

Sr. Clare Assumes Diocesan Post Tasks

Administration is not a new role for Sister Clare Brown, SSI, who assumed the duties of diocesan assistant superintendent of Public Affairs, July 1. For the last five years she has been principal of St. Francis DeSales School in Geneva, her elementary alma mater.

"I'll miss the children," she admitted when referring to her years in the classroom at Christ the King and St. John the Evangelist in Greece. She sees her new position, however, as a challenging and interesting one. Her duties will include overseeing the state Title programs, all aspects of school law and she will be directing and coordinating the state required testing programs such as the PEP tests. According to Sister, it will be the evaluation of these tests which she expects to find intriguing. The analysis will give her a view of the educational growth of students and a sense of where the schools are going.

Asked if she could discern



Summer has been a working time for Sister Clare in her new position with the general education office.

what areas of her job were going to take most of her time. Sister noted that at the moment, she saw every aspect of her job as time consuming.

Sister is an alumna of Geneva DeSales High School and attended Nazareth

College where she received her BS and MA in Education and a BA in History. She received credits toward her certification in administration from Brockport State College, Fordham and Catholic University in Washington, D.C.

Sr. Geiger Joins Ed Office

Sister Jane Geiger, Mission Helpers of the Sacred Heart (MHS), has a wide range of tasks to cover as consultant for Adult and Family Education, Religious Education Department. She'll not only oversee adult education but will be directing family education and acting as resource person for special education programs.

An exciting part of her responsibilities is the feasibility studies, now underway, of utilizing Cable TV for adult religious education purposes.

"It's all in the talking stages," she emphasized explaining, "I'm doing the preliminary spade work."

There have been talks with various Cable companies about facilities, techniques and equipment but Sister said, "There's a lot of work negotiating but it is

promising."

A major portion of Sister's job will be listening to the parish people, helping them discern their needs and then recommending and formulating programs that will fit their particular religious educational needs.

Sister, who is from New Jersey, received her BA in education from Loyola University, Baltimore; received her MA with a major in Scripture from Catholic University, Washington, D.C. She attended Duquesne University in Pittsburgh where she received a second MA in education with a specialty in management. Her education assignments have led her to many sections of the country. She taught education at the University of Dayton, Ohio and while there developed religious education courses; worked in the Baltimore Diocese as a



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religious education director. She has also worked in Pittsburgh, Cincinnati and Dallas. From 1968-72, Sister was principal of the School of Religion at Assumption parish Fairport.

Notre Dame RAC Directs Spirituality

Notre Dame of Elmira has an enrollment of 600 which includes 176 incoming freshmen. The new students include four sets of twins: Martin and Ulrike Falkenberg; Karen and Susan Farmer; Jacqueline and Jennifer Wheeland; and May and Susan Steed. Fifteen freshmen will be coming from Sayre, Pennsylvania. This year the girls will be sporting new uniforms.

Academically, juniors will be challenged with a revised English curriculum. Rather than selecting electives as they have done in the past, they will have an intensive course in basic skills, the introduction of a research paper and a focus on American Literature. There will also be an accelerated Spanish program.

The Religious Activities Committee (RAC) under the direction of Sister Mary Gerard, has formulated plans for the school year. There will be celebration of the Eucharist on opening day and

student retreat days have been scheduled for Nov. 14-15. The Liturgy Committee of RAC will focus on planning family, Sunday Liturgies and daily chapel liturgies. The Human Development Committee will continue to plan programs to encourage service and support to those less fortunate.

Six new faculty members have joined the school: Thomas York who will teach Theology; Mrs. Marily Scott, Social Studies; Mrs. Laurie Speciale, English; Miss Cheryl Hock, Music; Mrs. Virginia Curtin, English; and Sister Mary Denise who will be assisting Sister M. Carmella in the AV center.

Notre Dame students will have the opportunity to participate in the federally funded school lunch program. Free and reduced-price meals and a free special milk policy will be available to students who are unable to pay the full price. Parents will be notified the last week of August regarding eligibility.

Fisher Programs Expand

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