

# A Brief Time to Putter For N.Y. City--Based Priest

By JOHN DASH

Scottsville — If St. Mary's Parish has a favorite son, it could well be a Franciscan friar working among the poor in New York City whose labors were the subject of a recent article in the New York Times.

Father John Julian McVean recently took a break from his service to the emotionally handicapped and his day care project in the city to return to Scottsville to visit his mother and sister.

For a few days each year, he "putters" around the place that's been in the family since 1815. The McVeans were among the first families to settle in the area.

He talks of visiting the local cemetery where most of them have been buried, sees his own name, John Julian, on an ancient stone, and talks of the cultural phenomenon of finding one's own-roots.

Father McVean's church, St. Francis of Assisi on West 31st Street, is, he says, a "service church not a parish." The friars there hear confessions and say Mass for the transient crowds.

The nature of the parish "was one of the reasons we decided to develop outreach programs," he says.

Among those programs is the establishment of a facility at the Aberdeen Hotel for the "fragile population" who were mental patients at Bellevue and Manhattan State Hospitals.



FATHER McVEAN  
... Scottsville native

He explained that the Church in this instance was able to act as a catalyst for several agencies to help these people.

The friary has set up a dayroom, under Father McVean's direction, where the Aberdeen residents meet with counseling representatives of several local agencies. The church also has set up a luncheon program so that the residents may save money from their public assistance checks.

The Aberdeen is "not a half-way house," Father McVean says sadly. Most of the people who go there stay for the remainder of their lives, he says.

Other projects which the friary aided include a day care center at the Martinique hotel, a free breakfast program for the elderly, a chapter of Alcoholics Anonymous and a daily recorded telephone message.

# Dominican to Lead St. Catherine Retreat

Addison — Father Thomas Ertle of Jersey City will preach at the Saturday afternoon and the Sunday morning Masses, on Sept. 20-21, according to Msgr. John F. Duffy, pastor of St. Catherine of Siena.

Father Ertle, a member of the Dominican Order assigned to the Dominican Preaching Band on the eastern seaboard, will, in his sermon, invite all members of St. Catherine's Parish and their friends to attend the Parish Retreat for the Family. Devotions each evening Monday through Friday will begin at 7:45.

Ordained in 1956, Father Ertle has conducted Parish Renewal Programs, Days of Recollection,

and Retreats for both lay people and for religious, Msgr. Duffy said.

The services each evening, Monday through Friday, will include the Rosary, Mass, and a 15-minute Family Life Sermon. Following the services each evening, Father Ertle will hear confessions.

High school pupils are encouraged to make the Retreat with their parents, Msgr. Duffy said. "Also, we are working on special plans for a service on perhaps two afternoons during the week for the other children — on one day for the 7th and 8th graders, and on another day for pupils in grades 3 thru 6," he said.

# Hornell Festival

Hornell — Parishioners of St. Ann's Church are completing plans for their annual Fall Festival scheduled Friday, Sept. 5 at 6 p.m. and Saturday, Sept. 6 at 6:30 p.m. in the church parking lot. In case of rain, the event will be on Sunday, Sept. 7, according to James Donovan and Robert Argentieri, general chairmen.

Many items will be available, including stuffed animals, toys, afghans and tablecloths which were all hand made by the women of the parish. Other booths will offer homemade cakes and flowers and plants.

Robert Carroll and Thomas Piacenti are in charge of ticket sales. Other workers are:

Mrs. William Shick, Charles

Flansburg, William Smith, John Jones, Donald Crosby, Harry Fillmore, Andrew Lamb, Otto Lawson, Leonard Caruso, Joseph Aini, Merlyn Sexsmith, Raymond McHale, Mrs. Francis O'Connor.

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## IN THIS CORNER



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Monday Night Baseball switches next season from NBC to ABC, the network which also offers Monday Night Football.

The change means a serious casualty in television sports, because the critically acclaimed "Baseball World of Joe Garagiola" will go down the drain.

BWJG precedes each Monday night game on NBC, and Garagiola is under contract to NBC, which means he won't be made available to any competing network.

Garagiola's shows range from the lighter aspects of the game — a spoof on foul-ball catching, or the clubhouse man's complaints about dirty laundry — to the two-part job on Detroit Tiger Gates Brown and his prison experiences. That effort was nominated for an Emmy it did not receive.

NBC still will be doing Saturday afternoon baseball, but the network won't switch the Garagiola show to that slot, because it would cost too much. It's not a cheapie thrown together for one camera in front of a dugout. It's a traveling job, which one time included visits to several college campuses with winning baseball backgrounds. Commercial time for Saturday afternoon is far less expensive to advertisers than prime-time spots on Monday nights. Exit Garagiola's specials.

Enter, courtesy of NBC. A new Jack Buck "Grandstand" show on Sundays. Buck spent one year in

the broadcast booth atop Silver Stadium on his way to big time. He is so good, so clever, so versatile, so quick, so funny and so knowledgeable that he frightens his peers in network sports. It is long overdue, his reaching the scene as lead man in a major production.

Final note from Broadcast Row: When CBS does the Super Bowl next January, it will cost sponsors a record \$115,000 for each 30-second commercial.

Most of this loot winds up in the fists of college and pro football operators.

Broadcasters this season will pay a total of \$81 million for television and radio rights, a record high, despite the loss of World Football League action which goes without TV revenue this time around.

Of this \$81 million in rights, more than \$75 million comes from networks. I may be slightly prejudiced, but I can tolerate the commercials, and the odd extra time-out that is contrived to swing the commercials, for the shows the networks are providing. Football on TV is so well done that in most modern press boxes, the writers are demanding TV monitors so they can keep up with what the public is getting. For free, and at home.

# Red Mass Scheduled Sept. 8

The 30th anniversary of the Red Mass will be held on Sept. 8, at 8:45 a.m. at Old St. Mary's Church, 15 South St., Rochester. The principal concelebrant, Auxiliary Bishop John E. McCafferty will deliver the homily on "Moral Imperatives and the Law."

Also in attendance and assisting at the Mass will be members of the judiciary, the legal community, and local law enforcement agencies.

Preparation were finalized by the St. Thomas More Lawyer's Guild, a newly formed lawyers organization, and the Women's Auxiliary of the Monroe County Bar Association. Robert J. Edelman, president of the guild, has extended a special invitation to the general public to participate at this year's prayer celebration of the legal community in "seeking spiritual guidance in resolving today's difficult moral-legal problems."

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**Friday, September 5 — 6 P.M.**  
**Saturday, September 6**  
**6:30 P.M.**  
**Rain Date Sunday, September 7**