

BISHOP'S SOUTHERN TIER FLOOD RELIEF FUND

Adopt a Family, Parishes Urged

Area churches and synagogues have been asked to "adopt" families in the flood-ravaged Southern Tier and help them get back on their feet.

A congregation taking part in this program would enlist the services of carpenters, plumbers and electricians as needed to solve the particular problems of a specific family.

Father Henry Atwell, executive director of Genesee Ecumenical Ministries, said "there is a need for personal contact with the elderly, widowed and sick."

"All churches and temples included in GEM, members of Rochester Area Ministers Fellowship and the Jewish temples

and synagogues, through the Jewish Community Council, are potential helpers, he said.

The program, Operation Rebuild, has offices for the Horseheads — Elmira area at Our Saviour Lutheran Church. Corning's St. Mary's Church serves as the office for that area.

Neighbors, pastors and survey takers can suggest names of those on fixed or limited incomes who need help repairing their damaged homes.

When a church has decided to commit itself to working with a family, a representative of the parish will meet the family, assess needs and plan the reconstruction with them.

It's Still 'Summertime' For Some Corning Boys

Bath — The Corning Glass Works Foundation and the Boy Scouts of America have joined forces to provide a unique experience for boys from the Corning-Painted Post Area whose families were victimized by the flood.

Nineteen boys of ages 8-12 spent the week of July 16-22 at Camp Gorton on Lake Waneta. The Boy Scout camp is on the east side of the lake, midway between Hammondsport and Watkins Glen. The program is unique in that none of the boys had any camping experience

Corning South

(Continued from Page 1) take all the students the facility will allow, from the recently closed Corning Catholic School North." (St. Vincent de Paul's).

"We are very happy to be spared from the ravage of the flood and we want to do our part for the people who want to continue their children in Catholic education," he said.

Parishioners from St. Mary's, a parish and area untouched by the flood, have contributed subsidies to the school so it can take as many children from other parishes that suffered a loss.

The subsidies, Father Brennan explained, will help with the expenses to run the school, and will take the burden off the parishioners who have suffered flood losses.

After Friday night's meeting, Sister Mary Krukow, coordinating principal of the two schools until Catholic School North closed last week, explained that the decision to open Catholic School South in September is

previously.

Charles Lord, director of Camp Gorton, said that the program, which was paid for by the Corning Glass Works Foundation, would continue if a need for it was shown.

The boys had their own separate campsite from the regular Boy Scouts, because of their camping inexperience. Two leaders were recruited to counsel the boys in handicrafts, swimming, boating, and hiking activities. Lord said that the Scouts helped and cooperated with the leaders during the boys' stay.

based on "the firm commitment of the pastors and advisors of St. Mary's, St. Patrick's and St. Vincent de Paul's parishes as well as on the encouraging financial reports from subcommittees working in the areas of special contributions and private foundation grants."

Dr. Joseph Panzarino, president of Corning's Catholic School Board, added that funds are still being actively sought by the board for the school system as well as the parishes hit by the flood, St. Patrick's and St. Vincent de Paul's.

"Catholic School South intends to remain open not only for 1972-73 school year but also for years to come," Dr. Panzarino continued.

BARBECUE

Port Byron — The annual St. John's Chicken Barbecue and Bazaar will be held Saturday, Aug. 5 on the church grounds with serving to begin at 5 p.m. Adults \$2 and children \$1 with takeouts available.

Sister Has Tip on Fixing Buckled Hardwood Floors

Elmira — Many area residents have needlessly been tearing out hardwood floors buckled by the flood, says a Horseheads principal with experience on how to save them.

Sister Campion Bush, SSJ, principal of St. Mary Our Mother's school, is helping restore the floors in the house of her mother, Mrs. Regina N. Bush, 33 Sunnyside Drive, Elmira. The floors in the house were also buckled in the flood of 1946, recalls Sister Campion.

The method used both times, says Sister Campion, was to remove each buckled board, "which amounted to about every fifth board in our house."

After letting the floor dry for a week, it was carefully swept, especially in the spaces left by removed wood. This removes dust and remnants of the black paper down to the subflooring, and lets air under the boards still in place.

This time, says Sister Campion, "we nailed down thin boards in the place of the ones we had taken up. We got these from the pile of a neighbor who had thrown out his floor."

The replacement boards were narrower, she said, than the ones taken up.

Over the partially restored floor cheap carpeting was nailed for the convenience of two disabled aunts in the Bush household.

The true secret of complete restoration, says Sister Campion, is to store the removed boards in the house during the winter because furnace heat will dry

Vatican Theme

'Peace Is Possible'

By BOB HOLTON

Vatican City — (RNS) — The Vatican has announced that "Peace Is Possible" will be the theme of the 1973 World Day of Peace.

The theme has been announced well in advance so that individual peace programs can be planned around the phrase.

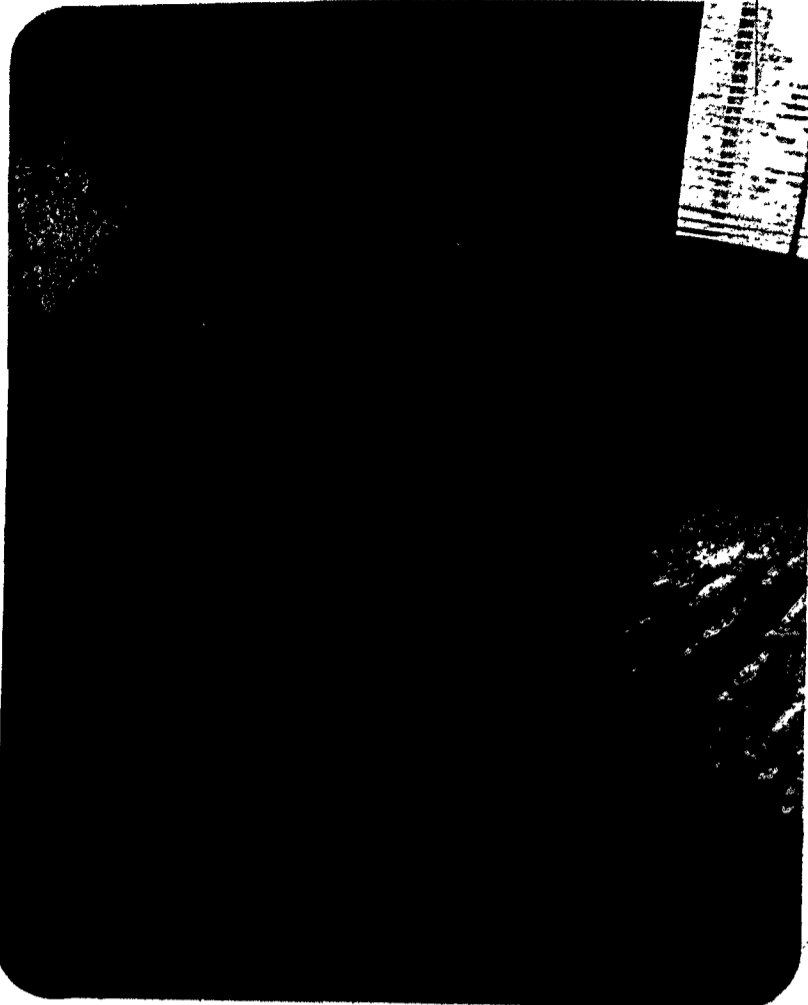
Theme of the World Day of Peace for 1972 was "If You Want Peace, Work for Justice." The observances are held on Jan. 1.

In announcing the theme for 1973, the Vatican said that world peace is not only possible but mandatory if the earth is not to be destroyed.

"In the present context, war is becoming more and more out of date," the Vatican said in its statement. "Because of its horror and extent, because of what is at stake, because of the madness of the arms race, because of its senselessness, war is daily its alleged legitimacy."

At the present time, it added, "the excesses of war rebound upon it and become a factor for peace. Modern war obliges us 'to work for peace.'"

The Vatican warned, however, that just because war is so obviously senseless and horrible amid



both them and the boards remaining on the floor.

"A lot of people have dehumidifiers running and they're talking about drying their houses out, but furnace heat is really what dries your house out," she says.

"Next spring we will lift up the carpeting and nail down the old boards," predicts Sister Campion. "We did that last time and

the floor was just beautiful."

"Our thinking on this was that if it would cost about \$90 to rip out the old floor and put in a composition board floor, like a lot of people are doing, said Sister Campion. "Eventually they'll have wall to wall carpeting, but all that beautiful hardwood flooring will be gone. We would rather buy cheap rugs than lose our floor."

today's destruction potentials, this does not mean that peace will come automatically. Instead, it said, all mankind must work and work hard toward the goal of peace.

It reminded the present generation that the job before it is "also and especially to stimulate and organize the democratic and effective participation of citizens, young and old, in public life and its responsibilities."

In noting the old adage that "happy people have no history," the document said:

"In our day it is the same. One can think of the more than 50 open conflicts since 1945. But should not recognition be given to the fact that in the same period more than 200 have been prevented?"

In the paper, drawn up and researched by the Pontifical commission for Justice and Peace, it was noted that negotiations and other forms of "talking out issues" have resulted in averting conflicts on many occasions.

"Do people pay adequate and fair tribute to the enlightenment given by the great spiritual men of non-violence?" The Vatican asked.

It then urged that people throughout the world exercise

more confidence in human nature "and in the qualities that each individual has in reserve."

Peace, it added, is not only possible but imperatively necessary as well and God is pushing men toward peace.

St. Vincent's

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Last September, Corning's other two parochial elementary schools, St. Patrick's and St. Mary's merged to become Corning Catholic School South; and St. Vincent's became known as Corning Catholic School North.

Father Hogan said they fought to keep the school but they had no choice since no funds are forthcoming. "You have to shift gears for what the present situation calls for," he concluded.

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