

Church Dedication Set

New Edifice Built at Cost of \$180,000

The new Assumption Catholic church, 6001 S. Marshfield av., will be dedicated today in ceremonies marking the church's 65th anniversary.

Dedication comes nine months after the first mass was celebrated in the church. It was built on the site of the Croatian parish's first church, erected at the turn of the century.

Cost Is \$180,000

The Rev. Michael Cepon, pastor, said it cost his parish of 400 families \$180,000 to build the church.

Money was saved by using the razed church's electronic carillon and organ and by in-



Rev. Michael Cepon

stalling the old leaded windows of stained glass in the new building. The old altar, replaced by one of Italian marble, now stands on one side of the sanctuary.

The church's design was de-

scribed as contemporary by Louis J. Germano, 1118 15th av., Melrose Park, the architect.

Church Seats 375

In addition to a baptistry, nursery, and classrooms, the church seats 375, 50 more than the old frame structure.

The Most Rev. Cletus F. O'Donnell, auxiliary bishop and interim administrator of the Chicago archdiocese, will offer the jubilee mass at 12:15 p. m. The sermon will be given by the Very Rev. James Dolan, superior of the Archdiocesan Mission band, 4821 Ellis av.

The Most Rev. Raymond P. Hillinger, auxiliary bishop and pastor of St. Mel-Holy Ghost Catholic church, 22 N. Kildare av., will address a parish dinner to be held at 5:30 p. m. in the Beverly house, 10247 Vincennes av.