

ST. STANISLAUS Church tower is a well-known landmark in the Hudson-Norton area of Rochester. Present pastor is Father Alexander J. Stec, shown here in front of the church.



By JOHN J. DALY, JR. (N.C.W.C. News Service) -- is working on a long-range project to produce a course of studies tailored to the special

Washington - Federal aid to education may bring "When Mr. Goldberg asked visitors to the tourist mecca of Niagara Falls, N.Y., "When Mr. Goldberg asked next year. Traveling in a colorful "mobile classroom" were, we were ready to answer,"

St. Stanislaus Parish Marks 75th Anniversary

St. Stanislaus Parish of Roch-part of Poland under Prussian, ters for the Sisters on the sec ester will celebrate its Dia-control. ond floor and a basement hall. mond Jubilee on Sunday, Nov.

In 1888 land bordering Hud- The next 20 years saw the 7, with a Solemn High Mass at p.m. Bishop Kearney will de son Avenue, Norton Street and population of the parish inliver the sermon. At 7 p.m. Salmon Street (now St. Stanis- crease with the influx of Polish there will be a banquet in the laus Street) was porchased and immigrants to such an extent the St. Stanislaus Parish of that the church seating only parish auditorium. Rochester was incorporated. In 350 persons became too small

It was more than 75 years June 1890 construction of a to accommodate the parishionago that Rev. Fridolin Pasca-small wooden frame church was ers. As a result, Father Szadlar of St. Michael's Church on begun, and in Nov. 1890 Bish-zinski supervised the construc-Clinton Avenue suggested the op Bernard McQuaid dedicated tion of another larger church, organization of a parish to be the church. this one the present St. Stanisdevoted to the spiritual needs

devoted to the spiritual needs of the large numbers of Poles Rev. Theophilus Szadzinski laus Church with its Romaneswho had immigrated to the was appointed the first pas-

Serra Convention

Opens Tonight

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speak on "The Priest and Ser, men,

ran, Co-laborers with Christ,"

set for the Sheraton Hotel.

at the Saturday night dinner

"The Challenge of Serra" will

be explored by Merlin P. Van Dyke, of Oshkosh, Wisconsin,

a newly elected trustee of the

Serra group this year. His ad-

dress will be one of three sched-

uled for St. John Fisher Col-

Thomas J. Day, of Toronto,

Canada, will discuss "The Ser-

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lege on Sunday morning.

in action.

northeast section of the city for of this new parish. He un- Begun in August 1907 the from Down Dowings in that dertook the construction of a new church was ready for its from Poznan Province in that dertook the construction of a new church who have a new chu

curred in the purchase of the 1909, by the Most Rev. Paul land and erection of the church Rohde, D.D., Auxiliary Bishop and rectory had been liqui of the Archdiocese of Chicago. dated, Father Szadzinski turned However, Father Szadzinski was his attention to the construc destined never to celebrate tion of a parish school. This Mass in the church he had built. school opened in May 1897 with He became ill while construcan enrollment of 160 students tion was in its final phases and in the first three grades and died in August 1909. staffed by the teaching Sisters

Rev. Ignatius J. Klejna of St. Joseph. The new school consisted of five classrooms on was appointed pastor in 1910, the first floor with living quar- The years from 1910 to 1915

were especially difficult for. Father Klejna. Due to the lack of vocations among Polishspeaking boys in the diocese, there was a lack of priests to

ternational which opens tonight gram, aimed at helping mem. Balcerak was appointed as pas- tor in Dec. 1933. (Nov. 5) in Rochester will hear bers "to think and act with Elmira. the mind of the Church."

of the Serra organization will bership of over 10,000 Catholic priests from outside the dio ish; Father John F. Woloch was begun.

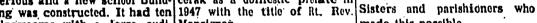
in the new church, a separate

convent was built for the Sisnew rectory was constructed.

ters with the second floor of parish had resulted in a \$400. ish has grown from approxithe school building being con 000 debt. Through the efforts mately 50 families to approxiverted into classrooms, and a of Father Balcerak and with mately 100 families to approxithe cooperation of the parish though there is still a large ioners, the debt was liquidated Polish-speaking population in When Father Kleina resign by Dec. 1950. The burning of the parish, its character has ed, Father Stanislaus J. Szupa the mortgage was celebrated changed with the changing was appointed as his successor. with the proper coremonles and times, and now all ethnic The parish continued to grow a banquet on Sunday, Dec. 10, groups are represented. The at a rapid pace, and this re- 1950. While the dobt was being school has grown from 160 stusulted in an ever-increasing en- reduced, Father Balcerak also dents and three Sisters in 1897 collment in the parish school, made improvements and repairs to 565 students, 9 Sisters and 8

Father Szupa purchased three in the church, school building, lay teachers. portable schools with two class- rectory and convent. In 1941 rooms each in 1926, and this a new organ was installed in St. Stanislaus Parish has alleviated the situation tem- the church. In recognition of taken its place as a bulwark of porarily. But by 1930 the his religious leadership, Pope the Catholic faith in Rochester. school overcrowding became Pius XII named Father Bal-serious and a new school build- cerak as a domestic protate in Sisters and parishioners who

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RICH AND COLORFUL is the decoration of the sanctuary of St. Stanislaus Church, first parish for Catholics of Polish origin in the Rochester area.

assist Father Kleina in carry torium and a basement with To meet the needs of the ining out the duties of the par- four bowling alleys for the use creased enrollment in the parish. In 1915 Rev. Joseph A. of the parishioners. These were ish school, more teaching Sis-Balcerak, whose ordination to the days of employment and ters of St. Joseph were requirthe priesthood was the first the depression. Worried by the ed and the original convent befrom the parish, was appointed heavy financial obligations of came too small. In anticipation Delegates to the combined pate in the program also share as assistant to Father Kleina the parish and in failing health, of the need to enlarge and re-District Convention of Serra In- in a continuing formation pro- until 1918. At that time Father Father Szupa resigned as pas- model the convent, a Convent Building Fund was initiated by

Monsignor Balcerak in 1951. Its AS HIS SUCCESSOR, Arch- purpose was to raise a sufficibishop Edward Mooney trans- ent amount of money so that From 1918 to 1925, when ferred Father Joseph Balcerak the parish would not have to Frank E. Carey, Jr. of Okla-homa City, first vice-President Clubs now existing have a mem-tor due to ill health, several Elmira to St. Stanislaus Par-had been raised and work was cese aided him in the parish appointed his assistant. Fathers

duties as temporary assistants. Peter T. Jankowski and Stanis-On October 31, 1959, Msgr. During this fifteen-year period laus Bialeszewski, who had been Balcerak died suddenly and three tower bells and stained assistants to Father Szupa, were Rev. Alexander J. Stee was apglass windows were installed transferred to other parishes pointed as his successor.

The rapid expansion of the In the past 75 years the par-

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with a teacher and abundant audiovisual materials, the visaudiovisual materials, the vis-itors will, be children diam schools stood their ground, bis In Last sammer's Projectif and from proble and private schools stood their ground, U.S. Office of Economic Opport "We are in there pitching," tunity, the Catholic school sysin diadvantaged Thin ereity

areas of Rochester, Syracuse have a heavy percentage of non-detached one principal who be-

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The proposed project, which half of inner city schools. One new federal schooling aid, said must meet approval of state and is a layman, William Paradise, Father Roche, has been the de-William M. Roche, superinten a nun, Sister Mary Cyril, who the community." dent of Catholic schools in the Rochester diocese.

Veteran's Day Rochester is one of the first major cities to announce its plans under the 1965 Elementary and Secondary Education Act. The act has three parts: aid for the education of child dren from low-income families. supplemental textbooks and library materials for students and creation of regional education centers_

partment of School Superinten on Thursday, Nov. 11 at St. County Legion group, Joseph Catholic laymen who partici-dents of the National Catholic Mary's Church. Bishop Kearney L. Heyer. Heyer requests that Educational Association, Father will celebrate the Memorial citizens stand for a moment of Roche explained that the aid for Mass and preach the sermon. silent prayer, remembering not

aid all deprived youngsters, in ored guests, according to Father the church bells of every Cath-Sunday, Nov. 7-Corpus Christi, cluding those in non-public Thomas Reddington, county olic parish be rung for two schools. This will be done large chaplain of the American Le- minutes, for the living and the ly through programs of "mobile gion ...

services," such as bookmobiles, A special request for "a mo-'Day. and visiting experts.

Father Roche described cooperation with the Rochester city puzblic school superimten dent, Herman R. Goldberg, as "superb."

"When the law was passed earlier in the year, we sat down together and said, 'Let's read this over and see what it means for our community.' We have been meeting monthly ever since," said Father Roche.

As a result of this liaison and determination, Rochester has a widescale proposal, including a variety of special services for children in parochial schools in disadvantaged areas.

Father Roche said that in addition to the traveling classroom, which it is hoped will be shared with other neighboring cities, there will be an artmobile, preschool programs sim ilar to last summer's Project Head Start, an "art action" center where children will be able to draw, nursing service for students, visiting public schools experts in speech and hearing therapy, a bookmobile and special instruction in English for foreign-born, especially Puerto Ricans_

Father Roche explained that as Rochester's inner city, in a transition familiar to most major cities, absorbed low-income minority groups especially he said.

Bishop To Offer

Memorial Mass

he said. "Our downtown schools tem and the public schools each Catholics. One, for example, has came co-directors of a program horizons of youngsters whose pupils, mostly, we think, be Protestant churches and Jewish community centers, Father Roche said.

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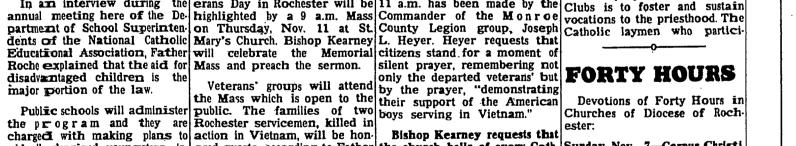
late," in one of the Saturday federal educational authorities, who coordinates special assis- velopment of "close association late," in one of the Saturday was outlined here by Father tance programs. The other is of all educational agencies in Colline College

> Local chairman of the Dis trict Convention is Robert T Howe of the Rochester Serra Club, assisted by Eugene Cusker as program chairman. F Leslie Dollinger is chairman of registration and reception; arrangements are being handled by Benedict Messner. Hospitality to wives of delegates is in charge of Mrs. Richard Maurer, while Eaton Hammond is handling publicity.

Religious observance of Vet-ment of praverful Main purpose of the Serra In an interview during the erans Day in Rochester will be 11 a.m. has been made by the Clubs is to foster and sustain annual meeting here of the De highlighted by a 9 a.m. Mass Commander of the Monroe vocations to the priesthood. The

Devotions of Forty Hours in Churches of Diocese of Roch

Rochester; St. Francis, Au burn; St. Mary, Elmira; St. Catherine, Ithaca; Epiphamy, dead, at 11 a.m. on Veterans' Sodus; St. Joseph, Wayland.



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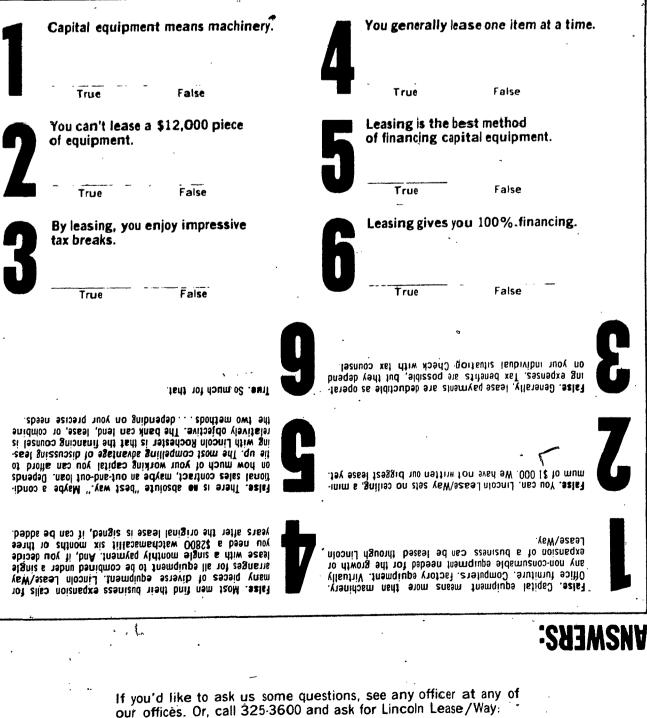
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Mary's Church.

VETERANS' DAY plans are reviewed by Bishop Kearney and Joseph L. Heyer, Monroe County Commander of the American Legion. The Bishop

will offer a Memorial Mass and preach at 9 a.m. on Thursday, Nov. 11 at St.