

Tridentine Community News

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Historic Photos of Holy Name of Mary Church

A reader happened to be in the basement of Windsor's Holy Name of Mary Church recently and discovered a treasure trove of photographs of the church prior to its whitewashing in the 1970s. While Holy Name of Mary remains a beautiful church on the exterior, to look at the before-and-after photos of the interior makes one wonder why anyone could think its current state is in any sense an improvement upon its original beauty.



Contrast with its current state, functional but stark. The Communion Rail and Side Altars are gone. The tester over the High Altar is still there but lowered for some unknown reason. The predella (three steps and platform) for the High Altar remains there, but the altar itself is gone. Fortunately the tabernacle was recently relocated back to its central place on the predella, and the original pulpit has been reinstalled.

