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January 25, 1973

We received word this Morning that Sister Margaret Murphy’s father went to God early this morning. He had been ill for some months. Peace and joy to His Soul.

The wake is to held in Warwick at Quinn’s Funeral Home Saturday evening Sunday Afternoon and evening. Mass of Christian Burial is at 10 A.M. in Pawtucket at Church of St. Leo The Great.

March [blank] 1973

Fashion Show under auspices of Alumnae was held in Great Hall at 8 p.m.

April 8, 1973

Salve Regina Guild Holy Hour at 3 p.m. Reverend [blank] Kane[,] Columban Father conducted the program. His homily was a meditative consideration of Our Lord’s Passion.

April 5-7-1973

“Royal Gambit”-Henry VIII and His Wives was presented in Mercy Hall under the direction of Miss Joan David-an excellent presentation

April 8, 1973

Harpsichord Recital was presented at Wakehurst at 3 p.M. Harvey Stensonwas Harpsichordist

April 19, 1973

Holy Thursday liturgy took place at 7 p.M. with Reverend Joseph Dimino officiating. The remainder of the Holy Week Services are scheduled in the local churches.

April 22, 1973

Easter Sunday-Liturgy at 9 A.M. with Rev. Joseph Dimino as celebrant The liturgy Committee-Sister Marianne Postiglione; Sister Marjorie Walsh, Sister Elizabeth Vallee;Sister Elaine Osborne arranged the program for both Holy Thursday and Easter Sunday

April 23, 1973

Sister M Mercy McAuliffe, our newly elected provincial administrator visited us this evening to tells [sic]us she had chosen Sister Mary Noel Blute our Coordinator as A Member of her Council. It is a sacrifice for the Salve Regina Community but we feel the larger Community needs Sister

April 24, 1973

This evening we celebrated the feast days for April and May[:] Sister Mary Consilii Reynolds, Sister Mary Brenda Sullivan, Sister Carol [Lamoureux] and Sister Marianne Postiglione.

Mass was at five p.M followed by a party in dining room

April 25, 1973

Sister Mary Brenda Sullivan received word to-day that her brother James (as Father Dimino said atMass) returned to the Father. Sister’s brother was visiting his son in Arizona and became ill. May he rest in the peace and gloryof the Resurrection

May 2, 1973

Induction Ceremony for Mercy Honor Society, Sigma Phi Sigma, was held in Ochre Court at eight P.M. Sister Mary Brenda Sullivan is Moderator[.] Miss Marie Leandro, Class of '68 a Member of the society spoke on Role of Christian Woman in To-day’s Society. Her talk was most inspiring.

May 4, 1973

The new president of Salve Regina College was announced to-day—Sister Lucille McKillop of the Chicago Province. Sister is a Mathematics Major with her Doctoral degree from University of Wisconsin. Sister has held many important positions in Xavier College and in the Chicago Community.

May [?], 1973

Mass was offered for Sister Mary Brenda’s brother James at 5 pM. Many students attended

May 6, 1973

Salve Regina Guild held its annual spring party this afternoon from 2:30 to 4:30 in Ochre Court Dining Room[.] The highlight of the Affair was the raffling off of 2 prizes-the first for $1500 and the second for $1000. Mrs Daniel Sullivan of Newport, a very faithful Member of the Guild won first prize and Mrs. Mary Conley of Medford won second prize. Sister M. Martina Conley is Moderator of the Guild

May 10, 1973

Bishop Louis Gelineau made an official visit to College Community to-day. Mass was offered in the Great Hall at 10 A.M. Monsignor Kenneth Angell Accompanied the Bishop. Reverend Christopher Johnson, O.P. was Master of Ceremonies.

In preparation for the liturgy the congregation-Mostly students and faculty sang the Our Father

The entrance hymn: Prepare Ye the Way of the Lord

Bishop Gelineau’s homily centered around the Fatherhood of God and HisCare for us.

The offertory hymn: Yahweh is the God of My Salvation

The Communion-For those who love God Everything works out for good.

A reception for the students was held in the State Dining Room

Bishop Gelineau had lunch with the religious Community at 11:45

After that the Bishop toured the Campus, met the faculty informally in foyer of O’Hare Academic Center

May 12, 197[3]

This evening a sherry hour (seven p.M.) and dinner (eight PM) was held in honor of Sister Mary Christopher O’Rourke, outgoingpresident of Salve Regina. Rabbi Theodore Gerland [sic][[1]](#footnote-1) gave the blessing before Meals. Rabbi Gerland teaches Hebrew Studies in the Religious Studies Department[.] Doctor John Quinn, president of the Board of Trustees outlined what Sister Mary Christopher and the Board Members had accomplished during the past five years.

May 13, 1973

Two little girls Katharine and Mary Jane Healy made their first Holy Communion this Morning at nine o’clock Mass which was celebrated by Rev. Joseph Dimino, Navy Chaplain. The **[**children’s**]** parents are subject to Navy appointments. Hence First Communion was held here instead of at St. Mary’s. The children brought the gifts to the altar. Hymns: Rejoice Always in the Lord; Take Our Bread; Holy, Holy, Holy, Jesus Jesus Come to Me; My Shepherd is the Lord and Hail Holy Queen Enthroned Above.

Academic Investiture for Class of 1975 took place in Great Hall at two pM. Dr. Beverly Miller Accepted the Class into the Academic Community she gave an interesting account of the history of the academic robes and insignia particularly in the United States

Miss Margaret Bowler, Sophomore Class President responded.

The guest speaker was Miss Maureen Massiner, a political science major at Brown University who is the youngest member of the school Committee in Pawtucket She urged the students to use their potential and become involved in the Community

Sister Mary Christopher O’Rourke presented the idea and the ideal of self-development and maturity through their college education A reception followed in the Dining Room. Miss Rosemary Healy of the French Department is class moderator

May 16, 1973

This evening we had desert [sic] and coffee in Ochre Court Lounge as a celebration for feast of June and July-Sisters honored were Sisters Mary Audrey O’Donnell, Marjorie Walsh, Donald Egan, Christopher O’Rourke, Corinne Walsh, Corleen Fogarty (away at study)

Previous to the party the Community held an evaluation of the past two years during which Sister Mary Noel has been coordinator[.] Our own election of coordinator is scheduled for May 27th at 10:15 A.M in Ochre Court.

May 23, 1973

Class Day exercises were held in O’Hare Academic Center due to inclement weather. The ceremony consisted of valedictory address given by Miss Linda Brown - sociology Major, awards and the conferring of the academic hood on members of the Class of 1973. This year a special award was given for Liturgy - the preparations for Masses and special liturgical functions - Miss Maureen [McGuinness] and Miss Patricia Raymond were the recipients. Sister Mary Christopher O’Rourke, President addressed the students[.] Dean Beverly Miller presided.

May 28, 1973

Commencement exercises due to inclement weather were held in Rogers High School Auditorium to a capacity audience. The Marshall for the occasion was Frank D. Maguire, PhD of thedivisionof Religious Studies[.] Right Reverend Monsignor Daniel P. Reilly gave the invocation and benediction[.] Senator Pell[,] Governor Philip Noel and Mayor of Newport Humphrey J. Donnelly III congratulated the one hundred and twenty-two graduates[.] There were two male graduates who received quite an ovation William H Wyman from Navy and Bernard Gonsalves of New Bedford.

Honorary degrees were Conferred on

Captain Carl Auel, CHC U.S.N. Doctor of Humanities

Right Reverend Monsignor Daniel O. Reilly “ [ditto]

Sister Mary Christopher O’Rourke “ [ditto]

The Commencement Address by Captain Carl Auel accented the necessity for having a vision of reality as a whole in order to give Meaning and purpose to life. Captain Auel [was?] the students’ choice as Commencement speaker. The students are to be congratulated on their choice After the exercises a reception was held in Miley Hall for faculty and guests; the students’ reception was held in Ochre Court.

The New president Sister Lucille McKillop attended the exercises.

May 31-June 6

Retreat officially began to-day May 31st the feast of the Ascension. Reverend Thomas G. Savage, S.J. from Cincinnati, Ohio is conducting the retreat which is centered around the Paschal Mystery and is scriptural in its emphasis. There are some forty Sisters on retreat including Sister M. John Francis McKenna of our province who presently is working in Atlanta, Georgia[.] Sister Mary Clarice came with Sister John Francis[.] We also have three sisters from Chicago Sisters M. Irenaeus ~~Paul~~, and Marian- Three sisters from Fordham are also retreatants[:] Sisters Moira Creede; Dorothy Marie Hagan, and Alice Miller[.] Sister Mary Paul a Mercy Sister from New Hampshire arrived on Saturday for the retreat.

June 6, 1973

Sister Mary Brenda was admitted to Rhode Island Hospital for removal of a cataract. She will be there for two or three days[.] Sister expects to return by June 14th

June 15, 1973

The Members of the General Council came here to meet the new administrative team of our province. They stayed at Founders Hall for a day to-gether and this morning came to Ochre Court for liturgy and buffet with the College Community. Rev [blank] [Calavaro?] of East Gate was the celebrant. The general theme of the Mass was centered around the Holy Spirit[.] Sister M. Concilia Moran read the first reading and Sister M. Mercy McAuliffe the Meditation following Communion[.] The General Council Members are leaving this afternoon for the Scranton Province where they are to meet the new administrative team of that community.

June 17, 1973

Sisters Mary Jean and Eloise Tobin are en route to Burlington, Vermont for a five day workshop in Biblical Study relative to Covenant and the Prophets[.] The workshop is to be held at Trinity College

June 24, 1973

Sister Mary Cleophas Costello of the Baltimore Province arrived this evening to teach in our summer school. She is scheduled to give a course concerned with the architectural heritage of Newport.

June 25, 1973

The Great Gatsby is being filmed by Paramount at Rosecliff one of the Mansions on Bellevue Avenue with ocean front on the Cliffs. The Paramount Corporation is using O’Hare Academic Center for interviews, costuming and make-up.

July 2, 1973

Sisters Mary Christopher O’Rourke and Mary Donald Egan left this evening for England. Sister Mary Donald is to return on August 2nd[.] Sister Mary Christopher will continue traveling particularly in Spain.

July 4, 1973

Independence Day was Commemorated with a special Mass at 11:45 celebrated by Rev Father Andrew, O.S.B. who is our summer Chaplain for the 11:45 Mass until August[.] A Cook-out at Moore Hall turned into a Cook-in due to torrential rain around 4 p.M.

July 5, 1973

Sister Marianne Postiglione leaves to-day for a week week [sic] European tour. She should return on July 26th

July 13, 1973

“The Great Gatsby” use of O’Hare by Paramount Films concludes this weekend. The building has been used since late May as a place for selection of minor characters, a storage for costumes and accessories, a place for cosmetics and a point of departure for the lesser characters en route to Rosecliff on Bellevue Avenue where major filming is scheduled

July 12-22, 1973

The Young People’s Symphony of Rhode Island are giving a series of concerts – July 15 and 19 at 8 p.M. in Ochre Court and July 22nd at 2 p.M. in Ochre Court. Dr. Joseph Conte is director

August 3, 1973

Sister Marianna Doran underwent surgery at 1 p.M to-day for gallbladder at Newport Hospital. Sister entered the hospital yesterday.

August 4, 1973

Sister Ann Nelson is attending the General Chapter which is being held in Detroit this year. Sister left on Thursday since she is Chairman at one of the sessions. Sister will return on August 11.

August 12, 1973

The American Recorder Society Musicians will be on our Campus from to-day until August 19th. They are scheduled to give a concert on August 18th at 8 p.M. in the Great Hall.

August 13, 1973

Sister M. Cleophas Costello leaves to-day for home. Baltimore. Two Sisters drove to Newport yesterday to bring her home. S. Marianna Doran went to Health Center to-day for recuperation.

July-August

A group of faculty members including some members of our Sister Faculty have been on WPRI. TV Channel Twelve at 9 A.M. on Mondays. The program is entitled “Dialing”

Sister Ann Nelson, Associate Professor of History and Politics – July 23rd

Sister Marianne Postiglione Assistant Professor of Creative Arts – August 6th

Sister Kathryn Murphy – August – Assistant Professor of Special Education

August 26, 1973

The Fourth Law Enforcement Commencement was held at Ochre Court at 2 p.M. on Sunday August 26, 1973 The Marshall of the Affair was Frank D Maguire, the Invocation and Benediction was given by Reverend Joseph B. [Coleman?], Chaplain of Newport Police Department. Sister M. Lucille McKillop, RSM President gave the Salutation, the Class Orator was Anthony Moretti of the Cranston Police Department[.] The Commencement Speaker was The Honorable J. Joseph Garrahy, Lieutenant Governor[.] Lieutenant Governor received the honorary degree Doctor of Civil Law. The Color guard was composed of members of the Middletown Police Department. The processional and recessional was provided by The Warwick Brass Quintet. Forty-five students received Bachelor of Science in Law Enforcement degrees. Eighty-One were the recipients of the degree of Associate in Science in Law Enforcement.

August 27, 1973

Sister Marie Anna Doran has returned to us after a period of Convelesance [sic]at the Health Center.

September 3, 1973

Students arrived to-day for orientation

September 5, 1973

After the faculty meeting this morning, a buffet luncheon was served in the Great Dining Room for the faculty. At 4 p.M. the Mass of the Holy Spirit was celebrated at Wakehurst. Concelebrating with Reverend Christopher Johnson, OP were Monsignor John Shea, Rev [blank]Gillen and Rev [blank] Calavaro. Sister M. Lucille McKillop, president read the lesson. After the Mass faculty, staff and students had a cook-out on Wakehurst grounds. Governor Philip Noel who happened to be in area graced us with his presence.

September 8, 1973

On Saturday Noon the College Alumnae Association held a reception and luncheon for Sister M. Lucille McKillop new president.

September 15, 1973

The Salve Regina Fine Arts Series presented the Brink-Pinkham Duo of the Boston Philharmonic Orchestra at six p.M. in the Great Hall.

Sister M. Mercy McAuliffe Provincial Administrator and Sister M. Josetta Butler, Assistant General Administrator arrived to-day in preparation for the Board of Trustees Meeting to be held on Monday.

September 20, 1973

The Christian Life Center was formally opened with the baptism of Dr. Maguire’s son, Brian James Monsignor Daniel Reilly, Vicar-General of the diocese officiated. The rite of baptism was incorporated into the Mass. The Great Hall at Ochre Court was the setting Rev. Christopher Johnson, OP and Sister[Marianne] Postiglione planned the liturgy. A reception was held after the Mass in the State Dining Room.

October 6, 1973

The Law Enforcement Graduates from past years held a dinner dance at Ochre Court. About eighty men were inducted into the College’s Alumni Association The men are members of the Classes 1970-73

October 10, 1973-October 17, 1973-October 24, 1973-October 31, 1973

The Right to Life theme, chosen by Christian Life Center for October will be developed in four areas: Right to Life and the Unborn – Panel discussion with Dr. Frank Maguire as Moderator. Other panelists include Dr. William McDonald, Providence Lying In Hospital, Reverend Howard Olsen, Episcopal Priest, Pastor of St. Barnabas Parish, Warwick and Mrs. Diane Manning, Co-chairman of Rhode Island Right to Life Committee

Second of Series entitled “Rights to Life of the Handicapped” was organized by Sister Kathryn Murphy, director of the Special Education Division at the College. Chairman of Panel – Miss Frances Linden Case Work Supervisor Division of Retardation. Other members of panel include Mr. George R. Nazareth, Chairman of Developmental Disabilities Council and former President of Commission on Human Rights to-gether with his wife, Dolores Nazareth, Reverend James Swanson Minister of Calvary Covenant Church in Cranston and Doctor John B. Montgomery Pediatrician.

Third in the Series is entitled “Rights to Life of the Aged” Participants were Sister Marietta, RSM. Director of Nursing at Mt. St. Rita Health Center; Rev. Christopher Johnson, O.P. Professor of Sociology at the College Sister Jeannine, [D.H.S.?] Director of Nursing Services St. Claire’s Home in Newport and Louise Baugery, Student Nurse who works at Mt. St. Rita Health Center

The last program of the Right to Life program presented a film documentary on the Attica, New York prison uprising of two years ago. Participants in the program include Mr. William Pimental member of the Board of Directors of the Rhode Island Chapter of National Prison Reform Association; State Senator Eric O.D. Taylor; Mr. Paul [Desmarais] of Our Lady of Providence Seminary and Mr. Francis Foley, Deputy Warden at the Rhode Island Adult Correctional Institution

October 14, 1973

Sister Marianne Postiglione to-gether with Reverend Christopher Johnson, O.P. and the student members of the Liturgical Committee conducted a workshop on Liturgy in the Taunton, Massachusetts Area for five parishes.

October 21, 1973

The Chris Clark Jr Memorial Fund Members doing research in aplastic anemia held a benefit cocktail party in Ochre Court in the Great Hall from 5 to 7 p.M.

October 27-28

Father Daughter Weekend included presentation of various classes in English, History, Nursing and Sociology a tour of Ochre Court, A dinner at The Coachman and a dance at Ochre Court

November [?]**,** 1973

Between seventy and eighty high school students to-gether with their parents were introduced to Salve Regina from one until four. The Glee Club entertained with a concert at three-thirty in the Great Hall.

November 3, 1973

A joint concert between Salve Regina Glee Club and that of St. Peter College, New Jersey was held in Ochre Court at eight p.M.

November 7, 1973

Memorial Mass of the Resurrection for Mr. Richard McGinn, member of the English Division who passed away last June 7 was celebrated by Reverend Christopher Johnson, O.P. at five p.M. in chapel at Ochre Court. Mrs. Richard McGinn her two children Michael and Patricia to-gether with Mr. and Mrs. George McGinn and some family friends were in attendance. There was a display of library books purchased with money from Richard McGinn Memorial Fund inaugurated at the time of his death

November 19, 1973

The Annual Thanksgiving Mass with presentation of baskets for the needy took place in the Great Hall at Ochre Court to-day at five p.M. Sigma Phi Sigma students under the guidance of Sister Mary Brenda Sullivan organized the event. Father Christopher Johnson was the celebrant, Rabbi Theodore Gerland of the theology department gave the homily and Reverend [Spyridon] Papadementriouof the Greek Orthodox Church read the Gospel. After the Mass a thanksgiving dinner was enjoyed at Miley Hall.

December 2, 1973

Sister Mary Eloise Tobin leaves to-day at 4:35 from Green Airport for the Generalate where she is to be a resource person relative to the scriptural aspects of poverty. Sister expects to return on Tuesday December 5 at 4 p.M.

December 15, 1973

Sister Mary Philemon Banigan’s brother Joseph went to God at 9:15 p.M. to-day. He has been suffering from cancer. Sister was with him when he died.

December 13, 1973

Holy Dinner and Candlelight ceremony took place this evening with dinner in State Dining Room at 6. Monsignor John Shea from St. Mary’s graced us with his presence-

December 17, 1973

Three hundred seventy-five thousand dollars was realized for two paintings in Ochre Court-one entitled The Prophet the other The Astronomer both by Veronese[.] This was a revelation to the art world since these had not been catalogued among Veronese paintings. These paintings hung on the wall on Great Stairs in Ochre Court.

December 20, 1973

This was the last day of exams. We had a faculty meeting from two until five p.M.

December 25, 1973

About fifty attended midnight Mass which was celebrated by Reverend Joseph Dimino, Navy Chaplain. At 11:45 we sang Christmas Carols which included “O Holy Night;” “See Amid the Winter’s Snow” and “Silent Night.” The Youngest Member of our community Sister Elaine Osborne placed the Holy Child in the manger. Within the liturgy itself the offertory hymn was “The First Noel.” At Communion O Come All Ye Faithful and A Child Is Born – this particular hymn was composed by Sister Marianne Postiglione who is on our faculty. The recessional was Joy To the World[.] After the liturgical celebration everyone was invited to the State Dining Room for refreshments.

January 23, 1974

Sister Marianne our coordinator told us today that a Sister from Albany Sister Joy [?] is coming on Friday as a student nurse-for second semester. Sister is to reside at Moore Hall.

Sister also informed us that retreat will be conducted by Rev. R. F. BurnhamS.J. from the evening of May 29th until the morning of June 5th.

There are many among the relatives of our college community who need our prayers Sister Ralph Mary’s father; Sister Martina’s sister and brother; Sister Lucille’s Mother; Sister Elaine’s Aunt Sister Francis de Sales’ brother.

February 2, 1974

Word came this morning that Sister Ralph Mary’s father went to God early this mornin [sic]

We learned during the course of the day that there will be no wake and the funeral Mass will be on Tuesday at 9 A.M. Mass in St. Raymond Church.

February 3, 1974

The Honors Convocation was held at 2 p.M to-day in O’Hare Academic Center The invocation was given by Rev. Christopher Johnson, O.P. Chaplain Dr. Beverly Miller, Academic Dean traced the changes in attitudes and responsibilities relative to a College education from the early America traditions up through the 1970’s

The Presentation of Honors followed Who’s Who Among Students, Dean’s List, and the presentation of the St. Catherine Medal a Kappa Gamma Pi National award for scholarship, fortitude, and Christian Concern.

Dr. William Burrell, Dean of the College offered congratulations in the name of Sister Lucille McKillop who was unable to be present. After the ceremony the Glee Club sang various selections from the Gloria of Antonio Vivaldi. This to-gether with a reception for the students was held in Ochre Court. Sister Solina Hicks of Chicago is spending the semester with us. Sister is an art teacher

March 10, 1974

The induction ceremony for Sigma Phi Sigma was conducted at Ochre Court this evening. Sister Paula Sharpe, RS.M. a Salve Regina graduate and a member of Sigma Phi Sigma gave the principal address. Her subject was Motive for Action. Sister [Elaine] Osborne, RSM. was inducted into the society. Sister Lucille McKillop President greeted the new members Sister Mary Brenda Sullivan is moderator.

March 24, 1974 through March 31, 1974

This date marks Irish Fortnight at Salve. A group of Irish scholars are scheduled to present varied aspects of Irish culture. Sunday, March 24 Mr Edward Golden – Abbey Theatre – Miss Joan David Chairman; Monday, March 25 Dr. John Murphy – History – Donald Gibbs, Chairman; Tuesday, March 26 Mr. Etienne Rynne – Celtic Art, Ade Bethune, Chairman[;] March 27 Further developments of Celtic Art by Mr Etienne Rynne – Ade Bethune, Chairman[;] Thursday, March 28 Mr. Patrick Snoddy (History) Rabbi Theodore Lewis, Chairman; Friday, March 29 Mrs. Brian Ferran (Children of Belfast) Sister Lucille McKillop, Chairman[;] Saturday, March 30 Mr. Michael Herity (Archaeology) Jeremiah C. Lynch Chairman

April 1, 1974

Sister Ralph Mary Imperatore is back with us after a long absence caring for her father. We held an informal welcome after the evening Meal in Ochre Court, third floor lounge. The communities from McAuley, Moore, and Marian joined the Ochre Court Community in the celebration.

April 11, 1974 Holy Thursday

Sister Mary Edgar Freethy received news to-day that her sister-in-law is seriously ill with inoperable cancer. Sister Francis de Sales[’s] brother John and his wife Mary are both hospitalized.

Reverend Joseph Dimino officiated at the Holy Thursday Liturgy at seven p.M. this evening.

April 27, 1974

The Class of 1977 held its Cotillion in Ochre Court with a dinner dance from 7 pM. until1 a.m. Honored Guests were Sister Lucille McKillop, Dean Beverly Miller, Doctor E William Burrell, Sister Renata Cremins, SHCJ. Father Christopher Johnson, O.P. and Miss Lucy Shannon

April 28, 1974

Investiture for Class of 1976 took place in Great Hall, Ochre Court at 3 pM. Sister Marianne Postiglione is Class Moderator. The guest speaker was Reverend [blank]Healy who has recently returned from Africa.

May 5, 1974

The Glee Club gave its last concert of the season on Sunday May 5th in Ochre Court at 2 p.M. It was a Spring Pops Concert delightful and very well received

May 8, 1974 - We learned to-day that Sister Marie Anna Doran suffered a stroke and is in Newport Hospital

May 9 through 12

Camelot produced by Miss Joan David in Rogers High School Auditorium was a tremendous success. The Newport Community Orchestra under the direction of Glenn Guittari of Salve Regina faculty added much to the total impact of the Musical.

May 18, 1974

Sister Francis de Sales Shea’s sister-in-law Mary passed away in her sleep early to-day. This is particularly sad since sister’s brother John, Mary’s husband is seriously ill.

May 19, 1974

We had a special celebration for Rev. Joseph Dimino in honor of his twenty fifth anniversary as a priest of God. Father has been serving us for twoyears. At present he is head of Chaplain’s school at the Navy Base. Rev. Christopher Johnson, O.P. Concelebrated with father and gave a homily on the Meaning of dedication Sister Marianne Postiglione to-gether with the students’ liturgy committee arrangedthe liturgy The hymns from the Weston Monks Album were especially affective [sic]. A champagne brunch was served following the Mass Sisters Mary Noel and Vincent Ferrer were special guests Sister Solina Hicks of the Chicago Province who has been with us since early February painted a picture of Fr. Dimino’s residence as our gift to Father. Sister took a photograph of Father’s house and then painted in the landscape.

May 22, 1974

Class Day was held on East Terrace at two p.M. The Address was given by the highest ranking student Miss Therese Kubitschekwho also received the Sarah Brown Sullivan Award for English. Honors and Activity Awards to-gether with Honor Society Certificates for Sigma Phi Sigma, Kappa Gamma Pi and Sigma Delta Pi The student nurses received their pins and the entire class was invested in the Academic Hood

Reverend Monsignor John T. Shea gave the invocation

May 25, 1974

The Senior Commencement Ball was held in Ochre Court from Nine until 1 A.M. The Class of 1974 had dinner at Shamrock Cliff before the dance. Dr. Frank Maguire and Mrs. Maguire to-gether with Dr. Huberto Vasquez and Mrs. Vasquez were guests of honor.

May 26, 1974

The Baccalaureate Mass was held at St. Mary’s with Rev. Christopher Johnson Concelebrating with Monsignors John T. Shea, Monsignor [blank]Harrington, Monsignor [blank] Geoghan[,] Rev [blank] Papadimetriou, Greek Orthodox who had a daughter graduating read one of the lessons and Mrs. Peggy Munson, a senior read the other.

May 27, 1974

The Twenty Fourth Annual Commencement took place on East Terrace at eleven A.M. It was a blustery, cold day with the east wind coming in from the sea. This year marked the first time the Law Enforcement officers were part and parcel of the Commencement. Usually their exercises were held separately at the end of the summer session. There were 266 graduates all told. The Most Reverend Louis E. Gelineau gave the invocation and the benediction. Lieutenant Governor J. Joseph Garrahy represented the state of Rhode Island since Governor Noel was en route from a visit to China.

The Commencement address was given by Malcom S. Knowles, Professor of Education at Boston University

May 29, 1974

Retreat opened this evening with Rev. Richard Burnham, S.J. as retreat Master. There are some thirteen or fourteen Sisters from various places in the province making retreat with us. Three Sisters from the St Louis Province are also here.

June 1 and 2nd 1974

This weekend was given over to the Alumnae. At the luncheon on Saturday at Miley Hall, Mary Connolly, president presented Sister Lucille McKillop with a check for four thousand dollars.

A dinner dance was held on Saturday evening

The weekend closed with brunch from ten until twelve on Sunday.

June 3, 1974

Sister Marie Anna Doran who has been in Newport Hospital suffering from a stroke was taken by ambulance to-day to Health Center at Mount Saint Rita

June 9, 1974

Sister Marianne Postiglione has been chosen by the diocese to experience a workshop in Communications Media which is to be conducted at Loyola University in New Orleans. Sister is leaving to-day and should be back sometime later this month

Sister Mauritia [McGuirl] was taken to Newport Hospital last evening in the rescue squad. However, she returned after a cardiogram and is to see her doctor on Monday.

June 11, 1974

Sister Francis de Sales[’s] brother went to God at 4:15 this morning after a long and painful illness.

June 20, 1974

Sister Norma Orme left this morning for mission work in St Francis Xavier Parish Corozal Town, Belize, British Honduras. She is to work there from June 30th until July 29th. In between times Sister will be at St Catherine Convent, Belize City.

June 21-22, 1974

Sister Mary Joannes Griffin and Sister Ralph Mary Imperatore attended the governor’s conference on Rhode Island’s Future Health Care Needs.

June 24, 1974

Sister M. Marjorie Walsh attended a meeting of career planning and placement directors at Rhode Island School of Design

June 29, 1974

Sister M. Philemon Banigan returns to-day after a trip to Ireland, Lourdes, and Rome with her Cousin Sister Sheila, O.S.J. Sister has been gone for three weeks.

July 1, 1974

Sister Solina Hicks, artist-in-residence from Chicago inaugurates a formal opening of her art work at the officers Club at the Naval Base.

July 6, 1974

Sister Roseanne’s brother-in-law went to God to-day – John Clancy. He has two Sisters, Sisters of Mercy

July 3, 1974

The Committee concerned with Name change met at ten A M in Public Relations Office in Ochre Court

Sister M Mercy McAuliffe presided.

July 7-13

Sister Mary Giles Peresich, College Librarian, is attending the National Conference of the American Library Association at the New York Hilton and Americana Hotels in New York.

Sister Mary Audrey, Dean of Admissions announces the appointment of Mr. Kenneth P. Binder of Cheshire, Connecticut to the post of recruiter and admissions Counselor.

July 13, 1974

The Young People’s Symphony of Rhode Island presented a Concert at Ochre Court at 8 pM.

These young people have been here for a three weeks workshop in Music.

July 16, 1974

The Salve Regina Guild held its annual formal dinner at 6. p.M. Sister M. Martina Conley was able to attend. Sister has been caring for her sister and brother who are ill.

August 2, 1974

Sister Norma Orme returned to-day from her sojourn in Belize

August 9, 1974

Sisters Ann Nelson and Mary Brenda Sullivan left to-day for a two weeks journey to California. They are accompanying Reverend Joseph Dimino who has been appointed to Santiago Father is a Chaplain in the Navy and has served us for three years.

August 7-28

Founders Hall on Ruggles Avenue is open as a vacation house for the Sisters of our province. It has proved to be a very enjoyable place for relaxation. Many sisters have taken advantage of it.

August 16, 1974

Sister Rosanne’s[[2]](#footnote-2) brother-in-law Edward Hughes who has been suffering with cancer went to God this afternoon

August 22, 1974

The following Sisters who are to serve here at Salve Regina for the coming year have already arrived: Sister M. Constance Kozel Scranton Province, Sisters M. Charles Francis Dubuque and Sister Mauricita Stapleton our own province. Sisters Constance and Charles Francis are to live at McAuley Hall[,] Sister Mauricita at Marian Hall

August 24, 1974

Sister Elizabeth Morancy and Sister Mary Lomax have arrived and are living at McAuley Hall.

August 30, 1974

Silver Jubilee-Sister Ann Nelson-Liturgy at 5 p.M. followed by buffet in State Dining Room. The theme of the liturgy was “I have called You by Name. You are Mine”—Isaiah 43:1 Entrance hymn: “I shall approach the Altar of the Lord” The first reading was given by Sister Lois Eveleth from Isaiah 43:1-5; the second reading was from Mark 10:17-21 (The Rich Young Man) Reverend John Boreczky Navy Chaplain officiated. His homily emphasized the Mystery of God call to a souland the commitment to the Lord through obstacles and sufferings. The offertory hymn Grant to Us, O Lord, a heart renewed. The Holy, Holy, Holy was from Sister Marianne Postiglione. Mass For Life as was the Lord Have Mercy and the Lamb of God. The Communion hymn was Magnificat also a composition of Sister Marianne’s Sister Ann’s parents brought up the gifts. The recessional was “Sion Sing, Break Into Song”.

September 1, 1974

Sister M. Callista Fontaine of Chemistry Dept. comes back to us to-day after a year in Oregon Sister Michaeline [Lewandowski]of the Detroit Province arrived late last evening. Sister is to teach in the Art Department.

September 2 through 7, 1974

These dates mark orientation for new students

September 4, 1974

Sister M. Lucille McKillop will meet the student body to-day at 9. AM. followed by a faculty meeting at 10.

September 7, 1974

Sister Marianne Postiglione begins her thirteen program series sponsored by the Diocese of Providence on Saturday at 7:30 A.M. The children’s program which includes script writing, song writing, and show production is entitled: Marianne’s Greenhouse. The program is televised on Channel 10.

September 6, 1974

Word came this Morning that Anna Conley, Sister M. Martina’s sister went to God at 2:45 A.M. at the Rose Hawthorne Home in Fall River. The Mass of Christian Burial is to be held at 10 A.M. on Monday, September 9 (fr) at the Immaculate Conception Church in Cranston

September 7, 1974

The opening Mass inaugurating the New school year was held in the Great Hall at five p.M. instead of on Wakehurst Grounds due to rain. Reverend James Healy, College Chaplain conducted the liturgy.

The entrance hymn was “Wake Up, My People.” Sister M. Lucille McKillop, president gave the greeting and incentive for the new semester. The response to the first reading was “The Lord Bless You” In his homily Father Healy stressed the power of the Holy Spirit and the Merging of the old and the new in relationships and studies. The offertory hymn- “Come Before the Table of the Lord of Hosts**[,]**” At Communion-“Yahweh is the God of My Salvation” Recessional: “There Are But Three Things That Last-Faith, Hope, and Love”

The Liturgy Committee under the direction of Sister Marianne Postiglione arranged and played the selections

A buffet followed in Miley Hall – the picinic[sic] planned was rained out.

September 8, 1974

Sister Kathryn Mary Murphy was elected coordinator for next year. She succeeds Sister Marianne Postiglione.

September [blank] 1974

We celebrated Sister Ann Nelson’s silver jubilee with a Mass at five pM celebrated by Rev John

Please omit already cited on August 30

October 16, 1974

Faculty reception for all faculty members was hosted by Faculty Senate in State Dining Room at 2 pM.

October 19, 1974

The College Theology Society held its Annual New England Regional Meeting here from 10 A.M. until 4 pM. The Reverend Philip King and Dr. Pheme Perkins were the principal speakers. Rev. Philip King is professor of Old Testament and Hebrew at Boston College. Dr. Perkins is professor of biblical theology at the same institution

October 20, 1974

Sister Mary Audrey O’Donnell to-gether with her recruiting staff held Open House in O’Hare Academic Center from one until four p.M. The Newport Singers (Salve Regina Glee Club) entertained at four p.M. in Ochre Court Great Hall.

October 26, 1974

The Thirteenth Parents’ Weekend was held on October 26-27 with the usual Coffee Hour from 9:30 until 10:30 AM and the classes in O’Hare Academic Center. Glee Club Concert was offered at 1:45-2:45 pM. After liturgy in Chapel at Ochre Court at 5 pM. dinner was served at the Sheraton Islander Inn from 7 until 9. This was followed by a dance at Ochre Court until Midnight.

October 30, 1974

The Sisters at Moore Hall were hostesses to the rest of the Community at a Halloween Get-to-gether which also served to celebrate the Sisters’ feasts occurring in September and October. These included Sister Mary Giles Peresich; Sister Mauritia [McGuirl]; Sister Mauricita Stapleton, Sister Mary Eloise Tobin, S. Rosanne Quirk, Sister Margaret Mary – of Guam who is a student here

October 23rd-29th

Sister Ralph Mary Imperatore served as a consultant at St. Benedict College, St. Joseph, Minnesota. The Minnesota College is inaugurating a development program. Sister worked in Curriculum development for Medical Technology programs.

November 15, 1974

Sigma Phi Sigma is conducting a Thanksgiving Drive for the needy of Newport. On Thursday November 21 a Thanksgiving Liturgy will be offered by Reverend James Healy. After the liturgy the baskets will be distributed to needy families. Sister Mary Brenda Sullivan is the Moderator for Sigma Phi Sigma

November 4-5

Sister Constance Kozel of the philosophy department attended a conference of the American Association of Higher Education held at University of Massachusetts

November 13-15, 1974

Sister Virginia Walsh (Community Services) attended the New England Gerontology Center’s first symposium in Springfield, Massachusetts.

November 20, 1977

Reverend James K. Healy and the Campus Ministry Office inaugerated[sic]a Fast Day for Hunger. The Money saved from the fast totaled Nine hundred dollars which is to be contributed to Newport organization forwarding such contribution to alleviate hunger.

November 23, 1974

Most Reverend Kenneth Angell recently consecratedAuxilliary Bishop of Providence was honored by the Community. He celebrated the liturgy at 5 p.M. and partook of a buffet luncheon in the Sisters’ Dining Room.

November-Library Meetings-1974

During the course of the month Sister Mary Giles and Members of the library staff attended annual Fall Conference of the Rhode Island Library Association This meeting was held at Sheraton Islander, Newport, RI.

On November 15 Sister Mary Giles and Sister Mary Mauricita attended the one-day conference workshop on Bibliographic instruction. This meeting was held at the Gutman Library of Harvard University and was sponsored by the Association of College and Research Libraries, New England Chapter.

December 6-7, 1974

The Readers Theatre offered An Evening With Dylan Thomas a two part production consisting of a biography of Dylan Thomas entitled “Memories of Dylan Thomas.[”] This was followed by Under MilkWood, a play for voices. Mr Robert Kulois director

December 8, 1974

At eight p.M. in Great Hall Newport Singers under Glenn Guittari gave their annual Christmas Concert which consisted of a combination of the traditional and the contemporary, sacred and secular Christmas Music

December 12, 1974

The Holly Dinner marked a first this year – the entire Salve Regina Community – staff and faculty were invited. The dinner was a great success in so far as it brought to-gether the various segments contributing to the welfare of the College as a whole. The dinner was followed by the Candlelight Ceremony.

December 13 and 14, 1974

John Gay’s ballad play, The Beggar’s Opera under the direction of Miss Joan David. This play was first produced in London in 1728.

December 22, 1974

The Sisters at McAuley Hall were hostesses for the Community Christmas Party which also celebrated the feast days for November and December. Among the Sisters so honored were Sister Charles Francis Dubuque, Sister M. Loretto O Connor, Sister Constance Kozel, Sister M. Joannes Griffin, Sister M. Jeannine O’Brien, Sister Mary Jean Tobin, Sister M Martina Conley, Sister Doris Rolando[.]

The whole affair was most enjoyable, the houce[sic] was beautifully decorated.

December 25, 1974

Christmas Liturgy was celebrated at Midnight by Reverend John Bariczki[.]It was attended by various members of the staff, faculty, and some of the relatives of the Sisters.

December 26, 1974

Word was received this evening that Sister Charles Francis’ brother Charles died suddenly of a heart attack as he was traveling with friends in New Jersey. The funeral Mass is to be held at ten p.M. on Monday, December 30th.

December 31, 1974

We are having a day of recollection with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament from 10 AM. until 5 p.M. followed by liturgy and renewal of vows. The liturgy is for January 1, 1975 – solemnity of the Mother of God.

January 5, 1975

Sister Bernard Michael BrownO.P. is staying with us through January 17th. She is finishing her credits in scripture at the Chaplains school at the Naval base. Sister is currently organizer of the CCD in Norfolk, Virginia.

January 9, 1975 They are returning January 19, 1975

Sisters John Francis McKenna, Marjorie Walsh, Edgar Freethy and Charles Francis Dubuque are en route to-day to Savannah, Georgia where Sister John Francis lived for four years at St. Joseph Hospital. Sister was engaged in Medical Records Department.

January 19, 1975

Sister M. Solina Hicks, a faculty member from the Chicago Province, returned from a three weeks sojourn in England, Ireland, and Wales to-day She went with a group of students from the College to-gether with other faculty members

January 23, 1975

Sister M. [Michaeline Lewandowski**],** a faculty member from the Detroit Province returned to-day after a visit to her home province and to her relatives during the holidays.

January 26, 1975

Sister Norma Orme who has been offering her services in Honduras during the interim to-gether with three of the College students return to-day from a very fruitful Mission among those left destitute after a hurricane this autumn

Sister Callista Fontaine, a faculty member from the Omaha Province, returns to-day after a visit with relatives in Massachusetts.

February 11, 1975

This evening we celebrated Shrove-Tuesday with a festive dinner. This occasion also honored feast days – Sister Michaeline [Lewandowski], Sister Francis de Sales Shea

February 26, 1975 Sister Constance Kozel appeared on Channel 12’s Direct Questions – Question on Death

March 3, 1975

Daniel Maguire, Professor of Theology at Marquette University lectured on “Freedom To Die” at 8 p.M. in Twombley-Burden Room at O’Hare Academic Center

March 1, 1975

Newport College Singers entertained in a joint concert with St. Peter’s College, Jersey City at eight P.M. in Ochre Court

March 9, 1975—Sister Mary Brenda Sullivan Moderator Sigma Phi Sigma, Mercy Honor Society inducted new members this afternoon. Miss Marie Leandro, graduate 1968 addressed the members

March 5, 1975

Sister Norma Orme to-gether with students Ellen Peterson, Christine Zaremski and Donna Baehr shared their January experiences in Belize and (British) Honduras with the College Community

March 9-15, 1975

The Irish-American Cultural Institute offered a series of lectures on the above dates at eight p.M. in the Great Hall. The lectures ranged from Essential Folk Music America in Ireland, The Myth of Famine Emigrationto American Irish and their Foreign Policy Tradition 1890-1920

March 16, 1975

Alumnae held fashion show in Great Hall at 2 p.M. to-day

March 17, 1975

Ochre Court Community were hostesses for the rest of the Community at a St. Patrick Day Party which began with dinner in dining room followed by desert[sic] and goodies on third floor of Ochre Court. On this occasion Sisters M. Philemon Banigan and Ann Nelson were honored since their feast days occur in March – March 8 and 25 respectively.

Sister Lucille McKillop is in Chicago being honored as Woman of the Year by the Irish Society

March 27, 1975

Holy Thursday - Rev John Boreczky celebrated the liturgy at four thirty p.M. The Sisters are free to attend the rest of the Holy Week Liturgies at the Church of their Choice; since Father is not returning until Easter Sunday at 9 A.M.

April 4-6

Sisters Mary Jean and Mary Eloise Tobin are scheduled to give a workshop to the Sisters at Watch Hill. The general theme is “Dream of the Rood” and the Meaning of the Cross.

Sisters Ann Nelson and Sister Mary Consilii (History/Politics) attended the annual spring meeting of the American Historical Association which met at Boston College

April 4 and 5th

May 1-2

Two members of Religious Faculty were guest speakers at the Catholic Education Conference of the Fall River Diocese which was held at Feehan High School in Attleboro. Sister Ann Nelson outlined some bicenntenial [sic] programs appropriate for various school levels. Sister Marianne Postiglione offered some reflections on childhood education as exemplified in her television series for children, Marianne’s Greenhouse.

April 27, 1975 The Nursing students of the Sophomore Class received their caps on Sunday in Great Hall at Ochre Court

May 9, 1975

Sister Mary Eloise Tobin of the Religious Studies Department was chosen as teacher of the year for her contribution to the religious studies of the College and to its progress generally.

May 3, 1975

Honors, Awards, Class Day was held on Saturday May 3, 1975 at one p.M. in the Twombley-Burden Room of O’Hare Academic Center. The Academic Awards from the various departments were presented as well as activities awards for French Club, Regina Players, Forensics, Readers Theatre and Liturgy. Special mention was given to students in Sigma Delta Pi (Spanish); Glee Club, Sigma Phi Sigma (Mercy Honor Society) and Who’s Who Among students in Universities and Colleges. The senior nurses received their pins and graduation honors and Dean’s List candidates were presented to the President Sister Lucille McKillop. The Class of 1975 received their academic hoods. The highest ranking senior, Barbara Seaules gave the principal address.

May 23-25 1975

The Commencement weekend was very successful weather wise this year

The Commencement Ball was held at Ochre Court on Friday evening after a dinner at Christe’s. Baccalaureate Mass took place at St. Mary’s at three p.M. with a special liturgy composed by the students

The 25th Annual Commencement was held on The Terrace at 2 p.M. This marked our first Sunday graduation. There were 262 graduates Seven of these received Master of Arts Degrees-This marked a first also at this 25th Commencement.

The Commencement address was given by The Honorable Claiborne Pell. Senator Pell stressed the challenges concurrent with the 21st century and urged the graduates to face the future with courage and with hope.

The invocation was given by Most Reverend Louis E. Gelineau and the benediction by Rev. James Healy, College Chaplain.

May 21, 1975

Sister Mary Loretto [O’Connor] left early to-day for a visit with her brother in California while Sister M. Callista Fontaine left somewhat later for Omaha. Sister belongs to the Omaha Province but is currently teaching in Chemistry Department

May 29, 1975

Sister M. Eloise Tobin and Paula Sharpe of the Religious Studies Department are attending the Annual National Meeting of Theological Society in Boston. The conference ends on Sunday, June 1, 1975

June 1, 1975 Sister Norma Orme has been appointed to Board of Directors of R.I. Foreign Language Association

June 2, 1975

Sisters M. Eloise Tobin, M. Jean Tobin, John Francis McKenna left for Watch Hill to make a private retreat

On June 9,, 1975 Sisters M. Eloise and M. Jean Tobin are en route from Watch Hill to St. Mary Convent, Franklin, Mass to give a course to the novices based upon two Middle English poems “The Pearl” and “Patience.” The theological and artistic aspects are to be explored

June 3, 1975

Retreat opened here this evening conducted by Rev. [blank] O.P. The emphasis is on the liturgy particularly the office. Ada Bethune is giving of her invaluable artistic expertise to the furtherance of enriching liturgy.

June 13, 1975

Sister Mary Giles Peresich, College Librarian has been elected to serve as secretary/treasurer of the Consortium of Rhode Island Academic and Research Libraries for 1975-76.

July 4, 1975

Sister Norma Orme left early this morning for Mexico City where she is to teach Spanish. She will be away until August 1st. She is at Instituto Cultural Tenochtitlan

July 6, 1975 Sister Ann Nelson was guest speaker on WaDK’s Sunday forum. she spoke on Bicentennial Activities at the College

July 6, 1975

As part of the Bicentennial celebration Sister Ann Nelson has arranged with C. Alexander Peloquin for a presentation of The Peloquin Chorale at 8 p.M. in Ochre Court. The program consisted of The Great Hymns of America – “Old Hundredth,” Louis Bourgeois; “Chester” – William Billings; “Rock of Ages” (1776) Thomas Hastings; “Nearer My God To Thee-” Lowell Mason; “Amazing Grace” – The Southern Harmony[;] “Wondrous Love” – Christopher; “Were You There” – Negro Spiritual; “Glory Hallelujah” 1861 – William Steffe; “Battle Hymn of the Republic” – William Steffe – Words Julia Ward Howe

“I Wonder as I Wander” – Appalachian Carol

“Simple Gifts” – Shaker Song

“Shall We Gather At the River” – [Revivalist]Hymn

“O Little Town of Bethlehem” – LH. Redner – words Phillips Brooks

“A Prayer For Us – ” C. Alexander Peloquin –

(Written specially for the Bicentennial and first sung here)

The ending of this Composition moves into America the Beautiful

There was an audience of some 600 people at the concert – a truly great performance

July 7-11

Sister Marianne Postiglione attended a music workshop – Child Development with Music, Language, Movement at Barrington College

The workshop was conducted by Grace C Nash and Robert Welsh

July 11, 1975

From July 11 through July 13 a Black Heritage Trilogy as part of the Bicentennial celebration was held at Ochre Court. On Friday, July 11 a program The Black Man Speaks to America was held in the Great Hall at 8 p.M. The program was divided into three parts: I The Contributions of Blacks to Newport and Rhode Island; II Slavery III Awareness Skit of Famous Contributions Chief participants were Arthur Dark, Ronald Jennings, Shelton Sanders and Paula Sanders

July 12, 1975 – A Collection of Artifacts, maps, and photographs of historical significance were exhibited in State Dining Room from 6 pM. until 9 pM.

July 13, 1975 The Senior Choir of the Community Baptist Church presented a concert of spirituals with Joan Minor as director and William Morris as organist. Among the spirituals sung were “Every Time I Feel the Spirit;” “Were You There”; “Lord I Want To Be A Christian”; “Steal Away;” “Deep River”; “Good News;” Swing Low Sweet Chariot” and “Jacob’s Ladder” There was a capacity audience – very appreciative

July 20, 1975

The Terrace (ocean side) at McAuley Hall was the scene of Sing A Song of Politics-a Collection of [campaign] songs up to the present

The songs were sung and explained by Ann and Richard Gamble both of whom have worked extensively as soloists in the New England Area Among the songs presented were “God Save Great Washington”; “Jefferson and Liberty”; “Free Soul Chorus”; “Union Dixie”; “Lincoln and Hamlin”; “Captain Grant of the Black Marines”; “When Teddy Comes Marching Home”; “He’s Our Al”; “Do Ye Ken J.D,”“Hello, Lyndon,” and “Nixon’s The One.”

July 25, 1975

Sister Kathryn Mary Murphy and Sister Jeannine O’Brien left to-day on a trip to California. They will be gone until around August 22nd. Sister Marie Christine Dewhurst, R.SM. has been added to our faculty as Director of Residence Halls

Sister Arlene Woods has been added to our faculty as a member of Art Department.

August 2, 1975

Sister Giles Peresich received word this Morning that her Mother has been hospitalized. She is en route to Biloxi, Mississippi. Sister Norma Orme returned this evening from Mexico City.

August 3, 1975

Sisters M Solina Hicks, Joannes Griffin, Ann Nelson and Lois [Eveleth] are en route to Cincinnati, Ohio to the Conference on Higher Education at which Sister M. Lucille McKillop, President of our College is the key speaker.

August 10, 1975

Word was received to-day that Sister M. Giles Peresich’s Mother went to God yesterday. Sister has been home – Biloxi, Mississippi – for the past week. Sisters M Mercy McAuliffe, M Lucille McKillop, and Callista Fontaine left on 6:30 plane from Boston for the funeral.

August 15, 1975

Sister Mauricita Stapleton returned to-day from her study of library science in Nashville, Tennessee. Sister has been there since early June

Sister Carol Jussaume made profession of her final vows here in the College Chapel at seven p.M. Her uncle Reverend Andre Jussaume who is also her godfather celebrated the liturgy. Witnesses to her vows were Sister M. Mercy [McAuliffe], Sister M. Donald Egan, and Sister Janice Brady. Sisters Christine Dewhurst and Catherine Donovan brought up the gifts at the offertory. Guitaristsfor the occasion were Sisters Susan Jenkinson, Sister Deborah Pontes, Sister Nancy Picard, Sister Kathleen McCann was lector.

General Theme: He Who Hears My Word and Believes has Eternal Life.

Entrance hymn: Hosea – Come Back To Me

At Signing of Vows – Regnum Mundi

Communion hymn – To Be Near God and

Psalm 89 – I will celebrate your love forever

Communion Meditation Song: The [Leader’s]

Prayer-Solo – Sister Deborah Pontes

Closing hymn – Praise God In His Holy Dwelling.

A Coffee hour followed in the State Dining Room

August 16, 1975

Word was received to-day that Sister Lucille McKillop’s Mother went to God

Sister was called to Chicago a few days ago.

August – Week of August 11, 1975

Much of this week was spent in the filming of Adam’s [sic] Chronicle – Saga of the [Adams] Family as part of the Bi-Centennial

This Chronicle is to be present d [sic] in January on Educational Channels.

August 19, 1975

The following persons are en route to-day for Chicago to attend Sister M. Lucille’s Mother’s funeral which is scheduled for Wednesday, August 20th: Sisters M. Jean, Audrey, Rosalia, Francis de Sales, Mercy (Provincial Administrator) Therese (Councilor)[,] Sister Ann Nelson[,] M. Giles[,] Dr. William Burrell, Dean of Faculty[;] Doctor Sheila Megley, Dean of Students[;], Dr. Ascanio DiPippo, President of Faculty Senate; Catherine Graziano, Chairman of Nursing Division and Jeremiah Lynch, Chairman of Board of Trustees

August 25, 1975

Word was received to-day that Sister M. Callista Fontaine’s nephew went to God to-day after being taken suddenly ill a week ago.

August 28, 1975

The last of our Community get to-gethers was held at WakeHurst [sic] this evening at five. A “sea food” picnic was most enjoyable including clam cakes, chowder, clams, stuffed quahaugsand water melon**.** “A hunt” for prize packages was an added attraction

September 3, 1975

The first faculty meeting of the year opened with liturgy at 9 celebrated by Reverend James Healy in Ochre Court Chapel. The theme of the Mass was You Are the Light of the World; You are the salt of the earth.

Following the Mass the faculty assembled in the Drawing Room. Sister Lucille presented the progress report and the incentives for future growth at the same time stressing our position as a Catholic College. Dr. Sheila Megley outlined the summer program as it was related to organization and planning for the academic year; New instructors were introduced. At 12 Noon a buffet was served in the state dining room.

This evening the Salve Regina religious Community elected Sister Kathryn Mary Murphy as Coordinator for the coming year. Sister also held the office last year.

September 9, 1975

Father John Boreczky**,** Naval Chaplain, who has served us during the past year has been re-assigned to California This evening we entertained Father at a special dinner and gave him as a parting gift a set of five volumes entitled A Theology For Artisans of a New Humanity-Secundo.

September 14, 1975

Canonization of Mother Elizabeth Seton

Reverend Thomas Carnevale offered Mass at Nine AM. to-day. Father is to offer the liturgy on Sundays and also whenever Father Healy has need of a substitute

September 28, 1975

To-day Sunday, we celebrated Mercy day which fell on Wednesday We had a special Vesper service at four thirty in Chapel. Sister Mary Brenda Sullivan and Sister Paula Sharpe planned the service

The Salve Regina and the Magnificat were sung. The second psalm was chanted on psalm tone The intercessory prayers honored Our Lady under her title of Mother of Mercy. After the Vespers we had a dinner in our dining room. On this occasion the September feast days were remembered. The following received gifts: Sister M. Giles Peresich; Sister Norma Orme; Sister Mauritia [McGuirl] and Sister Mauricita [Stapleton].

After the celebration Sister Kathryn Mary announced that Father Murphy, a naval chaplain would be offering Mass at seven A.M. Father is alternating with two other chaplains in order to serve us.

September 29, 1975

We are fortunate this week to learn that three Naval Chaplains will be serving us from Monday through Friday. Rev. Michael Murphy - Monday and Thursday; Reverend Richard Dempsey Tuesday and Friday; Rev —[sic] Murray on Wednesday.

October 5, 1975

Sister John Francis McKenna left us to-day for a few months since her work in the Northern part of the state nursing homes will occupy her until January. She is living at St Leo the Great Convent in Pawtucket

October 18, 1975

The first community day of the year was held here from ten until three. Reverend John Gallen, S.J. conducted the discussions on liturgy in O’Hare Twombly-Burden Room. Celebration of the liturgy was held in Ochre Court Great Hall at twop.M.

October 19, 1975

The Sisters at Moore Hall were hostesses to the rest of the Salve Regina Community at a Harvest Fest. Sister Paula Sharpe prepared a special office which we all shared before dinner. Feast days for October were honored: Sister Mary Eloise Tobin, Sister Lois Eveleth; Sister Ralph Mary Imperatore (in absentia)[;] Sister Callista Fontaine and Sister Naomi Burns.

After the celebration cluster groups met to discuss leadership in the community

October 25, 1975

The fourteenth Father’s Weekend was the order of the day opening with coffee hour at Nine thirty and followed by class presentations in O’Hare. The Glee Club entertained at three p.M.and a dance culminated the affair in the evening.

November 2, 1975

The Admissions Department organized an Open House Day for prospective students about one thousand persons attended during the course of the afternoon. Various departments met with interested students and parents during the assigned periods

The dorms were open to those who attended

The Glee Club presented a concert at Ochre Court at the end of the afternoon.

November 13 1975 November 13, 1975

Sister Callista Fontaine was operated on this morning at ten thirty at Newport Hospital for gall bladder stone. Sister is doing well.

November 16 1975

Sister Lucille McKillop, our president, is living at Clock Tower on Dixon Street. She held open house for the Sisters from two until four this afternoon

November 15, 1975

Minority Students Organization sponsored a dance Saturday Night in Ochre Court All proceeds from the dance will support the Minority Students Organization’s Thanksgiving Food Drive.

November 17, 1975

Two new members will be welcomed to Board of Trustees Meeting The new members Raymond W Caine, Jr Vice President of Rhode Island Blue Cross and Blue Shield, Vice Admiral John T. Hayward (US. N. Retired), now consultant to the General Dynamics Corporation.

November 19, 1975

Special Thanksgiving Mass is scheduled at four p.M. in Ochre Chapel.

November 21, 1975

Sister M. Callista Fontaine left Newport Hospital to-day for Health Center at Mount Saint Rita. Sisters M. Giles and Francis de Sales accompanied her.

November 27, 1975

Reverend Michael Murphy, Naval Chaplain is offering Thanksgiving Mass for us at nine aM.

November 30, 1975 Rev. Joseph Dimino, here for Claudette Lilton’s wedding, is offering the liturgy for us at 9 A.M.

December 4, 1975

Sister Callista Fontaine returned this noon from Health Center. She is to remain here a few days before going to her niece’s in Quincy.

Sister Charles Francis Dubuque’s Aunt went to God Monday December 1st and was buried yesterday December 3, 1975

December 12, 1975

Sister Michaeline [Lewandowski] is returning to-day to Detroit for the Christmas holidays She is to return on January 11, 1976

December 14, 1975

Sister M. Callista Fontaine is leaving us to-day to stay with her niece in Squantum, Mass.

December 15, 1975

This evening Salve Regina College Community came to-gether for Holly Buffet – Administration, Faculty, and Staff. After the sumptuous repast we gathered in the Great Hall for a spiritual celebration Sister M Lucille McKillop read the first reading-Your Hand Is Near (Christian’s Prayer Book) p. 51 Mrs. Mary Toppa Luke 1:26-33,38, Dr. Ascanio Di Pippo Matthew 1:18-23; Sister Kathryn Mary Murphy Waiting-John Gallen and Sister M Giles Peresich Eternal God-Christian’s Prayer Book p.51. One significant feature of Christmas this year Students, Administration, Faculty and staff contributed over one thousand dollars to allow our African student [Melkiori Matwi][[3]](#footnote-3) to go home for Christmas

December 16, 1975

Sister M Giles Peresich and Sister Mary Brenda Sullivan went to Newport Hospital to-day. They are expected home on Thursday, December 18, 1975

December 19, 1975

Sister M. Callista Fontaine returned to Newport Hospital to-day for more X-rays. She had been with her niece in Squantum, Massachusetts since Sunday, December 12, 1975

December 25, 1975

Midnight Mass was celebrated by Reverend James Healy. Well over one hundred people were present. The altar was beautifully decorated with poinsettas[sic] Sister Lucille McKillop sent a dozen red roses to us for the altar. Sister Marianne Postiglione arranged the liturgy with a prelude of Christmas Hymns at eleven forty five. Father’s homily centered around the wonder of Christmas – the wonder of a little child.

The Sisters and their guests were invited to third floor of Ochre Court for a light repast after the liturgy

December 26, 1975

Sister Doris Rondeau left to-day for a three week visit to California; Sister Mary Smith left for Florida.

I[sic]December 21, 1975 The Sisters at McAuley Hall were hostesses for the Community Christmas Party which also celebrated November and December feast days among these were Sister M. Loretto [O’Connor], Sister M. Joannes Griffin, Sister M. Jeannine O Brien, Sister Doris Rondeau and Sister Mary Jean Tobin. The whole affair was most enjoyable At six thirty p.M Sister M. Consilii Reynolds left with her Mother and brother for Orlando, Florida. Sister Ralph Mary Imperatore is home until January 4th. She is at present teaching at St. Benedict College, St. Joseph, Minnesota

December 31, 1975

To-day is set aside as a day of recollection Reverend Robert [Kaczynski], a priest from the Fall River diocese is giving a conference at one-thirty to be followed by liturgy at three p.M. The theme of his conference was Faith. Father also very kindly heard confessions before the liturgy.

January 4, 1976

Sister M. Mauritia [McGuirl] went to Newport Hospital to-day. She is to have surgery on Wednesday, January 7, 1976 at eight A.M.

January 7, 1976

Sister Mauritia returned this afternoon around three pM. Due to some malfunctioning in the operation room Sister did not undergo surgery.

January 3, 1976

Sister Callista Fontaine returned this morning from Newport Hospital

January 15, 1976

Sister Doris Rondeau returned to-day from California

January 16-18, 1976

About ninety members of our community are making a prayer week end at Miley Hall. They are delegates to the coming chapter and the nominees for Provincial Administrator plus Council.

Sister Mary Smith returned to-day from Florida

January 17, 1976

Sister John Francis McKenna has returned to us from St. Leo’s Pawtucket where she has lived in order to be near to her work in nursing homes in the area. Sister’s work for the next two months is in Bellevue Nursing Home nearby.

January 23, 1976

Sister M. Callista Fontaine returned to-day to Omaha Nebraska to consult with her own doctor. To-day was sub-zero temperature - thirteen degrees below at Green Airport in Warwick. Yesterday we had a major snowstorm which paralyzed most of the state

January 22-29 1976

Faculty Workshop Sister M Lucille McKillop gave a paper at opening on January 22nd which was more or less a summation of Bishop’s Conference on higher education held at Notre Dame about a week ago[.] Sister was one among 30 presidents of Catholic Colleges who attended[.] Sister M. Mercy McAuliffe Provincial Administrator and member of the Board of Trustees was second speaker. Her topic was sponsorship in which she traced the varied concepts of the word within the history of Salve Regina College.

January 22nd- Workshop cancelled due to heavy snowfall.

January 31, 1976

Sister M. Callista Fontaine returned to us to-day since the spring semester begins on Monday, February 2nd.

February 1, 1976

Sister Lucille McKillop left for Chicago this afternoon to consult with her doctor about possible surgery.

February 10, 1976

Sister Lucille underwent surgery this morning in Mercy Hospital at 9:30. We received word here around noon that fortunately the surgery was minor. Thank God. Sister expects to return on March 1st.

February 6, 1976

Sisters Mary Smith, Ann Nelson, and Lois Eveleth were guests of the Washington Chapter of the Alumnae Mrs. Mary Regina Lazzari Niehausorganized the meeting which was to take place at her home in Arlington, Virginia

February 15, 1976

The following Sisters from the Salve Regina community left around eight A.Mas members of the Chapter which is concerned with election of Provincial Administrator and Council: Sisters Rosanne Quirk, Ann Nelson, Consilii Reynolds, Christine Dewhurst, Paula Sharpe. The meetings are to be conducted at Feehan - Our Lady of Mercy Convent-Bishop Feehan High School in Attleboro, Massachusetts

March 5, 1976

The 125th Anniversary of the Sisters of Mercy in the Diocese of Providence was celebrated with liturgy at Cathedral in Providence. Sister Marianne Postiglione directed the music - her composition Mass for Life was most fitting for the occasion. Sisters Mary [Eloise] and Mary Jean Tobin were responsible for Prayers of the Faithful.

March 12, 1976

This evening at five p.M.we celebrated Sister Mary Giles Peresich’s twenty-fifth anniversary of Religious Profession with liturgy at five and dinner in State Dining Room at six Reverend Bennet Kelley, C.P. was celebrant. The liturgy was preceded by office for the Friday of the first week of Lent. Sister M. Lucille McKillop did the first reading Romans 1:1-7 concerned with the call

The Responsorial Psalm was taken from the statement on the Unifying Values of the Sisters of Mercy. After the prayers of the Faithful (composed by Sister Mary Eloise Tobin) we renewed our vows. The Communion Meditation taken from Sister Mary Concilia Moran’s closing remarks to the Chapter delegates in August, 1972, was read by Sister Mercy McAuliffe, Provincial Administrator[.] The hymns sung at the liturgy Psalm 89: I have Made a Covenant All That I Am, Salve Regina.

March 17th, 1976

Sister Judith McNamara (A Sister from Maine who is studying here) called to tell us that her brother Charles had gone to God after a three week illness as result of a virus infection

This evening we celebrated St. Patrick’s Day with a special dinner at five-the main course was served in our dining room and the dessertin third floor lounges which were [appropriately] decorated

Our guests were the Sisters from St. Mary’s to-gether with Navy Chaplains who serve us: Reverends Michael Murphy, Richard Dempsey, Frederick Murray

April 8, 1976

This marks the last day for classes. We return on Tuesday, April 20th

April 15, 1976

The Holy Week services were inaugurated this evening with the liturgy at six p.M.Reverend James Healy assisted by his two brother[s] Rev. George Healy and Rev. Joseph Healy celebrated the liturgy of the Lord’s Supper. The Good Friday Liturgy is to [be] celebrated at two p.Mwith a penance service as an integral portion of the celebration.

The Holy Saturday Liturgy is scheduled for seven thirty.

April 17, 1976

The Holy Saturday liturgy began with the lighting of the fire on the East Terrace. Then the procession with lighted candles moved into Chapel. Two children were Baptized one Matthew nephew of Father Healy and the other Christopher [blank]. The ritual of the sick followed Mrs. Healy, Father’s Mother and Miss Marie Murphy, Alumna and polio victim since 1954. The baptismal water was passed around to the congregation as a fitting culmination of renewal of the baptismal promises.

Rev. George Healy assisted his brother all during the Holy Week Services.

April 25, 1976

Sigma Phi Sigma held its induction in the Great Hall at two p M.under the guidance of Sister Mary Brenda Sullivan. Doctor William Burrell welcomed the students and their friends in the absence of Sister Lucille McKillop. Sister Arlene Violet, RSM addressed the new members. Sister emphasized their commitment to the community and to the Major social issues of our era. Twenty new members were inducted – eleven seniors, five juniors and four sophomores.

May 1, 1976

Honors and Awards Day was held in Twombley-Burden Room of O’Hare Academic Center at one o’clock. The invocation was given by Father James Healy. The principal address was given by Christine Zaremski, highest ranking senior. Deans William Burrell and Sheila Megley presented the honors. Closing remarks and final prayer were given by Sister Lucille McKillop. The Closing Anthem-Holy God We Praise Thy Name.

May 7, 8, 9

The Salve Regina Players Production this year was Godspell.Directed by Miss Joan David and carried by a cast of ten students the play was a tremendous success.

May 15, 1976

Sister Mary Eloise Tobin, the resource person relative to the concentration on poverty[,] is en route to Battle Creek, Michigan where she is to meet with some twenty others of the various provinces. The purpose is to collate the summations from the provinces. The study is now in its third year and hopefully each province is ready to implement the recommendations of the committee.

Sister Ann Welch, the contact person from Holy Ghost, Providence accompanied Sister –

May 20, 1976 Sister Loretto O’Connor left to-day for California where she is to assist her brother James who has been hospitalized[.] Sister asked to remain for six months.

May 22, 1976

A group of some twelve Sisters from the college faculty are attending the Commencement exercises at Bryant College this morning at ten p.M.since Sister Lucille McKillop, our president is to receive an honorary degree-Doctor Science in Business Administration

[Baccalaureate] Mass for our [soon?]graduates is scheduled for three pM at St. Mary’s

From seven until nine [p.m.], the Sisters are invited to Dixon street residence to a reception and buffet honoring Sister Concilia Moran, General Administrator who is to receive an honorary degree at Commencement on Sunday.

Sister Rosalina McKillop Sister Lucille’s sister will be here for the weekend.

The Concelebrants of the Baccalaureate Mass were The Reverend James Healy, Reverend Richard W. Rousseau,Reverend George B. McCarthy and Reverend Edmund H. Fitzgerald

Music was by The Newport College Chamber Choir directed by Glenn Guittari. Trumpeter Gene Crisafulli and Organist David Carrier

The liturgy highlighted the old and the new traditions with a combination of both Latin and English selections for the various parts of the Mass. Eileen Malone read from Exodus 19:3-8 and Claire J. Travers from Revelation 21 1-6

After the homily the graduates received their hoods from Sister Lucille assisted by Dr William Burrell and Dr. Sheila Megley. Patricia Ann Keenan and Joanne Helen Ganley presented the gifts.

It was a glorious liturgy.

May 23, 1976

Sister Marianne Postiglione has accepted the position of Director of Media Center for the Diocese of Providence beginning on September

The Twenty**-**Sixth Annual Commencement was held on Ochre Court Terrace at twop.M – Reverend George McCarthy of St. Mary’s gave the invocation. Greetings from the State of Rhode Island were extended by Francis J Boyle Members of the Board of Regents while greetings from the City of Newport were given by Humphrey J. Donnelly, III Mayor[.] Rev Rollins E Lambert from Chicago a Member of the Board of Trustees and a specialist for African Affairs gave the commencement address.

A special feature of the exercises was the conferring of the Presidential Medallion on Sister Lucille McKillop by Jeremiah C. Lynch Jr Chairman of the Board of Trustees. The Medallion is inscribed with the names of the five presidents to date.

Honorary degrees were given to the following

Dr. Felixde Weldon – Doctor of Fine Arts

Sister Mary Concilia Moran – Doctor of Humane Letters

The Honorable Thomas J. Paolino – Doctor of Laws

The Commencement was marked by conferring twenty seven Masters Degrees[,] fifty-one Bachelor of Arts[ ,] 153Bachelor of Science and 102 Associate of Science. A total of 333 degrees

Reverend James Healy gave the final Benediction

May 27, 1976

Sister Kathryn Mary Murphy, our Coordinator, arranged a cook-out to be held at five-thirty pM on Ochre Court Terrace for the Naval Chaplains who have served us so devotedly since September – Reverend Michael Murphy Reverend Richard Dempsey and Reverend Frederick Murray. These Chaplains are leaving Newport for their various assignments on June 12th.

May 31, 1976

Retreatants came this afternoon between three and five. There are eighteen from Mount Saint Rita and Bayview plus some twenty-five of our own faculty. Rev. William McNamara, OCD is conducting the first portion of the retreat and Rev. Andrew Cusack the second portion. Sister Ralph Mary Imperatore returned yesterday from St. Benedict College, St. Joseph Minnesota where she has been [working?]

June 1, 1976

Sister Margaret Mary Wharton, A Mercy Sister from Guam who has been a student here for two years and who received her degree on May 23rd is leaving for home to-day.

Sister Judith McNamara, A Mercy from Maine also received her degree at Commencement. She left the same day with her relatives.

June 6, 1976 Sister Mauricita Stapleton left this morning for summer study in library science at [blank]

June 11, 1976

This morning we had a special liturgy celebrated by Reverends Frederick Murray and Richard Dempsey, Naval Chaplains who are leaving Newport to-day on new assignments. Rev. Michael Murphy celebrated the liturgy with us yesterday. He is also en route to a new assignment.

To-day is also a special day for another reason it marks the departure of many of us to attend Mercy Higher Education Colloquium Conference at Bethesda General Motherhouse. The following are attending the conference: Sister Lucille McKillop, a member of the executive committee, Sister Solina Hicks, Sister [Michaeline Lewandowski], Sister Joannes Griffin, Sister Ann Nelson, Sister Consilii Reynolds, Sister Lois Eveleth, Sister Marjorie Walsh, Sister Audrey O’Donnell, Sister Charles Francis Dubuque, Sister Christine Dewhurst, Sister Kathryn Mary Murphy, Sister Norma Orme, Sister Giles Peresich, Sister Edgar Freethy, Sister Mary Smith, Sister Mary Eloise Tobin, Sister Mary Jean Tobin, Sister Francis de Sales Shea

The conference is scheduled from the evening of June 11 until Noon on Sunday June 13th The Sisters expect to return on Monday, June 14th

June 20, 1976

Sister Paula Sharpe left this morning for New Mexico where she is to be involved in teaching religion

June 24, 1976

Sister Norma Orme left to-day from Greene Airport at eight-thirty A.M.for St. Catherine Convent, Belize. She will remain there until June 27th Then Sister will move on to San Pedro Sula Honduras where she will teach at the Instituto San Vicente de Paul. Sister should be returning around July 24th

July 1, 1976

To-day the Tall ships left Newport for New York. Many of us went to various locations to watch the Parade of Ships. These ships have been here for the last five days – a gala season for thousands of people.

This evening a Futurity Workshop began on campus. The members are composed of Sisters from the Nine provinces. Sister Brian Costillo of Chicago is Coordinator. Sister Lois Harten is attending from our province.

July 23, 1976

Sister Doris Rondeau finished her work in the business office and will enter Mercy Hospital School of Nursing in Portland, Maine in September

Sister Norma Orme returned this evening from Honduras where she has been teaching during the past month.

Sister Virgina Walsh, Coordinator of Community Services here at Salve Regina has been appointed by Governor Noel to the Advisory Council of the Commission for Education. This office is under Title I of the Higher Education Act and provides grants aimed at helping communities solve problems through continuing education

Sister Ralph Mary Imperatore has changed her residence from the College to St. Mary’s Bayview She will continue to teach at St. Benedict College, Saint Joseph, Minnesota during the coming year.

July 27, 1976

Sister M. Loretto O’Connor who has been visiting her brother James O Connor in California, (Sister left in May since her brother was ill) returned this evening.

August 19, 1976

Sister Marianne Postiglione is leaving shortly for her new position as Director of the Media Center for the Diocese

Sister Mauricita Stapleton returned last week from her studies in Tennessee (Peabody College)

August 22, 1976

Young People’s Symphony is scheduled for Ochre Court at 2 p.M

New England Liturgical Conference opens to-day. The Conference will be held until August 26th.

August 10, 1976

The Saga Company has taken over the Food Service. At present we are in a transition period relative to this.

Sister M. Solina Hicks who has been with us for two years has returned to her own province, Chicago. We will miss her.

August 27, 1976

Sister Marianne Postiglione left to-day for her new assignment as Director of Media Center for the diocese We will miss her.

August 28, 1976

Sister Mauritia [McGuirl] fell in her room and was taken to Newport Hospital for X-rays. Sister’s knee is deteriorating so Sister returned home after the X-rays.

September 1, 1976

The feast days from April through August were celebrated this evening with a buffet at five in the dining room. Sister Lucille McKillop and Sister Consilii Reynolds – April; Sister Marianne Postiglione – May; Sister Marjorie Walsh and Sister Audrey O Donnell and Sister John Francis McKenna – June; Sister Mary Edgar Freethy – July; Sister Margaret Adams, Sister Rosanne Quirk – August

September 2, 1976

Sister Doris Mary Rondeau leaves to-day for Portland, Maine where she is to study Nursing with the Sisters of Mercy.

September 7, 1976

This evening we elected Sister Kathryn Mary Murphy as Coordinator. Thirty-one Sisters were present. Sister Kathryn received twenty-eight votes; Sister Mary Philemon Banigan – two votes; Sister Mary Edgar Freethy – one.

Sister Rosalie Fitzpatrick has joined our Community this year. Sister is from the Province of Chicago and is teaching Mathematics here.

September 24, 1976

Mercy Day – the liturgy was prepared by Sister Mary Brenda Sullivan and Sister Paula Sharpe. The scripture reading St. Paul-Philippians – Chapter IV v. 4-9 – the hymns sung – Salve Regina, Magnificat, O Dearest Mother of Mercy[.] Sister Mary Jean Tobin did the scripture reading since Mercy Day 1976 marked her fiftieth year since entrance A buffet followed in our dining room[.] A major announcement of the day: Doctor Sheila Megley, Dean of Students is to make her profession as a Sister of Mercy at sometime in the near future.

October 5, 1976

Sister Mauritia [McGuirl] became very ill this evening and was taken to Newport Hospital. The doctor thinks she has a diseased gall bladder

October 9, 1976

Sister Norma Orme was admitted to Newport Hospital this afternoon for tests

October 15, 1976

Sister Norma Orme returned home this morning

October 19, 1976

Sister Mauritia [McGuirl]is with us again.

October 28-30, 1976

28th

The 15th Annual Parents Weekend officially opened this evening with a dinner in the State Dining Room at seven-thirty. Mr. John Burke is president of the Parents’ Council and Commander Richard A. Rinkel is vice-president.

29th

Saturday includes attendance at classes, a concert by Newport College Singers, dinner at the Sheraton Islander and a dance at Ochre Court from 9 until 12.

30th

Liturgy in the Great Hall and morning brunch will conclude the events

October 22, 1976

Sister Ann Nelson was elected president of the Faculty Senate with Sister Mary Eloise Tobin as treasurer and Sister Paula Sharpe as secretary – social secretary that is.

November 7, 1976

Sister Mary Audrey O’Donnell and her staff are sponsoring an Open House for prospective students and their families. Besides a variety of departmental group sessions there will be a display of student art work at Mercy Hall.

November 13, 1976

The Barnard Club founded in 1878 is holding its Fall Meeting here to-day from 11:30 until 3: 30 p.M. Sister Lucille McKillop, President of Salve Regina will address the educators. Her topic is Lifelong Learning – A Vivid Truth of the “New Age.”

November 14, 1976

A special liturgy for Alumni and Faculty both present and past was celebrated by Reverend James Healy, College Chaplain just previous to Pot Luck supper at Miley Hall. Sisters Mary Eloise, Mary Jean Tobin to-gether with Mrs. Claire Curtis, an alumna prepared the liturgy[.] Sister Marianne Postiglione selected the hymns and was responsible for the Musicians.

November 20, 1976

The Panel Discussion, “The Concept of Renaissance Man” held at 10:30 this morning in Green Room featured Sister Concilii Reynolds, (History) Sister Lois Eveleth (Philosophy) and Sister [Michaeline Lewandowski](Art)[.] This was only one feature of the weekend.

November 22, 1976

Sister Ann Nelson is the recipient of two well deserved awards. Dr. Patrick Conley, Chairman of Rhode Island Bicentennial Commissionnotified Sister that she will receive a certificate of recognition for “Outstanding Contributions to the religious dimensions of the Bicentennial in Rhode Island.” The presentation will take place on December 12, 1976 at a breakfast hosted by the Catholic Association of College Alumni

Sister has been invited to serve as a member on National Conference for Women She will represent the state of Rhode Island and the Northeast region.

November 22, 1976

Sister Arlene Woods has an original painting on display at the Newport Art Association exhibit. Sister’s painting is an abstract entitled “Newport Beginnings[.]” The exhibit closes on December 5th

Sister M. Giles Peresich left to-day for St. Louis where she will attend Chapter Meeting of her province. She expects to return on November 29th

November 24, 1976

Sister Doris Rondeau returned for Thanksgiving Recess from Portland, Maine where she is studying Nursing. Sister expects to return on Sunday.

November 25, 1976

Thanksgiving Day – Many of us attended the special liturgy at St. Mary’s at Nine A.M. before going home for the Thanksgiving celebrations

Sisters Lucille McKillop and Rosalie Fitzpatrick to-gether with Doctor Sheila Megley invited Sister Mauritia [McGuirl] and Sister Mary Audrey to their residence at Dixon Street for Thanksgiving dinner at 4 p.M.

December 1976

The programs during December are were [sic]many and varied. December 2nd marked trimming of tree in Great Hall. December 6 Newport College Singers entertained at Ochre Court with a concert at eight p.M. The first part of the program was concerned with Fifteenth Century Carols featuring Joyce Carlson as guest harpist. The second half of the program featured traditional carols [from] around the world. December 8 brought the Bell Ringers of the First Presbyterian Church under the direction of Frank E Converse[.] Immediately following this Mr. Robert Kulo of the English department and Sister M Giles Peresich, Librarian gave an oral interpretation of “A Christmas Memory” by Truman Capote. December 11th and 12th Miss Joan David directed a Medieval play by Charles Williams The House of the Stable. This performance took place at Carey Mansion on Ruggles Avenue.

December 9th marked the students Holly Dinner and Candlelight Ceremony

December 16th highlighted the Faculty, staff Holly Dinner and Carol Ceremony. There were some 300 present.

On December 19th Solemn Vespers was chanted under the direction of Father [blank]of St. Ann’s Church in Providence.

December 5, 1976

[Swine?] Flu Clinic under the auspices of the Rhode Island Department of Health was conducted at O’Hare Academic Center from 10A.M. until 4 p.M.

December 14, 1976

This date marked the conclusion of formal classes for the semester. Exams begin to morrow December 15th.

December 15, 1976 Nursing Program here has been re-accredited by National League of Nursing

The entire provincial Council met with us – Sister Miriam Sharpe, [Arlene] Violet, Patricia Farley, Madonna Crawford and Bernedette Casey. The purpose of the meeting was to present to us certain written statements and oral interpretations surrounding persons involved in Sheila Lyons Case, a court procedure relative to a failure in one of the nursing subjects[.] The session was very painful for us because as a Community we have been most careful in our discussions. Not much was accomplished by this method.

December 21, 1976

The Annual party for all the houses – Marian Moore, Ochre Court and Dixon Street was held at Ochre Court. At five p.M. all gathered in Chapel for Vespers prepared by Sisters Mary Jean Tobin and Eloise Tobin. Sister Norma Orme was organist. Immediately following Vespers we went to third floor of Ochre Court for buffet and gifts. Needless to say we enjoyed ourselves. Sister Martina Conley who is presently caring for her brother was able to be with us. Sister Catherine Kathryn[sic] Mary Murphy our Coordinator, was most generous in her gifts to us. Feast days for November, December, and January were also remembered[.] This included Sister Charles Francis Dubuque; Sister Kathryn Murphy, Sister Loretto O’Connor, Sister Jeannine O’Brien, Sister Mary Jean Tobin, Sister Francis de Sales Shea, Sister Joannes Griffin.

December 1976 Recently

Sister Lucille McKillop has been appointed to Board of Directors of Newport Hospital Sister also serves as a Director of the Newport Chamber of Commerce and the Newport Music Festival. Sister Mary Smith, Archivist, recently provided slides of Ochre Court to the National Trust for Historic Preservation.

December 31, 1976

We were disappointed to-day since Rev. Robert [Kaczynski] called to say he was unable to come because he is ill with the flu. Father is a priest in the Fall River Diocese.

January 3, 1977

Sister Mauritia [McGuirl] was taken very ill early this morning and was admitted to Newport Hospital around 2 A.M.

January 11, 1977

Sister Mauritia [McGuirl] returned home to-day She is to be under a very strict diet.

January 14, 1977 Sister Lucille McKillop has been appointed to Board of Directors Newport National [Bank]

Sister Marie Jeannine O Brien’s Mother went peacefully to God this afternoon in her sleep

Sister had visited her just yesterday.

January 23, 1977

Sister Mary Eloise and Sister Mary Jean’s Aunt Catherine went to God suddenly this afternoon sitting in her armchair at Patrician Manor on Catherine street in Newport.

January 27-28, 1977

Faculty Workshops were the order of these two days. The workshop originally scheduled for Wednesday, January 26th was cancelled so the faculty could attend the funeral Mass for Sisters Mary Jean and Eloise’s Aunt

January 31, 1977

Classes were resumed to-day for second semester

Winter blizzards still continue.

Record cold for month of January surpasses all records.

February 2, 1977

To-day marks the twenty-fifth anniversary of entrance for Sister Marie Naomi Burns. At the seven A.M.liturgy Sister Norma Orme favored us with Music: All that I Am; [blank] Dearest Mother of Mercy. It so happened that Reverend Angelo Libera Navy Chaplain and celebrant of the liturgy was commemorating his twentieth Anniversary.

Reverend James [Healy],Chaplain, offered the liturgy for Sister at the Noon Mass.

In the evening after supper the community gathered on third floor of Ochre Court. The celebration began with a prayer service introduced by Sister Mary Philemon Banigan Scripture Reading [Isaiah?] 62 1-5 Sr. Kathryn Murphy; Hosea the prophet of the Divine Espousals– Sister Mary Edgar Freethy; Record Weston Monks – Hosea; Vowed Commitment to-day in our Mercy Vocation – Sister M. Rosalie Fitzpatrick; Hymn Mother of Mercy. This was followed by dessert – cake ice cream The cake was made especially for the occasion. Sister received a spiritual book The Way and twenty-five dollars plus a bouquet of red roses from the Community. Sister Lucille provided the flower decoration for the table which was tastefully arranged with silver service

February 15, 1977

Sister M. Brian Costello of the Chicago Provincial Council is here for a few days. This evening the Salve Regina Sister Community were invited to Dixon Street residence of Sister Lucille McKillop, Sister Rosalie Fitzpatrick and Sister Sheila Megley Sister Mary Brenda Sullivan contributed two cakes for the occasion. Sister Joannes Griffin one cake, Sister Jeannine O’Brien – brownies.

A prayer service prepared by Sister Mary Jean Tobin and Sister Mary Eloise Tobin opened the occasion

Sister Lucille McKillop—The Vowed Woman, the Liberated Woman; The Voice of the Church from [Gertrud von Le Fort]-Sister Norma Orme; Weston Monks Record: Hands; Response of group – Prayer reflecting witnessing to Christ through Mind, heart, hand and person; Mary the Contemplative and the loving servant of the Lord from Mary: The Womb of God by George Maloney – Sister Joannes Griffin; The Sister of Mercy the contemplative and loving servant of the Lord – Mercy Covenant [?] Sister M. Marjorie Walsh. The service closed with the singing of Mother of Mercy.

Sister M Brian announced that the Generalate had approved Sister Sheila Megley’s petition for entrance – her canonical year dates from September 21, 1977

February 15, 1977

Sister M. Marjorie Walsh received word at 10:45 that her sister Mrs Elizabeth [Malley] went to God very suddenly at 10 p.M.

Sister Mary Giles Peresich received word yesterday that her niece died in California

She was twenty-five years old.

February 18, 1977

Brother Mark of Brothers of Jesus Crucified kindly directed some of us who were free in the chant for the office at 4 p.M.

February 24, 1977

At the Annual Meeting of the National Catholic Education Association held recently in New Orleans Sister Lucille McKillop was elected to a three year term on the Executive Committee

February 26, 1977

The Arts Services of Newport sponsored a panel discussion entitled, “Critics’ Role in Community Arts[”] at St. George’s School in Middletown. Sister Arlene Woods, Chairman of Art Department discussed the point of the visual artist and how the visual arts influence the Community

March 3, 1977

Sister Paula Sharpe of the Religious Studies Department opened the Lenten Forum with a presentation of Conversion its relationship in the deepening of our lives.

March 17, 1977

Sister Mary Consilii Reynolds was responsible for an innovative Evening Prayer for St Patrick’s Day. The hymn Faith of Our Fathers introduced the office proper. The antiphons for the psalms were taken from Prayer of St Patrick – Christ in the heart of everyone who thinks of me; Christ in the mouth of everyone who speaks of me; Christ in every eye that sees me. The Concluding prayer was taken from the Novena to St. Patrick[.] The Irish blessing brought the office to a close

March 18, 1977

The celebration for St. Patrick’s Day was held this evening at Ochre Court, Third Floor Lounges. The entire Community plus Christian Brothers Gene Lappin andMichael Reynolds enjoyed the party. A blizzard in the early afternoon prevented some of the other Brothers from attending.

March 27, 1977

The annual induction into Sigma Phi Sigma, National Mercy Honor Society was held at Ochre Court at 2 p.M. Sister Mary Brenda Sullivan, Moderator was the recipient of a special award in recognition of her dedication to the students in the society. Rev. James [Healy], College Chaplain gave the invocation and Sister Lucille McKillop, College President greeted the Assembly.

Sister Arlene Violet, RSM of the Provincial Team addressed the honor students. Her message was a plea for social action. For the first time in the history of the society two young men were honored, Anthony **[**Kutsaftis**]** and Robert Kelley.

April 1, 1977

Sisters Mercy McAuliffe and Lucille McKillop left to-day for General Chapter in Bethesda, Md. To-day marks the beginning of Easter Recess. Classes resume on Tuesday, April 12th

April 15, 1977

Six young ladies who openly state their pre-candidature in the Sisters of Mercy shared Evening Prayer, dinner in dining room and dessert in Third Floor Lounge of Ochre Court. Preceding the dessert and the social hour we prayer to-gether.

(1) Selection from Prayer of The Mystic – George Maloney SJ

(2) Hymn – Listening – Weston Monks

(3) Gospel of St. John – Come and See

(4) Selection from Thomas Merton emphasizing Commitment

(5) Hymn – Eyes Weston Monks

(6) Antiphonal Praises of Jesus Christ

Hymn – Holy Spirit – Weston Monks

The young ladies concerned are as follows: Janet De Santis, Elaine DeSantis; Nancy Riven, Joan Allard, Celeste Bisson, Mary O’Keefe.

May 3, 1977

Sister M. Callista Fontaine is returning shortly to Omaha, Nebraska to consult with her doctors.

May 12, 1977

Sister Callista has informed us that she will be remaining at Mercy Fontenelle Center until sometime in June. The doctors found she has a diabetic condition.

May 13, 1977

Sisters Michaeline [Lewandowski]and Sister Arlene Woods received high commendation for Art exhibition through an article in Providence Journal.

May 21, 1977

[Baccalaureate] Mass was held in St. Mary’s Church at 3 pM The liturgy was concelebrated by Rev. James K. Healy, Rev. George McCarthy, Rev. John [Unsworth][.] The theme: That All May be one -- That they May be one, as we are one John 17/22 Readers: Molly Curry Nancy Whitehouse and Patricia O’Brien.

The Processional Hymn: A Mighty Fortress is Our God; At the Offertory Lisa [Camera Minictier] ’77 sang Our Father

Recessional O God Our Help in Ages Past. After the homily delivered by Rev. James Healy the Seniors received their academic hoods from Sister Lucille McKillop assisted by Doctor William Burrell and Sister Sheila Megley. The hymn at Communion was sung by Newport College Singers Lift Thine Eyes. A reception for graduates, guests, and faculty was held at Ochre Court at 4:30

In the evening Sister Lucille McKillop hosted a dinner for those receiving honorary degrees and the Board of Trustees.

May 22, 1977 Beautiful day for Commencement

Sister Doris Rondeau received her cap to-day at Sisters of Mercy School of Nursing in Portland, Maine.

The Twenty-Seventh Annual Commencement was held on Ochre Court Terrace at 2 pM. Most Rev Louis E Gelineau gave the invocation

The Commencement Address centering on values was delivered by Charles D. O’Connell, Jr. Vice President and Dean of Students, University of Chicago. Honorary Degree Recipients were The Honorable Florence K. Murray Associate Justice of the Superior Court of Rhode Island[;] Charles D. O’Connell, University of Chicago[;] Admiral Stansfield Turner, Director of Central Intelligence as of March 9, 1977[.] ~~Thirty-three~~ Forty [sic] candidates received Master of Arts out of the three hundred graduates. Color Guard United States Marine Corps. Benediction was given by Rev. James K. Healy, C.S.Sp. College Chaplain

Musical selections: Northeastern Navy Band

June 1, 1977

Retreat opened this evening under the direction of Rev. Timothy MacDonald, S.A. from Graymoor Christian Unity Center in Garrison, New York. The subject matter of the retreat centered around the concept of Community with the following salient topics:

Faith: Essential to Religious Life

Faith and Discipleship

Pluralism in Religious Life

Religious Vows and the Person

Authority in Religious Life

Healing in Community

Prayer: Radical Response of the Religious

The Many Forms of Prayer

Religious Call to Ministry

Retreat will close on Monday June 6 at Noon. There are some 19 Sisters Mostly from Mount Saint Rita Making retreat with a group from Salve Regina.

June 7, 1977

This evening there will be a cook-out as a farewell to the Navy Chaplains, Rev. Angelo Libera, Paul Santos, John Wright. Fathers Libera and Santos are leaving Newport on June 9. They have been very faithful in coming for 7 A.M.liturgy. Rain prevents outside festivities Hence they will use State Dining Room. Brothers Gene Lapin, Victor Hickey and Eugene [blank] of the Christian Brothers are also joining us.

June 10, 1977

A group of Sisters left to-day for Farmington, Michigan to attend the Conference on Higher Education sponsored by the Generalate Administrators[.] The following Sisters took advantage of this opportunity: Sisters Brenda Sullivan, Josepha Haskins Mercy McAuliffe, Giles Peresich; Norma Orme, Sheila Megley, Rosalie Fitzpatrick, Mary Smith, Christine Dewhurst. The Sisters are returning on Sunday June 12th

June 11, 1977

Sister M Lucille McKillop, president of Salve Regina College gave the Commencement Address at St. Xavier’s Academy to-day.

July 1, 1977

Sister Mary Brenda will be at Jane Brown Hospital in Providence where she will join a team engaged in visitation of the sick – pastoral ministry for the month of July.

July 4, 1977

We celebrated the Fourth with a cook-out on the terrace at five p.M.

July 18, 1977

Sister Christine Dewhurst received word this Morning of the sudden death of her father at 3 AM.

July 15, 1977

Sister Lois Eveleth is en route to Florida, Naples with her parents to attend Commencement exercises at Waldon University[.] On this occasion she will receive her doctoral degree

Sister Lucille and Sisters at Dixon invited us to a cook-out with prayer to-gether at five-thirty and the festivities at six

July 22, 1977

Sisters Martha Mulligan and Mary [Lugon] held a meeting at Moore Hall at six thirty to explain the process of pre-candidate and candidate as it is carried out in the institute. The Community from St. Mary’s were present since one of the candidates Janet De Santis is to reside with them this coming September. A group of College Community is ready to offer enrichment to students interested in deepening their spiritual lives.

July 25, 1977

The Salve Regina Community bade farewell to Sister M. Callista Fontaine who is returning to Omaha at the end of the summer. After prayer to-gether, the Office of Our Lady, we enjoyed a buffet dessert in the second lounge on third floor of Ochre Court. Sister is leaving Newport at the end of this week.

August 13, 1977

Sister Mauricita Stapleton received her Master’s degree in Library Science from George Peabody College, Nashville, Tennessee. She has been attending the College for the last three summers

September 1, 1977

The Salve Community met this evening at six pM in the State Dining Room. The principal object of the meeting was the presentation of the budget for the coming fiscal year. The budget committee has worked very diligently for the past few months. Sisters M. Rosalind Kiernan and M. Gilbert have been added to the Salve Regina faculty – Sister Rosalind is to be nurse in residence for students and Sister Gilbert in library

September 8, 1977

The Salve Community elected Sr. Kathryn Mary Murphy as Coordinator once again[.] Plans for retreat were discussed and a committee was formed to investigate time, place, and retreat Master[.] A social Committee headed by Sister Charles Francis Dubuque is to organize celebrations for the coming year. The Sisters were reminded that Sister Mary Emily Shanley will arrive on September 13 to present the findings of the Government Commission[.] Sept 10, 1977 – Sister Paula Sharpe left to-day for Harvard where she is to enroll in the Divinity School.

September 13-15, 1977

Some of the Sisters are leaving at various times for Chicago to attend the profession of Sister Sheila Megley which is slated for Saturday, September 17. Sisters Kathryn Murphy, Audrey O’Donnell, and Josepha Haskinsare officially representing the Salve Community[.] September 13, 1977 Sister Mary Emily Shanley who is visiting various area centers of the Community in an effort to explain Community Structures gave the Salve Community plus Sisters from St. Mary’s Newport and Our Lady of Mercy, Feehan High School, Attleboro a very clear synthesis of these structures. The meeting was open for discussion. This resulted chiefly in an expression of various attitudes toward the discernment process as a means of selecting the Administrative Team.

September 26, 1977

We celebrated Mercy Day on Monday with liturgy at five in our Chapel. Reverend James Healy entered into the spirit of the day with a beautiful homily on Mercy. The opening hymn was “Let There Be Peace On Earth.” This was appropriate since our theme for the school year is “Peace Through Justice.” Other hymns were “We are the Light of the World.” “Whatsoever You Do” with the recessional Salve Regina. A Committee chaired by Sr. Charles Francis Dubuque arranged a delicious dinner in the room directly across from our dining room. She and her committee did much toward making Mercy Day of 1977 Memorable.

October 8, 1977

To-day Marked a very special day for the College Community generally and for the religious Community in particular. Sister Sheila Megley was professed on September 17 in Chicago. To-days Liturgy of Celebration held at 10 AM in the Great Hall was the sharing of this Milestone with us. It also highlighted a renewal of vows for us as Sisters of Mercy.

The principal celebrant of Most Reverend Louis E Gelineau. Concelebrants were Reverends James Healy, Edward [Kelly], Eugene Hillman, George McCarthy, pastor of St. Mary’s.

The entrance hymn Veni Creator brought Memories for each of us. Sister Sheila’s brother John introduced the liturgy with some personal reflections concerning this occasion. The Mass was fittingly The Mass of Christian Unity Sister Lois Eveleth read from Colossians I: 3-12 The responsorial psalm was well chosen-Our Lady’s Magnificat Mrs John Toppa, sister Sheila’s secretary continued the reading from the Colossians 3:12-17. The Gospel was from St. Matthew 5:1-10 highlighting the Beatitudes Following this all the Sisters of Mercy present renewed their vows. Bishop Gelineau’s homily applied the two lessons from the Colossians to our own situation and celebration.

The sign of peace was given at this point with the singing of the hymn Let There be Peace On Earth[.] The prayer of the faithful was outlined as follows:

Families: Brother Eugene Lappin

Sisters of Mercy: Sister Kathryn Murphy

Salve Regina College: Sister Lucille McKillop

All Religious: Sister Therese Antone

Church: Sister Mary Jean Tobin

The World – God’s Kingdom – Sister M. Eloise Tobin

Special Intentions – Dr. William Burrell

Sister Ann Nelson and Susan O’Connor, President of Student Congress offered the gifts

The offertory Hymn: Yahweh is the God of My Salvation – Memorial Acclamation: Keep in Mind and the Communion Songs Bread of Life and Hosea to-gether with the recessional Salve Regina-all these added to the solemnity of the occasion. Sister Marianne Postiglione arranged the Music and was the organist. New vestments in Memory of Sister Mary Jean’s and Sister Mary Eloise’s Aunt Catherine enriched the liturgical aspect of the Mass itself.

One hundred seventy people attended the liturgy and the delicious brunch which followed

November 13-15, 1977

The First Great American Achievements Program CommemorativeConference was held in York Pennsylvania. Sister Lucille McKillop attended the Conference as Higher Education Representative from the state of Rhode Island.

November 14, 1977

Sister M. Mauricita Stapleton and Sister Mary Giles Peresich attended the “Fall Conference of the Rhode Island Association which took place at the Sheraton Islander Hotel in Newport.

November 17,18,19 1977

“The Sound of Music” was produced by Miss Joan David ~~and~~ [sic] assisted by many including among our Sisters[:] Sisters Mary Brenda, Josepha, Mercy and Consilii. The performers were well cast and the entire production received standing ovations on each succeeding evening

November 22, 1977

Sister Prudence Croke of the Religious Studies department to-gether with Rev. Edward [Kelly] also of the Religious Studies department appeared on WADA as part of “Salve’s Education by Radio” series.

Sister Mary Brenda Sullivan, Moderator of Sigma Phi Sigma has inaugurated her annual appeal for contributions to help the poor on Thanksgiving Day.

This evening the Salve religious Community had their Thanksgiving dinner

December 3, 1977

The first annual Salve Regina College Governor’s Ball was a tremendous success Sister Therese Anton and her Committee planned the affair Many weeks ahead. Ochre Court was beautifully decorated with palms and with flowers arranged by members of Newport Garden Club. Sister Lucille McKillop said that the affair was a new activity with the objective of bringing the Rhode Island Community and the College closer to-gether

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December 7, 1977 Following the performance of the Bell-Ringers of First Presbyterian Church Sister Giles Peresich and Mr. Robert Kulo presented oralinterpretation of Truman Capote’s “A Christmas Memory”

December 12, 1977

We were saddened this morning to hear that Sister Ann Nelson’s mother went to God early this morning Mrs Nelson was a patient in Roger Williams Hospital in Providence.

This evening at 4:30 Sister Marianne Postiglione conducted a solemn Vesper service to commemorate Advent, the feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe and the Anniversary of the foundation of our order.

In general, the office consisted of the singing of Maranatha (Deiss); Antiphon I See how glorious he is coming forth as Savior of all peoples-Psalm-The Lord’s revelation to my Master, Antiphon II Crooked ways will be straightened and rough ways made smooth Come, O Lord do not delay Psalm “If the Lord had not been on our side”. Antiphon III All power is yours Lord God, our Almighty King, Alleluia Canticle, Alleluia. Salvation glory power to our God. This was followed by the Magnificat of Our Lady. Intercessions and concluding prayer. December 13, 1977-Aquinas Hall Fire at Providence College-7 dead-we are all saddened**.**

December 15, 1977

Many of us attended Sister Ann Nelson’s Mother’s funeral from St. James Church [?] at ten this morning

The Holly Dinner attended by the entire College Community, staff and faculty was a gala success.

December 18, 1977

The Annual party for all the houses: Marian, Moore, Ochre Court and Cave Cliff was held in State Dining Room at Ochre Court. Sister Charles Francis Dubuque and her committee-Sisters Josepha Haskins, Consilii Reynolds, Edgar Freethy, Mercy McAuliffe plus the generosity of others provided a delicious buffet and arranged the State Dining Room most tastefully Gifts were exchanged and feast days for December remembered.

After our party here we were invited by Brothers on our faculty to a Christmas get to-gether at their house on Dixon Street They were indeed hospitable and we enjoyed the evening with them

Sister Mercy McAuliffe was appointed director of the Intercession and summer Session programs and workshops.

December 24, 1977

Sister Lucille McKillop and the Community living at Cave Cliff invited the Salve Community who live in the other residences to Christmas festivities following the five pM Christmas Mass Twenty-five of us responded and enjoyed a pleasant evening in the late Mrs. O’Donnell’s home This house has been offered by the family from September until May as a residence for members of the Salve Regina faculty. At present Sisters Lucille McKillop, Rosalie Fitzpatrick and Sheila Megley reside there. Cave Cliff is older than Ochre Court having been erected in 1870.

December 25, 1977

Besides the Mass at five on Saturday, Reverend James Healy offered Masses at Midnight 9:30 and 11:15. The Marble table in the Great Hall and its environs was beautifully decorated by Sister M. Naomi Burns. Most of the Salve Community went home for Christmas Sisters Mauritia [McGuirl], Mary Smith and Gilbert Smith were guests at Cave Cliff.

January 17, 1978

Sister M. Loretto O’Connor left for Logan Airport in Boston. She is en route to visit her brother, John O’Connor in Florida. She expects to remain for a week.

January 19 and days following 1978

Ice storm hit the state of Rhode Island – Most of the state was without heat and light. Aquidneck Island was more fortunate. Sister Martina Conley who is at home in Warwick caring for her brother did not get the facilities back until Wednesday. The Salve Community kept in touch with her and offered assistance.

January 27, 1978

General faculty meeting was held to-day as a preparation for the new semester which begins on Monday.

Sister Kathryn Mary Murphy announced that during this coming semester the Salve Community will take care of breakfast in each house The Saga Food Service will be responsible for lunch and dinner at Ochre Court from Monday until Friday noon. Weekends beginning on Friday we have been going to Miley Hall for our meals

February 3, 1978

Sister M. Giles Peresich, librarian, has gone to St. Louis – her own province – for a week end meeting

February 6-10 1978

Rhode Island is still experiencing the worst snow storm in its history. The storm began early Monday afternoon and the snow fell for thirty-six hours. Thousands were stranded and 3200 are in shelters[.] Federal troops (300 of them) with heavy gear arrived as soon as Green airport could be cleared. [Eighty-six] pieces of equipment from Buffalo has been loaned also

Some 36 inches of snow fell in some areas and 50 inches in Northern sections. Everything is shut down.

Ash Wednesday – February 8 – Rev. Louis E. Gelineau [transferred] this liturgy to Sunday and also lifted abstinence[.] Rev. James Healy celebrated this liturgy on the eighth for students who are on campus

The storm abated Wednesday but the opening of roads is in the hands of Federal Troops who arrived on Wednesday Afternoon

February 28, 1978

Sister Mauritia [McGuirl]was admitted to Newport Hospital this morning for tests.

March 7-9, 1978

Symposium – Peace and Justice

O’Hare – Twombley-Burden Room

Tuesday March 7 1:30 p.M. Dr. Joseph Fahey – “A Christian Vision of a Just World Order” – Dr. Fahey is Associate Professor of Christian Ethics and Director of Program in Peace Studies, Manhattan College, N.Y.

Tuesday March 7 - 7 P.M.  Sister Emil Penet, I.H.M.

“A Moralist Looks At The New International Economic Order” Sister Emil is presently Professor of Social Ethics, Weston School of Theology, Cambridge, Mass

Wednesday March 8 9:30 A.M.Dr. Gene Sharp

“Christians Facing War, Genocide Dictatorship and Systems of Political Oppression.” Dr. Sharp is Research Fellow in Program for Science and International Affairs at Harvard

Wednesday, March 8 1:30 P.M. Dr. Gregory Baum

“Christians Facing the Challenge of Marxism” Dr. Baum is presently Professor of Theology and Sociology at University of St. Michael’s College and University of Toronto

Wednesday, March 8 7 P.M. Mr. Spencer Sacco

“Justice in the Sacco and Vanzelli Case” Mr Sacco is grandson of Nicolo Sacco who was convicted of murdering a paymaster and his guard in South Braintree, Mass in the 1920’s[.] Mr. Sacco is presently Director of Newport College Singers.

Thursday, March 9 9:30 AM Sister Marie Augusta Neal, S.N.D de N.[[4]](#footnote-4)

“Christians Facing Third World Peoples” Sister Marie Augusta Neal is Professor of Sociology at Emmanuel College, Boston Visiting Professor of Sociology and Sociology of Religion at Harvard University Divinity School

Bishop Louis E Gelineau, D.D. attended the lecture[,] celebrated the liturgy following the lecture and remained for lunch at Cave Cliff presently the President’s residence.

The Symposium was a marked success for both faculty, students, and others who attended

This Noon time Sister Mauritia McGuirlreturned from Newport Hospital. Her problem is to be alleviated through diet.

March 15, 1978

This evening we celebrated St. Patrick’s Day with a special repast in our dining room

We had a served dinner instead of the usual cafeteria style – Main dishes were corned beef and cabbage and also scallops. Tomorrow evening at five Sister Charles Francis Dubuque has arranged wine and cheese collation in Green Room.

March 17, 1978

Sisters Mary Eloise and Mary Jean Tobin are scheduled to give a prayer weekend at Watch Hill for some twenty-one Sisters

Since we had what weather man has termed a “phantom snow storm” yesterday Sister Kateri called and asked that those attending the week end be at Watch Hill by ten on March 18[.] Sisters Kathryn Murphy, Jeannine O’Brien, Audrey O’Donnell, Lois Eveleth, Ann Nelson, Concepta Corbett, Consilii Reynolds are attending from the College The topic is Paschal Mystery-Passing from Death to Life

This includes reflections on Gospel of St. John and an interpretation of Eliot’s Ash Wednesday Rev. Randolph Chew is scheduled to offer liturgy

March 19, 1978

Fifteen students and one alumna Jane Murphy Farley, Class of '51 were inducted into Mercy Honor Society, Sigma Phi Sigma this afternoon at 2 p.M. The guest speaker was Miss Barbara Sylvia, Director of Academic Advising and Registrar. Sister Mary Brenda Sullivan is Moderator

March 23-26, 1978 Holy Week-Services in Great Hall – Thursday - 5 P.M., Friday 3 p.M., Saturday, 7 P.M., Sunday 11:15 A.M.

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April 8, 1978

To-day marked the one hundred fiftieth Anniversary of St. Mary’s Parish here in Newport

Since Salve Regina is part of St. Mary’s, this celebration should be recorded here Our Sisters have been in the Parish since 1854. The principal concelebrant and also the homilist was Most Rev. John F. Whealon, D.D., S.T.L.S.S.L.[[5]](#footnote-5) of Hartford from whose diocese St. Mary’s was founded. Archbishop Whealon traced not only the history of St. Mary’s but gave a birds-eye-view of New England and the Church of one hundred fifty years ago. Besides the Archbishop, the following Bishops were present: Louis E. Gelineau of Providence; Daniel A. Cronin of Fall River; Daniel P. Reilly of Norwich, Conn.[;] Dom Matthew Stark, O.S.B. Abbey of St. Gregory the Great, Portsmouth Auxiliary[;] Bishop of Providence Kenneth A. Angell.

Reception Ball, and Dinner was held here at Salve Regina at 7 p.M.

April 20, 1978

This evening we honored Mrs. Katherine [O’Connell] who is retiring after thirty-one years of service on our staff. A reception and buffet was held from five until eight in Great Hall and State Dining Room. Tributes were given by various segments of the College. Rev. James Healy read a citation honoring Mrs. O’Connell-this came from College Community as a whole; Mr. James Cunningham representing Maintenance Department greeted the guest of honor and presented a gift of money; Sister Mary Jean Tobin gave a special tribute from the Sisters and honored as “a Sister of Mercy.”

Sister Mary Philemon Banigan deserves special mention for organizing the affair

May 6, 1978

Sister Mary Concepta Corbett who has been with us in the capacity of secretary since the middle of March is to be admitted to South County Hospital for a series of tests

May 8, 1978

Sister Mary Concepta Corbett was operated on this morning. We received word Sister is progressing and will go to her sister Beth Corbett to recuperate.

May 20, 1978

The Baccalaureate Mass for the Class of 1978 took place at 3:00 p.M. in St. Mary’s Church. Concelebrants were the Revs. James K. Healy, College Chaplain and Lawrence Toole, friend of the Class of '78. Rev. George McCarthy and Rev. John Unsworth, priests of St. Mary’s were present in the sanctuary The Lector was Robert Kelley-Readers were Elizabeth Boucher, Karen Novak, and Kathleen Cotter. Mary Piecervicz and Jo-An Sarafin brought up the gifts[.] The Gospel was read by Father Toole; the homily was given by Father [Healy]. One special feature of the liturgy was the rendition of “Lift Thy Eyes” by Senior Members of the Glee Club. The Seniors received their hoods after the homily. A wine and cheese reception followed at Ochre Court.

May 21, 1978

A shower which was rather heavy at 7:30 A.M. caused the cancellation of terrace commencement[.] The whole affair was moved to the Navy Base despite the fact that the sun shone brightly for the remainder of the day. Faculty and students were bused across town.

The exercises moved very well once we arrived. Robert J. Kulo was the Chief Marshall. Faculty Marshall was Barbara Sylvia Governor Garrahy gave greeting from the state of Rhode Island. greetings from the City of Newport were given by Humphrey J. Donnelly III Vice-Admiral[.] James Bond Stockdale-President of the Naval War College received an honorary degree and gave the Commencement address. Admiral Stockdale was the highest ranking prisoner of war in Vietnam and was in solitary confinement for seven and one half years.

His speech to the students stressing self-discipline integrity and high principles of action was overshadowed by the greatness of the man himself[.] Three Hundred Four students received degrees. The benediction was given by The Most Reverend Louis E. Gelineau, Bishop of Providence.

May 26-28 1978

This weekend is devoted to the Alumnae[.] Those staying for the weekend are residing in Ochre Lodge and Founders Hall.

Friday evening-wine and cheese party in Alumni Lounge at Miley.

Saturday-Noon until three-picnic on McAuley grounds

Liturgy at five in chapel; cocktail hour 6-8 at Ochre Lodge.

Sunday-business meeting with installation of officers followed by brunch. Faculty tea is scheduled at O’Hare from 2 until 4. The crowning event is a sail at 7 p.M.

Sisters Rosalind Kiernan and Norma Orme are leaving same day this week for a visit to Belize and Honduras They are awaiting exact date from boat on which they are sailing

May 29, 1978

Retreat opens this evening with Rev. Thomas Moore, Oblate of St. Francis de Sales as director. Founders Hall is the center for conferences, Mass, Meals. Ochre Lodge is a residence for some of the retreatants as well as available rooms in Founders. Some ten or eleven Sisters from Mt. Saint Rita are joining us. Some of the Salve Community are moving from their usual abodes to either Founders or Ochre Lodge for the retreat

June 3, 1978 Sister Mary Brenda leaves to-morrow for St. John Hospital, Springfield, Missouri for training in hospital ministry

Retreat closed this morning with liturgy at 11:30. Father’s retreat was a grace for all of us-we had penance service plus a service of the healing of memories during the course of the retreat

June 11, 1978

About fifteen of us went to St. Mary’s for a meeting concerning the forthcoming 125th anniversary of the Sisters of Mercy in the parish. The celebration is scheduled for April 28, 1979. We enjoyed a delicious buffet supper and concluded with office.

June 12, 1978

Sister Edgar Freethy and Francis de Sales Shea returned from a sojourn in California with relatives. Sister M Loretto O’Connor left to-day for a two weeks visit with her brother in California

July 2, 1978

To-day the Salve Regina Community celebrated Sister Francis de Sales Shea’s golden jubilee. The celebrants of the Eucharistic liturgy were Rt. Rev. Msgr. John T. Shea, Rev Stephen K. Callahan and Rev. Edward Kelly, College Chaplain. Sister Marianne Postiglione was the organist. The First Reading-Isaiah 42:1-4-Lector Thomas W. Curtis, Sister’s Nephew-Response Psalm 41 My Soul is thirsting for the Lord. (Gelineau) Gospel-Matthew 4 18-32 The Prayer of the Faithful was lead by Martin C. Shea Jr. and the offertory procession included Mrs. Mary Curtis, Alex Shea; and Martin Shea. The Eucharistic Acclamation was from Deiss Hymnal After the Agnus Dei the Sisters of Mercy present renewed their vows. The recessional: O Dearest Mother of Mercy.

The dinner followed in the State Dining Room Sister Lucille McKillop proposed a toast to Sister and Msgr Shea read a letter of congratulation from Auxiliary Bishop Kenneth Angell.

July 23, 1978

Sisters Norma Orme and Rosalind Kiernan returned from their sojourn in Honduras and British Honduras.

August 17, 1978

Sister Lucille announced today that:

Sister Mercy McAuliffe will pursue an academic program in Continuing Higher Education at Boston University. Area of concentration will be the needs of the adult as a lifelong learner.

Sister Rosalina Kiernan has been appointed Director of College Health Services

Sister Giles Peresich will be on leave of absence in order to attend New York University. She will pursue her Master of Arts Degree in Liberal studies

Sister Edgar Freethy will be teaching in tutorial services.

Sister [Mauricita] Stapleton will serve as Acting librarian.

Sister Arlene Woods is now Associate professor

Sister Lois Eveleth is now Associate Professor with tenure.

August 31, 1978

Sister Giles Peresich left early this morning for New York. Sister is to reside with the Mission Helpers of the Sacred Heart

248 East 62nd Street

Sister Mary Brenda Sullivan is expected home this evening. Sister has been at St. John Hospital in Springfield, Missouri all summer[.] She ~~is~~ was [sic]was engaged in a program directed toward hospital Ministry at the end of which she will receive a certificate indicating her compliance in this important apostolate Sister left on Sunday June 4th for her new experience in Missouri.

September 5, 1978

Sister M. Mercy McAuliffe left us this morning to finalize her courses at Boston University

Sister M. Concepta Corbett is returning to-day and will reside in Ochre Court. Sister has been residing with her sister while recuperating from an operation she underwent in May.

Workshop for College faculty opened this morning and is to be continued to-morrow.

October 4, 1978

This Morning Bishop Peter A.[Rosazza]of Hartford, Connecticut inaugurated the 1978 Symposium with a discussion of the Hispanic-American relationships especially in New England. Bishop [Rosazza] lives in Hispanic section of Hartford at Sacred Heart Parish.

October [23?], 1978

Sister Ann Nelson very kindly showed slides of Newport – its history and Architecture. The Meeting took place at Moore Hall. There were about twenty-five persons present.

October 18, 1978

Sister Corinne Walsh received news to-day that her sister Mrs. Mary B. Lincoln died very suddenly this morning of a heart attack.

October 29, 1978

To-day marked the annual festivities at Moore Hall. This year the Sisters prepared a Harvest Supper Sister Kathryn Murphy presented feast day gifts for the months of September and October. Those receiving gifts were Sister M. Rosalind Kiernan; Sister Norma Orme; Sister Mauricita Stapleton; Sister Mauritia [McGuirl]; Sister Mary Eloise Tobin; Sister Naomi Burns, Sister Lois Eveleth.

November 1, 1978

Sister Mauricita Stapleton is attending the Rhode Island Library Association’s annual meeting at the Sheraton-Islander in Newport to-day and to-morrow. The topics of discussion are continuing education, Governor’s Conference, and professionalism.

Sister Mary Smith, College Archivist, is attending a three day seminar at the Rhode Island Historical Society/Brown University Library and Archives for restoration and preservation of precious papers and documents

November 8, 1978 Dr. Mildred [sic]

November 13, 1978

The Salve Regina Community were welcomed at Marian Hall between six and eight for coffee and dessert. The feast day gifts were given to Sister Charles Francis Dubuque; Sister Kathryn Murphy; Sister Sheila Megley

November 14, 1978

To-day the Salve Regina Community partook of their Thanksgiving Dinner at five in Dining Room. Saga Food Service requested this date instead of next week.

November 21, 1978

Sister Augustine Sans Souci, Coordinator for R.N. students and a student [Mary Agnes] Gillman discussed New Trends in Nursing on Salve’s Education via Radio from 9:05 A.M. until 10 A.M.

November 23 and 24, 1978

We are very fortunate to have Mass at Nine a.M. during these two days of the Thanksgiving Weekend. Reverend William Gibson, Naval Chaplain who has been honoring us with 6:45 A.M. Mass since September was the celebrant

Late entry for October 28, 1978

Sister M. Mercy McAuliffe was invested in The Military and Hospitaller Order of St Lazarus of Jerusalem. The ceremony was held at 6 pM. in Goddard Chapel, Tufts University in Medford, Massachusetts[.] Sister was made a Dame of the Order and received the Cross of the order, the symbol of Charity and also the Mantle.

December 2, 1978

Sister Prudence Croke of the Religious Studies Department conducted a Religious Education Workshop for teachers of religion at Trinity Church, Newport.

December 3, 1978

Sister Mary Smith, Archivist, entered Newport Hospital to-day for minor surgery. She is expected home within a few days.

December 6, 1978

Sister Mary Audrey O’Donnell Director of Admissions is attending a workshop which closes on Friday. Workshop was concerned with accreditation

December 10, 1978

Rev. William Gibson, Naval Chaplain residing at Conley Hall has prepared a liturgy featuring the “O” Antiphons. He is offering this liturgy in conjunction with Conley Hall students at 7 p.M.

December 13, 1978

Candlelight ceremony sponsored by Student Life Senate took place at 7:30 pM in Ochre Court Welcome-Denise [Rao?] President of Student Life Senate. The president of each class lighted a candle for the class Freshmen class Diane Griffin Sophomore Class Susan Bianchi, Junior Class Dina Gonsalves; Senior class Susan Crudup.

Brother Eugene Lappin lighted a candle for the faculty Sister Lucille McKillop, president addressed the students[.] Favorite carols were interspersed throughout the program

December 14, 1978

A Christmas Celebration for faculty administration and staff was next on the agenda of festivities. Master of Ceremonies-Reverend James K. Healy. First Reading from Luke Chapter 1, vs. 26-38 Mrs. Clara Rosa; Second Reading from Luke 1-vs. 46-56-Mary’s Canticle[.] Brother John Buckley FSC Third Reading from Luke Chap 2 vs 1-20 Birth of Jesus Mr Joseph [Souza] Fourth Reading Prologue vs 1-18 Gospel of St. John Sister Lucille McKillop Carols were interspersed throughout with Dr. Thomas Day as accompanist. A very delicious buffet followed

December 18, 1978

The Religious Community had its own special celebration with Prayer Service in Chapel at 4:30 The Service opened with O Come All Ye Faithful O Antiphons-Alternate recitation followed by a prayer to the Eternal Father

The first reading was an ex-cerpt from a Letter from Shrine of the North American Martyrs which highlighted St Isaac Jogues’[[6]](#footnote-6) Christmas Among the Mohawks and Hurons – This was followed by hymn “Lo, How a Rose E’er Blooming[”] Sister M. Marjorie Walsh. The second reading from the Gospel of St Luke 1-6 26-38 Sister Mary Smith. Section from Reed of God was recited[.]

Alternately followed by Hymn The Christmas Rose The Magnificat (a new translation) was recited[.] Alternately, Sister Charles Francis Dubuque read the essay One Solitary Life. Sister Rosalie Fitzpatrick read St. Matthew’s Christmas Gospel

The Suscipe of Mother Catherine McAuley and the singing of O Holy Night closed this portion of the Christmas celebration.

We had punch and cookies in the Green Room followed by a delicious chicken dinner in State Dining Room. Sister Prudence Croke played Santa in the exchange of Christmas gifts Sister Concilii Reynolds and Sister Mary Edgar Freethy worked very hard in arranging the celebration

December 25, 1978 Midnight Mass

Mark Malkovich, pianist offered as a Prelude Three Sonatas – Domenico Scarlatti; Christmas Landler, Op 18 – Franz Schubert; and Moment Musical in B Minor Op 16 – Sergei Rachmaninoff. Entrance Hymn – Adeste Fideles[;] Gregorian Gloria; First Scripture Reading – Robert Kulo[;] Second Scripture Reading – Mary Toppa[;] Offertory – Suite for unaccompanied Violin – Johann S. Bach [rendered] by [Dmitry] Sitkovetsky[[7]](#footnote-7) who is a young artist from Soviet Union. He [immigrated] to America a year ago and is a convert to Christianity[.] Communion Hymn: Silent Night

After Communion – Mark Malkovich rendered Pastourelle – Francis Poulene; Nocturne in C#Minor Frederic Chopin

Recessional: Joy To the World

Rev James Healy celebrated the liturgy

December – 1978

Sister Mary Philemon Banigan left early last week to be with her sister-in-law Mrs Marian Banigan who is seriously ill with Cancer.

December 29, 1978

Sister [Ann]Nelson left to-day for an extended tour of Greece and Egypt to-gether of [sic] some of the adjacent island. Sister expects to return on or about January 18th.

January 7, 1979

Sister Mary Philemon’s sister-in-law Marian Banigan went to God about 2 p.M.to-day. She had great suffering for the past weeks.

January 7, 1979

Also to-day Sister Mary Loretto [O’Connor] left for retreat with Sister Kieran Flynn at the Peacedale Retreat House.

January 21, 1979

To-day the entire Salve Community is invited to Moore Hall for dinner at five-thirty. A prayer service is to precede the dinner for God’s blessing on all those who are involved in the discernment process which is related to the coming elections for our province.

February 8, 1979

Sister M Rosalind Kiernan received word early this morning that her sister Helen went to God around 4 A.M. Helen has been in a nursing home for some time[.] The funeral is to be held from St. Pius Church on Saturday at 10 A.M.

February 11, 1979

The Salve Regina Community went to Moore Hall around six-thirty. Since it was the feast of Our Lady of Lourdes we had prayer service centered Around Our Lady. We enjoyed dessert, coffee, and conversation

February 24, 1979

To-day marked the election of the Provincial Administration. The elections were held in the Chapel at Health Center. The following are the results: Provincial Administrator: Sister M Noel Blute; Council Sister Geraldyn McGreevey; Sister Rosellen [Gallogly]; Sister Virginia Burke; Sister Frances Lynch

March 18, 1979

Induction to Sigma Phi Sigma took place to-day at 2 p M. with Eucharistic celebration conducted by Rev William Gibson, Navy Chaplain. A reception followed the liturgy Sister Mary Brenda Sullivan is Moderator of the society whose main purpose is loyalty and service under the guidance of Mother Catherine McAuley.

March 25, 1979 The drawing of this Love; the voice of this calling

To-day marked the jubilee celebration for Sisters Mary Jean Tobin, Sister Mary Eloise Tobin and Sister Mary Loretto O’Connor – one hundred fifty years of service. The liturgy of Thanksgiving was offered in Ochre Court Chapel at 4 p.M.Sister Kathryn Murphy Coordinator presented the theme of the liturgy which was described as that of thanksgiving within the framework of a ritual simple reflective and joyful. The celebrant was Rev Edward Kelly C S Sp Chaplain assisted by concelebrants: Monsignor John Shea, Rev. James Healy C. S. Sp Rev. George McCarthy Rev. Peter Maguire, Rev. Bertrand Richman and Rev. John Unsworth Organist, soloist and composerof Mass For Life, Sister Marianne Postiglione. Readings 1st-From Hosea 2: 16-17, 21-22 Sister Mary Eloise Tobin Responsorial Psalm-Magnificant (Sung) 2nd reading: Philippians 2:6-11

Sister Mary Loretto [O’Connor]

Gospel – Luke 1: 26-38 The Annunciation

Prayers of the Faithful – Sister M. Lucille McKillop president of Salve Regina[;] Offertory procession Mr. and Mrs. Austin R. Mulligan – Sisters Mary Jean and Mary Eloise

The processional Salve Regina; offertory Hymn – Hail Mary[;] before Communion – Veni Sponsa Christi

Recessional: O Dearest Mother of Mercy

The renewal of vows followed Veni Sponsa Christi

Since there was no homily Sister Mary Jean read Testament of Mercy composed by Sister Mary Jean and Sister Mary Eloise

Dinner followed in the State Dining Room with Sister Mary Noel Blute offering the toast.

April 1, 1979

To-day marks Sister M Lucille McKillop’s feast day We were invited to Cave Cliff for dinner at five-thirty. Sister Kathryn Murphy took this occasion to remember feast days in March as well as April

Sister Mary Philemon Banigan; Sister Lois Eveleth[;] Sister Gilbert Smith[;] and Sister Consilii Reynolds shared the festivities with Sister Lucille

Since Mercy Higher Education Conference is to be hosted here in June we addressed envelopes and discussed plans.

April 6-8 1979

The Governor’s Conference on Library and Information Services was held at Biltmore Hotel in Providence Sister Mauricita Stapleton was involved in staffing the [CRIARL][[8]](#footnote-8) display which was part of the weekend exhibitions.

April 6-16 1979

Spring vacation this year falls mostly in Holy Week The schedule for liturgies is as follows[:]

Holy Thursday – 5 p.M.[;]Good Friday – 3 p.M.[;]Easter Vigil 7 pM with Rev. James Healy officiating. On Easter Sunday the liturgy is at 11:15 A.M.

Classes resume on April 17th

April 6-8, 1979

Sisters Mary Eloise and Mary Jean Tobin are giving a weekend of prayer at Watch Hill. The Subject Matter is a literary work of the 14th century called The Pearl[.] Sisters from here attending the weekend include Sister Kathryn Murphy, Sister Jeannine O’Brien, Sister Concepta Corbett, Sister Consilli Reynolds, Sister Norma Orme, Sister Edgar Freethy[,] Sister Marjorie Walsh and Sister Joannes Griffin.

April 28, 1979

To-day marked the 125th anniversary of the Sisters of Mercy on the island. Mother Xavier Warde came to Newport in 1854 The Liturgy was celebrated at St. Mary’s at 4 p.M. The reception was held here at Ochre Court. Both Bishops Gelineau and Angell honored us with their presence. Many of the Salve Regina Sisters were Members of Committees which organized the celebration So we felt very much a part of the Anniversary

Sister Lucille McKillop was in the offertory procession

Members of Sigma Phi Sigma, Mercy Honor Society here at the College were ushers.

May 1st, 1979

To-day marked Sister Mauritia [McGuirl’s] sixtieth anniversary. Rev. James Healy officiatedat the liturgy which was held in the Chapel at 4:30p.MAfter dinner dessert was enjoyed in the third floor lounge at Ochre Court. Sister Norma Orme composed a series of songs illustrating Sister’s life as a Sister of Mercy at Cleary School, St. Xavier’s Belize-St. Catherine’s and here at Salve Regina.

May 10, 1979

Sister Ann Nelson has been awarded a summer fellowship by the National Endowment for the Humanities[.] The title of the summer session is “Aristotle’s Ethical and Political Philosophy.[”] Seven Philosophers, four political scientists, and one classicist will compose the group of participants at the University of Washington, Seattle from June 18 until August 10th.

May 15, 1979

Sister Kathryn Murphy to-gether with Dr. Daniel McGregor of the Special Education Department spoke on WADKH Radio – Subject Education and Training for the Handicapped for a Better Quality of Life

May 18 through May 20 1979

On Friday, May 18 Commencement Dinner and Ball was held at Ochre Court from 7:00 PM-1:00 AM[.] Annual Alumni Weekend coincided with Commencement activities and proved to be most successful[.] Classes of '74, '69 and '59 held dinner at Cliff Walk Manor and Class of '64 at La Forge.

The Alumni also hosted a reception at Ochre Court for all graduates and parents at 4:30 on May 19th after the Baccalaureate Mass. The Baccalaureate Mass was celebrated at St. Mary’s Church at 3:00 p.M.Celebrant-Most Reverend Kenneth A. Angell, DD Auxiliary Bishop of Providence. (Bishop Angell had a niece Karen Miller among the graduates)[.] Con-celebrants: Revs. Edward J. Kelly, James K. Healy, Joseph Cardoza, William Gibson, George B. McCarthy, Lawrence E. Toole and Reginald Reddy. Rev. John E. Unsworth was Master of Ceremonies[;] The Chief Marshal Robert J. Kulo[;] Lector – Susan J. O’Connor[;] and the Music – The Rhode Island Philharmonic Brass Quintet with John Pellegrino, Director and Stephen Martorella, Organist[.] Readers Jaye Lyon – First Reading Isaiah 61:1-3, 6, 89. Second Reading: Elizabeth Lombard Corinthians 12, 4-13

Responsorial Psalm – 145 – Karen Miller[;] Reverend Lawrence Toole – Homilist – Father Toole Uncle of Susan Toole – Father based his homily on relationship with God and with each other using the metaphor of a tapestry. Father knew the class since he had followed them through the four years. Helen Behan and Michael Powers – Prayers of the Faithful – Gift Bearers Stephen Malley (Sister Marjorie’s grand nephew) Susan Toole, John Beebe, and Andrea Rossetti[.] The Reflection after Communion – A prayer of thanksgiving was adapted from Philippians 1:3-11 and read by Pamela Marino[.] Instrumental Music was played at various parts of the liturgy.

Hymns: Ode To Joy; Salve Regina

after the homily Sisters Lucille McKillop, Sheila Megley and Doctor William Burrell [conferred] the Academic hoods upon the graduates

Due to inclement weather the Commencement exercises were held at Naval Base with Robert J Kulo as Chief Marshal

Sister Lucille McKillop, President of the College presided. The invocation was given by Most Reverence Kenneth A. Angell; Greetings from the State of Rhode Island – Thomas R. DiLuglio – Lieutenant Governor[;] from City of Newport – Humphrey J Donnelly III[;] Message to Graduates – Sister Lucille McKillop and the benediction – Rev. Edward J. Kelly – Chaplain[.]

The highlight of the ceremony was the conferring of Honorary Degrees upon two faculty members – Sisters Mary Jean and Mary Eloise Tobin – Doctor of Humane Letters. Sister Mary Jean came to the College in 1948 and Sister Mary Eloise in 1956. There were eight recipients of Master of Science; 31 – Master of Arts; 6 for Bachelor of Arts and Science[;] 62 – Bachelor of Arts[;] 196 Bachelor of Science; 33 – Associate of Science – Making a total of 336 degrees.

June 1st through 6 – Retreat – Miley Hall

The Reverend Richard [Hasselback]OFM[[9]](#footnote-9) of Siena College was the retreat Master for the Community here who made the retreat plus A few others from Mount St Rita and St Leo’s Pawtucket who joined our Community[.] Everyone was pleased with Father’s simplicity and approach to his subject matter.

June 8, 1979

Naval Chaplain - William Gibson who has been offering the liturgy for us since early September at 6:45 each Morning - Monday through Friday is to graduate to-day at ten and then leave for his assignment-Guam[.] We had the liturgy this morning and breakfast. Father has been living at Conley Hall all year. Residence for our male students.

Many Sisters are arriving at various times to-day for the Mercy Higher Education Conference. A display of materials from Mercy Colleges is featured in the Alumni Lounge at Miley Hall. A social hour is scheduled for 7 p.Mthis evening.

June 9, 1979

The first major item on the program for the conference is the Address by Sister Lucille McKillop President of our College – “Mercy Leadership In Higher Education.” This is scheduled for 9 A.M. in O’Hare Academic Center

At 10:45 a series of four workshops concurrent with Sister Lucille’s presentation gives a further impetus to the conference as a whole

I “Mercy Leadership through the Sponsorship of Colleges”- Facilitator - Sister Marie Immaculee Dana (Pittsburgh)

II “Mercy Leadership in Enhancing the Role of Women in Church and Society” - Facilitator Sister Doris [Gottemoeller] ([Cincinnati?])

III “Mercy Leadership in Promoting Ethical Values” - Facilitator Sister: Elizabeth Linehan Baltimore

IV “Mercy Leadership in Developing and Sharing Resources” - Sister Isabel Keiss - Philadelphia

12:00 Lunch - Picnic Box Lunch on Cliffs

1:15 Continuation of Workshops I-IV

2:15-5:00 Sightseeing - personnel recruitment Interviews

2:30-4:00 Presidents Meeting In Ochre Court

5:00 Eucharistic celebration in Ochre Court

Homilist: Sister Dolores Greeley (St. Louis)

6:00 Award dinner in honor of Sister Mary Josetta Butler, RSM (Chicago)

Invocation: Sister Mary Rosalia Flaherty (Providence)

Speaker: Sister Emil Penet IHM[[10]](#footnote-10)

Presenter of Medal: Sister Sheila Megley

(Chicago) Chair, MHEC Executive Committee

Introduction: Sister Josetta Butler - Sister Cleophas Costello (Baltimore)

Remarks: Sister Mary Josetta

June 10, 1979

Closing of Conference

9:00 “The Realities of Mercy Leadership”

Sister Betty Markham

Annual Report - Questions - Discussions

Plans for 1979-80

Evaluation and suggestions

June 14, 1979

Sisters Mary Eloise and Sister Mary Jean left to-day for a two weeks retreat at The Common Discalced Carmelites House of prayer - Old Street Road Peterborough, New Hampshire

June [blank]1979

Sisters Mercy McAuliffe and Lois Eveleth are attending the General Chapter at Bethesda Sister Lois is assisting in the Communications area while Sister Mercy is a delegate

June 18, 1979

Sister [Ann] Nelson departed to-day for the University of Washington at Seattle where she is attending summer session: Aristotle’s Ethical and Political Philosophy. The session closes on August 10.

July 1, 1979

To-day we celebrated Sister Charles Francis Dubuque’s Golden Jubilee with liturgy at 4 p.M.followed by dinner. There was a total of 185 persons present

Sister Kathryn Murphy gave the theme of the liturgy - gladness and joy. The principal celebrant was Rev. John Driscoll with Co-celebrants the Revs. Michael [Methot?], Thomas O’Dea and Edward Kelly, College Chaplain

The processional: Hail Holy Queen Enthroned Above

The First Reading: Isaiah 51.1, 3-6 1/2 – Sister M. Mauricita Stapleton Responsorial Psalm Ps. 45, 11-18

The second Reading: Ephesians 3: 1, 2, 14-19 – Sister Shelia Megley

Gospel: John 15: 9-17

Rev. John Driscoll gave the homily which was based principally on contrasts since 1929 in various aspects of history leading into dedication of Sister Charles Francis to the Church.

Sister Mary McAuliffe read the prayers of the Faithful.

Offertory Procession: Mrs. Charles Cyr; Mr. Joseph Dubuque; Mrs. Charles Dubuque and Sister Charles Francis.

The offertory hymn was from Romans VIII - For those who love God.

Renewal of Vows after the Lamb of God.

Communion Hymn - Prayer of Saint Francis; Hosea

Recessional: O Magnify the Lord

July 12, 1979

Sister M. Martina Conley’s brother, Albert went to God to-day He was at Zambarano.[[11]](#footnote-11) Sister is now at the Health Center

August 10, 1979

Sister Edgar Freethy is in Our Lady of Fatima Hospital undergoing surgery on her leg.

August 23, 1979

Sister Patricia Combies joins the English faculty[.] Sister will reside with Sister M. Josepha Haskins on [Ayrault]. Sister [Marialyn] Riley also joins the English faculty and will reside at Moore Hall.

August 29, 1979

Rev James Healy, Chaplain and later Dean of students who has been here for the past five years is leaving for law school very shortly. This afternoon a reception in his honor took place in the State Dining Room.

Sister Mauricita Stapleton has been appointed head librarian by Doctor Burrell.

September 13, 1979

Sister Arlene Woods of Art Department is busy designing the Cover for the September Province Meeting to be held at Bay View on September 22nd.

September 22, 1979

Early this evening we received word of Charles W. Cooke’s going to God after several months of suffering from Cancer. Doctor Cooke headed the department of Criminal Justice.

September 10, 1979

General House meeting was conducted in second lounge of Ochre Court. Sister Kathryn Mary Murphy was re-elected coordinator for the year 1979-1980. A Committee on Spiritual Renewal – 1979-1980 was formed composed of the following members Sisters Mary Edgar Freethy, Jeannine O’Brien, MarialynRiley, Jean and Eloise Tobin. The principal project for September is the planning of Liturgy for Mercy Day plus the Fiftieth Year of the Amalgamation

September 23, 1979

Sister Mary Smith is en route to Chicago to attend the Annual Meeting of the Society of American Archivists

The induction of twenty-five new members of Mercy Honor Society, Sigma Phi Sigma took place at 2 pM. at a special liturgy celebrated by Rev. Edward Kelly. Sister Mary Brenda Sullivan is Moderator.

September 24, 1979

Sisters from Saint Mary’s and the Holy Ghost Tiverton joined the Salve Regina Community in the celebration of Mercy Day and the Fiftieth Year of the Amalgamation. Sister Norma Orme was organist, Rev. George McCarthy, pastor of St. Mary’s was celebrant. Sister Marjorie Walsh read the first reading from Deuteronomy[.] Sister Lucille McKillop the second reading from Ephesians; the prayers of the faithful, Sister Mauricita Stapleton[;] offering of gifts Sister Gertrude Donnelly St. Mary’s and Sister Patricia Combies, [Ayrault] Street

Sister Kathryn read Testament of Mercy at dinner which followed

September 26, 1979

Faculty, students attended funeral Mass (at St Ann’s Cranston at ten AM for Charles W. Cooke[.] The Liturgy Committee under the guidance of Karen Dobson prepared a moving liturgy Members of Sigma Phi Sigma acted as honor guards. Rev. James Healy returned to act as principal celebrant.

October 14, 1979

Sister Mary Audrey, dean of Admissions hosted Open House Day to over 300 students. Her staff and members of the faculty worked to-gether to make the day a success.

October 21, 1979

The Annual “Harvest Supper” at Moore Hall united us as a Community. At this gala affair feast days occurring in September and October were remembered[:] Sister Rosalind Kiernan, Sister Norma Orme, Sister Mauricita Stapleton, Sister Mauritia [McGuirl], Sister Mary Eloise Tobin[,] Sister Naomi Burns, Sister Lois Eveleth and Sister Giles Peresich.

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October 28, 1979

One highlight of Parents Weekend was the Induction Ceremony for eighty Nursing Students held at St. Mary’s Church at 1 p.M.with Rev. Edward Kelly, College Chaplain as celebrant. The theme of the liturgy: [“]Light of Christ Illumined Our Life” This ceremony was followed by a reception at Ochre Court.

October 29, 1979 Sisters Mauricita Stapleton and Giles Peresich attended Fall Meeting of Association of College Libraries New England Chapter held at Holy Cross College

November 8, 1979 Sister Mary Smith, College Archivist has been invited to visit the Brooklyn Museum where there is to be a special showing of Richard Morris Hunt’s papers

Sister Ann Nelson attended the Annual Meeting of the Northeastern Political Science Association at Hilton Gateway in Newark, N.J.

November 13, 1979

Sister Prudence Croke and Doctor Frank Maguire were the panelists over station WADK. Their topic was “Christianity: The Heart vs the Head.[”]

November 18, 1979

A special Thanksgiving Liturgy was celebrated this week end at both the 5:00 p M. Mass on Saturday and the 11:15 on Sunday A feature of the liturgy was inauguration of a drive for the relief of the starving Cambodians.

November 14, 1979

This evening at six p.M.in the lounge at Ochre Court the Community commemorated the 138th Anniversary of the death of Mother Catherine McAuley, November 11, 1841[.] After a general introduction by Sister Mary Jean Tobin, Sister Mary Eloise Tobin gave interesting facts concerning Mother’s life and death centering on her devotion to the Cross and to the Holy Name of Jesus. Papers on the Jesus Prayer plus The Psalter of Holy Name of Jesus were given to the Sisters. Sister Marialyn [Riley] comment[ed] on the Jesus Prayer[;] Sister Mary Eloise introduced the various intercessions of the Psalter.

The Commemoration closed with a Prayer Service consisting of a reading from Mercy Covenant by Sister M. Giles Peresich and another reading - A Letter of Mother McAuley to Sister Francis Warde at St. Leo Convent [Carlow] dated February 18, 1838. A hymn honoring the Holy Name added to the theme of entire commemoration. A symbol of the remembrance of this anniversary was a cross given a central place in the lounge.

Insert for October 27, 1979

At Noon on Saturday members of the College Community and guests witnessed the presentation by Mr. Felix de Weldon, renowned sculptor, of an original Pieta[.] Mr de Weldon sculptured the Pieta for Sister Lucille McKillop and those who work with her in appreciation of their efforts and achievements. Bishop Louis E. Gelineau blessed the sculpture which hangs in the Great Hall.

*[Inserted typescript note in volume:]*

“When I sculpted the Pieta you see here today, I wanted to create this radiant and youthful figure of the Virgin Mother supporting the limp body of Christ, her Son, the eternal image of the sufferer who descended into the grave. . .Age has not impaired the beauty of the Holy Mother. I tried to create a young woman whose body has a virginal quality. The grief of the mother did not impair the gentle beauty of her features. To anyone who would wonder that this mother who has suffered the most cruel affliction could have retained such serene loveliness, I would reply that this beauty has remained unblemished because it was the beauty of the soul, unaffected by time or emotional agitation. Physical beauty is preyed upon by time and fades with its passage. But there is another beauty which transcends time, as written in the Revelation of Saint John. I hope that this Pieta will serve as an inspiration to all the students of Salve Regina. . .”

December 1, 1979

The Third Annual Governor’s Ball was held this evening at Ochre Court. The Governor J. Joseph Garrahy and his wife were unable to attend since they were en route to Russia and Italy for some three weeks.

December 3, 1979

The Newport College Singers and The Kingston Congregational Church Chair presented a joint Christmas Concert at 8 p.M in Ochre Court as part of Christmas in Newport. Stephen Martorella was director.

December 9, 1979

On Sunday at 2 PM. in Ochre Court the Council For Exceptional Children at the College hosted a Christmas Party for all the children with whom they work.

December 12, 1979

Advent Penance service was conducted at 6:30 pM. by Rev. Edw. [Kelly] OSP Chaplain and a group of students under the direction of Ms Karen Dobson One very effective feature of the service was the dramatization of Prodigal Son.

December 13, 1979

The Holly Dinner was followed at 7:30 by the Candlelight Ceremony in Ochre Court

The highlight of the ceremony which consisted of various readings from the class presidents plus the lighting of a candle for each class - the highlight was the presentation of a check for $4,000 for Cambodia.

In Sister Lucille McKillop’s response she praised the enthusiasm of the students relative to Cambodia project but at the same time listed various examples of different things students are doing for others within and beyond the Campus Community.

December 14, 1979

The President’s Reception for faculty and staff was held in Ochre Court at 7 p.M. Pat Zompa Orchestra entertained Dancing was the order of the evening at 9:30 the spiritual significance of Christmas lent significance to the whole reception Dr. William Burrell read Israel Hope For their Expected Messiah; Sister Sheila Megley - My Soul Magnifies the Lord; Doctor Robert McKenna - Radiant Night of the Waiting World and Sister Lucille McKillop with And the Word Became Flesh and Dwell Among Us.

December 25, 1979

Rev. James Healy returned to offer Midnight Mass and a Morning Mass at 10 A.M.

December 31, 1979

To-day was spent as a day of renewal - a day of prayer prepared by Sisters Mary Eloise Tobin and Sister Mary Jean Tobin[.] In addition to the Salve Regina Community who were at home Sister Josepha Haskins[,] Sister Juliette Jones, Sister Maurice Lonergan and Sister Edwina Madden joined us for the program

The Theme: Seeking and Thirsting For the Lord

The Morning Conference given by Sister Mary Eloise Tobin centered on The Cost and Meaning of Intimacy Isaiah 55; I Kings 19: 9-13.

Afternoon Conference Where Streams Not Fail

An interpretation of Pope John Paul II’s Song of the Brightness of the Water - poems on Samaritan Woman

Conclusion- Private and Communal

Prayer- Chapel

“Be Still My Soul” - sung by group

Period of Adoration and Personal Prayer

“Peace is Flowing Like a River”- sung by group

Meditative Readings from St. Bernard on the Nativity - Readers - Sisters Augustine Sans Souci; Edgar Freethy and Mercy McAuliffe.

Antiphonal Praise of Mary adapted from St Ambrose’s commentary on St. Luke

“Gentle Mary, Gentle Mother” - sung by group

Renewal of Vows

Song of Praise

January 27, 1980

The entire Community enjoyed a turkey dinner at Moore Hall at 5 p.M. The dinner was preceded by a prayer service featuring winter scenes integrated with the Psalms. These prayers and scenes were videotaped by Sister Marianne Postiglione. Sister Mary Brenda presented them to us.

February 10, 1980

Community Workshop: Ministry - Women in Ministry To-day was conducted in O’Hare Academic Center

A filmstrip was shown entitled “Women’s Gifts”

Followup of Filmstrip: Campus Ministry - comments by Sister Maureen McElroy

A series of discussions in designated classrooms were open to interested Sisters. Sister Barbara Riley presented a report on “Religious Communities; Response to Multi-National Corporations;[”] Sister Mary Christopher and Sister Michaelinda provided the group with “A description of the role of Christian oriented school and family relationship in to-day’s world”

A third Ministry - “Ministry to GayPerson [sic].”

February 25, 1980

Sister Lucille McKillop and Sister Sheila Megley concluded the present series on “Education in the 80’s” on Salve’s Education via Radio on WADK

March 15, 1980

Sister Lucille McKillop was chosen unanimously by the St. Patrick’s Day Committee of Newport as Grand Marshal of this year’s parade.

March 15, 1980 (Continued)

an added attraction was a float featuring St. Patrick and a 20 foot rainbow.

March 19, 1980

Lenten Penance Service was held in Ochre Court Chapel at 7 p.M.The theme of this reconciliation was “God is a Merciful God”

March 21, 1980

The Newport College Singers and St. Peter’s College Glee Club (New Jersey) presented a very enjoyable concert at 8 p.M. in the Great Hall. Despite the storm the attendance was good

March 28, 1980

Sisters Mary Jean Tobin and Sister Mary Eloise Tobin gave a prayer weekend at Watch Hill[.] The general theme was Discipleship supplemented by Scripture poetry of Pope John Paul II and Cynewulf’s “Dream of the Road”

March 30, 1980

This afternoon we received the results of the election of administrative officials at the General Chapter. This Chapter included Sister Mercy McAuliffe, Sister Ann Nelson, and Sister Lucille McKillop as delegates. Sister Mary Philemon Banigan attended as an observer. The results of the election are as follows:

Sister Theresa Kane, New York

Sister Emily George, Detroit

Sister Mary Ellen Quinlan, [Omaha]

Sister Rosemary Rok, Omaha

Sister Betty Barrett, Chicago

April 15, 1980

Sister Lucille McKillop, President of Salve Regina has been named by Rhode Island House and Senate Leaders to a commission to recommend a new pay level for Rhode Island legislators Sister is one among fifteen community leaders who have been asked to serve on the commission

April 18, 1980

Sister Patricia Combies of English Department recently received a copy of the book she Co-authored on American Literature for high school students[.] The book, An I.D. for American Literature is published by the Center for Humanities in Cleveland.

April 17, 1980

Sisters M. Mauricita Stapleton and Giles Peresich attended ACRL New England Chapter and New England Spring Conference for College Librarians held at Connecticut College in New London. The theme of the conference was Beyond the New Horizon: The Future of Academic Library Service.

April 20, 1980

Sister Marjorie Walsh was honored at Homecoming Weekend at St Xavier’s as a former principal and a member of the fifty year class.

Sister Maurcitia Stapleton was admitted to Newport Hospital for tests and possibly traction

April 24, 1980

Sister Virginia Burke Provincial Administrator visited the Ochre Court Community after the evening meal.

April 26, 1980

The Spring Olympics-Special Olympics was held to-day mostly at Wakehurst. Sister Charles Francis Dubuque was honored for her contribution and interest in special students especially on Wednesday evenings throughout the year.

April 28, 1980

Sister Corinne Walsh was admitted to St. Joseph Hospital for tests and observation. Sister Kathryn Murphy is attending the 58th [?]Convention of Annual Council for Exceptional Children in Philadelphia. Thirty-two students are also attending the meeting

May [blank]1980

Sister Mauricita returned from Newport Hospital early to-day.

May 3, 1980

Honors Convocation was held in O’Hare Academic Center at elevenA.M.Preceding this Convocation at 10:30 in the lobby a Memorial Plaque honoring Doctor Charles Cooke was unveiled. Rev. Edward J. Kelly Chaplain blessed the plaque. Mrs. Marjorie Cooke, wife of Doctor Cooke attended the ceremony

May 11, 1980

Sister Corinne Walsh returned to-day. She did not require surgery. This, the Doctors felt, was beyond their skill.

May 17, 1980

The theme of the Baccalaureate Mass held in St. Mary’s Church at 3 p.M. was Go Forth, Filled with the Spirit. The principal Celebrant was Reverend Edward J. Kelly with Concelebrants Reverend John A. Bevins (Navy Chaplain)[,] Reverend George B. McCarthy, Reverend Douglas B. Spina. The Master of Ceremonies was Reverend John E. Unsworth

The first scripture Reading Isaiah 61: 1-3, 6, 8-9 was read by Timothy Logan; the Responsorial Psalm Ps 104 by Jeannette Booth; the second scripture reading: Corinthians 12, 4-13 by Elena Vieira[.][[12]](#footnote-12) The Gospel was from John 20: 19-23

Lisa Gattiand Joan Sorich were responsible for the prayers of the faithful[.][[13]](#footnote-13) The offertory procession was most impressive: Barbara Immel-Wheat; Theresa Liara-Grapes; Kathleen Reed-Wine; Janine La Rochelle-Paten; Virginia McDonagh-Mortor [sic] board.[[14]](#footnote-14) Music-Rhode Island Brass Ensemble-John Pellegrino, Director Organist was Stephen Martorella.

Chief Marshal-Robert Kulo-Student Marshals-Steven Combes; Eileen Creaton; Raye [Denkiewicz], Cynthia McVeigh and Rita Sevigny.[[15]](#footnote-15) Lector-Joseph T. Little

The Eucharistic ministers were Sister Mary Brenda Sullivan; Brother Eugene Lappin, Dr. Daniel McGregor, and Mr. John Rok.

Processional: Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow - Recessional: Hail, Holy Queen enthron’d Above

May 18, 1980

The 30th Annual Commencement was held at the Naval Base due to Construction on the East Terrace. However, the day was unsettled and it rained before the end of the exercises.

The Invocation was given by Most Reverend Louis E. Gelineau. The Commencement Address by The Honorable Florence K. Murray who stressed the challenge encumbent [sic] on the graduates in the face of the present era. Judge Murray related the decade of the 80’s to decades previous the depression, World War II its Aftermath, the Vietnam War and Watergate.

Sister Lucille McKillop, President presented students for degrees. She was assisted by Dr. William Burrell and Sister Sheila Megley

The honorary degree recipients were Everett Chester Wilcox Doctor of Health Services Administration and Erich A O D Taylor [sic]Doctor of Laws.

Twelve graduates received Master of Science Degrees; thirty Master of Arts[;] thirteen Bachelor of Arts and Sciences; seventy-two Bachelor of Arts; two hundred twenty-six Bachelor of Science and thirty-six Associate of Science – total three-hundred seventy six

The benediction was given by Reverend Edward Kelly - Campus Ministry.

May 26, 1980

On Monday evening the Faculty Senate hosted an end of the year dinner held at The Pier. Three faculty members were honored for long years of service: Sister Mary Jean Tobin (32 years); Sister Mary Philemon Banigan (29 years) and Mrs. Catherine Graziano (27 years) - each received a beautiful gift of brass bookends in the shape of a pineapple, symbol of Newport hospitality.

June 1, 1980

Sister Mary Audrey O’Donnell resigned as Dean of Admissions effective as of this date[.] Sister did a remarkable job in recruiting students

She is to be Assistant to the President and Consultant in Admissions. Mr Christopher Kiernan will move into the office of Dean of Admissions.

June 5, 1980

Seventeen members of the faculty left by bus to attend the Mercy Higher Education Conference at Carlow College in Pittsburgh. There is to be a stop at St. Joseph’s College, Hartford for lunch-then an over-night stay at Misericordia College in Dallas Pennsylvania. Lunch on Friday will be at Mt. Aloysius Jr. College in Cresson - then on to Pittsburgh. The Sisters should return late Monday.

June 6, 1980

To-day marked the final day for the Navy Chaplains who have been serving us since September. Commander John Bevins offered the liturgy from Monday through Friday and Commander Brian Kane on Saturdays and Sundays at eight thirty. Father Bevins wished a sung Mass to commemorate the end of his sojourn here. The liturgy of Corpus Christi was chosen as a fitting celebration. The liturgy was offered at 8 A.M.with the following selections[:] Processional: To Jesus Christ Our Sovereign King[;] Mass for Christian Unity, Offertory Panis Angelicus[,] Recessional-Navy Hymn-Eternal Father Strong To Save. Father incensed the altar and chanted the canon as well other parts of the Mass

June 16, 1980

Sisters Mary Jean and Mary Eloise Tobin left this morning for St. Joseph Monastery, Peterborough, N.H. for a two week retreat.

This evening thirty-five Sisters from the Province in addition to some members of the Salve Regina College Community began a six day retreat under the guidance of Rev. John HamrogueRedemptorist Conference and Mass were conducted for the most part in Miley Hall A holy hour was held in the College Chapel on Friday, June 20th and the final Mass also in the College Chapel[.] Fifty-five made the retreat

June 17, 1980

A reception for Rev. Edward Kelly, CSP and Doctor Charles O’Connor who are leaving the College faculty. Father [Kelly]is to be concerned with ministry in Afro-American parish in Detroit. Doctor O’Connor has a position with the Federal Government in Washington

July 1, 1980

Sister Rosalie Fitzpatrick of Chicago who is on our faculty in the Mathematics department called from Rochester, N.Y. to say that her sister Marguerite McClellan had gone to God after suffering from cancer during the last few months.

July 4, 1980

Sisters Francis de Sales Shea and Mercy McAuliffe left by plane for Rochester to attend Sister Rosalie’s sister’s funeral

Sisters Mary Smith, Marialyn Riley and Eloise and Jean Tobin left by car at 9:10 A.M. for the same purpose.

July 5, 1980

Sister Mary Brenda’s brother-in-law Francis Eldridge died to-day at Our Lady of Fatima Hospital in North Providence. He had been ill for some months

July 15, 1980

Sister Consilii Reynolds left to-day for a three weeks tour of Ireland.

August 1, 1983

Sister Marjorie Walsh has accepted the position of Director of Student Records; this also includes Alumni records. Sister has done an excellent job as director in the Office of Placement and Career Counseling for the past eleven years.

August 7, 1980

Sister Norma Orme left to-day for Guadalajara Mexico for a semester’s sabbatical she will continue to enrich her knowledge of Spanish and Spanish culture in the Americas. Sister expects to return to the College in December.

August 8, 1980

Sister Consilii Reynolds returned from Ireland. She entertained us with various aspects of her trip. Sister visited many of the Convents of Mercy during her stay.

Sister Marie Naomi Burns received news this morning that her sister Sister Mary Justin is critically ill with a cardiovascular accident. She was found on the floor of her bedroom this morning.

August 11, 1980

We received a message to-day that Sister M. Martha Quinn who served here at the College from 1947 until 1965 died yesterday at the Health Center.

This evening we honored Sister Rosalie Fitzpatrick of the Chicago Province. Sister has been a visiting professor in the Math department for the past three years and is returning to Chicago.

A prayer service was held in the Chapel in gratitude to Sister for sharing her presence with us at Salve Regina. Sister Sheila Megley gave the greeting followed by the opening prayer: Glory to God. Psalm Reading: 136 -Sister Francis de Sales Shea. Scripture Reading: Colossians 3-12-17 Give thanks to God the Father through Christ-Sister Lucille McKillop. The prayers of the faithful were spontaneous. The service ended with Song of Celebration: We Gather Together followed by the Salve Regina.

Refreshments were served in the State Dining Room. The Sisters and Brothers on our faculty shared the occasion. Everyone is sorry to see Sister leave - so we said Au Revoir and not Adieu.

August 29, 1980

Sisters Ann Nelson and Charles [Francis] Dubuque left early this afternoon to attend the final profession of Sister Sheila Megley. The profession is to take place in Chicago The Celebrant is our own Bishop Louis Gelineau

Sisters Mary Jean and Eloise Tobin moved from Ochre Court to Moore Hall to-day. The enforcement of fire laws necessitated the exodus.

September 7, 1980

A liturgy of thanksgiving was celebrated for the Golden Jubilee of Sister M. Audrey O’Donnell and Sister M. Marjorie Walsh at 4 pMin the College Chapel. Reverend Edward L. Walsh Sister M. Marjorie’s brother was the celebrant

The theme (Thanksgiving) of the liturgy was given by Sister Kathryn Murphy, Local Coordinator[.] Processional: Salve Regina, First Reading from Hosea 2 16-17, 21-22 Sister M. Lea Malley, Sister M. Marjorie’s niece. Responsorial psalm: Magnificat-verses sung by Sister M. Eleanor Crook. Second Reading Ephesians 3:14-21 Read by Sister M. Augustine San Souci

The Gospel was the Gospel of the Annunciation Luke 1: 26-38

Sister Lucille McKillop read the Prayers of the Faithful at the conclusion of which all responded with Suscipe of Mother McAuley.

Mr and Mrs Thomas J. O’Donnell and Sisters Audrey and Marjorie brought up the Gifts. Offertory Hymn: Hail Mary (verses Sisters M. Eleanora Crook and Sister Marie Paulette Sans [sic] Souci[)] At the kiss of Peace – Hymn - Let There Be Peace on Earth Communion Hymn -Panis Angelicus

Recessional: O Dearest Mother of Mercy.

Sister Mary Lomax, Organist

Following the liturgy dinner was served in State Dining Room. Sister M. Rosalia Flaherty gave the toast honoring the Jubilarians.

September 24, 1980

Mercy Day - At the seven O’Clock celebration of the liturgy with Reverend John Baldwin who is enrolled in Chaplain’s School at the Naval Base as celebrant we had as Processional: Born of the Father; Offertory Panis Angelicus and Recessional O Dearest Mother of Mercy Father[.] stressed the modern interpretation of the word ransom - hostage situation.

At five p.M. in Alumnae Lounge at Miley Hall we honored Sister Sheila Megley on the occasion of her final profession with a prayer service: First – Veni Creator Spiritus

Then two psalms based on sections from Mercy Covenant and Vatican II

The Reading was for first Chapter of Ephesian Verses 3-10. In the final prayer we asked that as the daughters of Mother McAuley God’s kingdom Might come through each one of us. We closed with singing of Salve Regina.

A special dinner was then served in Miley Hall Dining Room.

September 26, 1980

Today shortly before 4 p.M. Freedom won America’s Cup outwitting its challenger Australia with a victory of four games out of seven.

Here at the College we were especially thankful since a delay would have been most inconvenient with students returning Sunday for the school year. Some of our residence halls were occupied by various crews during the summer months

October 9, 1980

Sister Mary Edgar Freethy entered Memorial Hospital in Pawtucket for surgery to-morrow. Masses are to [be] offered for her to-morrow at both 7 and 12.

October [blank] 1980

Sister Mary Justin Burns, Sister Marie Naomi’s sister went to God early this evening.

October [blank] 1980

Sister Mary Noel Blute conducted a workshop with the Sisters living on Campus. The purpose of the sessions is to evaluate Community living and to examine goals and objectives. This is was [sic] the first in a series. We spent time in reading and discussing the scripture which served as an introduction to the whole process.

November 9, 1980

The Alumnae of the College honored Sisters who taught here within the first ten years by conducting a tea and social hour at Mount Saint Rita where some of the Sisters are now living.

November 16, 1980

Sister Mary Noel finished her workshop this evening. Each group drew up goals and objectives. These are to be refined, re written and sent to Sister as well as to each group concerned. We thank Sister for her time and interest.

December 6, 1980

The fourth Annual Governor’s Ball was celebrated in Ochre Court. The theme this year was The Year of the French Sister Therese Antone is responsible for many of the details.

November [sic]17, 1980

Sister Edgar Freethy returned to us after spending a few weeks at the Health Center.

December 12, 1980

The members of Sigma Phi Sigma honored all Sisters of Mercy here at the College in recognition of the 150th jubilee year of the foundation of the Sisters of Mercy - 1851-1981. The highlight of the beautiful program was a special citation for each Sister and the presentation of an American beauty Rose for remembrance. The celebration was held in the Drawing Room concluding with the singing of Dearest Mother of Mercy and the Salve Regina. Refreshments were served the tables were beautifully decorated.

December 18, 1980

Holly Buffet for all the College Community took place in Ochre Court from 7 pM until 11. JackieByrne,[[16]](#footnote-16) Freshman Class president entertained with selections on the Marimba including Let There Be Peace On Earth and Panis Angelicus. Dymphna Flanagan[[17]](#footnote-17) lead [sic] the ballet dancers with her flute. Sister Lucille McKillop gave her Christmas Message to the entire Community

December 19, 1980

Sister Norma Orme returned this afternoon from her sabbatical spent in Guadalajara, Mexico. Sister spent a few days in Belize and Honduras before returning[.]

December 25, 1980

There was Midnight Mass in Ochre Court Chapel celebrated by Reverend [blank space] McNicholas Columban Father and College Chaplin [sic]. The great majority of Sisters are spending Christmas Day with their families[.] Coldest Christmas ever experienced in Rhode Island - 4 degrees below early morning and ten below at five thirty p.M.

December 31, 1980

A quiet holy hour in Ochre Court Chapel was the significant event of this last day of the year Sister Mary Brenda, Eucharistic Minister, exposed the Blessed Sacrament for Adoration. We exchanged names so that each Sister has another Sister for whom to pray during 1981.

January 1, 1981

Cloudy with a threat of snow and a forecast of much colder weather - 17 degrees early this A.M Mass was celebrated at 9 A.M after which Sister Sheila Megley invited the Community to Cave Cliff for coffee.

January 5, 1981

Sister Sheila Megley in the light of the zero weather decided to-day would be a reading day since some students have not yet returned and faculty members would find traveling difficult

January 15, 1981

Sister Mary Smith was admitted to Newport Hospital to-day for tests.

January 21, 1981

Sister Mary Smith returned this morning from Newport Hospital

January 201981

Inaugeration [sic] day - Ronald Reagan but most of all the release of the hostages held in Iran. A day of great rejoicing and thanksgiving.

February 15, 1981

Sister Lucille McKillop was honored as Woman of the Year. This honor was sponsored by the Woman’s Division of the Newport Chamber of Commerce The testimonial dinner was held at the Viking Hotel Convention Center at 6:30 p.M.

Reverend John F. Baldwin, Cmdr. CHC USN gave the invocation The welcome was extended by Mrs. Hector Marcucci, president of the Woman’s Division Newport County Chamber of Commerce. The Toastmistress was Mrs. Rita A. Thomas. Greetings and symbols were presented from Newport, Middletown, Portsmouth and Warwick

There were about twenty persons representing the various organizations to which Sister Lucille gave her support and services - these people all expressed felicitations. Sister Lucille responded fittingly with a thought from Father Farrell’s book The Father is Very Fond of Me?[[18]](#footnote-18)

Rev. Raymond McNichols gave the benediction

March 12, 1981

The Salve Regina Commemorated the one hundred fiftieth Anniversary of our institute[.] The Mass of Our Lady of Mercy was celebrated by Rev. John Baldwin, USN Chaplain. Sister Ann Nelson read the first reading; the second reading Spirit of the Institute - Mother Catherine McAuley Sister Lucille McKillop[;] Sister Marjorie Walsh - Offertory prayers[;] Offertory Procession: Bread And Wine - Sister Mary Edgar Freethy; Mercy Covenant - Sister Mary Noel Blute; Mercy Ring and Cross Sister Mary Eloise Tobin, Communion: Extraordinary Minister; Sister Sheila Megley; Ministers of the Cross: Sister Mary Jean Tobin; Sister Mary Brenda Sullivan. Sister Norma Orme – Organist[.] Processional: O Dearest Mother of Mercy; Offertory: O Love that Nothing Can Efface; Renewal of Vows Veni Spousa Christi; Recessional – Salve Regina A Continental Breakfast followed: Set up - Sister Charles Francis Dubuque; Sister Rosalina McKillop; Sister Mary Smith; Sister Mauricita Stapleton; Pastry: Sister Joannes Griffin; Sister Kathryn Mary Murphy; Sister Consilii Reynolds, Sister Corinne Walsh, Coffee: Sister Philemon Banigan; Sister Rosalind Kiernan; Sister Jeannine O’Brien, Sister Gilbert Smith Juice Sister Concepta Corbett, Sister Audrey O’Donnell Sister Augustine [San Souci] and Sister Francis de Sales Shea.

March 18, 1981

Since Ochre Court Community are moving out of Ochre Court accommodations are available for five sisters at St. Mary’s Convent on Spring Street. To-day was a day of decision. The following Sisters have agreed to move to St. Mary’s: Sisters Kathryn Mary [Murphy], Jeannine O’Brien, Joannes Griffin, Consilii Reynolds, and Charles Francis Dubuque.

The following are moving to Moore Hall; Sisters Philemon Banigan, Rosalind Kiernan; Norma Orme; Audrey O’Donnell - and Concepta Corbett. Sister Mauritia [McGuirl] is going to the Health Center and Sister Naomi Burns is going to Bay View.

March-April 1981

Sister Lucille McKillop has inaugurated a series of dinner parties for faculty at various dates[.] The first beginning on March 19th and the last on April 14th. Such a venture serves to unite us on a level other than school business[.] The month of March was also noteworthy for the visit of the accreditating [sic] team - March 8 through 11th They were very impressed - and the outlook for gaining the accreditation is excellent.

April 26, 1981

The Easter Recess was extended from Good Friday through Easter Monday to Tuesday April 14-Tuesday April 21st. Rev. Raymond McNicholas is conducting the Holy Week services.

April 27, 1981

Renovations are going on apaceat Moore Hall[.] Contractors are at work in pantry and kitchen[.] Wiring in house is being examined and the small room off the kitchen is being converted into a laundry.

May 28, 1981 The Magisterial Mass

For the first time in the history of the College The Candidates for Master’s Degrees were singled out for their own Mass which was held at Ochre Court on Thursday May 28th at 7 pM. Reverend John Baldwin, Navy Chaplain was Celebrant

May 30, 1981

Baccalaureate Mass was held at St. Mary’s at 2 p.M[.] The Chief Celebrant and homilist was Most Reverend Louis E. Gelineau, Bishop of Providence[.] Con-Celebrants: The Reverends John Baldwin, Raymond McNicholas, Douglas Spina, and John Unsworth. Curtis B Moraes [‘81] read the first scripture reading from Isaiah 32: 1 15-20

Diane Lowe read Philippians 4-6-9

Responsorial Psalm - Christopher Arnold [‘81] Psalm 72

Gift Bearers: Martha Collins [‘83]; Tina [Liord?]; Janine LaRochelle [‘82]; Christine Pateakos [‘83] and Cynthia Sanders [‘83]

May 31, 1981

The Thirty-First Commencement was held at the Navy Base at 2 pM.Three hundred and sixty students received degrees. The invocation was given by the Most Reverend Kenneth Angell Greetings from the state of Rhode Island: Honorable Frank Licht[[19]](#footnote-19) in the absence of Governor Garrahy. The honorary degree recipient was Brother Yemanu Gehar, F.S.C. Brother Yemanu [is] an educator in the Third World-Eritrea, Ethiopia; Brother assisted Mother Theresa of India to establish her sisters in Dira Dawa, Ethiopia. Brother is a linguist-Amharic, English, French, Italian and Spanish as well as his mother tongue Tigrinya. It was fitting to bestow the degree Doctor of Humane Letters during the tercentinary [sic]of the Brothers of the Christian Schools

June 1, 1981

Sisters Mauritia [McGuirl]went to Mount St. Rita Health Center after Noon Mass to-day Sisters Audrey O’Donnell Marjorie Walsh and Philemon Banigan accompanied Sister

This marks the beginning of the exodus from Ochre Court.

June 5, 1981

Some twenty-three of us left by bus to-day for the Mercy Higher Education Conference to be held at Gwynedd-Mercy College in Gwynedd, Pa. We stopped in West Hartford, Ct to take on seven or eight sisters from St. Joseph College. The highland of the conference is to be honoring three Sisters of Mercy for outstanding service. These Sisters are Sisters Cleophas Costello -Baltimore; Sister Elizabeth Carrall - Pittsburgh[;] Sister Clare Markham - West Hartford

June 7, 1981

We returned from Gwynedd, PA around 9:30 after a very profitable meeting. Focus of the meeting was on two documents: Catholic Higher Education and the Church’s Pastoral Mission; Dives In Misericordia - Pope John Paul II. We experienced Mercy first hand.

June 22, 1981

Retreat opened this evening for between sixty-five and seventy Sisters from various Missions plus some twenty-five of Salve Regina Community. Reverend [blank][illegible] conducted the retreat which ends on Sunday, June 28th

June 30, 1981

Five sister left to-day to live at St. Mary’s Newport: Sisters Kathryn Mary Murphy; Jeannine O’Brien, Joannes Griffin, [Consilii] Reynolds, Charles Francis Dubuque. To-day also marked our last meals at the College Service in Miley. Henceforth there will be 2 houses on campus[:] Marion Hall, ~~Saul~~ [sic] Salve Regina, Moore Hall Salve Regina and St. Mary’s Residence, Salve Regina College. Sister John Francis McKenna has joined Moore Hall as treasurer and cook. Sister arrived yesterday as a member of Moore Hall Community.

Sister Mary Audrey O’Donnell is under the Care of Doctor Hardiman in Providence since leaving Newport Hospital. She is presently living with Sister Mary Augustine at 10 Kentland Street, Providence. Sister is suffering from a serious blood condition

July 1, 1981

The following Sisters from Ochre Court are moving to Moore Hall during the course of this week: Sisters Philemon Banigan, Rosalind Kiernan, Norma Orme; Sister Edgar Freethy has also joined Moore Hall Community. She has been living at Marian Hall. Sister Mary Audrey O’Donnell’s things are being moved to her room. Sister Mercy McAuliffe resides here on weekends. Sister Concepta Corbett has moved from Ochre Court to Marian Hall.

July 6, 1981

Sister Norma Orme left to-day for Bayview where she is to give a course in conversational Spanish to some 20 to 25 Sisters. She is returning on July 24th.

July 18, 1981

Moore Hall is practically in order after much moving and placing of furniture [illegible]

August 19-22 1981

Chapter-celebration for the province was held here with over three hundred Sisters present. Two hundred lived at Miley Hall and the remainder were commuters. On Wednesday, August 19 Sister Lucille McKillop welcomed the members and gave a sketch of the history and progress of the College since 1934, the date of the Charter. Sister Noel Blute opened the Chapter and after the presentation of the Agenda presented the Trocaire experience in Ireland.

The highlight of Thursday Morning was Sister Emily George’s keynote address. Sister gave us a vision of our Mercy vocation as it extends into the future[.] The Afternoon session was concerned with Latin America. This was made concrete by Mary Knoll [sic] Sisters through lectures and films. Friday Morning was given over totally to Chapter proposals. The afternoon was free and gave the Sisters an opportunity to socialize. Saturday is to be remembered especially for the presentation of the Core Constitutions - Each Sister received her Constitution separately from Sister Mary Noel or a member of the Provincial Team.

The Mass on Friday evening was superb. Bishop Louis E Gelineau officiated. The banners, the readings, the Music were all integrated

August 26, 1981

Sister Mary Rosalind Kiernan was operated on this morning at Our Lady of Fatima Hospital. We received word late this afternoon that all went well.

September 3, 1981

Sister Mary Rosalind Kiernan returned to us at Moore Hall to-day.

September 6, 1981

Sister Arlene Woods who has recently returned from a year of study at Columbia celebrated her silver jubilee at four-thirty p.M at Ochre Court. Rev. Brian Kane, Naval Commander offered the liturgy. A reception and buffet took place after the liturgy.

September 14, 1981

Sister Mary Audrey O’Donnell arrived here at Moore Hall as a member of our Community[.] Sister is still under Doctor Hardiman’s Care but wished to join us as she was scheduled to do in June.

September 15, 1981

To-day we celebrate Sister Norma Orme’s feast with a special cake at dinner this evening plus a gift and a Mass

September 24, 1981

The Sisters of Mercy “on the island” celebrated Mercy Day to-gether with a special Mass at five p.M.in the College Chapel

Rev. Thomas Carnavale offered the liturgy. Following the Mass we had a “pot luck” supper in the State Dining Room. Everyone was happy since this marked our first get to-gether since the Sisters moved from Ochre Court to either Moore or St. Mary’s

October 1st through 17th

Sister John Francis McKenna, who has been with us at Moore Hall as our treasurer and cook since late August, went to Savannah, Georgia for a few weeks respite. This gave each of us an opportunity to try our skill in the preparing of meals. This proved to be a challenge to some few and a return to this art for others. We learned how much time, preparation, and ingenuity it takes day after day to serve us in this capacity.

October 11, 1981

We celebrated Sister M. Eloise Tobin’s feast to-day rather than on Friday October 9, 1981 [.]

November 22, 1981 Feast of Christ the King

On this special feast the bishop, Reverend Louis E. Gelineau to-gether with the Diocesan Commission on Life honored laity and religious in the diocese who have given of themselves for a number of years in serving the poor and the disabled and those with special needs[.] Sister Kathryn Mary Murphy, Chairman of the Special Education Department was among those chosen as worthy of honor[.] Sister has spent twenty four years of her religious life in this work. The liturgy was celebrated in the Cathedral at seven thirty p.M. Dr. C. Alexander Peloquin directed his chorale in “Lord of Life” which he composed a few years previously. The homilist was Rev. Joseph L. Lennon, OP. of Providence College. Bishop Gelineau awarded certificates to each of the honorees after the homily. After the liturgy a reception was held in the lower church.

November 24, 1981

To-day, Tuesday, we had our Thanksgiving celebration at Moore Hall. Sister John Francis surpassed herself in preparing and serving a delicious dinner Some of us will be leaving on November 25th. Hence we anticipated the event.

December 2, 1981

We observed Sister Mary Smith’s feast day this evening with a special cake plus a gift and a Mass.

December 6, 1981

The snow storm of the year brought 24 inches of snow to the island. We had No heat or light from 11 A.M.on Sunday until 1 A.M. on Monday. School is cancelled for Monday.

December 5, 1981

Despite the ominous weather in the late afternoon The Governor’s Ball was a great success. “Glimpses of Ochre Court” was the theme - several photos and explanations of wood carvings in Ochre Court’s second floor arches were prepared in a 12-page Commemorative booklet for the guests attending the gala event.

December 8, 1981

The Salve Regina College Community celebrated a liturgy for the 150th Anniversary of the Foundation of the Sisters of Mercy. The principal celebrant was Reverend Joseph McCloskey with Con-celebrants: Reverend Thomas Carnevale, Reverend William Klapps and Reverend Douglas Spina. Mr. Robert Kulo carried President’s Mace - Papal Flag - Mr. Carl Nykasa American Flag - Mr. Paul Cardoza. Mercy Banners were carried by the following class presidents: Senior - Diane Griffin, Junior - Theresa Murray[;] Sophomore - Jacqueline Byrne[;] Freshman Alfred Curnow[.] Brother Eugene Lappin-Reading from Genesis 3: 9-15-20[;] Psalm 98 Sing to the Lord a new song Sister Consilii Reynolds; Reading from Ephesians 1:3-6 11-12 Doctor William Burrell. Gospel Luke 1:26-38 - Rev. William Klapps. Homily - Reverend Douglas Spina[.] Prayers of the Faithful - Sister Ann Nelson

Offertory Narration - Sister Rosalina McKillop

Gift Bearers - Program of Studies - Michael Dasovich;

College Self-Study - Sister Sheila Megley

Nursing Self-Study Mrs. Catherine Graziano

Curriculum Plan - Brother Michael Reynolds

Student Directory - Mrs. Anita Jennings

Faculty Secretary Manual - Mrs. Bernadette Moniz

Maintenance Log - Mr. Joseph Sousa

Security Log - Mr. Wayne Carlile

Alumni Directory - Mrs. Patricia Till

Sisters of Mercy Core Constitution - Sister Concepta Corbett

Bread from Wheat - Sisters M. Edgar Freethy, Charles F. Dubuque, Sister Ellenrita O’Brien

Wine from Grapes - S.M. Therese Antone, S.M. Augustine San Souci

Sister Lucille McKillop - President - Mercy ThrustFor the Future” [sic]

Sister M. Philemon Banigan - Introduces - Suscipe of Mother McAuley.

Organist - Rose Napoli

Processional - Hail Holy Queen Enthroned Above

Holy, Holy Holy; Humbly We Adore Thee – Communion -

Song Response After Suscipe - Salve Regina

Song of Celebration - Irish National Anthem.

Ushers - Members of Sigma Phi Sigma.

December 12, 1981

The Moore Hall Community celebrated Foundation Day and anticipated Christmas by having dinner at La Forge’s. Fourteen of us were present this included Sister Mercy McAuliffe and Sister Francis de Sales Shea. We spent most of the day decorating Moore Hall.

December 20, 1981 Homily - Most Rev. Louis E. Gelineau

To-day marked the celebration of the one hundred fiftieth Anniversary of the foundation of the Sisters of Mercy with liturgy at the Cathedral at one p.M. Bishops Louis E. Gelineau and Kenneth Angell were the principal celebrants to-gether with some fifty priests. Sister Eleanora Crooke arranged and conducted the choir[.] The entrance song: “Canticle of Praise[“] First Reading 2 Samuel 7:1-5, 8-11,16 Sister M. Donald Egan, RSM[;] Second Reading Sister Eva Lallo RSM[;] General Intercessions Sister Lucy Donohue, RSM

Presentation of Gifts:

Candle: Ms. Poppy Peristeras

Mercy Pen: Sr. Doris Clarke, RSM

Vows: Sr M. Rita Claire O’Brien, RSM

Core Constitution: Sr. Marlene Laliberte, RSM

Bible: Sr. Marietta Walsh, RSM

Bread: Sr. Barbara Riley, RSM

Wine: Sr. Theresa Ann Beaudreau RSM

Offertory Hymn - “Sing Praise” - Sr Mary Pendergast, RSM

Dancers: Sr. Carol Aldrich, RSM; Sr Dianne Carlson, RSM; Sr. Mary [Lauzon?], RSM; Sr. Jean Marie McGee, RSM; Sr. Elizabeth Moraney, RSM[;] Sr. Martha Mulligan, RSM

Communion Hymn Ave Verum

Meditation Prayer - Sr M. Noel Blute:

Invocation For Our Time Sr. M. Jean and Eloise Tobin

Recessional-“The City of God”, “Mother of Mercy”

We returned to enjoy exchange of gifts and a delicious [illegible] buffet prepared by Sister John Francis McKenna.

Sister Mary Philemon was unable to attend since the broke a bone in her foot yesterday while out shopping[.] Sister will be disabled for four or five weeks.

December 25, 1981

Cloudy – Mild - Midnight Mass at Ochre Court

Everyone went home or with friends to-day

January 1, 1982

A very rainy day! This evening we had a special office reflecting our heritage as Sisters of Mercy to-gether with renewal of vows and an exchange of names to remember especially in prayer throughout the New Year. We had Christmas Candlelight to-gether with the Presence of the Blessed Sacrament during our prayer time in the lounge.

January 29, 1982

Sister Norma [Orme] returned from Our Lady of Fatima Hospital after Minor surgery.

April 2, 1982

Sister John Francis McKenna’s brother John died to-day in New Hampshire[.] Sister had been there a few days ago to visit him.

April 6, 1982 (Holy Week)

Blizzard - paralyzing most of New England School was dismissed until next Tuesday. Classes were have been concluded by 4 p.Mon Wednesday.

April 5, 1982

Sisters Mary Smith and Philemon left at 6 A.M. to attended the Mass for Sister John Francis’ Brother in Hanover, New Hampshire.

April 11, 1982

Sisters Mary Edgar and Gilbert and Audrey left this evening for retreat at Watch Hill. Sisters Marjorie Concepta, and Mauricita from Marion Hall are also going to retreat.

The Sisters expect to return on Friday.

April 16, 1982

The Class of 1982 held a reception honoring the faculty and administration at 4 pM in Ochre Court. The buffet was delicious; the program was most inspiring. Diane Griffin was Mistress of Ceremonies since she is president of the Senior Class[.] There was a reading from John Masefield p.[[20]](#footnote-20) defining what a College really means to students; then a reading from scripture -Mark 9, 50 - Salt of the earth and Luke 14-34-35 - light of the world[.] Each faculty member received a lighted candle and a carnation - symbolized in a reading entitled “One Candle.” The entire assembly sang

Let Their [sic] be Peace On Earth

The readers were Andy Malbouef, Rita Sevigny and Lisa Brazil, pianist, Audrey Kaiser.

April 17, 1982

There is to be a special Mass at 12 Noon for the repose of the soul of Doctor John McKenna brother of Sister John Francis[.] A buffet follows at Moore Hall.

May 20, 1982

Magisterial Mass was celebrated this evening at 7:30 pM The liturgy was offered by Rev. Robert Knapp. Forty-four candidates for Master’s degrees were honored at a reception following the Mass. The setting for the liturgy was Ochre Court Chapel.

May 22, 1982

The Baccalaureate Mass was celebrated at St. Mary’s Church at 2:30 pM. The first scripture reading was from Jeremiah 31: 31-34 The responsorial psalm - Psalm 90 - Response Lord, give success to the work of our hands. The second scripture reading was taken from 1 Corinthians 12, 31-13, 8 [sic]

The Gospel, which was read by Reverend Jerry Di Spigno brother of Lucia Di Spigno was taken from John 17: 20-26 Reverend Raymond McNicholas, College Chaplain was the homilist. The gift bearers all undergraduates were Brenda Byrne, Deidre Duvally, Martha Collins, Karen Holliday and Cynthia Sanders

The Seniors received their Academic hoods after the homily. Sister Lucille McKillop addressed the assembly just before the blessing.

May 23, 1982

The Thirty-Second Annual Commencement was held at 2 pM.At the Naval Base Nancy Hallas-Vocal director of Music Department lead [sic] the National Anthem.

The Most Reverend Kenneth Angell gave the invocation[.] Greetings from the State of Rhode Island - Robert McKenna - substitute for Governor J. Joseph Garrahy[;] Greetings from City of Newport-Paul L. Gaines[.] There were three recipients of honorary degrees: Peter Gennaro -Doctor of Fine Arts; James L. Maher and Felix A Mirando - Doctors of Humanitarian Service There were 377 graduates all told.

Sister Lucille McKillop - Message to graduates

Karen Dobson- Dean of Campus Ministry - the Benediction

July 3, 1982

Sisters Maria Elena and Marilyn Panton arrived from Belize. They are to attend the summer session. Sister Maria Elena is to study Religion [100?] and also be made more aware of the possibilities in Campus Ministry. Sister Marilyn is studying for her Master’s degree in Human Development.

Both Sisters are residing here at Moore Hall.

August 7, 1982

Sister Mary Philemon Bannigan celebrated her golden jubilee with the liturgy at Ochre Court at five p.M.followed by reception and dinner in the State Dining Room. There were approximately two hundred and forty guests present.

The principal Celebrant was Reverend Edward J. McGovern, one of Sister’s former pupils.

The processional: Sing To the Mountains

Brother Stephen O’Hara JSC First Reading Isaiah 12: 1, 2-6

Sister Marianne Postiglione, RS.M. graciously gave of her talent as organist and soloist. The Magnificat for Responsorial Psalm was her own composition

Second Reading: John Banigan-Ephesians 1:3-14

The Gospel was from St. Luke 1-26-38.

The Prayers of the Faithful: Frank Banigan

Offertory Procession: Mary Gehrett; Catherine Bauche; Helen Redihan (all Sister Mary Philemon’s sisters); Sister Mary Philemon.

Offertory Hymn: Here I Am Lord

All the Sisters renewed their vows before Communion.

Communion Hymn: Earthern [sic] Vessels

Mediation Prayer: Sister Mary Christopher O’Rourke RSM

Recessional: Salve Regina

August 14, 1982

Sister Marilyn Panton left to-day to make her retreat and then return to Belize.

August 15, 1982

Sister Maria Elena left for New York where she will spend a couple of weeks with her sister before returning to Belize.

September 1, 1982

Faculty Workshop took place in Ochre Court from 9 AMuntil 12 with department meetings scheduled for the afternoon The Noon liturgy was a special celebration for teachers. Reverend Raymond McNicholas and Reverend Douglas Spina concelebrated with Broth James (Ja) Loxham at the organ.

The entrance song: Joyful Joyful We adore Thee

First Reading: 1 Timothy 2 1-8 (We have heard God is with You) Psalm 98 - The Lord has revealed to the Nations His Saving Power. Sung Acclamation: Alleluia - Go out to all the world and tell the Good News. Gospel Matthew 28 16-26, Go and Teach

Rev. Douglas Spina - Homily - God is the Teacher

Sung Responses:

Holy, Holy, Holy; Keep In Mind; Amen; Lamb of God

Communion Reflection

A Dream of Every Teacher - paraphrase of 1 Corinthians 13-1-13 - Rev. Father McNicholas and Karen Dobson

Recessional: God’s Blessing Sends Us Forth

January 30, 1983

To-day the Mercy Community celebrated Sister Mary Rosalind Kiernan’s golden jubilee

The liturgy was celebrated at 2 pMin Ochre Court Chapel. Concelebrants were Reverends John P. Kenny, OP Bernard D. Kenny, O.P. Thomas L. Fallon, O.P.

Processional: Glory and Praise To Our God Dan Schutte, S.J.

First Reading: Isaiah 12: 1 2-6 Reader Peter Geisser

Responsorial Psalm Sing A New Song Dan [Schutte], SJ

Second Reading: Ephesians 3: 14-21 Reader Peter Glesser

Gospel Luke 2: 22-38 Rev. Thomas Fallon

Father Fallon also gave the homily which he based on the reading from Ephesians - “May Christ dwell in Your hearts through faith, and may charity be the root and foundation of Your life……may you attain to the fullness of God himself

Prayers of the Faithful Mrs. Peter Geisser

Offertory Procession: Miss Anna Swift; Miss Helen [O’Brien];

Mrs. Frank Talbot; Miss Rose Cassidy Sister Mary Rosalind Kiernan

Offering of Gifts: O Love That Nothing Can Efface - Pados[[21]](#footnote-21)

Before Communion Veni Sponsa Christi and Renewal of Vows

Communion Salve Regina

Recessional Sing To the Mountain - Bob Duffard, S.J.

Organist Sister Norma Orme, RSM

A Buffet was served in the State Dining Room following the liturgy.

May 21, 1983

The Baccalaureate Mass for the Class of 1983 was celebrated at 2 pM in St. Mary’s Church

The Celebrant was Most Reverend Louis E Gelineau with the following Concelebrants Reverend Stephen Avila, Reverend Thomas Carnevale, Reverend Raymond McNicholas, Reverend Paul Messer, Reverend Douglas Spina. Chief Marshal - Mr. Robert Kulo - Flag Bearers - Maurice Cusick, John Gerrily. Student Marshals Mary-beth Beretta, Margaret Denness, Lynn Devaney, Michele Lurier, Sally Willis

Faculty Marshal - Sister Prudence Croke

President’s Party Marshal Sister Therese Antone

Narrator - Joanne Kozlah

The Mass was the Mass for Vigil of Pentecost

Song of Celebration - “Come Holy Ghost”

Liturgy of the Word - Joel 3: 1-5

Responsorial Psalm -“Psalm For Pentecost” - C. Alexander Peloquin

Scripture Reading - Romans 8: 22-27

Sequence for Pentecost - Veni Sancte Spiritus - Gregorian Chant

Gospel - John 7- 37-39

The Homily - Most Reverend Louis E. Gelineau - the Message of Pentecost and its import for the graduates

The hooding was conducted by Sister Lucille McKillop

Assisted by Sister Sheila Megley, Dr. William Burrell, Mr. Christopher Kieran and Miss Barbara Sylvia

Gift Bearers at offertory: 1983 Class Officers - Theresa Murray; Jacqueline Wilhelm; Marie**-**Antonioni [sic], Lori Masatti

Communion Meditation - Salve Regina

President’s Address: Sister Lucille McKillop

Song of Celebration: “Now Thank We All Our God.[”]

Music - Rhode Island Philharmonic Brass Quartet

Salve Regina Chorus - Brother James Loxham Director

Dr. Thomas Day - Chairman of Music Department

Faculty Ushers: Michael Dasovich, James Farrington, Thomas Flanagan, Brother Victor Hickey Christopher Kiernan, Roger Livingstone, Richard Marquis, Frank Maguire, Steven Painchaud, Brother Michael Reynold and John Rok

Thirty-Third Commencement

May 22, 1983 - We had the Sun - despite all forecasts to the contrary

A huge tent was erected[sic]on the ocean side outside O’Hare with the capacity for 3,000 people

The National Anthem was led by Nancy Hallas of Music Department

Invocation - The Most Reverend Louis E. Gelineau

Greetings from State of Rhode Island - Eleanor M. McMahon, Ed D. Commissioner of Rhode Island Public Higher Education

Greetings from the City of Newport - Honorable David F. Roderick, Jr.

Conferring of Degrees - Sister Lucille McKillop PhD

Graduates Induction Into Alumni Association Sister M. Therese Antone, Ed.D.

Message to Graduates - Sister Lucille McKillop

Benediction Karen Dobson, M.A. Dean of Campus Ministry Chorus.

Salve Regina Hymn - Salve Regina College

Music also - Rhode Island Philharmonic Brass Ensemble.

Master of Arts - 124 students

Master of Science -110 students 234

Bachelor of Arts and Science - 16

Bachelor of Arts - 70

Bachelor of Science - 194

Associate of Science - 11

291

Total – 525 - largest graduating class

Addenda:

A major feature of the Alumni Weekend held in April-weekend-April 23-25-was the citations honoring Sister Mary Philemon Banigan for her years of service and ~~the~~Miss Marie Murphy -polio victim - as the outstanding Alumna. Marie graduated in 1959 at the Honors Convocation held on September 24th.

July 5, 1983

Sister Mary Philemon’s sister Helen Redihandied around 10:45 this evening Sister had visited her in the afternoon.

The wake: [Gallogly’s]-Thursday evening

7-9; Friday-2-4; 7-4.

Mass at 10 A.MMother of Mankind, North Providence. Rev. Clyde Walsh - Pastor at the Mass [T]he two sons - Vincent and Stephen did the readings and Brother Stephen O’Hara read the intercessions

Burial - Gate of Heaven Cemetary[sic]

July 28, 1983

Sister Mary Brenda’s sister died at 6:07 this evening at Mt. St. Rita’s Health Center. She had been at the Health Center for about ten days. The Wake Walter Quinn Funeral Home in Warwick. Tuesday Evening 7-9; Wednesday 2-4; 7-9 Mass at 10 AMSt Pius Church Providence.

Eucharistic Celebration Processional Hymn Priestly People First Reading

Isaiah 25: 6, 7-9

Sung Response - Prayer of St. Francis

Second Reading - Colossians 3 12-16

Gospel Acclamation - I am the resurrection and the Life

Gospel John 14 1-6

Offertory: Be Not Afraid; Holy, Holy, Holy - sung

Our Father - Sung; Communion Hymn Ave Maria

Recessional Hymn: I Am the Bread of Life

Sister Marianne Postiglione, RSM was the Organist

Father O’Shaughnessy, OP gave the homily[.] He stressed Sally Sullivan’s life of faith; even though she was a private person, her faith shone out on all who met her.

September 4, 1983 - Sunday

Labor Day Weekend - we are invited to Cave Cliff for a cook-out

September 1983

Sister Arlene Woods is in the process of moving to Carroll Avenue. She should be in her own apartment within the next two weeks.

November 20 1980 Moore Hall Community

We had our Thanksgiving Celebration

Our guests were the Community from Watts Sherman House

November 27th through December 3rd marked President’s Weeks honoring Sister Lucille McKillop’s ten years as President of Salve Regina College.

November 27th - Liturgy in Ochre Court Chapel at 4 pM.

Greeting in the Great Hall - Musical Prelude - Harp and Flute **-** “[Siciliano]” - Bach; “Andante Cantabile”. Persichetti; “Scherzando” Persichetti and “[Traumerei]” - Schumann.

Most Reverend Louis E. Gelineau lighted the first Candle of the Advent Wreath - The Religious Faculty then moved into the Chapel, to-gether with Bishop Gelineau, singing Sion’s Song. The PenitentialRite plus the Asperges followed.

Sister Sheila Megley - First Lesson - [Isai?] 2:1-5;

Responsorial Psalm: We Shall go up with joy to the house of our God.

Sister Therese Antone - Second Lesson Romans 13:11-14

Alleluia - Lord let us see your kindness and grant us your salvation.

Bishop Gelineau - Gospel: Matthew 24:37-44

Homily: Bishop Gelineau-Message for beginning of Advent to-gether with tribute to Sister Lucille.

Prayers of the Faithful: Reverend Thomas R. Peterson-President of Providence College

Gift Bearers - Sister Lucille’s family.

[Sanctia?] - Latin Faculty Schola

Agnus Dei – “ “ “

Communion Hymn - “Ubi Charitas [sic]” - Faculty Scholars

Recessional - The Coming of Our God

Followed by reception and dinner at Watts-Sherman House

This whole event featured the Religious Faculty of the College. Among those concelebrating with Bishop Gelineau were Rev Raymond McNicholas; Rev. Douglas Spina, Rev. Eugene Hillman; Rev. Thomas Peterson, Rev. Michael Malone

Monday-Nov. 28, 1983 marked the opening of the McKillop Gallery at the Art department in Mercy Hall.

Tuesday - November 29, 1983 - Tribute from students

Reception 3-5 Ochre Court - Proclamation from Student Senate; Basket of letters from students; Glee club featured The MinstralBoy and the National Irish Anthem as a tribute to Sister Lucille’s Irish heritage

Wednesday November 30, 1983

Celebration - Staff - Dinner - Dancing - plus presentation of picture of staff

Thursday - December 1, 1983 - Convocation

Faculty 7 pM Ochre Court The Rhode Island Brass Quintet under the direction of John Pellegrino added to the solemnity of the occasion.

Sister Sheila Megley Provost and Academic Dean introduced the speakers

Invocation Sister Mary Jean Tobin

Greetings from City of Newport - Mayor Patrick Kirby

Greetings from R.I. Board of Governors for Higher Education Albert E. Carlotti Chairman

Greetings from Providence College - Rev. Thomas Peterson

Greetings from Faculty Senate Sister Prudence Croke

Greetings from Jeremiah Lynch - former Chairman President of Board of Trustees

Greetings from present chairman of Board of Trustees - Mr. Raymond W. Caine, Jr.

Address of President - Sister Lucille McKillop -

Sister’s address was primarily concerned with the future of Salve Regina College.

Benediction - His Excellency Louis E. Gelineau

A Reception followed in the State Dining Room

Friday, December 2, 1983

The Administration honored Sister Lucille with a dinner at White Horse Tavern

Saturday, December 3, 1983

The Governor’s Ball - A seven year tradition heraldingthe Christmas seasons[.] This year the celebration honored Sister Lucille[.] J. Joseph Kruse and Marilyn CocozzaKruse were Chairmen of the planning committee.

December 18, 1983

To-day at 4 pM.Moore Hall Community exchanged gifts at a gala Christmas Party with a sumptuous buffet in our lounge. Everyone enjoyed themselves

March 19, 1984

Sister Francis de Sales joined the Community at Moore Hall to-day since the Watts-Sherman house is disbanding and the Sisters are moving out.

June 1, 1984

Sisters Charles Francis [Dubuque]and Elizabeth Bryson joined our Community at Moore Hall since St. Mary’s Convent on Spring Street is to be vacated by June 22nd

June 2, 1984

Sister Mercy McAuliffe received word at 2:30 A.M.that her sister Irene Mansfield had died suddenly of a heart attack

The Baccalaureate Mass was held in St. Mary’s Church at 11 A.M. in the midst of torrential rain

Celebrant: The Most Reverend Daniel A. Cronin, Bishop of Fall River - his niece Susan Cronin is one of the graduates

Con-celebrants

Reverend Thomas Carnavale

Reverend John Keegan

Reverend Gerald Kirby

Reverend George McCarthy

Reverend Raymond McNicholas

Reverend Douglas Spina

Musicians - Rhode Island Brass Quartet

Salve Regina Chorus-Brother John Loxham Director

Processional - [Feierlicher p.188] - Strauss

Song of Celebration-“Joyful Joyful We Adore Thee”

Scripture Reading Isaiah 11:1-4 - On Him the Spirit of the Lord Rests

Responsorial Psalm: Hail Thee Festive Day

Scripture Reading Ephesians 4:1-6 There is One Body, One Spirit, One Baptism

Gospel Luke 4: 16-22 The Spirit of the Lord is Upon Me

Homily: The Most Reverend Daniel Cronin

Hooding: Sister Lucille McKillop assisted by members of the Administration

Gift Bearers: 1984 Class Officers

Teresa O’Brien Jane Collins

Greg Wholeon Cheryl Anastasio

Offertory Hymn Salve Regina

Communion:

Ronde, [Saltarelle] Pavane [Tielman] Susato

Psalm 22 arr Gordon Jacobs

President’s Address

Sister Lucille McKillop

Hallelujah Chorus G. F. Handel

Recessional - Triumphal March GF Handel

June 3, 1984

The Thirty-Fourth Annual Commencement took place at 2 pM Due to the torrential rains of the past week the tent which was to have been set up outside O’Hare Academic Center was placed on Miley Parking Lot.

There were 501 graduates[.] Karen Dobson - Dean of Campus Ministry gave the invocation[.] In the absence of Governor Garrahy Senator Robert McKenna gave the greetings from the State of Rhode Island. Patrick K. Kirby - Mayor extended the greetings of the City of Newport[.] Honorary Degree Doctor of Laws was conferred on Jeremiah C. Lynch Jr. formerly president of the Board of Trustees

Senator Claiborne Pell congratulated the graduates

Sister Therese Antone, Ed D. inducted the graduates into the Alumni Association

Sister Lucille McKillop Message to Graduates

Salve Regina - school hymn was sung by Salve Regina College Chorus

Rhode Island Brass Ensemble provided Music - John Pellegrino - director

June 4, 1984

Several of us from Moore Hall attended Irene Mansfield’s funeral at St. Anthony Church [Mattapoisett] Sister Mercy is most appreciative. Her mother is facing surgery on the 6th So it was especially difficult for everyone concerned.

June 24, 1984 Sister Mary Edgar Freethy Jubiliee 1934-1984

Liturgy of Thanksgiving. Ochre Court Chapel 2 pM.Celebrant: Reverend Terrance P. Finnegan; concelebrants: Reverend Jude McGeough, Reverend John Steakam; Reverend Lawrence Toole Entrance: Glory and Praise To Our God; First Reading: [Isaiah] 42 - Robert M Freethy; Responsorial Psalm 91 - Catherine Jurkowski; Second Reading: St Paul to the Romans 8: 35-39-Helen Freethy; Gospel-John 15: 9-17. Homily: Reverend Terrance Finnegan; Prayers of the Faithful - Margaret Sullivan; Offertory Procession: Katherine Leddy, Colleen Driscoll, Lyman Ballelle, Christin Palaza[.] Offering of Gifts: Here I am Lord. Renewal of Vows all Sisters present. Communion: Veni Sponsa Christi[.] Meditation Prayer; Sister Lucille McKillop, Salve Regina (sung)

Recessional: Sing To the Mountains

Organist: Sister Norma Orme

Ushers: John Juronski; James Izzi;

Booklets: Arthur Balelli; Michael Balelli

A reception followed in the Great Hall of Ochre Court followed by a buffet at 4 pM in the State Dining Room. There were some one hundred fifty guests present.

June 26, 1984

Sister Charles Francis Dubuque received word this morning that her sister Mary Cyr had died. Mary had been ill many months. Wake: Thurs. 2-4; 7-9 Watsons Riverside[.] Mass Sacred Heart Church, East Providence Friday (Feast of the Sacred Heart) at 10[.] May she rest in peace

We had a severe thunderstorm this Afternoon. Transformer was hit outside Moore Hall - no electricity. Moore was the only place on campus affected.

This evening a group of Religious faculty of the College are meeting in Miley Hall Alumnae Lounge for reflection and prayer. This should be the beginning of many such evenings.

August 7-August 10, 1984

The Chapter of Affairs was conducted here at Salve Regina from Tuesday until Friday with participants arriving on Monday evening

On Tuesday the opening liturgy was held in the Chapter Room (Twombly-Burden Room in O’Hare). The order of the day was concerned with the following: report of the Provincial Administration plus government proposals

Wednesday - the theme of the day in the morning was leadership consisting of reflection and direction in general and then small group discussions.

The afternoon session centered around Round Robin Sessions scheduled from 2:15 until 4:30 The subject matter included justice formation, elementary education and associate membership. Thursday - The Round Robin sessions were continued from 9 until 10:00 A.M. with the St. Xavier Proposal occupying much of the agenda

A special liturgy in Ochre Court at 5 pM was followed by a special dinner complete with Musicians at 6:30 in Miley Dining Room. Friday-Leadership plus proposals including a corporate statement filled the agenda. The closing ritual concluded this chapter.

August 18 1984

Sister Mercy McAuliffe received word that her Aunt Sister Virginia of the New Hampshire Mercy Community was dying

August 11, 1984

We received word that Sister Virginia died very peacefully around 4:45 The funereal [sic] is at [Windham?] at 11 on Monday

Sisters John Francis, Philemon and Eloise are attending the funeral

September 19, 1984

Academic Convocation Commemorating the fiftieth anniversary of the founding of Salve Regina College was held on terrace outside of O’Hare Academic Center on Wednesday, September 19 at 10:00 AM. After the invocation (Bishop Gelineau) the National Anthem and opening remarks by Sister Lucille McKillop[.] Andrew M. Hunt president of the Board of Trustees read the Charter-1934[.] This was followed by Salve Regina Chorus singing Salve Regina.

Honorary degrees were conferred on the following: Sister Mary Philemon Banigan, Sister Mary Noel Blute, Sister Marie Susanne Breckel, Joseph Girard Brennan (Naval War College), Sister Mary Rosalia Flaherty, Betty Hutton, gifted actress, Ray Meyer (Chicago) world of athletics, Carl and Rachel Rossow (Rachel graduate of 1961 - she and her husband adoped [sic] 9 or 10 handicapped children - this in addition to their own healthy children) All of the children were present. Besides Sister Lucille - Sister Helen Amos - Generalate gave a most inspiring address.

Reverend Raymond McNicholas gave the benediction

The Convocation closed with Battle Hymn of the Republic

The entire program overflowed with the charism of Mercy. After the ceremony luncheon was served under tents at Wakehurst

Brother James Loxham conductor of Salve Regina Chorus

Rhode Island Brass Ensemble John Pelligrino Conductor.

November 13, 1984

This evening we celebrated the golden jubilee of Sisters Norma Orme, Mary Smith, and Edgar Freethy with a dinner at the Greenhouse

December 12, 1984

This date marked the 153rd anniversary of the founding of our congregation. It was marked by an emphasis on vocations with slides and pamphlets presented in the lobby of O’Hare by Sister Francis Lynch of the provincial team. She was assisted by some young sisters and associate members.

Open house was held from eleven to three in Tobin Hall. New Hall opened in September.

A special liturgy was offered by Father George Malone at 4:15. Reception and lunch followed in State Dining Room at Ochre Court.

December 19, 1984

Moore Hall Community enjoyed Christmas party at 5:30. Guests of honor included Sister Lucille McKillop, Rosalina McKillop and Sheila Megley. The buffet was delicious and the exchange of gifts enjoyable.

December 23, 1984

Sister Francis de Sales Shea received news this morning that her brother Martin went to God early this morning. He had been suffering from Cancer.

Sister Mercy McAuliffe arrived around twop.M.She fell a few days ago straining her ligaments in her leg.

March 17, 1985 Sister Mauritia was appointed here on July 17, 1958

Sister Mauritia [McGuirl] died this Noon at the Health Center. Sister was a member of our faculty retiring in 1972

She stayed here until 1981 and then went to the health center

Funeral Mass is on Wednesday, March 20

March 30, 1985

Sister Elizabeth Bryson returned to-day after having been recovering from surgery on her leg for the past four months

Word came this evening that Sister Marie [Susanne] Breckel died in Albany. Sister served in the psychology department here at the College. There is to be a Mass in Albany on Monday - a wake at Bayview on Tuesday and a Mass at the Cathedral on Wednesday.

May 19, 1985 In the midst of hail, thunder, rain +sunshine

The Thirty-Fifth Annual Commencement was held on Ocean side in tent outside O’Hare Academic Center. It was the largest graduating class in the history of the College with Master of Arts-108; Master of Science-140; Bachelor of Arts and Science 28, Bachelor of Arts 77; Bachelor of Science-251; Associate of Arts 2; Associate of Science 11-Total=617

Sister Lucille McKillop, PhD. President presiding; Invocation: Karen Dobson, PhD. Dean of Campus Ministry

Greetings - State of Rhode Island - Edward D. DiPrete; United States House of Representatives, Claudine Schneider; City of Newport, Honorable Patrick J. Kirby, Mayor.

Conferring of Degrees: Sister Lucille McKillop PhD; William Burrell EdD; Sister Sheila Megley PhD. Induction into Alumni Association - Sister Therese Antone, EdD.

Message to Graduates - Sister Lucille McKillop, PhD

Small Voice - Salve Regina College Chorus

Benediction - Most Reverend Kenneth A. Angell Auxiliary Bishop of Providence

June 2, 1985 I Will Celebrate Your love forever, Yahweh

Sister Jean Marie McGee, RSM made her first Profession as A Sister of Mercy in the College Chapel. The celebrant of the Eucharist was Rev. Henry Gallagher, O.P. Sister Mary Noel Blute received Sister’s vows. The witnesses were Sister Mary Madonna Crawford and Sister Patricia Custy

Greetings for the liturgy Sister Rosemary Laliberte, RSM.

Processional: Ode To Joy

Opening Prayer: Rev Henry Gallagher, OP.

First Reading: Jer. 18: 1-6 - Sister Mary Higgins RSM

Second Reading: Sister Marilyn Fanning RSM

The ceremony of Profession took place after the Gospel.

After the Profession of Vows, all Sisters of Mercy responded with a special invocation

The reflection which followed was given by Sister Barbara Metz, S.ND.

Sister Maureen McElroy, RSM. offered the Prayers of the Faithful

Presentation of Gifts:

Rose - Darline McGee

Candle - William McGee

Covenant - Michael McGee

A liturgical dance followed:

Sister Catherine Donovan, RSM

Sister Mary Lauzon, R.SM.

Sister Joanne Lisa, RSM

Sister Martha Mulligan, RSM

The Communion Hymns - Take Lord and Receive;

You are Near

The Eucharistic ministers: Sister Margaret Adams, RSM and Sister Romana Murphy, RSM

Recessional: Song of the Soul

Organist: Sister Mary Lomax, RSM

Guitars: Sister Marjorie Connolly, RSM

Sister Kathleen Sullivan, RSM

Cover: Marjory Augustus

A reception followed in the State Dining Room

June 16, 1985

The Liturgy of Thanksgiving for the Golden Jubilee of Sister Mary Brenda Sullivan was offered at 3 pM in the College Chapel.

The celebrants were Reverend Bruce Cwiekowski and Reverend [Emile] Guilmette, S.M.

Processional: Sing to the Mountains

First Reading: Isaiah 12: 1-6

Responsorial Psalm - Magnificat

Antiphon sung by Sisters

Psalm recited by Sister Mary Brenda Sullivan

Second Reading: Ephesians 1: 3-14

Gospel: John 15: 9-17

Homily: Rev. Bruce Cwiekowski

Theme: Transforming Love

Offering of Gifts

Hymn - Here I am Lord

All Sisters of Mercy present renewed their vows

The Communion hymn: Hail Mary, Gentle Woman

Meditation Prayer read by Sister Mary Edward Walsh, RSM

Testament of Mercy

Salve Regina

Then recessional

Reception was followed by a dinner in the State Dining Room.

July 24, 1985

Sister Mary Brenda returned to-day to Moore Hall. On July 9 while finishing her retreat at The Common (Carmelite Fathers) in Peterborough, N.H. Sister fell and broke three bones in her leg. The Sisters had gone to Peterborough to retreat and Sister John Francis was to bring Sister home. Her sojourn in the hospital and at Peterborough Common-delayed her return until to-day.

August 23, 1985

Sisters Norma Orme and Rosalind Kiernan left Moore Hall and Salve Regina for residence at Bayview. Sister Norma is to be engaged in teaching Spanish and Spanish Culture to Sisters engaged in Spanish speaking Ministry and also others who are interested in this achievement

August 28, 1985

Sister Francis de Sales Shea left Moore Hall and Salve Regina College for residence at Bayview.

September 27, 1985-September 29, 1985

Hurricane Gloria which has been awaited for the last three or four days with play by play descriptions on TV and Radio arrived in Rhode Island at 1 pM.This morning we were advised to leave Moore Hall for Miley. We had a beautiful liturgy at eleven AMin the Alumni Lounge prepared by Sister Aquin [O’Neill] and Father Duggan. Students from a far plus Moore Hall and Marian Hall Communities participated.

Fortunately we did not get the full force of Gloria. The eye of the storm was over Connecticut-Hartford. We had heavy gales but hardly any rain. Another factor that helped was low tide.

The greatest damage besides the trees was lack of electricity We returned to Moore in the early evening-No electricity. Sister John Francis felt we should have a hot Meal. So ten nine [sic]ofus went to La Forge on Saturday evening for dinner.

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Renewal of Vows: All Sisters present

Communion Hymn: Hail Mary: Gentle Woman

Meditation Prayer: Testament of Mercy-

Sister Mary Edward Walsh, RSM

Salve Regina

Final blessing

Organist: Sister Norma Orme

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January - 1986

We begin the New Year once again at Moore Hall with the uncertainty of the status of the building as a dwelling place. According to the current fire laws Moore Hall is a hotel.

This distinction requires major renovations such as fire doors, exit lights, smoke alarms plus a major alarm system. The third floor is the focus of attention. Fire chief comes and goes now and again.

March - 1986

Another major project affecting us is the construction of a new dormitory adjacent to us. Plans are completed with Gilbane as contractor

April 1986

Mary Beth Beretta, a Salve graduate was received at a special liturgy at Ochre Court. Sister Mary Christopher O’ Rourke welcomed Mary Beth into the Community. Sister Therese Antone is her sponsor.

September 10, 1986

The new building occupied by Freshmen boys on one side and upperclassmen girls on other side.

November 8, 1986

Sister Mary Edgar’s brother James Patrick Freethy went to God after a long illness

December 3, 1986

Sister Blanche Ouellette RSM Hartford Community a teacher of French here died suddenly while in Florida for the holidays

January 4, 1987

To-day the celebration of the feast of the Epiphany transferred to Sunday the Sisters at Moore Hall celebrated the sixtieth anniversary of Sister Mary Jean Tobin as a Sister of Mercy. This was a family affair within the Community here at Moore Hall to-gether with family close to Sister. The decoration in the lounge were gold and white-the buffet was beyond all other buffets. The atmosphere was joyful, quietly a tribute to each one at Moore Hall as a Sister of Mercy

January 20, 1987-March [blank]1987

Since there are rumors of fire chief and company descending upon us, the third floor must be vacated. Sister Charles Francis to Room 8 which means Sister Mary Jean and Sister Mary Eloise move in to-gether in Room 7.

Sister Mary Edgar moves to room on first floor next to Sister Mary Smith Sister Elizabeth finds a home in small parlor on first floor. Workmen arrive now and again.

Finally day of liberation arrives shortly before Easter. The work was thoroughly carried through and the ban on the third floor lifted.

January 28, 1987

Two weeks after students returned for the second semester, family, friends, and students gathered in Ochre Court for the liturgy for Sister Blanche Ouellette RSM Sister’s brother, A Maryknoll Missionary was the celebrant assisted by Father Michael Malone.

June 5, 6, and 7 1987

The Mercy Higher Education Colloquium held its thirteenth Annual Conference here at Salve Regina The theme of the Conference: “Toward a statement on Mercy Higher Education: Sees of Life” The keynote address was given by Mary Sullivan, R.SM. To Relieve Misery and Address its Causes: The Mission of the Sisters in Higher Education”

Panel Discussion

The Challenge to Growth

Mary O’Brien, RSM

Mary Reilly, RSM

Roch Rocklage, RSM

Susan Sanders, RSM

[program inserted into volume: Thirteenth Annual Conference Mercy Higher Education Colloquium “Toward a Statement on Mercy Higher Education: Seeds of New Life” June 5, 6, & 7, 1987]

The celebrant of the Liturgy in Ochre Court

Chapel: Reverend Randolph Chew

Sister Suzanne Toolan, RSM - director of Mercy Center of Spirituality in Burlingame, California - Liturgist

After the group discussions on Sunday following the business meeting

A Reflection: Sister Mary Jean Tobin, Sister Mary Eloise Tobin

Saturday, June 13, 1987 marked the opening of The Munroe Center Wakehurst grounds -Technology Center. Program speaks for itself.

August 7, 1987-August 10, 1987

Sister John Francis McKenna underwent Surgery at Fatima Hospital.

Sister returned to Moore Hall on August 10, 1987

August 17, 1987

Sister John Francis is en route to Savannah, Georgia for four or five weeks.

September 24, 1987

Sister John Francis returned and is to see her doctors on September 30

September 27, 1987

Mercy Day celebration at Mount Saint Rita honoring jubilarians of 70, 60, and 50 years.

October 17, 1987

Meeting at Bayview - Goal-Seeking Day in preparation for coming elections

We attended Mr Nelson’s funeral

October 15, 1987

Sister Ann Nelson’s father went to God early this morning.

[inserted into volume: Salve Regina College Program for Dedication Events The Munroe Center 3:00 p.m. Liturgy Ochre Court, 4:00 p.m. Dedication Wakehurst Grounds, 5:00 p.m. Reception and Dinner Ochre Court Saturday, June 13, 1987 Newport, Rhode Island ]

November 3, 1987

Sister Charles Francis brother Joseph is in Memorial Hospital, Pawtucket for surgery.

November 12, 1987

Surprise snow storm - paralyzed East Coast. No classes giving two days in a row since November 11 is Veterans Day.

November 22, 1987

Smoke alarms aroused us shortly before 9 AM.Firemen arrived and searched house - on third floor near attic - smoke alarm energized Mystery - perhaps a [sic] insect of some kind caused this

November 27, 1987

Repeat performance of above shortly after 9 AM.

December 6, 1987

Repeat performance of above shortly after 7 AM.

December 21, 1987

The Moore Hall Community went to the Pier for lunch at 2:30. We had choice of lunch or dinner. We were seated (4 [?] of us) at round table before the fire place. When we returned we exchanged presents and enjoyed our desserts. It was all very relaxing.

December 22, 1987

Around six p.M we had another repeat performance of the alarm system - Third floor corridor -the culprit - mechanism out of order

December 25, 1987

Sister John Francis and Sister Mary Gilbert remained here at Moore Hall and enjoyed Christmas dinner at the Moulin

The rest of us were with our families.

Sister Mary Smith was in Florida.

December 29, 1987

Snow to-day - 3 to 4 inches 25 degrees Forecast for this evening high winds - extremely cold 40 degrees below - wind chill factor Wednesday - frigid!!!

January 4, 1988

Snow - 3 to 4 inches along the coast

January 8, 1988

Looks like a major storm

March 12, 1988

Chapter for Provincial to-day at Bayview. Two-Sister Andres Guay or Sister Rosemary Laliberte - 10:30 AM

Sister Rosemary Laliberte was elected on first ballot.

Rest of day was spent with the sixteen nominees for Council presenting their qualifications and outlook.

March 13, 1988

Election of government team -

9 AMat Bayview We spent from 9 AMuntil 12:30 in the process

Result

1. Sister Andre Guay

2. Sister Rosellen Gallogly

3. Sister Barbara Riley

4. Sister Darla Vasquez

March 30, 1988

Sister John Francis left to-day for Mercy Hospital Savannah, Georgia to be with friends she once lived with. She is remaining until May 24

April 27, 1988 -

A Red Letter day in the history of the Sisters of Mercy. The General Chapter voted unanimously for the new institute - Federation of the Sisters of Mercy of the Americas.

May 15, 1988

The Thirty-Eight Annual Commencement was conducted this morning at 10 A.M.with 278 Bachelor degrees and 266 Master degrees. Ellen Scully received 64 [sic] outstanding Alumni Award

Sister Mercy McAuliffe - honorary degree - Doctor of Education

Matthew J. Smith - Doctor of Education

May 24, 1988

Sister John Francis returned to-day from Savannah to a cold, misty day.

June 1, 1988

Barbara A [Sylvia] promoted to Vice-president of Academic Services

June 9 Marks death of Dr. Dorothy Troendle professor of English Department for 23 years-

A devoted teacher and a loyal confrere

September 9 1988

Diane Lowe Comerford appointed Dean of Campus Ministry

December 20, 1988

New library envisioned on Wakehurst ground in keeping with Gothic Architecture of the surrounding buildings.

1989

February 27

Zoning Board of Review unanimously approved of the construction of the Library.

April 10

Marks the death of Martin Munroe, Member of Board of Trustees. His wife and family were instrumental in the development of the technology center now called Monroe [sic] Center

June 7

The 1989 Brotherhood Awards were presented in the presence of 700 guests at the 37th Brotherhood Dinner a [sic] the National Council of Christians and Jews

Honored at the dinner was Sister Lucille for her leadership during fifteen years as president

June 12

Marks the death of Sister Mary Audrey, RSM. Dean of Admissions and member of the Administrative Council-

September 15

Sister Eleanor Little, RSM appointed as Archivist to succeed Sister Mary Smith, RSM

October 11

After celebration of Mass and a musical interlude by the College Chorus, Bishop Louis E. Gelineau blessed the site of the new library.

Noev [sic]

November 8

The first shovelfuls of ground were lifted for the new college library.

1990

March 27

Marks the death of James L. Maher former member of Board of Trustees who established the first group home for mentally retarded in Rhode Island

April 12

By the unanimous vote of the 2[inserted above line]faculty senate, the College faculty recommended that Salve Regina be designated as a University. The request was accepted by the Administration and Authorized by Board of Trustees

April 30

Sister Ann Nelson RSM. was appointed to the state’s Advisory Committee on Judicial appointment by Governor Edward DiPrete[.] Her term expires in 1992

May 20

At the College’s Fortieth Commencement honorary degrees were conferred on Frank Patterson [noted?] Irish [Tenor?] **-** Doctor of Music; his wife, a noted Harpist, Eily O’Grady also Doctor of Music. Sister Jeanne [Perreault]president of [Rivier] College and Janice Cowsill, a founding member of the Graduate Division - Doctor of Education

September 12

The Chemistry laboratories wing was dedicated to Sister M. [Philemon] Banigan for her many professional and contributions not only to the chemistry department but to the College as a whole

September 21

Among the faculty appointments for the coming year is Sister M. Maurice Boyle, RSM PHD -(Philadelphia Mercy) as professor of Mathematics

Sister lives with our sister at Moore Hall

November 16

Sister Elizabeth McAuliffe RSM was appointed director of Secondary Education at the College.

The new position was created to meet two developments: New state regulation for certification at the high school level and increasing student interest in careers in secondary education

1991

January 25

Marks the death of Sister Mary Smith, RSM, Archivist

January 28

Marks the sudden death of Brother John McNiff, FSC

Chairman of English Department

February to Mid April

Roughly the Saga of the Wall (surrounding College wall was made lower) was vigorously discussed in Newport Daily News

March 7

Civic officials of Aquidneck Island upon special invitation of the President were conducted on a tour of the new library.

March 22-23

Residents of Newport County were invited to tour the library from 3-6 on Friday and from 11 AM-2 PMon Saturday

April 8

Sister Arlene Woods RSM conducted a five week painting seminar for Senior citizens of Middletown Senior Citizens Center

May 9

Marks the death of Sister Mary Concepta Corbett, RSM. Administration Secretary of the College 1977-1987

May 19

Forty-first Annual Commencement took place on ocean front outside of O’Hare Academic Center. The Honorable Raymond L Flynn Mayor of the City of Boston whose son was one of the graduates, delivered the Commencement Address.

May 30

Sisters Lissy and Sister Mary Paul each[[22]](#footnote-22) of whom received A Master of Science degree are returning to their Native India flying from New York this evening

June 3 Sister Therese Antone, RSM was the recipient of Mercy Higher Education Award

July 20

Over 7,000 Sisters of Mercy from North, South and Central America, Guam and the Philippines united united [sic] as Sisters of Mercy of the Americas. The founding of this new institute marks the culmination of a ten Year Vatican-approval process to merge 25 regional communities in the United States. Headquarters for the new institute are in Silver Spring, Md.

August 19

Wind blasts of 105 miles per hour Hurricane Bob hit Salve Regina University with full force on Monday

There was damage to several buildings including Ochre Court, O’Hare Academic Center, McAuley Hall, Founders Hall Ground Crews, assisted by administrative and office personel [sic] joined in the clean up effort

October 8

Faculty Members to-gether with students and staff to-gether with Administrators watched the construction workers inch the granite capstone to its niche atop the College library

October 18-19-20 Alumni Weekend

Distinguished Alumni Award Citation were presented by Sister Lucille McKillop to Barbara Ostheimer Stanley ('66); Jean Judge ('51) and Mary Theresa Silva Vermette ('54) at the Brunch With the President held at the Newport Islander Doubletree Hotel.

October 20

The College recently purchased approximately four acres of land and Fairholme Carriage House located on Ruggles Avenue between Carey Mansion and Watts Sherman. The property is bordered by Founders Hall[.] The expansive grounds wereused [as] gardens for prior owner Anita [O’Keeffe] Young sister of famed Georgia [O’Keeffe] (painter

The University will utilize the building as a means of support for current ground and maintenance programs. There is no specific plans for major renovation

October 22

Dr. Richard Marquise Director of the Graduate Administration of Justice Program and Dr. [Ellenrita] O’Brien RSM Chairperson of the Accounting Department received teaching excellence and campus leadership awards

1992

January 6 Marks the death of Captain Michael Dasovichassistant professor of Management

He initiated Graduate Management and Health Services Departments in relation to administrative programs

February 9

Doctor Professor Murray and Chairwoman of the Sociology Department died peacefully after a long illness. Doctor Murray joined the department in 1957

March 10

Sister Rosamond Ethier, RSM. Assistant Professor of Politics presented at the statehouse a discussion of state of education and intergovernment roles with student government interns from various higher educational institutions throughout Rhode Island

March 11 Sister Virginia Walsh RSM Associate Professor of Sociology presented a paper entitled “Working Women in Rhode Island” at Westfield State College, Ma.

April 20

Sister Mary Consilii Reynolds will have her biography published in “Who’s Who Among International Scholars in North America”

May 15

Sister Arlene Woods Associate Professor of Art created an icon blessed at St. Lucy’s Church in Middletown, R.I.

May 18

A drama presentation entitled “A Shot in the Dark” portrays selected scenes from the life of Mr. and Mrs Robert Goelet staged in Ochre Court. A special performance was dedicated to the Theatre Alumni marking the tenth anniversary of the Theatre Department

May 19

Sister Sheila Megley, RSM. Executive Vice President has been named President of Regis College Weston, Mass effective August 1, 1992

May 20

Brian Cavanagh Vice President of Cavanah Company has been appointed the newest member of the Board of Trustees. He is a nephew of Sister M. Rose Agnes, RSM.

September 22

Dr. Heriberto Vasquez Professor of Spanish received the Salve Regina University 1992 Award for teaching excellence and campus leadership

September 28

Mark P. Malkovich a long time friend of this University and General Director of the Newport Music Festival presented to the library the Russell C. Whitaker Collection. The collection contains 16,000 records of Classical and Chamber Music, Opera and show tunes as well as rare archive recordings from early German Concerts taped during World War II

September 29

Dr. John F. Quinn joins the faculty as Assistant Professor of History. This historical scholarship extends from Modern [Europe] through Ireland to the Irish American experience Dr. Quinn is especially welcome since his father a loyal benefactor of Salve Regina did much for the University from its beginning. His Aunt Sister M. Martha Quinn was among the first faculty

September 25, 26, 27

Sister Lucille awarded Citations to six Alumnae from the Class of '60 to class of '85 for exceptional Community, family and professional services[.] Linda Waite Murano '70 has worked in community and health home care for twenty years presently [illegible] Executive Director of Children’s Home Health Care Services

Dr. Deborah Cross MacFarlane MA '82 Vice President of education and training and employment at South Bronx [Overall]Economic [Development] Corporation

Dr. Patricia Raymond '73 is the chief neuropsychologist at Fogarty unit of the Landmark Medical Center in North Smithfield, RI She also chairs the the [sic] Committee For Ethical Principles in Practice, Rhode Island Psychological Association

Dr. Jane Marie Thibault '69 Clinical Gerontological and Assistant Professor of Family Medicine School of Medicine University of Louisville

Attorney Karen Russell Carrol serves as Deputy State’s Attorney for Winnham County State’s Attorney’s Office in Vermont She has done much in preserving the rightsof victims.

Theresa C. Murray '83

Theresa distinguishedherselfas first Salve Regina graduate to become a federal law enforcement officer as special Agent for **[**Drug?]Enforcement Administration [sic]

September 30

Sister Macrina Hawkins RSM Associate Professor of Religious Studies passed away at Mount St Rita Health Center A funeral Mass was held at St. Brendan’s Church, Riverside offered by Most Reverend Louis E. Gelineau, Bishop of Providence.

A Memorial Mass was celebrated in Ochre Court early in October

October 6

Mrs. Nancy Hallas a voice instructor for both theatre and music students died early to-day. Mrs. Hallas was dedicated and selfless vocal performance coach. As a maternal [figure?] to many of her students Mrs. Hallas was affectionately known as “Ma”

Mrs. Hallas’ love for Salve Regina will continue long after her death through the generous donation of her performance gowns to the Theatre Department and sheet music to Music Department[.] Family Members and friends have established a Nancy Hallas Endowed Scholarship Fund to benefit deserving voice students in Music and Theatre Departments

November 10

Sister Lucille announced that Mr. and Mrs. Donald Reefe (Jean Bryson Reefe '69) have named Salve Regina University as a beneficiary of a charitable remainder trust established by Mr. Reefe. The gift will eventually add more then [sic] two million to the University’s endowment and is the first charitable remainder trust established for the University’s planned giving program Half the gift will establish the Reefe Endowed Scholarship Fund and the other half will be designated for general purposes of endowment.

November 11

Sister M. Consilii Reynolds RSM presented Sister Francis Warde: “The Beacon of Hope to the Irish Emigrants” at the annual meeting of the American Conference of Irish Studies held at Fairfield University in Connecticut in conjunction with its fifteenth anniversary celebration

At the Meeting Sister Consilii was elected as a Member at Large of the Local Region of the American Conference of Irish Studies

1993

March 7

Sister Carol Mary Morrison introduced a group of Mercy Associates to us at Moore Hall We had a pleasant evening to-gether highlighted by refreshments and by a prayer service reflecting the theme “Come to the Water”.

March 10

Marks the sudden death of Brother Michael Reynolds brother of Sister Consilii Reynolds, RSM Brother Michael did much not only in laying the ground work for athletics but was Chairman of the Sociology Department. He was a very good influence among the students

March 13

Marks the death of Sister Laura Carlson, RSM Sister was associated with the library in McAuley Hall during the ‘fifties’

March 28

Bishop Ernest Boland, O.P. Confirmed sixteen students at the eleven A.M. Mass. Bishop Boland is brother of Sister M. Nolasco Boland a professor of French in the early years of the College

April 1st

Anticipating the occasion of her Golden Jubilee the Sisters At Moore Hall honored Sister Maurice Boyle, RSM. (Philadelphia) with a delicious dinner and a special prayer service much of which was taken from the feast honoring Virgins together with a musical tape of Sister [Marianne] Postiglione: Magnificat. Sister resides with us at Moore Hall. She is a Professor of Mathematics at the University. The whole evening was a joyous experience.

April 11

Easter-rain The Sisters at Moore anticipated the festivities with a special dinner on Holy Saturday since Sunday is a home day for the most part Sister John Francis McKenna had the pleasure of a visit from her grand nephew Doctor Andrew Quinn and family from New York.

April 12

Sister Rosemary Laliberte visited the Community in Moore Hall this afternoon[.] Concerning the imminent closing of Moore Hall as a residence for the Sisters she suggested the possibility of residence at Bayview or Feehan Convent in Attleboro.

April 13

Sister M. Philemon Banigan left this morning for a two week visit with her Sister Mary in Florida

April 15

Sister Maurice Boyle left to-day for Philadelphia

There will be a celebration on the 16th for the Sisters celebrating twenty-five years.

April 16

Sisters Consilii Reynolds and Charles Francis Dubuque are en route to the jubilee

Sister Mercy McAuliffe leaves to-morrow for the occasion

April 19

I In response to Sister Rosemary’s concern about future residences for the Sisters at Moore Hall Sisters Philemon Bannigan, John Francis [McKenna], Mary Jean and Mary Eloise Tobin have chosen to live at Bayview. Sister Mary Brenda Sullivan is to become a member of Borden Avenue Community in Johnston. Sister Charles Francis Dubuque will reside with Sister [Marella?]Walsh at Provincialate Convent on the grounds of Mount Saint Rita in Cumberland.

Since Sister Elizabeth Bryson and Sister Marjorie Walsh are still faculty members of the University, they will reside in the Breakers apartments on campus.

II Having received a program highlighting Sister Maurice Boyle’s jubilee, I am able to summarize the spirit and joy of the occasion

The All encompassing spirit of the day Jubilate Deo finds expressing in thanksgiving for the Call to Mercy. Musical instruments such as Organ, Harp, Flutes, and Trumpet resounded harmoniously in one paeanof exultation

The Gathering Hymn: Go Ye Forth, O Zion’s Daughters followed by the Entrance Hymn Be Exalted were fitting preludes to the Mass itself.

The Chief Celebrant was Reverend DanielF. X. Powell[;] the homilist was Rev. James J. Reichert.

The Communion Hymn How Great Thou Art was [crowned?] by Sister Elizabeth Powell’s rendition of the Meditation Hymn: Panis Angelicus.

The Recessional in keeping with the Easter Season Regina Coeli in a sense brings us back to Mary Our Mother of Mercy.

April 20

The entire family of Salve University benefactors, first Alumnae faculty, staff created a special atmosphere - just being to-gether for the evening to honor one who is always one of us Sister Lucille McKillop on the commemoration of her twenty years as president. The reception was held at Newport Islander Double Tree hotel from six until 8 pm. The occasion was graced by the presence of Bishop Louis E. Gelineau and Governor Bruce Sunderland

The presence of Irish tenor Frank Patterson his wife and son a violinist. Frank [Patterson] rendered Danny Boy and How Great Thou Art[.] Hison His son [sic] played an Irish Tune followed by an Irish Dance.

The climax of the evening was announced by Sister Therese Antone RSM: the New library building will hence forth be called The McKillop Library.

April 21

The Mathematics Department Commemorated the golden jubilee of Sister Maurice Boyle RSM. with A special Mass offered by Reverend Raymond McNicholas at [illegible] five followed by a reception in the State Dining Room

April 27 Students and Faculty, staff celebraten [sic] Sister Lucille’s anniversary as president with A Mass of Thanksgiving in Great Hall, Ochre Court The celebrants were Rev. Raymond McNicholas, Reverend John Duggan, Rev. Thomas Carnevale

Opening Hymn: Jesus Christ Is Risen To-day

First Reading Isaiah 60:1-6 (Rise in Splendor, Jerusalem)

[Michaela Marcotte?][[23]](#footnote-23)

Responsorial Psalm - Into Thy Hands O Lord, [Doukas Pasyanos][[24]](#footnote-24) Because You are God’s Chosen One Michael [Schnabel][[25]](#footnote-25)

Second Reading Colossians 3: 12-17

[Program inserted into volume: 20th Anniversary Celebration in honor of Dr. Lucille McKillop, R.S.M. President of Salve Regina University Tuesday, April 20, 1993 Newport, Rhode Island]

Gospel John 6: 30-35Rev. John Duggan

I Myself am the Bread of Life; No one who comes to me Shall will ever be hungry No one who believes in me Shall thirst again

Homily: Rev. Raymond McNicholas Prayers of the Faithful-Christine Reilly; Offertory Gift Bearers: Sarah Burkwit, Mary Jean Arcalino, Philip Arsenault[[26]](#footnote-26)

Communion Hymn - Pie Jesu – Chorus - Ending with A Framed Proclamation of Sister Lucille’s Achievements presented by Kathleen Lombard[[27]](#footnote-27) with the added suggestion that April 27th be promulgated as President’s Day hereafter.

The Mass was organized by the Student Organization Members from each class, Sigma Phi Sigma, Mercy Honor Society, Student Academic Senate-Student Housing Senate and Student Life Senate

A reception was held in the State Dining Room following the Mass.

May 3

The College repurchased The Hedges a building on the corner of Lawrence and Ruggles Avenue and directly abutting Founders Hall. The Hedges will serve as a faculty or student residence. It was formerly owned by the University and sold by the University in 1973

May 4

After two years of study and discussion Dr. Christopher Kiernan has announced that the Management Department’s name will now be Business Administration Department

May 12

The University announced the establishment of the National Institute of Culinary Arts. A reception marking the institute’s opening is scheduled from 6:00 PM. until8:00 PM at the Fairlawn Estate 518 Bellevue Ave.

The goal of the institute is to bring to-gether Chefs and Culinary educators from around the world for the purpose of education.

May 13

The hooding ceremony for those receiving Master’s degrees was conducted at St. Joseph Church at eight p.M.

May 14

Commencement Ball to be held at Doubletree Island Hotel

May 15

I. The Nursing Department Pinning Ceremony-in Ochre Court at 10 AM.

Baccalaureate Mass on terrace at 2 PM

II. The Sitter Corporation has agreed to redecorate the Cafeteria in Miley Hall. Construction will begin May 15 and be completed by May 30

There will be a new food Court Area, new tables and chairs as well as interior decorations.

III. The Gordon Conference has agreed to help the University by installing air conditioning in the cafeteria. The installation will take place during the week of May 15-May 30 ‘93

May 16

Forty Third Annual Commencement 10 AM

Certificate of Advanced Graduate Studies 2

Master of Arts 68 Bachelor of Arts + Science 8

Master of Science 97 General Studies 8

Bachelor of Arts 149 Bachelor of Science 128

Master of Business Administration 15

Master of Education-13

Associate of Arts-five Associate of Science 1

Honorary Degree-Recipients-

Doctor of Education Madeleine F. San Souci, RSM

The Honorable Thomas F. Fay Doctor of Laws

Mark P. Malkovich III Doctor of Music

May 18

Sister Mary Eloise Tobin was admitted to Newport Hospital early this evening for tests

May 23

Sister Lucille was honored to-day at Providence College’s Commencement in recognition of her twenty years of service here at Salve Regina

Sister [Ellenrita] RSM O’Brien, Chair of the Accounting department suffered a heart attack–aneurism while attending the festivities following the Providence College Commencement. She was admitted to Roger Williams Hospital

Sister [Ellenrita] Rita went to God at 3 AM

May 26 - Sister Mary Eloise Tobin returned from Hospital

May 27 May 29

Sisters Mary Brenda, Marjorie left early this morning to attend the funeral of Sister [Ellenrita] in Connecticut.

June 1st

Sister Mary Jean and Sister Mary Eloise left Salve Regina after many years of service - 45 for Sister Mary Jean and 37 for Sister Eloise

They are to find their new home at Bayview since Moore Hall is closing as a residence for the Sisters and is to be renovated as a dormitory for 35 students

Sister Mercy McAuliffe is residing at Eustis Avenue Newport

June 4

At this date Sister Mary Brenda Sullivan takes up her residence at 140 Borden Ave Apt A Johnston, RI to reside with Sister Roseanne Quirk, RSM 140 Borden Ave Johnston-02919

This leaves four Sisters at Moore Hall

Sisters M Philemon Banigan and Sister John Francis McKenna who upon closing Moore Hall are to reside at Bayview.

Sister Marjorie Walsh and Sister Elizabeth Bryson are engaged - as members of the faculty. Sister Marjorie - Records

[Program inserted into volume: A Eucharistic Celebration of the Glorious Resurrection of Ellenrita O’Brien, RSM Thursday May 27, 1993 Salve Regina University Great Hall Ochre Court Newport, Rhode Island]

and Sister Elizabeth as professor of English engaged with her expertise in teaching English Composition

These two Sisters are to reside in the Breakers apartments, a facility on campus to-gether with Sister M. Maurice RSM of Philadelphia, professor-Mathematics and the Indian Sisters studying here.

June 27

Sister Mary Philemon Banigan and John Francis McKenna arrived at Bayview around five pM. They received a royal welcome from the Sisters They had remained in Newport to officially close Moore Hall.

Respectfully submitted

Sister Mary Jean Tobin, RSM.

July 2, 1993

1. This most likely refers to Rabbi Jerome S. Gurland, Lecturer in Religious Studies. Rabbi Theodore Lewis (1915-2010) was the rabbi of Congregation Jeshuat Israel (Touro Synagogue) in Newport from 1949 to 1985. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
2. Sister Rosanne Quirk, RSM. [↑](#footnote-ref-2)
3. Melkiori Seku Matwi ’77. [↑](#footnote-ref-3)
4. Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur. [↑](#footnote-ref-4)
5. John Francis Whealon (January 15, 1921 – 1991), Archbishop of Hartford 1968-1991. STL is a Licentiate of Sacred Theology and SSL is Licentiate in Sacred Scripture. [↑](#footnote-ref-5)
6. St. Isaac Jogues (1607-1646), a French Jesuit missionary in North America. [↑](#footnote-ref-6)
7. Dmitry Yulianovich Sitkovetsky (b. 1954), classical violinist, arranger and composer, born in present-day Azerbaijan to Jewish musicians Julian Sitkovetsky and Bella Davidovich. [↑](#footnote-ref-7)
8. Consortium of Rhode Island Academic and Research Libraries [↑](#footnote-ref-8)
9. Order of Friars Minor (Franciscans) [↑](#footnote-ref-9)
10. Sisters, Servants of the Immaculate Heart of Mary [↑](#footnote-ref-10)
11. Zambarano Unit of Eleanor Slater Hospital, Burrillville, Rhode Island. [↑](#footnote-ref-11)
12. Timothy Joseph Logan ‘80; Jeannette Marie Booth ‘80; Elena Marie Viera ’80. [↑](#footnote-ref-12)
13. Lisa Ann Gatti ’80; Joan Marie Sorich ’80. [↑](#footnote-ref-13)
14. Barbara Sue Immel ’81; Janine Marie LaRochelle ’82; Virginia Elizabeth McDonagh ’81. [↑](#footnote-ref-14)
15. Steven William Combes ’81; Eileen Marie Creaton ’81; Cynthia Anne McVeigh ’82; Rita Marie Sevigny ’82. [↑](#footnote-ref-15)
16. Jacqueline Marie Byrne ’84. [↑](#footnote-ref-16)
17. Dymphna Mary Flanagan ’81. [↑](#footnote-ref-17)
18. Edward J. Farrell, *The Father Is Very Proud of Me: Experiences in the Love of God* (1975) [↑](#footnote-ref-18)
19. Frank R. Licht (1916-1987), 67th Governor of Rhode Island from 1969 to 1973. [↑](#footnote-ref-19)
20. John Masefield (1878-1967), English writer and Poet Laureate. [↑](#footnote-ref-20)
21. Hymn composer Virginia Bogdan Pados. [↑](#footnote-ref-21)
22. Sister Lissy Poonoli ’91 (MS); Sister Mary Paul Kunnemuriyil ’91 (MS). Both also received their BS degrees from Salve Regina College. [↑](#footnote-ref-22)
23. Michaela LeBouef Marcotte ‘93. [↑](#footnote-ref-23)
24. Doukas Nicholas Pasyanos, Jr. ‘93. [↑](#footnote-ref-24)
25. Michael Richard Schabel, Jr. ‘93. [↑](#footnote-ref-25)
26. Sarah McClurg Burkwit ’95; Philip Stephen Arsenault ’94. [↑](#footnote-ref-26)
27. Kathleen Marie Lombard ’93. [↑](#footnote-ref-27)