

Sunday and Monday last, June 19 and 20, the Holy Ghost school held its closing exercises for the scholastic year.

The prizes and certificates were awarded to the students Sunday morning at the solemn high mass, in the Holy Ghost church. Twelve received certificates of promotion to the Holy Ghost school which will open its doors September.

Twenty-six students obtained book prizes and distinctions for excellence in various departments. Sunday night the students rendered a splendid program. The principal feature was a scene from Shakespear's "King John." Many priests present pronounced its rendition up to college standards. The wrapt attention of the audience during the play was more eloquent of appreciation than the stormiest applause.

The exercises were brought to a completion Monday night when another program, equally as good as that given Sunday night, was presented. The famous Martel orchestra was applauded again and again. Dr. Craig, who, during a brief vacation from his arduous work as vice president of the American Chamber of Commerce, is the guest of Father Hyland, pronounced the Holy Ghost school, in its every department up to the highest standards.

He insisted that the America of tomorrow is in the classroom of today; that efficiency, law and order and reverence and goodness must govern the classrooms and teachers of today, in order that the America of tomorrow may go forward and not go back.

In congratulating the students, faculty and parents, Father Hyland made some points which, we think, every intelligent colored man should take to heart. To rule in the home, he said, one must first learn to obey

in the school.

The discipline in the Holy Ghost school is felt in the home and in the community, under intelligent leadership, a united people may accomplish for God and country. No man can give what he does not possess. An uneducated leadership or a leadership "with a little learning," is a dangerous thing, a blind thing; and when the blind lead the blind, both fall into the ditch.

Many have said that opportunity for education and unity were lacking for the past thirty years in Opelousas. This complaint can no more be made. There is now established in our midst a very seat of learning, in our schools and church. In the lectures given every Sunday morning in the Holy Ghost church, a forest of subjects are treated, and any colored man eager to improve himself may come and learn.

But the very individuals who complain about lack of opportunity, rather than come to this fountain of truth very much prefer to sit at the street corner or keep up the posts down on Landry street, where the atmosphere and conversation tend to degrade rather than elevate.

They are themselves their own enemies. The Holy Ghost church will continue to hold aloft the true standard—the standard of law and order and truth and justice and civilization and happier homes. Around that standard one and all should unite.

Note: Monday night a special musicale will be given at the usual place for the benefit of the Holy Ghost church. Wednesday night, June 23, a special first-class picture will be shown at the colored theatre for the benefit of the church.

"Please don't miss either event," Father Hyland advises the colored people.

COMMENCEMENT AT HOLY GHOST SCHOOL

Commencement exercises were held at the Holy Ghost Training School, Monday evening, June 3rd. Certificates of graduation and First Grade Teachers Certificates were given the following young persons:

Myrtle Chenier, Valerie Heobard, Charlotte McGaffey, Erast Comeaux, Lucy Mack, Lavinia Rideaux, Millard Guidry and Lawrence Emerson.

Gold medals were awarded to the following graduates: Medal for Highest Average won by Myrtle Chenier; Medal for General Achievement, won by Valerie Herbard; Medal for Religion won by Charlotte McGaffey and Dorothy Chachere; Medal for Attendance won by Lavinia Rideaux; Medal for Athletics won by Lawrence Emerson.

The following program was rendered:

Band selection, school band; School Rally Song, students; Play, "Patriot Girl," Seniors; Address on Behalf of the Class, Erast Comeau; Song, Alma Mater Is Our Cry, Seniors; Conferring of Honors, Father J. A. Hyland, C. S., Sp.; Address to Graduates, Father K. O'Keane, C. S. Sp.; National Emblem March, School Band.

A number of visiting priests and friends of Father Hyland attended the exercises in appreciation of the splendid work he is doing for the betterment and uplift of the colored people under his care.





GRADUATION CLASS 1932
HOLY GHOST TRAINING SCHOOL
OPELOUSAS, LOUISIANA, U.S.A.



Fifteen Get Diplomas

FIFTEEN Holy Ghost seniors, eight girls and six boys, were graduated in 1938. The graduation picture, made 31 years ago, shows the graduates displaying their hard-earned diplomas.



Class of 1941

W Valedictorian

...az, president of the 1948 Louis-
... class, was valedictorian of his
... rday.

... selected from among the whole
... LSU student body.

HOLY GHOST SCHOOL HOLDS GRADUATION

Graduation exercises were held
at Holy Ghost school on Sunday
at 8 p.m. Those graduating were
— James Alvin Alsandor, Ruby
Fisher, Joseph Milton, Lois Frilot,
Herman Hardy, Bernadette Laz-
are, Sidney Espree, Pauline Cas-
telle, Warren Alsandor, Erline La-
strapes, Paul Lastrapes, Gertrude

Hudson, Francis Dauphine, Goldie
Auzenne, Norman Chevia, Lois
Lastrapes, Theodore Readeaux,
Erline Taylor, Frankie De Fila,
Dorothy Pheffercorn, John Bris-
co, Dorothy Constantine, Jerome
Coleman, Mary Gobert, Alec Aug-
ust, Cinder Rita Boudreaux,
Laura Lee Samiere, Ruby Frilot,
Mary Lou Taylor, Ewilda Ramar,
Irma Mae Comeaux, Verlee Frilot.

Prizes were awarded to the fol-
lowing: Highest average in relig-
ion in high school, Aloysius Eag-
lin; highest average in religion in
the senior class, Francis T. Dau-
phin; highest average in religion
in grammar school, Catherine
Valmont; highest average in
English in the high school, John
Castain; highest average in Eng-
lish in the grammar school, Char-

Crowning Of Our Lady Ceremony Is Staged By Sacred Heart Girls

The impressive ceremony of the
Crowning of Our Lady was held
at the College of the Sacred Heart

... les Guidry; co-operation, John
Brisco; all-around-girl, Erline
Taylor; athletics, Philip Lastrap-
es and Marjorie Martell.

Valedictorian, Francis T. Dau-
phine; Salutatorian, Frankie De
Fila.

Rev. Harold Perry S.V.D. of
Lafayette gave a very inspiring
talk to the graduates. After the
conferring of diplomas and prizes,
the exercises came to a close with
Solemn Benediction of the Most
Blessed Sacrament.



Seniors of Holy Ghost School

Holy Ghost Seniors Will Receive Diplomas Tonight

Graduation exercises at Holy Ghost high school will be held tonight when 15 seniors will receive their diplomas from

Father F.J. Smith, pastor.

Guest speaker will be Rev. Anthony Bourges, S.V.D., pastor of Notre Dame church in St. Martinville. Michael Maxwell will deliver the valedictory on, "Character, The Test of a Man," Patricia Malveaux, the salutatory on, "At the Crossroads of Our Lives"; Rose Marie Martin, the motto, "Let Us Be seen

By Our Deeds"; and Barbara Thompson, fourth ranking student, will speak on, "The Nobility of Honest Work."

Members of the class, pictured above are from left to right, first row, Vickie Phillips, Bertha Lewis, Mary Eagline, Gloria Sampa, Mary Sampa, Frances Gullory, Patricia

Malveaux, Barbara Thompson, and in back, Lee Irma Pitre, Rose Martin, Michael Maxwell, Walter Lemelle, Jr., Calvin Lastrapes, Gloria Sion, and Theresa Melancon.

The baccalaureate exercises this morning will be at a high mass, to be celebrated by Father Smith and sung by The Caecilians, the school choir, under the direction of Miss Joan Mercedes Dauphin. Diane Fontenot will play the organ.

The exercises tonight will terminate a series of school events, May Day, the Living Rosary and Crowning of the Blessed Virgin, Sodality reception, band concert, elementary graduation, and semi-formal party, junior-senior party, and ground-breaking for the new school.

The school band and glee club will provide music at tonight's graduation.

Fifty-Six Graduate at Holy Ghost High School

Fifty-six seniors of Holy Ghost high school received their diplomas last Sunday. Bishop Maurice Schexnayder presided.

This was the largest class in the history of the school and the largest class to be graduated in the Lafayette diocese this year.

Loyce Marie Fontenot gave the valedictory address and Alma Cravis, the salutatory. Bishop Schexnayder presented the diplomas and Rev. Francis J. Smith, C. S. Sp., pastor, presented awards for scholastic and athletic achievements.

Rt. Rev. Msgr. C. A. Bienvenu of Church Point spoke, tracing the progress of Catholic education.

Father Smith announced that three of the graduates would enter the religious life of sisters and two boys from the class will study for the priesthood.

The 83-year-old Holy Ghost school is conducted by the Sisters of Holy Family. Plans are underway to erect a new elementary wing to the present building and to construct a new gym. Enrollment last session was just under the 700-mark.

Holy Ghost high school at graduation exercises

250 Enrolled in Religious School At Holy Ghost

The Rev. Francis J. Smith, C. S. Sp., pastor of Holy Ghost Church, announced today that more than 250 children are enrolled in the summer school of religion, being conducted in the new school building.

The session began June 4 and will continue until June 28. Classes begin at 8 a.m. and are dismissed at 11 a.m.

The faculty includes the Rev. Francis J. Kichak, Sister Mary Virginia, Sister Mary Theophane, Sister Mary Juliana, Mrs. Leo Paillet, Misses Octavia Chachere, Yvonne Lemelle, Elaine Collins, Sandra Donnatto, Vivian Morant, Jacquelyn Taylor. Messers, Charles Collins, Charles Guidry and Justin Kelly.

The Rev. John E. Moran, C. S. Sp., is the director of the school.



SENIORS OF HOLY Ghost high school are pictured at a program that followed their class ring blessing at the church. From left to right are, front, Leo Miller, Wilbert Giron, Frank Boudreaux, Franklin Herbert, Lester Cheeks, Joseph Austin, Jude Alsandor, Raymond Espree, Fred Sion, Father Francis Smith, Harold Dartez, Leon Guillory, Benjamin Williams, Charles Donatto, Jerome Collins, Alvine Pierre-Auguste, Justin Kelly, Floyd Malveaux, Charles Guidry, and Harry Lastrapes; and back row, Sister Mary Boniface, principal, Rose

Semien, Rose Sampa, Mary Castille, Margaret Rene, Laura Oliveier, Doris Sampa, Lilliam Remi, Joyce Jolivet, Betty Broussard, Dona Martel, Clara Lewis, Edna Gallow, Frances Fruge, Gail Aubespain, Mary Martin, Conçuela Malveaux, Rose Robert, Cecilia Robert, Loyce Fontenot, Marine Dartez, Lauressia Cravens, Wanda Pitre, Nianza Brisco, Clydia Austin, Veronia Jackson, Edith Carmouche, Ethel Richard, Dianne Fontenot, Sonja Robinson, Sylvia Espree, Mary Semien, Audrey Lewis, and Ruth Gobert. (Photo by Boudreaux Studio)



HOLY GHOST HIGH school graduates, who received their diplomas at ceremonies conducted by Father Daniel Murphy, are pictured above. From left, Dorothy Olivier, Veronica Roberts, Teresita Fenelon, Evelyn Sapsa, Theresa Guillory, Mary Alice Martin, Jeanette Paillet, Wilda Lee Rivette, Louise Roberts; second row, Father Mur-

phy, Dorothy Auguste, Mazie Semien, Marie Charvis, Jacquelyn Taylor, Theresa Eaglin, Mary Norton, Vivian Moran, Elaine Collins, Sandra Donato, Pearl Robinson; and back row, John Jolivet, Ferdie Carriere, James Decoux, James Zachery, Herman Janise, Joseph Carmouche, Patrick Chenier and James Thompson.



GRADUATES OF Holy Ghost School who received diplomas May 24 are from left, first row, Helen J. Brown, Juanita Morris, Ellena Carriere, Evelyn Austin, Louise Collins, Iva Dean Lazard, Patricia Chevis, Geraldine Butler, Marva Broussard, Rita Broussard, Eva Roberts, S. Ella Mae La Pointe; second row, Adam Martin, Warren Phillips, Thomas Roberts, Melvin Lastraspe, Maxuman Chenier, Vincent Richard, Charles Chavis, Richard Lemelle,

Michael Bill, Garland Pitre, Ralph Malveaux, Floyd Daniels, August Kennerson, Clayton Jolivet, Ralph Wayne Le Blanc, Freddie Calvin, Howard Lee Dudley; third row, Sedonia Green, Josephine Malveaux, Audrey Broussard, Judy Donatto, Martharine Semien, Catherine Roberts, Barbara Jean Lemelle, Margaret Chachere, Catherine White, Barbara Brown. -- (Photo by Boudreaux Studio)

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of
1964*



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SHOWN ARE 29 of the 35 graduating seniors at Holy Ghost High School in Opelousas. Pictured (from left, front) are Maris Stella Orbro, Julia Ann Ware, Barbara Ann Thibodeaux, Venecia Marie Desmore, Mercedes Darjean, Dolores Ann Parish, Leana Marie Semien, Francis Anne Lemelle, Deborah Ann Fontenot, Rose Marie Bertrand, Gwendolyn Thomas, Norma Lee Auzenne Cheryl Jo Barnaba, Marie Yolonder Eaglin (rear) James Ollie

Auguste, Patrick Norman Dean, Michael Felix Durussoso, Oscar Walter Morant, Joseph Ervin Collins, Patrick Green, Warren Joseph Fuseller, James Alvin Giron, Ronald Anthony Griffith, Floyd Galen Prescott, Joseph Randolph Stelly, James Donald Guidry. Missing from photo are Catherine Anne Brothers, Isabella Broussard, Patricia Pearl Jones, Catherine Ann Nero, Barbara Ann Sam, Phillip Norman Nero.

GUIDRY: VALEDICTORIAN



Holy Ghost High's Graduating Seniors

Holy Ghost High Seniors To Be Graduated Sunday

Brenda Marie Donatto is valedictorian of the senior class at Holy Ghost High School in Opelousas. Second ranking student in the class is Marelda Fontenot, salutatorian.

The 39 Holy Ghost seniors will graduate at 4 p.m. Sunday, May 22, at Holy Ghost Catholic

Church. The baccalaureate services will be held at 10 a.m. that day at Holy Ghost Catholic Church.

ert Dupre, Lee A. Edwards, Adam J. Esprit, Daniel Fontenot, Vincent Fontenot, Horace Gallow, Harvey Guidry, Anthony Guillory.

Lamont Guillory, Murray Lee Guillory, Lloyd Dee Harrison, Clarence Harrison, Joseph Johnwell, Johnny Ray Jordan, Allen Ray LeBleu, Lawrence Lafleur, Donald Leday, Lawrence Mitchell, Lannis Ned, Clayborn Perks.

Horace Pickney, Clarence Price, Donald Sam, Jerry Scott, Paul Francis Semien, Felton D. Simms, Joseph Simon, Leroy Skinner, Louis Toussaint, Delver Trail, Nelson Trall, Chester Williams, Jr.

Senior class officers are Arnold Guillory, president; Loretta Washington, vice-president; Beverly Handy, secretary; Janice Tezeno, treasurer; and Linda Espre, chaplain.

The class roll follows:

Mary Iam Babineaux, Barbara Gayle Carriere, Eleanor Clark, Marie Cynthia Collins, Brenda Donatto, Joel Donatto, Sharon Donatto, Helen Dugar, Linda Espre, Marelda Fontenot, Rosemary Giron, Cynthia Gradney,

Veronia Green, Rebecca Handy, Anna Marie Orbo, Vernella Parrish, Shirley Rideau, Gladys Simien, Beverly Slan, Janice Tizeno, Bernadette Vallery, Loretta Washington, Barbara Weatherall, Dana Charles Auzenne, Alvin John Daniel, Dudley Fontenot, Joseph Guillory, Steven Martel, James August Nacoste, Samuel Pierre-Auguste Jr., Richard Sam, and Michael Thibodeaux.

If Louisiana were to implement fully the teacher salary schedules approved in 1964, an additional \$22,382,164 would be required.

"While some school boards have taken it upon themselves to levy additional taxes to improve their own programs, no system has used all of the revenue sources available to it under state law," according to the May 13 Legislative Bulletin of the Public Affairs Research Council.



Genevieve Frilot is Valedictorian of '68

Genevieve Frilot is valedictorian of the senior class of 1968 at Holy Ghost High School. Salutatorian of the class is Bonnie Anne Donatto.

Named also as honor students are Mary Ellen Donatto, first honor; Monica Alvin Donatto, second honor; and Janice Faye Chenier, third honor.

The class of 48 seniors will receive their diplomas at commencement exercises Sunday, May 26, at 4 p.m. at Holy Ghost Catholic Church. Baccalaureat services will be held at 10 a.m. that day at Holy Ghost Church.

Members of the senior class are: James Auzenne, Michael Brisco, Doris Brothers, Lois Brothers, Vernell Broussard, July Brown, Lelia Butler, Geraldine Carriere, Gail Castain, Janice Chenier, Joseph Darjean, Artis Davenport, Mary

Ellen Donatto, Bonnie Donato, Mathews Donatto, Monica Donatto, Mary Eaglin, Andrea Fenelon, Kenneth Garrett, Anna Marie Garrick, Elaine Gradney, Daniel Green, Joseph Hamilton, Norman Handry, Ronald Johnson. Genevieve Frilot.

Robert Jolivette, Mary Ann Jones, Cornell Lastrapes, Patricia Ledoux, Stephen Lemelle, Darrel Martel, Peggy Moulion, Eugne Mitchell, Edward Moore, Ann Mouton, Marshal Norton, Maudrey Parrish, Leona Prince, Patrick Richard, Dorothy Semien, Gleo Semion, Sandra Stephens, Mary Stewart, Cynthia Thomas, Rosemary Ware, James White and Barbara Wyble.



SENIORS OF Holy Ghost School will receive their diplomas at commencement

exercises Sunday afternoon, May 26, at Holy Ghost Catholic Church.





Opelousas, La., Sunday, April 12, 1959

SEDONIA Ruth Green, a senior at Holy Ghost high school and the daughter of Mrs. Wallace Green, received her class ring during the recent ring ceremony mass held at Holy Ghost Church.





AMONG HOLY GHOST High School graduates this year are Katherine White, left, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Moses White, and Sedonia Ruth Green, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Green.

