IHM pre-Vatican II

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The Church Dedication

Left: Bishop Francis Haas blessing the first Church at the dedication.





Right: The church dedication on April 3, 1949.

The Original Church



This was the church in 1957.

This was the original church in April 1949.



The Mary Statue

In 1962 a Mary statue and decorative wall were placed near today's site of the main entrance of the Parish Center



The Adoration Chapel

The priests' chapel in the rectory.

This space is currently used by the

Preschool.



The Altar and Church layout





Right: The church view from the aisle center.

Left: The altar before Vatican II was right in front of the tabernacle.

The Interior of the Church

The inside of the original church during a Mass.



What I Have Observed

- The main thing I noticed was that the altar was right in front of the tabernacle.
- The altar is facing the back of the church instead of the congregation.
- The church was the first building built at IHM Parish, followed by the rectory, then the school and convent.



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