



REUNION DAY 2020

CLASS of 1945

CELEBRATING 75 YEAR ANNIVERSARY

GRADUATION MAY 16, 1945



left to right

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1st Row: Merlyn White Frances Twiss Eleanor Whalls Dorothy Duncan Margarite Montague Doris Halverson Shirley Kavanaugh Marion Ionson Teresa Lobsinger
Freda Welt Helen Grightmire Gloria Gifford Sally Scullion Ruth Chadwick Margaret Houston Ruth Yager

2nd Row: Mary Hanlon Shirley Kitchen Vivian Biggar Angela Amadio Grace Leitch Neta Morrow Edna Freeman Grace Gilbert Elizabeth Cummings
Mae Morris Mary McMurrick Margaret Leonard Jean Hayes Lorraine Stewart Ruth deMontmorency Maureen Bleeks Dorothy Harrod
Olga Boychuk Katharine Dashner

Mary Hanlon (Sister Virginia Hanlon)

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The Sisters of St. Joseph
and the Graduating Class of 1945

St. Joseph's Hospital

School of Nursing

cordially invite you to be present

at the

Graduation Exercises

Wednesday afternoon, May the sixteenth

at three o'clock, P.M.

Auditorium
Cathedral of Christ the King
714 King Street, West
Hamilton, Ontario

Graduating Exercises

St. Joseph's Hospital

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King St. West

3 p.m.

Wednesday, May 16th

1945

Programme

Orchestra O Canada

Chairman

W. P. Downes, B.A., M.D.C.M. . . Chairman of Staff

Presentation of Diplomas and Pins by

HIS EXCELLENCY

MOST REVEREND JOSEPH F. RYAN, D.D.

Addresses to Graduating Class

BY NORA-FRANCES HENDERSON

Representing

HIS WORSHIP MAYOR LAWRENCE

W. L. CREWSON, M.D.C.M.

President of Hamilton Academy of Medicine

MR. W. H. LOVERING

Director Hamilton Health Association

HIS EXCELLENCY

MOST REVEREND JOSEPH F. RYAN, D.D.

Presentation of Prizes

Programme

Prize for General Proficiency
Given by L. L. Playfair, M.D., F.R.C.S. (E)
Presented by Mrs. Playfair.

MISS ANGELINA AMADIO

Prize for Efficiency in Bedside Nursing
Given by F. Woodhall, M.B.
Presented by Mrs. Woodhall.

MISS EDNA FREEMAN

Prize for Surgical Nursing and Examination
Given by John R. Parry, B.A., M.B., F.R.C.S. (C)
Presented by Miss Rosa Parry.

MISS RUTH de MONTMORENCY

Prize for Medical Nursing and Examination
Given by William Downes, B.A., M.D.C.M.
Presented by Mrs. Downes.

MISS OLLYA BOYCHUK

Prize for Public Health Nursing
Given in memory of the late Dr. James Roberts.
Presented by Mrs. Roberts.

MISS FRANCES TWISS

Prize for Professional Ethics
Given by H. J. Sullivan, M.D.C.M.
Presented by Mrs. Sullivan.

MISS DORIS HALVERSON

Prize for Nursing and Examination in Preventive Medicine
Given by A. C. Martin, M.B.
Presented by Mrs. Martin.

MISS DOROTHY HARROD

Prize for Examination and Nursing in Diseases of the Eye, Ear,
Nose and Throat

Given by W. L. Crewson, M.D.C.M., and
H. Nicholson, M.B.

Presented by Mrs. Nicholson.

MRS. GRACE GILBERT

Prize for Anatomy and Physiology
Given by W. A. Weaver, M.D.C.M., and
R. J. Fraser, M.D.

Presented by Mrs. Fraser.

MISS SHIRLEY KAVANAUGH

Prize for Clinical Pathology
Given by John Tilden, M.D., in memory of his mother,
Mrs. Isabel Tilden.

Presented by Miss Mary Murray.

MISS TERESA LOBSINGER

GOD SAVE THE KING

May 15, 1945

PRIZE WINNERS 1945



ST. JOSEPH'S PRIZE-WINNERS—Ten members of the graduating class of St. Joseph's School for Nursing have been awarded prizes for outstanding achievement. The prizes were presented by Mrs. Downes; Miss Frances Twiss, for public health nursing, given in memory of the late Dr. James Roberts, to be presented by Mrs. Roberts.

PRIZE WINNERS

TOP ROW	left to right	Angelina Amadeo Edna Freeman Ruth de Montmorency Olga Boychuk Frances Twiss	general proficiency efficiency in bedside nursing surgical nursing and examination medical nursing and examination public health nursing
BOTTOM ROW	left to right	Doris Halversan Dorothy Harrod Grace Gilbert Shirley Kavanaugh Theresa Lobsinger	professional ethics nursing and examination in preventive medicine examination and nursing in diseases of the eye, ear, nose and throat anatomy and physiology clinical pathology

Graduates of 1945

ANGELINA AMADIO,
NIAGARA FALLS, ONT.

VIVIAN BLANCHE BIGGAR,
JARVIS, ONT.

ETHENA MAUREEN BLEEKS,
LASHBURN, SASK.

OLLYA RAE BOYCHUK,
HAMILTON, ONT.

WILMA RUTH CHADWICK,
VITTORIA, ONT.

ELIZABETH ROSE CUMMINGS,
HAMILTON, ONT.

KATHERINE NAOMI DASHNER,
FISHERVILLE, ONT.

RUTH ANITA DEMONTMORENCY,
BURFORD, ONT.

DOROTHY IRENE DUNCAN,
SIMCOE, ONT.

EDNA LOUISE FREEMAN,
WATERFORD, ONT.

GLORIA ELAINE GIFFORD,
HAMILTON, ONT.

GRACE LENORE GILBERT,
WATERFORD, ONT.

HELEN ELIZABETH GRIGHTMIRE,
DUNDAS, ONT.

DORIS MARJOLIAN HALVERSON,
FORT ERIE N., ONT.

MARY CLAIR HANLON,
GUELPH, ONT.

DOROTHY ALEAN HARROD,
BURLINGTON ONT.

JEAN GLADYS HAYS,
PARIS, ONT.

MARJORIE RUTH YAGER,
SELKIRK, ONT.

MARGARET EVELYN HOUSTON,
MOOREFIELD, ONT.

MARION AMELIA IONSON,
JARVIS, ONT.

SHIRLEY AILEEN KAVANAUGH,
HAMILTON, ONT.

SHIRLEY LILLIAN KITCHEN,
WATERFORD, ONT.

GRACE SNEDDON LEITCH,
HAMILTON, ONT.

MARGARET MONA LEONARD,
HAMILTON, ONT.

MARY TERESA LOBSINGER,
BRANTFORD, ONT.

MARY RITCHIE McMURRICH,
DUNDAS, ONT.

ANNA MARGUERITE MONTAGUE,
JARVIS ONT.

MAY MORRIS,
HAMILTON, ONT.

NETA ISABEL MORROW,
GULL LAKE, SASK.

SARAH SCULLION,
HAMILTON, ONT.

LORRAINE ANN STEWART,
HAMILTON, ONT.

FRANCES AUDREY TWISS,
DUNDAS, ONT.

FREDA MAE WELT,
JARVIS, ONT.

ELINOR ANNE WHALLS,
BRANTFORD, ONT.

MERLYN ISOBEL WHITE,
HAMILTON, ONT.

Nurses Graduate At Hamilton

MAY

1945

On Wednesday afternoon, May 16th, thirty-five ladies will graduate from St. Joseph's School of Nursing, Hamilton. This is the largest class in the history of the Hospital and comparing it with their first graduation of January, 1916, when nine young ladies received their diplomas, it shows the increase in demand for their services.

A BASILICA AUDITORIUM

The exercises will be held at the auditorium of the Cathedral of Christ the King. The graduates are: Angelina Amadio, Vivian Blanche Biggar, Ethena Maureen Bleeks, Ollya Rae Boychuk, Wilma Ruth Chadwick, Elizabeth Rose Cummings, Katherine Naomi Dashner, Ruth Anita DeMontmorancy, Dorothy Irene Duncan, Edna Louise Freeman, Gloria Elaine Gifford, Grace Lenore Gilbert, Helen Elizabeth Grightmire, Doris Marjolian Halverson, Mary Clair Hanlon, Dorothy Alean Harrod, Jean Gladys Hays, Margaret Evelyn Houston, Marion

Amelia Ionson, Shirley Aileen Kavanaugh, Shirley Lillian Kitchen, Grace Sneedon Leitch, Margaret Mona Leonard, Mary Teresa Lobsinger, Mary Ritchie McMurrich, Anna Marguerite Montague, May Morris, Neta Isabel Morrow, Sarah Scullion, Lorraine Ann Stewart, Frances Audrey Twiss, Freda Mae Welt, Elinor Anne Whalls, Merlyn Isobel White, Marjorie Ruth Yager.

The young nurse of today is assuming no ordinary responsibility and as long as she remains in the profession she will daily be reminded of this fact. Her lamps of service must be kept bright indeed if she is to see the path of duty clearly. Intelligence will not be enough, sympathy will not be enough; truth must be her torch, efficiency her sandals; she must be clothed with strength and carry the keys of compassion. Her vision must never fail and courage must never falter if this young nurse who dedicates her life to the services of suffering humanity is to remain true to the profession she enters.

1945 Graduation

Civic Greetings

Controller Nora-Frances Henderson, representing Mayor Samuel Lawrence, extended greetings on behalf of the Mayor and the city, and referred to the happy relationship that exists between the city of Hamilton and this large Catholic institution. Dr. W. L. Crewson, president of the Hamilton Academy of Medicine, extended congratulations and good wishes to the class on behalf of the academy.

The graduation exercises were particularly happily arranged this year and carried out with impressive dignity, the procession of the graduating class being preceded in entering the hall by a procession of the nurses-in-training who expect to graduate next year. Three of the nurses-in-training also provided the music for the event. The large gathering present was cordially welcomed by Dr. Downes, and the prizewinners were also presented with their awards, as published previously.



Frances Twiss '45



GRADUATES FEEL

In the evening the usual dance for the graduates was held in the auditorium of St. Joseph's Hospital School of Nursing.

The alumnae arranged a dinner at the Royal Connaught Hotel on May 17th in honour of the graduates. The speaker for the evening was Mrs. J. Carson, formerly Doctor Victoria Mueller of St. Michael's College, Toronto, who gave an exceptionally fine address on "True Friendship and High Ideals." The event was a most enjoyable one and was attended by representatives of all graduating classes since the first class of 1915.

1945 Graduation Dance

Alumnae arranged a dinner at the
Royal Connaught Hotel



Olga Boychuk '45





Angela Amadio'45 Dorothy Duncan'45 D. J. Tilden Freda Welt'45



Class of 1945 off to Detroit for pediatric affiliation

<i>Doris Halverson'45</i>	<i>Mae Morris'45</i>	<i>Olga Boychuk'45</i>	<i>Ruth DeMontmorency'45</i>	<i>Margaret Houston'45</i>
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Grace Gilbert '45



Ruth Chadwick '45



JUNE 23, 1945

Nurses' Group Holds Quarterly Meeting

On Thursday evening, June 14, District four of the Registered Nurses' Association of Ontario held the quarterly meeting at the Nurses' Residence, St. Joseph's Hospital, Hamilton. Miss J. Mason, provincial president, gave an interesting talk, dwelling upon the subjects — Bargaining, Trade Unions and the Practice Act.

Of particular interest to nurses-in-training and to all young women who intend to enter the Training School was the discussion of bursaries which are available to nurses who continue in university and post-graduate courses. A government grant amounting to five-twelfths of last year's grant has been received by the Canadian Nurses' Association. It is expected the remainder will be forwarded before the end of the year. Some of the western provinces have opened Placement Bureaus to arrange positions for nurses returning from overseas. It is expected similar bureaus will be established in this province.

At the close of the meeting a vote of thanks was extended to Miss Mason. The senior students of St. Joseph's School of Nursing served refreshments.

If education is a training for life and not merely for a livelihood, no theory of it can be sound if the theorist has not a right notion both of the ultimate purpose of human living, and of the conditions of mind and will by which that purpose may be realized.—E. Leen.

June 1945 RNAO meeting

Discussion on bursaries for post graduate education



Helen Grighmire '45 Frances O'Brien '41 Gerarda Clark '44
Working in the O.R.



Catherine Dashner '45 Catherine Boyle '44 Grace Gilbert '45
Working in the O.R.



Catherine Brown '43, Irma Keller '41
Lorraine Stewart '45, Betty Martin '43
Working in the O.R.



Front: Ruth deMontmorency '45 Marion Ionson '45 Frances O'Brien '41 Katherine Dasher '45
Back: Helen King Marcellus '42 Loreen Leatherdale '43 Catherine Boyle '44

September Graduating Class 1945



BACK ROW:

Edna Freeman, Ruth Yager, Margaret Leonard, Grace Leitch, Ruth Chadwick, Mary McMurrick, Frances Twiss, Lorraine Stewart, Dorothy Harrod, Shirley Kitchen

FRONT ROW:

Teresa Lobsinger, Sarah Scullion, Margaret Houston, Edna Freeman, Helen Grightmire, Gloria Gifford

W. H. Lovering Delivers Address At Hamilton

"You will need clear thinking and much faith as you go out into the world to-day — a world with many problems of creed differences, national duties, political distresses — but for these and other post-war duties you will have a safe guide if you remember that faith is better than sight, and love is better than hatred," said Mr. W. H. Lovering, president of Hamilton Health Association, in addressing the graduating class of St. Joseph's School of Nursing, Wednesday, May 16.

The graduation exercises, held in the auditorium of the Basilica of Christ the King, were presided over by Dr. W. F. Downes, chairman of the medical staff of St. Joseph's Hospital. Diplomas were presented by the Most Rev. Joseph F. Ryan, D.D., Bishop of Hamilton, who also gave a brief message, and the pins were pinned on each graduate by Rev. Sister M. Ursula, superintendent of nurses.

In continuing, Mr. Lovering spoke of the scope and usefulness of the nurse's training in not only giving a young woman a profession through which to engage in health and social services to the general public and making her the "right hand of the medical profession," but, he continued, "nursing is the only profession that is not lost when a woman enters the home; it fits a woman to be a better wife and mother, as many of you no doubt will be." The speaker urged that the young women make their aim and purpose, through good report or ill, to so live and strive to serve that they may do their part faithfully to raise the standards of life. "The nurse's life is not an easy one, but it is a blessed one, and I think the Lord particularly blesses those who enter it," Mr. Lovering said. "The great need of our time is to think about others, and when this is done out of love of good, you are producing the finest fruit of Christian charity." He urged faithful adherence to ethical principles, that they try to forget prejudices, impart a wholesome savour to the community about them, and be not just a passive influence, but rather an active one, for good.

HIS EXCELLENCY SPEAKS

His Excellency the Most Reverend J. F. Ryan, D.D., said, "Surely the great need to-day is charity. I urge you to not only show charity to those patients and others who immediately receive your ministrations, but that you rather cultivate a Divine benevolence toward all." There were two handmaids which should accompany the virtue of charity, His Excellency said, politeness and cheerfulness. He explained that these should become the natural expression of genuine kindness in the heart.

1945

Address to graduating class

"I extend my hearty felicitations to parents and friends who have sacrificed to see their daughters reach this point in their lives and to doctors of the hospital staff, and congratulate the superior and Sisters of St. Joseph. The Sisters are now embarked on a big enter-

prise — a large addition to the hospital. I do hope there are many friends, not only Catholics but otherwise, who knowing of their good work and years of service in the community, will be helpful to them and make this project one that will be worthy and soon brought to fruition," His Excellency concluded.

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Mary Clare Hanlon '45 holding a patient for Dr Fraser



*M. Thomas Marjorie Leonard '45 Doris Halverson '45
Gerarda Clark '44 Muriel Black '43 Loreen Leatherdale '43 Jean Hodgins '44
Working in the O.R.*



*Grace Gilbert '45 & Dr. F. Hamilton
in the Tonsil Room*



*Winnie Helen Winnie Angie Bernadette
Walker '47 Miller '47 Ayres '46 Amadio '45 Hynes '48
1948 on roof of the John St building*



Class of 1945 and 1946

Standing Left to right:

**Jean Laing, Rosemary Ruffing'46 Agnes McCawill'46 Jean Mitchell'46 Dorothy Gleed'46 Shirley Kitchen'45 Nita Morrow'45 Jean Hayes'45
Edith Franklin'46 Vivian Biggar'45 Ruth Chadwick'45 Marion Ionson'45 Lorraine Stewart'45**

Kneeling Left to Right: Rosemary Walsh'46 Grace Leitch'45



Grace Wright (nee Gilbert), left, Freda Hannah (nee Welt), Ange Martin (nee Amadio), Marion Davidson (nee Ionson) and James Shipley at St. Joseph's nursing school's 90th anniversary.

<i>Grace Gilbert '45</i>	<i>Freda Welt '45</i>	<i>Angie Amadio '45</i>	<i>Marion Ionson '45</i>	<i>James Shipley '71A</i>
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<i>Father Charles Galea</i>
<i>Teresa Lobsinger Sister Virginia</i>
<i>Walsh '45 Hanlon '45</i>



Freda Welt '45



Dorothy Gleed'46 Marguerite Montague'45 Marjorie Almas'43



*Sister Virginia
Hanlon '45*



*Sister Patricia
Hanlon '50*



*Mary Clare Hanlon '45
a.k.a. Sister Virginia Hanlon*

