OUR PASTOR'S 10th ANNIVERSARY PROCLAMATION!

It is a happy coincident that we of St. Aloysius, are celebrating our 10th Anniversary during the present Holy Year. This is truly a holy and a happy year for the people of our parish; for we mark the beginning of our existence as a parish from Mother's Day — 1940.

Our patron, Saint Aloysius Gonzaga, (the name designated by the late lamented Bishop John Aloysius Duffy) has proven himself a most propitious and exceedingly generous patron, Aloysius attained the coveted name of Saint, after a comparatively short life

of twenty-three years

and is esteemed by the Church as one of the brightest jewels in Her diadem of glorious ancestors. Under his patronage and protection our parish has grown in a decade to be enumerated among the leading parishes in our Diocese.

"Unless the Lord build the house, they labor in vain that build it." We confess most humbly and sincerely that the Lord has been the Builder and the Laborer, the Sower of the Seed which has budded, blossomed and flowered into a "Million Dollar Plant". Thanks be to God we now enjoy physical conveniences beyond our fondest expectations. Our Church, School, Gymnasium, Hall and Rectory are practical, stable and beautifully situated on an ample ten-acre plot. A dream fulfilled by the Giver of all good things!

That the spiritual has not only kept pace but has outdistanced the physical is evident from the throngs who confess Him before men at all services in His honor and most especially at the altar rail. It is evident, too, in the large enrollment of church societies which

spiritually function so fruitfully that they are a source of inspiration to all who are privileged to behold these public manifestations of faith. The social and financial programs, which were inaugurated through the vears, have been so successful that St. Aloysius is the envy of many and our triumphs are attested

to by the enviable position we enjoy after only a decade of endeavor.

Mothers' Day this year will complete ten happy, prosperous fruitful years. We humbly praise and thank God, His Blessed Mother and our Patron for their benign guidance and bountiful blessings. We commend to God the good priests and sisters who labored so unselfishly with us and thank Him for the privilege of working with them; and for the loyal, kindly, thoughtful, friendly, generous parishioners of St. Aloysius. God Bless them! The burdens have been light and the yoke was always sweet, thanks to thoughtful priests and understanding people. Mothers' Day-1950. "This is the day which the Lord hath made, let us be glad and rejoice therein."

Rev. Walter M. Gonter





