

## Basilian Priest To Be Ordained

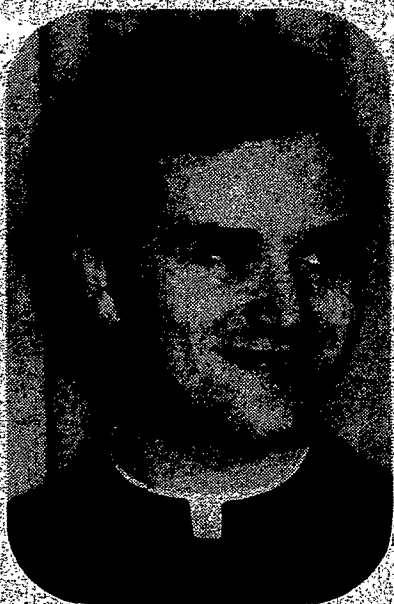
Edward Raymond Heidt, CSB, will be ordained to the Priesthood on Saturday, May 29, at 4 p.m. at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church on Joseph Avenue by Bishop Joseph L. Hogan.

Father Heidt was born on Oct. 20, 1946, the son of Elwood and June Heidt. He attended Our Lady of Perpetual Help Grammar School and went to the Aquinas Institute and graduated in 1964. He did his first-year Arts at St. John Fisher College and then entered the Basilian Fathers novitiate in Pontiac, Mich. in September 1965.

He professed his first vows of poverty, chastity and obedience on Sept. 12, 1966. He then returned to St. John Fisher College to complete his degree program and he received the Bachelor of Arts degree in English in June 1969.

He taught at Andean High School in Gary, Ind., from 1969-1971 and then at Aquinas Institute in 1971-72. He began his theological studies at the Toronto School of Theology in September 1972, earning a Masters of Divinity Degree in 1975. He professed his final vows in the Basilian Fathers in July 1975.

During the summers of his teaching years, he completed the Master of Science degree in Education at the State University of



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New York at Brockport and holds a permanent state teaching certificate. He was ordained to the diaconate on May 3, 1975, by Cardinal George B. Flahiff at St. Basil's Church in Toronto. He spent his deacon year working at Holy Rosary Church, a Basilian parish in Toronto.

He will concelebrate his First Mass of Thanksgiving on Sunday, May 30, at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church at 12:15 p.m.

## Diocese Strengthens Housing Support

Increased support for the Bishop Sheen Housing Foundation was announced yesterday by Bishop Joseph L. Hogan, who said there was a "moral crisis" in the shortage of decent housing in the diocese.

The Bishop Sheen Housing Foundation was organized by Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen in 1968 when he was Bishop of Rochester. The organization is dedicated to improving housing conditions throughout the diocese by supporting the construction of low and moderate income housing, and helping families purchase and maintain homes.

Bishop Hogan announced an immediate loan of \$50,000, interest free to the foundation, for "seed or revolving money," and an investigation of "the possibility of including the Bishop Sheen Foundation in the Fund Development efforts of the diocese so that we might substantially increase its working assets."

He also called upon "the

Catholic people and parishes of this diocese to take an active interest in and support the efforts of the Bishop Sheen Housing Foundation."

The bishop noted that "six months ago I joined with my fellow American Catholic Bishops in ratifying a pastoral response to the crisis in housing entitled The Right to a Decent Home" which "puts into perspective one of the major problems facing us today, namely, the lack of adequate housing for an ever growing number of American families."

"The disturbing aspect of this problem," Bishop Hogan added, "is that too many people who are insulated from the crisis either passively accept or callously disregard it."

Bishop Hogan's announcement was made prior to a housing conference last night at Nazareth College that featured two specialists on the housing crisis from the United States Catholic Conference.

To initiate the expanded program the foundation has scheduled "Talkback" sessions in three cities of the diocese during their First Annual Housing Week, the first week in June. The Talkback sessions will be opportunities for the people of the diocese to express their ideas on the foundation's future operations. Rochester Talkback is scheduled for 8 p.m. Tuesday, June 1, at Immaculate Conception School, 187 Edinburgh St. The Auburn session will be at 8 p.m. Wednesday, June 2, at Cayuga County Homesite, 60 Clark St. Elmira Talkback will be at 8 p.m. Thursday, June 3, at St. Casimir's School, 1008 Davis St.

### VILLA BENEFIT

St. Joseph's Villa Night at Red Wing Stadium comes about on June 17, when the Wings meet Tidewater. The development staff hopes to sell 4,000 tickets in advance of the baseball game. The benefit tickets may be picked up at the office on the villa campus, 3300 Dewey, or reserved by calling Art Cogan at 865-1550.

## Fr. Reagan

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past president of the Penn-York Guidance Counselors Association, a director of Family Services of Chemung County and a member of the advisory boards of Catholic Family Service and the Elmira Correction facility's drug abuse council.

He was born in Rathbone, Steuben County, and attended school there and at Addison Central before entering the diocesan seminaries. He was ordained June 15, 1957, and on the following day celebrated his First Solemn Mass at St. Catherine of Siena, Addison, his home parish.

He leaves eight brothers and four sisters, including Benedictine Sister Scholastica of Tulsa, Okla. The others, who live in Southern Tier communities, are Mrs. Mary Allen, Miss Theresa Reagan, Mrs. Rita McCraig, Thomas, Martin, James, Richard, Francis, Robert, Bernard and David Reagan.

## Task Force Formed On Rochester Schools

Bishop Joseph L. Hogan has convened a broadly representative Task Force of Monroe County Catholics to study and make recommendations on an Urban Catholic School Ministry Proposal.

Developed by the vicar for Urban Ministry, Msgr. George Cocuzzi and the diocesan Department of Education, the proposal was initially presented to diocesan leadership at meetings on Feb. 5 and April 9.

The proposal calls for a more direct diocesan initiative in

developing new (or additional) modes of funding, clustering and administering the struggling Catholic schools of Rochester. It also entails a detailed examination of the theological and pastoral purposes and procedures of schools which serve the urban poor.

The impetus for the convening of the Task Force comes from the national crisis faced by central city Catholic schools and specifically from Bishop Hogan's challenge in his Pastoral Letter, You Are Living Stones — "as a community we must arrive at a method of continuing

the schools that offer their services to the poor."

Emphasizing that the Task Force will recommend concrete action, no later than Feb. 1, 1977, diocesan spokespersons said the work of the task force is not a substitute for present efforts on the parish and regional level. The recommendations of the task force will, in fact, be studied by these parish and regional groups, as well as by the consultative bodies of the diocese. The Diocesan Pastoral Council, the Sisters' Council and the Priests' Council.

## St. Mary's Dedicates New Hospital Facilities

St. Mary's Hospital formally opened its new Medical Research Center and the Geraldine Kreag Langie Memorial Laboratory with a dedication ceremony and tour Sunday afternoon, May 16.

Opening of the center culminated a development program which included construction of a professional office building, an enclosed ramp garage and pedestrian bridges that link all the hospital buildings together.

Speaking at the dedication, Sister DeChantal, president of the Board of Directors and administrator, announced that the hospital "is now seeking foundation support to initiate a comprehensive, primary medical group practice to offer medical, pediatric and obstetrical care for people of all income levels, patterned on the concept of the old family doctor."

She added that "this phase of construction which we culminate here today is a prelude to a future general renovation of the main hospital which will require more than \$12 million, but will continue the commitment that we have made to this area of Monroe County since 1857."

Funds for the research center were raised in 1974 and 1975 by the Women's Board of St. Mary's.

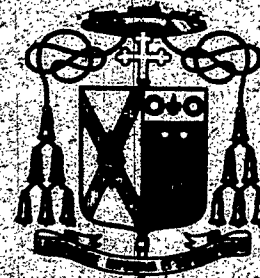
Hospital, the Seton Branches and friends of the hospital.

The Geraldine Kreag Langie Memorial Laboratory was provided by Mrs. Langie's friends and by her children, Mr. and Mrs. Louis A. Langie, Jr., Sister Claire A. Langie and Mr. and Mrs. John F. Schroth.

In dedicating the laboratory, Sister DeChantal noted that "Geraldine Kreag Langie was a

member of St. Mary's Women's Board for over 40 years, and at her death, was the only remaining active member of the original Board." Her father, J. Adam Kreag, was instrumental early in this century in raising the funds to construct the original nurses' dormitory, and her husband, Louis Antoine Langie, played a leadership role in raising the money to build St. Mary's present main hospital in 1941.

## Diocesan Appointments



Father Francis J. Erb, to pastor St. Catherine of Siena, Addison; from pastor, St. Joachim, Canisteo, and St. Mary, Rexville.

Father Walter Wainwright, to pastor, St. Thomas Aquinas, Leicester, and its missions — St. Raphael, Pittard, and St. Lucy, Retsof; from co-pastor, St. Joseph, Penfield.

Father Joseph Hart, to St. Bernard's Seminary faculty; from assistant pastor, St. Anne's, Rochester.

Father William Donnelly, immediate leave of absence; from chaplain, Monroe Community College.

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It describes the Eucharist as a cause of unity. Church authority does not yet permit intercommunion, except in extremely rare circumstances.

Father Angell replied that not only church authority but also "professional ecumenists" do not yet wish to see intercommunion until reconciliations can be effected through mutual understanding.

This theme was further elaborated in an interview with the bishops, Father Angell and Father Charles Latus, head of the diocesan ecumenical office.

Bishop Spears described himself as "having gone 'around' and 'around' on the Eucharist as the 'fruit or the means' of unity. He feels today that 'until our churches have given authority, it would be misleading for individual participants, especially bishops,' to engage in intercommunion, a sentiment agreed to by Bishop Hogan."

Father Angell interjected that "God wants us to suffer." The pain of our separation from each other's altars is a result of sin, he said.

Bishop Spears then noted that "We haven't yet felt the pain of separation because we haven't been close enough together."

The meeting was another event in a series of contacts between the churches. In the past few years, the



Father William Gordinier, pastor in Cato gets a chuckle from Rev. Marifyle Sweet Page, a deacon at the Diocesan House.

Rochester bishops have issued joint pastoral letters, most notably on the subjects of the Attica Prison rebellion, and on the attempts to unionize workers at Farah Slacks in Texas.

In itself, the meeting took more than a year to organize, Bishop Hogan said. He noted that Father Latus and Father Jasper Pennington, an Episcopal priest who heads the library at St. Bernard's Seminary, first approached the bishops with the idea of signing a "covenant between the two communions."

The bishops felt that more contact between the churches needed to be generated. As Bishop Spears put it, the bishops wanted such a covenant "to rise rather than be imposed from the top."

The meeting was held at Becket Hall, a house of studies for Roman Catholic seminarians on the St. John Fisher College Campus.

Thomas Becket, martyred archbishop of Canterbury, is venerated as a saint by both communions.