

It was in 1873 that the Sisters of the Precious Blood came into the parish, just ten years later than the Sisters of St. Joseph.

This cloistered, contemplative Order, brought to Toronto by the late Archbishop Lynch, had been for nearly four years established in an old roughcast building in St. Mary's Parish, which had served as a cradle to several Religious Communities in Toronto.

In 1873 the Archbishop purchased the small white brick house on the corner of St. Joseph and St. Vincent Streets—No. 77 St. Joseph Street. The adjoining lot of about 25 feet was donated for a garden by Mrs. Charlotte Elmsley. On April the 11th, 1873, the Sisters entered the parish. They lived for eleven years in that small house, when, in 1884, they effected an exchange with Mr. Joseph Donovan for their present location, near the park. About seven years later they built the present front as it now stands.

A great measure of gratitude is due from the parish to the Sisters of the Precious Blood