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has risen under Bishop Kearney's sponsorship, and often at his expense, includes new churches, mass of chapels, and chapels for schools, convents, retreat houses, novitiates and houses of religious study.

Among the new parishes of which the Bishop has dedicated in the Rochester area are: St. Cecilia, St. James, St. Margaret Mary, and St. Pius X.

On next Sunday (Oct. 27) he will dedicate the new Christ the King Church in Irondequoit.

Elsewhere in the Diocese are the new churches of Our Lady of the Sea and St. Anthony's in Elmira; St. James the Apostle Church in Elmira; St. Rita's in Westport; St. Mary Magdalen in Westport; St. Paul of the Cross in Hamlet; St. Vincent de Paul in Hamlet; Church of the Immaculate Heart of Mary in Painted Post; St. Peter's in Penfield, and St. Paul's in Ellettsville.

Now under construction are to be dedicated by the Bishop these new parish churches: St. Joseph in Pittsford, St. Francis in Rochester, St. Joseph in Rochester, Sacred Heart in Avon, St. Peter's in Gates, and St. Michael's in Macedon.

**P**LANS ALSO CALLED for beginning of construction of parish churches: Our Lady of the Annunciation in Tonawanda, Rochester, and St. Cecilia in Elmira Heights.

Along with this expansion of new churches, the Bishop has encouraged major programs of renovation in scores of old parish churches throughout the Diocese. Erection of magnificent altars has highlighted past renovation work carried out at the altars of the Sacred Heart and Our Lady of the Immaculate in Rochester.

A number of mission projects have been started in similar areas. Bishop Kearney's regard for the Immaculate Heart of Mary Chapel at Bushnell's Basin, St. Isaac Jogues at Fleming, and the Holy Family Chapel at Dryden (Washington Republic) and Melan and more recently the St. Margaret Mary Chapel at Apalachin.

The establishment of the Holy Dame Retreat House in Tonawanda and the Cenacle Retreat House (for women) included in both of these institutions the erection of beautiful new chapels, now familiar to many retreatants, and largely the result of the Bishop's own personal effort.

Under Bishop Kearney's sponsorship many new religious communities have come to the Diocese during the past twenty years. The arrival of these religious groups has brought many blessings to the Diocese, particularly the establishment of new altars and tabernacles in areas where the Mass and the Blessed Sacrament were not previously enjoyed.

Included in this phase of Diocesan expansion are: The Trappists (Cistercians of the Strict Observance) Monastery of Our Lady of the Genesee at Pittsford; the Carmelite Fathers' Whitefriary Monastery in Auburn; the Benedictine Fathers Monastery, Elmira; The Basilian Fathers' Novitiate in Rochester; and the Capuchin Fathers' of the Province of St. Mary; St. Fidelis Friary at Interlaken.

Also there are: St. John's of the Atonement Friary and Seminary established by the Friars of the Atonement at Montour Falls; in Geneva, the Immaculate Heart of Mary Seminary is conducted by the Capuchin Fathers of the Province of the Stigmata of St. Francis; in Watkins Glen, the Franciscan Fathers of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Province have their St. Anthony Friary and Seminary.

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