



Three appointees in new diocesan posts are Msgr. Donald J. Mulcahy (left) who leaves St. Patrick's, Victor, to help organize the future Diocesan Pastoral Council; Father Paul Murley (center), formerly pastor in Stanley, Rushville parishes will be new pastor in Victor; and Father Norbert Nolan who goes to St. Theresa's and St. Mary's Churches from Brighton's Our Lady of Lourdes.

## Diocesan Appointments



Msgr. Donald J. Mulcahy, to be Executive Secretary for planning of the Diocesan Pastoral Council, from pastor of St. Patrick's Church, Victor.

Father T. Paul Murley, to be pastor of St. Patrick's Church, Victor, from pastor of St. Theresa's Church, Stanley, and St. Mary's Church, Rushville.

Father Norbert L. Nolan, to be pastor of St. Theresa's Church, Stanley, and St. Mary's Church, Rushville, from assistant pastor of Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Rochester.

Father Oliver P. Stokes, O.P., to be assistant pastor of Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Rochester, temporarily, from Ireland.

## Do Your Children Say "Scarey" Prayers?

New York — A mother wrote to her newspaper with an unusual child-rearing problem: she had not yet taught her two little girls how to pray because the only prayer she knew as a child was "the old and scary one."

Wasn't there a better nighttime prayer she asked, than: "Now I lay me down to sleep. I pray Thee, Lord, my soul to keep. If I should die before I wake, I pray Thee, Lord, my soul to take."

"Isn't that a horror?" she asked. "I learned it when I could barely talk, and it kept me so scared I couldn't sleep some nights. I didn't want to die and although I didn't know what my soul was I was terrified by the idea of God 'taking' it."

## David DeMaria Memorial Fund

Geneva — A memorial fund for David DeMaria, a 1970 graduate of DeSales High School and a first year student at State Agricultural and Technical College at Cobleskill, who was killed Sunday Feb. 21 in an auto accident, has been established at DeSales by relatives and friends.

DeMaria, son of Mr. and Mrs. Sebastian DeMaria of Copeland Ave., Geneva, was a member of the athletic association and the Catholic Students Mission Crusade, as well as being active in intramural sports while at DeSales.

The memorial fund will be used as a prize to be given each year at DeSales graduation ceremonies. Contributions may be sent to the David DeMaria Memorial Fund, in care of the school.

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The "Now I lay me down" prayer has been traced as far back as an 1160 prayerbook, and showed up later in a 1737 New England primer, when children were reminded frequently that they were sinful and that death awaited them.

There was a heavy mail response to the mother's appeal for a less frightening prayer for children who do give some thought to the words they address to God. Among those published by the paper, The Long Island Press, were these, offered by parents and grandparents alike:

"God made the sun and God made the tree. God made the mountains, and God made me. I thank you, God, for the sun and the tree, for making the mountains, and for making me."

"Dear Jesus, look down from above, fill my little heart with love. Bless me every single day, make me kind and good always."

Several parents suggested merely changing the last part of the "Now I lay me down" prayer, substituting for the "scary" part, "Guard me through the starry night, and wake me up to sunshine bright."

Several parents suggested that young children should not be encouraged to learn set prayers at a very young age. As one mother and Sunday School teacher put it:

"A young child can simply speak to (or with) God, expressing thanks for food, friends, a puppy, or whatever the day held. Religion is caught, not taught, and a few sincere words will be more effective than woodenly-recited ones."

## Propagation Directors Meet

Directors of The Society for the Propagation of the Faith from 20 dioceses met recently in Mobile, Ala., to map plans for Mission Sunday 1971 and for increasing year-round awareness of mission needs. This was the first of four regional meetings which will cover the entire country. The Most Rev. Joseph L. Hogan, D.D., center, Bishop of Rochester, chats with Msgr. Edward T. O'Meara, national director, who presided at the meeting.

## Business In the Diocese

### Bott Heads Telephone Unit

George W. Bott has been elected assistant treasurer of the Rochester Telephone Corp. filling a position left vacant since October 1969 when Peter A. Broikou was elected treasurer.

Bott attended Brockport High School, and was graduated from St. Francis Preparatory School at Spring Grove, Pa. He received a B.A. in economics from the University of Notre Dame in 1961, and has done graduate work at Syracuse University and Rochester Institute of Technology.

He is a member of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary Church in Brockport. He and his wife, Carol, have two daughters, Kristen, 8, and Sarah, 2.

### BUSINESS LOSES, TOO

Cancer costs American business and industry valuable executives at the peak of their efficiency and trained workers at the height of their productivity. The American Cancer Society urges annual health checkups for everyone.

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# 'Clean' Movies Aren't Washed Up

New York — (CPF) — Clean entertainment is coming back — or is it?

"Is This a Trend? 66% of 15 New Films GP or G," headlined the show-business paper, Variety, on its front page the other day, and much is being made of the re-release of My Fair Lady, Lawrence of Arabia and Seven Brides for Seven Brothers.

There is hopeful thinking, and there is not-so-hopeful thinking.

In giving the revival of Warner Brothers' My Fair Lady a glowing "welcome back" in its

Catholic Film Newsletter, the National Catholic Office for Motion Pictures commented: "One can only look forward expectantly to the acceptance this re-release will receive. . . One wonders what keys My Fair Lady may hold for movie makers in the decade of the Seventies." The Catholic film office offered movie makers some clues as to why My Fair Lady did so well the first time out as a film, is likely to do well again:

"This seemingly slight Cinderella tale of a crushed Covent Garden cabbage leaf of a flower girl who longs for a better life and falls into the hands of an egotistical bachelor of a phonetics teacher who bets a friend he can pass her off as a lady at a Royal ball is, indeed, a fantasy, a form of the 'elegant escapism' Hollywood has mined so long and so well.

"But, of course, it is more than this. Part fairy tale, part period piece, part social commentary, part love story — in which there is not even a kiss — MFL somewhere at the core of its inspiration speaks honestly and authentically of very human hopes for social betterment through education, and grounds its values solidly in a hierarchy of values that places sacrifice, devotion and the recognition of the dignity of the individual above class distinctions and material success."

Variety's "Is This a Trend?" headline topped a story about the ratings given by the Motion Picture Association of America to 15 films, with only five being classified R or X. Four were rated GP and six were rated G, the "family" category that has been the scarcest of all of late.

But there are those who warn against over-optimism. One major observer of the movie-industry cycle referred to the recently issued goody Love Story as "a one-picture trend" and noted that on the film horizon are such productions as: Portnoy's Complaint, a film version of Philip Roth's "hot" bestseller a few years back; Madness, a re-enactment of the Sharon Tate massacre; Pretty Maids All in a Row, about a sex maniac who kills high-school girls;

One thing that is fairly certain is that there will be a decrease in X-rated films on the part of the major movie companies, partly because they have hurt the industry's image

But the more important reason is that the major companies simply cannot compete with the films being shown in the "porno" theaters that are cropping up all over the country. People are looking for nudity and explicit sex acts are flocking to films like Censorship in Denmark or Hollywood Blue and other hardcore pornography films that leave nothing to the imagination of even the most "sophisticated" viewer.



## State Offers Book

A booklet issued by the State Commerce Department Woman's Program called "The Consumer Key" lists more than 350 sources for information on a variety of topics, including fashion, fabrics, finance, food and furnishings. All publications listed in the booklet are available at low or no cost, and have been developed by state and federal government agencies, trade associations and manufacturers. Free copies of "The Consumer Key" may be obtained by writing to Woman's Program, 112 State Street, Albany, N.Y. 12207. A list of other free Woman's Program leaflets, on career and business, also is available.



## Fashion Show

Working on plans for St. Rita's Fashion Show are: (l-r) Beverly Schnorr, Jane Casper, Dee Vadas and Nancy Larson. The show is slated for Tuesday, March 20 at 8 p.m. at Sweet's Farm, Webster. The public is invited.