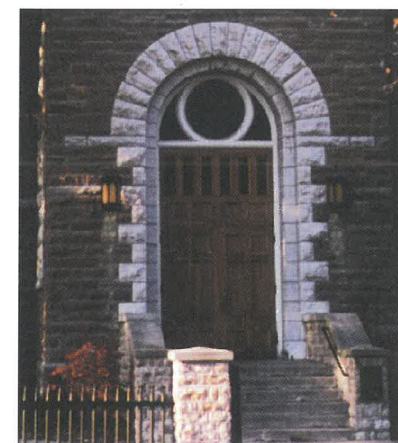


*little boy, when asked by his mother if he knew who the saints are, replied, "Sure, those are the people at the church that the light shines through."*

This booklet is intended to explain the theological aspects of the interior decorations of St. Joseph's Church so that we may better understand, as the little boy put it, "The people that the light shines through". For the most part, the interpretations are restricted to the decor of the church as it is during this the 1996 sesquicentennial celebration.

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It is hoped that the reader understands that the saints were very real people, not unlike each of us. For many of the centuries that the Church has existed, large numbers of the faithful were illiterate. For this reason the churches were adorned with paintings, stained glass windows of images, and with statues and symbols. These could be interpreted to reveal our rich heritage of faith and the Church's past which they represent.

In the words of Father Neil Roy, *"Let's go read some windows..."*