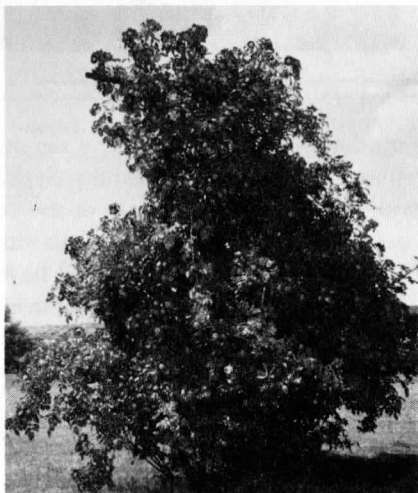


acts. This is, rather, what we should do: we put our wills at the **service** of our neighbor's well-being, just as he should do with his own will. That is what is meant by loving our neighbor as we love ourselves: putting our will at the service of his true well-being, just as we are obliged to do, and tend to do for ourselves: — using in the service of the true well-being of another the will which was given us to seek out our own true well-being. Notice that the word “PUT” has been used here — we “PUT” our will at the service of our neighbor. It won't go there of its own accord!! Not only has original sin put our wills at variance with God, but it has centered our wills excessively and almost exclusively on self, to the detriment of true love of anyone other than self. Today, this is a very noticeable problem — witness the variety of criminal acts that we read about each and every day. When questioned, you will often hear said: “I have never learned how to love!”; “I do not know!” “I do not know!” Somehow, this has to be remedied, and all interested souls must work at finding out the remedy. Traditional Roman Catholic people should look upon this as a particularly grave obligation, but they neglect it with a rather smug neglect. They seem to have come to the conclusion that all they have to do to make their gift acceptable to God is to place it on the altar of Tradition. There is more to it than that. Much more! Our unborn children's children are already crying out to us for help!

The most important thing in our love of others is the degree to which we are “putting” our wills at their service. Our feelings, our emotional and temperamental attitude toward them, simply do not count as against our will. Charity does not reside in our feelings (today it is called “chemistry”



May Crowning was very beautiful this year, and the many flowers certainly were a tribute to Our Blessed Mother.



Perhaps because of the unusually wet Spring following a mild Winter, our Monastery Gardens were filled with many lovely flowers. Here is but one of our many rose bushes.