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assistant pastor; Craig W. Mastin, high school representative; and Anthony P. Mantelli.



At monthly meeting of formation committee in Geneva, Ed Winterkorn and Father James Marvin listen while Bishop McCafferty speaks on drafting guidelines.

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The 16-member formation committee has been meeting monthly for four months, drawing up guidelines for the parish and pastoral councils. So far, 60 parishes have their own councils, and many of the others are making preparations to start their own.

To sound out opinion in the diocese the Pastoral Council Formation Committee held a meeting with more than 60 lay and religious people at Becket Hall on Oct. 15 and 16 where they were addressed by Richard H. Dement, director of program services for the National Catholic Council of the Laity.

Part of Dement's program got those attending the meeting down — down on the floor that is.

Large sheets were handed around, crayons were distributed and everyone was asked to write down what they thought should be the major improvements in the Church during the next two years.

Msr. Mulcahy reported that after much discussion, the conference decided on the importance of educating the parishes on the principles of the Vatican Council.

Typical of the many new parish councils is the one at Holy Cross. After more than a year of preparation, they had a council ready to function. In keeping with the emphasis on spiritual renewal, their project was a group retreat at Notre Dame Retreat House in Canandaigua.



Mrs. Warren Smith concentrates on the future.

By Laurence E. Keefe



James Lynch relaxes while getting his ideas on paper for the conference.