

Triple Celebration

Church Marks 75th Year in Redondo



PRIESTLY PARADE . . . Five clergymen from neighboring churches last Sunday joined Fr. C. Lees Mills in observing the Diamond Jubilee of Christ Church, Redondo Beach. Reading from left in pairs: Frs. Hugh Percy, St. Andrews, Torrance; Earl Cavanaugh, Holy Faith, Inglewood; Richard Parker, St. Cross, Hermosa Beach; Robert Taurigney, St. Francis, Palos Verdes Estates; Fr. Mills, and Dean F. C. Benson Bellis, Convocation of Long Beach.

Close to 150 worshippers packed Redondo Beach's Christ Episcopal Church to standing room only Sunday in celebration of the 75th anniversary of the church's building at 408 S. Broadway.

Father C. Lee Mills led the service commemorating the building of the church at its present site before the turn of the century. He was assisted by Fr. James F. Bogardus Jr., assistant to the Rector and by priests from five neighboring parishes whose founding derives in varying degree through Christ Church.

Joining in the ceremony with Frs. Mills and Bogardus were Fathers Hugh Percy of Torrance St. Andrews; Earl Cavanaugh, Holy Faith, Inglewood; Richard Parker, St. Cross, Hermosa Beach; Robert Taurigney, St. Francis, Palos Verdes Estates; and F. C. Benson Bellis, Dean of the Long Beach Convocation.

turned on an operatic or concert singing career and made many public appearances to help pay their way through classes.

MARRIED TO Elizabeth Ann Klick of Herman, Mo., in 1926, Fr. Mills spent five years in business before attending Seabury Divinity School, Faribault, Minn., and upon graduation was ordained a deacon at St. Peter's Church, Sheridan, Wyo., and a priest at Rock Springs, Wyo., in 1931.

Vicar at Jackson's Hole, Wyo., until 1935, Fr. Mills moved to Douglas, Ariz., because of Mrs. Mills' health and was rector of St. Stephen's Church until 1943 when he went to Covina. He remained there until coming to Redondo Beach years later.

The story of the actual founding of Christ Church

is lost in the past. First services were held whenever Rev. A.G.L. Trew, D.D., Rector of Church of Our Savior in San Gabriel, came to visit his family, spending their summers at the then strictly resort community of Redondo Beach. He made his visits after holding his own Sunday services in San Gabriel.

DR. TREW talked to the land firm developing the Redondo Beach townsite and it 1888 was given a lot on Pacific Coast Highway near where St. James Roman Catholic Church now stands.

While the young congregation laid plans for a building, they met for two years in a public school. Then permission to use the room was canceled by the school board because of complaints about using a public building for sectarian purposes.

Dr. Thew persuaded management of the old Redondo Beach Hotel to let the congregation use the hotel ballroom during 1891. The hotel was a large architectural monstrosity where the city library and Elks' Club now stands.

DR. TREW left and Samuel Pool Rees, a lay reader, took over, persuaded the land company to exchange their lot for the present property where the church now stands. When his daughter became dangerously ill in the winter of 1892 Rees declared if her life were spared he would dedicate himself to the erection of a church building. The girl recovered and true to his vow Rees went through with his plans and on Jan. 4, 1893, Christ Church was consecrated by Right Rev. William Ford Nichols, D.D., as-

stant Bishop of California.

The entrance was in the west wall of the narthex instead of the south as presently; the altar and pulpit and sanctuary furnishings have since been changed and the south transept was only a stub as the north is now. The sacristy was a small, boxed-in enclosure in the south transept, known to the Altar Guild as the world's smallest sacristy with three doors.

Name and records of the first resident clergyman appointed have vanished and after a short incumbency the church was closed except for occasional services by non-resident clergy.

COL. MERTON A. Albee, one of the two surviving members of the first parish, has told how services were resumed in 1900.

FORMING AT the sacristy to the rear of the procession of a dozen acolytes and the choir preceded the priests in procession into the church where Dean Bellis delivered the sermon.

Noting the immense changes from the date of the church's founding in 1889 when it took 24 hours to travel by rail from Oakland to Los Angeles to today's 45 minutes by jet, Dean Bellis said the church must meet that change.

"We in California know the meaning of change and its resultant confusion probably better than any other part of the country," he said.

"Youth, dissatisfied with church and college, are demanding freedom of action. They are not concerned with the past; they don't want concessions but recognition and honesty on the part of the church.

"When the priest says 'love thy neighbor as thyself' on Sunday they expect us to go on Monday and apply that admonition.

"The church must sharpen its thinking and abandon much of its baggage of organization to meet these demands."

"After all, the Dean concluded, 'Christ preached change.'"

FR. PERCY of St. Andrews read the First Lesson. Fr. Parker of St. Cross the Second Lesson, and Fr. Taurigney of St. Francis read the Psalm.

History of the church was traced in brief by Fr. Mills, for whom the service was a celebration in triplicate. In addition to Christ Church's Silver Jubilee, it was the 20th anniversary of Fr. Mills' rectorship at the church and the 20th anniversary of the church changing from mission to parish status.

A native of Nebraska, Fr. Mills was reared in Wyoming and served in the Army during World War I. He attended the University of Michigan where for three years he had as roommate Thomas E. Dewey, who won national prominence as New York's crime-fighting district attorney and was the Republican presidential candidate in 1948. During college both had their eyes

Biagio E. Cannistraci, son of Mr. and Mrs. Biagio J. Cannistraci of 24213 Fabry Drive, Harbor City, is one of more than 1,200 freshmen cadets who have entered the U.S. Air Force Academy class of 1972.

Cadet Cannistraci is a 1968 graduate of Fermin Lasuen High School, where he lettered in cross country, basketball, and track.

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Obituaries Armed Forces

Donald Bose
Funeral services for Donald Jacob Bose, of 1528 1/2 W. 218th St., will be conducted tomorrow at 11 a.m. at the Stone and Myers Mortuary Chapel. The Rev. Lloyd Newlin and the Rev. Robert Dehn will officiate at the rites.

Mr. Bose, a resident of the area for 18 years, died Tuesday. He was born Dec. 29, 1914, in Nebraska. An employe of the city of Los Angeles, Mr. Bose was a veteran of World War II.

He is survived by his widow, Elnora of the home; a son, Fred of Torrance; and three brothers, Walter of Salinas and Roy and Emmett of Colorado.

The family has asked that donations be made to the Heart Fund in lieu of flowers.

Burial will be in Pacific Crest Cemetery.

Joseph Vota
Funeral services for Joseph Edward Vota, who died last Monday, will be conducted in El Paso, Tex., with Stone and Myers Mortuary in charge of local arrangements.

Mr. Vota, of 3515 W. 228th Place, was born Oct. 29, 1930, in Texas. He had lived in Torrance for about two months.

Surviving are his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Vota of El Paso; and his widow and two children, all of El Paso.

Marine L/Cpl. Carlos V. Gallardo, 20, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank A. Gallardo of 3312 W. 187th Place, Torrance, is serving with the First Marine Division in South Vietnam.

Midshipman 4C Daryl G. Deliman, 18, son of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel D. Deliman of 5305 Carol Drive, and Wayne D. Hogue, 18, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph W. Hogue of 5025 Catwain St., have completed their initial phase of midshipman indoctrination at the U. S. Naval Academy in Annapolis, Md.

Quartermaster Seaman Daniel S. McKinnon, USN, 20, son of Mr. and Mrs. John J. McKinnon of 23419 Shadycroft Ave., is serving on board the guided missile destroyer USS Joseph Strauss in the South China Sea near the Demilitarized Zone.

Cleeve R. Canning, son of Mr. and Mrs. Francis J. Canning Jr. of 24344 Pennsylvania, Lomita, was promoted to Army specialist 4 Aug. 24 in Germany, where he is serving with the 3rd Infantry Division.

Army Pvt. Rodney W. Felix, son of Mr. and Mrs. Steve Felix of 25838 Avocado Drive, Lomita, completed a field communications crewman course Sept. 5 at Fort Ord, Calif.

Army Pvt. Randall J. Wark, 20, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ford Wark of 1122 Teri Ave., completed a field communications crewman course Sept. 5 at Fort Ord, Calif.

Pvt. Wark was graduated from Torrance High School in 1966 and attended El Camino College.

Army Pvt. Eugene E. Champagne, 19, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alphonse E. Champagne of 3439 Emerald St., completed a field communications crewman course on Sept. 5 at Fort Ord, Calif.

Pvt. Champagne was graduated from Bishop Montgomery High School in 1966 and attended El Camino College.

Army Pvt. Michael S. Roeder, 19, son of Mr. and Mrs. William D. Roeder of 1759 Santa Fe Ave., completed a field communications crewman course Sept. 5 at Fort Ord, Calif.

Pvt. Roeder was graduated from Torrance High School in 1966.

Marine Cpl. Stanley C. Toloczko, 20, son of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley W. Toloczko of 3043 W. Artesia Blvd., returned to the United States Sept. 16 with the 27th Marine Regimental Landing Team (RLT-27) after eight months of combat duty in South Vietnam.

Navy Seaman App. Roger E. Adamson, 18, son of Mr. and Mrs. Carl R. Adamson of 17216 Haas Ave.; William R. Hogeboom, 20, son of Mr. and Mrs. Howard R. Hogeboom of 17017 Crenshaw Blvd.; and Jonathan L. Lyon, 22, son of Mr. and Mrs. Morris E. Lyon of 1601 Spreckles Lane, Redondo Beach, have been graduated from nine weeks of Navy basic training at the Naval Training Center at San Diego.

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Reid L. Bundy, Co-Publisher

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

No. Court of the State of California, for the County of Los Angeles.

In the Matter of the Estate of WILLIAM JOHN JOLLY, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given to creditors having claims against the said decedent to file and state their claims in the office of the clerk of the aforesaid court or to present them to the undersigned at the office of Albert Isen, 1616 Gramercy Avenue in the City of Torrance, in the aforesaid County, which latter office is the place of business of the undersigned in all matters pertaining to the said estate. Such claims with the neces-

sary vouchers must be filed or presented as aforesaid within six months after the first publication of this notice.

Dated Oct. 1st, 1968.
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