

ary was enabled to erect the church with adjoining parsonage, also fifteen small houses for the Indian people. Afterwards he built seven others. On the 16th day of June, 1844, which was the third (Sunday) after Pentecost, the Most Holy Sacrifice of the Mass was offered up for the first time in this church. But, of course, the church was then not finished. But when it was completed to some degree of perfection, the undersigned missionary solemnly dedicated it on the first Sunday of the same year to God Almighty under the Name of His Beloved Son, Jesus, who with the Father and the Holy Ghost is God forever, and at the same time he beseeched Him that He might mercifully deign to grant that whosoever should enter this church, asking benefits from Him in the Name of Jesus, might receive what he faithfully asked, so that he might experience how truly the Truth itself spoke, saying: 'If you ask anything of the Father in My name He will grant it to you.'

"On the 16th of July, 1846, the Rt. Rev. and Most Illustrious Peter Paul Lefèvre, bishop of Zela and administrator of the diocese of Detroit, visited this mission canonically and on the following Sunday confirmed eighty-six Indians in this church of the Holy Name of Jesus."

"FREDERIC BARAGA,  
Missionary."

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"On the 25th of September, 1854, the Most Illustrious and Rt. Rev. Baraga, bishop of Amyzonias, and vicar-apostolic of Upper Michigan, canonically visited for the first time this mission, founded by him, and on the following Sunday, which was the first Sunday of October, he confirmed forty-three Indians and half-breeds."