

St. Elisabeth's South Philadelphia 1975 - 1981



Easter Vigil late 1970's





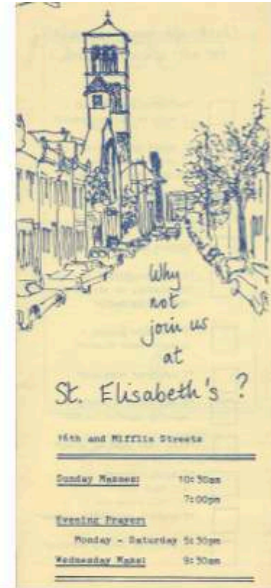
Summer Day Camp





South Philadelphia





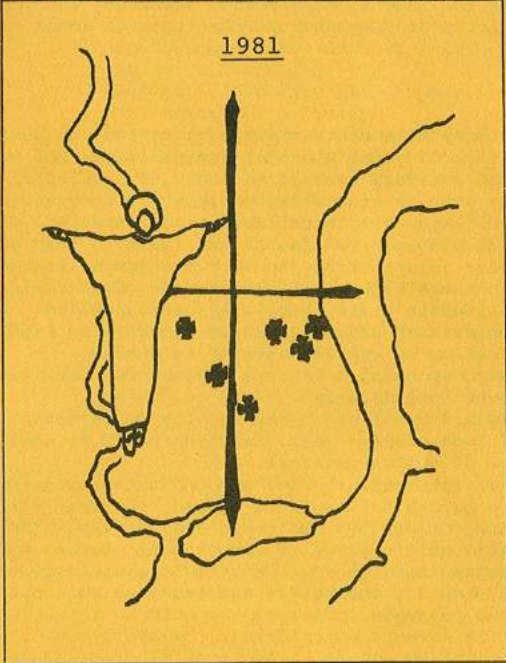
From top left going to right and down: summer day camp, picture from St. Agnus Hospital, evangelization leaflet, Holy Family Altar (used for Thursday mass), St. Mary's Chapel (used for Wednesday and Sunday evening masses), High altar and free standing altar.



L to R - Robert Gallagher, Mary Laney, Earl Laney, unknown (back to us), Denise Shinn

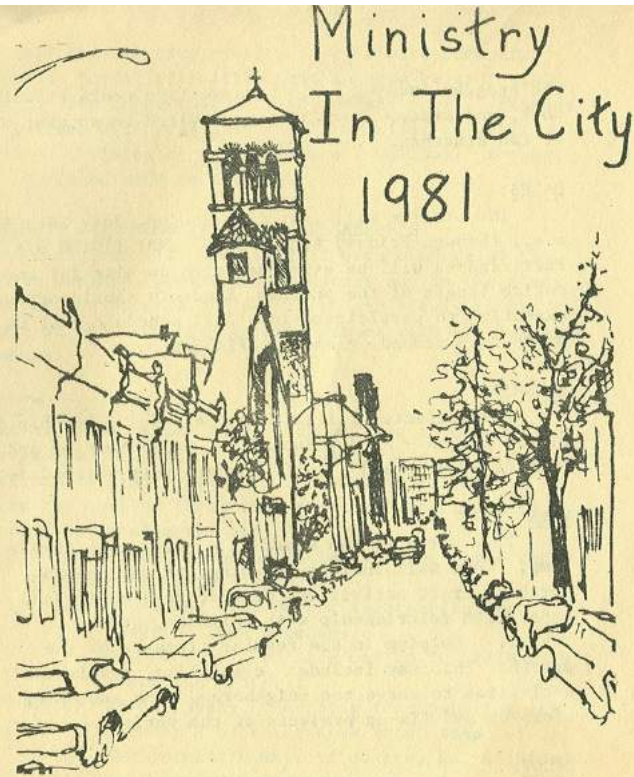
SOUTH PHILADELPHIA TEAM MINISTRY

1981



Participating Parishes

Church of the Crucifixion	620 S. 8th Street
St. Mary's Church	1831 Bainbridge Street
Gloria Dei	Delaware Ave. & Christian St.
St. John the Evangelist	3rd & Reed Sts.
St. Elisabeth's Church	16th & Mifflin Sts.
Calvary/St. Paul	2611 S. Broad St.



Ministry
In The City
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SAINT ELISABETH'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH
16th and Mifflin Streets
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19145

Ministry In The City is a program conducted by St. Elisabeth's Episcopal Church to provide an experience in urban ministry and Christian community for college-aged students and high school seniors.



Philadelphia Navy Yard

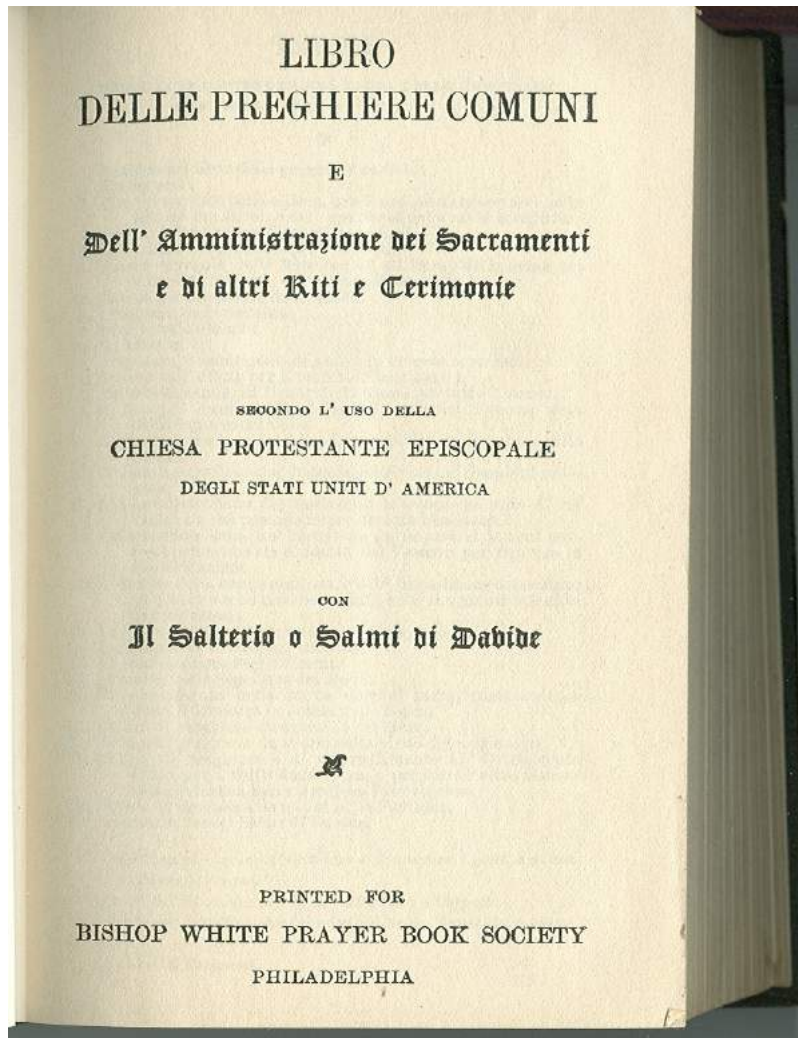


Broad and Snyder – a few blocks from St. Elisabeth's



Looking North – toward Center City

In the 1930's and 40's there was an Italian Congregation at St. Elisabeth's. There was a mass in Italian every Sunday. Some parishioners from those years were still at St. Elisabeth's in the 1970s



CLERGY AT ST. ELISABETH TELL OF PARISH GROWTH

On a miserable, rainy night in November, about fifty representative Church people, who were sufficiently interested in the work that is being done at St. Elisabeth's Church, at 16th and Mifflin Streets, to brave the elements, met for a delightful Italian supper. During the supper some very excellent music was furnished by students from the Curtis Institute of Music.

After supper Father Smith, the priest-in-charge, said a few words and then introduced Father Joiner, of St. Clement's Church, who is at present the chairman of a committee which is sponsoring St. Elisabeth's. The other members of the committee are:

Dr. John Mockridge, of S. James Church; Col. M. G. Baker, of the Valley Forge Military Academy; John Boyd, Alexander Groome, C. Fenno Hoffman, Dr. Francis Lukens, Reed A. Morgan, John B. Mulford, Hon. George Wharton Pepper and John Van Pelt.

Father Joiner told of the remarkable growth of the work during the past two years in spite of the financial vicissitudes through which it has passed. First, of its rejuvenation under Bishop Taitt's initiative, with the financial backing of St. James's Church, and the appointment of Fathers Smith, Roseboro, and Della Cioppa for the Italians, and Miss Deane, to handle the work. St. James's was obliged, after eighteen months, to withdraw its support, and the committee is now trying to find one hundred or more interested people who will give \$50 each to guarantee the uninterrupted continuity of the work for 1933. \$5,000 is needed over and above the \$2,000 that the congregation can raise themselves, with a contribution from the Bishop from Diocesan Funds, of about \$1,500.

Father Smith spoke briefly of his side of the work—of its inception with a congregation of fourteen the first Sunday, two years ago, to its present

healthy stage with over 400 out to the services every Sunday. Father Smith does a great deal of prison and hospital work under the City Mission, so he naturally does not devote so much time to St. Elisabeth's as does Father Roseboro, who spoke next, and who told of the many phases of the work.

There is so much dire poverty in the vicinity at the best of times, that with conditions as they are, he is overwhelmed with pitiful cases of need, hunger, evictions and distress of every sort. He and Miss Deane have given of themselves and of their personal means so exhaustively that they are both only about one jump ahead of the doctor on one score and the sheriff on the other. (Note: Father Roseboro did not mention this in his talk!) The people don't just come to them for help, giving no thought to the Church, but they come to the services regularly (if they have any clothes to wear), and do all sorts of jobs around the plant, scrubbing, sweeping, polishing, washing windows and curtains, etc., out of

gratitude for the help, both spiritual and material that has been given to them.

The congregation is mixed, Americans and Italians, and Father Della Cioppa has care of the Italians. A Mass in Italian is held every Sunday, and to this the older Italians who speak little or no English are urged to come. The younger ones, who go to school, and are rapidly becoming Americanized, prefer to attend the regular services. L'Emmanuelo, the Italian Mission, worships at St. Elisabeth's, and Father Della Cioppa has charge of the non-English speaking members of both congregations.

Miss Deane, on whom full credit for the success of the evening falls, spoke very briefly, and then after a little more music the very delightful party broke up to make their wet and unpleasant ways homeward.

The people who contribute to this valuable and growing work will be known as "The Friends of St. Elisabeth's." Won't *you* be one?