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**Pius XI High School (Milwaukee, Wis.)
Yearbooks, 1953-1955
MC 154**

Volume
0.2 cubic feet

Access
Open/unrestricted

Administrative Note

Under the direction of the Pallottine Fathers and the School Sisters of St. Francis, Pius XI Catholic High School had its beginnings in September 1929 in three improvised classrooms above the old St. Anthony of Padua Church.

In 1930, the building – which today serves as St. Vincent Pallotti grade school immediately to the North of Pius XI's present location – opened its doors to 35 students.

Only the first three years of high school curriculum were offered until 1937. (Seniors spent their last year at Messmer, Mercy or Juneau High School.)

On June 7, 1937, the University of Wisconsin placed Pius XI on the accredited list of state high schools. The charter class of eight seniors was graduated on June 13, 1937. Further accreditation was given to Pius XI in April of 1953 when the North Central Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools added Pius XI to their list of accredited high schools.

Scope and Content *a brief description of the types of materials in the collection.*
This collection contains yearbook, "The Pionian" from 1953-1955.