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### New Council Meets . . . . 10

In an unusually busy session, the first meeting of the new Priests Council elected Father Louis Hohman to a second term as president, voted to accept the Consumer Price Index as a standard in determining priestly salary adjustments, and recommended to the bishop that a special administrative committee be formed to take the deliberations on clerical salaries out of the full council forum.



# Supports Tax Credits . . . 3

James S. Coleman, the University of Chicago sociologist who headed the influential 1966 study favoring desegregation of public schools, supports tuition tax credit for nonpublic schools. He said they "would increase the opportunity of black parents to escape from schools that they think hurt their children"

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Two novice Sisters of Mercy have just completed three weeks acquainting themselves with the Human Development activities in the Southern Tier as part of their canonical year of studies. The experience was educational, they say, and will help them as women religious. It would have been difficult to predict their current involvement from their pasts, though; until three years ago one was living in Scotland, and the other was not a Catholic.

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Because of some White House intra-family bickering the Conference on Families has been postponed until 1981. Father Andrew Greeley, Courier Journal columnist, was indirectly involved in the dispute.

# Special Fun ......20

A unique theater group has ended its run of the play The Mirror Man. The group includes students at SUC Brockport and is funded by the student government there. The audiences to which the group played in the past two months were all special children: the developmentally handicapped.

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Father Conrad Sundholm has been chosen as executive director of the diocesan development program, and Bishop Hogan is "very pleased" that the St. Salome pastor "accepted our invitation." The priest will retain his pastorate, while coordinating all phases of the development program, one of which—Christian Stewardship—

flourishes in its third year at St. Salome's

# 3 New Coordinators Named

By MICHAEL GRODEN

Three new diocesan regional coordinators were named this week. They are Father Roy J. Kiggins, appointed to head the Southeast Region; Msgr. Gerard Krieg, Southwest Region, and Father Kevin P. Murphy, Chemung-Schuyler Region.

Father Kiggins, copastor of Good Shepherd Parish, Henrietta, replaces Father Richard A. Hart, pastor of Guardian Angels. Msgr. Krieg, pastor of St. Mary of the Assumption, Scottsville, takes over for Father Emmett J. Halloran who was recently named pastor of St. Charles, Rochester. Father Murphy, co-pastor of St. Patrick's, Elmira, succeeds Father Joseph Gaynor, pastor of St. Charles, Elmira.

Linda Decillis, coordinator for Regional Development, said the new assignments will be effective July I. Ms. Decillis added that plans for a "new model for regionalism" are well underway.

The model is being designed to more clearly define the roles of regional personnel (coordinators, executive committee, regional assembly) and to give them a better idea of what each is responsible for, she said.

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She explained that as things stand now, each region operates differently which sometimes causes confusion, both within the individual region and when regions deal with other diocesan agencies.

Decillis feels that although each region "has different needs and different personalities" it should not require a different organizational format.

She added that a standard format would "facilitate trans-regional action and help other departments communicate with the regions."

In formulating the regional model Decillis has worked closely with Msgr. William M. Roche,

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The next step was obtaining godparents. It was not a difficult task. Those parishioners contacted were honored to participate in the family's special day. To acquaint themselves with the family and their individual godchildren, the ten sponsors devoted time to Rugge

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themselves with the family and their individual godchildren, the ten sponsors devoted time to meeting with Mrs. Burns and the children. Godparents are: James Ehmann and Mrs. Jean Reber for Colleen an eighth grader; Thomas Tette and Mrs. Jeanette Silvers for George who is in the sixth grade; Mr. and Mrs. James Gerhardt for Terrence who is a third grader; Mr. and Mrs. William Brooks for



Brian, a sixth grade student; Mr. and Mrs.

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Raymond Buonemani for Maureen, junior high.

Kevin, Pat and Joan (communicants) will be high school freshmen in September.

While waiting for the baptismal rites to begin; Buonemani summed up his commitment as "backing the parents, knowing the kids and being there to answer questions."

The day ended with a family reception in the school hall which was given by Mrs. Bennett. Asked about the tremendous cooperation and interest she received from everyone, Mrs. Burns said, "When you need people, they are always there."

The Burns children will begin regular religious instruction in September to prepare for their next step, Confirmation.

### James Noonan In New Post

James Noonan who was Bishop Joseph L. Hogan's administrative assistant has taken a new position with Connecticut General Life Insurance.

Noonan joined the diocese as communications director and later became the bishop's administrative assistant. In recent months he has directed the diocesan stewardship program:



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regional coordinator for the Yates, Ontario, Wayne Region and chairperson of the regional coordinator body.

Decillis explained that the reorganization was based on five "primary sources," an in-depth study of regionalism by the office of Pastoral Ministry (conducted by Sister Ann Miller, RSM), meetings with an "organizational development consultant,"



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reports (prepared by each coordinator), recommendations Msgr. Roche and Father Douglas Hoffman, director of the Office of Pastoral Ministry.

She stressed that all reorganization plant will be reviewed by the regional coordinators collectively for their recommendations before being submitted to Bishop Hogan for final approval.

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