

# Eight Area Priests Celebrate 25 Years

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Pastor of two congregations, Father John L. Coonan already has had one celebration, at St. Patrick's, Savannah, which is a mission of St. John the Evangelist, Clyde. He said Mass last Saturday evening for the Savannah people, and was their dinner guest afterward. On Saturday, June 17, he will offer another anniversary Mass, at St. John's. A parish dinner will follow. Father Coonan was chaplain at St. James Mercy Hospital in Hornell before his assignment to the Wayne County parishes.



SISTER RUTH

## Sister Ruth Observes 50th

Techny, Ill. — Sister Ruth Wendelgass, SSps formerly of Rochester, celebrated her golden jubilee of religious profession at the Convent of the Holy Spirit, Pentecost Sunday. A concelebrated Mass in the convent chapel highlighted the festivities.

Sister Ruth devoted most of her life to nursing and was nurse anesthetist at St. Mary's Hospital, Watertown, Wis., and St. Therese Hospital, Waukegan, Ill. In 1963 the jubilarian retired from nursing and is presently on the production staff of the community's mission magazine, "The Master's Work."

Before joining the Holy Spirit Missionary Sisters in Techny, Sister Ruth was a member of St. Andrew's Parish, Rochester and attended Holy Redeemer School.

Sister Ruth is the sister of Mrs. Francis (Rose Schifferli) and Mrs. Royal (Mae) Mutter of Rochester and Joseph Wendelgass of Hollywood, Fla.

## Father Corcoran Celebrates 25th

Father John J. Corcoran, CSC, a Geneva native now serving as chaplain at Cardinal Mooney High School, marks the 25th anniversary of his priesthood this month.

He is the son of Mrs. Florence Corcoran and the late Martin S. Corcoran of Geneva. He was educated in his hometown public schools, the University of America.

Following his 1947 ordination, Father Corcoran did a year of post-graduate studies and then was assigned to Columbia preparatory school, Portland, Oregon. He has also taught at Notre Dame High School, Niles, Ill., acting as director of student affairs, director of studies and assistant superior at various times there.

In 1971 he was appointed to his present position as chaplain at Cardinal Mooney High School here, which is staffed by Holy Cross Brothers.

The people of Holy Trinity, Webster, celebrated Father William M. Hart's anniversary with a dinner dance June 2. The pastor will offer a Mass of Thanksgiving June 11, with a family party afterward. Father Hart was on the St. Bernard's faculty for 20 years, then served with the Diocesan Tribunal and the Pastoral Office until his appointment to Holy Trinity in 1969.

At St. Leo's, Hilton, the parish will give a party for Father Chester M. Klocek and his relatives on the Feast of the Sacred Heart, June 9. A reception for parishioners is scheduled to follow a 3 p.m. Mass June 11. Father Klocek, pastor of St. Leo's since 1968, handled the Thanksgiving clothing drive for the diocese for several years, and formerly was moderator of the Diocesan Council of Catholic women.

Parishioners of St. Michael's, Newark, plan a Saturday evening reception June 10 for their pastor, Father Richard J. Orlando, after his 5:30 p.m. Mass. Father Orlando, a Rochesterian who has served several Rochester parishes, will have a second celebration in the urban area, Auxiliary Bishop Dennis W. Hickey will give the homily at a Mass at 5 p.m. Sunday, June 25, at Our Mother of Sorrows, and a dinner will follow.

At St. Monica's, Rochester, Father Edward Zimmer will celebrate Mass Sunday noon June 18 with some of his classmates and family connections in the priesthood. Bishop Lawrence B. Casey of Paterson, whom Father Zimmer assisted for several years at Sacred Heart Cathedral will speak at Mass and at a dinner that night at Mapledale Party House. The parish reception will take place in the rectory meeting rooms immediately following the Mass.

A special guest at the St. Monica celebration will be retired Bishop James E. Kearney, for whom Father Zimmer regularly served Mass 34 years ago in the bishop's East Avenue home.

## Is There Room?

Lydia, age 7, and her brother Antonio, 6, are two beautiful youngsters of Puerto Rican descent. Both have curly, black hair, mellow complexion, and big, winsome brown eyes. These two children are awaiting placement in a long-term foster home.

Despite the fact they've been uprooted emotionally and culturally from their Spanish speaking family of birth, they are managing well in a foreign, English-speaking world. They both attend regular classes in a Rochester school where they've acquired language and social skills this past year.

Each child shows sadness from previous separations. Antonio, his face downcast and forlorn, Lydia measuring her words carefully. Although they are slow to trust and get close, they respond well to adults with sincere, consistent interest.

For more information about Lydia and Antonio and their need for a foster home call Mrs. Diane Lenzo at the Catholic Family Center (716) 546-7220 or Miss Mary Lou Miller at the Monroe County Department of social services (716) 442-4000, extension 2409.

**CURSILLO INFORMATION**  
General information on the Cursillo Movement of Rochester may be obtained by writing to the Rochester Cursillo Movement, P.O. Box 9586, Rochester, 14604; or by calling Father Raymond Booth at (716) 232-1133.

# Priests Mark 40 Years

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Hyacinth School, Auburn, St. John Kanty College in Erie and St. Bernard's. He served at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel and St. Stanislaus, Rochester and at St. Mary's, Corning, and St. Casimir's, Elmira.

He was the second priest of the diocese to enlist in the U.S. Navy. Since his return from the Navy, Father Woloch has served at Holy Family, Rochester; St. Michael's, Livonia Center; St. Mary's, Honeoye; and St. Patrick's, Mt. Morris.

## Center Boxers On the Road

Six St. Martin DePorres Boxers recently travelled to matches in Ellicottville and three emerged victorious.

Ken Wyatt impressively defeated Ron Huff of Buffalo Westminister Club. He had Huff on the canvass in the third round. Edward Kinsey won over Tom Wilson of Olean. Robert Wyatt decided Daryl Graham, also of Buffalo Westminister. Brian Davis lost a close split decision to Olean's Jeff Becker in a featured event. Jerome Kinsey lost to Ernest Arnold of the Buffalo PAL and Derrick Hartzog was edged by Charles Matthews of Buffalo Westminister.

The bouts were sponsored by the Southern Tier Boxing Club of Olean.

## What Do You Think?

# Women's Lib...Pros and Cons

By CHARLES RANDISI

This week I asked several people attending a recital at St. Thomas More parish this question: "What do you think of the women's liberation movement?"

Neil Trama, of St. Thomas More Parish, said, "I agree with the principles of the movement to an extent. I think that women should have equal rights in certain fields. Education is very important for a woman. I believe that when you educate a man, you educate a person. When you

educate a woman, you educate a family. I also feel that a woman should be able to hold a better job than a waitress. By the way, I have six children."

One woman said, "I've already been liberated. It's the confused ones who are making all the noise. They need liberating."

Al Meyer, a native of the West Coast, said, "I think it's a good movement. But it will take many years to achieve all the goals they (women liberationists) want. It may never end."

One married couple didn't have any opinion to offer, but agreed that they might have one if they weren't together.

A priest said, "I won't offer any opinion on the subject, but I will tell you a story. A girl with whom I talked went to Marquette University. She told me that she took a course called 'The Theology of Women's Liberation.' When I asked her what they did when they got to St. Paul she said 'We ignored him.'"



## Lay Teachers at St. Pius Get Bonus

Kodak is not the only one to be aware of the persuasive value of a bonus. When lay teachers were hard to get, and the salary in a Catholic school was not what it is today, a plan to augment lay teachers' salaries was devised. This was in 1967.

The Church planned to buy

stock each month in a monthly investment plan. This fund would be a benefit when teachers retired, or if they changed jobs after five years.

Teachers have come and gone. In 1971 salaries were raised to a point that precluded the monthly investment plan. Now after five

years since the last teacher was hired under the former plan, the four teachers will share equally in an amount of \$9,000. The four, shown above, are (l.r.) Sharon Stiegman, Mrs. Lois Deryke, Mrs. Charlene Rice, Mrs. Mary McGee, and Father Donald J. Murphy, pastor of the parish.