

HISTORY
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ST. RAYMOND'S CHURCH.

CHAPTER I.

CATHOLICITY IN WESTCHESTER COUNTY AND TOWN, N. Y.,
A. D. 1755, 1756, 1757.

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St. Raymond's Church, West Chester, N. Y.]



HE muster roll of Captain Isaac Corsa's New York Westchester Company, from May 20th, to Dec. 5, 1755, contains the Roman Catholic and Irish names of John Maher, Patrick Fitzgerald, Roger Dorney, Patrick Martin, William Blake, Patrick O'Neill, Patrick Duggan, John Welch, Daniel O'Brien, David Brady, Thomas Haggerty, Thos. Canniff, John Nolan, and Barnaby McQuade. They enlisted in Westchester for service during the French and Indian War, 1754-1763, and took part in the Battle of Lake George, Sept. 8, 1755. Daniel O'Brien was the only member of the company killed in that engagement. The victorious English and colonial