

10 Named Regional Council Leaders

To implement the "Guidelines for Parish Councils" in every area of the diocese and to work towards the formation of a diocesan Pastoral Council, Bishop Joseph L. Hogan has named 10 regional coordinators for the Formation Committee for a Diocesan Pastoral Council.

The coordinators are:

Monroe County, North — Father Douglas Hoffman of St. Thomas the Apostle Church, Rochester.

Monroe County, Northeast — Father Frederick W. Bush of Church of the Holy Spirit, Penfield.

Monroe County, Southeast — Father John P. Norris of Blessed Sacrament Church, Rochester.

Monroe County, Southwest — Father Elmer J. McDonald of St. Christopher's Church, North Chili.

Monroe County Northwest — Father Thomas M. Reddington, Holy Name of Jesus Church, Rochester.

Cayuga and Seneca Counties — Father John S. Hayes, St. Patrick's Church, Aurora.

Tompkins and Tioga Counties — Father Albert V. Ryan, St. James and Apostle Church, Trumansburg.

Schuyler and Chemung Counties — Father Henry F. Adamski, St. Casimir's Church, Elmira.

Livingston and Steuben Counties — Father Eugene G. Emo, St. Mary's Church, Dansville.

Ontario, Yates and Wayne Counties — Father Robert G. Smith, St. Januarius Church, Naples.

With the exception of Fathers Emo and Hoffman, all are pastors of their respective churches.

They will work under Auxiliary Bishop John E. McCafferty, director of pastoral council.

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Seeing Double

The kindergarten teacher at St. Boniface is getting wise to the ways of twins. She has three pairs in her class, and another at home. Mrs. Robert Jennings brought her infant daughters, Stacy and Heather, to show to the other twins, Garry and Larry, sons of Mr. and Mrs. Louis P. Lipa of Mt. Hope Ave.; Marlene and Charlene, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. John C. Brown of Caroline Street, and Maureen and Christine, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Stuver of Raymond Street.

Pontiff Assesses Lenten Penance

Vatican City (RNS) — Pope Paul today opened the Lenten season in a ceremony at St. Peter's Basilica which he said reminded him of "the extremely transient fragility of present life."

The 74-year-old spiritual leader of the world's more than 600 million Roman Catholics knelt and bowed his head during an Ash Wednesday rite in which ashes were placed upon his brow.

Pope Paul then dabbed ashes on the foreheads of many of the top churchmen attending the ceremony which opened 40 days of reflection in preparing for the climax of Holy Week, the Resurrection, on Easter Sunday.

The Pope gave this personal assessment of Lent to the crowd attending.

"Lent starts with the sadness of ashes, continues along the narrow path of penance and

ends in the glorious Resurrection of Christ."

Pope Paul spoke of the rules of Lenten fasting which have been dropped from the Church ritual in the wake of Vatican II.

He recalled that at one time, "fasting, avoiding futile entertainments and other penitential practices marked in very strong fashion this period."

"Today," he continued, "Church regulations have been

changed and softened," but there exists now more than ever the need for penance, humility, awareness of sin, prayers and listening to the word of God."

Under new regulations handed down by Pope Paul six years ago, Roman Catholics are now required only to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. Before this, long lists of fasting and abstinence regulations were enforced during the Lenten period.

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In keeping with the season of Lent, Bishop Joseph L. Hogan will write a special series for Courier-Journal readers on the meaning of Penance in these times of renewal.

Especially educational and informative, the series will supply special guidance on the important role of penance in all our lives.

The series will run in the Bishop's customary spot on PAGE 3 and the first article appears in this edition.

In Albany, the governor and the Legislature, especially in this election year, appear ready to let the problem of liberalized abortion stay on the back burner.

Those seeking repeal and return to the previous law are anxious to keep this from happening. One of the most active groups opposing liberalized abortion is the Rochester Right to Life Committee. It has prepared a special series on the problem and the first of these, "Abortion and Public Morality," appears on PAGE 18 today.

And in a Courier special, columnist Bod Considine is writing "China: Past and Present". Considine worked as a correspondent in China during World War II and is accompanying President Nixon on his historic visit to Peking. His first report is on PAGE 10 today.