

St. Luke's Church

St. Luke's Parish was formed in 1855 by German settlers. Fr. Philip Laurent, pastor at Festina, celebrated the first Mass in their new log church on Oct. 18, 1855. It was the feast of St. Luke, so the parishioners agreed that St. Luke would be an appropriate name for their new church.

A brick church was built on the present site in 1870, and the following year Rev. Ulrich Frey became the first resident pastor. He saw to the building of a frame school and convent, and in 1876 Franciscan Sisters from La Crosse came. Rev. Francis Boeding came as pastor in 1882 and remained for 46 years. These were years of tremendous growth in our parish, and in 1883 an addition was built to the church. In 1905, an addition was built to the convent and a new frame school was built where the gymnasium now stands. That school was destroyed by fire on Feb. 11, 1911. That same year the present school was built.

In 1914, the 1870 church was razed to make room for the building of the present church. During this time, Mass was celebrated in the large school basement chapel. The first Mass in our present church was celebrated on Mar. 19, 1915.

After Fr. Boeding's death in 1928, Rev. Francis Schuh became our pastor. In his first year he arranged for the purchase of a used pipe organ. It is one of only a few track organs built by William Schuelke of Milwaukee that is still in its original condition and still in regular use.

The La Crosse Sisters staffed St. Luke's school for more than 100 years, beginning in 1876. The school is now a museum run by the St. Lucas Historical Society.

The Statues on the Altars

On the main altar, the Crucifixion scene adorns the Tabernacle, and above that is the statue of the Sacred Heart. St. Luke's statue is on the right and St. John's is on the left. St. Joseph's altar has the statues of St. Aloysius on the left and St. Francis Xavier on the right. The Blessed Virgin's altar has the statues of St. Rose of Lima on the left, and St. Elizabeth on the right.

Checking St. Luke's Church Files in the Archdiocesan Archives

On April 29, 2005, this author and her husband were graciously allowed to look through several large archival boxes filled with papers, documents, newspaper clippings, and photographs. We worked at a temporary desk set up for us right next to the desk of Father Loras Otting, Archivist emeritus. We felt honored to be able to talk history with him, who has written many articles and books, especially about some of the magnificent Gothic churches of northeast Iowa. In July 2004, he was co-host of a series of five programs on Eternal Word Television Network's Gallery Series titled "Faith in the Heartland: The Gothic Churches of Northeast Iowa. St. Luke's Church was included in both the television program and in a similar article in the Iowa State Historical Department's September/October 1985 issue of the Palimpsest.

We found no big "scoop", such as where our Schuelke tracker organ had been in service from the 1890s, when experts believe it was built, until 1929 when it was reassembled in St. Luke's Church, where it is still very much in use. Or, which stained glass studio in Bavaria created our beautiful windows...

However, we enjoyed some of the reports sent in by the pastors in the 1920s and the 1930s. For example:

May 30, 1927 – Father F. X. Boeding's final Annual Statistical Report: Under the question "What do you do specially to keep up the interest of your young men and young women in the affairs of the church?" Father replied: "Monthly communion, Sodality, No dance floors, never would I here separate children from their parents. Unnatural, authority destroying."

December 1933 – Father Schuh replied to the same question with "Plays". (See Book I, page 32.)

December 1934 – Father Schuh replied with "Socials".

We jotted down St. Luke's Parish events that were reported from 1981 to 1994 by members of our Archdiocesan Council of Catholic Women, as a recommended project to preserve history in the parishes.

Fall 1981 – Four new glass doors installed in the front of the church, \$800 each.

1982 – Outdoor Mass planned once again, weather cooperated.

August 1982, reported August 1983 – New recessed lighting in church ceiling.

May 29, 1983 – Our parochial school principal for ten years, Jay & Ginny Henninger & family moved from St. Lucas to Guttenberg.

September 27, 1983 – Father John Moran to Monona.

September 27, 1983 – Father Florian J. Schmidt, new pastor at St. Luke's, St. Lucas.

July 1984– Lexan "storm windows" installed on windows in the front of the church.

(Additional storm windows were put on through the next years till all were done.)

1984 – Knights of Columbus Council started in St. Lucas and Waucoma, 60 members.

1985 – Knights of Columbus, 65 members.

March 19, 1986 – Father Schmidt's Silver Anniversary as a priest.

1986 – Church windows repaired.

1986 – Gym roof repaired. Low bid Moss Roofing, \$11,727,60.

1986 - 1987 – Mobile home brought in north of the school for remedial reading.

Supreme Court had forbidden using parochial school buildings.

October 5, 1987 – 25th Anniversary of Dubuque Archdiocesan Catholic Order Of Foresters Annual Presentation at St. Luke's. Bishop Dunn.

September 1988 – The RENEW program began after many meetings and much preparation. The Opening Event was a Harvest Dance in the gym on Saturday, October 22 to celebrate the RENEW Theme, "The Lord's Call". Small groups will meet once a week for six weeks, again in Lent 1989, Fall 1989, Lent 1990 and Fall 1990.

October 8, 1989 - The Luther College Nordic Choir, under the direction of Weston Noble, sang at the 9:30 Sunday Mass. The Large Group Renew committee served coffee and rolls in the Parish Hall after Mass.

April 1990 – On west side of church, the steps, sidewalks and landscaping were redone.

1991 – Old church shingles removed, new roof installed, also new valleys and flashing. \$17,850.

March 1992 – East church art windows repaired, covered with Lexan. Also upper levels of towers. Hauser Studio of Stained Glass, \$27,300. "This completes a program begun in 1984."

June 1992 – After 116 years of continuous dedicated service to St. Luke's Parish and School, the Franciscan Sisters of Perpetual Adoration – FSPAs - left for the summer, as usual. This time they will not return in the fall. Convent closed.

1992 – Convent sold to E. Devere Manderfield. \$45,150.

July 1993 – Father Schmidt to St. Mary's Church in Dubuque.

July 1993 - Father Raphael Ludwig is our new pastor.

1994 – Dropped ceiling and new lighting in the church basement.

1994 – New, good sound system in church.

1994 – Tuckpointing and waterproofing, painting of trim on church.

Undated note – “October 7, 1955 S.L.S. Highlights. Of interest.”

Editor's Note 1 – The above issue features a condensed history of St. Luke's Parish by Msgr. Schuh, commemorating the Centennial of the parish, 1855-1955.

Editor's Note 2 – Unfortunately, the ACCW Historical Notes at the Archdiocesan Archives ended with the Undated note above.

Editor's Note 3 - 2000 – Father Ludwig retired due to health reasons.

2000 – Father Marvin Salz came to be Pastor of St. Luke's Church in St. Lucas, St. Mary's Church in Waucoma, and Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church in Lawler – The Servants of the Lord cluster..

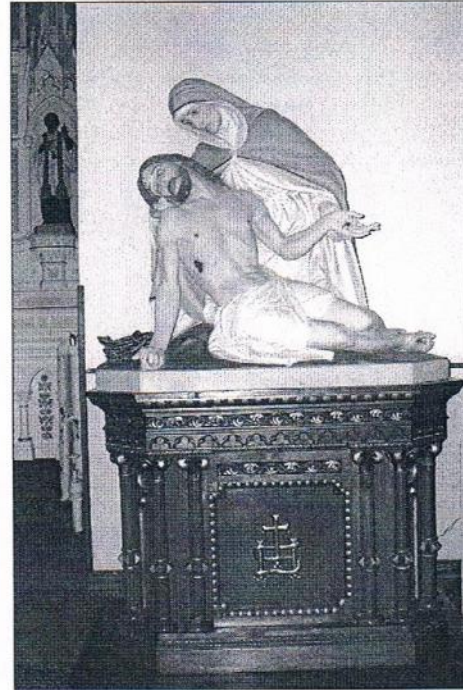


1870 church, showing at far left the Agony in the Garden and at far right the copy of the Pieta, the Communion railing and the chandelier over the middle aisle. Altars are now at Ionia.

Three Pieces from the 1870 Church that are still in use in the present Church



Baptismal Font



Christ taken down from the Cross and laid in the arms of his sorrowful Mother.



The Agony in the Garden of Gethsemane

PASTORS OF ST. LUKE'S CHURCH

	Years of Tenure	Date of Death
Rev. Philip Laurent	1855-1856	+
Rev. Louis DeCailly	1856-1857	+
Rev. J. Michael Flammang	1857-1858	+ 1883
Rev. Henry Fedderman	1858-1861	+
Rev. Frederick Hannasch	1861-1867	+ 1872
Rev. Conrad Schulte	1867-1870	+ 1895
Rev. John Urbany	1870-1871	+

RESIDENT PASTORS:

Rev. Ulrich Frey	1871-1882	+ 1911
Rev. Francis X. Boeding	1882-1928	+ 1928
Rev. Msgr. Francis L. Schuh	1928-1969	+ 1970
Rev. Richard A. Bohr	1969-1980	
Rev. John W. Moran	1980-	

ASSISTANT PASTORS:

Rev. William Goetzinger	1916-1924	+ 1967
Rev. Paul Kirchhoff	1924-1928	+ 1979
Rev. Louis White	1931-1936	+ 1976
Rev. Clarence Friedman	1936-1937	
Rev. John Breitbach	1937-1939	
Rev. Jerome Bohr	1939-1943	+ 1949
Rev. Reynold Sigwarth	1943-1947	
Rev. Peter Graff	1947-1948	+ 1976
Rev. Robert Rahe	1948-1955	
Rev. Nicholas Cigrand	1955-1958	+ 1976
Rev. William Tiedeman	1958-1959	
Rev. Thomas Bisenius	1959-1964	
Rev. James Duster	1964-1967	
Rev. Clement Burke	1967-1969	

Msgr. Schuh retired in 1969 after more than 40 years as pastor of St. Luke's and was succeeded by:

1969-1980 Rev. Richard Bohr

1980-1983 Rev. John Moran

1983-1993 Very Rev. Florian Schmidt

1993-2000 Rev. Raphael Ludwig

2000-2008 Rev. Marvin Salz.

At this time, we became a cluster parish with Our Lady of Mt. Carmel (Lawler) and St. Mary (Waucoma).

2008-2010 Rev. David Beckman.

It was at this time that a new cluster was formed. Christ Our Hope has 6 parishes: St. Luke's, Mt. Carmel, St. Mary's, Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Little Turkey), Holy Trinity (Protivin), and St. John (Fort Atkinson).

2010-2016 Rev. Nick March

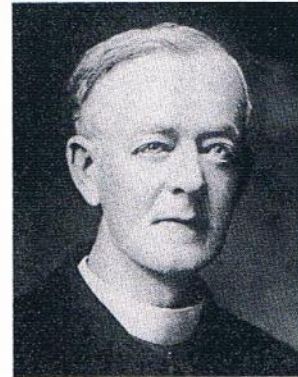
2016-2018 Rev. Kyle Digmann

2018-present Rev. Aaron Junge

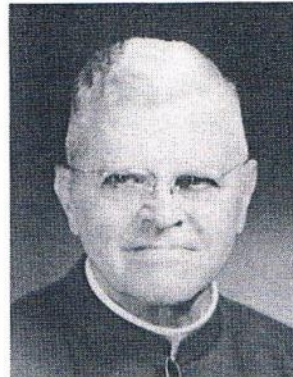
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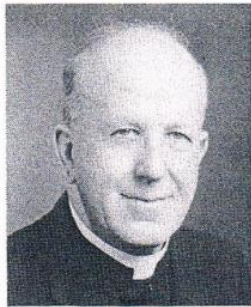
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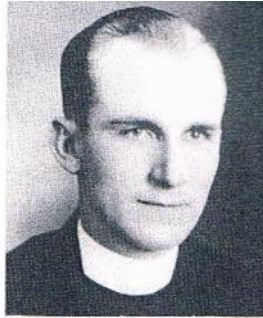
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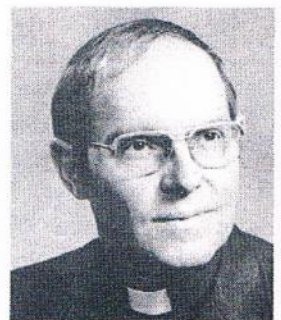
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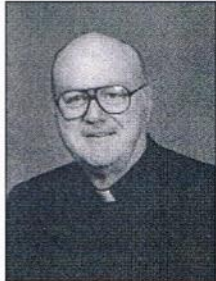
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Rev. Clement Burke

ST. LUKE'S PASTORS 1980-2005

Rev. John W. Moran, 1980-1983



Father John W. Moran was born on April 8, 1927, one of four children of W. J. and Margaret Drecker Moran of Cascade, Iowa. His father was a banker. A brother, Rev. Robert Moran, was pastor at SS. Peter and Paul Church in Petersburg, Iowa at the time of his death in 1986.

Father received his grade and high school education from St. Mary's School in Cascade. He graduated from Loras College in 1947, and entered Kenrick Seminary in St. Louis, Missouri, where he took his four years of Theology.

He was ordained to the holy Priesthood by Most Reverend Leo Binz, Archbishop of Dubuque, in Christ the King Chapel at Loras College on May 3, 1951. His first Holy Mass was celebrated on May 9, 1951, in St. Mary's Church in Cascade.

He served as assistant pastor for three years at St. Joseph's Church in Dubuque; three months at Immaculate Conception Church in Cedar Rapids; five years at Immaculate Conception Church in Elma; five years at Sacred Heart Church in Oelwein, and one year at Blessed Sacrament Church in Waterloo.

Father Moran received his first parish, St. Ansgar Church in St. Ansgar, in 1965. While there, he also taught at St. Mary's High School in Stacyville. On July 1, 1969, he was appointed pastor of Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church in Lawler. He remained there for ten years, and then was pastor at St. Joseph's Church in Farley for one year.

On July 8, 1980, Father came to St. Luke's Church in St. Lucas, where plans were well under way for the 125th Jubilee celebration to be celebrated in October. His 30th Anniversary of Ordination was celebrated at St. Luke's Parish in 1981. After Father Richard Bohr's death, Father Moran served as the next pastor at St. Patrick's Church in Monona until his retirement.

Father Moran, Father Lloyd Paul Ouder Kirk of Garnavillo, and Father Daniel Keppler of Lansing are the Sacramental Priests for Trinity Cluster, which consists of St. Patrick's Church in Monona, St. Mary's Church in McGregor and St. Bridget's Church in

Postville. The Administrator of the Trinity Cluster is Sister Mary McCauley of Monona.

Rev. Florian J. Schmidt, 1983-1993



Father Florian J. Schmidt was born on January 11, 1935, in Springbrook, Iowa, the son of Florian J. Schmidt and Clara A. Steines. He attended grade school in SS. Peter and Paul School in Springbrook, St. Joseph's High School in Bellevue, Loras College and St. Bernard's Seminary in Dubuque.

He was ordained on March 18, 1961, at St. Raphael's Cathedral in Dubuque by Archbishop Leo Binz. He celebrated his First Solemn High Mass on March 19, 1961 in SS. Peter and Paul Church in Springbrook.

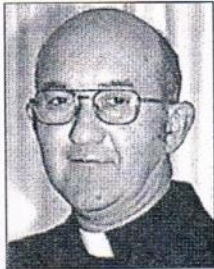
Father Schmidt's first priestly assignment was as temporary assistant at St. Mary's Parish in Dubuque, followed by an assignment of two years at All Saints Parish in Cedar Rapids. From August 1963 until August 1965, he served as an associate at St. Boniface Parish in Garner. This was followed by three years as associate pastor and administrator at St. Michael's in Belle Plaine. He was then assigned at St. Francis Parish, Belmond and its Mission in Goodell. His next assignment was as associate pastor at St. Patrick's Parish in Waukon and St. John the Baptist Parish in West Ridge.

In November of 1970 Father Florian was appointed to the faculty of Wahlert High School and to associate pastor of Sacred Heart Parish, both in Dubuque. In August 1973 he was assigned as associate of Resurrection Parish in Dubuque, and in August 1979 he became an associate pastor at St. Edward Parish and on the faculty of Columbus High School, both in Waterloo. Father Schmidt received his first pastorate at St. Patrick's Parish in Buffalo Center, and Sacred Heart Parish, Woden, in July 1980.

He became pastor of St. Luke's Parish in St. Lucas on September 27, 1983. His 25th Anniversary of Ordination was celebrated with a Special Mass and reception on the evening of March 19, 1986. Father often remarked that there was only one church more beautiful than St. Luke's of St. Lucas, and that was St. Mary's in Dubuque. In July of 1993, Father

was appointed pastor of St. Mary's in Dubuque. In 1999, he was appointed pastor at St. Paul's Parish in Worthington. From there he retired in 2002, and is now residing at Woodland Arms in Dubuque.

Rev. Raphael A. Ludwig, 1993-2000



Father Raphael A. Ludwig was born on October 19, 1930, the son of Joseph and Mary Chihak Ludwig of Lourdes. He is a graduate of Loras College in Dubuque. He attended St. Bernard Seminary in Dubuque and was ordained as a priest on February 2, 1957.

After ordination, Father Ludwig served quite a number of parishes of the Archdiocese. His first assignment was St. Ludmilla's in Cedar Rapids as an associate pastor for five years. He was then transferred to St. Wenceslaus in Cedar Rapids for five years. The next assignments were St. Joseph's in New Hampton for two years, St. Mary's in Marshalltown for two years, and St. Edward's in Waterloo for one year.

Father Ray's first assignment as pastor was in 1976 to Assumption at Little Turkey and Sacred Heart of Reilly Ridge for five years. He then joined the Team Ministry program in Waterloo at the parishes of St. John's and St. Nicholas of Evansdale for five years. From 1986 to 1993 he served the parishes of SS. Peter and Paul at Sherrill and St. Francis of Assisi at Balltown.

Father Ray's last assignment was in 1993 at St. Luke's Church in St. Lucas and St. Mary's Church in Waucoma. His 40th Anniversary Celebration of the Priesthood was held at St. Lucas on Sunday, June 8, 1997. He retired from the active ministry on July 11, 2000 and now resides at St. John's Parish Rectory in Fort Atkinson.

Rev. Marvin C. Salz, 2000-



Father Marvin C. Salz was born on September 25, 1938, was baptized, attended Catholic grade and high school at Visitation Parish in Stacyville, Iowa. Following graduation, he attended Loras College in Dubuque, Iowa and graduated cum laude in 1960. He completed his seminary training in Dubuque at Mt. St. Bernard

Seminary and was ordained at St. Raphael Cathedral on May 30, 1964.

Father's priestly assignments: Assistant Pastor, Sacred Heart, Oelwein, 1964-1969; Assistant Pastor, Holy Family, Mason City, 1969-1975; Assistant Pastor, St. Mary, Cascade, 1975-1979; Assistant Pastor, St. Jude, Cedar Rapids, 1979-1983; Assistant Pastor, St. Mary, Manchester, 1983-1985; Pastor, Our Lady of Seven Dolors, Festina, 1985-1987; Pastor, St. Francis DeSales, Ossian, 1987-1990; Pastor, St. Stephen, Central City and St. Isidore, Springville, 1990-1993; Pastor, St. Mary, New Hampton, 1993-1996; Pastor, St. Mary, New Hampton and Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, Lawler, 1996-2000.

On July 11, 2000, Father Salz became pastor of "Servants of the Lord" cluster of parishes: Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, Lawler, St. Mary, Waucoma, and St. Luke, St. Lucas.

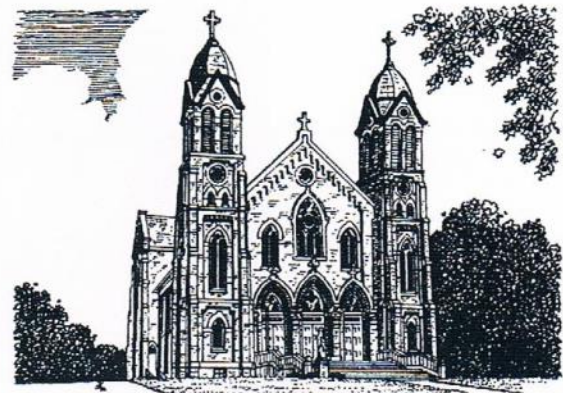
He is also serving as pastoral coordinator at Trinity Catholic School, Protivin.

On July 28, 1980, Father received a Master Degree in Religious Education from the University of St. Thomas in Houston, Texas. While at St. Mary's, Cascade, Father helped form the Aquin School of Religion, a released time religion program for high school students. While serving at Manchester, he was co-director at St. Paul School of Religion. While serving at Festina and Ossian, he was also director of the Christian School of Religion.

Father Salz celebrated 40 Years of Service, Dedication and Love as a Priest of God with a special Mass on Sunday, June 13, 2004. It was also the feast of Corpus Christi. A reception and short program were held in the Parish Hall.

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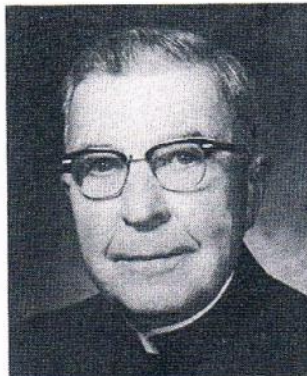


MEMBERS OF PARISH ORDAINED TO THE PRIESTHOOD

1884 Rev. John Gerleman	+ 1946
1919 Rev. Msgr. John Smith	
1926 Rev. Joseph Stammeyer	+ 1959
1927 Rev. Msgr. John Steinlage	+ 1967
1927 Rev. Louis Gerleman	
1932 Rev. Charles Hirmer, S.V.D.	+ 1964
1933 Rev. Samuel Martin, O.F.M.	
1934 Rev. Victor Gerleman	+ 1960
1935 Rev. Aloysius Schmitt	+ 1941
1936 Rev. Hugo Gerleman, S.J.	+ 1972
1937 Rev. Charles Steinlage	+ 1968
1940 Rev. Flavian Blong, O.F.M.	
1944 Rev. Msgr. Leander Reicks	
1950 Rev. LaVerne Gerleman	
1950 Rev. Charles Kruse	
1950 Rev. Francis Perry	
1957 Rev. Clarence Kruse	
1961 Rev. Carl Schmitt	
1962 Rev. Donald Schmitt	
1971 Rev. Allen Schmitt	



Rev. John Gerleman



Rev. Msgr. John Smith



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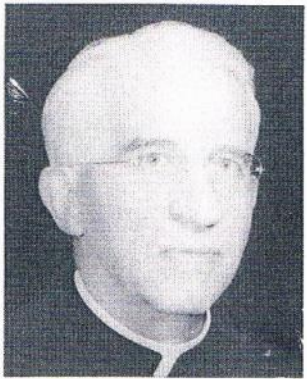
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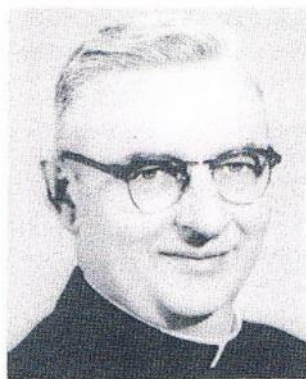
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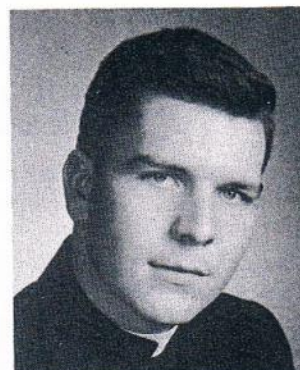
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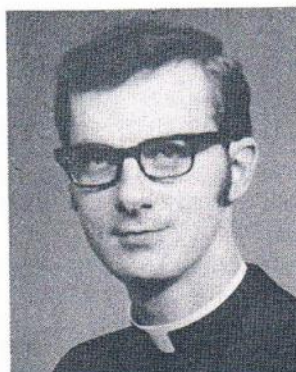
Rev. Clarence Kruse



Rev. Carl Schmitt



Rev. Donald Schmitt



Rev. Allen Schmitt

PRIESTS ORIGINALLY FROM THE PARISH:

1897 Rev. John B. Baeumler	+ 1932
1892 Rev. Msgr. Arnold Boeding	+ 1944
1924 Rev. Arnold Boeding	
1935 Rev. Joseph Vollmecke	
1962 Rev. Denis Kuennen	

Native Sons of St. Luke's Parish



Rev. John Dietzenbach

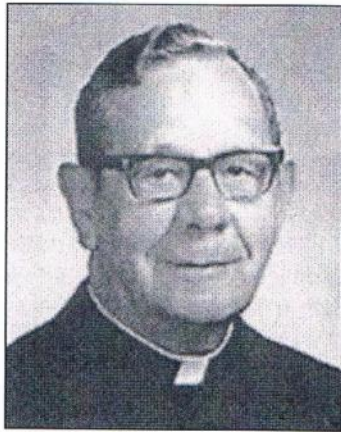
Ordained November 29, 1980
Baltimore, Maryland

*Father John is pastor of St. Peter's Catholic
Church in Libertytown, Maryland*



Alan J. Dietzenbach

Pre-Seminary
Loras College, Dubuque



Rev. Msgr. Leander Reicks

When Msgr. Leander Reicks retired from his pastorate at Immaculate Conception Parish in Elma, in July 1992, he moved into the house in St. Lucas where his mother had lived many years. Msgr. was always willing to help out at other parishes, driving many times as far as Marshalltown. When illness struck his friend, Father Ludwig, Msgr. helped Father and St. Luke's Parish in so many ways. Msgr. Reicks celebrated his 50th Anniversary of Ordination on July 10, 1994 with a special Mass followed by a reception in St. Luke's Parish Hall. In 2004, he observed his 60 years as a priest. He now resides at Colonial Manor Nursing Home in Elma.



Msgr. Leander Reicks concelebrating his 50th Anniversary Mass, July 10, 1994
St. Luke's Church, St. Lucas, Iowa

The Mystery of the Stained Glass Windows of St. Luke's Church

The 1980 history contains only one paragraph regarding the stained glass windows of St. Luke's Church. From Father Schuh's writings: "The beautiful Bavarian stained glass windows cost \$5920 and were paid by special donations..." (Book I, pages 29 and 30.)

Where in Bavaria were they made? Why, when the church was completed in 1915, were the windows not installed until 1919?

In February 2005, Emily Grosvenor of the German Information Center in New York City, and editor of the e-mailed *The Week in Germany*, responded to a request for names of stained glass studios in Munich - an e-mail address for one company, and a postal address for another.

Wilfried Jaikel of Franz Mayer of Munich responded by e-mail for both companies on March 14, 2005: "We acknowledge with thanks the receipt of your letter and email of February 21st with enclosures regarding the stained glass windows in St. Luke's Church, St. Lucas, Iowa.

"First we want to inform you that almost all of our old files were destroyed in 1944 by bombs and fire. The same is true with the files of our affiliated studio F. X. Zettler. We could save only a few books with photos of our windows and lists showing the churches with our stained glass windows. All other old files were destroyed in 1944.

"We thought that the list of churches is complete and contains all stained glass window orders for the United States. However, when searching for the windows for another church we found out to our surprise that all orders of the years 1917-1919 for both Mayer and Zettler are completely missing. Therefore we did not find an entry pertaining to St. Luke's Church in St. Lucas. The reason of the failure is unknown to us. A possible reason might be World War I.

"Munich was famous for its arts and especially stained glass. Around the turn of the century the 'Munich Style' was famous all over the world. There were about 20 stained glass studios only in Munich, even an American studio from Chicago with the name 'The Munich Studio' had an agency in Munich. By end of the twentieth and the world depression nearly all studios must close. Now there are two studios in Munich, namely besides ours, the Stained Glass Studio Gustav van Treeck...

"From the photos we see that the stained glass windows in St. Luke's Church are of high quality. We are quite sure that at least in one of windows is a reference with the name of the studio. In most cases this small inscription is in the lowest window panel in the corner. We recommend to inspect the windows especially after this inscription. We hope that these lines are of some help to you, though this information might be unsatisfactory to you. With best regards, Franz Mayer of Munich, Inc., Wilfried Jaikel"

We have searched, so far in vain, for a reference with the inscription of the studio's name.

Several e-mails have been sent to the van Treeck Studio, with pictures of windows attached. There has been no response. In the 1980s someone mentioned the possibility that the first shipment of windows might have gone down in the Atlantic during World War I. When the rumor was traced to its source, the person said it was merely a guess.

A related story was found in the 1937 Centennial History of Holy Family Church and Parish in Oldenburg, Indiana, page 64:

"The beautiful stained glass church windows, so artistically designed in blended colors, were ordered in 1914, immediately before the World War, from the German craftsman, Zettler in Munich. Only two arrived; the others were portbound in Rotterdam till shipping again became safe in 1919." These windows were installed in the 1862 church.

It would seem likely that the windows for St. Luke's Church would also have been ordered in 1914 so they would have been on hand for the closing up, and completion of the church in 1915. However, Father Loras Otting, Archivist *emeritus* of the Archdiocesan Archives in Dubuque, said it was "not at all unusual" for the stained glass windows to be installed in churches a number of years after the building's completion.

Another puzzle is why the large round window above the main entrance never was adorned with stained glass as most "rose windows" are... In its simplicity, however, it makes an appropriate background for the pipes of the organ. Its simplicity also makes the windows all around the body of the church stand out even more in their brilliance!

The Life of Christ as Told in St. Luke's Gospel and as Portrayed in the Magnificent Windows of St. Luke's Church

The beautiful Bavarian stained glass windows depict the life of Christ as told in St. Luke's Gospel. Windows from left front to back, then from right back to front:

The Annunciation

Donated by Ben Gartener and Anna Gartener. Restoration in Memory of Carol Ann Bodensteiner, by Eugene and Rosalyn Bodensteiner

The Birth of Jesus

Donated by Wendelin and Bibiana Mihm. Restoration donated by Irvin and Agnes Smith

The Presentation of Jesus in the Temple

Donated by Professor L. Mihm. Restoration donated by Louis Mihm Family

The Finding of Jesus in the Temple

Donated by Jacob und Susanna Greteman. Restoration donated by Alois and Rose Gerleman

The Holy Family

Donated by Georg und Maria Nolte und Kinder. Restoration donated by Joseph and Agnes Hackman; Tony and Agnes Meinert

The Wedding at Cana

Donated by Jungfrauen Soldalitat (Young Ladies' Sodality). Restoration donated by Clem and Marie Kuennen

The Good Shepherd

Donated by Nicolaus and Rosina Kuehner. Restoration donated by Will and Minnie Kuehner; Edward and Elizabeth Wurzer

The Prodigal Son

Donated by Johann und Catharina Franzen. Restoration donated by Francis and Helen Dietzenbach

Jesus and the Little Children

Donated by Theodor und Catherina Perry. Restoration donated by Peter Kriener Family and Leo Kriener Family

St. Peter, Receiving the Keys to Heaven

Donated by St. Lucas Verein (Society). Restoration donated by Will and Ceil Mihm, Leo and Beatrice Schmitt

The Resurrection

Donated in Memory of Rev. Ulrich Frey, (Pastor) 1871-1882. Restoration donated by Blong Family, in Memory of George Blong

The Ascension

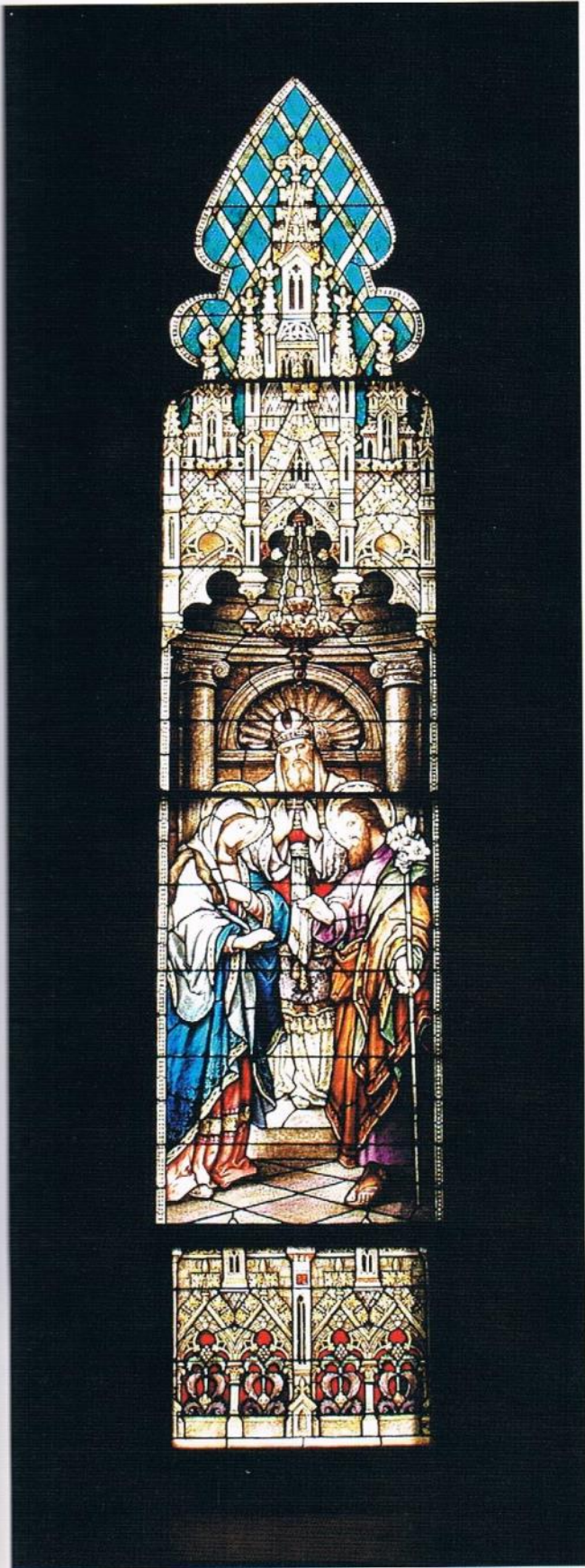
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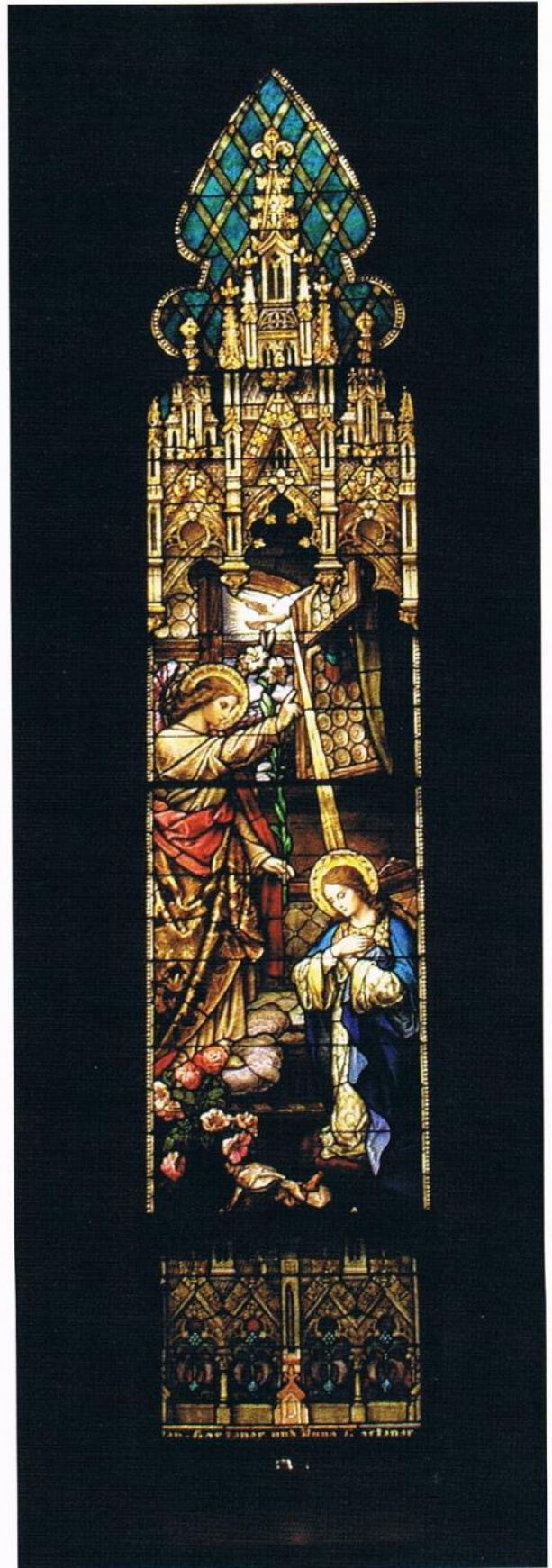
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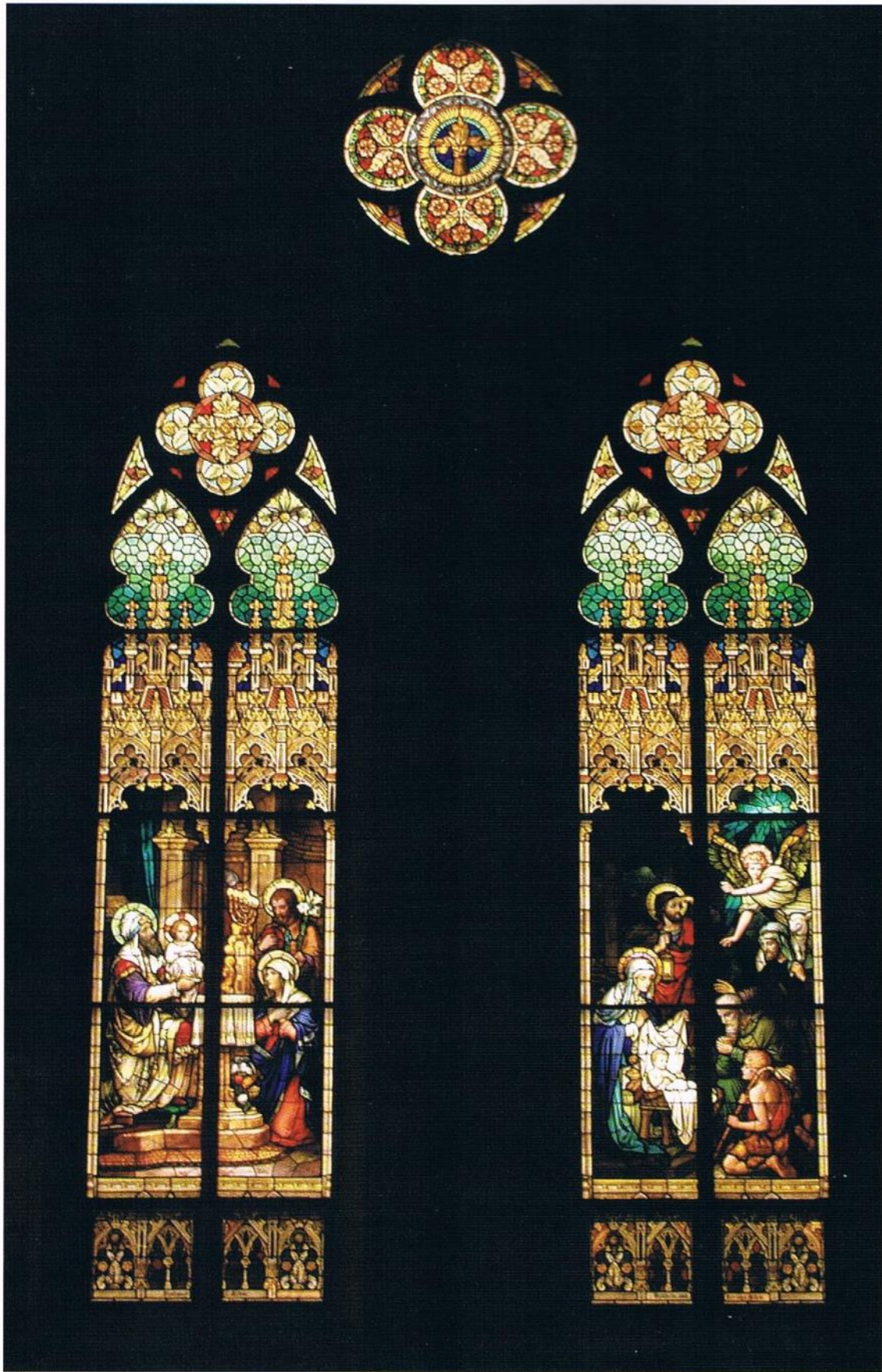
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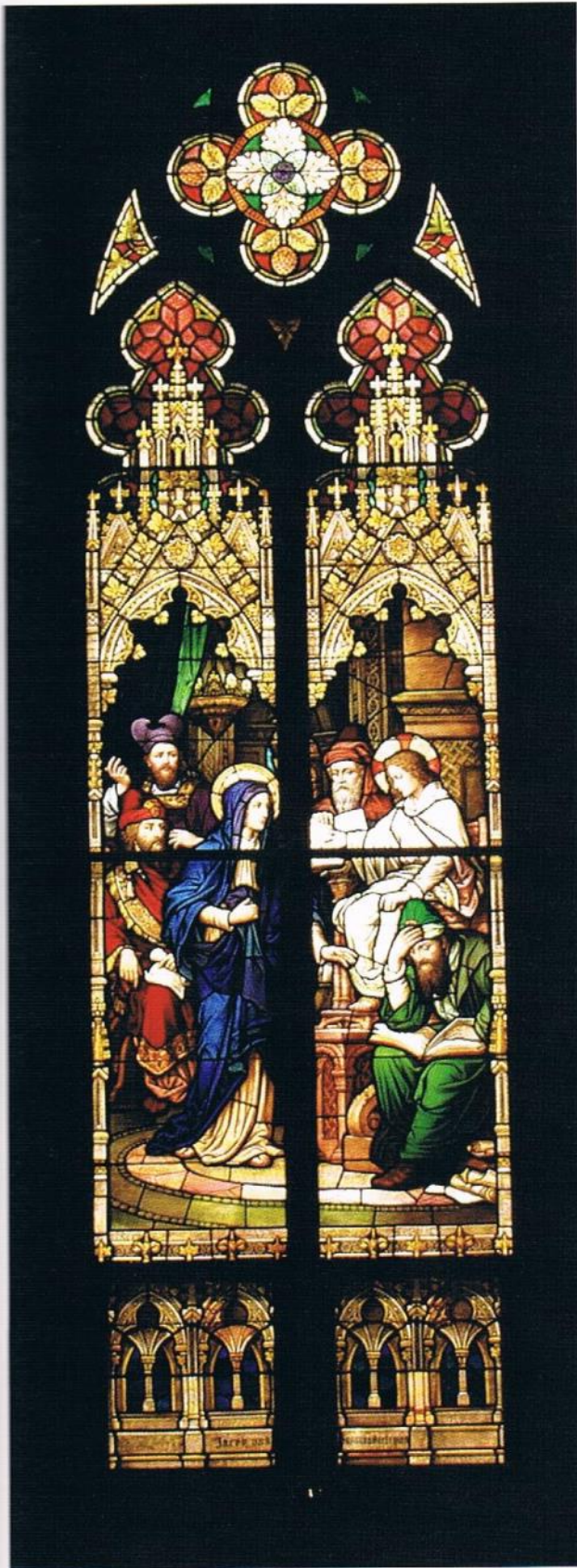


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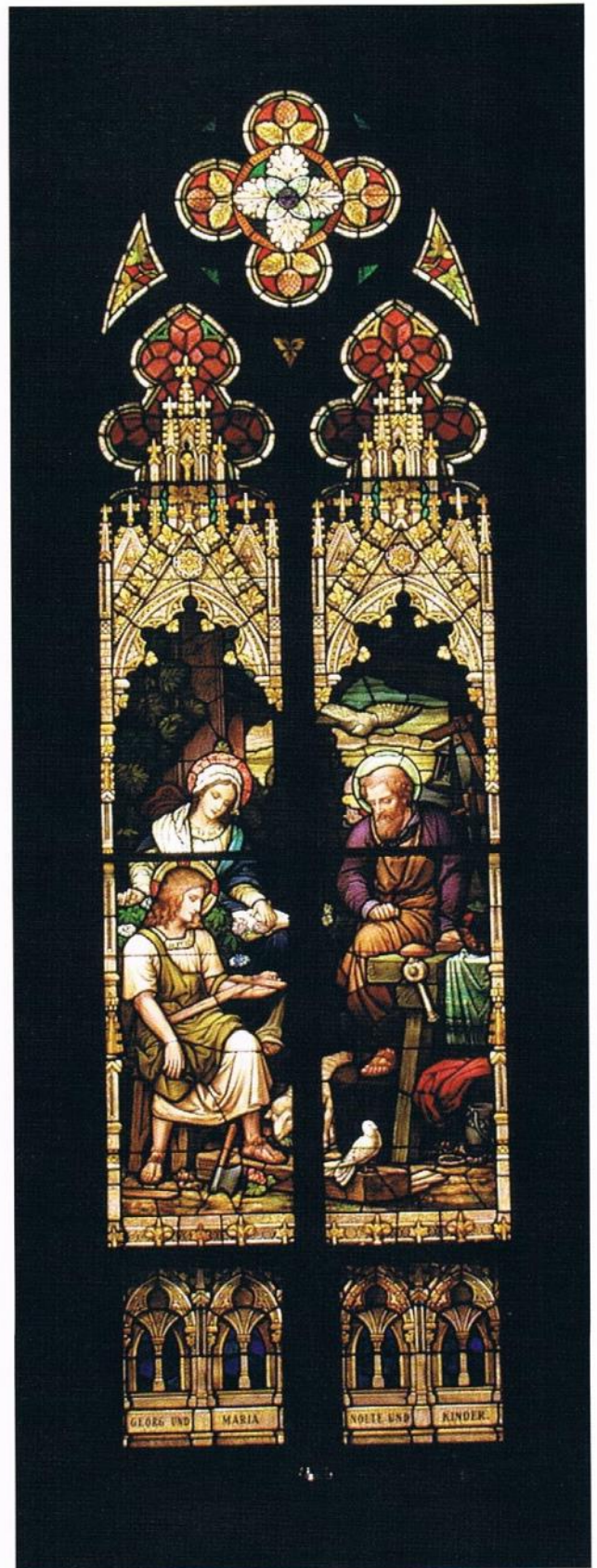


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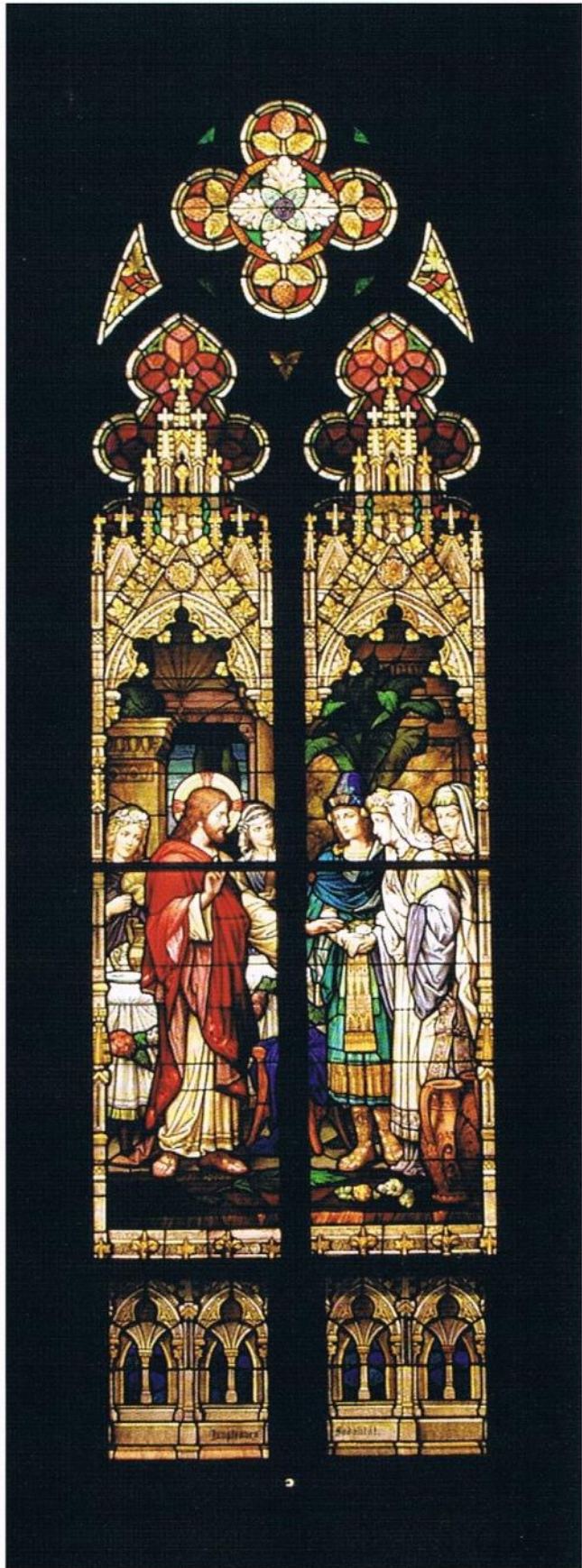
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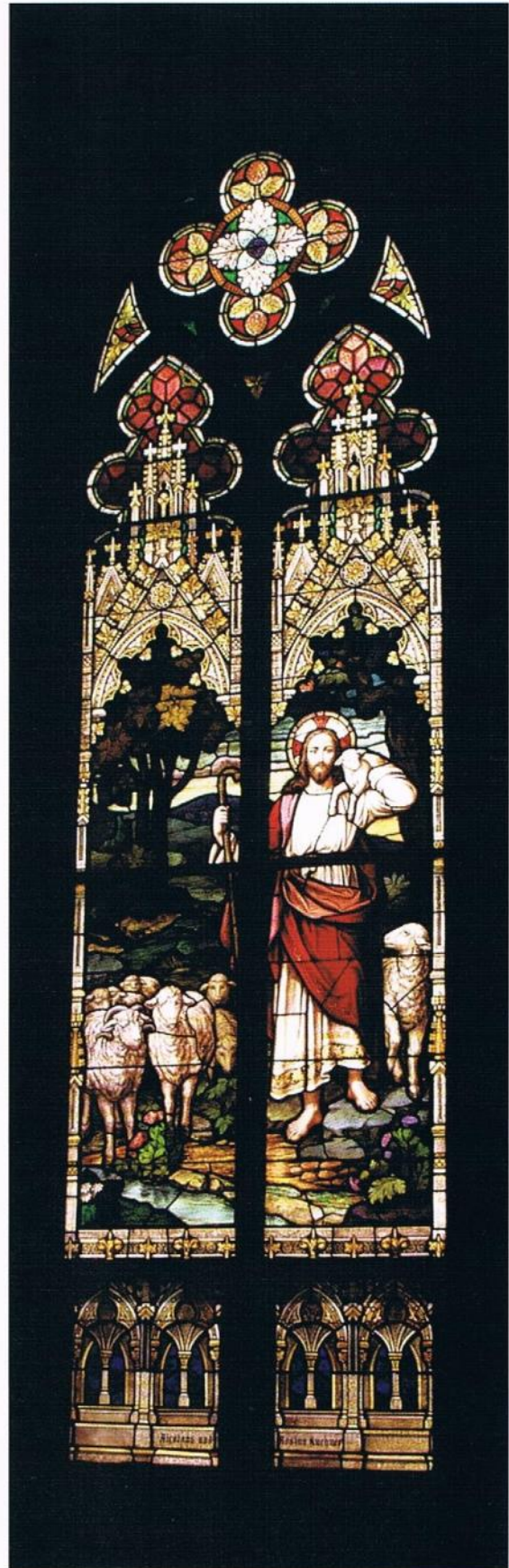
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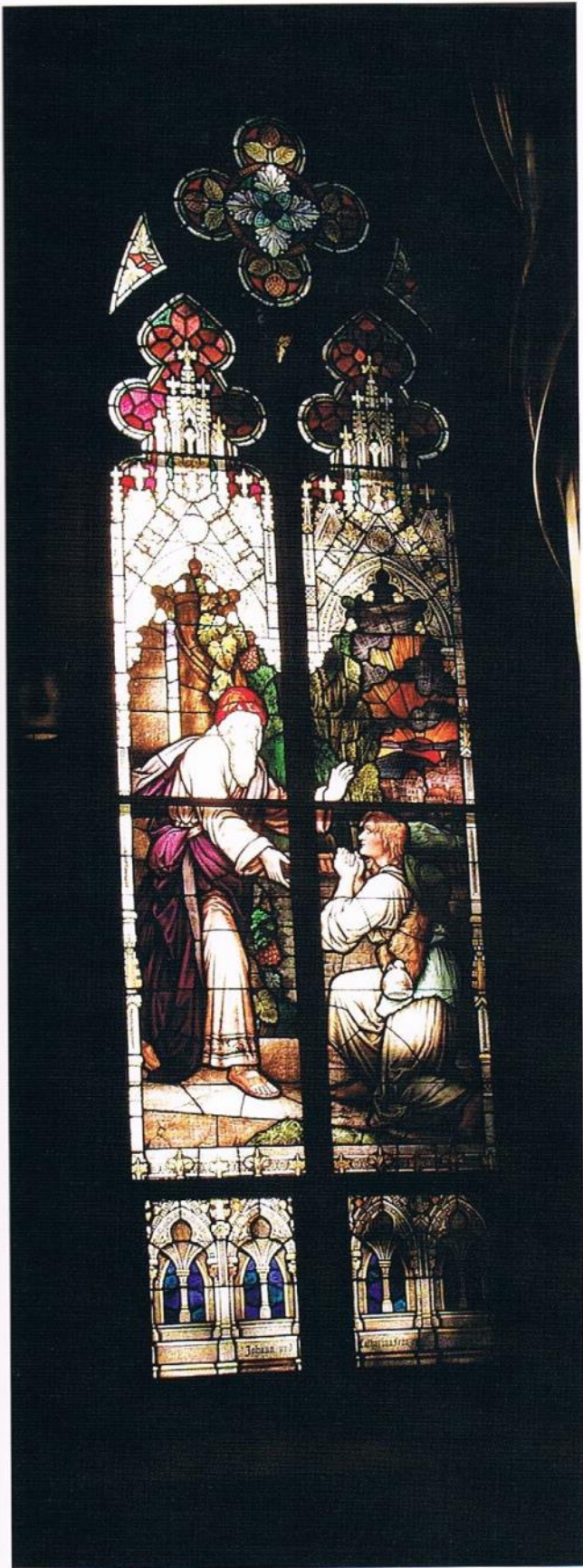
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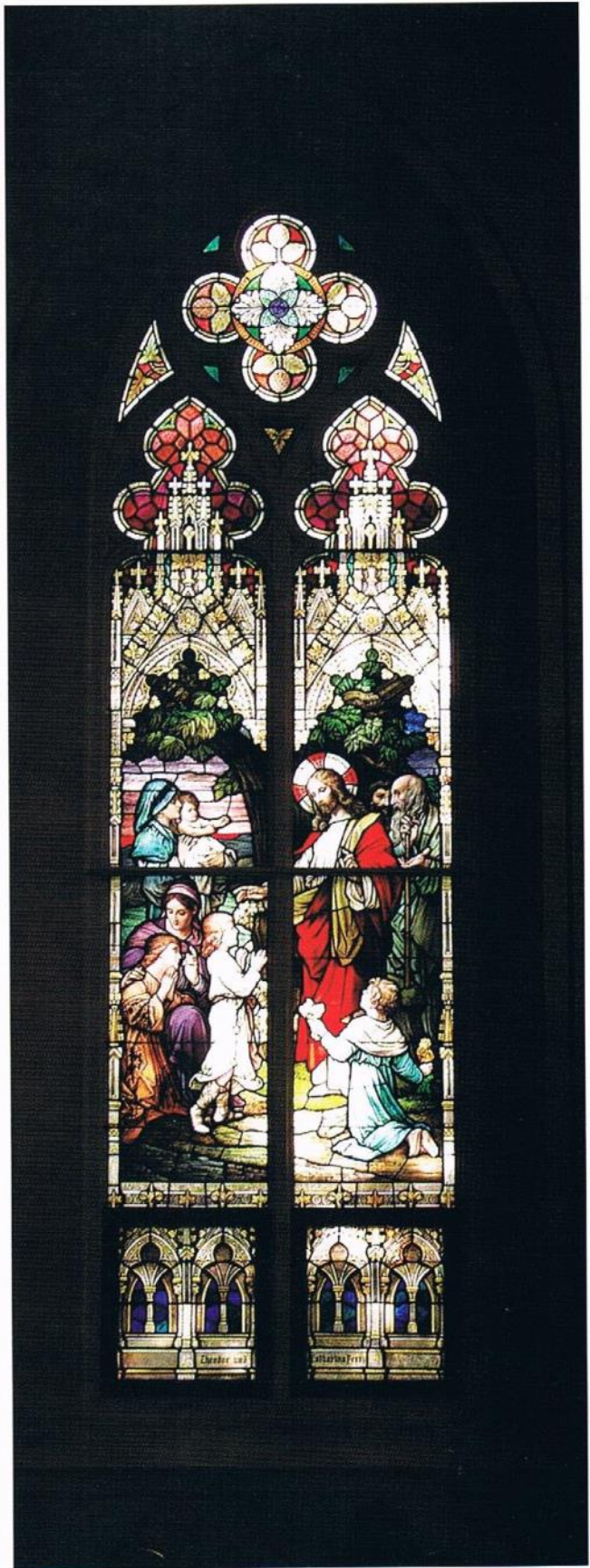
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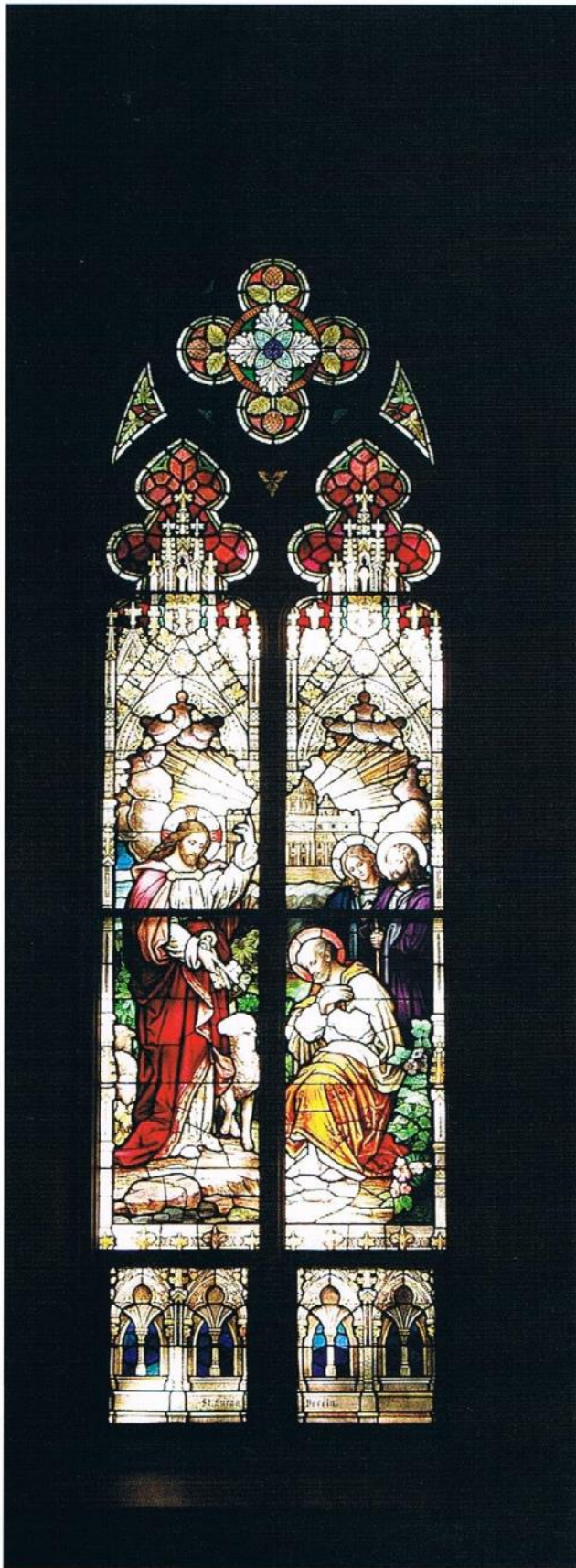
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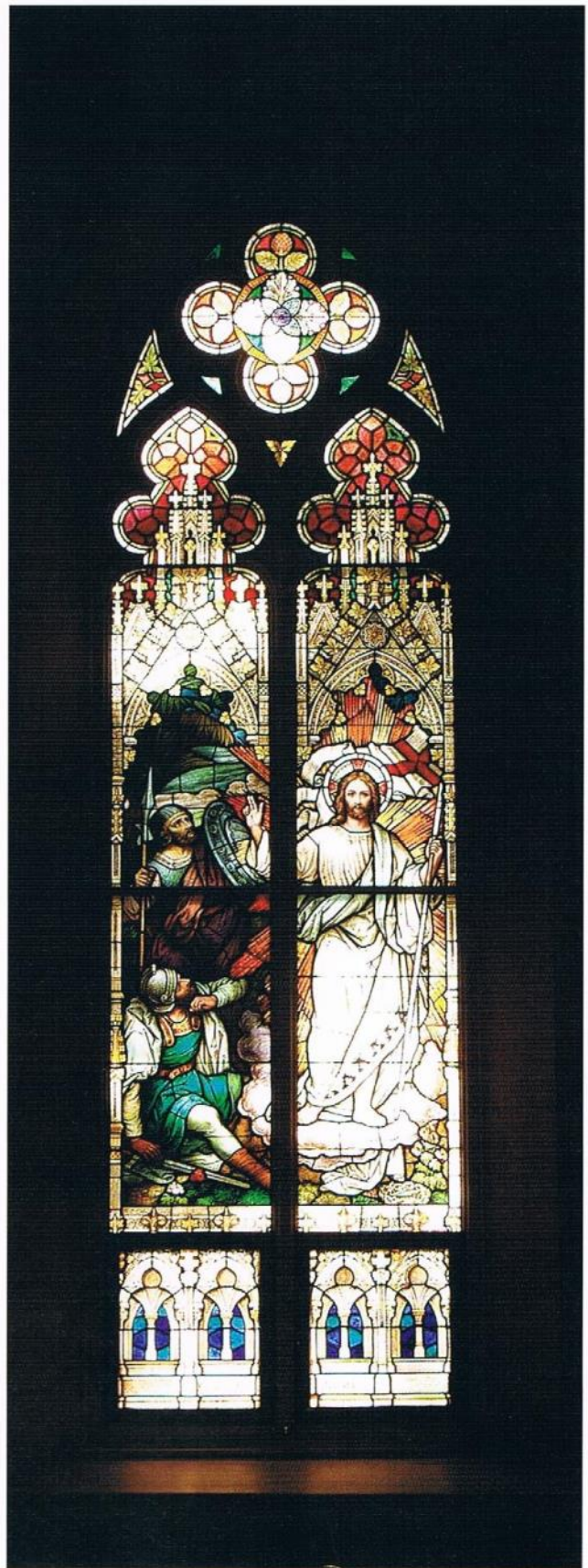
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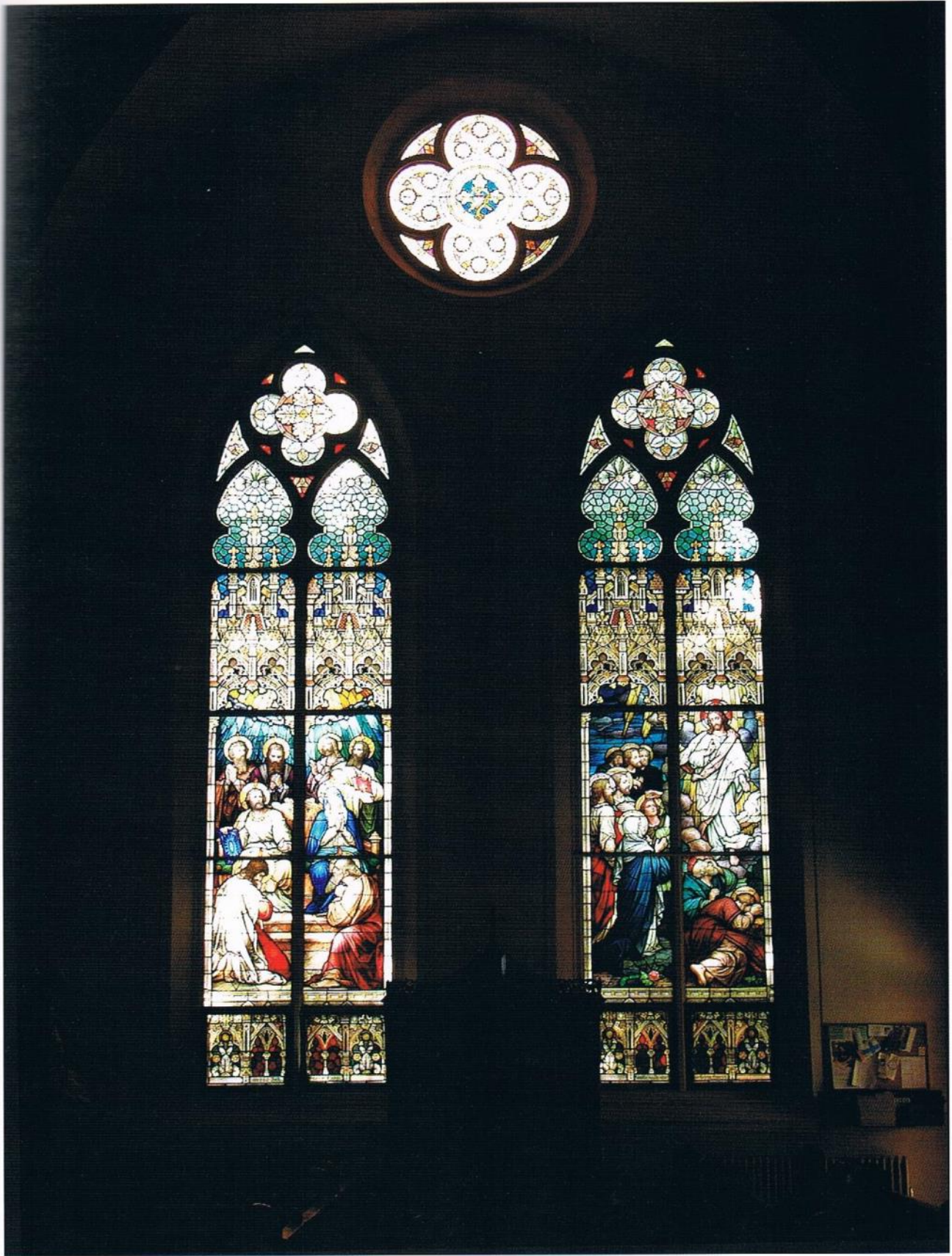
Jesus and the Little Children



St. Peter, Receiving the Keys to Heaven



The Resurrection



The Descent of the Holy Spirit

The Ascension



Sanctuary Windows