

## Appendix I

# "With This Ring ..."

### **Adams --- McEachen 1966**

St. Cecelia's R.C. Church, Tustin, California was the setting for the marriage of Jeanette Sarah Anne McEachen and Edward Byron Adams. Rev. Father Anthony Duval officiated at the double ring ceremony on October 29, 1966 at 12 noon.

The bride is the daughter of Mrs. Hugh McEachen and the late Hugh P. McEachen of Parkhill, Ontario and the parents of the groom are Mr. and Mrs. Edward W. Adams of Tustin, California.

The bride given in marriage by Mr. Robert Allen of Pasadena chose a traditional white A-line floor-length peau de soie and lace sleeveless gown featuring a lace cap falling from the shoulders to a light train. Her elbow-length veil was held by white satin rose petals covered with pearls. She carried white baby mums with white orchid centre.

Matron of honor was Mrs. Martin Hunter. Mrs. Paul Shepperd and Miss Patricia Allen were bridesmaids. Junior bridesmaid was Miss Mary McEachen, sister of the bride. Attendants wore blue peau de soie floor-length gowns with white lace trim on skirts, short sleeves and scooped necklines. Headpieces were blue peau de soie roses. All carried nosegays of yellow carnations. White mums decorated the church.

Gene P. Adams was best man. Guests were ushered by Mr. Philip Adams and Mr. Rudy Estrada.

For a reception at Elk's Lodge, Santa Ana, the bride's mother wore a bronze brocade tapestry suit with mink trim and mink hat with brown accessories, and corsage of yellow rosebuds. The groom's mother wore a moss green two piece ensemble with a corsage of gold mums.

For travelling the bride donned a three piece pink brocade suit with burgundy accessories and pink rose bud corsage.

After a brief honeymoon at Las Vegas, the young couple will reside in Tustin, Calif.

The bride is a graduate of St. Joseph's Hospital School of Radiology, London, Ontario. The groom is a graduate of Orange Coast College and attended California State College, Fullerton, Calif.

The groom is on football and teaching staff of Mater Dei High School, Santa Ana, Calif. (from *The Parkhill Gazette*, Thurs., Nov. 10, 1966)

### **Binder --- McDonald 1919**

A pretty wedding took place in Holy Redeemer Church, Detroit, Nov. 27<sup>th</sup>, at 8 o'clock when Miss Minnie McDonald was united in marriage to Rudolph Binder, of Detroit. Her brother, Rev. Angus McDonald, of St. Edward's College, Austin, Texas, performed the ceremony, assisted by Rev. M.D. O'Neill, Parkhill, as Deacon, and Rev. J. Cantwell as Subdeacon. The bride looked very pretty in a dress of white satin trimmed with pearls with pattern hat to match. She carried a bouquet of beautiful chrysanthemums.

Minnie McDonald was well and very favorably known in and around Parkhill. She was the youngest daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. John McDonald of Parkhill. She took care of her mother and father until their death and then went to reside with her sister, Mrs. Patrick Galvin, of Detroit, at whose home a sumptuous wedding dinner was prepared. About forty young couples were invited and spent the whole day and evening in merriment.

The friends from this district who attended the wedding were Rev. M.D. O'Neill, J.C. McDonald, her uncle, Angus O'Hanley, Mr. and Mrs. James McRae, Mr. and Mrs. John McIntyre and Columba McIntyre. Her many friends wish her long years of happy wedded life. (from *The Parkhill Gazette*, Dec. 1919)

### **Coyne --- McEachen 1975**

Amid a setting of flowers and candelabra in Sacred Heart Church, Parkhill, on Saturday, July 26, 1975 at 4:30 p.m. Rita McEachen and Pat Coyne were united in Holy Matrimony. Rev. Father J. C. Caruana officiated at the double ring ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Mrs. Hugh McEachen, R.R. 4, Parkhill, and the late Mr. McEachen. The groom is the son of Ronald Coyne and the late Mrs. R. Coyne of Sudbury.

The organist was Michael Herrington of Kerwood and soloist was Miss Mary O'Neil of Windsor.

Given in marriage by her brother, Ian, the bride chose a floor-length gown of white eyelet lace with a matching jacket. To emphasize the simplicity of her dress, the bride wore a crown of white rosebuds in her hair. A mauve cattailaya orchid surrounded by baby's breath made up the bridal bouquet.

Miss Mary McEachen of Parkhill, sister of the bride, was maid of honour. The bridesmaids were Miss Kathie O'Neil of Guelph, Miss Monica Herrington, Miss Judy MacRae and Mrs. Maureen Lewis, all of Toronto. The attendants chose floor-length yellow and white eyelet sundresses and carried bouquets of yellow and mauve daisies and baby's breath. To complement their outfits the girls wore clusters of daisies in

their hair.

Hugh MacDonald of Sudbury was best man. Ushers were Ron McEachen, brother of the bride, of Parkhill, Kevin and Terry Coyne, brothers of the groom, and Denis Coulterman, all of Sudbury. The groom and his attendants wore brown tuxedos with a yellow carnation boutonniere.

For the reception which followed at the Aquarius, London, the bride's mother greeted guests in a two-piece floor-length yellow and orange floral gown. The groom's stepmother wore a floor-length multicolored gown. Both mothers wore a japhet orchid corsage.

For travelling the bride changed to a beige safari pant suit with a turquoise carnation corsage.

The bride is a graduate of the University of Windsor and is presently employed by the Metropolitan Toronto Separate School Board. The groom is a graduate of the University of Windsor, also Queen's University. He has accepted a teaching position with the Peel-Dufferin School Board. Mr. and Mrs. Coyne will reside in Downsview.

Special out-of-town guests were Mr. and Mrs. Ed Adams and Kevin of Mission Viejo, Cal., as well as friends from Michigan, Sault Ste. Marie, Brockville, Sudbury, Toronto and Sarnia. (from *The Parkhill Gazette*, Thurs., Sept. 11, 1975)

#### **De Groot --- de Gouw 1974**

Bouquets of gladioli and mums in pink and orchid shades on the altars of St. Columba's Church, Bornish, provided the setting on November 30, 1974, at 1:30 p.m. for the marriage of Francisca Catherina de Gouw and Johannes Jacobus De Groot.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Marinus de Gouw, R.R. 5, Parkhill, and the groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack De Groot, R.R. 1, Sebringville.

Rev. J.C. Caruana performed the double ring ceremony. The folk mass was sung by the Sacred Heart Choir. Paul De Groot, brother of the groom, was lay reader. John Kennes and Tony Hendrikx were altar boys.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a floor-length parallel dress of white double satin. The puffy long sleeves were gathered at the wrist. Double looped sparkle trim accented the turtleneck collar, the front and back bodice and front seams of the dress, as well as the train, fastened at the shoulders by a row of covered buttons and loops. From a tier of white nylon bows and flowers and a triple loop of pearls fell a long veil of sheer silk illusion. She carried a full cascade of pink and white sweetheart roses and multi shades of pink featured carnations.

Mrs. Alice Facchina was matron of honour and Miss Mary de Gouw was bridesmaid. Francine De Groot, niece of the groom, was flower girl. All wore

similar deep purple, floor-length gowns styled as the bride's with white looped trim on the turtleneck collar and front and back bodice. The puffy long sleeves were also gathered at the wrist. The flower girl's dress had a white bib with purple buttons. They carried white fur muffs with corsages of pink sweetheart roses and pink carnations. Small dots of white fur threaded with purple ribbon, formed a band in their hair. The bride made all the gowns.

The groom was attended by two of his brothers, Co De Groot as best man and Paul De Groot as usher. They wore black tuxedos, white shirts, black bow ties and white carnations. The ring bearer, Joseph Vriends, a cousin of the bride, was dressed similar to the attendants in a black suit made by the bride.

At the reception and supper following at the Parkhill Community Centre, the bride's mother received guests in a blue and white diamond printed crimplene floor-length gown with matching plain blue bolero jacket. The groom's mother received guests in a turquoise blue polyester floor-length gown with long straight sleeves. Blue and white trim accented one side of the sleeves. Both mothers wore corsages of pink cymbidium orchids.

For travelling to Ottawa and Eastern Ontario the bride donned a checkered red and white suit with white collar and cuffs, white accessories, and a corsage of red feathered carnations. The groom wore a sports suit of red and blue plaid trousers, white shirt, red tie and navy blazer, accented with a red carnation.

Distant guests came from Holland and Italy.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack De Groot are residing at R.R. 1, Sebringville. (from *The Parkhill Gazette*, Thurs., Jan. 9, 1975)

#### **De Groot --- Hendrikx 1966**

The St. Columba's Church, Bornish, decorated with white mums and yellow chrysanthemums was the setting for the marriage of Josaphine Maria Hendrikx and John Antonius De Groot. Rev. Father E. Veitenheimer officiated. Miss Rika Denys was organist accompanying the Sacred Heart Choir.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Hendrikx, R.R. 5, Parkhill and the groom's parents are Mr. and Mrs. Jake De Groot, R.R. 1, Sebringville.

The bride given in marriage by her father chose an elegant gown of silk organza with Chantilly lace trim, scooped neckline and lily point sleeves. The A-line shirt was lavishly trimmed with the lace and a short chapel length train flowed from the waist line held by

self trim bow. Headpiece was a crown of pearl and crystal held by a soft flowing veil extending into chapel length. She carried a cascade of white roses and stephanotis.

Miss Anne Hendriks was maid of honor, Miss Mary Hendriks, bridesmaid and Judy and Janet Hendriks were flower girls. All are sisters of the bride. The senior attendants were gowned alike in yellow floor-length gowns of peau de soie fashioned with empire lines and elbow length sleeves. They wore matching headpieces and carried bouquets of yellow roses and white carnations. The flower girls were gowned alike in floor-length empire line gowns, trimmed with lace. They wore matching wedding band headpieces and carried bouquets of daisies.

Mr. Anton De Groot was best man for his brother. Guests were ushered by Mr. Cornelius De Groot, also, brother of groom.

For the reception held in the Parkhill Community Centre the bride's mother received guests in a beige brocade two piece suit with white corsage. The groom's mother assisted in a blue two piece suit with a white corsage.

The couple will reside at R.R. 1, Sebringville. (from *The Parkhill Gazette*, Thurs, June 16, 1966)

#### **Denys --- Fletcher 1975**

Light blue and white mums in silver vases provided the setting in Sacred Heart Church, Parkhill, on Saturday, July 12, 1975, at 4 p.m. when Marilyn Marguerite Fletcher became the bride of John William Denys.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Irwin Fletcher of Hamilton and the groom is the son of Mrs. Andre Denys, R.R. 4, Parkhill, and the late Mr. Denys.

Father J.C. Caruana performed the ceremony. Mrs. Rika Aarts, sister of the groom, presided at the organ and accompanied the groom's sisters, Mona De Brouwer and Freda Verellen, and sister-in-law, Mary Anne Denys.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a white chiffon dress and train. The V-necked bodice had three layers of ruffled collar, each layer trimmed with tiny daisy lace. The short bell sleeves were layered similar to the collar and trimmed with the same lace. The full skirt was bordered with a flounce at the lower edge. The lower and top edges of the flounce were trimmed with the same daisy lace as on the bodice. A larger flowered trim bordered the lower edge of the skirt above the flounce and also over the waistline seam. The detachable train had a ruffle around the edge and the same flowered lace as the dress. Her wide brimmed hat had two layers of chiffon edged with the tiny daisy lace. Long chiffon ribbons extended down the back of the hat to the waist. She carried a cascade of white daisies and light blue pompom

mums.

Marlene Denys, Parkhill, sister of the groom, was maid of honour, the bridesmaids were Sue Anne Watkins, London, and Mrs. Gwen Fletcher, the bride's sister-in-law. They wore blue mauve and white floral dresses with triple layered bell sleeves and a tie at the back. The lower edge of the full skirt was bordered with a flounce. They wore white hats decorated with blue and mauve flowers. They carried baskets of blue and white pompom mums.

Daniel Denys was his brother's best man. Peter Nuyten, of Parkhill, and Richard Mazur, of Oakville, were the ushers. All wore royal blue tuxedos.

A reception followed at the Parkhill Community Centre when the bride's mother received guests in a floor-length yellow and coral printed dress. She wore a white orchid surrounded with three yellow carnations. The groom's mother chose a lime green printed floor-length gown with a matching plain lime green jacket with a white orchid surrounded by three yellow rosebuds.

To travel to South River in Northern Ontario the bride changed to a pink dress and jacket.

Mr. and Mrs. John Denys are residing at R.R. 4, Parkhill. The bride is a graduate of the University of Western Ontario. (from *The Parkhill Gazette*, Thurs., Aug. 7, 1975)

#### **Facchina --- de Gouw 1973**

On a sunny autumn day, October 6, 1973, at 2 p.m., Anna Elizabeth "Alice" de Gouw, and Lucio Facchina were united in marriage during the nuptial mass celebrated at St. Columba's Church, Bornish by Father J.C. Caruana.

The bride is the daughter of Marinus and Lucia de Gouw, R.R. 5, Parkhill; the groom is the son of Luigi and Maria Facchina, present for the wedding, of St. Martino Tagliamento, Italy.

The bride chose a dress of white polyester crepe, with a curved empire style and long sleeves, gathered at the cuffs. The hemline at the back of the dress extended into a rounded train. The scooped neckline showed through the cape of sheer white antron organza, which was gathered at the neck with a stand up collar. In the front, the cape was attached to the rounded empire line by tiny white pearl buttons. In the back, it gently flowed over and past the train. The cuffs of the dress, the collar and the cape were accented with shimmering white fine braided trim. She carried a Victorian cluster of bridal pink roses and miniature white carnations. In her hair she wore a ring of the same roses and carnations; three sprigs of the same flowers fastened her cape and train at the back.

The groom and his men were attired in black dress trousers, blue frilled shirts, white dinner jackets

trimmed in black silk, black silk bow ties and white carnations on the lapels.

Mary de Gouw, sister of the bride, was maid of honor. Francine de Gouw and Angela de Gouw, also sisters of the bride and Diane D'Agnolo, of London, were bridesmaids. The attendants were dressed in identical raspberry pink polyester crepe floor-length gowns with the same rounded empire style and scooped neckline as the bride's. The same trim of shimmering white fine braid extended into long ties at the back of the dresses, gathered the short puffed sleeves, and accented the chokers. The girls carried identical hand clusters of mauve daisies, pink miniature carnations and blue "happy" flowers, and wore tiny pink carnations in their hair. The bride made all the girls' dresses including her own.

Franco Basso of London was best man and Celeste D'Andrea of London was usher.

Peter de Gouw, brother of the bride was reader at the mass, while the girls from Our Lady Immaculate School, Strathroy, sang, accompanied by Miss Mary Ellen Gallagher of Melbourne. Altar boys were Teddy Timmermans and Paul Timmers, both of Strathroy.

A reception followed at Parkhill Community Centre. The bride's mother received guests in a long white polyester crepe gown of floral greens and pink with paddy green bodice and long cuffed sleeves. She wore a corsage of pink roses and white accessories. The groom's mother wore a long bell-sleeved dress of peacock blue polyester crepe accented at the neck with silver braided trim. She wore a corsage of pink roses and had white accessories.

For travelling the couple donned suits of moss green; the bride wore a vest and skirt of moss green with a long-sleeved blouse of lime green; the groom wore a shirt of similar lime green, moss green trousers and sports jacket. Their outfits were accented by orange sweetheart roses and black accessories.

Guests attending from a distance were from Italy, Windsor, Stayner, Barrie, Woodstock, and Stratford. Mr. and Mrs. Facchina are residing at R.R. 5, Parkhill. (from *The Parkhill Gazette*, Thurs., Nov.22, 1973)

### **Ferguson --- McDonald 1942**

Of interest to many of our readers is the marriage which took place recently in Vancouver, British Columbia, of Fannie Elizabeth, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John S. McDonald of that city, formerly of Parkhill and Bornish, and Mr. Walter Ernest Ferguson, only son of the late Mr. and Mrs. David I. Ferguson of Vancouver.

The ceremony was performed by Reverend Father John

Miles in the Archbishop's Palace of the Holy Rosary Cathedral at 8:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 20<sup>th</sup>, 1942. Only members of the immediate family and a few very close friends were present.

Misty rose silk crepe in afternoon length modelled the bridal frock, the finely tucked bodice with its high neckline featuring a waist length fitted jacket self-embroidered and fastened with a row of self-covered buttons. Sleeves were three quarter length and the skirt flared from a gored hipline. The brim of her small white straw hat was encircled in front with delphinium blue velvet flowers and white embroidered shoulder length veil. White shoes and long white gloves completed the ensemble. Her corsage was of white rose buds, lily-of-the-valley and white heather and she carried a pearl rosary and a single white rose.

Mrs. Frank O'Reilly, the former Elizabeth McDonald, was her sister's only attendant [waring] turquoise blue silk crepe with fitted redingote in the same tone, small dusky rose hat featuring a brim of pastel flowers with navy veil, with dusky rose gloves and shoes to match. Her corsage was of variegated Peter Fisher carnations and Maiden Hair fern.

Mr. Francis McDonald of Port Coquitlam, B.C., cousin of the bride, was best man.

A reception for 75 guests was held at the home of the bride's parents, 1661 Nelson Street. Arriving home after the ceremony the bridal party was greeted with showers of confetti when their many friends formed an arch from the car to the reception rooms.

Receiving with the bridal party was the bride's mother in a gown of navy silk crepe with vestee insert of printed satin, large felt hat of navy and accessories to match. Her corsage was of deep red carnations. Mrs. Fred Hooks, sister of the groom, was in beige lace and navy hat and accessories and wore a corsage of pink carnations.

The reception room were beautifully decorated with abundance of flowers. After receiving the guests the ushers carried forward to the centre of the room the small table which centred the three-tier wedding cake. The bridal party came forward and the bride cut the first slice. Mr. C.D. Rogers proposed the toast to the bride. In his remarks he recited a poem he composed especially for the occasion. The groom responded with a few well chosen words.

The tea table was laid out with a white cut lace cloth and was attractive with its centre of white sweet peas and fern flanked with pale rose lighted candles. Directly above the table, the long window was entirely banked with white snowbells and ivy.

Following the refreshments the happy couple left on the midnight boat to Victoria and other points on Vancouver Island. For travelling the bride wore a tailored suit of brown and tan summer tweed, blouse of gold silk jersey and large felt hat of British Tan with accessories to match.

After June 1<sup>st</sup>, Mr. and Mrs. Ferguson will be home to their many friends in their new home on West 12<sup>th</sup> Avenue in Vancouver.

An unique feature and one long to be remembered was the fact that May 20<sup>th</sup> was a total blackout in Vancouver. While all were merry within and many lights ablaze during the evening reception, all windows and doors were so completely blacked out, that not a single gleam of light was visible from without.

Mrs. Ferguson attended the Parkhill and Bornish Catholic School and also High School moving with her family to Vancouver in 1919. She is a graduate of Pitman's College and for the 17 years has been on the executive staff of one of the largest wholesale and retail stationery houses in Vancouver.

Mr. Ferguson is a native son of Vancouver and served overseas at the age of 17 in the Great War.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Ferguson are active members in Fraternal Council Work and both hold the rank of past Councillor of the Canadian Order of Chosen Friends. Mrs. Ferguson was a delegate to the Convention in Hamilton, Ontario in 1935 and Mr. Ferguson in 1939. At the present time Mrs. Ferguson is Secretary for the Vancouver Hospital Cot Board and for the past four years Treasurer of her own Council.

Prior to their wedding both were guests of honor of many social events including six showers for the bride and numerous presentations. A presentation of a beautiful walnut tea wagon and chest of Rogers 1847 silver flatware was made to Mrs. Ferguson by the staff and firm on her departure.

It was with regret John A. McDonald, brother of the bride, was unable to be present at the wedding. Mr. McDonald, who resides in Seattle, Washington was engaged with a firm doing defence work for the United States Government in Alaska. He was on the Island of Kiska in the Aleutian Islands when the island was bombed by the Japanese. Mr. McDonald and another white man escaped and were later picked up and returned to Dutch Harbour. Since the recent attack on Dutch Harbour many of the civilians have been evacuated. Mr. McDonald returned home recently none the worse for his experiences. (from *The Parkhill Gazette*, Thurs., July 16, 1942)

#### **Geerts --- Michielsen 1972**

Pink and white mums on the altar of Sacred Heart Church, Parkhill, provided the setting on July 29, at 3 o'clock for the marriage of Julia Michielsen and Jack Geerts.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Michielsen, Parkhill and the groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Geerts, Watford.

Rev. J.C. Caruana performed the double ring ceremony. Marlene Denys was organist. A folk mas was sung by the Sacred Heart Choir accompanied by guitarists, Shirley Tremblay and Debbie McGee. Sister of the bride, Kathy Michielsen was lay reader.

The bride, given in marriage by her father, wore a

floor-length gown of polyester crepe. The bodice of Swedish lace had a scooped neckline and full length sleeves to cuffs accented by tiny glass buttons. The empire waistline was complemented by a lace trim as was the detachable train. Her three-tier shoulder length veil was held in place by a wide band headpiece of lace. She carried a cascade of white daisies and yellow roses.

The bride was attended by her sisters, Hilda of Parkhill, and Josepha of London. Both wore green floral length gowns of crepe de chine. They carried bouquets of yellow daisies.

John Geerts Jr., Watford, brother of the groom, was best man. The ushers were Adrian Vermieren, Watford, nephew of the groom, and Tony Michielsen, Parkhill, brother of the bride.

A banquet and reception followed at the Parkhill Community Centre. The mother of the bride received guests in a white and brown floral crepe dress with a corsage of white gardenias. The groom's mother assisted wearing a mauve dress of crimp with corsage of yellow roses.

For travelling to Northern Ontario the bride chose a pale yellow floral dress with white accessories.

Attending the wedding were guests from Beachburg, London, Holland, Toronto, Stratford, Windsor, St. Thomas, Parkhill, Watford and surrounding district.

Mr. and Mrs. Geerts are residing at R.R. 8, Watford. (from *The Parkhill Gazette*, Thurs., Sept. 14, 1972)

#### **Given --- Ziler 1942**

Our Lady of Sorrows Church, Aylmer was the scene of a quiet wedding when Eleanor Carolyn [Elinor Caroline] Ziler, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. John Ziler of Parkhill, was united in marriage to L.A.C. Currie Haig Given, son of Mrs. Given and the late William Given of Ailsa Craig. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Father S.E. White.

The bride's dress was of beige crepe with brown accessories. Miss Theresa Ziler, of London, was her sister's bridesmaid and wore a pale blue dress with black accessories. The groom was attended by the bride's brother, Mr. Joe Ziler, of Parkhill.

Following the ceremony a reception was held at St. Thomas for immediate relatives.

L.A.C. and Mrs. Given will reside in Aylmer. (from *The Parkhill Gazette*, Thurs., Feb. 19, 1942)

### **Gooding --- MacRae 1947**

At St. Peter's Cathedral, London, on Saturday, Rita MacRae, younger daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James D. MacRae, Parkhill, became the bride of Gerald Francis Gooding, son of John Gooding, London, and the late Mrs. Gooding, with Rev. W.H. Smith officiating. Pink gladioli adorned the altar and traditional wedding music was played by the church organist, Mrs. Thomas Faust. Henri Yelle was soloist.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride was lovely in a gown of white mousseline de soie fashioned with long sleeves and full skirt sweeping into a train. Her train-length veil of white illusion was caught with a headdress of white feather flowers and she carried a cascade bouquet of white gladioli and blue forget-me-nots.

Mrs. Elmer Hatton, Sarnia, the bride's sister, was matron of honor, and Miss Christina McIntyre of Toronto, bridesmaid. They wore matching floor-length gowns in blue crepe with pink mohair picture hats banded with blue velvet and carried cascade bouquets of pink gladioli.

Elmer Hatton and Donald Gooding were the bridegroom's attendants and Anthony Gooding and Donald MacRae were the ushers.

Wedding breakfast was served to the immediate members of both families at the Catholic Culture Centre and an afternoon reception was held there for sixty guests. Mrs. MacRae, the bride's mother, wore an afternoon dress of navy and white printed silk with matching accessories and a corsage of white gardenias. Mrs. Gooding, the groom's stepmother, assisted in receiving, wearing a turquoise blue dress with harmonizing accessories and a corsage of roses.

Later the bride and groom left for northern points, the bride travelling in a royal blue tailored suit with red accessories and a corsage of gardenias. They will make their home in London. (from *The Parkhill Gazette*, Thurs., Sept. 11, 1947)

### **Hall --- McCormick 1937**

Rarely has the Roman Catholic Church at Bornish been the scene of as lovely a wedding as on the occasion of the marriage on Saturday, October 30, of Mr. John A. Hall of Mt. Carmel to Miss Mary McCormick of West Williams.

On a perfect October day of sunshine and blue skies, in the presence of many friends of the bride and the near relatives of the groom, the wedding party took their places in the sanctuary of the church, the bride being accompanied to the altar rail by her father, Mr. Dan McCormick.

Rev. Father McCardle performed the marriage ceremony which was followed by high mass, the music for which was played by Miss Mary McCormick, a cousin of the bride. In keeping with the colorings of nature for the season, the apparel of the bride and her bridesmaid were a beautiful blending of autumn tints, a floor-length gown of dull gold being worn by the bride, while her twin sister, Miss Tillie McCormick, was dressed in deep rust with silver spangles.

The bride carried a bouquet of roses and the bridesmaid one of yellow chrysanthemums. As a perfect setting, the sanctuary of the church was profusely decorated with clumps of chrysanthemums in shades of yellow deepening into gold and bronze and interspersed with green and festooned with white. The groom was attended by his brother, Mr. James Hall of Clandeboyne.

Following the mass, the immediate relatives accompanied the bridal pair to a wedding breakfast served at the Arlington Hotel at Parkhill, after which Mr. and Mrs. Hall departed for a motor trip through the eastern provinces. (from *The Parkhill Gazette*, Thurs., Nov. 11, 1937)

### **Hemsted --- McDonald 1947**

A wedding was solemnized at Sacred Heart Church, Parkhill [Oct. 18], when Ann Elizabeth, younger daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L.P. McDonald of Parkhill, became the bride of Donald John Hemsted, elder son of Mr. H.M. Hemsted and the late Mrs. Hemsted of Strathroy. Rev. Fr. Paquette performed the ceremony. Mr. Henri Yelle was soloist.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride was lovely in a gown of white sheer with full sleeves caught at the wrist. Her floor-length veil of white illusion was caught in a headdress of white flowers and she carried a bouquet of roses.

Mrs. Frank Read of Ottawa, the bride's sister, was matron of honor. She wore a floor-length gown of blue sheer with matching headdress and carried a bouquet of yellow chrysanthemums. Dalton McDonald of Detroit, brother of the bride, was the groom's attendant. James McDonald of Pittsburgh was usher.

The wedding breakfast was served to the immediate members of both families at the Queen's Hotel in Strathroy.

Later the bride and groom left for a short trip, the bride travelling in a green crepe dress with light brown camel hair coat and brown accessories. They will reside on the groom's farm near Strathroy. (from *The Parkhill Gazette*, Thurs., Oct. 30, 1947)

### **Hendrikx --- Kennes 1979**

Katherine Kennes, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Kennes, R.R.4, Parkhill, became the bride of James Hendrikx, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Hendrikx, R.R.5, Parkhill in a ceremony performed by Rev. J.C. Caruana in Sacred Heart Church on Saturday, November 10, 1979, at 3 o'clock. The Bornish Folk Choir provided music and Mary Vandenbogaard was soloist. Rita Van Gorp was the maid of honor and the bridesmaids were Thelma Toonen, Dawn Vaskor, Judy Hendrikx and

Janet Hendrikx. The bestman was Jerry Hendrikx, the ushers were Tony Vaskor, Frank Kennes, John Sanders and Lyle Hendrikx. Shirley Hendrikx was flower girl and the ring bearer was Danny Van Roestel. The reception was held at the Taxandria. After a wedding trip to Florida, Mr. and Mrs. Hendrikx are residing at R.R.5, Parkhill. (from *The Parkhill Gazette*, Thurs., Jan. 10, 1980)

### **Johnson --- Gibbs 1958**

Wedding vows were exchanged at St. Michael's Roman Catholic Church [London] by Janet Anne Gibbs, daughter of Mrs. J. Arnold Gibbs, Parkhill, and the late Mr. Gibbs, and James Wilfrid Johnson, London, son of Mr. and Mrs. John J. Johnson also of Parkhill. Msgr. W.T. Flannery officiated.

The bride was given in marriage by her uncle, Dr. John Barr. She wore a floor-length gown of peau de soie styled on princess lines and featuring bateau neckline and long sheath sleeves. The full skirt, accented with a back bow, cascaded into a chapel train. A matching tiara held her French illusion veil and she carried a white prayer book crested with gardenias, stephanotis and ivy.

Miss Margaret Jane Crawford attended the bride as maid of honor and bridesmaid was Miss Carloyn Gibbs, sister of the bride. They wore similar sheath gowns of pale green, antique satin with matching overskirts.

Groomsman was J. Edward Johnson with John Johnson and Edward Gibbs as ushers.

For travelling the bride donned an emerald green suit with beige and black patent leather accessories.

The bride is a graduate of London Teachers' College, and the groom is a student at the University of Western Ontario School of Medicine. The couple will live in London. (from *The Parkhill Gazette*, Thurs., Oct. 23, 1958)

### **Johnson --- La Mantia 1967**

All Saints Roman Catholic Church at Strathroy was the setting on October 21, 1967, for the marriage of Sally Ann La Mantia and Paul Andrew Johnson. The bride is the only daughter of Mrs. Joe La Mantia and the late Joseph La Mantia Jr. and the groom is the youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. John J. Johnson of Parkhill. Father Frank O'Connor, cousin of the bride officiated at the ceremony assisted by Rev. Edward Johnson, brother of the groom.

Given in marriage by her brother, Joe La Mantia, the bride looked beautiful in her full-length empire gown of imported peau de soie featuring bateau neckline, elbow length bell-shaped sleeves and chapel train over sheath skirt

edged with heavy guipure lace and caught in a bow at the back. A headpiece of roses held her four tier shoulder length bouffant illusion veil. She carried an English bridal cascade of white roses and ivy.

The organist was Miss Mary Healy. Miss Mary Pincombe was the bride's maid of honor and bridesmaids were Mrs. Judy La Mantia and Miss Cathie O'Connor, all of Strathroy. They were stunningly attired in green French velvet styled on empire lines accented with shoulder capes and green velvet bow headdress. They carried a colonial bouquet of bronze mums, tangerine carnations accented with croton leaves and gold velvet ribbon. Miss Sheri Lynn La Mantia was the flower girl, dressed in a white velvet floor-length gown and white velvet bow headdress and carried a small colonial bouquet with matching flowers.

For the reception held at Hooks Restaurant, London, the mother of the bride looked charming in her mint green coat and dress ensemble of wool crepe and green feathered breton hat with mint green accessories. The groom's mother looked especially lovely in a blue beaded Tricosa wool knit with blue accessories.

Mr. John F. Johnson of Strathroy was best man for his brother and guests were ushered by Don Steen of St. Louis, Missouri and Mike McManus of Detroit, Michigan.

For travelling to Kentucky the bride chose a two-piece camel suit with matching hat and black patent accessories.

Guests were present from Troy, New York, Bloomfield Hills and Pontiac, Michigan; Windsor, Toronto, Brantford, London and New York City.

The happy couple will make their home in Strathroy. (from *The Parkhill Gazette* Thurs., Nov. 30, 1967)

### **Johnson --- McIntyre 1952**

A pretty autumn wedding took place in East Lansing [Michigan] when Christine Elizabeth McIntyre became the bride of John Ronald Johnson, Ithaca, N.Y. The double ring ceremony was celebrated in Saint Thomas Aquinas Church amid a setting of white gladioli and palms.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roderick Daniel McIntyre, Bad Axe, Mich., and the groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John J. Johnson of Parkhill, Ont.

The Rev. Fr. Jerome V. MacEachin officiated. Miss Frances Favier was organist and Miss Patricia Donacan sang.

Entering the church with her father, the bride wore a gown of white marquisette over satin with lace insets and chapel train. Her veil was finger-tip and she carried a colonial bouquet of white roses.

The three attendants, Miss Mary Ellen Copling, as maid of honor, Miss Mary Herrington and Miss Virginia Panghorn, as bridesmaids, wore gowns of light blue nylon net with taffeta jackets.

J.W. "Bud" Johnson, brother of the groom, was best man. Ushers were Dr. Jack Mollard, Bob Dahlstrom, Dr. Edward Steinhardt and Willard Walker.

A reception was held in Kellogg Centre, Michigan State College. The bride's mother wore a navy lace dress with dusty rose hat and gloves, and the groom's mother, a dress of plum taffeta with matching accessories. Both wore orchid corsages.

For travelling, the bride wore a grey and red tweed suit. On their return from a wedding trip to Eastern Canada and New England, the couple will reside in Ithaca, N.Y.

The bride attended Central Michigan College and the groom attended the Ontario Agricultural College and Michigan State College and is completing his studies at Cornell University. (from *The Parkhill Gazette*, Thurs., Sept. 11, 1952)

#### **Jordan --- McEachen 1980**

Mary Louise McEachen and Michael Charles Jordan exchanged marriage vows in a double ring ceremony at Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Parkhill on August 30, 1980, with Rev. Father R. Charrette officiating.

The bride is the daughter of Mrs. Anne McEachen, Parkhill, and the late Hugh P. McEachen. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. James M. Jordan of Orillia.

The bride, given in marriage by her brother Ron, looked lovely in a Victorian style gown of quiana and lace accented with pearl buttons on the three-quarter length sleeves. She carried a T-cascade of yellow roses, ivy and baby's breath.

The bride was attended by her sister, Mrs. Rita Coyne of Kingston, as matron of honour and her bridesmaids were Mrs. Jeanette Adams of California, the bride's sister; Miss Beth Jordan of Sarnia, sister of the groom; and Miss Mary Smith of Dublin, cousin of the bride.

The groom was attended by his cousin, Dave Jordan, as best man. Guests were ushered by Rick Jordan, Geoff Perdeaux and Pat Coyne.

Following the ceremony a reception was held at Greenhills Country Club, Lambeth. The bride and groom would like to thank sincerely their parents, families and friends for all their encouragement, support and love particularly at this special time.

After an extended honeymoon in San Francisco, Lake Tahoe and Palm Springs, the happy couple are residing in London. (from *The Parkhill Gazette*, Thurs., Oct. 23, 1980)

#### **Kustermans --- Terpstra 1974**

The marriage of Cathy Terpstra and Adrian Kustermans was solemnized at a ceremony performed by Father Caruana in Sacred Heart Church, April 6, 1974 at 2 o'clock. Music was provided by the Church Choir.

The bride is the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Terpstra and the groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Kustermans, R.R. 2, Parkhill.

The bride, given by her uncle, Mr. Piet Van Duivenvoorde, chose a floor-length gown of white polyester cashmere styled with empire waistline and high collar. The bodice was trimmed with lace and the matching full sleeves were gathered into a deep cuff. The long train of lace swept out from the waistline at the back of the gown, and was edged with finer lace trim. The waist length veil fell from an open crown of seed pearls. She carried a bouquet of peach and white carnations, peach ribbons and ivy.

The bride was attended by Miss Elizabeth Kustermans as maid of honour and Miss Anna Kustermans and Miss Marianne Terpstra as bridesmaids. They wore identical floor-length gowns of peach polyester crepe, styled with fitted bodice, full flared skirts, high collars and short puffed sleeves, trimmed with lace. They carried peach and white carnations with ivy and matching ribbons.

Groomsman was Mr. Rudy Terpstra and ushers were Mr. Leo Terpstra and Mr. Peter Kustermans. (from *The Parkhill Gazette*, Thurs., April 23, 1974)

#### **Lemma --- Steele 1927**

St. Columba Church was the scene of a very pretty wedding on August 16<sup>th</sup>, when Miss Margaret Steele, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Steele, became the bride of Mr. Stephen F. Lemma. The wedding vows were spoken at nine o'clock in the morning with Rev. Fr. Lowrey officiating.

The bride was charming in a gown of ivory satin fashioned with a close-fitting bodice and bouffant skirt of Irish Pointe Lace. Her long veil of silk tulle was gracefully held in place by a wreath of orange blossoms and a spray of orange blossoms at each side, and fell in soft folds. Bridal roses and valley lilies formed her bouquet. Miss Katherine Steele attended her sister as bridesmaid, and was attractively gowned in a charming frock of peach georgette fashioned with a crepe effect which formed sleeves; streamers of pale yellow velvet hung from the shoulder to the hem of her dress. She carried a bouquet of Ophelia roses tied with a large tulle bow.

Little Miss Margaret McMillan, as flower girl, wore a dainty frock of pale pink organdie and carried a basket of sweetheart roses and little Bobby Lemma was ring bearer. Mr. Ben Lemma attended Mr. Lemma as best man and Mr. Neil McMillan and Mr. Willis Holman performed the duties as ushers.

A reception followed the ceremony at the home of the bride's parents.

Those who attended the wedding from out-of-town were:

Mr. and Mrs. A.E. Lemma, of New York City; Mrs. Neil McMillan Sr., Mrs. Mary McMillan, Mr. and Mrs. Neil McMillan Jr., Miss Katherine McMillan, Miss Nina Anderson, Mr. Willis Holman, Mr. Henry Dock, of Detroit; Mr. Grover Scott, Windsor, Ont.; Mr. B.F. Lemma, Mt. Clemens, Mich.

Mr. and Mrs. Lemma departed for a wedding trip in Northern Michigan. (from *The Parkhill Gazette*, Thurs., Sept. 1, 1927)

### **Leyten --- Van Massenhoven 1967**

White and yellow mums formed the settling in St. Columba Church, Bornish on Saturday, October 28, for the marriage of Reinelda Lucia, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Van Massenhoven, and Peter Francis Leyten, son of Mr. and Mrs. Francis Leyten, all of Parkhill.

Rev. E. Veitenheimer officiated for the ceremony. Miss Rika Denys was organist and the Choir of Sacred Heart Church provided the music.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride chose a gown of brocade peau de soie, styled with semi-full skirt and attached train. A pearl tiara held her veil and she carried red roses and white carnations. Miss Ila Van Massenhoven as maid of honour and Miss Annie Leyten and Miss Margareta Van Massenhoven as bridesmaids wore turquoise peau de soie empire style gowns with matching headpieces and carried yellow mums and white carnations.

Ron Leyten was best man and Jack and Tony Leyten ushered the guests.

For the reception at the Parkhill Community Centre the bride's mother wore a teal blue brocade empire style dress with a panel at back and a pink carnation corsage. The groom's mother chose a teal brocade dress with matching jacket and white carnation corsage.

The bride wore a brown wool suit with dark brown accessories for travelling to the Southern United States. The couple will reside at R.R. 2, Parkhill. (from *The Parkhill Gazette* Thurs., Nov. 9, 1967)

### **MacRae --- Van Massenhoven 1952**

In a lovely double ring ceremony at St. Columba Church, Bornish, on Saturday morning, October 25, Mary Augusta Van Massenhoven, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Van Massenhoven, R.R. 5, Parkhill, was united in marriage to Kenneth Joseph MacRae, son of Mr. and Mrs. J.D. MacRae, of Parkhill. The Rev Father J.F. Paquette officiated. Miss Ann McDonald was organist and Mr. J.H. Yelle of Parkhill was soloist. The choir provided special wedding music.

The bride's father gave her in marriage. The bridal gown was fashioned of French net and lace, the long full skirt of multiple layers of net enhanced with appliques of lace. The formal lace bodice was topped

by a short lace jacket with small round collar and long pointed sleeves. A floral headdress held the bride's fingertip veil of tulle illusion and she carried a small cascade of gardenias and stephanotis.

The maid of honor, Miss Lucy Van Massenhoven, sister of the bride, wore long full-skirted gown of pink lace over satin. Mrs. Donald MacRae, in orchid satin, was bridesmaid. Both attendants wore feathered headdresses to match their gowns.

Donald MacRae was his brother's best man. Ushers were Cornell Van Massenhoven and Al Hatton

Following the ceremony, a reception was held at the home of the bride's parents. Mrs. Van Massenhoven received, wearing a maroon lace-trimmed dress with navy accessories and a white gardenia corsage. The groom's mother assisted in a grey two-piece dress with red trim, black accessories and a corsage of red roses.

Later, the couple left for a wedding trip to Niagara Falls, the bride wearing a dress of iridescent taffeta, with navy topcoat, wine accessories and white gardenia corsage. Mr. and Mrs. MacRae will reside in Parkhill. (from *The Parkhill Gazette*, Thurs., Oct. 30, 1952)

### **Mathers --- Van Massenhoven 1989**

On July 22, 1989, family and friends gathered at St. Columba (Bornish) Church, Parkhill, to witness the ceremony uniting in marriage of Bonnie Lynn, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Cornell Van Massenhoven, and Ronald Arthur, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Mathers, all of Parkhill.

The bride was attended by her sister, Judy Vandenberg, as Matron of Honour. Bridesmaids were Marion Smith (sister of the bride), Donna McLachlan (friend of the bride), Chris Van Massenhoven (sister-in-law of the bride) and Cheryl Mathers (sister of the groom).

Attending the groom as best man was Paul Mathers (brother of the groom). Ushers were Nick Vandenberg (brother-in-law of the bride), Ron Van Massenhoven and Bob Willemse (friends of the groom) and Don Van Massenhoven (brother of the bride).

Sharaya Vandenberg and Mathew Smith (niece and nephew of the bride) were honoured to be flower girl and ring bearer.

Father James Roche performed the beautiful ceremony with music by John Berkmortel and Christine Grimmick.

Special thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Abe Suderman for the use of their beautiful backyard for pictures.

The couple are now residing in Parkhill, Ontario.

Best Wishes now and forever, Bonnie and Ron, from your family. (from *The Parkhill Gazette*, Wed., Nov. 8, 1989)

### **Mazur --- Denys 1975**

White and yellow daisies provided a picturesque setting in Sacred Heart Church, Parkhill, on Saturday, July 19, 1975, at 4:30 p.m. when Marlene Anne Denys and Richard Stanley Mazur were united in Holy Matrimony.

The bride is the daughter of Mrs. Andre Denys of Parkhill and the late Mr. Denys. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Mazur of Dearborn, Mich.

Father J.C. Caruana performed the double ring ceremony. Mrs. Rika Aarts, sister of the bride, presided at the organ. Mrs. Mona De Brouwer and Mrs. Freda Verellen, also sisters of the bride, played guitars and sang. Mrs. Irene Garlicki, aunt of the groom, and Mrs. Vala Wolanski sang a song of blessing.

The bride's self-made polyester satin gown featured an empire waistline with a front bodice of guipure lace and a turned over collar forming a V-neck leading to a panel of covered buttons down the front of the dress. Guipure lace also trimmed the hem of the gown, around the train, and formed the cuffs of the full long chiffon sleeves. The chapel length veil was attached to a handmade headpiece of lace and trimmed with the same lace as the gown. She carried a cascade of white daisies, pink roses and orchids with trailing ivy.

Magda Denys, Parkhill, sister of the bride, was maid of honour. The bridesmaids were Mrs. Marilyn Denys, Parkhill, sister-in-law, Mrs. Edith Ansems, Nova Scotia, sister of the bride, and Mrs. Julia Geerts, Watford. Ann Vanneste, Lucan, a niece, was flower girl. They were gowned alike in yellow floral gowns with turned-over collars, empire waists and elbow length puff sleeves. They carried bouquets of white and yellow daisies with ivy.

Santé Colennello, Oakville, was best man. The ushers were Doug Thompson, Oakville, Art Youngson, Colchester, and Jim Calder, Toronto. John Garlicki, cousin of the groom was ring bearer. The groom and his attendants wore white Newport dinner jackets with white vests and black formal trousers. They wore boutonnières of yellow daisies.

The reception followed at the Parkhill Community Centre where the bride's mother received guests in a pink floral gown with matching jacket and a corsage of pink roses. The groom's mother chose a yellow floral gown and a corsage of yellow roses.

To travel to the Rocky Mountains the bride changed to a yellow floral sun dress and matching jacket. The groom wore a beige suit.

The bride is a graduate of the University of Western

Ontario and the groom is a graduate of the University of Windsor. They are residing at 11 Margaret Ave., Kitchener. The bride is employed by the Waterloo County Separate School Board. The groom is a Probation-aftercare Officer for the Kitchener area. (from *The Parkhill Gazette*, Thurs., Aug. 21, 1975)



**John D. McCormick and Clara Carriere**  
(1892-1953) (1895-1995)  
Toronto, Ont., October 24, 1923

### **McCormick --- McCormick 1903**

The new St. Columba church, Bornish, was the scene of a most auspicious event on Wednesday, January 28<sup>th</sup>, when the marriage of Mr. Neil McCormick, of the 12<sup>th</sup> con., West Williams, and Miss Flora McCormick, eldest daughter of Mr. John McCormick, East Williams, took place. Promptly at 10:30 o'clock the bridal party entered the church, and proceeded up the aisle to the strains of the wedding march. The marriage ceremony was performed by Rev. Fr. McRae, and was followed by Nuptial High Mass.

The bride was beautifully attired in a gown of cream crepe-de-chene, with hat to match. She was attended by her sister, Miss Katie McCormick, who

looked lovely in a cream gown with blue trimming and hat to match. The choir, under the leadership of Miss Sarah McCormick, sister of the bride, sang Leonard's Mass in a very efficient manner. After the ceremony, the bridal party drove to the residence of the bride's father where a large number of invited guests assembled and where a choice wedding dinner was served, amongst the guests being Rev. Fr. McRae.

In the evening, all the young ladies and gentlemen gathered around and made good use of Mr. & Mrs. McCormick's hospitality --- spending the night in a most joyous manner, "tripping the light fantastic."

The large number of beautiful and valuable presents to the bride bore testimony to the good wishes of her many friends.

The bride, who was one of the most popular young ladies of Bornish, takes with her to her new home the best wishes of her many friends. (from the *Parkhill Gazette*, February 1903)

#### **McCormick --- McDonald 1904**

A perfect winter's day lent its charm to an exceedingly pretty wedding ceremony which was solemnized in St. Columba's Church on Tuesday, Feb. 9 The groom, Mr. Stephen McCormick, is a prosperous and popular young farmer of West Williams and his bride, Miss Catherine McDonald, who for some years has taught in one of the Chicago Public schools, is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John McDonald, of the same township. Precisely at 10 a.m., the bride entered the church with her brother, L.P. McDonald, the organ meantime pealing forth the joyous strains of the wedding march. She was neatly and gracefully attired in cream white voile made over silk and wore a white picture hat.

The bride's sister, Miss Effie McDonald, of Chicago, was bridesmaid and was gowned in a stylish costume of blue voile. Mr. L.P. McDonald attended the groom. Rev. Fr. Dunn performed the marriage ceremony in the presence of a large number of friends of the contracting parties, after which he sang the nuptial high mass which was well played by the organist, Miss McCormick who also rendered some pretty solos during the ceremony. After the ceremony the bridal party drove to the home of the bride's parents, where Mr. and Mrs. McCormick received the congratulations of their many friends and where a dainty dejeuner was served to over one hundred invited guests. Toasts were given by their pastor, Fr. Dunn, and others. Fr. Dunn pleasantly referred to the popularity of

the groom and his bride but voiced the sentiments of their many friends when he wished them every blessing during their wedded life so happily begun. The popularity of the bride and groom was attested by the many beautiful and costly presents they received and we join their many friends in wishing them a long and happy life. (from *The Gazette-Review*, Parkhill, Ont., Thurs., March 3, 1904)



**Stephen McCormick and Catherine McDonald**  
(1863-1924) (1866-1955)  
February 9, 1904



**John P. McCormick and Catherine Morrison**  
(1845-1923)      (1858-1929)  
August 17, 1886

**McCormick --- Regan 1943**

St. Michael's Church, London, was the scene of a pretty wedding when Rev. Fr. W. Morrison united in marriage Marie Lillian Regan, Reg. N., of Mt. Carmel, and Archie Leo McCormick, of Detroit. The wedding took place on Saturday, January 2, 1943.

The bride, given in marriage by her brother, Joseph Regan, of Toronto, wore a young blue two-piece wool ensemble with silver fox lapels. Her hat, of matching shade, was off-the-face style with pastel shade flowers and shoulder length veil. She wore alligator accessories and corsage of Better Time roses and maiden hair fern.

Miss Rosemary Regan was her sister's bridesmaid. The best man was Joseph Ziler, cousin of the groom, and the ushers were Harry Sharpe and Provincial Constable Thomas Morkin. A reception followed in the Georgian Room at the Hotel London. Later the couple left for Toronto and elsewhere, the bride going away in a blue crepe dress, seal coat and turquoise feathered hat. They will live in Detroit. The bride is a graduate of St. Joseph's Hospital, London. (from *The Parkhill Gazette*, Thurs., Jan. 14, 1943)



**Dan McCormick and Effie McDonald**  
(1860-1956)      (1872-1971)  
July 10, 1907

**McDonald --- Barry 1926**

A simple wedding of charming appointments was solemnized on Tuesday Morning, Sept. 14, in St. Joseph's Church, Sylvania, [Ohio] when Elizabeth, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John B. Barry, became the bride of John Leo McDonald, of Washington, D.C [son of John B. McDonald and the late Mary Ann O'Hanley of East Williams]. Rev. B.P. Crane officiated.

The bride wore a gown of white charmeuse satin and silver lace. Her veil was fastened with a band of valley lilies and she carried a bouquet of tea roses.

Miss Millie Walsh, maid of honor, wore orchid taffeta and carried an arm bouquet of tea roses.

Miss Eva Roberts, the bridesmaid, wore old rose crepe de chine.

Irene Barry, younger sister of the bride, wore white crepe de chine and was the flower girl.

Mr. Michael McDonald was his brother's best man and Milton Barry was usher.

Guests who came from out of town for the wedding were Miss Margaret McDonald and Mrs. Mary Pankow,

of Detroit, sisters of the groom, and Mrs. Sarah Schlosser of Lima, [Ohio] grandmother of the bride.

The wedding breakfast was served at the home of Mrs. Henry Roberts, on South Main Street to the immediate families.

Mr. and Mrs. McDonald left in the afternoon for a motor trip to Detroit and points in Canada. On their return they will spend a week with relatives in Sylvania after which they will go to Washington, D.C., where they will make their future home. (from *The Parkhill Gazette*, Thurs., Oct. 21, 1926)

### **McDonald --- Bell 1930**

#### **Former Parkhill Boy Married in Vancouver**

A very pretty wedding was solemnized at the Holy Rosary Cathedral, Vancouver, B.C., on November 8<sup>th</sup>, 1930, when Rev. Father Nicholls united in marriage Miss Alice Florence Bell, of that city, and Mr. John Andrew McDonald, of Vancouver, B.C., formerly of Parkhill, Ontario. The church was beautifully decorated for the occasion with pink and white carnations, bronze shaded chrysanthemums and gladioli with fern entwined. Graceful palms lent an air of stateliness to the scene. The bride looked smart in a dress of brown and rose silk travel cloth with bodice of egg shell silk crepe with short bolera coat, over which was worn a brown muskrat coat with small turban hat of brown silk velvet with shoes to match. The bride wore a corsage bouquet of rose carnations, lily-of-the-valley and maiden hair fern. Miss Fanny McDonald, sister of the groom was bridesmaid wearing a model frock of satin back crepe, a shade darker than the bride's, cut on the long princess lines, with vestee insert of cream georgette with collar and cuffs of fine pleating, over which was worn a mole skin coat with fox collar, small brown French felt hat and shoes to match. A corsage bouquet of pink carnations and maiden hair fern completed the costume. Mr. Donald McDonald, cousin of the groom, acted as best man. After the ceremony a reception and four course wedding breakfast was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J.S. McDonald, 2905 Twelfth Avenue West, where covers were laid for twenty-five guests. Bronze and yellow chrysanthemums were arranged throughout the reception rooms. Centred with a three-tier wedding cake, the bride's table was arranged with yellow silk tulle with maiden hair fern entwined, yellow and white carnations in silver vases, while tall yellow tapers in silver holders threw a soft glow over the table.

Among the guests present were Mr. and Mrs.

Archie Buckley and Mr. Lawrence Buckley, formerly of Parkhill.

After the wedding breakfast, Mr. and Mrs. McDonald left for a motor trip to Seattle, Washington; Portland, Oregon and southern points. On their return they will take up residence at 1470 West Broadway, Vancouver, B.C.

John A. McDonald is well known in Parkhill having attended school both here and at Bornish before moving to Vancouver eleven years ago. (from *The Parkhill Gazette*, Thurs., Nov. 20, 1930)



**Lachlan P. McDonald and Hannah Dalton**

(1874-1952)                      (1880-1962)

January 24, 1911

### **McDonald --- Dalton 1911**

An interesting marriage took place on Tuesday, January 24<sup>th</sup>, in the parish church at Kingsbridge, Township of Ashfield, County of Huron, by Rev. Fr. McCormick, when Lachlan P. McDonald, of West Williams, was united in the holy bonds of matrimony to Miss Hannah Dalton, daughter of Mrs. Charles Dalton, of Kingsbridge. A large number of friends witnessed the beautiful service and nuptial high mass. The bride was assisted by her sister, Miss Dora Dalton, while Mr. Joseph Dalton acted as groomsman. After the ceremony the guests repaired to the bride's home where a sumptuous wedding dinner was provided. A large number of beautiful and useful presents from their many friends was a visible evidence of the high esteem in which each is held. On Thursday the newly married couple left for the groom's home in West Williams, arriving in Parkhill on the two o'clock train where they were met by a large number of friends in the neighborhood and from Parkhill. Rev. Fr. O'Neill, the Parish Priest, was present and added very much to the pleasures of the evening. The company enjoyed themselves to the full in games, dancing and music. Messrs. Angus and Neil McPhee furnished the music on the violins. Miss Frankie Murch, of Parkhill, accompanied them on the piano. Mr. and Mrs. McDonald were the recipients of many more presents at their home among which were several pieces of gold coins. Mr. McDonald, Lachie as he is familiarly called, is one of the most popular as well as successful farmers in West Williams and was held in high esteem, while Mrs. McDonald is no stranger, having taught in the 12<sup>th</sup> Concession school for two and a half years, during which time she endeared herself to the children and older people in the community, and they are beginning life under most auspicious circumstances. The company departed during the early hours with many good wishes to Mr. and Mrs. McDonald for their future happiness in which the Gazette most heartily joins. (from *The Parkhill Gazette*, Thurs., Feb. 2, 1911)

### **McDonald --- LaRose 1943**

A pretty wedding was solemnized at St. Teresa's Church, Detroit, Mich., by the Rev. Father Riva, when Marie Dorothy, only daughter of Mrs. LaRose and the late Samuel LaRose, of Lake Linden, Mich., became the bride of Charles Dalton McDonald, son of Mr. and Mrs. L.P. McDonald, Parkhill, Ont.

The bride, given in marriage by her brother, Mr. Henry La Rose, was lovely in a gown of white satin, floor-length with train, and wore a fingertip veil with a tiara of pearls and brilliant. The only jewelry was a pearl necklace, a gift from the groom. She carried a sheaf bouquet of white roses and baby mums.

Her bridesmaid, her sister-in-law, Mrs. Henry LaRose, was dressed in colonial type gown with velvet bodice and full net skirt in a pale shade of pink. She carried a bouquet of pink and white chrysanthemums.

The groom was attended by his brother, John A. McDonald, of Parkhill.

Breakfast was served for immediate relatives and close friends of the bride and groom at the Wardell Hotel, Detroit.

The young couple left for a short trip, the bride travelling in a powder blue velveteen suit with a turquoise camel hair top coat and brown accessories and a corsage of orchids. On their return they will reside at Highland Park, Detroit. (from *The Parkhill Gazette*, Thurs., Nov. 18, 1943)



**L.P. McDonald with Marie D. LaRose,**  
his new daughter-in-law, October 30, 1943

### **McDonald --- McDonald 1902**

A very pretty event transpired at the church of the Sacred Heart at 10:30 a.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 16<sup>th</sup>, it being the marriage of Roderick McDonald, of St. Louis, Missouri, to Miss Mary A. McDonald, of East Williams. The ceremony was performed by Rev. D.A. McRae, after which nuptial mass was celebrated. The bride was attired in a becoming costume of pearl grey with trimmings and hat to match. Her attendant, Miss Christie Morrison, was gowned in pink. The groom was ably assisted by Mr. Donald McDonald, brother of the bride. After the ceremony, the party, accompanied by relatives and friends proceeded to the residence of the bride's parents where a sumptuous dinner was in waiting. Many and rich were the presents received, showing the esteem in which they were held. As the young couple are very popular good wishes without number are extended to them. (from *The Gazette-Review*, Parkhill, Ont., Thurs., Sept. 18, 1902)



**John B. McDonald and Mary Ann McIsaac**  
(1853-1940) (1866-1910)  
July 2, 1890

### **McEachen --- Ryan 1942**

A wedding took place at St. Columban Church, when Anna Margaret, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. Ryan, of Dublin, became the bride of Hugh Patrick McEachen, only son of Mrs. McEachen and the late Hugh McEachen, of Parkhill formerly of Detroit. Rev. Father O'Drowski performed the ceremony.

The bride, given in marriage by her eldest brother, Joe, wore a gown of white silk jersey, white hat with shoulder veil, and shoes and gloves to match. She wore a corsage of American Beauty roses, lily-of-the-valley and fern and carried a white pearl rosary. Miss Rita Ryan was her sister's bridesmaid, wearing a pale blue georgette dress, white hat trimmed with blue, and shoes and gloves to match. Her corsage was pink roses, lily-of-the-valley and fern. Frank Ryan, of Toronto, brother of the bride, attended the groom.

After the ceremony the bridal party went to the home of the bride where dinner was served to the immediate families. Late in the afternoon the young couple left for Midland on their honeymoon. The bride wore a gold crepe dress with tan and white accessories. On their return they will reside near Parkhill. (from *The Parkhill Gazette*, Thurs., July 9, 1942)

### **McIntosh --- Gooding 1949**

A pretty wedding was solemnized at Sacred Heart Church, Parkhill, on Saturday, November 12, at 10:30 a.m. when Kathleen Adelaide Gooding, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Basil Gooding of Parkhill, became the bride of James Donald McIntosh, son of Mr. and Mrs. Sinclair McIntosh of Ailsa Craig. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Father J.F. Paquette before an altar banked with white 'mums. During the service, Mr. Henri Yelle sang "On This day, O Beautiful Mother", "Ave Maria" and "Panis Angelicus".

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a floor-length gown of white satin, with scalloped neckline and long sleeves and adorned with seed pearls. Her headdress was of white ostrich feathers holding a veil of white French illusion. She carried a cascade of red roses and white baby 'mums.

Miss Mary Gooding was her sister's maid of honor, wearing fuchsia velvet with silver lame accessories and carried a cascade bouquet of white 'mums.

The flower girls were Judith Irene and Barbara Lee Gooding, nieces of the bride. They wore blue taffeta with matching mittens and headband and carried nosegays of pink and white baby 'mums.

Mr. Donald Gooding, brother of the bride, was

groomsman. Mr. Bruce Griffeth and Mr. Raymond Gooding, brother of the bride, were ushers.

A reception was held at the Brenner House, Grand Bend, when about fifty guests sat down to a four-course chicken dinner. The bride's mother received in a gown of grey crepe with black accessories and wore a corsage of white baby 'mums. The groom's mother wore black crepe with black accessories and her corsage was of bronze 'mums.

Mr. and Mrs. James McIntosh left on a wedding trip to Buffalo, Cleveland and points south, the bride wearing a blue gaberdine suit with matching accessories and grey top coat.

The groom is a member of the staff of the Canadian Bank of Commerce. (from *The Parkhill Gazette*, Thurs., Nov. 24, 1949)

#### **McIntosh --- McDonald 1907**

One of the prettiest weddings ever witnessed in St. Columba's Church, Bornish, was celebrated at 10 o'clock Tuesday morning, Jan. 29<sup>th</sup>, 1907, when Miss Effie MacDonald, daughter of Roderick MacDonald, Cass City, Michigan, one of West Williams charming young women, was united in the holy bonds of matrimony to one of our most prosperous young farmers, Mr. Angus McIntosh, 14<sup>th</sup> Con. The marriage ceremony was performed by Rev. Fr. Dunn, the Pastor, and was witnessed by a large assembly of relatives and friends. After the ceremony, nuptial high mass was celebrated, the choir being under the able leadership of the organist, Miss Sarah McCormick. The bride was handsomely gowned in a dress of cream crepe de chene, over taffeta, and wore a white picture hat. The bride's maid, Miss Mary MacDonald, of Detroit, sister of the bride, wore a very becoming dress of pink silk mull and a black picture hat. The groom was ably supported by his brother, John McIntosh, of Buffalo.

At the conclusion of the ceremony, the bridal party, accompanied by their friends, drove to the residence of Mrs. Lachlan McIntosh, 12<sup>th</sup> Con., where about seventy sat down to a dainty wedding dinner. In the evening a reception was held and the happy couple were almost over-whelmed with good wishes for their future life, by the guests who spent a most enjoyable time. Those from a distance were Miss Sarah McDonald, Cass City, sister of the bride; Mr. and Mrs. Angus McIntosh and Mr. Dan McIntosh, of Bad Axe, Mich.; Miss Sara McIntosh and Miss Mary C. McIntosh, Detroit; Alex., Mary and Malcolm McDonald, Mt. Carmel. Numerous costly and beautiful presents testified to the warm place

the bride and groom hold in the hearts of their friends, among which were a handsome parlor suite and diningroom set. Mr. and Mrs. McIntosh will reside on the 14<sup>th</sup> Concession of West Williams. (from *The Parkhill Gazette*, Thurs., Jan. 31, 1907)

#### **McIntosh --- McIntosh 1927**

A very pretty wedding was solemnized at St. Columba Church, Parkhill, Ontario, on Wednesday, May 4<sup>th</sup>, when the contracting parties Christena Marie McIntosh [1903-1967], daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Donald A. McIntosh, and John James McIntosh [1885-1966], son of Mrs. Dougal McIntosh [née Sarah McMillan], of 3552 Beniteau Ave., Detroit, were united in holy bonds of Matrimony.

Rev. Fr. Lowrey performed the ceremony with nuptial high mass at nine o'clock.

The bride was given in marriage by her father and was charmingly dressed in white ivory satin and silver lace, tulle veil and wreath of orange blossoms and carried a bouquet of bridal roses and lily-of-the-valley. She was assisted by her sister, Mary Catherine McIntosh, who was becomingly dressed in a canary yellow crepe de chene with picture hat to match and carried a bouquet of tea roses. The groom was assisted by his brother, Norman McIntosh, of Detroit. During the ring service the choir sang "O Promise Me".

After the ceremony the bridal party returned to the home of the bride's parents where dinner was served to eighty guests and the day's enjoyment was followed by a dance at the bride's home where two hundred couple made merry until the early hours of the morning.

The out-of-town guests were Mrs. Dougal McIntosh, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Ross, Norman McIntosh, Mr. and Mrs. J. Haste, Miss Sara McIntosh, Frank Fenton, Mr. and Mrs. Neil McMillan, Mae and Agnes Callaghan, Mr. and Mrs. Kehoe and son, Mrs Lorraine, all of Detroit; Frank Langan, of Strathroy; Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Ross and Colin Ferguson, of Nairn.

Mr. and Mrs. McIntosh will be at their home on Beniteau Ave., Detroit, to receive their many friends after June 1<sup>st</sup>. (from *The Parkhill Gazette*, Thurs., May 19, 1927)

#### **McIntosh --- McKinnon 1894**

On the 10<sup>th</sup> inst. the residence of Mr. Donald McKinnon, of the 14<sup>th</sup> Con., [West Williams] was the scene of much gaiety. On that day his eldest daughter, Christena, was married to Mr. Donald McIntosh, also of the 14<sup>th</sup> Con. The ceremony was performed by Father

McRae in the R.C. Church at Bornish, in the presence of quite a number of friends. The bride was supported by her sister, Miss Mary Ann McKinnon, while Mr. John McIntosh, brother of the groom, acted as best man. After the ceremony the happy couple drove to the bride's home, where they were met by about one hundred invited guests. After the hearty congratulations were over all sat down to a sumptuous dinner, which was in waiting. The rest of the day was spent in social converse, and in the evening all drove to the residence of the groom, where they were delightfully entertained, and all went home in the wee small hours in the morning, wishing that such an event would come often. The presents received by the bride were useful and costly and showed in what high esteem she was held by her many friends. (from *The Parkhill Gazette*, Thurs., Jan. 18, 1894)

#### **McIntyre --- Campbell 1927**

On Saturday, May 28, 1927 at St. Michael's Cathedral, Toronto, by the Rev. Fr. Carroll, Agnes Marie Campbell of Toronto married Joseph E. McIntyre, son of Mrs. Hugh McIntyre, Townline East [Parkhill]. (from *The Parkhill Gazette*, Thurs., June 6, 1927)

#### **McIntyre --- Leonard 1911**

A pretty wedding was solemnized in Sacred Heart Church on Monday, October 30<sup>th</sup>, when Miss Catherine M. Leonard, daughter of Mrs. Hugh Leonard, of Parkhill, and Mr. James F. McIntyre, of Toronto, and formerly of West Williams, were united in matrimony. Promptly at 10 o'clock, Miss Madeline Quarry played the first notes of the wedding march and the bridal party entered the church. The groom and his brother, Patrick, who acted as groomsman, entered from the vestry, the bride and her attendants coming up the centre aisle to meet them. Miss Eleanor Leonard, the bridesmaid, wore a dress of blue velvet with white hat and white furs and carried white chrysanthemums. She preceded the bride, who was brought in and given away by her brother, Mr. John Leonard. She [the bride] wore a lovely suit of velvet and a picture hat with sweeping willow plumes. She carried white chrysanthemums. Rev. Fr. O'Neill conducted the marriage ceremony and afterwards sang nuptial high mass, assisted by Rev. Fr. Dunn, of Clinton. The choir was assisted by Mrs. D.L. O'Brien, of Centralia.

Among the guests were Rev. Fr. Dunn of Clinton, Mr. Pocock, Mr. and Mrs. P. McInnes and Miss McInnes, of London; Miss Helen McLeod, Mr. and Mrs. Ryan and Miss Nellie Ryan, Mt. Carmel; Mr. and Mrs. Kearns, Brown City, Mich. and Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Dignan, Mr. and Miss Crunnican, of Elginfield, Capt. A. McIntyre, Mr. and Mrs. John McDonald, Mr. and Mrs. L.C. McIntyre. The ushers

were Mr. Frank Ryan and Mr. M. Hassett.

The happy couple left on the 3 p.m. train for eastern points. The bride's going away gown was green with hat to match. Mr. and Mrs. McIntyre will make their home in Toronto. (from *The Parkhill Gazette*, Thurs., Nov. 2, 1911)

#### **McIntyre --- McIntosh 1921**

A very pretty wedding took place Tuesday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1921, in St. Columba's Church, Bornish when Miss Mary McIntosh of West Williams was married to John D. McIntyre, Rev. Father O'Neill.

The bride, who entered the church leaning on the arm of her brother Alex McIntosh who gave her away, looked charming in a gown of white silk with white fur and rich lace trimmings. Miss Kathleen O'Toole of Detroit who acted as bride's maid wore a pretty gown of blue tulle. Mr. Roderick McIntosh, brother of the bride, acted as groom's man. The church was filled with friends of the contracting parties and the large number present testified to the popularity of both bride and groom who are highly esteemed by a large circle of friends and acquaintances.

A wedding reception was held at the home of Roderick McIntosh; the house was filled to capacity. Gifts were showered on the happy couple and good wishes for their future were expressed on every side.

Among those present from a distance were Mrs. O'Toole of Detroit and Mrs. Thos. Jeffries of London.

Mr. and Mrs. McIntyre are living on the groom's recently purchased farm on the 16<sup>th</sup> Con. of East Williams. (from *The Parkhill Gazette*, Thurs., May 12, 1921)

#### **McKinley --- Johnson 1988**

Anne Johnson, daughter of Janet and Bud Johnson of Bloomfield Hills, Michigan, and Mac McKinley, son of Betty and Leland McKinley of Borden, Indiana, were married on October 8<sup>th</sup> in Parkhill at Sacred Heart Church.

Father Ted Johnson, uncle of the bride, officiated at the wedding mass.

Matron of honor was Sandy Chocholek of Tampa, Florida; the bridesmaids were Karen Ryan of Boston, Mass., Karen Hoggard and Vicki Bayne of Grand Rapids, Mich. Junior bridesmaid was Brandi Cavins, niece of the groom; the ring bearer was Justin Cavins, nephew of the groom.

Attending the groom was his brother David McKinley; groomsmen were Pete Roth, brother-in-law of the groom, Michael Blankenbaker and Eric Craig, friends of the groom from Indiana. The ushers were Jim

*"With This Ring ..."*

and Mike Johnson of Michigan state University, brothers of the bride.

The wedding reception was held at Oakwood Country Club in Grand Bend. Among the special guests were the grandparents of the bride, Mrs. Helen Gibbs and Mr. and Mrs. J.J. Johnson.

The wedding couple left on their honeymoon from the reception. They will reside in Houston, Texas, where the groom is completing his engineering degree at the University of Houston. Anne is a graduate of Michigan State University; she is employed in Houston by the Marathon Oil Company. (from *The Parkhill Gazette*, Wed., Dec. 7, 1988)



**Archy McPhee and Margaret McKenzie**  
(1897-1974)      (1901-1991)  
November 29, 1922

### **McPhee --- McKenzie 1922**

At Bornish on Wednesday, November 29 there was solemnized the marriage of Mr. Archy McPhee, son of Mr. J.D. McPhee of West Williams and Margaret McKenzie, daughter of Mrs. Alex G. McKenzie of Coldstream and formerly of East Williams.

The bride was prettily attired in white dachesse satin, with bodice and panels of silk radium lace. She wore a veil edged with pearl brilliants and surmounted with a wreath of orange blossoms and carried a bouquet of bridal roses. She was attended by the groom's sister, Miss Sadie McPhee, who was daintily dressed in mauve organdy. The groom was supported by his brother, John McPhee of Assumption College, Sandwich. nuptial mass was celebrated by Rev. Fr. O'Neill who, with the immediate relatives of the marriage party, accompanied them to the home of Mr. and Mrs. J.D. McPhee where a wedding breakfast was served.

The happy couple spent a short honeymoon in Detroit and London returning on the following Sunday. They have taken up their abode on the groom's farm in West Williams where is bestowed on them the heartiest good wishes of all their friends and acquaintances. (from *The Parkhill Gazette*, Thurs., Dec. 21, 1922)



**John D. McPhee and Catherine Ann McDonald**  
August 15, 1894  
(L. To R.) Catherine McDonald, Lachlan P. McDonald,  
Margaret McDonald, Catherine Ann McDonald  
seated: Angus P. McIntosh, child, John D. McPhee

### **Minten --- de Gouw 1972**

Bouquets of orange and yellow daisies, red and yellow roses were the setting at St. Columba's Church in Bornish on Saturday, November 11, 1972, at 2 p.m. for the marriage of Johanna Petronella de Gouw and Jozef Peter Minten.

Rev. J.C. Caruana officiated. Sister Loretta Mitchell and the Sacred Heart School girls, accompanied by Sister Mary Margaret Parent, sang the wedding mass.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Marinus de Gouw, R.R. 5, Parkhill, and the groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Martin Minten Sr., R.R. 7, Watford.

Given in marriage by her father and mother, the bride made a floor-length, high waisted gown of polyester crepe with gathered skirt. The stand up collar and lantern-type sleeves were trimmed with white daisy lace as were the waistband, hem and train. Her veil of sheer nylon was held in place by a fingertip head piece trimmed with crystals. She carried a bouquet of red and white roses and white daisies.

Miss Elsie de Gouw, sister of the bride, was matron of honor. Bridesmaid was Teresa Minten, sister of the groom, and the flower girl was Teresa Minten, niece of the groom. All wore similar red floor-length gowns styled as the bride's with white velvet ribbon and lace belt carriers at the high waistline. The collar and sleeves were trimmed also in white daisy lace. They wore orange daisies in their hair and carried a bouquet of orange daisies and red roses. The gowns were complemented by the groom and his attendants' brown suits, green shirts and red printed ties. They wore an orange daisy on their lapel. The groom wore a white shirt and a white carnation.

The best man was Peter Minten, brother of the groom. The usher was Peter de Gouw, brother of the bride, and the ring bearer was Robbie Rops, nephew of the groom.

At the supper and reception following at the Parkhill Community Centre, the mother of the bride received guests in a light mauve dress with a corsage of pink and purple roses. The groom's mother assisted her in a red and white dress, with red vest and corsage of white roses.

For travelling the bride made matching pant suits of navy crimplene, yellow shirts and printed ties. She chose a white handbag and shoes, with a multicolored corsage. The groom wore a yellow daisy.

Special guests came from Holland and Belgium.

The couple are residing at R.R. 7, Watford. (from *The Parkhill Gazette*, Thurs., Dec. 7, 1972)

### **Morrison --- Ketten 1952**

On July 19, 1952, a very pretty double ring ceremony was solemnized in Saint Scholastica Roman Catholic Church, Detroit, Michigan, when Elizabeth Joan Ketten, daughter of Leo B. Ketten of Detroit, became the bride of John Francis Morrison of London, Ontario, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alex Morrison of Parkhill, Ontario.

The bride looked lovely in a nylon net gown styled with a pointed neckline. Floral appliques and seed pearls held a fingertip veil. She carried white carnations with a white orchid in the centre.

The maid of honor was Miss Mary Riordan of Detroit, Michigan. She wore a gown of deep aqua nylon net trimmed in embroidered net. A short jacket of embroidered net completed the ensemble. The matching headpiece was of nylon net trimmed with tiny white flowers. She carried pink carnations. Miss Rita Morrison of Detroit, Michigan, sister of the bridegroom, served as bridesmaid. Her gown was identical to Miss Riordan's but was of deep pink. She carried aqua carnations. Miss Mary Ketten, niece of the bride, was flower girl and wore a gown of yellow nylon net. She carried yellow daisies and wore a headpiece of the same flowers.

Leo Morrison of Kingston, Ontario, was his brother's best man. Seating guests were Angus Morrison of Parkhill, Ontario, Thomas Ketten of Detroit, Mich., and Leo Ketten of Detroit, Mich.

The bridegroom's mother, Mrs. Morrison, chose aqua crepe accented with a purple orchid.

The reception was held at Knights of Columbus Hall in Detroit, Mich. where the newlyweds greeted more than two hundred guests. Among the out of town guests present were Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Skee, Joe Ziler, Mrs. John A. Morrison and family and Harold Nixon.

For their honeymoon the bride and groom plan a leisurely motor trip through Eastern Canada and will then return to London where they will reside.

For travelling, the new Mrs. Morrison wore a beige shantung dress with dark brown accessories and the orchid from her bouquet. (from *The Parkhill Gazette*, Thurs., July 24, 1952)

### **Morrison --- McDonald 1926**

St. Gregory's Church, Detroit, was the scene of a very pretty wedding on Wednesday morning, September 29<sup>th</sup> at 8 o'clock, when Margaret Elizabeth McDonald, youngest daughter of John B. McDonald [and the late Mary Ann O'Hanley], of Parkhill, became

the bride of John A. Morrison of that city. Rev. Fr. Pokrifka officiating.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her brother, wore a gown of valencia blue crepe trimmed with gold and silver beads, with a gold and blue hat to match, and she carried a shower bouquet of pink roses.

The matron of honor, Mrs. William Pankow, wore paisley blue satin with hat to match and she carried a bouquet of Columbia roses.

Little Mary Pankow, niece of the bride, acted as flower girl, and was prettily gowned in white crepe de chene trimmed with blue.

The bridegroom was assisted by his brother, Leo Morrison, of Detroit, as best man.

Following the ceremony, a dinner was served at the Book Cadillac Hotel to the immediate families, after which Mr. and Mrs. Morrison left for a trip to Chicago and other points. On their return they will reside at the groom's home in Parkhill, Ontario.

The guests from a distance were Mr. and Mrs. John L. McDonald, of Washington, D.C., and Hanlon McDonald, of Parkhill. (from *The Parkhill Gazette*, Thurs., Oct. 21, 1926)

#### **Morrison --- Vaughan 1958**

Mums decorated Blessed Sacrament Church, Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario on November 15, 1958, when Irene Beatrice Vaughan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Vaughan of Thedford, Ontario became the bride of Leo Joseph Morrison, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alex Morrison of Parkhill, Ontario.

The bride, given in marriage by Mr. Russell Laird, wore a blue satin dress with matching feather headdress and carried a white prayer book covered with an array of red sweetheart roses.

Mrs. Margaret Dumond, her only attendant, wore a yellow satin dress with matching headpiece and a corsage of yellow roses and bronze 'mums.

Mr. Arthur McKenzie of Sault Ste. Marie was best man.

The wedding breakfast was held in the Tribal Room of the Algonquin Hotel and the reception was at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Russell Laird. Mrs. Laird, receiving the guests, wore a pink lace dress with a corsage of yellow roses.

For going away the bride wore a pink princess style dress with blue accessories and a corsage of yellow roses. (from *The Parkhill Gazette*, Thurs., Dec. 11, 1958)

#### **O'Hanley --- Adam 1950**

St. Columba Church, Bornish, [on June 10<sup>th</sup>] was the scene of an interesting local wedding when Miss Ann Adam of Brescia became the bride of John L. O'Hanley of Bornish. Rev. J.F. Paquette performed the ceremony which was attended by many friends and relatives. The soloist during the service was Mr. Henri Yelle of Parkhill.

Given in marriage by Neil J. O'Hanley of Chicago, uncle of the groom, the bride wore a gown of white satin, with lace-trimmed yoke and long train. Her floor-length veil fell from a beaded pearl tiara. She carried a white prayer book and sheaf of red roses.

The bride was attended by Mrs. Con Eckert, sister of the groom, as matron of honor, wearing green taffeta. Miss Bernadette Laporte, as bridesmaid, was gowned in yellow taffeta. Elaine Eckert, flower girl, wore pink satin.

Mr. Con Eckert was best man and the ushers were Pat Cleary and Paul Pollock.

After the wedding reception, Mr. and Mrs. O'Hanley left on a trip to Niagara Falls. (from *The Parkhill Gazette*, Thurs., June 29, 1950)

#### **Pedlar --- Box 1943**

The Parkhill Baptist Church was the scene of a charming wedding Tuesday noon, when Dorothy Belle Box, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Marshal Box, became the bride of Donald Frederick Pedlar, of London, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Pedlar of Sarnia. Rev. A. Hilliard Jones, B.A. officiated, and Mrs. Kenneth P. McKenzie played the wedding music. Gladioli and white tapers formed a colorful setting for the wedding party.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a floor-length white slipper satin gown, with swathed waistline, heart-shaped neckline and long fitted sleeves. Her veil of tulle illusion was finger-tip length. Her only ornament was an antique gold brooch, worn by her maternal grandmother and during the ceremony she carried a real lace handkerchief, the gift of the groom's grandmother. She carried a cascade bouquet of sweetheart roses and white baby 'mums with maiden hair fern and long satin streamers caught with white 'mums.

Her attendants were Miss Dorothy Glendenning and Miss Kathleen Mawson, the former gowned in dusty rose and the latter in flight blue, with harmonizing flower headdresses. They carried colonial bouquets of Briarcliff and Better Times roses. The little flower girl, Miss Elinor Wasnidge, goddaughter of the bride, wore a miniature replica of the bride's dress and carried a similar bouquet.

Mr. John Pedlar of Sarnia was his brother's groomsman and Mr. Lawrence Box and Mr. William Pedlar were the ushers. During the signing of the register, Mr. Kenneth P. McKenzie played a violin solo.

A reception followed at the family residence, Mrs. Box receiving in a two-piece dress of Heaven blue crepe with silver embroidery and black accessories. Her

corsage was of Talisman roses. Mrs. Pedlar assisted, wearing navy blue and a corsage of red roses.

The wedding luncheon was served by several friends of the bride: Mrs. Frank Brown, Mrs. Lloyd Poore, Mrs. Ronald Stratton, Misses Mary Dawson, Lorna Box, Dorothy Thompson, Alma Ronson, and Janet Baird.

Guests were present from London, Sarnia, Oakville, Keyser, Camp Ipperwash and Parkhill.

For their honeymoon trip the bride donned a tailored suit of brown Glen tweed with forest green accessories. Upon their return they will reside in London. (from *The Parkhill Gazette*, Thurs., Sept. 30, 1943)

[Donald Frederick Pedlar is the son of George Frederick Pedlar (1900-1955) and Florence Susan "Ruth" McKinnon (1903-1972), of St. Thomas and Sarnia, Ont.; grandson of Neil E. McKinnon (1868-1927) and Susanna "Susan" Schafor (1870-1950), of Parkhill; great-grandson of John and Catherine Schafor of Woodbridge and Huron Co., Ont., and of Donald MacKinnon (1832-1920) and Effie McCormick (1851-1918), of Lot 7, Con. 14, West Williams Twp.; and great-great grandson of Neil MacKinnon (c.1798-1886) and Mary "Amelia" MacPherson (c.1804-1872) of Benbecula, Scotland and West Williams Twp., and of Patrick "Peter" McCormick (1817-1899) and Mary Christina MacMullen (c.1825-1861) of Benbecula, Scotland and East Williams Twp.]

### **Peeters --- de Gouw 1979**

On September 29, 1979 in Sacred Heart Church, Parkhill, wedding vows were exchanged in a double ring ceremony between Agnes Johanna de Gouw, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Marinus de Gouw, Parkhill, and Cornelis Adrianus (Kees) Peeters, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jac Peeters, Prinsenbeek, Holland with Rev. J.C. Caruana officiating. The Bornish Folk Choir sang the mass.

Given in marriage by her father and mother, the bride wore a lace overlaid and trimmed polyester satin gown with a chemise yolk, stand up collar, and a gathered skirt extending into a train edged with a sheer ruffle. She wore a brimmed net-covered hat with flowers to match the coral pink roses and baby's breath of her bouquet.

Miss Corrie Peeters, Holland, sister of the groom, was maid of honor. Miss Angela de Gouw and Miss Barbara de Gouw, both sisters of the bride, were bridesmaids. They wore yoked dolman styled gowns of plain green in three hues of green. They carried a loose hand bouquet of orange roses, gold daisies, bronze pompons and yellow mums with matching flowers in

their hair.

Miss Angela de Gouw, niece of the bride, was flower girl. She wore the same green as the maid of honor with a lace covered bodice and short lace sleeves. She carried a basket of flowers with flowers in her hair identical to the bridesmaids.

Peter de Gouw, brother of the bride, was best man. Louie Van Hooydonk and Doug Timmermans, both friends of the groom, were ushers. Joseph Minten, Jr., nephew of the bride, was ring bearer.

Following the mass and pictures, taken at Camp Sylvan, the parents of the bridal couple received guests at Parkhill Community Centre.

Guests came from Holland, Mississauga and Stayner as well as the surrounding area.

After returning from Northern Ontario, Mr. and Mrs. Kees Peeters are residing at R.R. 2, Parkhill. (from *The Parkhill Gazette*, Thurs., Nov.22, 1979)



**Frank O. Read and M. Ursula McDonald**

(1915-1971) (1918-1991)

June 6, 1942

with Anna E. and John A. McDonald

### **Read --- McDonald 1942**

One of the prettiest weddings of the season took place at the Sacred Heart Church, Parkhill, on Saturday morning at 9:30 when Mary Ursula McDonald, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L.P. McDonald, became the bride of Dr. Frank O. Read, son of Mr. and Mrs. E.T. Read of London. Rev. Father McCardle performed the ceremony.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, looked charming in a floor-length gown of white sheer chiffon and veil of white net. Her bouquet was of pink roses and blue corn flowers. She chose as her bridesmaid her sister, Miss Anna McDonald, who wore a gown of turquoise blue georgette with a halo hat, and carried a bouquet of pink roses. The groom was assisted by John A. McDonald. Dalton McDonald acted as usher. The altar was beautifully decorated with red peonies and orange blossoms. During the signing of the register, Mr. Henri Yelle sang "Ave Maria" by Schubert, assisted by Miss Mary McCormick at the organ.

After the ceremony the bridal party with their guests repaired to the home of the bride's parents, where they were served with buffet refreshments. At 12 o'clock noon, in Parkhill, a full course dinner was served at the Arlington Hotel. The tables were centred with garlands of orange blossoms, interspersed with white and yellow rose buds and with clusters of yellow tea roses.

Later the young couple left for points east, the bride travelling in a frock of blue flowered jersey with white accessories.

The bride is a graduate of Macdonald Institute, Guelph. Dr. Read graduated from the Ontario Veterinary College and holds his B.V.S. from the University of Toronto. (from *The London Free Press*, June, 1942)

### **Rombouts --- Hendriks 1968**

Rev. Ignatius Lenckowski officiated at the ceremony in Sacred Heart Church on October 26, 1968 at 11 a.m. uniting in marriage Mary Hendriks, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tony Hendriks, R.R. 5, Parkhill, and Adrian Rombouts, son of Mrs. Elizabeth Rombouts and the late Adrian Rombouts, R.R. 8, Watford.

Miss Rika Denys was organist and accompanied the Sacred Heart Choir.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride chose a floor-length gown of organza over taffeta fashioned with guipure lace forming the empire line having lily point sleeves and lace trimmed back panel to brush length. Her four tiered silk illusion veil was held by a jeweled comb accented with seed pearls and crystal.

Miss Anne Hendriks, maid of honour, and Miss Joanne Hendriks, bridesmaid, both sisters of the bride, were gowned alike in deep rose crepe, floor-length gowns with guipure lace trimming the below elbow sleeves and forming a mandarin neckline. The empire

line emphasized the sheath skirt with full length back panel falling from the back neckline. A crystal crown completed their costume. All the attendants carried red and white carnations.

Miss Lia Dortmans, niece of the bride, was flower girl and Tony Hendriks, the bride's nephew, was ring bearer.

Peter Rombouts was best man and Cornelius Rombouts was usher. Both were brothers of the groom.

A reception followed in the Parkhill Community Centre. Mrs. Hendriks received guests in a green two-piece suit with a pink carnation corsage. She was assisted by Mrs. Rombouts who chose a double knit purple dress with a pink carnation corsage.

For a trip to Holland, Michigan, the bride changed to a two-piece blue suit with a corsage of roses and carnations.

Mr. and Mrs. Rombouts will reside at R.R. 5, Strathroy. (from *The Parkhill Gazette* Thurs., Nov. 14, 1968)

### **Rugg --- McCardle 1937**

A quiet summer wedding was solemnized last Saturday morning in Sacred Heart Church when Mary Marcella, only daughter of Mrs. McCardle and the late Francis McCardle of Linwood, Ont., became the bride of Herbert W. Rugg, son of Mr. and Mrs. A.J. Rugg of Toronto. The bride's brother, Rev. F.A. McCardle, pastor of Sacred Heart Church, performed the ceremony.

The bride wore turquoise silk marquisette embroidered in pink over taffeta. Her halo and sandals were blue to match her gown. She also wore long lace mittens. Her flowers were a corsage of butterfly roses. She was attended by Miss Evelyn Rugg, sister of the groom, who was attractively attired in apple blossom pink taffeta. She wore a corsage of talisman roses. William McCardle of Stratford, cousin of the bride, was best man.

The altar was banked with a profusion of tall standards of delphiniums and Madonna lilies. Miss Frances Lindenfield sang *Panis Angelicus* at the offertory and Gounard's *Ave Maria* during the signing of the register, in a very pleasing voice.

The wedding breakfast was served to twenty guests at Oakwood Inn, Oakwood Park, Lake Huron, at eleven o'clock.

Mr. Rugg is an honor graduate of S.P.S., University of Toronto. Miss McCardle, an Arts graduate of the same institution, was head of the commercial

department of Mimico High School up until the end of the past school year. During the closing weeks of the school year the bride was the guest of honor at several pre-nuptial parties when she was the recipient of many choice and practical gifts.

Mr. and Mrs. Rugg left in the afternoon by motor for a month's honeymoon on the Atlantic Coast, the bride donning a smart navy suit and white accessories. On their return they will take up residence in their newly built home on Royal York Road, "The Kingsway", Toronto. (from *The Parkhill Gazette*, Thurs., July 15, 1937)



**Edward J. Saltarski and Jeanette M. McCormick**  
November 20, 1954  
(The last Scottish wedding at Bornish)

### **Sanders --- Hendrikx 1968**

St. Columba Church, Bornish, was the setting for the marriage of Anne Hendrikx, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Hendrikx, R.R. 5, Parkhill and Gerald Sanders, son of Mr. and Mrs. Cornelius Sanders, R.R. 7, Watford. Rev. Peter Sanders, brother of the groom, officiated for the ceremony on June 1 at 2 p.m. Miss Rika Denys organist accompanied the Sacred Heart Choir.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a full-length organza gown with French lace trim, scoop neckline, A-line skirt with empire waist, and bell shaped sleeves of French lace. The chapel length train flowing from the shoulders was also lavishly trimmed with lace. The head piece was a crown of pearls and crystals held by a soft flowing veil extending into a chapel length. She carried lovely white roses with long streaming ribbon.

Mis Mary Hendrikx, as maid of honor, Mrs. Elsa Thuss and Mrs. Joste DeGroot as bridesmaids and Margaret-Anne Hendrikx as flower girl, all sisters of the bride, were gowned alike in baby blue bonded crepe and trimmed with matching lace. They wore crowns of rhinestones and pearls and carried bouquets of white carnations and pink roses. Kenny Sanders, nephew of the groom, was ring bearer.

Mr. Peter Sanders, brother of the groom, was best man. Bert Sanders and Leo Sanders, brothers of the groom, were ushers.

For the reception in Parkhill Community Centre, the bride's mother wore a white knit suit of DuPont Orlon and corsage of pink carnations. The groom's mother chose a royal blue knit suit with matching hat and corsage of pink carnations.

For travelling to northern Ontario, the bride changed to a lovely ice blue two-piece coat and dress ensemble; the gown featured an elegant empire bodice, accented with white daisies. She wore white accessories and a corsage of white roses.

The young couple will reside at R.R. 2, Kerwood.  
(from *The Parkhill Gazette* Thurs., June 6, 1968)

### **Sanders --- Hendrikx 1975**

Sacred Heart Church, Parkhill, was the setting for the July 25<sup>th</sup> wedding of JoAnne Bernarda Hendrikx and John Cornelius Sanders. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Hendrikx, R.R. 5, Parkhill, and the groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Cornelius Sanders, R.R. 7, Watford. The double ring ceremony was performed by Father Piet Sanders, brother of the groom,

with the Parkhill folk choir providing the music

Escorted down the aisle by her father the bride chose a full length gown of sata peau and Chantilly lace, mandarin neckline, empire waistline and full skirt accented with a deep flounce and long straight sleeves. The bodice and sleeves were trimmed with Chantilly lace. The full length cathedral veil was edged with the same lace. She carried a bouquet of orchids, stephanotis, red roses, and baby's breath.

Mrs. Mary Stevens was her sister's matron of honor with Judy and Janet Hendrikx, also sisters of the bride, and Mrs. Betsy Strik, sister of the groom, as the bridesmaids. They were dressed identically in floor-length floral gowns with the maid of honor in baby blue and bridesmaids in yellow. They carried nosegays of daisies, mums, and baby's breath to match their dresses.

The flower girl was Lori Ann Sanders, niece of the bride and groom. The ring bearer was Paul Willemse, nephew of the groom. They both wore outfits of baby blue. Lori carried a basket of daisies and yellow roses.

The groomsman was Leo Sanders with ushers Gerald Sanders, Jim Hendrikx, and Pete Van Riel.

For the wedding reception at Taxandria, Arkona, the bride's mother received her guests wearing a full length pastel floral gown. The groom's mother wore a full length turquoise gown.

For travelling the bride and groom chose matching beige safari outfits.

The young couple have taken up residence at R.R. 7, Watford. (from *The Parkhill Gazette*, Thurs., Sept. 11, 1975)

#### **Short --- Dunn 1941**

Holy Rosary Church, Wyoming, was the setting for a pretty wedding on Saturday morning, July 26<sup>th</sup>, at eight o'clock, when Elinor M. Dunn, formerly of Windsor, and eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Dunn of the London Road, became the bride of L.A.C. Frank J. Short, of R.C.A.F., Trenton. The nuptial mass was celebrated by Rev. Father Kelly, of Forest, assisted by Rev. P.J. Harrigan, of Petrolia.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride was becoming in a gown of white hepple pique, designed with a deep yoke of Irish point extending through the sleeve tops and from a wide midriff the sweeping skirt fell in graceful folds. Her circular veil was of tulle illusion finished with fine edging and fell from a coronet of Irish point. She carried a white prayer book and an arm bouquet of white gladioli. Mr. and Mrs. F.V. Mundy of Chatham were the attendants. Mrs. Mundy, sister of the bride, and matron of honor, chose a floral voile made with fitted midriff and full skirt. She wore white accessories and carried pink gladioli.

A reception was held at the home of the bride's parents

on the London Road after the ceremony. For travelling the bride wore a pretty suit of Churchill blue faile with white accessories and corsage of gardenias. They will reside in Trenton where the groom is stationed. (from *The Parkhill Gazette*, Thurs., Aug. 7, 1941)

#### **Steeper --- Hendrikx 1980**

On Saturday, June 14, 1980 at St. Columba Church, Bornish, Father Caruana united in marriage Judy Hendrikx, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Hendrikx and Glen Steeper, son of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Steeper, all of Parkhill. The Bornish Folk Choir provided music and Mary Vandembogaard was soloist. Janet Hendrikx, twin sister of the bride, was maid of honor and bridesmaids were Anne Steeper, Margie Hendrikx, and Angela McDonald. Best man was Paul Steeper, brother of the groom, and ushers were Jerry Hendrikx, Mark Steeper, and Glen Ritchie. Cindy Hendrikx was flower girl and ring bearer was Kevin Steeper. The reception was held at the Parkhill Community Centre. Mr. and Mrs. Steeper are residing at R.R. 8, Parkhill. (from *The Parkhill Gazette*, Thurs., July 10, 1980)

#### **Stevens --- Hendrikx 1972**

Mary Anne Hendrikx became the bride of Wilhelmus Leonardus Stevens in a ceremony in Sacred Heart Church, Parkhill, performed by Father J.C. Caruana on Friday, May 5, 1972 at 3 o'clock. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Hendrikx, R.R. 5, Parkhill, and the groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Frans Stevens, Venray, Netherlands.

Music was supplied by a choir from Strathroy.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride chose a white organdy gown with a scoop neckline, an empire waist, a full skirt with a ruffled hem. The long puffed sleeves had a ruffled cuff. The train, attached at the waist, was richly trimmed with crocheted lace, as was the dress. Attached to the headpiece, accented with seed pearls, was a long veil with five tint white carnations stitched on to the end of the train. She carried small yellow roses with trailing ivy.

The maid of honor, Joanne Hendrikx, and the bridesmaid, Mrs. Anne Sanders, are both sisters of the bride. The flower girl was Laura de Groot, niece of the bride. All the attendants wore similar gowns in bright orange organza, embroidered with daisies. They carried yellow mums with trailing ivy.

Henry Thuss, R.R. 2, Kerwood, was groomsman and John Van Ass of London was usher. Lyle Thuss, nephew of the bride, was ring bearer.

A reception followed at Taxandria, Arkona, when

the bride's mother received guests in a white, blue and black splashy floral print featuring a full skirt and long sleeves.

Mr. and Mrs. Stevens will reside at R.R. 7, Watford. (from *The Parkhill Gazette*, Thurs., May 25, 1972)

### **Straatman --- Denys 1967**

Sacred Heart Church, Parkhill was the setting for the marriage of Lina Denys, daughter of Mrs. Andre Denys and the late Mr. Denys of R.R. 4, Parkhill and Leo Straatman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Straatman of R.R. 8, Watford. The ceremony was performed by Father E. Veitenheiner assisted by Father Joseph Denys, cousin of the bride, on April 22 at 12 o'clock.

The bride chose a floor-length gown fashioned from peau de soie with Chantilly lace trimming the bodice and outlining the detachable chapel train enhancing the sheath skirt. Her waist-length nylon illusion veil fell from a petal headdress, trimmed with silk flowers, studded with seed pearls. She carried a cascade of red roses and white carnations.

Rika Denys as maid of honour and Diane Verlinde as flower girl were gowned alike in floor-length yellow brocade, empire style with matching headpieces. They carried bouquets of yellow daisies and white carnations.

Mr. Tony Straatman was best man.

For the reception at the Community Centre, Parkhill, the bride's mother wore a Venizio knit three-piece suit. The groom's mother chose a navy blue crepe dress.

For travelling the bride changed to a peacock-blue wool suit with black and white accessories. The couple will reside at Watford. (from *The Parkhill Gazette*, Thurs., April 27, 1967)

### **Van Buel --- Beierling 1972**

Patricia Marlene Beierling and Walter Camiel Van Buel exchanged marriage vows in Sacred Heart Church, Parkhill, on September 16, 1972, with Rev. J.C. Crauana officiating.

Parents of the couple are Mr. and Mrs. Lorne Bierling and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Van Buel, Parkhill.

The bride, given in marriage by her father, chose a floor-length gown of white French crepe with bodice and cathedral length train trimmed with pink velvet. The bride wore a pure silk French illusion fingertip veil caught up by a cap of Chantilly lace touched with pink velvet. She carried a bouquet of white mums and pink sweetheart roses.

Mrs. Lorna Lagerwerf was matron of honor; Mrs. Mary Lou Bastiaansen, Mrs. Lola Shannon and Miss Hilda Van Buel were bridesmaids. They wore identical gowns of pink crepe and carried baskets of white shasta daisies.

Groomsman was August Van Buel and ushering guests were William Beierling, Peter Bastiaansen and Alvin Shannon.

Following a reception at the Parkhill Community Centre the bride changed to a purple crimp knit pant suit with black patent accessories for travelling. (from *The Parkhill Gazette*, Thurs., Oct. 19, 1972)

### **Vanderaa --- Van Hooydonk 1970**

On October 15, 1970, at 3 p.m., Sacred Heart Church was the scene of a pretty wedding performed by Father J.C. Caruana when Mary Van Hooydonk, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Van Hooydonk, R.R. 5, Parkhill, became the bride of Theo Vanderaa, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Vanderaa of R.R. 2, Wallacetown [Wallaceburg?].

Miss Ricka Denys was organist.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a floor-length gown with empire waist, featuring lace sleeves and train. Her illusion veil fell from a petal headpiece. She carried a cascade of roses and mums.

Miss Annie Van Hooydonk was her sister's maid of honor. Best man was Elmer Vanderaa, brother of the groom.

For the reception which followed in the Parkhill Community Centre the bride's mother received guests in a light blue dress. To assist her the groom's mother chose a navy three-piece suit.

The bride changed to an off-white dress to travel to North Bay and Sudbury.

The young couple will reside at R.R. 2, Denfield. (from *The Parkhill Gazette*, Thurs., Nov. 12, 1970)

### **Van Heule --- Masschelein 1951**

A quiet wedding was solemnized at Sacred Heart Church, Parkhill, when Rev. Father J.F. Paquette united in marriage Godlieve Masschelein, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Silveer Masschelein of West Williams and Leon Van Heule, Parkhill, son of Mr. and Mrs. Emile Van Heule of Belgium. Miss Irene Halleart of Parkhill was soloist and Miss Charlotte Yelle, also of Parkhill, was the organist.

The young couple was attended by the bride's sister and brother, Miss Rachel Masschelein and Mr. Emile Masschelein.

Mr. and Mrs. Van Heule will make their home in St. Mary's. The young couple who are recent arrivals from Belgium want to thank the ladies of the Parkhill Altar Society and their neighbors on the Centre Rd. for their kindnesses and helpfulness since they arrived in this country. (from *The Parkhill Gazette*, Thurs., April 12, 1951)

**Van Massenhoven --- Herygers 1957**

Sacred Heart Church, Parkhill, was the scene when wedding vows were exchanged by Adriana Herygers and Cornell Van Massenhoven. Mr. and Mrs. G. Herygers, Parkhill, are parents of the bride and the groom is the son of John Van Massenhoven, Parkhill. The Rev. Fr. E.J. Veitenheimer officiated.

The bride was gowned in a floor-length lace dress fashioned with scalloped, scoop neckline and lily point sleeves. A tiara held her fingertip veil and she carried red roses.

Attending her sister as maid of honor was Miss Mary Herygers. Miss Magda Van Massenhoven, sister of the groom, was bridesmaid and flower girls were the bride's younger sisters, Corrie Herygers and Elsa Herygers.

Groomsman was Joseph Van Massenhoven and Peter Herygers acted as usher.

For travelling the bride chose grey tweed suit. The couple will live in Parkhill. (from *The Parkhill Gazette*, Thurs., Oct. 24, 1957)

**Van Massenhoven --- Van Hooydonk 1966**

Elizabeth Van Hooydonk became the bride of Albert E. Van Massenhoven in a ceremony conducted by Rev. E. Veitenheimer. Sacred Heart Church, Parkhill, decorated with white mums was the setting for the wedding on June 18, 1966, at 11 o'clock.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Van Hooydonk, R.R. 5, Parkhill, and the groom's parents are Mr. and Mrs. Joe Van Massenhoven, R.R. 3, Parkhill.

The bride given in marriage by her father chose a floor-length gown of white organza, featuring a bodice and sleeves of Chantilly lace. The full skirt was accented by panels of lace. Her shoulder length veil fell from a rosette of organza flowers and lily of the valley. She carried red roses and white carnations.

Maid of honor, Mary Wouters and bridesmaid, Elizabeth Van Massenhoven were gowned alike in deep blue peau de soie. Brenda Hutchinson, flower girl was gowned in pink nylon.

Groomsmen were August Van Massenhoven and Andy Van Hooydonk. Guests were ushered by Victor Wouters and Louie Van Massenhoven.

For the reception in the Community Centre, the bride's mother received guests in a blue dress with a white carnation corsage. Groom's mother assisted wearing maroon dress and white carnations.

For a wedding trip to North Bay the bride donned a three piece pink suit.

The couple will reside in London, Ontario. (from *The Parkhill Gazette*, Thurs., June 23, 1966)

**Van Straaten --- Kustermans 1977**

Father J.C. Caruana performed the ceremony in Sacred Heart Church, Parkhill, on February 25, 1977, at 3:30 p.m. uniting in marriage Anna Maria Kustermans and William Van Straaten.

The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Kustermans, R.R. 2, Parkhill, and the groom is a son of Mr. and Mrs. John Van Straaten, R.R. 5, Stratford.

Music was provided by the choir of Bornish Church.

The bride wore an empire gown of visa sewn by herself with a cathedral veil of lace. She carried a cascade of red roses.

Elizabeth Kustermans was her sister's maid of honour. The bridesmaids were Mrs. Joanna Simpson and Mrs. Rita Van Geffen, sisters of the bride and groom respectively. The attendants wore empire styled gowns of red visa, lace hats, and carried white carnations and red roses.

Cory Van Straaten was best man. The ushers were John Vanden Houen, friend of the groom and John Van Straaten, a brother of the groom.

A reception followed in the Parkhill Community Centre. To receive the guests, Mrs. Kustermans chose a floor-length rust gown of visa with a corsage of eggshell carnations. Mrs. Van Straaten chose a floor-length gown in a deep pink shade and a corsage of white carnations.

For travelling to Pennsylvania the bride changed to a grey tailored suit, which she had made herself. She wore a corsage of red roses and a gold cross necklace, her gift from the groom.

Mr. and Mrs. Van Straaten are residing at R.R. 5, Stratford. (from *The Parkhill Gazette*, Thurs., April 7, 1977)

**Verhelle --- McCormick 1960**

The brother of the groom, Rev. Joseph C. Verhelle, and the uncle of the bride, Rev. John C. Jordan, officiated at the wedding ceremony uniting Angela Mary McCormick, Detroit, Mich., and William H. Verhelle, Grosse Point, in St. Clare of Montefalco Church, Grosse Point. The bride is the daughter of Mrs. Dougald McCormick, London, and the groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph F. Verhelle.

The bride was given in marriage by her brother, Peter McCormick, London. She wore a floor-length gown of peau de soie fashioned with a fitted bodice

featuring a sabrina neckline and elbow length sleeves of alencon lace. The bouffant shirt appliqued with alencon lace motifs swept to a chapel train. A matching headdress held her veil of double French illusion and she carried a cascade of white orchids and stephanotis.

Matron of honor was Mrs. Eleanor M. Wiese, London, sister of the bride. Mrs. Frances A. Kristufek, Detroit, sister of the groom, Miss Annette S. Simard, Detroit, and Miss Margaret McCosky, Royal Oak, Mich., were bridesmaids. They wore similar gowns of white organdy style with bell skirts and carried lavender and white carnations.

Robert E. Verhelle, Detroit, brother of the groom, was best man and ushers were John J. McCallum, Detroit, and James Stapleton, Windsor.

For travelling to Mexico City and Acapulco the bride donned a beige ensemble with matching accessories. The couple will reside in Grosse Pointe, Mich.

The bride is a graduate of St. Joseph's Hospital School of Nursing, London, and the groom is a graduate of Georgetown University, Washington, D.C. (from *The Parkhill Gazette*, Thurs., July 14, 1960)

#### **Wiese --- McCormick 1950**

Nuptial mass was spoken by Rev. J.C. Jordan, uncle of the bride and the ceremony was performed by Rev. F.J. Bricklin in St. Anthony's Roman Catholic Church [Harrow, Ont., on July 22<sup>nd</sup>], uniting in marriage Mary Eleanor, daughter of Mrs. McCormick, London, formerly of Parkhill, and the late Dougal McCormick, to Gordon Joseph Wiese, son of Dr. and Mrs. T.F. Wiese, Belle River. The altar was decorated with gladioli and white daisies, and Mrs. Carol Bondy played the wedding music. Wilfred Clarke and Edward Gatfield, seminarians from St. Peter's, were acolytes.

The bride was given in marriage by her brother, Peter McCormick. She was gowned in white nylon net over taffeta styled with shirred bodice, full skirt, and jacket of Chantilly lace. Her fingertip veil of Brussels lace was caught to a cloche of lace, matching jacket, and she carried a bouquet of white carnations and stephanotis.

Miss Angela McCormick was her sister's maid of honor, wearing a lime green ankle length frock of organdy over taffeta. The bridesmaid, Miss Patricia Holland of Windsor, wore mauve organdy, and both bridal attendants carried yellow roses.

The groom's attendants were William McAuliffe and Donald Bondy. Ushers were Leo Denomey and

Joseph Lalonde.

The wedding breakfast was served at Mario's Palm Room, Windsor, and a reception followed at the home of the groom's parents, Belle River. The bride's going away ensemble, for the trip to Muskoka, consisted of a white silk cord suit, with navy accessories and corsage of red and white roses. Mr. and Mrs. Wiese will make their home in Harrow.

The groom is a graduate of Assumption College, Windsor, and the bride of London Normal School. (from *The Parkhill Gazette*, Thurs., July 27, 1950)

#### **Willemse --- Thuss 1975**

Two tall standards of flowers decorated St. Columba Church, Bornish, on August 19, 1975 at 3:30 o'clock for the marriage of Margaret Maria Thuss, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Thuss, R.R. 5, Parkhill and Boudewyn Willemse, son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Willemse, R.R. 6, Forest.

Father J.C. Caruana performed the ceremony. The music was provided by Mrs. Casey Willemse and Mrs. Tony Willemse Jr. Elizabeth and Robert O'Neil sang a duet.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride chose a nylon sheer dress trimmed with lace inserts and seed pearls over polyester satin. Her floor-length veil was trimmed with the same lace. She carried a cascade of orchids, stephanotis, baby's breath and trailing ivy.

The matron of honour was Mrs. Maria Van Bommel, sister of the bride, who chose a blue flowered print gown of polyester batiste. Mrs. Rose Vandenberg, sister of the bride, was senior bridesmaid, Miss Joanne Van Asseldonk, junior bridesmaid, and the flower girl was Lori Anne Versteegh, niece of the groom. All wore green flowered batiste gowns. All the attendants carried white and yellow daisy mums.

Harry Willemse, brother of the groom, was the best man. The ushers were Casey Willemse, brother of the groom, and Robert O'Neil. Martin Heynsbergen, a nephew of the bride, was the ring bearer.

A reception followed at the Parkhill Community Centre when the bride's mother chose a mint green polyester knit gown with matching jacket of polyester net and a corsage of orchids and baby's breath. The groom's mother wore a gown of floral print on black with sheer sleeves with an orchid corsage with baby's breath.

To travel to Northern Ontario and Michigan the bride changed to a rust, gray, and fatigue green floral print on beige, sleeveless dress with matching short jacket with butterfly sleeves.

Mr. and Mrs. Willemse are residing in London. (from *The Parkhill Gazette*, Thurs., Sept. 18, 1975)

**Ziler --- McCormick 1915**

An event of unusual interest took place at St. Columba's Church, Bornish, on Wednesday, October 27, 1915, when Miss Sara Theresa McCormick became the bride of Mr. John Ziler.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J.P. McCormick of Bornish and the groom the son of Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm Ziler of Dashwood.

Rev. Father Hodgkinson performed the marriage ceremony. The bride looked charming in a military suit of royal blue gaberdine with white plush hat trimmed with ostrich plume and silver ornaments. She carried a large bouquet of white chrysanthemums.

The bride was attended by Miss Theresa Ziler, sister of the groom, while the groom was attended by Peter McCormick, brother of the bride.

Dinner was served at the bride's parents' home to the immediate relatives of the bride and groom. A reception followed in the evening for about 150 guests. A pleasant party of the groom's relatives motored from Dashwood.

The out-of-town guests were Mr. and Mrs. Harry McErlane and Family, Mr. and Mrs. B. Otis, Miss Katherine Morrison, Miss Rose Doran, Miss Joan McMillan, all of Detroit, and Mr. and Mrs. Joe McManus of Watford and Mrs. Hugh Montgomery of Wyoming.

The wedding presents were numerous and useful.

The popular bride will be greatly missed at Bornish where she held the position of church organist for several years.

Mr. and Mrs. John Ziler will make their future home in Parkhill.

The Parkhill Gazette wishes them many happy and prosperous years.

[Hannah and L.P. McDonald gave the couple a Morris chair as a wedding gift.] (from the *Parkhill Gazette*, November 10, 1915)