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### A Special Day

Parishioners of St. Lucy's, Retsof, filled their church, built in 1964, for a special Mass following belated cornerstone ceremonies last Sunday. At the altar are, from left, Father Edwin Wedow, pastor; Bishop Joseph L. Hogan, Father Michael Conboy, secretary to the bishop, and Father Charles Reynolds.

## CCD Training Held for Southeast Region

The first week in October will mark the beginning of a variety of CCD Teachers Training courses, sponsored by the Southeast Region.

On Sunday, Oct. 1, a training course, emphasizing doctrine and "value catechetics", will begin at Good Shepherd School in Henrietta at 7:30 p.m. The ten-week Sunday evening classes will be taught by Father William Frankhauser, SJ, newly appointed chaplain at Bosco House.

Sister Mary Ann Carroll, SSJ and Sister Mary Ann Binzak, RSM will be conducting a course to be held on Thursday evenings at 8:00 p.m. at St. John the Evangelist school on Humboldt Street. This ten-week course will emphasize teaching methods and is designed for new teachers in grades 1-6. First class will be

Thursday, Oct. 5th.

For those already involved in teaching, there will be a nine-week "Teacher Renewal" seminar to be held each Tuesday evening at Corpus Christi School, E. Main at Prince St. This seminar, beginning on Tuesday, Oct. 3, will be from 7:45 to 9:45 p.m. The classes, conducted by Father Paul McCabe, are designed to emphasize and renew the faith experience of the individual teacher. "It is designed for those who have that 'third-year teaching let-down feeling'."

For further information or retistration, contact Father McCabe at 325-2424.

## Mercy Superior Notes Change in Nuns' Outlook

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45, younger than in the past, according to Sister Judith. Another interesting phenomenon, she continued, is that women are not holding the post of superior as long as in years past. Generally they are remaining in the elective office for two terms, about eight years.

To Sister Judith the highlight of the conference was that Archbishop Augustin Mayer, OSB, secretary of the Congregation for Religious came from Rome to "listen and learn about American sisters."

While in the U.S. Archbishop Mayer visited New York City to see the various situations nuns live and work in, to get an overall view of American sisters and what they are doing.

The effect of the "Women in the Church" conference, Sister Judith feels, is that she can inform the members of her congregation the direction that others in the country are taking in renewal and the kinds of ministry religious women are engaged in today.

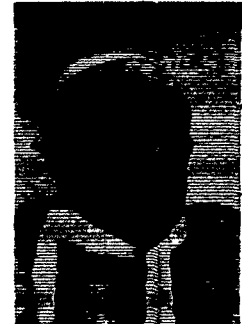
"Work of women in the Church ministry is very important and hopefully, priests and bishops will give women the freedom to work with them for the benefit of the whole," said Sister Judith.

But on the topic of sisters becoming priests, Sister Judith said there is no consensus among nuns on the question. "Some feel woman's work in the Church should lead to the priesthood but others feel she can work best doing, different ministry than men."

Though Sister Judith was unwilling to state her personal views on whether a woman should become a priest, she did say, "I feel women have a very important part to play in the renewal of the Church, but I feel there are many areas women work best in."



Sister Judith Heberle



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## Respect Life

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Cooke's committee, the week will be divided into days of specific concerns. Sunday, Oct. 1 will be "Respect Life Sunday" and the following days will be devoted to the unborn, the aged, the poor, the young, peace and the family.

The idea for the week-long observance, developed at the April meeting of the U.S. bishops in Atlanta, is part of a response to the recommendations of the Presidential Commission on Population Growth and the American Future. The commission advocated measures to slow population growth with which the bishops took sharp exception.

According to Father Robert Collins, director of the Office of Family Life, parishes will participate in the week with individual programs.

## Bishop to Launch Adoration Unit

Horseheads — Bishop Joseph L. Hogan will be at St. Mary Our Mother Church Sunday evening, Sept. 24, to receive the men of the parish into the Nocturnal Adoration Society, which he established here last month.

The public ceremony will be held in the chapel at 8 p.m. A social will follow.

Officers of the new society are Roy T. Van Brunt, president; Albert J. Purino, vice-president; and Richard Pirozzolo, secretary-treasurer. The pastor, Father Bartholomew J. O'Brien, is moderator.

Members take turns at overnight vigils on First Fridays-Saturdays.

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