Kathy and Jerry To Share Reverent Ceremony

In the past year, marriage ceremonies in the Catholic church have become more flexible depending upon the wishes of the couple to be married.

Father Frank of St. Michael's Catholic Church, of Southfield, will officiate at the October 8 wedding of Kathleen Ursic and Jerry Frost.

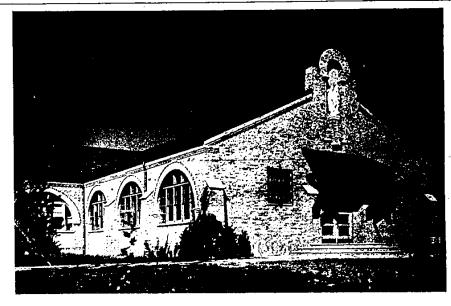
Father Frank says that the young couple will have certain options "because the service isn't as rigid as it once was."

For instance, there are three different forms which can be used in giving the vows, there are several different ring blessings to choose from, readings from the gospel to decided upon, type of music and whether or not to have a candlelight service, to name some options.

It is possible, Father Frank says, that a couple may ask to have the parents present offeratory gifts, or the parents involved in some other way as the couple may request.

There is considerable flexibility in the type and kind of music which may accompany the ceremony. It could be guitar music, it could be modern music. There are several deciding factors. One will depend somewhat on the feelings of the officiating priest. Father Frank feels that it should be "proper" and if it is modern, have some special meaning for the couple.

He says, "I haven't had any kooky



requests--most couples want something nice and meaningful and reverent."

As far as the attitudes toward marriage from the couples he counsels with, they still approach marriage seriously.

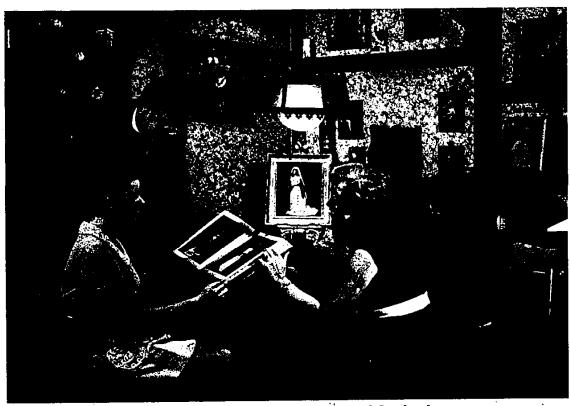
"Those who flip if off lightly are not likely to come to the church," he says.

St. Michael's Church, 25100 Code Rd., Southfield, held its first service at that location at Christmastime 1951. Before that the congregation had used the Duns Scotus College Chapel.

The "Mission Style" architecture is carried through the church, the school, rectory and convent.

St. Michael's Church which since its founding has become an integral part of the life of the city of Southfield has waged a strong battle to keep the parish school open. The teaching staff this year for the grade school will consist of 15 lay teachers and 10 sisters. The teaching sisters at St. Michael's are the Poor Sisters of St. Francis, Seraph, of the Perpetual Adoration, of Mishawaka, Indiana.

The parish has grown from 24 families in 1930 to 920 in 1971. In all aspects of church life, as well as in the flexibility of the wedding service. St. Michael's keeps pace with the times



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