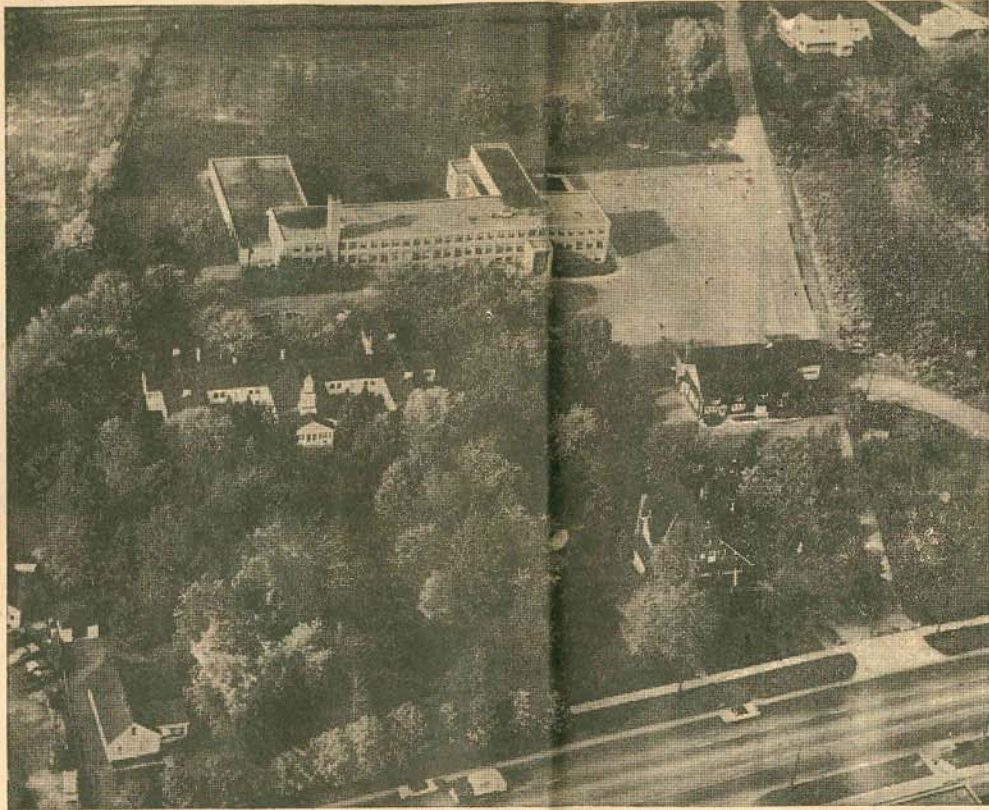


# Incarnate Word Academy



SISTER M. VINCENT instructs first graders in the advanced reading group.



AN AERIAL PHOTO of Incarnate Word Convent and Academy shows Pearl Rd. in front of the property. Big Creek Parkway is in the rear of the Academy. The brick building in the rear was erected in 1952 and houses the nuns on the upper floors and class rooms on the first floor.



SCHOOL SECRETARY Mrs. Ruth Vhynalek discusses school admission policy with Principal, Sister M. Bernadette.



SISTER M. COLUMBA instructs kindergarten pupils working with crayons.

## Incarnate Word Academy Has 720 Pupils In P.H.

By Frank Lange  
Many passersby, in the Parma Heights area, are unaware and are curious about the nature and purpose of the group of aged and also new buildings that make up the Incarnate Word Convent at 6618 Pearl Rd.

BESIDES SERVING as the mother house for the nuns of the Incarnate Word Order, these structures of frame, brick and mortar embrace the Incarnate Word Academy.

The Academy is the only private coeducational elementary school in the Diocese and one of the very few in the state or country.

ALL CLASSES at the academy are taught by the sisters of the Incarnate Word and Blessed Sacrament who have been teaching in the southwest Cuyahoga County area since the Order came into the Cleveland Diocese in 1927. The order was expelled from Mexico during the political and religious purge in the 20's.

Mother M. Gabriel governs the mother house, while Principal Sister M. Bernadette administers the elementary school.

The school has 16 classrooms with an enrollment of 720 pupils in grades from kindergarten through the 8th grade.

IN ADDITION TO teaching at the Academy the nuns of the Order also staff the faculties in the parish grade schools at St. Patrick, St. Richard, St. Thomas More, Assumption, and St. Bartholemew.

THE RT. REV. MSGR. JOSEPH T. MORIARTY, chaplain and head of the Liturgical Commission at St. John's College, is also chaplain at the Incarnate Word Convent.

Members of the Incarnate Word Guild and the Father's Club have constantly lent themselves to supervisory and instructional tasks concerning the youth of the school.

Examples include: The home nursing and first aid course offered by Mrs. Roy Nupp and Mrs. John Horan, registered nurses; Public speaking and debate class moderated by John Horan and Wm. Soos; Choral groups under the direction of Mrs. Thomas Brady; Instruction in fundamental Latin for pre-high school students given by Rev. Henry Gardocki S.J., teacher of Latin at St. Ignatius High and the physical training and coaching of the youngsters, participating in CYO and intra-mural sports.

THESE AND OTHER EXTRA curricular programs are coordinated by Guild President Charles Hoyer and Chairman of the Father's Club Ray Gay under the supervision and sanction of the Mother Superior and the principal.

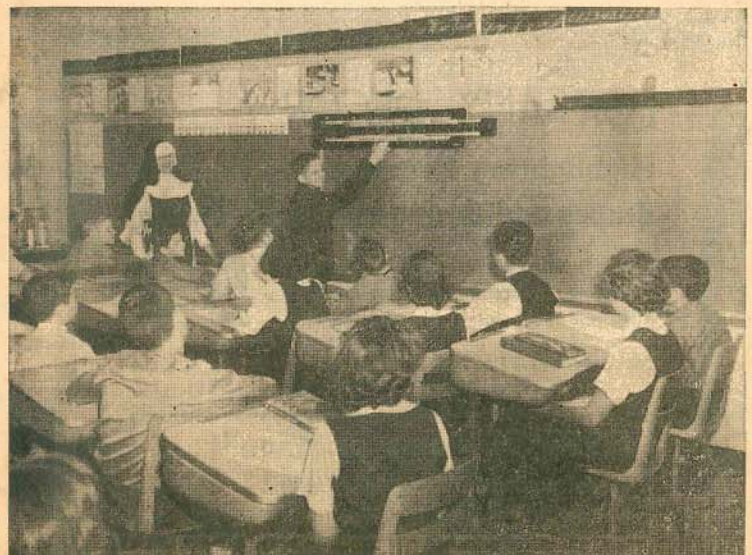
Many volunteers donate time to school activities, fund raising drives and social functions important in the maintenance of the high degree of physical and intellectual standards developed in the youth of this unique Parma Heights community by the teaching nuns of the Incarnate Word.



DOING ARITHMETIC PROBLEMS on the blackboard are Deborah Krych, Thomas Hover, Marie teaches the second grade and Pamela Pasz. Sister Brendan' arithmetic class.



THE 8TH GRADE SOCIAL STUDIES class discusses the Communist dominated countries of the world. Left to right are: Marlene Piazza, Jeanette Sprague, Joseph Talerico, Walter Paviuk, Cassandra Dilek, Michael Rohde, Robert Carleton, Lis.



SISTER M. SEBASTIAN watches Garvin Walsh demonstrate a giant slide rule to his 7th grade classmates.



SISTER M. NOREEN listens as Monica Nash tells her alphabet story to the other members of the kindergarten class.



LETTERMEN AND CHEERLEADERS clean and rearrange trophies won by the school's CYO team. Left to right are: Eileen Moran, Clara Hudak, Linda Starcher, Alan Wagner, nor, Kathy Burlanek, Charles Sarcher, Alan Wagner.



SISTER M. PATRICIA leads the 7th graders in song during the music appreciation and choir training class Maureen Gallagher is at the piano.