

## Wayne Agencies Get Grants

The Wayne-Monroe Human Development Task Force today announced the following grants: Wayneco Housing Opportunities (WHO) \$4500, Legal Aid Society of Wayne County \$3500, and Clyde Federal Credit Union \$1000.

The Human Development Campaign was initiated by the Catholic Bishops of the United States in 1970 as a concerted effort to "break the hellish circle of poverty". It was the stated intention of the bishops that projects benefiting from campaign funds should demonstrate efforts of the poor to help themselves, and the grant recipients are examples of such efforts.

WHO is an independent organization which intends to build approximately 150-housing units for agriculture workers in eastern Wayne County. The Human Development grant will be used for incidentals such as publicity, travel, and office supplies not covered by federal monies.

Legal Aid, Wayne County, to be located in Lyons, provides legal assistance and guidance to individuals who are unable to afford such aid in civil actions (e.g. credit problems landlord-tenant disputes).

Clyde Federal Credit Union assists minority people to acquire credit where it would otherwise be impossible. The Human Development grant will be used to support the credit union until

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### Get Out the Vote

A special mobil registration drive to sign up student voters resulted in 2,195 registrants in four days of last week. Sponsored by the Rochester Coalition for the Student Vote and the League of Women Voters the drive visited schools such as St. Agnes, above, where about 125 registered.

## Pastoral Assistants

# A New Horizon for Nuns?

By BARBARA MOYNEHAN

When Sister Mary Jo at Holy Name of Jesus in Greece became a full-time, salaried pastoral assistant seven years ago she was unique, now she is one of five.

About four years ago, Sister Elaine Ryan filled the position at the Cathedral and Sister Catherine Heverin became pastoral assistant at Holy Spirit.

In the past month, Sister Patricia Norton got the job at St. Charles Borromeo, Sister Carol Fox at Mt. Carmel and Sister Barbara Moore at St. Monica's.

The title "pastoral assistant" has caused some consternation among priests. "It is a threat to some of them if the sisters are called part of the pastoral team," said Sister Mary John Van Atta, public relations director for the Sisters of St. Joseph.

But it was a priest, Father Thomas Reddington, pastor of Holy Name parish in Greece, who originated the concept for Sisters holding the job of pastoral assistant. He feels very strongly that Sister Mary Jo should be involved in every aspect of parish work, and not confined to coordinating programs.

The duties the sisters perform in this office vary depending on the community the parish serves, and the programs that exist at that parish.

Sister Mary Jo is involved in the total ministry of the Church since there is no parochial school or CCD director at Holy Name of Jesus. She makes home visits, Courier-Journal



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directs sacramental training, and distributes Communion at crowded Sunday Masses.

Sister Barbara Moore and Sister Carol Fox will be in a completely different situation when they begin their jobs in the Fall. Since both St. Monica's and Mt. Carmel have parochial schools and CCD coordinators they will have more specific work areas.

Sister Mary Jo, who taught elementary school for 10 years before beginning pastoral work, feels it is a much needed area of work for women Religious.

"When you think of the Catholic schools closing today, it is too bad more priests didn't think of this as a working alternative



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to the parish school," she said, and stressed that it is important for nuns who teach school to get involved in the total parish.

Sister Barbara Moore, who will finish teaching at Notre Dame High School in Elmira in June, agreed that "this is the kind of work you are going to find sisters moving into more and more."

Father Reddington best explained the rationale behind this trend.

"Our whole program is adult-oriented, and the lay people run it. That's the concept our parish works from," he said.

"We have no Religious teaching in our school of religion, we

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## Fr. Zimmerman Ordination Set

"If only we have love" is the theme of the ordination Mass for Father John Paul Zimmerman, set for Friday, May 19, at 7:30 p.m. in St. Christopher's Church, North Chili, where Father Zimmerman served his deacon internship.

Bishop Joseph L. Hogan will be the ordaining prelate and the principal concelebrant of the Mass for the son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert J. Zimmerman of Spencerport.

Other concelebrants are Fathers Elmer McDonald, pastor of St. Christopher's; Robert Downs, pastor of St. John the Evangelist, Spencerport; Edward Steinkirchner, director of the deacon internship program; William Trott, spiritual director at St. Bernard's Seminary; James Connelly, pastor of St. Peter and Paul, Arcade; and Robert Yeazil, secretary to Auxiliary Bishop Francis J. Harrison of Syracuse.

Father Zimmerman's classmates also will concelebrate. Among them are Fathers Edward Palumbos, Louis Vasile, David Fedor, Ronald Stacy, Gary Shaw, Robert Rice, Fabian Ramos Gomez of Cumana, Venezuela, and Raymond Tetreault of Providence, R.I.

Deacon Robert Gaudio will serve as deacon for the Mass. The lectors will be Mr. and Mrs. Robert B. Zimmerman. James Martin, chairman of the parish council, and Father McDonald will respond to the Bishop's question on the worthiness of the candidate for ordination.

The new priest's vestments, which were made by his mother, will be presented by his parents. His chalice and patten, made of wood by his brother Robert, will be presented by his brother and sister-in-law.

Offertory gifts will be presented by Martin, Anthony Lioti, president of the Men's Club; Mrs. Richard Oliver, president of the Women's Club; and Christopher Westbrook, president of the Teen Club. Servers for the



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Mass are Paul Cervelloni and John Nothnagle.

Music for the ordination will be provided by the St. Christopher's Folk Group, Miss Eileen Kennedy, Deacon Thomas McKeon, Deacon James Hewes, Timothy Dawes. The Chromatones, an area men's glee club; Ted Auble and James Lissow.

A celebration will follow the ordination at St. John's school hall, Spencerport.

Father Zimmerman will celebrate a Mass of Thanksgiving Saturday, May 20, at 11 a.m. in St. John's, Spencerport. Music will be provided by the parish choir under the direction of Mrs. John Baman.

A first priestly blessing and reception will be held from 3 to 6 p.m. at St. Christopher's, Sunday, May 21.

Father Zimmerman received his B.A., B.D. and M.Th. from St. Bernard's. He received his clinical pastoral education at Virginia Baptist Hospital, Lynchburg, Va. He has also worked for the Eastman Kodak Co., the City of Rochester and Camp Stella Maris.

## Father Hastings To Be Ordained

Geneva — Father James Hastings will be ordained to the priesthood for service as a Columban missionary in St. Francis de Sales Church Saturday, May 20.

Officiating at the 11 a.m. ceremony will be Bishop Joseph L. Hogan. A dinner will follow at 1:30 p.m. at the LaFayette Inn.

Father Hastings, who has been assigned to Japan, will offer his first concelebrated Mass in the same church at noon Sunday, May 21. The preacher will be Father Frank Taney, a Maryknoll missionary.

Concelebrants include St. Francis' pastor, Father Genaro Ventura; Fathers Thomas O'Keefe and David Simon, assistants; Fathers John Moriarty, Joseph Cerhan, Donald Wodarz, and Thomas Shea, all from St. Columban's major seminary in Milton, Mass., and Father Robert Navien of St. John's Parish, Canton, Mass.

A reception honoring Father Hastings will be held in the St. Francis' parish hall from 2-4 p.m.



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On Sunday, May 28, he will offer a Mass of Thanksgiving at St. John's Church, Canton, Mass., at 5 p.m.

A native of Geneva, the missionary is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John P. Hastings of 108 North Street.