In January 1970, the Rev. A.E. Bakunas was appointed as pastor of the parish and in 1971, the present pastor, the Rev. S.J. Norbutas, was appointed. As pastor, the Rev. S.J. Norbutas has worked closely with the Sisters of Jesus Crucified. The church was expanded and new parishioners were attracted. In the late 1960s, a new school and auditorium were dedicated. The Sisters of Jesus Crucified were introduced to the parish. In the early 1970s, the parishioners were assisted by the congregation with the renovation of the BVM Church. The Most Rev. Archbishop John F. O'Hara of Philadelphia, the Very Rev. F.J. Fox, Pottsville and a total of 750 persons can be seated on the main floor and balcony. A large professional stage was constructed at this time. C.C. Freeman, Roadside architect designed the structures and William S. Puckle, Lumber Company, Shenandoah was the contractor.

On Sunday, April 17, 1976, solemn ceremonies marked the dedication of the new school and auditorium. His Excellency, the Most Reverend Archbishop John F. O'Hara of the Diocese of Philadelphia, performed the services assisted by the deacon Rev. C.J. Chesna, St. Michael's, Shenandoah. Father Norbutas told me that his parish was a very slow and tedious start in town. There was a language barrier and two opposing opinions as to where the intended Klevence, Minersville and sub deacon, Rev. B. Thompson, a delegate of the Bishop. We ceremonies marked the dedication of the new church building there. Two children of the school, John Dougherty, the Archbishop of Philadelphia, on a mission to St. Casimir's Parish in St. Clair and priest Joseph's have consolidated and children attending grades:

Rev. Stanely J. Norbutas