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Site of New Junior High

The land has been cleared for the new Birmingham junior high school at the Valley Woods site. The new structure will be located at 14 Mile and Bellevue Trail. Construction is expected to begin soon with completion scheduled for Sept. 1963. The new school is being financed from the \$4 million bond issue which was approved in 1961.

Enrollment Raised In all Area Parochial Schools

Increased enrollment for the incoming class, according to Sister Aguin, IHM, principal, by each of the nine local Roman Catholic schools.

Marion High Schools, an all-girls institution on Lahser Road, Birmingham, has enrolled the greatest number of students, with the exception of possibly neighbor Brother Rice High.

Marion, which will graduate the school's first senior class June 9, will jump their attendance from 550 to approximately 900 students. The large increase is due to the

SACRED HEART convent, one of 180 around the world, is an accredited member of the North Central Association of schools with college preparatory curriculums. Over 95 per cent of its graduates go on to college, according to the principal.

The city Catholic elementary schools in the area will have an approximate enrollment of 4,270 this year, an increase of more than 200 over 1961.

ST. BEDES, with an increase of 80, is the leader. Fr. Cyril J. Keating, pastor, announced that the school will add one classroom, either 3rd or 4th grade, and increase their teaching staff by one lay teacher. This balances the staff, he said, at seven nuns and seven laymen.

Run by the Immaculate Heart of Mary order, the school has 13 classrooms.

St. Columban parish will add the greatest number of classrooms, six, to their school. The six rooms and two additional teachers will serve an enrollment of approximately 400 students.

ST. COLUMBAN school will have a seventh grade level this year. They plan to add an eighth grade class in 1963-64.

ST. REGIS Mission in Birmingham is another area elementary school which goes as high as the seventh grade. With an expected enrollment of 500 students, the school has added three new teachers, raising its total staff to 12.

One sixth grade classroom was added to Our Lady Queen of Martyrs school, Beverly Hills, during the summer. The enrollment jumped from 939 in 1961 to approximately 970 this term.

ST. HUGO of the Hills will raise their classroom total to 19 this year with the addition of three rooms, requiring three additional teachers, reported Fr. Francis Stack, pastor. Registration increased approximately 18 students, bringing the total to 550.

Holy Name school in Birmingham has the largest enrollment of the area elementary schools. They increased last year's total of 1,051 to 1,072. Ten teachers, four laymen and six nuns, were added to the faculty, although the number of classrooms, 23, remains the same as last year.

HOLY NAME will install TV systems in each classroom, from the Aiborn Television Instruction network, to offer students visual instruction in the social sciences, foreign language, arts and science.

All area parochial schools will open Sept. 4 and close June 7, with the exception of the Academy of the Sacred Heart. Sacred Heart begins classes the morning of Sept. 5 and will end the school year June 6.

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