

In 1898 a Mission Chapel was built at Chili Avenue and Hobart Street. It was dedicated by Fr. Thomas F. Hickey, later to become the second Bishop of Rochester. It was known as St. Augustine's Chapel. Fr. Hickey celebrated the first Mass, and the chapel became a Mission of St. Patrick's Cathedral.

Prior to that time, the people in the area attended the older parishes, St. Patrick's Cathedral, SS. Peter & Paul's, Holy Family and Immaculate Conception.

The Priests from St. Patrick's Cathedral took care of the Mission Chapel including the Rev. George Burns, Charles Fischer, Arthur Hughes, Phillip Golding, George Eisler, Michael Nolan, William Ryan, John F. O'Hern (later Bishop of Rochester).

Fr. John O'Brien was appointed Pastor in October 1906.

The first baptism was January 29, 1899 by Rev. George Burns

The first marriage was on February 12, 1906 by Rev. J. F. O'Hern

The first funeral July 1907, a baby boy, 9 months old - died from meningitis.

St. Augustine's 2nd church and school was dedicated July 28, 1907.

Cost \$35,000.

Rectory was built in 1909 - Cost \$7,300.

Present church was dedicated 1924.

Present convent completed June 1950 - cost \$140,000.

Father O'Brien died January 5, 1945 and was succeeded by Rev. John M. Duffy

In his 75th year, in 1968, after 23 years guiding his parishioners,

Msgr. Duffy was retired in accordance with the rules of the diocese.

Father Edward Tolster became pastor in June 1968. He died on Thanksgiving Day November 23, 1972, while hunting.

Fathers Paul McCabe and Neil Miller became Co-Pastors on February 15, 1973.

Due to illness Fr. Miller left St. Augustine's and Fr. David Simon was appointed Co-Pastor with Fr. McCabe in the Fall of 1975.

Father Elmer McDonald became pastor in January 1978 but left in the Fall of 1979 to become a Chaplain in the Military.

Father Trott was appointed Pastor September 1979.