



New Home

Photo by Susan McKinney

Despite the worst storm of the year, a picture of Our Lady of Perpetual Help was moved from the remains of St. Joseph's Church to the Redemptorist Fathers' new home in Our Lady of Victory Church on Pleasant Street in downtown Rochester. St. Joseph's was gutted by fire last October and the Redemptorists, who have maintained a parish in downtown Rochester since 1836, took up residence last month at Our Lady of Victory. The picture is carried into its new home for installation.

OB Report Held Up

The Genesee Region Health Planning Council will have to wait a while for the report on which hospitals' obstetrical units should be closed down.

According to Thomas Petrillo, who is heading up the committee studying the OB situation, the data amassed over the last few months is so great that "I would be surprised if the committee issued its report in less than 60 days."

Originally the committee was to have handed in its findings April 1. Now, Petrillo says, the analysis of the data at hand will take at least another 30 days.

The report will first be issued to the Monroe County Health Council before it is turned over to the GRHPC.

The committee has been reviewing data on costs, quality and services provided by OB units and information received in public hearings on the question.

The entire process was begun last year, when it was decided that OB units that are filled to less than 60 per cent of their capacities should be closed down if there are adequate facilities nearby.

Father Manning Ordination Set

"Come into His Presence, Singing for Joy" is the theme for Charles Manning's ordination to the priesthood tomorrow evening, April 10 at 7:30 p.m. at Holy Ghost Church.

Father Manning is the first of four men to be ordained this Spring. Two others will be ordained in the Fall.

Bishop Joseph L. Hogan will confer the sacrament.

Father Manning's first Mass will be celebrated at Holy Family Church at 7 p.m. on April 12. Father William Graf will preach the homily. A Mass of thanksgiving is slated for 12:15 p.m. at Holy Ghost on April 13; and Father Robert Hammond will preach.

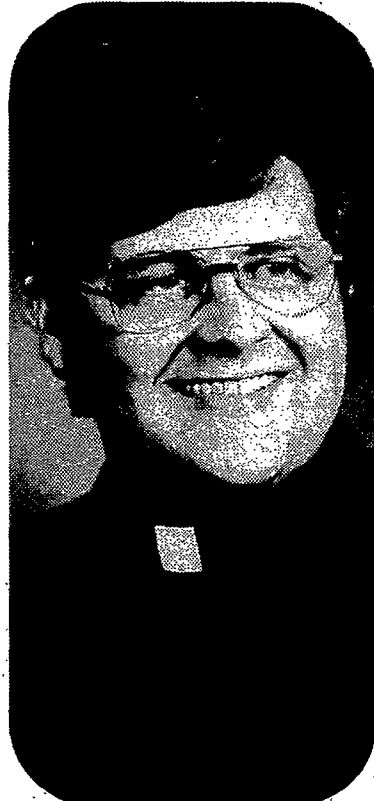
Father Manning's invitations to the events were sent in the names of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Albert T. Manning of Alice Street, and of his sister, Miss Jean Manning.

The new priest attended Holy Family School, St. Andrew's Seminary, St. John Fisher College—Becket Hall, where he earned a BA in Sociology; and St. Bernard's Seminary, where he took a Masters degree in Divinity.

He also took his Clinical Pastoral Education at St. Vincent's Hospital in Erie, Pa.; and he has taught CCD at St. Leo's Church, Hilton; worked in the Diocesan Communications Office, and has done social work through the Genesee Settlement House. He has also been affiliated with several service facilities.

Father Manning said he chose the theme for his ordination "because a priest is called by the Christian community to dedicate his life to enabling the people of God to enter into the presence of the Lord in their lives. This is accomplished through celebration, worship and prayer." Hymns chosen for the rites, he noted, will carry through the seasonal mood of Easter, Rebirth and Spring.

Others to be ordained this Spring are the Deacons Thomas Koester, William Laird and Stephen Kraus. Those to be ordained in the Fall are Theodore Auble and John Turner.



FATHER MANNING

Diocese Awaits Arrival of State's Bishops

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By MARGARET CONNOLLY

About 30 bishops will land at Monroe County Airport throughout next Monday evening, coming from all parts of the State for a three-day meeting here. Rochester never has seen such a congregation of prelates, and the preparations for the gathering are impressive in their complexity.

Religious and lay people involved in education have been delegated by their bishops to take part in the discussions, so there will be about 100 guests.

Bishop Joseph L. Hogan observed this week that "our people have worked long and hard on this."

The education department is involved particularly, because the sole purpose of the meeting is to gather opinions on and insights into the National Catechetical Directory.

The liturgy department has arranged an elaborate celebration for Tuesday evening at Sacred Heart Cathedral, and a special

Mass for the Wednesday noontime break.

Cardinal Terence Cooke, who will open the first working session, at 9:15 a.m. Tuesday, will be principal concelebrant of the cathedral Mass at 5:30.

This Region II convocation of the National Conference of Catholic Bishops is duplicated in purpose in meetings throughout the country and all over the world, as bishops and educators study catechetical directives from Rome in the light of their own national cultures. The study is expected to continue for two or three more years before the U.S. directory is in its final form. It deals with religious education from infancy through old age.

The agenda was set up by a special committee of Region II bishops, and fundamental to the accomplishment of its goals are six "facilitators," a Pastoral office spokesman said. In preparation, they will discuss objectives Monday night with the speaker, Father Alfred McBride of the National Catholic Education Association. Each facilitator will listen to one of the six group discussions, as these follow

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Photo by Bruce Genut

Bishop Kearney on the occasion of his 90th birthday last October.

A New Home (St. Ann's) For Bishop Kearney

Bishop James E. Kearney moved last week to St. Ann's Home, one of the many Rochester "homes" he can claim as his own by reason of his part in their establishment.

The retired bishop, who must have as wide an acquaintance as anyone in the diocese, wants his friends to know his new mail address, 1500 Portland Ave., Rochester, N.Y. 14621.

He lived at 947 East Ave. for 38 years, and, before his retirement, received the public there on New Year's Day, year after year, his formal invitation published as a newspaper advertisement.

Bishop Kearney turned 90 last

Oct. 28, and that was the 42nd anniversary of his consecration as a bishop.

Brought up in New York City, where he taught school briefly before entering the priesthood, he was ordained there in 1908 and consecrated Oct. 28, 1932, as Bishop of Salt Lake City. He came here five years later as fifth Bishop of Rochester, successor to Archbishop Edward Mooney.

He made himself known to the public as soon as he arrived, promoting programs for the alleviation of the economic depression here.

He brought to the diocese a

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Better Living

Spring, finally! And with it thoughts of gardening, freshening up the home, making needed and spirit-lifting improvements. The Courier-Journal this week includes a special pullout section, Guide to Better Living, in the center of the newspaper to help you organize your own Spring plans.