



Sanctity of Life

Bishop Joseph L. Hogan leads sanctity of life celebration Sunday at Canandaigua. Story and other pictures of day's events are on Page 7.

Bishop Lauds Missionary Work

In dedicating the new East Avenue offices and chapel of the Society of the Propagation of the Faith on Thursday, May 18, Bishop Joseph L. Hogan reminded those at the ceremony that "we are all called to be missionaries."

Bishop Hogan praised the "wonderful work" of Father Joseph Reinhart as head of the diocesan society. He told those at the Mass of dedication that at all national conferences on mission work it was "gratifying" to find the Rochester diocese consistently "among the top ten in the country" in mission contributions.

Blessing of the new Propagation of the Faith offices, recently moved from 50 Chestnut St. to 123 East Ave., comes just as preparations are being made for the diocesan mission appeal, slated for Sunday, May 28.

This year marks the 150th anniversary of the Society for the Propagation of the Faith, founded in France by Marie-Pauline Jaricot in 1822 for the assistance of poor missionaries. In addition to handling individual donations, the Christmas appeal for lepers, and parish appeals by mission bishops, the Rochester office also handles the October Mission Sunday collection and the upcoming diocesan missions appeal.

Mission funds are used not only to subsidize nuns in Chile and Brazil who run health clinics, and Rochester priests at St. Joseph the Worker parish in La Paz, but also to aid work with the urban and rural poor locally.

Assisting at dedication of the chapel, which will be open for daily noon Mass, were Father Reinhart and Father Michael Conboy, secretary to the bishop. In attendance were Fathers John Rosse and Bruce Ammering.

Bishops Get Choice In Prelate Selection

News Analysis on Page 20

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Vatican City — Pope Paul has given the world's bishops an official voice in the nomination of new bishops, but he still kept in the hands of the papacy the final decision on accepting or rejecting the recommendations.

Since the close of Vatican II, which spoke repeatedly of a collegiality in the Church through which the bishops would share more fully in policy-making, prelates in many areas of the world have been demanding that they have a formal voice in the naming of bishops.

The pontiff has now issued a document outlining the new bishop selection procedure which will go into effect immediately.

Under the new policy, each episcopal conference in the

world will select candidates for bishop by secret ballot and then submit the names to the Holy See.

The vatican will check into the backgrounds of the candidates and then the pontiff will make the final decision. He may select someone not even on the list.

In addition to this, a bishop also will be able to recommend a candidate for bishop directly to the pontiff.

According to the document the conference president and others who make recommendations must "keep in mind the needs and circumstances of the Church in the whole country."

The new procedure still allows the papal nuncios or delegates a vital position in the naming of new prelates.

Bishop Concludes Series on Pastoral Council

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Bishop Hogan concludes his four-part series on the necessity of the formation of a diocesan pastoral council. On Page 3, the Bishop points out that he, as the bishop, must have continual access to representative priests and groups of laity to be adequately informed about developments in the secular sphere.

To understand why the Pastoral Council is the Bishop's "fondest hope and expectation," his column, "Pastoral Perspective," is must reading.

And on another front, George Beahon, our controversial sports columnist, provides some insights into the upcoming Indianapolis 500 that you may miss in reading the "establishment" writers. His column is on Page 17.

Still another columnist, the Courier television critic, Pat Costa, takes a pot shot at the industry itself for not doing better in its own promotion show, the Emmy Awards. She cites poor taste in some of the humor and faulty categorizing of the awards in her column on Page 19.

Though columns provide some of the more interesting material in this edition, there also is much news of note. Barbara Moynihan writes of one parish which sings the merits of both its school and CCD program (Page 7); she covers a regional conference in which "church leadership" is urged in gaining urban-suburban cooperation (Page 7); two orders are ordaining priests in Rochester (Page 8).

In a special feature, John Dash explains the need for foster homes for harder-to-place children. (Page 16).