

# FITZGIBBONS OBSERVE 50TH ANNIVERSARY

By DOROTHY DOWNES  
A Grandchild

Surrounded by six children, ten grandchildren and one great-grandchild, Mr. and Mrs. Michael Fitzgibbon, 1123 W. Belden av., today are receiving congratulations on their golden wedding anniversary.

With friends and family about them they started the celebration yesterday with a high mass at St. Stephen's Church. It marked the fiftieth anniversary of their nuptial mass.

Mr. Fitzgibbon, who came to this country from County Limerick, Ireland, forty years ago, was for twenty-three years a lieutenant in the Syracuse Fire Department, foremost among the espousers of the Sinn Fein cause here, and a leader in the West End. For years he was attached to No. 5 Engine House, Mailton st.

Gold candlesticks holding white tapers flanking a bridal cake, which bore the dates 1875-1925, formed the centerpiece of the dinner table.

Seated at the table with Mr. and Mrs. Fitzgibbon were their children, Mr. and Mrs. Edward S. Downes, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Denmark, Mr. and Mrs. Clayton D. Avery, Mrs. James E. Gibson, Mrs. Frank Yerx of New York City and Miss Frances Fitzgibbon.

The following grandchildren were present: Mr. and Mrs. Edward J. Downes, Jr., Miss Helen Gibson and Frank Gibson of New York City, the Misses Catherine, Mary, Dorothy and Betty Downes and John Downes, Harry and Francis Avery and a great-grandchild, Edward Downes, 3d.

Other guests were Mrs. Peter Duxtader, Mr. and Mrs. G. F. Duxtader, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Guarnier, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Brown, Mr. and Mrs. John Wagner, Miss Sa-Hermle, Miss Mary Guarnier, James bina Gibson, John Kelly, Harry C. Guarnier, Alice Van Tassel, Mrs. R. Thornhill and Miss Anna Kelly.

Congratulations!



Receiving the congratulations of their friends and family today are Mr. and Mrs. Michael Fitzgibbon, 1123 W. Belden av., who celebrated their golden wedding anniversary.

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*Michael was a fire lieutenant. He and Catherine are grandparents to J 70.*