

Year of Renewal Opens in Auburn

By MARY ANN GINNERTY

Auburn — The Year of Renewal will be inaugurated by the parishes in Cayuga and Seneca counties with a Mass concelebrated by area priests at St. Mary's Church, Sept. 7 at 7:30 p.m.

Pastors have been requested

to invite members of their parish councils or any organization operating in lieu of a parish council.

Three major areas of concern to be emphasized during the Year of Renewal are Education (Catholic Schools and CCD), Worship and Human Development. Pastors have been asked to give consideration to selecting

representatives who could be of help in these three areas.

The principal concelebrant at this Mass will be Father John S. Hayes, pastor of St. Patrick's, Aurora and St. Michael's, Union Springs, and the senior coordinator for the renewal efforts in this area.

Father Thomas Reddington

and Sister Mary Jo Langie of Holy Name, Greece, who have had wide experience in working with councils both in the parish and regional levels will give the homily. A symbolic offertory procession will permit interested participants to offer their talents.

Personnel on the coordinating team will be introduced and their

roles identified during a brief get acquainted social hour following the Mass.

A nucleus of people interested in serving in different capacities regarding education, worship and human development concerns will be formalized at a future session with responsibility for developing suggestions useful in all parish councils.

2 Cities Continue Battle Against Flood Ravages

CORNING:

By BARBARA MOYNEHAN

Corning — The second floor of St. Vincent's School is mass confusion to an outsider since it has become the new home of the Office of Human Development's (OHD) flood relief center.

Phones ringing constantly, people coming in to ask for help of all sorts while carpenters reconstruct the flood ruined building, readying it for the new school year.

But the center is not confusion to the staff, who are all volunteers except the newly appointed director, Father Peter Bayer, formerly of St. Francis Xavier, Rochester.

As director of OHD flood relief activities for the next year, Father Bayer sees his role, besides the responsibility for recruitment of personnel, formulation of policies and attainment

of financial support, as being involved with issues.

"To help rebuild Corning, three issues are very important," he explained. First, he sees the establishment of a standing operating procedure for disaster in Chemung County of major importance.

"Utility companies have such a thing set up. But there is a need for a community command center set up to provide instant communication with hospitals, police, social services and civic leaders — in the face of future disasters."

A most important issue Father Bayer is also concerning himself with is a regional one. He feels money should be allocated both on a state and federal level for the restoration and improvement of the dam and dike system in the Corning-Elmira area.

Thirdly, there is an immediate need for co-ordination of religious, industrial, civic and private organizations funding.

"Autonomy of grants is fine,



Director of Corning's relief activities, Father Peter Bayer, answering a call as secretary, Vesta Smith, talks with a victim of the flood in need of help.

but some people in the community have taken advantage of money from two or three sources while others have had no help. We should pool our information so all the community can be served equally," continued Father Bayer.

The relief center is now involved in six program-projects that are considered short term, or to be carried on during the coming year.

- Operation Cleanup — a project set up for the removal of deposited debris, and to find out where volunteers are needed for minor repair work.

- Operation Rebuild — an ecumenical effort otherwise known as Parish - Adopt - A - Family, whereby a congregation unaffected by the flood helps rebuild the home of a homeowner living on a fixed income. They may be elderly, widowed, disabled or jobless. Father Bayer called this the best program and an "ingenious idea," but was disappointed at churches' response to it. "Certainly it is a challenge to the Church, and not many came through," he said. He reported 40 homeowners adopted, so far, while 600 was the projected number for Corning and Elmira.

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Seminary Lists Faculty Changes

Several faculty changes at St. Bernard's Seminary have been announced as the seminary prepares for the opening of its 80th academic year Sept. 11.

Father Joseph Brennan, seminary rector, announced that Father William Graf, of the Rochester diocese, Father John A. Healy, a Carmelite, and Sister Margaret Deegan, a local Sister of Mercy, will join the faculty full-time.

Father Graf, former chaplain and dean of men at Ithaca College for several years, was most recently assistant pastor at St. Thomas More Church. He will teach pastoral theology and will head the Preaching Department. In addition he will teach the Basic Pastoral Theology course (2nd year) and co-ordinate the Pastoral Seminar (4th year). He holds degrees from St. Bernard's (B.A. and B.D.), in addition to an M.A. and M.Ed. from the University of Rochester.

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Father Malley Resigns as Pastor

Father John D. Malley, pastor at St. Joseph's Church in Penfield for more than 18 years, has resigned from the pastorate, it was announced by the Pastoral Office.

No successor has been named.

Father Malley, 64, has been pastor at St. Joseph's since June 29, 1954. Under his leadership the parish began a building program in 1955 which saw a new church, 17-room school, convent and rectory erected. The church was dedicated in November 1968.

Father Malley revealed his resignation to his parish at Masses last Sunday, stressing that he was not retiring but would be helping out at Our Mother of Sorrows Church in Greece where his long-time friend, Father George S. Wood, is pastor. He indicated his age was a factor in his decision.

He thanked his parishioners, emphasizing that they were responsible for whatever success he has had as pastor.

Father Malley attended St. Patrick's Cathedral Grammar School, Rochester Catholic High, and St. Andrew's and St. Bernard's seminaries.

He was ordained June 3, 1939, by Bishop James E. Kearney. His first assignment was at St. Patrick's in Rochester where he was assistant pastor. He also served as assistant at Corpus Christi and at St. Ann's in Hornell before he was appointed pastor at St. Mary's Rexville and St. Joachim in Canisteo in 1951 where he served until taking the Penfield assignment.



FATHER MALLEY

Father Malley, also was chaplain of the Newman Clubs at the Eastman School of Music and the University of Rochester from 1940 to 1947.

In 1946-47 he was chaplain of the State Federation of Newman Clubs.

ELMIRA:

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Elmira — This city's Office of Human Development has combined forces with the Metropolitan Inter-Church Agency (MICA) and the Mennonites to expedite the reconstruction of the city.

Frank Paterson, who has been a social worker for the Catholic Family Services for five years, is on loan to the OHD for a year to direct their flood relief activities in Elmira.

He explained that the short-term goal is to provide some kind of warmth for this city of 39,945. The furnaces, hot water heaters and electrical wiring in a majority of the homes are not in working order and "we know no matter what we do it is going to be a bad winter."

This is such a big job that Paterson has not made many long-range plans.

Things may move faster after MICA, the Mennonites, OHD, Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and the Small Business Administration (SBA) get together under one roof at the Armory on Church Street.

MICA, the Mennonites and OHD are the three agencies that have been most involved with Elmira's relief efforts since the flood hit two months ago. Now they have consolidated their resources and are co-ordinating all programs and directing all volunteers out of the Armory.

"By centralizing we can meet the city's needs better," Paterson said, "and we are also trying for community help, other than churches and volunteers."

Paterson felt that too much help came out of Rochester and not enough out of Elmira. "It is a community problem," he

stressed. "We want to draw from the local people, local officials, local industry and churches.

"Everyone has done their own part, and we are all tired, but everyone has got to push more."

As Father Peter Bayer said of Corning, Paterson said that Elmira is just now seeing the rise of psychological problems. "It is getting cold, winter is fast approaching and that is pushing us. Everyone has been working daily, but we are realizing we haven't done enough and we don't have much time."

Counseling referrals to Catholic Family Services have increased, Paterson said, though Sister Martha Gersbach, assistant administrator of St. Joseph's Hospital, reported that psychological problems are surprisingly

low. Elmira's Psychiatric Center has not seen any more than normally would be the case, Sister Martha said.

The real problem, as Paterson sees it, is that there is money from SBA to homeowners for repairs, but no skilled labor to do the work needed.

"Local plumbers and electricians are swamped and can't get to it all," he said. He called Operation Rebuild, the ecumenical effort to match a homeowner flood victim with a congregation which would provide skilled labor a great idea, but said it was too small for Elmira's needs.

His staff is smaller than Corning's relief staff, he needs "good volunteers to answer phones and survey damaged homes, and money."

Money is "a damn good substitute for providing a hand," he noted. "People have been great, but I hope people don't forget us."

Jesuit Named to Bosco House Post

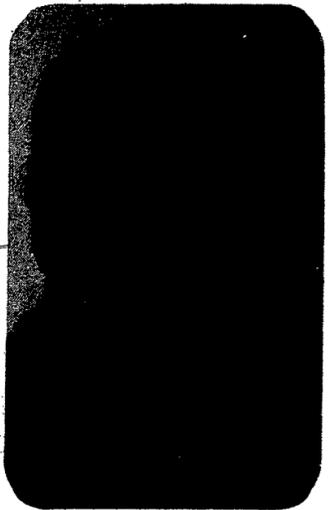
The Diocesan Education Office last week announced the appointment of Father William Frankhauser, SJ, to a one year post as chaplain of Bosco House.

The function of Bosco House is to provide information on the religious needs of the mentally handicapped and to minister to the spiritual and emotional needs of the handicapped and their families.

According to Father Albert Shamon, vicar of education for the diocese, Father Frankhauser will work with Sister Sheila Kennerson, supervisor of instruction for the house, in a "team ministry."

Father Frankhauser has been associated with the diocese since 1960 when he became a teacher at McQuaid Jesuit High School. He has also served at Good Shepherd parish in Henrietta. He was ordained in 1965.

His duties as chaplain will be to create liturgies for the handi-



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capped, maintain liaison with parents of handicapped and work with existing diocesan programs for the handicapped.