

Pope Proclaims 1975 'Holy Year'

The 1st Sacrament In Focus

Baptism — that initial plunge into the Christian life — is something that most of us can't remember, but at the same time, none of us can forget. For Laurence Keefe's original look at the first sacrament, see the photo essay on **Pages 8-9**.

The Time of Renewal series continues this week, with a look at how the people of the diocese feel about priests, sisters, and religious, in areas of celibacy, dress, and social involvement. This week's Dialogue for Renewal is a double interview, with Father Anthony Calimeri and Sister Marie Brown. And the regional spotlight is on Livingston and Steuben Counties, coordinated by Father Eugene Emo. **Pages 12-13**.

One suburban parish is very concerned about two growing problems in community — deterioration of the family and high priced housing that does not lend to a varied populace. See how St. Louis' in Pittsford is organizing to counter both these trends in the last of Barbara Moynehan's series on Church initiated neighborhood organizing on **Page 7**.

Rochester's city charter is being revised for the first time in 48 years and citizen input is playing a big part in the new charter. For examples of what citizens are telling Charter Commission members they want from city government see Barbara Moynehan's story on the informational meeting held for area clergy last week at Colgate Rochester Divinity School. **page 23**.

Bishop Joseph L. Hogan continues his Pentecost series in the Pastoral Perspective on **Page 3**. This week, the bishop offers us some thought-stirring insights on piety.

The columnists have a variety of things on their minds, and in this edition. George Beahon takes a look at Olympic medal-winner Dave Wottle on **Page 18**; Father Henry Atwell critiques a new-fangled Bible on **Page 22**; and people's fears of seeing psychiatrists are unfounded, says Sarah Child on **Page 19**.

Twelve deacons and 10 nuns completed their religious training last week, and have been assigned to their first duties. The sisters took their final vows, whereas the deacons will spend a year of internship in parish work before their ordinations.

The deacons will be assisting the parish priests on many levels, distributing communion, baptizing, preaching, and will, after their internship, become eligible for an associate or co-pastorship. For the stories on the new deacons, the new nuns, and the deacons' assignments, turn to **Page 2**.

Vatican City (RSN) — Pope Paul VI has proclaimed 1975 a "Holy Year," dedicated to the major objective of "the inner renewal of man."

The pontiff invited members of all Christian and non-Christian faiths to join in the Jubilee observance as part of a move to ease discord among men and bring peace to the world.

He said the international religious event will be aimed at bringing a deeper knowledge and appreciation of God to modern men and women who are "intoxicated" with "false formulas for happiness."

The 1975 event will be the 26th general Holy Year observed by the Catholic Church since 1300. In modern times, these worldwide observances have been held every 25 years. The last Holy Year was celebrated in 1950.

The theme of the Holy Year will

be "the interior renewal of man," the Pope said, a year that will hopefully be marked by "a concentrated effort to instill in man a deeper knowledge of God."

The first Holy Year in the Catholic tradition was inaugurated on Dec. 24, 1300, when large crowds visited St. Peter's Basilica. At that time, Pope Boniface VIII issued a decree which determined that every 100 years a universal jubilee should be celebrated.

Subsequent Popes progressively shortened the intervals between Holy Years until finally in 1470, Pope Paul II reduced the time to every quarter of a century, a custom which has remained to this day. (Extraordinary Jubilee Years can be proclaimed at any time a Pope thinks appropriate.)

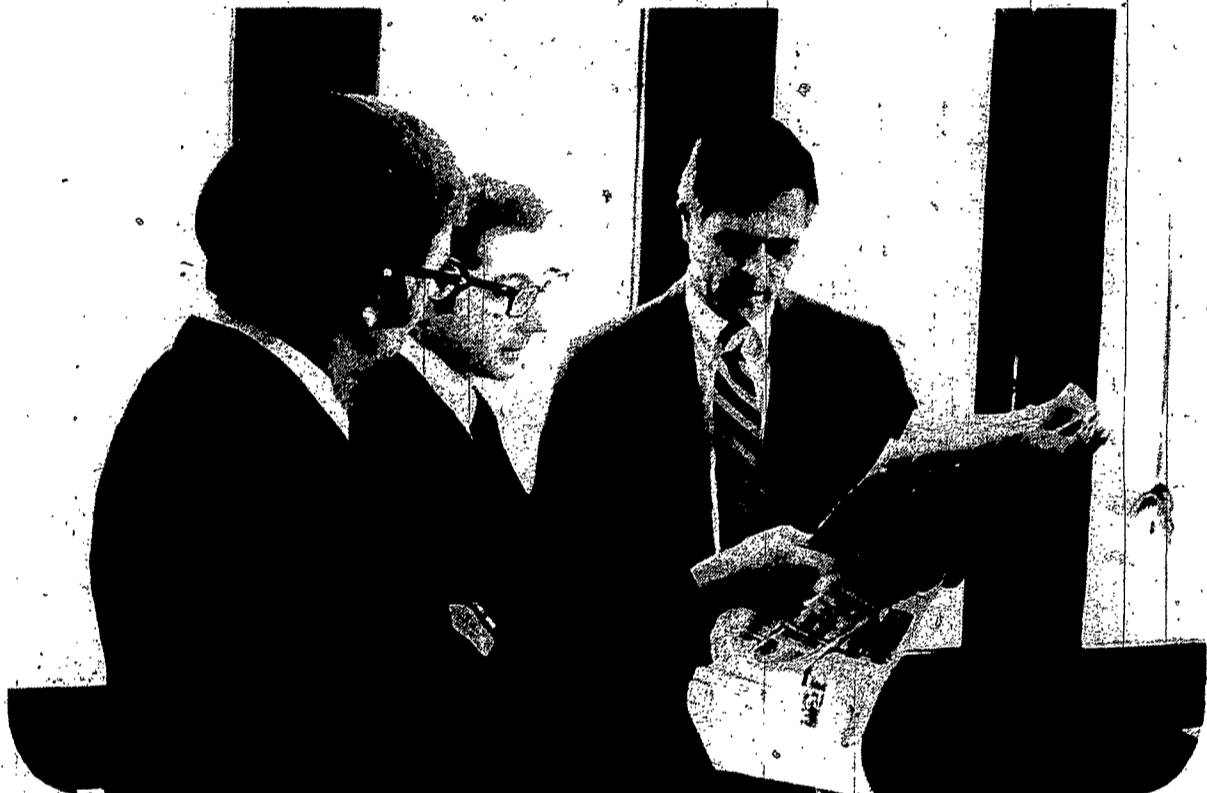
Under the 1975 Holy Year regulations, spiritual benefits may

be obtained by Catholics who visit prescribed churches during the 12-month period.

In his announcement at the general audience, Pope Paul noted that modern man "enjoys life and amuses himself and has so many exciting ways to gain pleasurable experience that he soon feels bored and disillusioned."

"We do not think we err in detecting in modern man a profound dissatisfaction and a satiety, coupled with a feeling of deep unhappiness that stems from false formulas for happiness, with which he is intoxicated," the pontiff said.

The 1975 Holy Year will begin Christmas eve, 1974, with the opening of a special door in St. Peter's Basilica by the Pope. The door and the Year will be closed on Christmas eve, 1975. Spiritual preparations for Holy Year will begin on June 10 (Pentecost Sunday) this year.



PRESENT PRO-LIFE PETITION

Photo by Laurence E. Keefe

Local Right to Life groups presented Senator James Buckley with the signatures of 45,000 citizens opposed to abortion. Anthony Bonadio, chairman from Irondequoit, and William Polito, Rochester chairman are shown with the Senator during his May 11 visit to Rochester. Petitioners are asking for a constitutional amendment to protect the life of the unborn, and got the Senator's support.

Father Weiss Ordination Set

The Rev. Mr. Robert Weiss will be ordained a priest by Bishop Joseph L. Hogan this Friday evening, May 18, at St. Christopher's, North Chili, where he has served as a deacon intern for the past year.

The celebration, beginning at 7:30, will center around the theme "I call you from your brothers; I send you in my name."

Father Weiss will offer celebrated Masses of Thanksgiving at St. Christopher's at noon May 21, at St. Theodore's, 7:30 p.m. May 22, and at St. Basil's, Utica, 7 p.m. May 23.

On Saturday morning, May 26, he will offer a solemn Mass of Thanksgiving in his home parish, St. Charles Cathedral, Orlando, Fla. A public reception will follow each of his celebrations.

Father Weiss, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles F. Weiss of Orlando, attended All Saints' School in Baltimore, St. Charles Cathedral

School and Bishop Moore High School, Orlando. He also attended St. Andrew's Seminary, and received his degree in sociology from St. John Fisher College and his Bachelor of Divinity from St. Bernard's Seminary.

While attending the seminary, Father Weiss assisted in the catechetical programs of St. Vincent DePaul Church, Churchville, St. Salome's, Irondequoit, and St. Leo's, Hilton. He has also worked for five years at the School of the Holy Childhood, in the religious education of exceptional children. Other placements include St. Ann's Home and the DePaul Clinic. As a seminary deacon, he worked at St. Theodore's Church in Gates.

Fr. Weiss received his clinical pastoral education at Massachusetts General Hospital, where he served as chaplain in the Massachusetts Eye and Ear Infirmary and the Erich Lindemann Mental Health Center.



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