

Palos Park, Illinois. The Rev. Fr. and Mrs. Hand, and their sons Roger and Tommy moved into the new rectory in January 1963.

Early in 1963 the old rectory was sold, and moved to its new owners at 1941 Portland Avenue, — a few blocks away. Then on June 3rd, the Ground Breaking Ceremony for the planned Parish House addition, or Educational Wing, took place with Fr. Hand officiating. The addition of the Educational Wing to the Parish House, was designed by Julian Couzens, a Westfield architect, — and Milne and Markert, Inc., N. Plainfield, was the construction firm. The addition included ten classrooms. It was dedicated on December 29, 1963, the first day of its use. At the dedication, Mrs. Richard Lea (Edith) was presented with a model of the new large kindergarten room, named for her in appreciation of the 30 years she had devoted to teaching our kindergarten children.

Our parish became affiliated with the World Council of Churches in 1963, and we were also represented in the Plainfield District of the Episcopal Churchwomen, and in the Family and Youth Counseling Service in Plainfield. On February 14th, the World Day of Prayer Service was held in All Saints' for the first time. Our organist and choir director at this time was Paul S. Kueter.

This same year, our 85 year old pipe organ was in a state of collapse! This valuable Jardine pipe organ was 50 years old and reconditioned when we bought it, and still very well worth rebuilding. This was done through Memorials from parishioners and friends.

During Lent of 1963, a Panel Discussion by board members of the Youth and Family Counseling Service was held in the Parish Hall.

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During Lent of 1964, the Rev. John Finnerty, of the Department of Theology of Seton Hall, and the Rev. Norman A. Hjelm, Theological Editor of the Fortress Press, joined Fr. Hand in a panel discussion on "Scripture and Tradition." On Good Friday, 1964, "the preaching of the Passion" was held from 12 noon until 3:00 p. m. with the Rev. Charles R. Summers, Rector of St. Andrews Church conducting the service.

In May of 1964 an intensive Stewardship Program was begun, with Mr. Harvey Cook of our Diocesan Division of Stewardship Development, the program director. An All Parish Dinner at the Park Hotel took place on May 21.

During summer of 1964 while Fr. Hand was on vacation, Fr. Harry E. Pike, Rector Emeritus of St. Stephen's Church, Plainfield, and Lay Readers John R. Bray and Carl B. Gracely conducted the services. The substitute organist for the summer was Mrs. James Parks.

In September 1964, Mr. Edgar L. Wallace became our organist and choir director.

In February 1965, the rector started using "The Calendar and the Collects, Epistles and Gospels for "the Lesser Feasts and Fasts", which had been authorized for trial use in the parishes by our 1964 General Convention. Its purpose: — to enrich our devotion with additional prayers, and by hearing more of Holy Scripture read in the church.

During Lent, 1965, a Quiet Day was conducted in our church by the Rev. James M. Duncan, St. James Church, Long Branch, New Jersey.

A Memorial Organ Recital was presented by All Saints' Choir in 1965. The guest organist was Mr. David A. Drinkwater, Assistant Professor of Music at Rutgers University. Other organists and choir directors in our church during the 1960's were Mr. Marshall Hunt, and Miss Caroline MacArthur who organized St. Anne's Youth Choir in 1966, and Mr. John Buzby who came to us in 1967. This fine organist and choir director is still with us.

During 1965 a group of 45 parishioners, and one Presbyterian volunteer, gave from four hours to several Saturdays of their time to make changes and improvements outside the church, parish house and rectory. This included the painting of all the brown trim on the church and parish hall. Climbing the long ladder to paint the cross and steeple was a job no one wanted. One of our senior citizens, Mr. Harry Astley, won the admiration of all when he went up and did it.

During the same year, Fr. Hand became a member of the Scotch Plains-Fanwood Council of Religious Organizations, and All Saints parishioners were asked to sign a paper declaring their belief that discrimination is undemocratic and violates basic human rights and dignity, and their willingness to accept as neighbors persons without regard to race, religion or national origin.