jesus Church in Pittsburgh. More notably, in 1880 he founded as his personal property St. Anthony Chapel in Troy Hill, Pittsburgh, which housed his collection of over five thousand relics of saints. He attracted young and old alike. He drew thousands of sick and desperate people to the chapel and it was said he had the power of healing, especially on the feast of St. Anthony and with his relic of this popular saint.

After Father Mollinger's death in 1892, his family took the most valuable items from the chapel before selling it to the bishop. It gradually fell into a state of disrepair, but it was restored in 1977 and remains open today.

