

New Church Dedication

Formal dedication ceremonies for St. Vincent de Paul Church, 2300 N. Perryton Parkway, were held on Sunday, October 27, 1968, at a Mass of Christ the King. Celebrant for the Mass and blessing of the church was by His Excellency Most Reverend Lawrence M. DeFalco, D. D. Bishop of Amarillo. .

Concelebrants were Monsignor A.M. Bottoms, Monsignor Antonio Rodriguez, Very Rev. Maurice J. Hymel, C.M., the Rev. William J. Stack, C.M., and the Rev. Joseph Wonderly.

Master of Ceremonies was the Rev. Francis J. Hynes, C. M. and commentator was the Rev. William V. Brennan, C. M., Pastor of the Church.

Music was directed by Sister Alice Holden, William J. Haley and Mrs. Jack D. (Delores) Edwards.

A dedication dinner was held in the school gymnasium following the Mass and dedication. The dinner was under the direction of James J. O'Connor.

The ceremonies marked the completion of the St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church and the school's 11 year, \$1 million building program.

Today, St. Vincent's school is staffed by the Teaching Sisters of St. Francis and Carmelite Sisters who came to Pampa after the Sisters of Charity of the Incarnate Word were called to staff larger schools.

Even though the building program has long been completed, the people of St. Vincent's Parish are active in the many parish organizations which are composed of the Home and School Association, St. Vincent's Altar Society, The Guadalupanas, The Parish Council, the Junior and Senior C.Y.O., and the Knights of Columbus.

C. C. D. Classes are held each Sunday morning during the regular school year.

Tracy Cary has been music director of the church for many years.

The Pastor of St. Vincent de Paul Parish is Father Francis J. Hynes, C.M., and the Associate Pastors are Father Joseph Gregor, C. M. and Father Wendelin Dunker, C. M. He is also Pastor of Sacred Heart Parish in Canadian, Texas.