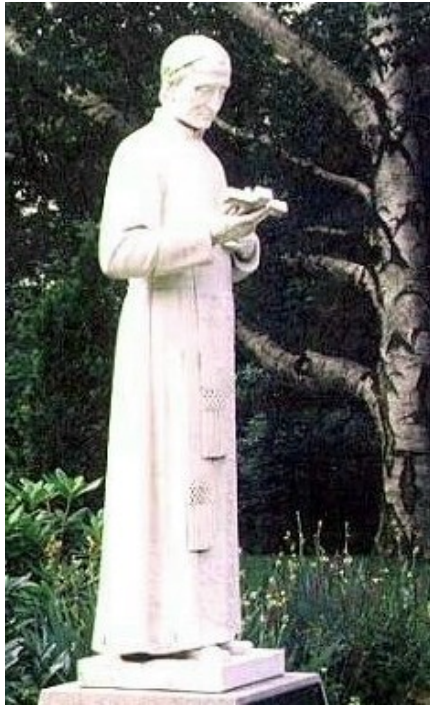


THE STIGMATINE NORTH AMERICAN PROVINCE



Dedicated to the HOLY SPOUSES, MARY and JOSEPH

CHRONICLE

GENERAL INTRODUCTION [Geographic Locations]

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Rev. Joseph Henchey, CSS

Tereza Lopes [Lay Stigmatine]

Latest Update on the Feast of St. Joseph, 2025

CONFIGURATION

This present Province Chronicle is planned for five substantial 'volumes', preceded by this General Introduction and followed by the General Appendix:

General Presentation			
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		Our Lady of Pompeii Church	Milwaukee WI
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		St. Ann	West Springfield MA
		St. Anthony of Padua	Agawam MA
		St. Joseph	East Longmeadow, MA
		Assumption	Ludlow, MA
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		Our Lady of Mount Carmel	White Plains NY
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		Assumption	

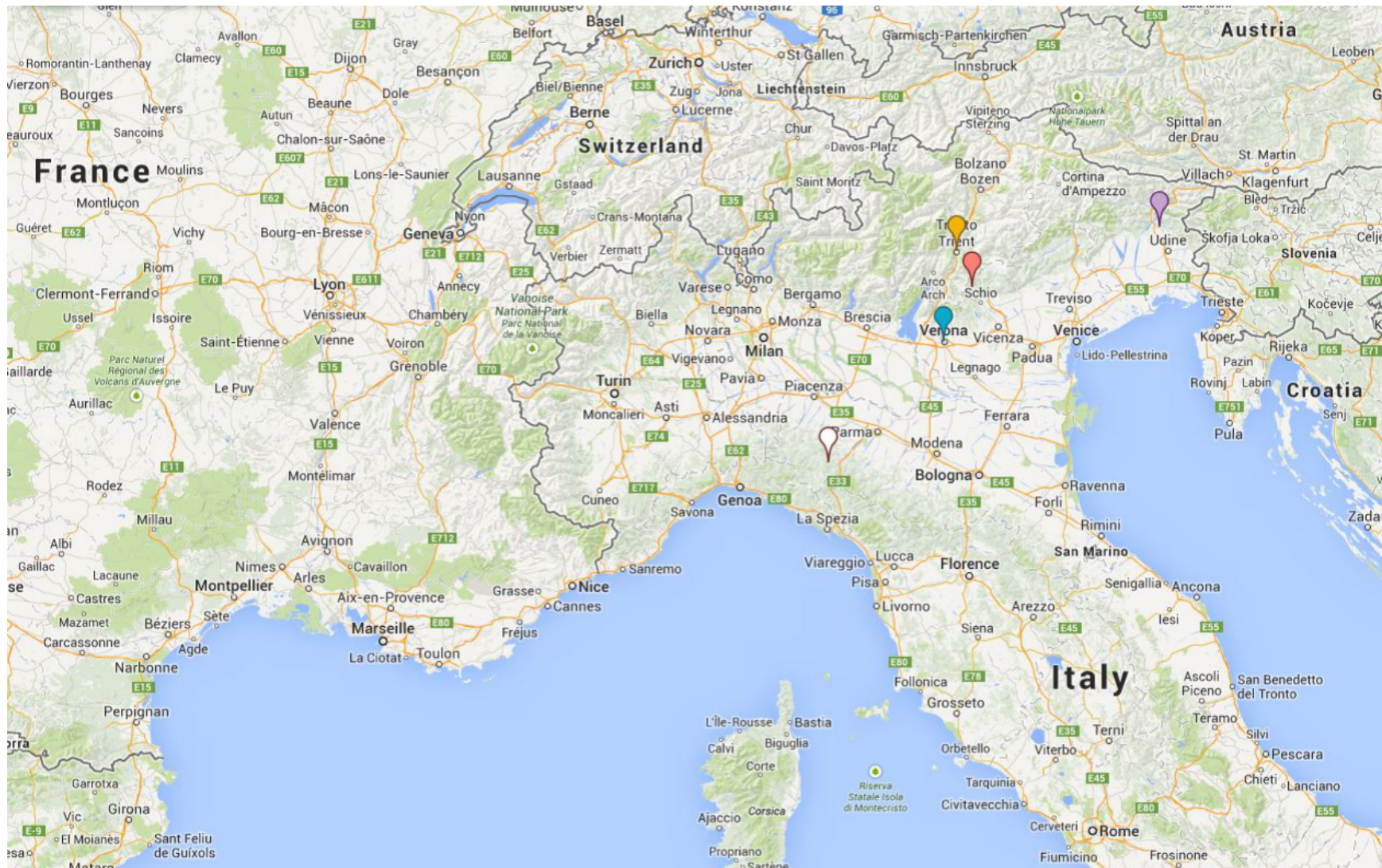
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		St. Francis	West Lynn MA
		Sacred Heart	Milford MA
		Sacred Heart	Feeding Hills MA
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		Sacred Heart	Vancouver BC, Canada

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		All Saints	Manassas VA
		Our Lady of the Ozarks	Winslow AR
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		Juniorate and Provincialate	Milford MA
		Minor House of Studies [‘Elm Bank’]	Wellesley MA
		House of Studies	Watertown MA
		House of Formation and Provincialate	Newton MA
		Novitiate and Provincialate [Maple Street]	Springfield MA
		Holy Apostles Seminary	Cromwell, CT
		Our Lady of Guadalupe Novitiate	Waterville NY
		Major House of Studies	Washington DC
		Summer Camp for Students [‘Camp Wyoma’]	Hinsdale MA
		Camp Elm Bank	Waltham, MA
	Professorship	University and Seminary	Several locations
	Foreign Missions	Province Mary the Morning Star	Thailand
		Provinces of the Holy Cross and St. Joseph	Brazil
		China	China
		Guam	Guam
		Philippines	Philippines
	Ministries	Religious Institutes	Several locations
	Vocations		
	Stigmatine Laity		
General Conclusion			

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Our Origin [Italy] - General View



Verona [Veneto], birth place



Trento [South Tyrol capital]



Laghi [Vicenza]



Arterga [Udine]



Mariano di Parma [Parma]



**Chiesa e la Casa delle
Stimmate [Casa Madre]**

*Church and House of the
Stigmata [Mother House]*

Via Carlo Montanari, 3
Verona, VN

Founder:
St. Gaspar Bertoni

November 4, 1916



The following are places from where many Stigmatines came to North America:



Trento, the capital of the Province of Trento, in the region of Trentino-Alto Adige/South Tyrol



Laghi, in the region of Vicenza



Artegna, in the region of Udine



Mariano di Parma, in the region of Parma

The Regions of Italy - General View



★ Verona, birth-place of the Stigmatine Congregation

Province of Veneto – where Verona is located



Veneto is one of the twenty regions of Italy. Its population [nowadays] about five million, ranking fifty in Italy. The region's capital and largest city is Venice.

Veneto is the 8th largest region in Italy, with a total area of 18,398.9 km² (7,103.9 sq mi). It is located in the North-Eastern part of Italy, and is bordered to the East by Friuli Venezia Giulia, to the South by Emilia-Romagna, to the West by Lombardy and to the North by Trentino-Alto Adige/South Tyrol. As its northernmost corner it borders also on Austria.



St. Mark's Basilica, the Seat of the Patriarch of Venice



The Adige in Verona



13th-century Castel Brando in Cison di Valmarino,
Treviso



L'Orto Botanico di Padova

Trentino–Alto Adige/South Tyrol – from where many Stigmatines came to North America



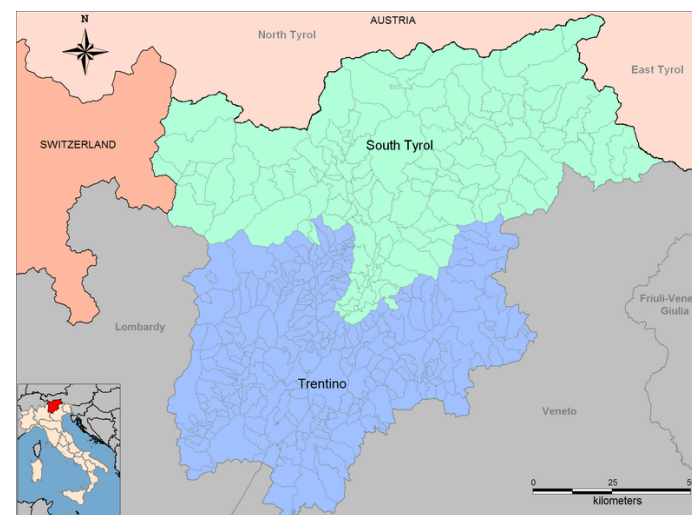
Trentino–Alto Adige/Südtirol is an autonomous region in Northern Italy. Since the 1970's most legislative and administrative competencies have been transferred to the two autonomous provinces which makeup the region: Trentino [Province of Trento] and Alto Adige/South Tyrol [Province of Bolzano].

The region was part of Austria-Hungary and its predecessors, the Austrian Empire and the Holy Roman Empire from the 8th century until its annexation by Italy in 1919. Together with the Austrian state of Tyrol it is represented by the Euro-region Tyrol-South Tyrol-Trentino.

With a past of poverty, the region is today among the wealthiest and most developed in both Italy and the whole European Union.

In English, the region is also known as *Trentino-South Tyrol* or by its Italian name *Trentino-Alto Adige*.

The region is bordered by Tyrol (Austria) to the North-East and North, by Graubünden (Switzerland) to the North-West, and by the Italian regions of Lombardy to the West and Veneto to the South and South-East. It is extremely mountainous, covering a large part of the Dolomites and the Southern Alps.





Buonconsiglio Castle in Trento, capital of Trentino



Alpine landscape near the village of Stilfs, South Tyrol

Cathedral Maria
Himmelfahrt in
Bolzano/Bozen,
capital of South
Tyrol



Lakeside
Promenade
in Riva del
Garda,
Trentino



Italian Diaspora



Italian emigrants leaving Italy in the 1890's

The term Italian diaspora refers to the large-scale migration of Italians away from Italy in the period between the unification of Italy in 1861 and the rise of Italian Fascism during the 1920's, but one last wave can be observed after the end of World War II.

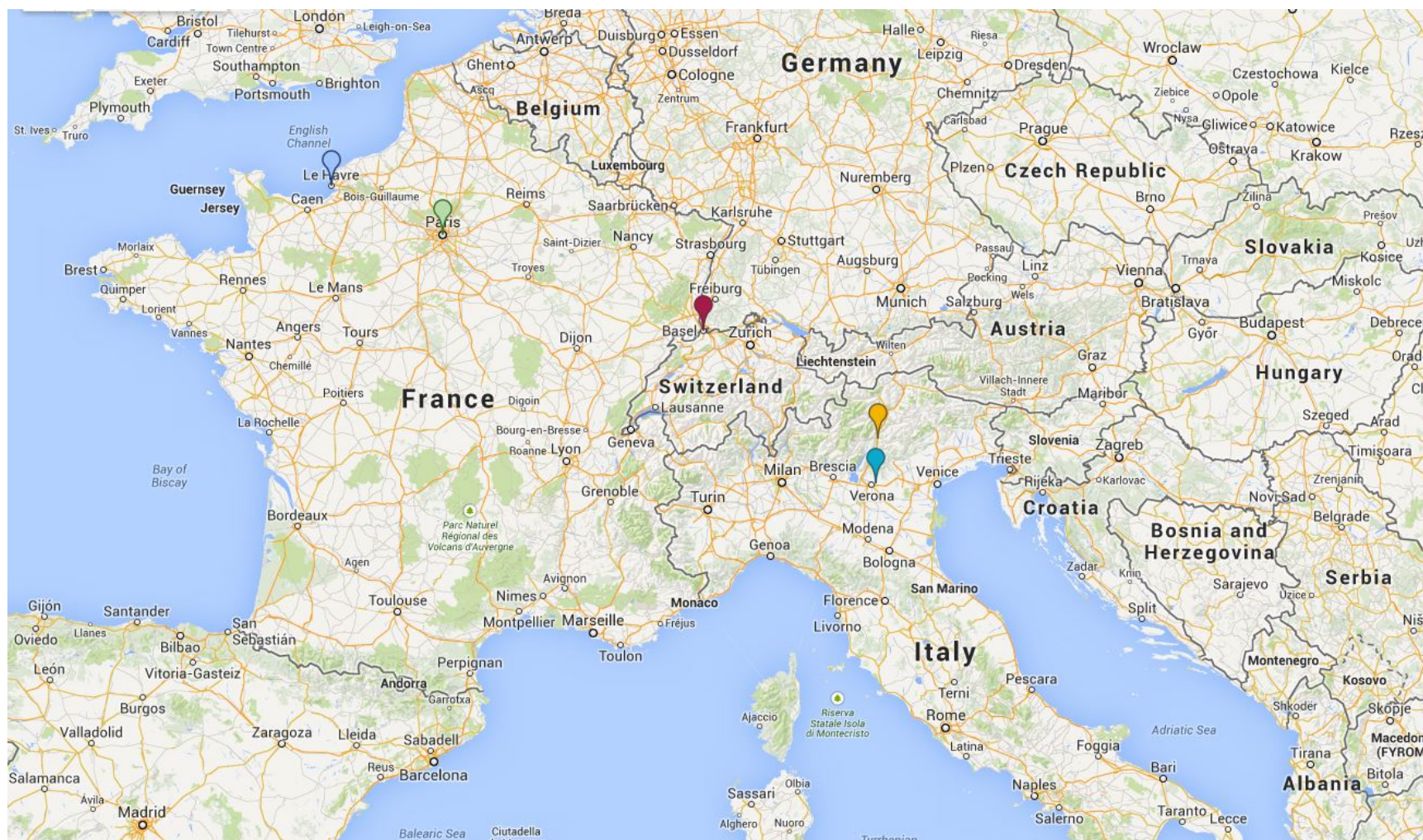
Poverty was the main reason for the diaspora. Italy was until the 1860's a partially rural society where land management practices, especially in the South and North-East, did not easily convince farmers to stay on the land and work the soil. Another characteristic was related to the overpopulation of southern Italy after the improvements of the socio-economic conditions, following the unification process. Indeed southern Italian families after 1861 started to have access (for the first time) to hospitals, improved hygienic conditions and

normal food supply. This created a demographic boom and forced the new generations to emigrate en masse at the end of the 19th century and beginning of the 20th century, mostly to the Americas. In 2011 in the world there are 4,115,235 Italians living outside Italy and several millions descendants of Italians, who emigrated in the last two centuries.

Source: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Italian_diaspora

The First Stigmatines' Journey to North America

Land Journey in Europe – From Trento, TN, Italy to Le Havre Harbor, France [Sep. 26 to Oct. 2, 1905]



Verona [Veneto], Italy



Trento [South Tyrol], Italy



Basel, Switzerland



Paris, France



Le Havre, France

Fathers Anthony Dalla Porta and Lewis Luchi left Trent on September 26, 1905, and, going by way of Basel and Paris, they embarked at Le Havre, France, on October 2, 1905.



Fathers Antonio Dalla Porta and Lodovico Luchi
upon their arrival in America

**Cross-Atlantic Journey – From Havre Harbor, France to Ellis Island Harbor, NY, USA [6 days in the Atlantic Ocean]
[Oct. 2 to Oct. 8, 1905]¹**



Ellis Island Harbor, NY, USA



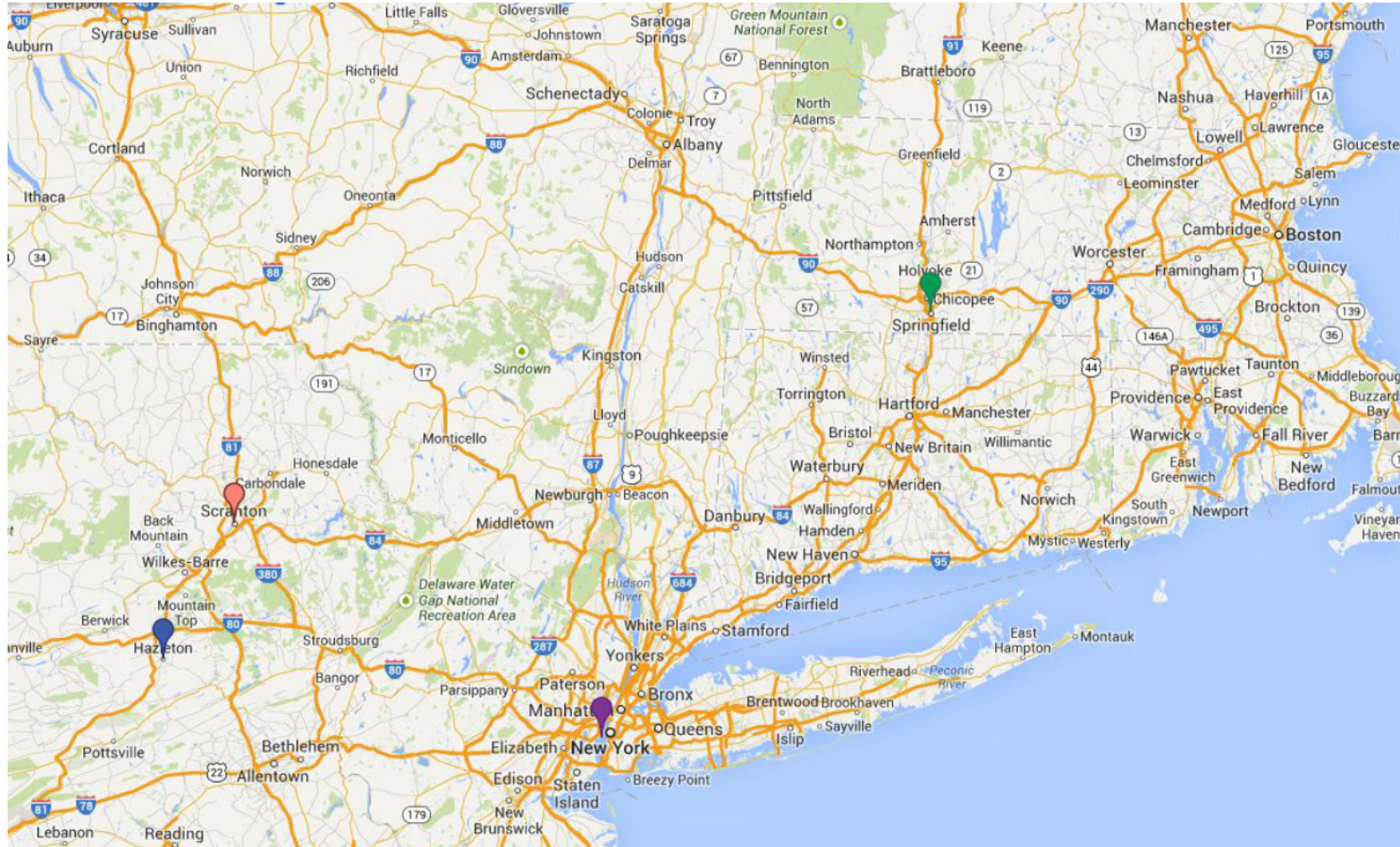
**Hazleton, PA
[first foundation]**



**Springfield, MA [where the Province
of the Holy Spouses began]**

¹ According to the *Breve Cronaca*.

Land Journeys in the USA – Hazleton, PA to Scranton, PA and to Springfield, MA



Hazleton, PA



Scranton, PA



Springfield, MA

The First Steps in North America

On October 8th of that same year [1905], Fathers Antonio Dalla Porta and Lodovico Luchi reached Hazleton PA, and were received with great joy and enthusiasm by the Trentine colony.

On October 13th they left for Scranton to present themselves to the Bishop, who received them with great cordiality, and gave them all the necessary faculties to exercise their priestly ministry for the good of the Italians and the purchase property on which to build a Church.

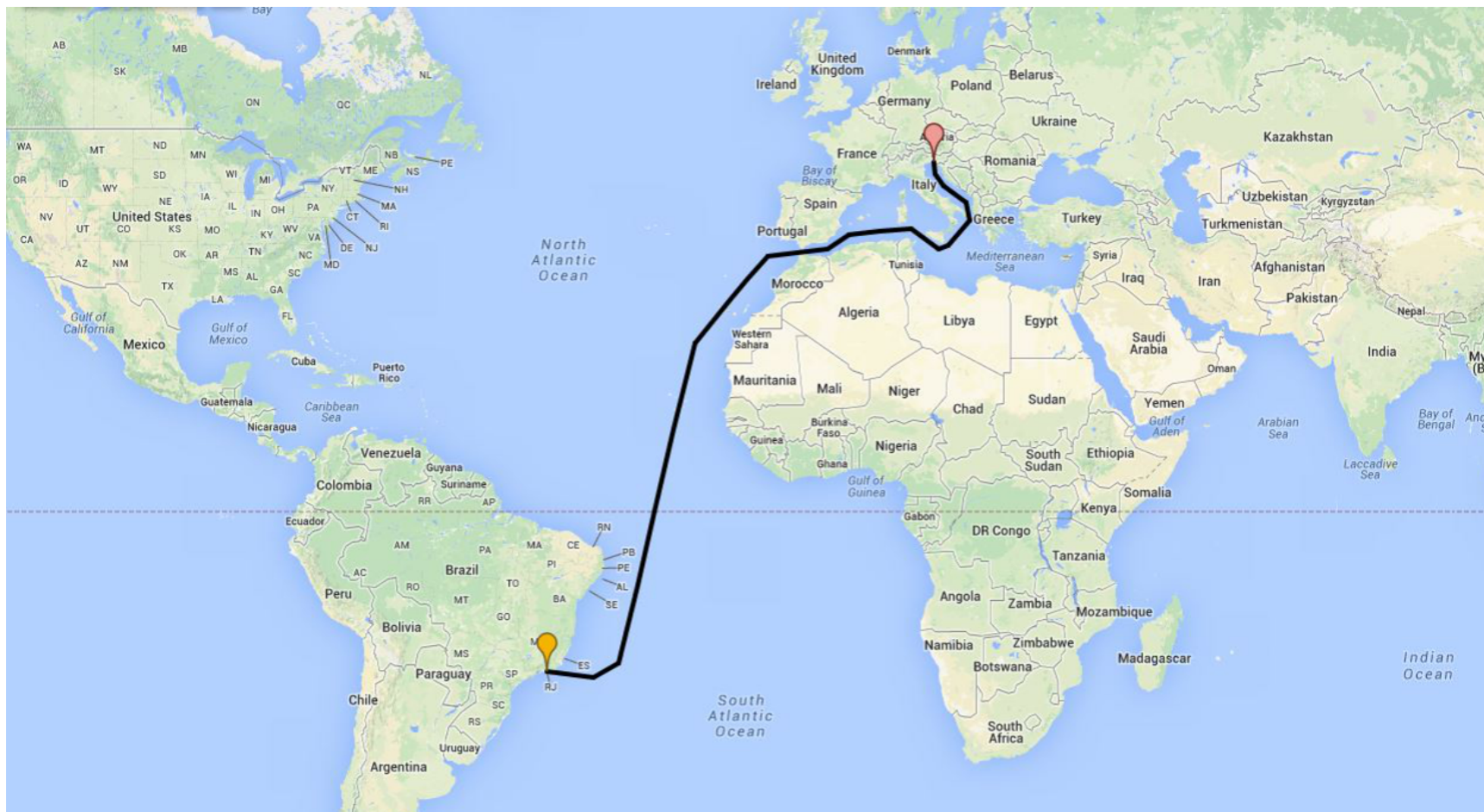
Fr. Anthony Dalla Porta, at the suggestion of Fr. Richard Tabarelli, who had spoken in Rome with the Bishop of Springfield MA, and who knew several priests from that city which had been his students at the Roman Seminary, went in March to Springfield, and he agreed with the Bishop there to establish a House and to dedicate himself to the spiritual needs of the Italians. He took up residence in Springfield on July 26, 1906, residing temporarily in the Cathedral residence and officiating on Sunday's for the Italians in St. Michael's Cathedral basement.

[Also quoted in this American Chronicle:]

The Journey of the First Stigmatines to South America [Brazil]

Cross-Atlantic Journey – From Trieste [that time in Austria] to Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

From November 8, 1910 to December 2, 1910 [22 days in Atlantic Ocean]

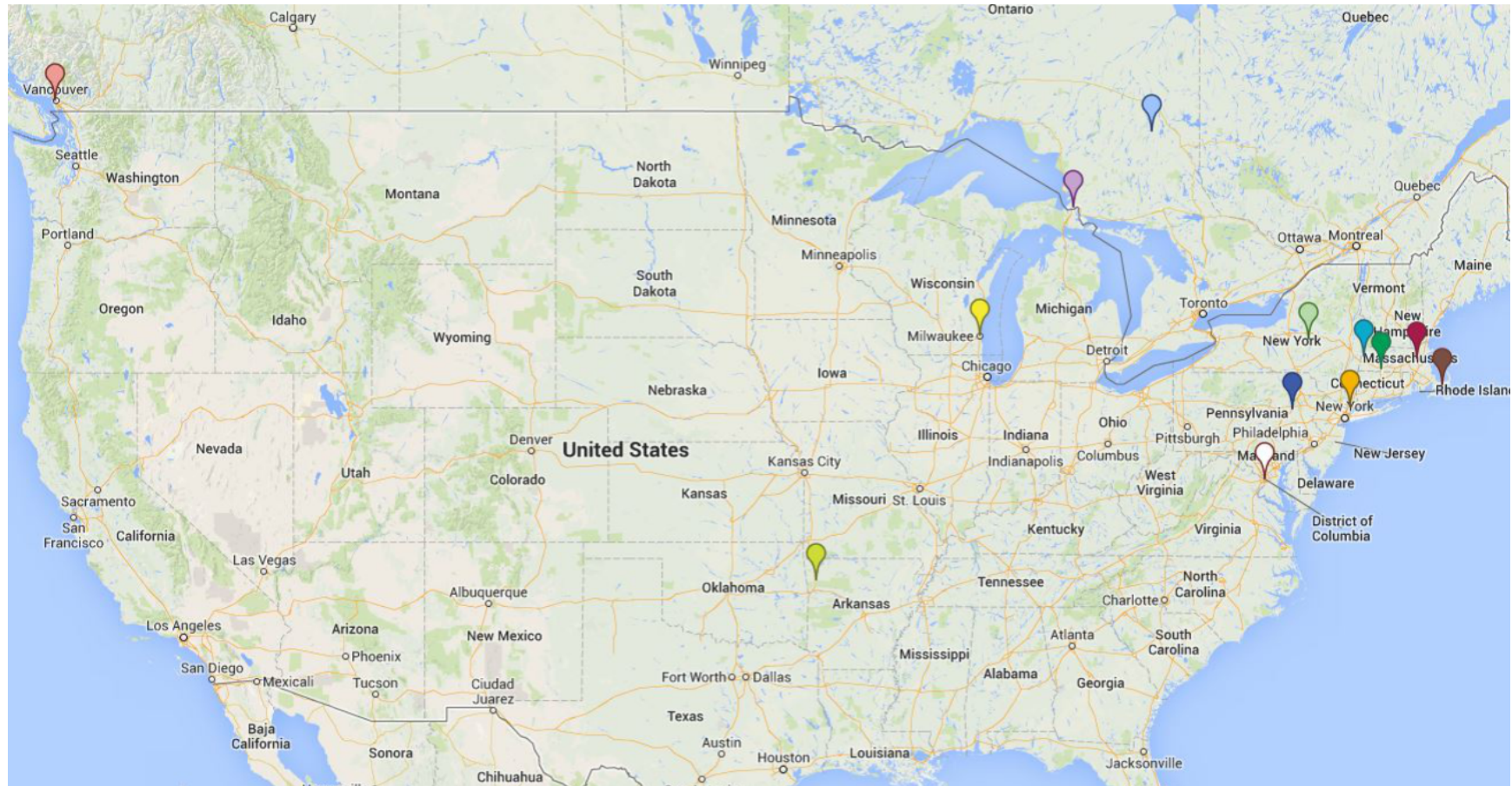















Trieste, Austria



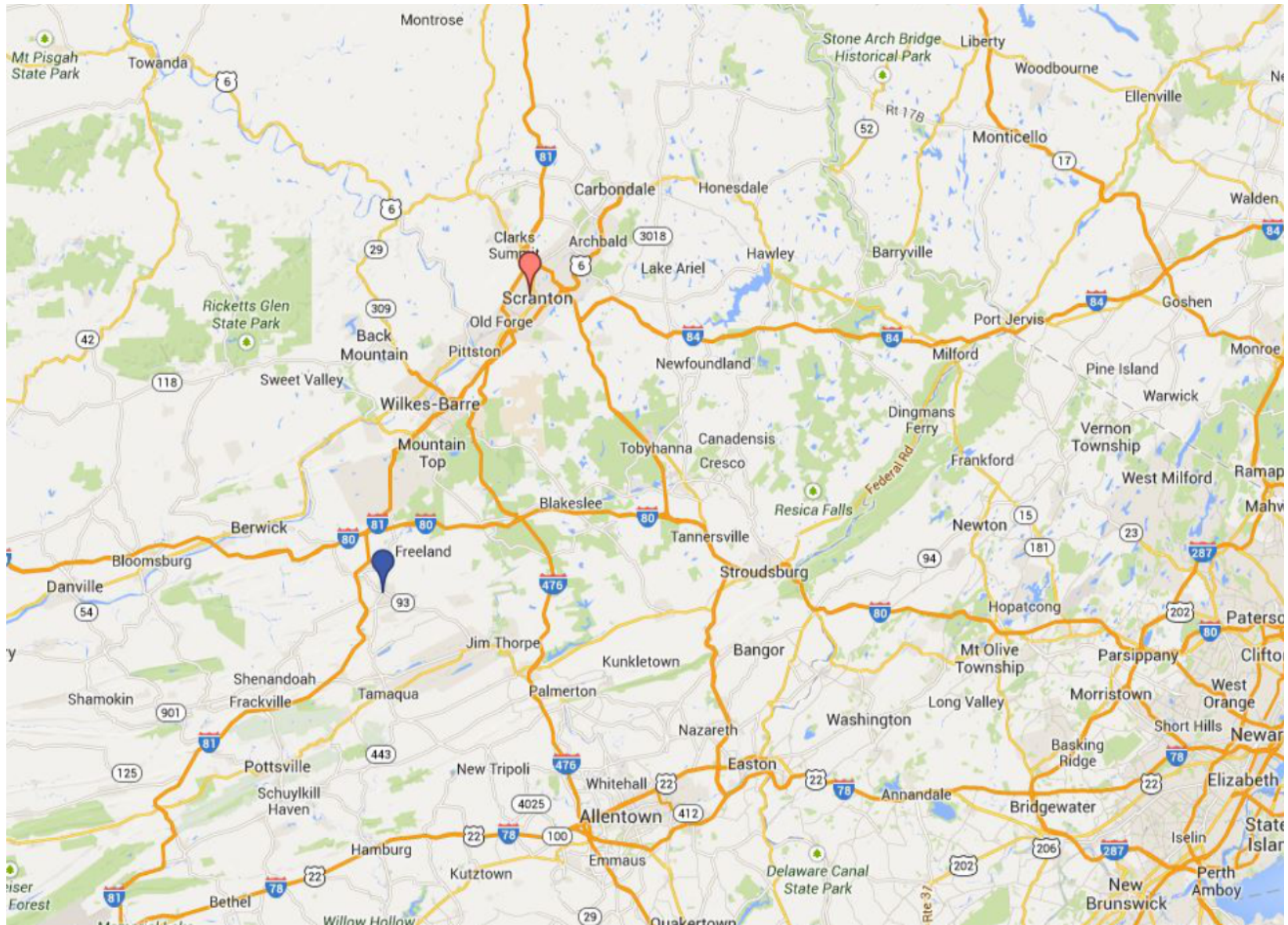
Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

North American Foundations in all the times - General View



	Hazleton, PA [1st Foundation] area		Waltham, MA area		Winslow, AR
	Milwaukee, WI		Washington, D.C. area		Sault Ste. Marie, ON, area
	Springfield, MA area		Waterville, NY		Timmins, ON, Canada area
	Pittsfield, MA area		West Yarmouth, MA [Cape Cod]		Vancouver, BC, Canada
	White Plains, NY area				

Hazleton, PA [1st Foundation] Area





Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church

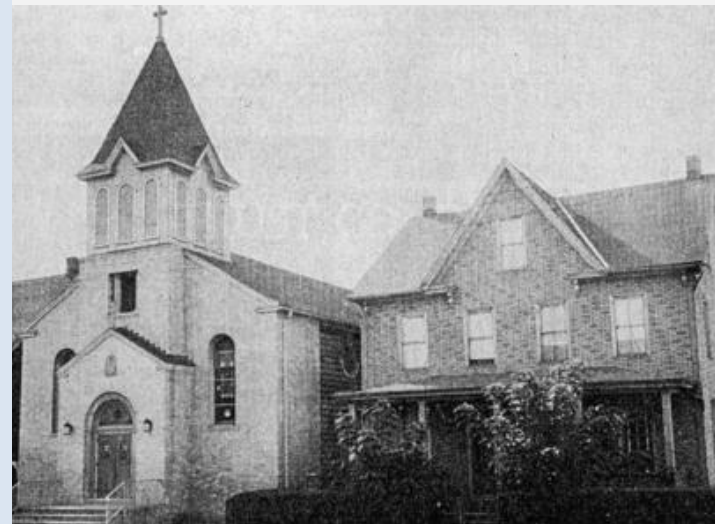
212 West Walnut St.
Hazleton, PA 18201

[1st Foundation]

Founder:
Rev. Anthony Dalla
Porta, C.P.S.

Feb. 22, 1907

Stigmatines left on:
1922

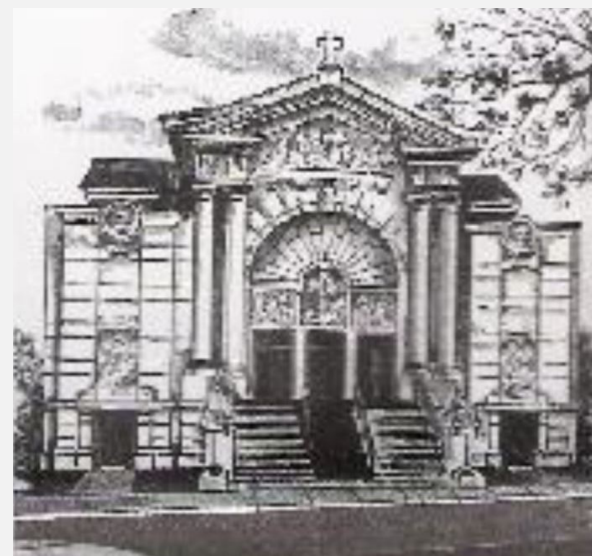


St. Lucy Church

94 Scranton Street,
Scranton, PA

Founder:
Rev. Victor Gurisatti,
C.P.S.
Dec. 28, 1913

Stigmatines left on:
1922





Our Lady of Pompeii Church

North Jackson Street
Milwaukee, WI

[Church demolished in
1967]

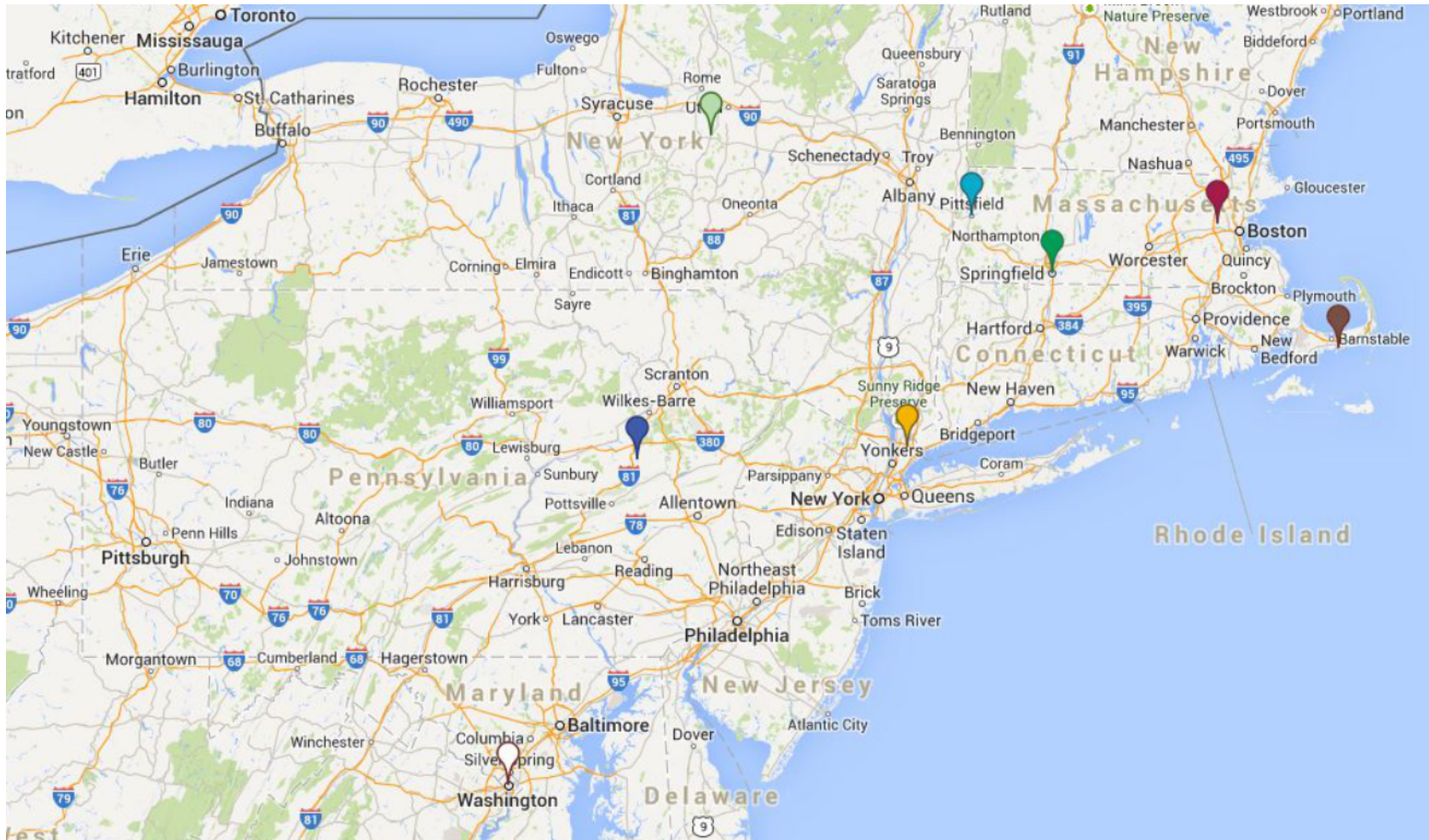
Founder:
Rev. Lodovico
Luchi, C.P.S.

Stigmatines:
1913 – 1922

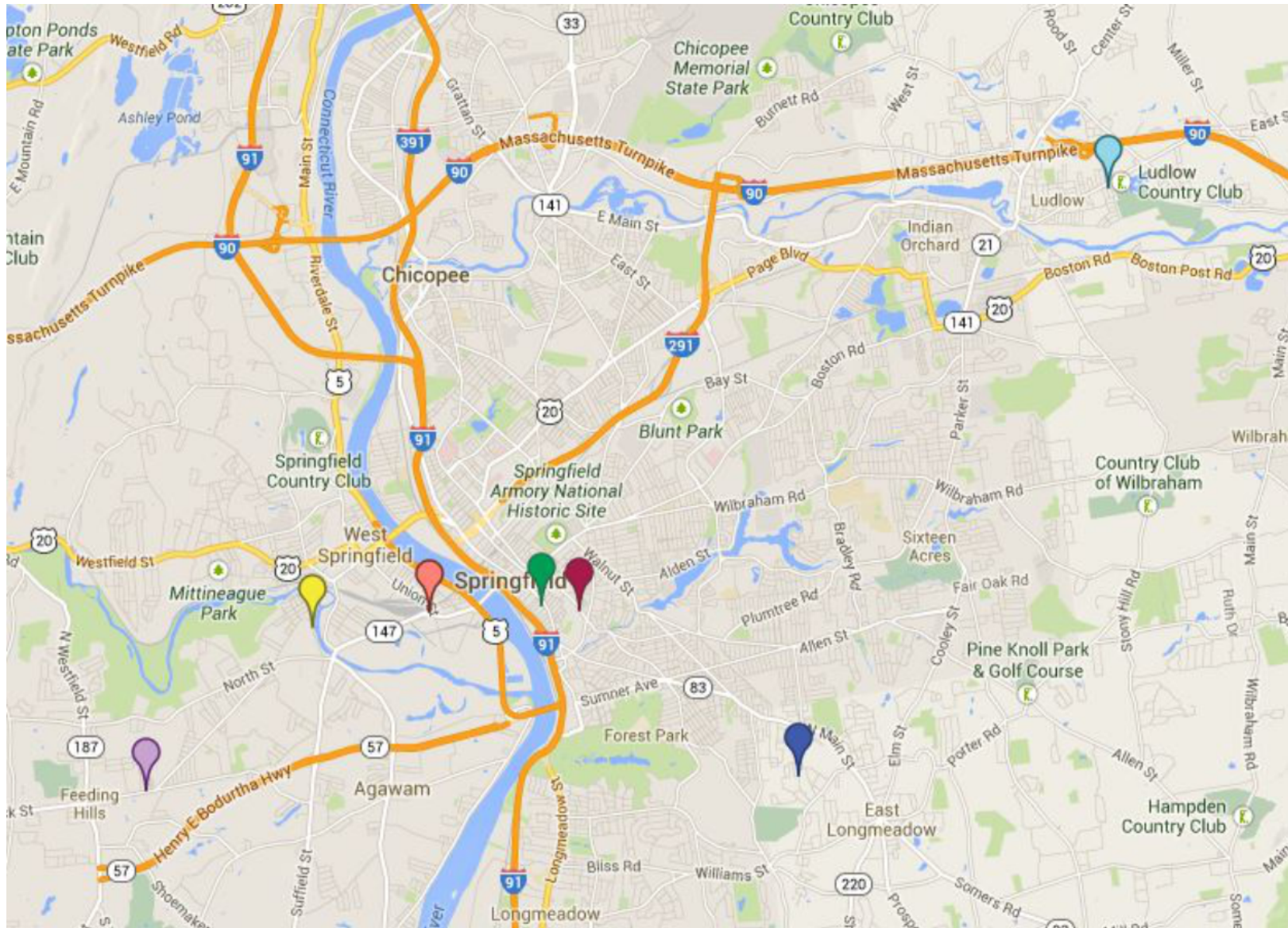
Church
demolished on:
1967



U.S. North-East Area

**Hazleton, PA [1st Foundation] area****Springfield, MA area****Pittsfield, MA area****White Plains, NY area****Waltham, MA area****Washington, D.C. area****Waterville, NY****West Yarmouth, MA [Cape Cod]**

Springfield, MA Area





Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church

123 William Street
Springfield, MA
01105

Founder:
Rev. Anthony Dalla Porta,
C.P.S.
1907

Dedication:
March 12, 1912

Current Pastor:
Rev. Robert White, CSS



St. Ann Church

576 Memorial Ave
West Springfield, MA

Construction started:
1923
[under Rev. Louis Fontana,
C.P.S.]

Dedication:
November, 1924
[under Rev. William
Ludessi, C.P.S.]

Church demolished:
2012, February





Novitiate and Provincial House

302 Maple Street
Springfield, MA

1945



St. Anthony Church

Church:
50 Maple Street

[Previous portable church:
Walnut Street]

Rectory:
108 Bridge Street

01001
Agawam, MA

Portable frame church
purchased: 1921
[by Rev. Anthony Dalla
Porta, C.S.S.]

First Rector:
Rev. Raymond Dalla Porta,
C.P.S.

Dedication:
October 4, 1925
[under Rev. Charles
Zanotti, C.P.S.]



**Sacred Heart Church**

1103 Springfield St.
Feeding Hills, MA 01030

Foundation: 1946

First Pastor:
Rev. Leonard Della Badia,
C.P.S.

**St. Joseph Church**

176 Vineland Ave.
East Longmeadow, MA 01028

Property purchased:
1946

Founder:
Rev. William Ludessi, C.P.S.

Mass first celebrated:
January, 1947

First Rector:
Rev. Francis Mackin, C.P.S.

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**Saint Mary of the
Assumption Church**

499 East Street
Ludlow, MA

[Previous temporary chapel:
12 Cedar Street]

Property purchased:
1947

Mass first celebrated
(temporary chapel):
Rev. William J. Ludessi,
C.P.S. on
Palm Sunday, 1948

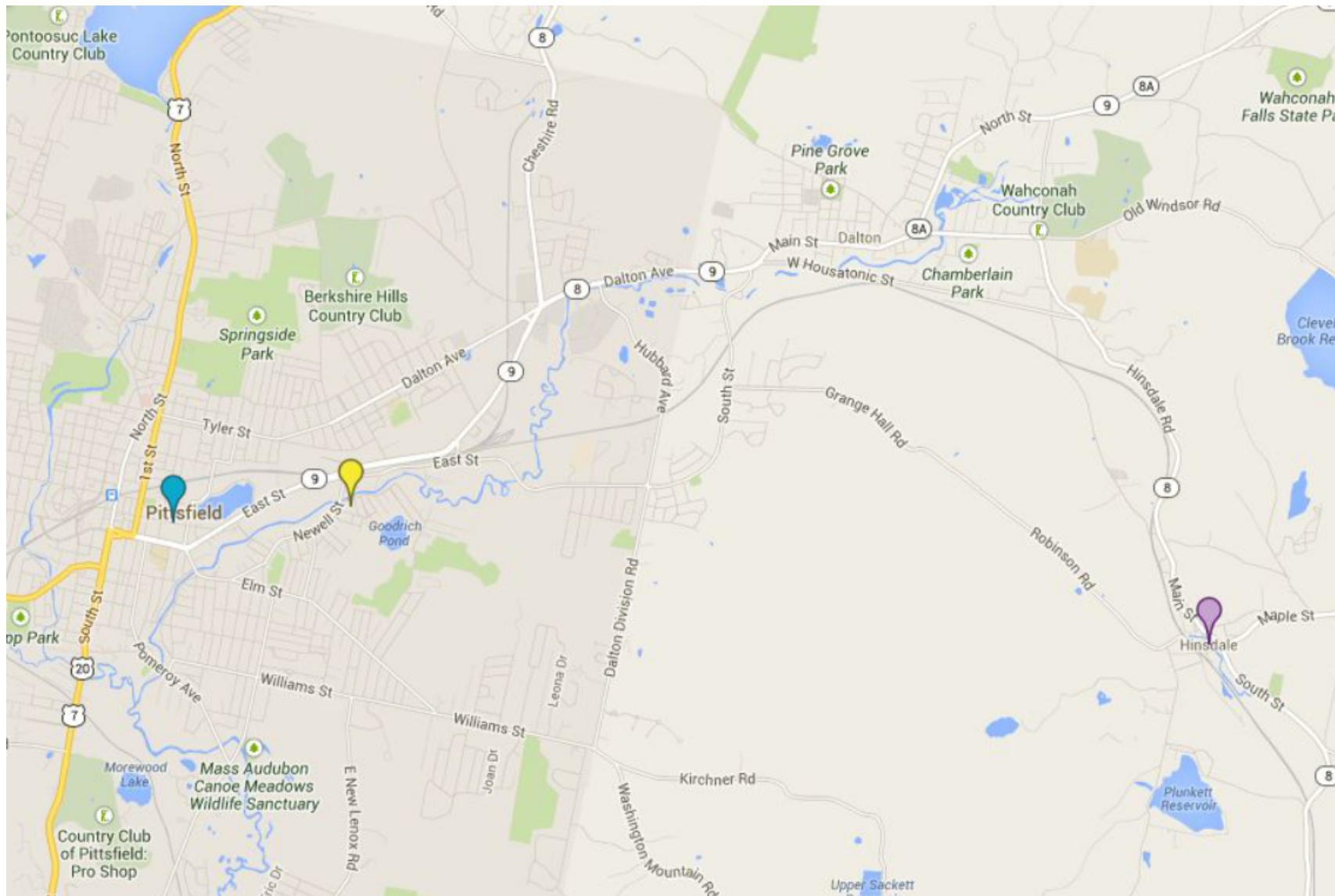
Ground broken:
1949

Dedication:
January, 1950

First Rector:
Rev. Carmen T. Russo,
C.P.S.



Pittsfield, MA Area





Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church

358 Fenn Street
Pittsfield, MA 01201

Founder:
Rev. Eugene Giavina

1903



All Souls Chapel

51 Pembroke Avenue
Pittsfield, MA

Founder:
Rev. Peter Torretta, C.P.S.
1948





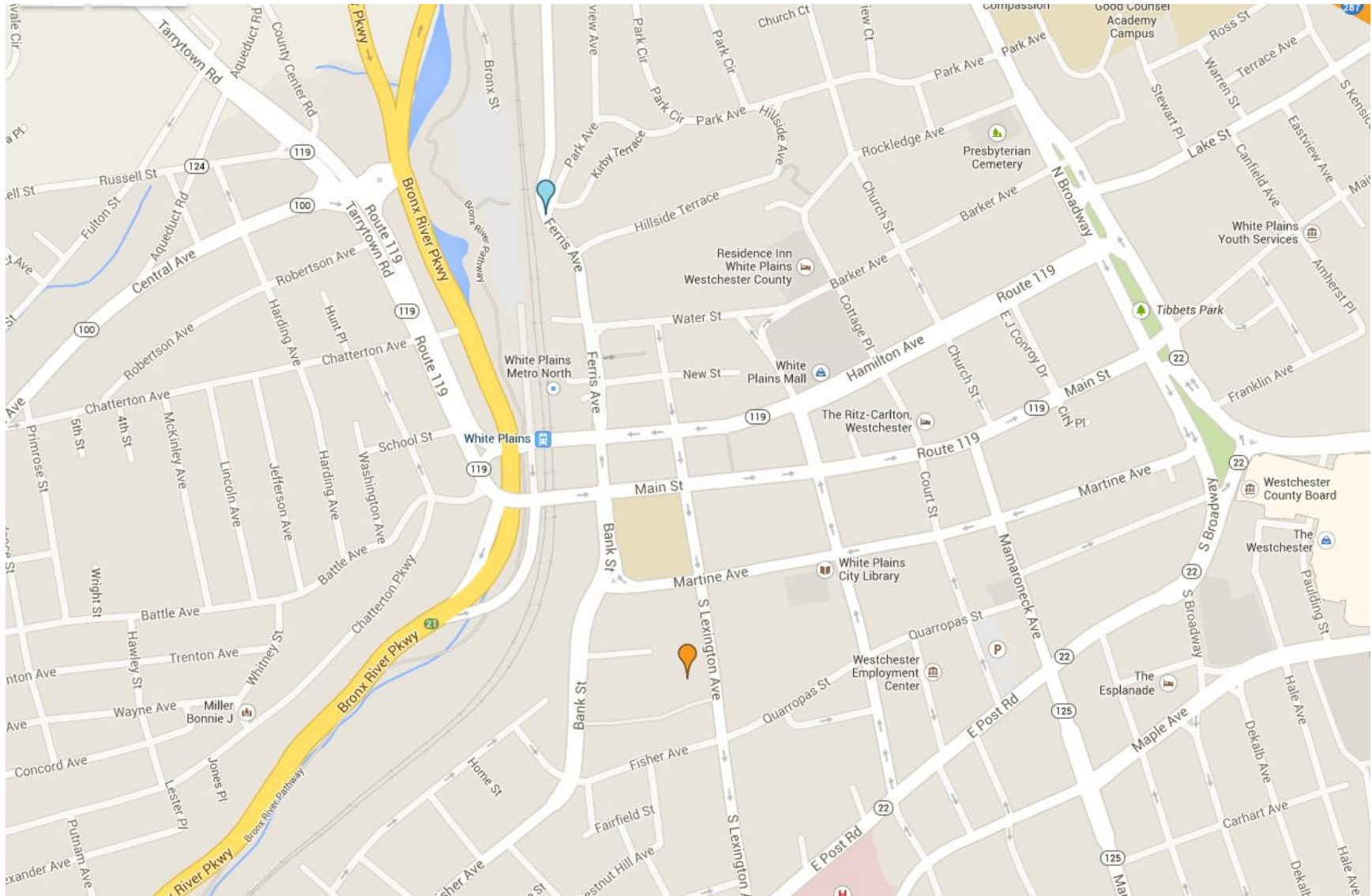
Camp Wyoma
[Little Flower]

Sumner Camp for Students
Hinsdale, MA

Property purchased on
July, 1940



White Plains, NY Area





Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church

92 S Lexington Avenue
White Plains, NY
10606

First Pastor: Rev.
Joseph Marinaro
(1902)

Stigmatines:
1922 - 2013



Our Lady of the Assumption Church

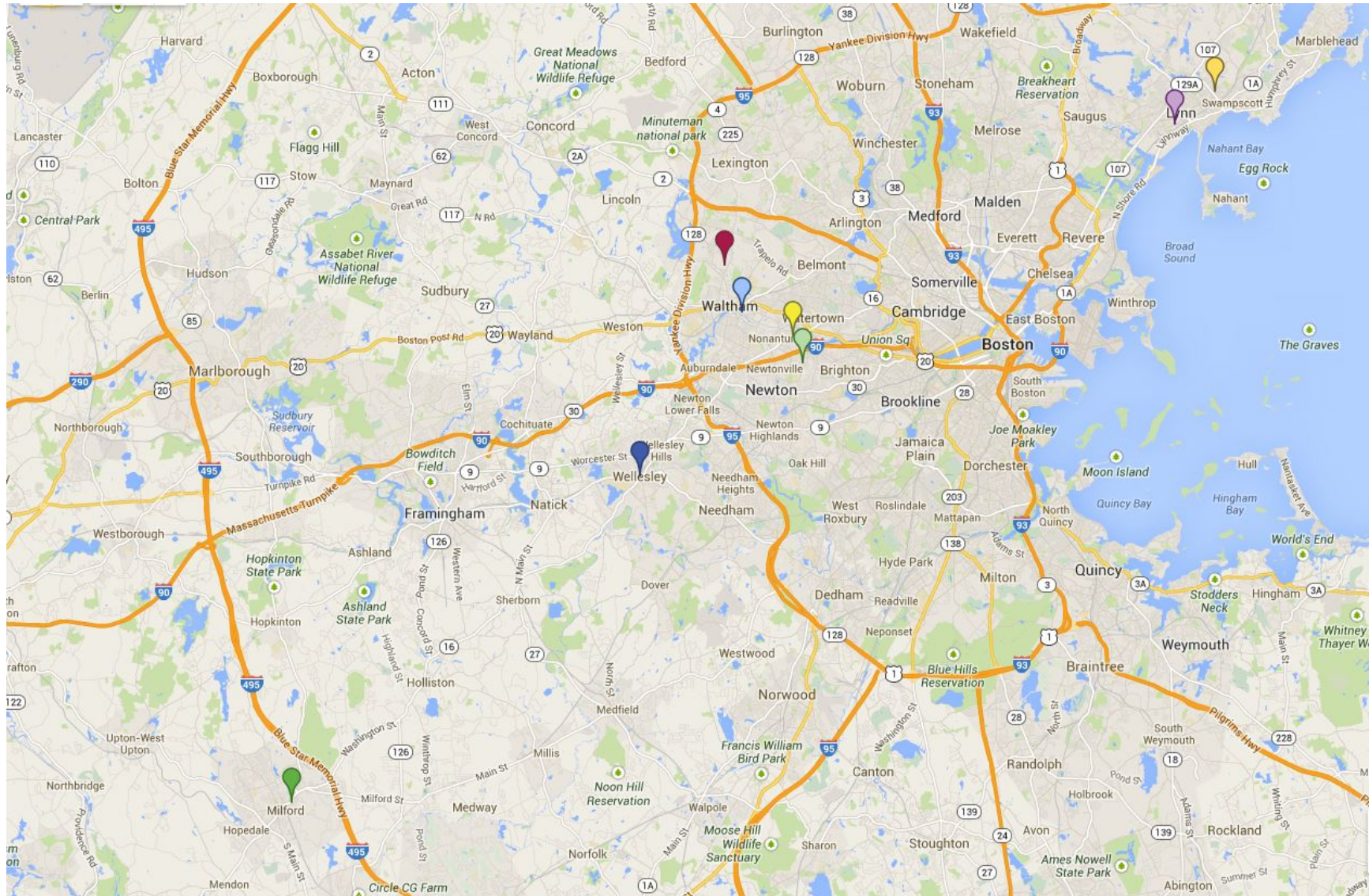
Ferris Ave. x Park Ave.
White Plains, NY
10603

Founder:
Rev. Joseph Rosa,
C.P.S. (1927)

Stigmatines:
1927 - 1971



Waltham, MA Area



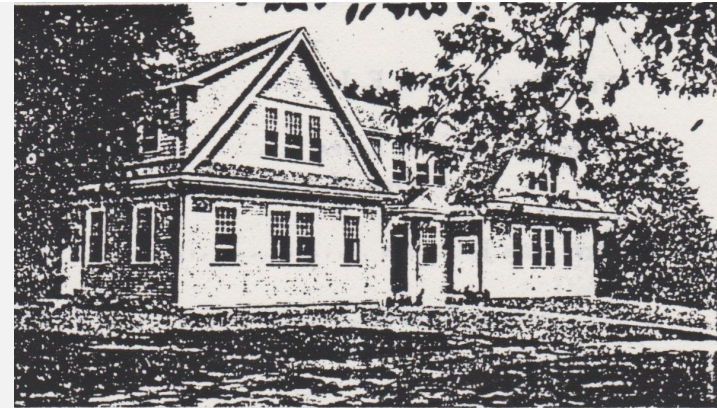


**The Stigmatine
Father's Juniorate**

554 Lexington St.
Waltham, MA
02452

Founder:
Father Erminio Lona

1924



Espousal Center

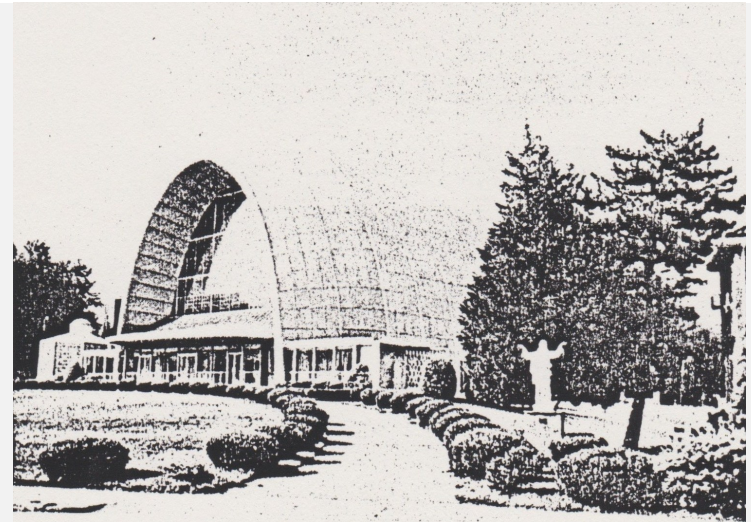
554 Lexington St.
Waltham, MA 02452



**Sacred Heart Church**

311 River Street
Waltham, MA 02154

Founder:
Rev. Raymond Dalla Porta,
C.P.S.
1922

**Sacred Heart Church**

5 East Main Street
Milford, MA 01757

Foundation:
1913
Current Pastor:
Rev. Richard Scioli, CSS



**Holy Family Church**

26 Bessom Street
East Lynn, MA
01902

Founder and First Pastor:
Rev. Paul Sozzi, CPS

1922

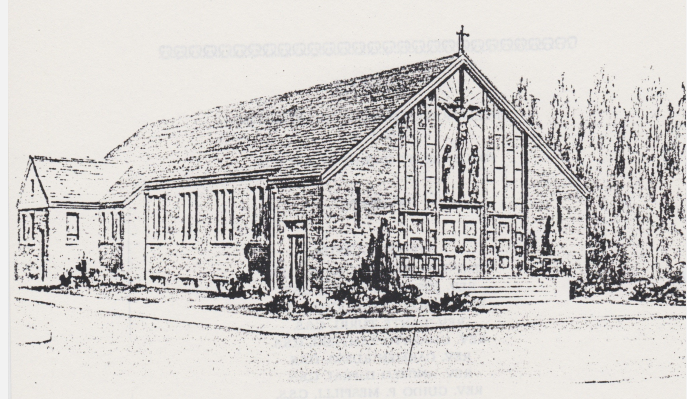
**St. Francis Church**

106 – 108 Blossom St.
West Lynn, MA
01028

(A mission Church of
Holy Family's)

Founder:
Father Joseph Nardone

1925





**Stigmatine Minor
Seminary [Elm Bank]**

900 Washington St.
Wellesley, MA

Founder:



**Stigmatine House of
Studies**

229 Watertown St.
Watertown, MA
02472

Founder:

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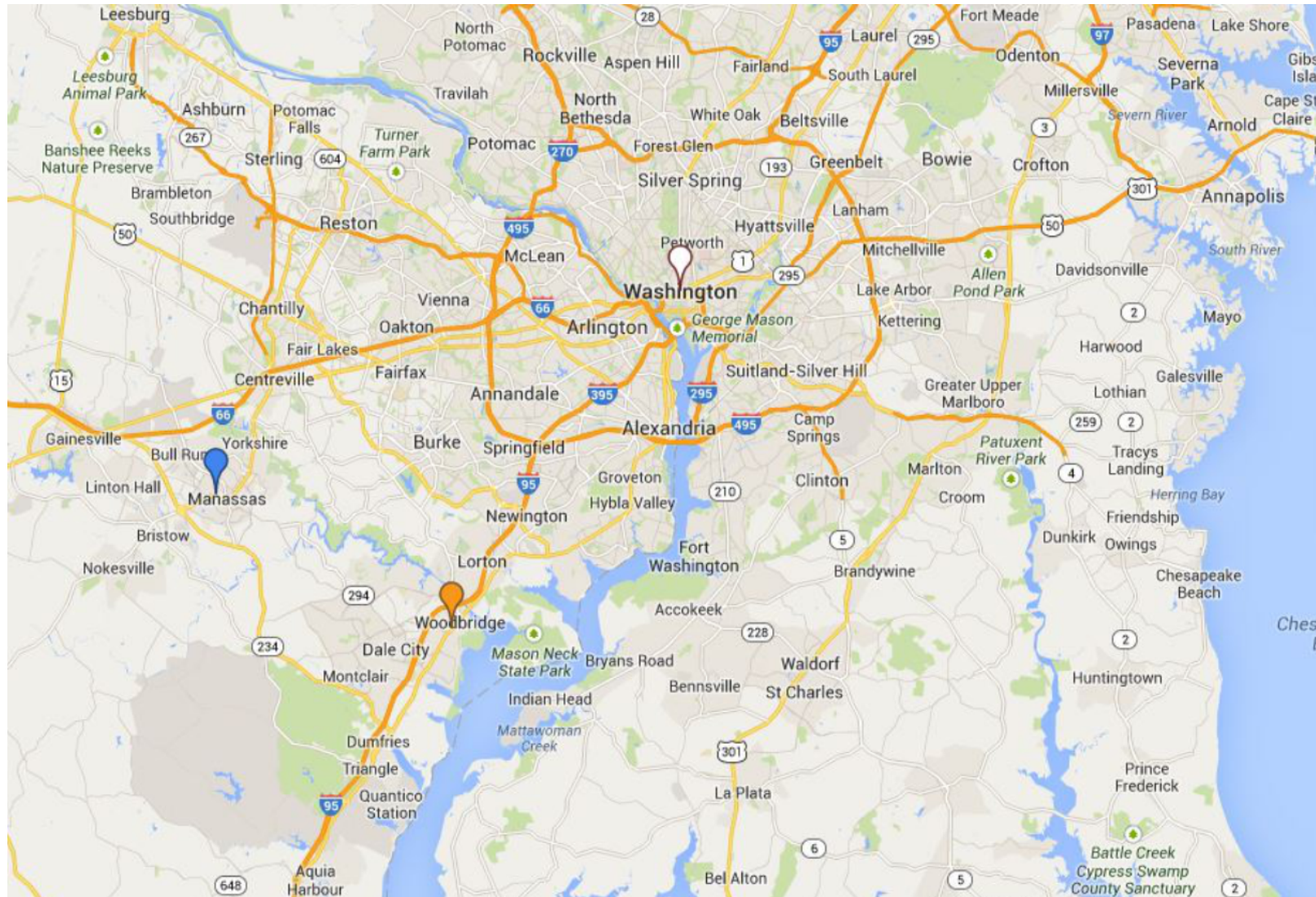
**Stigmatine House of
Formation**

36 Fairmont Ave.
Newton, MA
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Founder:

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Washington, D.C. Area





The Stigmatine Major House of Studies

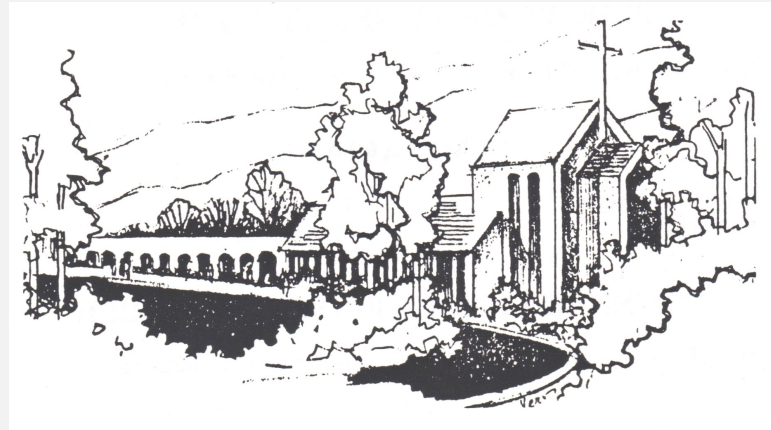
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Washington, DC

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Our Lady of Angels Church

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Woodbridge, VA
22191

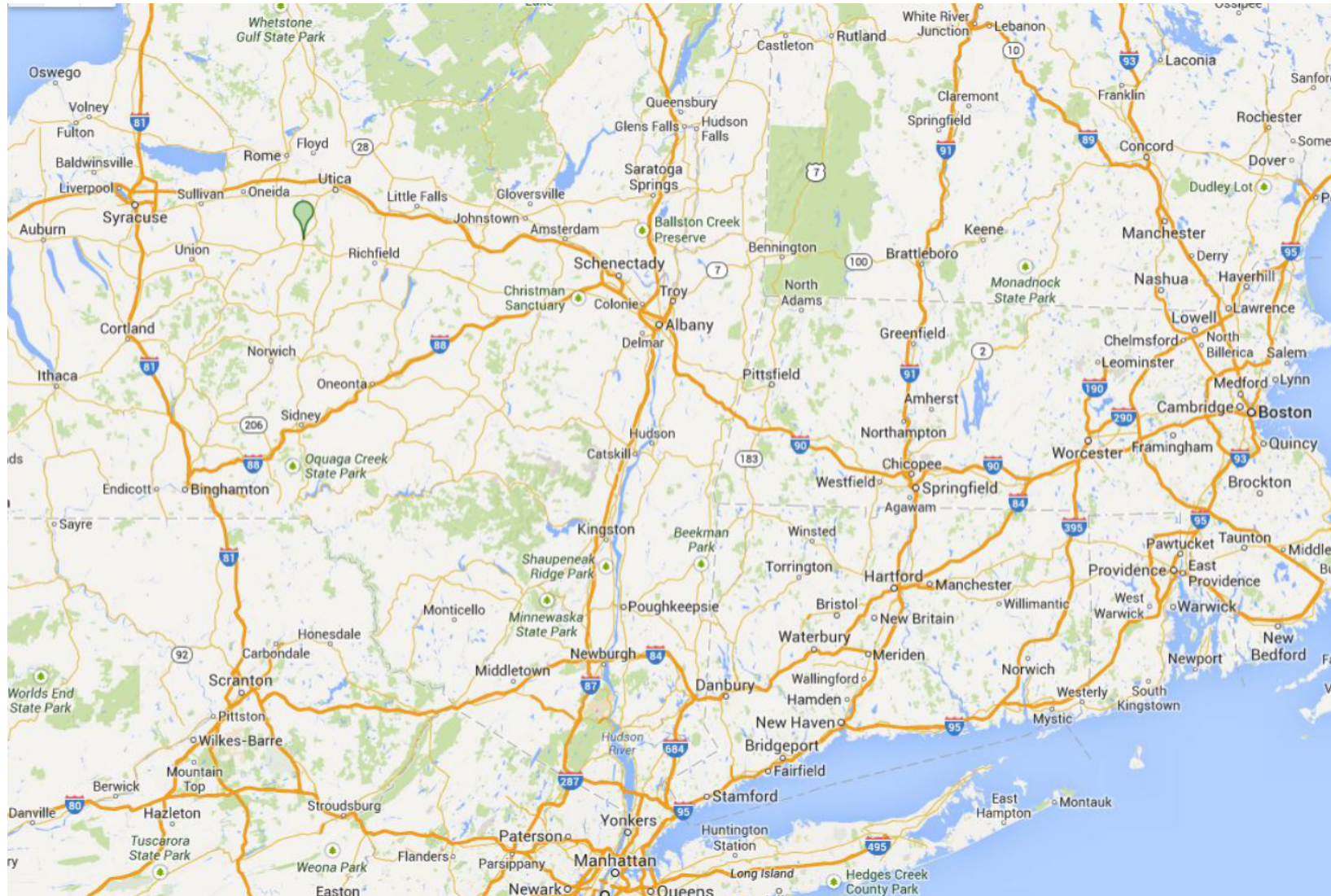


All Saints Church

9300 Stonewall Rd.
Manassas, VA
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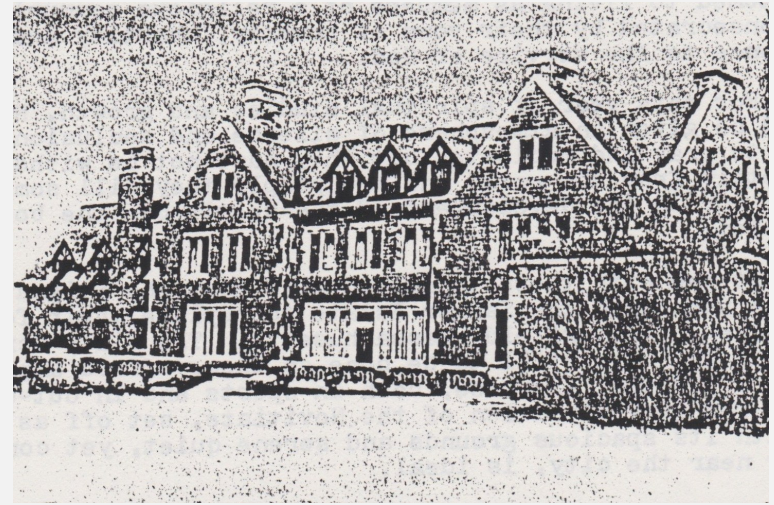
Waterville, NY



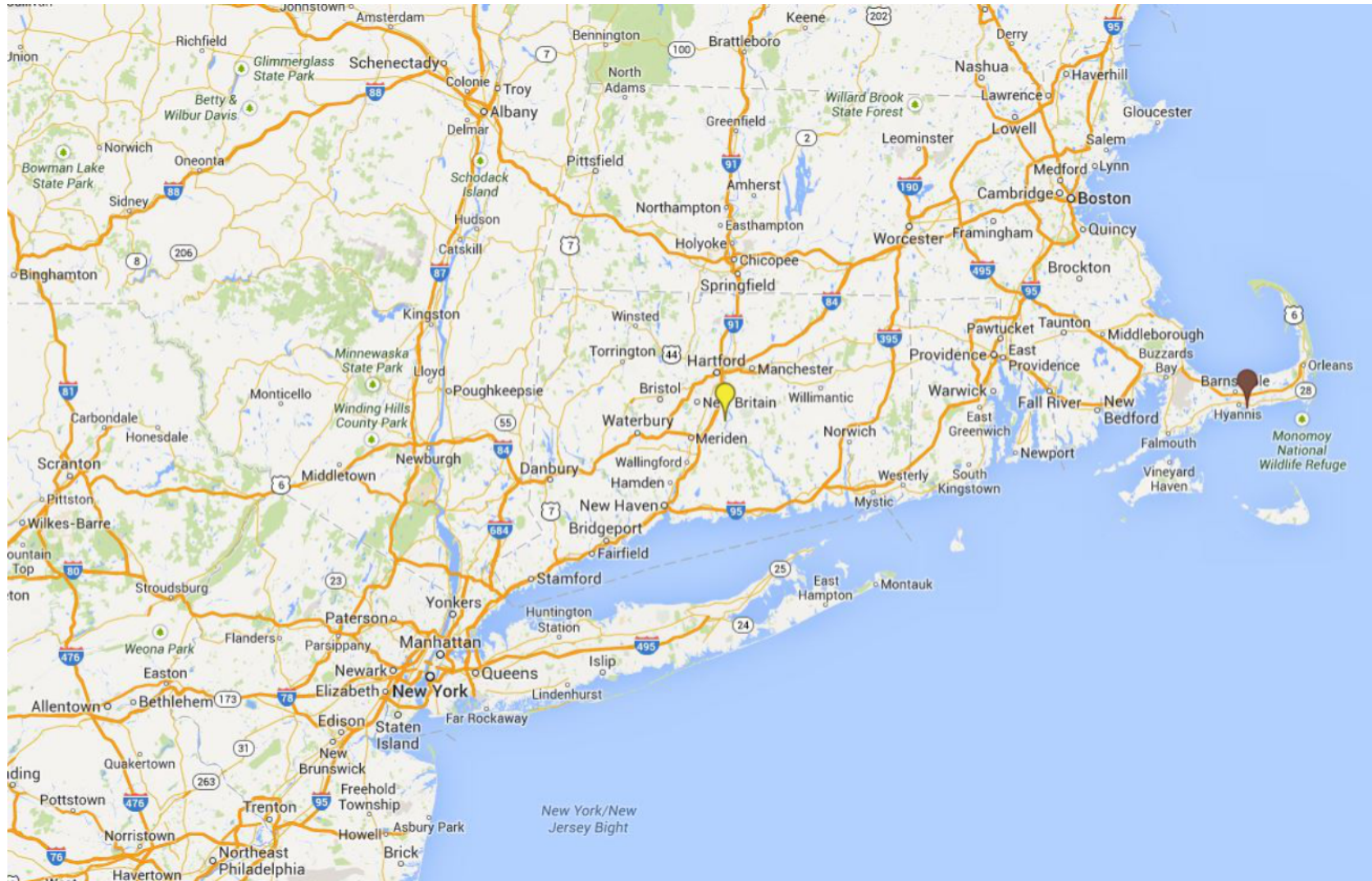


**Our Lady of Guadalupe
Novitiate**

Waterville, NY
13480



West Yarmouth, MA [Cape Cod]





**Retirement House
[Cape Cod]**

32 New Hampshire Ave.
West Yarmouth, MA
02673

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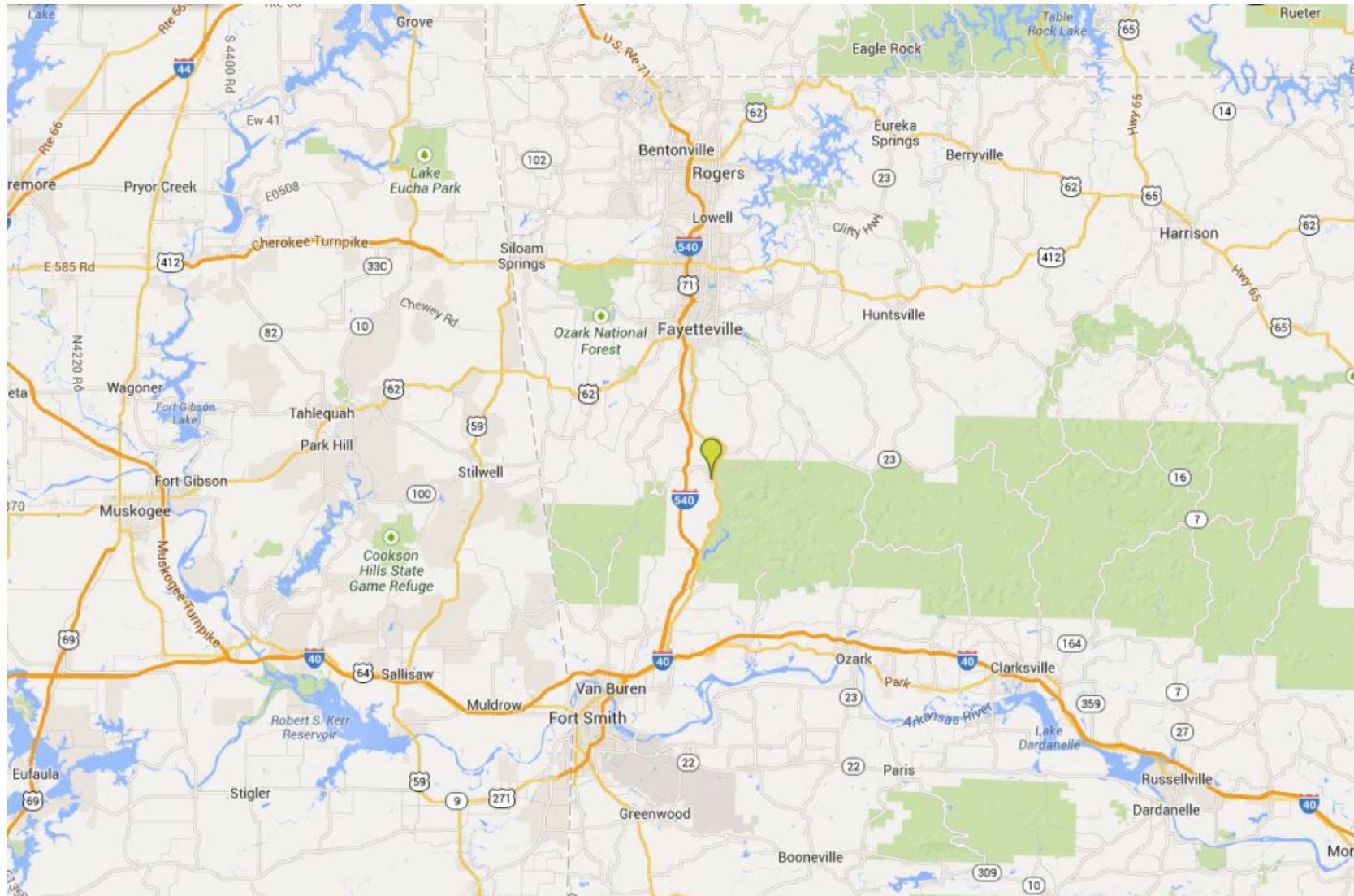


**Stigmatine House of
Formation**

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Winslow, AR



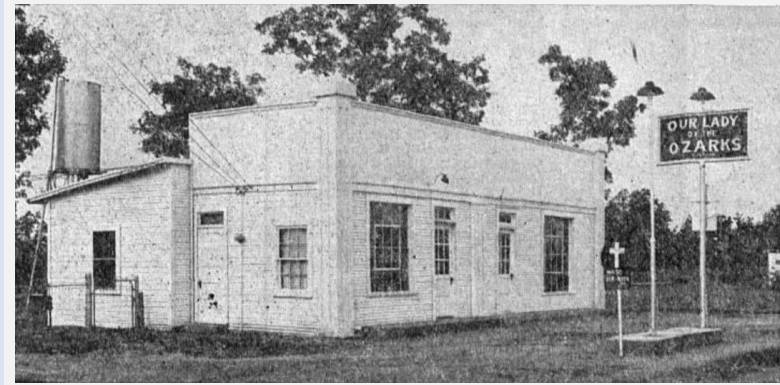


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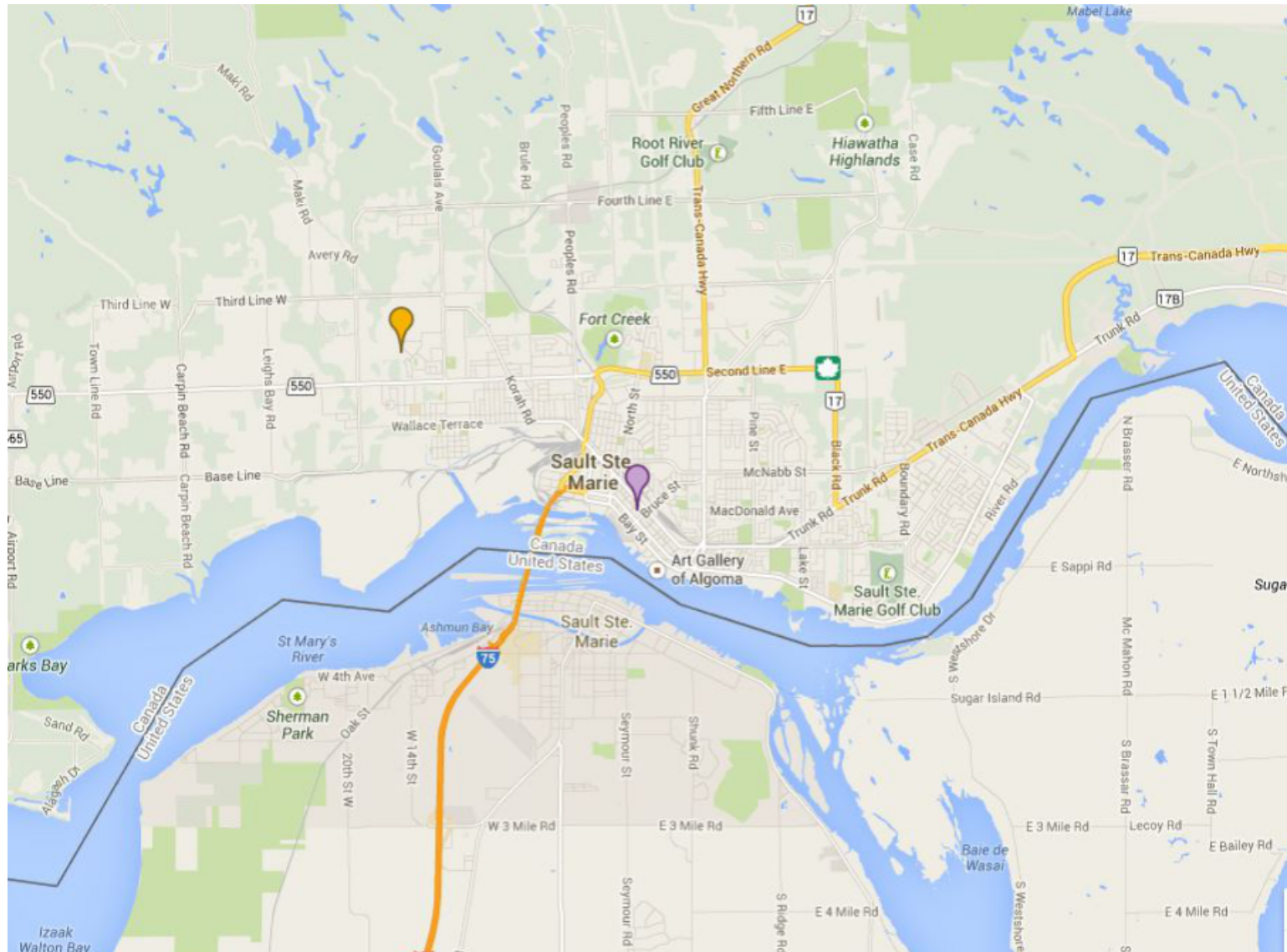
Winslow, AR

First Resident Pastor:
Rev. Francis W. Mackin,
CPS

1944



Sault Ste. Marie, ON, Area





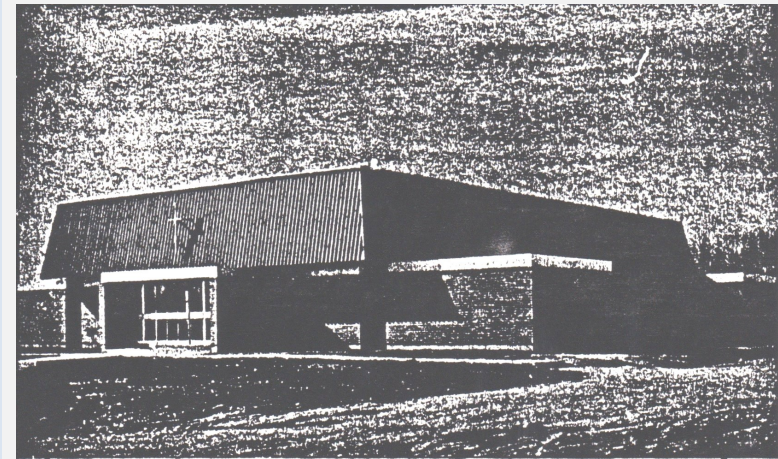
Catholic Information Centre

222 Albert St East
Sault Ste. Marie, ON,
Canada

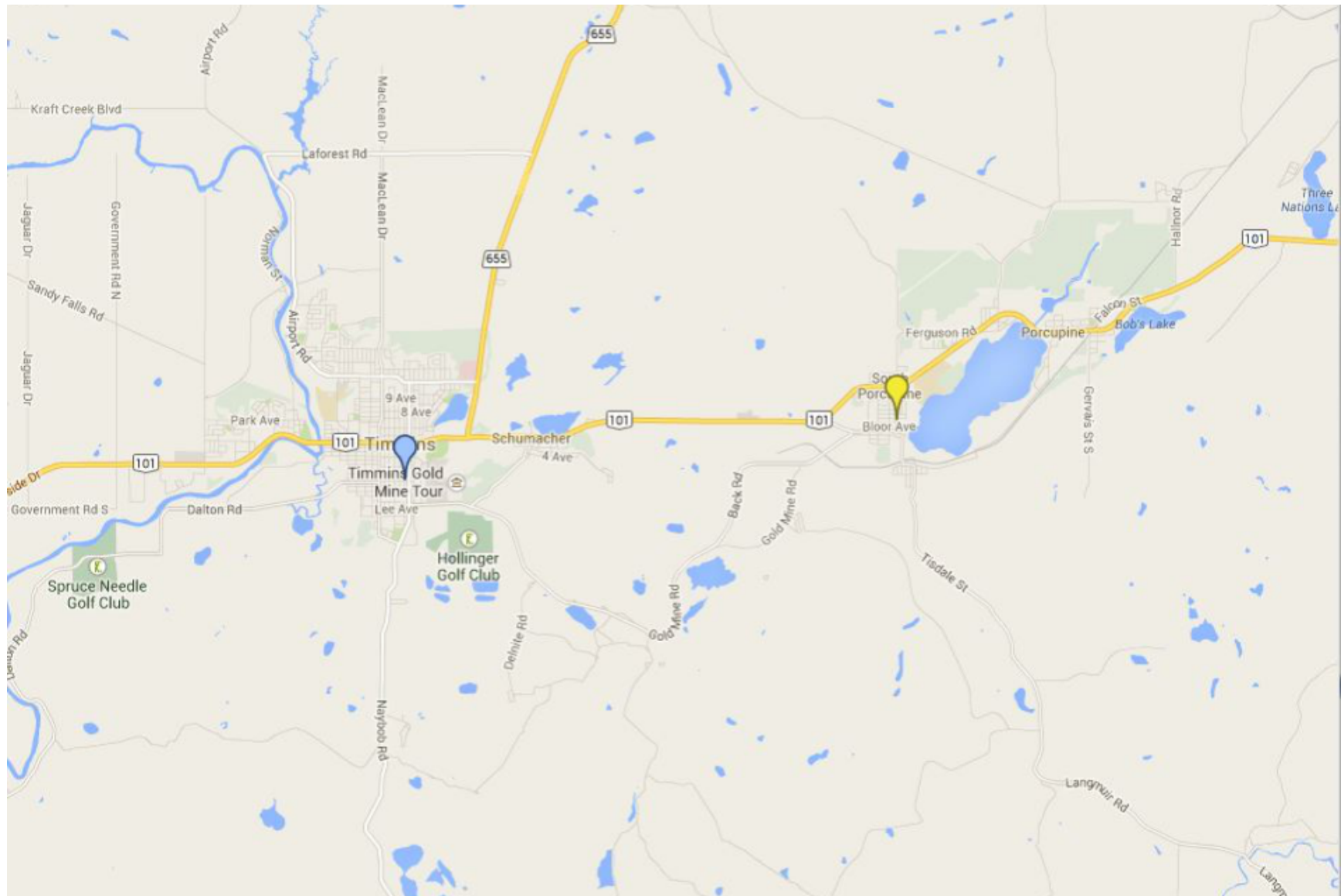


St. Joseph the Worker Church

135 Arden Street
Sault Ste. Marie, ON
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Canada



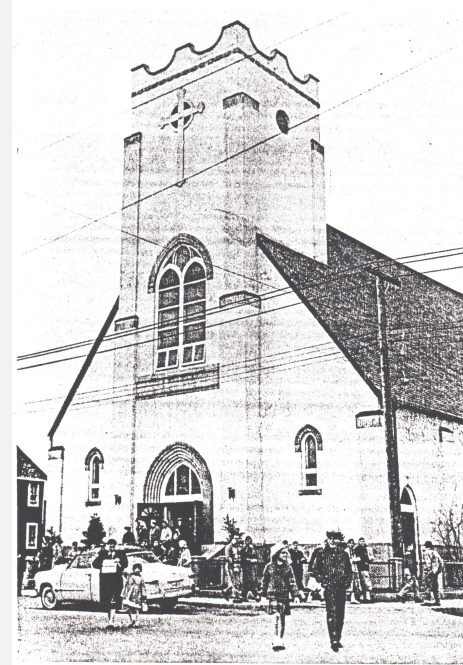
Timmins, ON Area





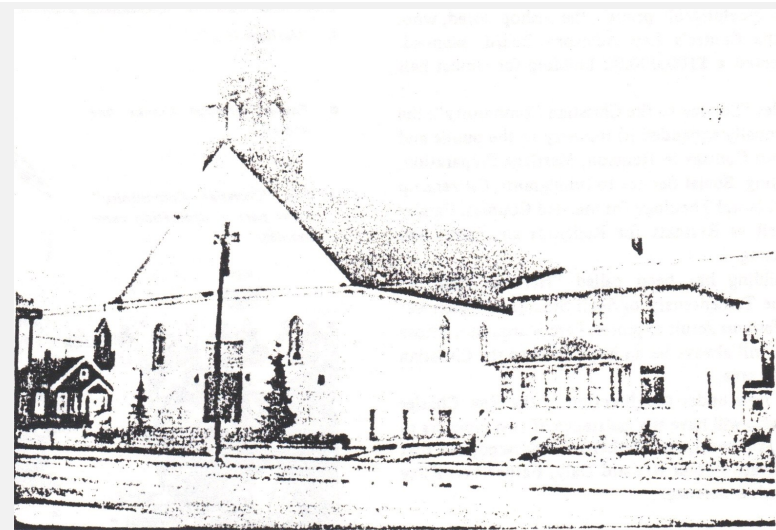
Sacred Heart Church

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South Timmins, ON
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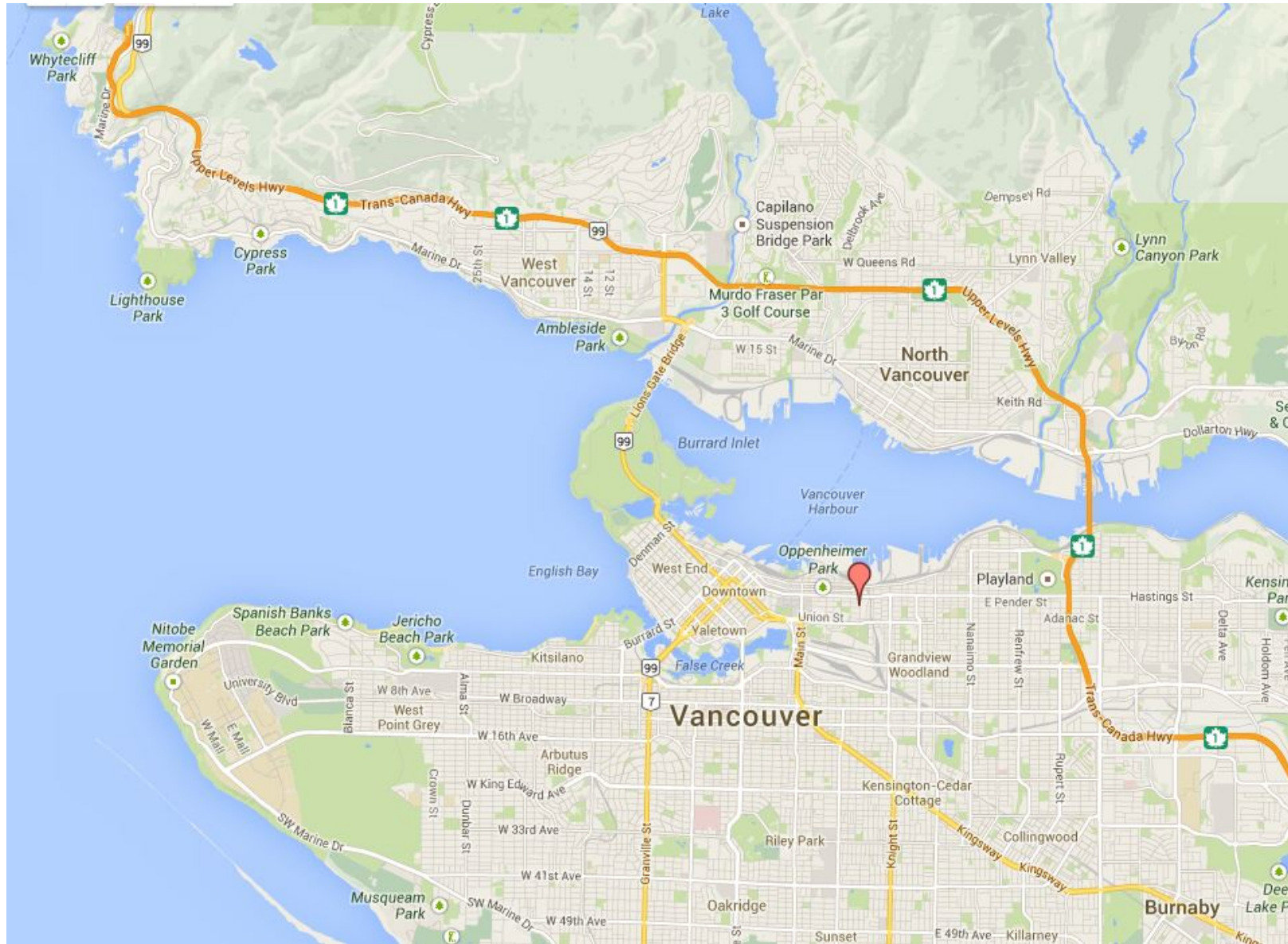


St. Joachim's Church

86 Crawford
South Porcupine, ON
Canada



Vancouver, BC



**Sacred Heart Church**

525 Campbell Ave.

Vancouver, BC

V6A 3K5

Canada

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