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New Home

Light streams in through the parlor windows at St. John the Evangelist Church Rectory on Humboldt Street, where Bishop Matthew H. Clark will take up temporary residence later this month. The rectory, which is also home to the parish's copastors Fathers John Mulligan and James Boyle, as well as the home of Bishop Clark's secretary, Father Charles Latus, is a multi-purpose structure, incorporating meeting rooms, parish offices and private consultation rooms. At left, the exterior of the building, seen from Humboldt St.

Busy Week

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he accepted the candidacies for the priesthood of two seminarians, Timothy Reker of Winona, Minn., and Mario Angel Flores of Mexico City.

The Mass took place at the chapel of the North American College and Bishop Clark delivered the homily while sitting.

"We come in a special way," he told the congregation consisting of family, friends and associates from the college where he has been spiritual director, "to support with our love two men, sincere and dedicated candidates for the priesthood.

"We pledge them our love and support," he said.

Then speaking to the two candidates he said "When you step forward on this occasion, you help us very deeply and for that we are thankful."

Then to the congregation

at large, he said, "It is you who have formed me in the priesthood ... I wouldn't be here if it weren't for you ... I wouldn't know where to begin to thank you.

"I know there are times you have been angry with me," he said and after a pause added, "Well ... His inflection was light and drew laughter. "And at times I have been angry with you. We shouldn't remember the angry times."

"My mother is here today and I don't want to give her the wrong impression. I wasn't always angry with you nor you with me." Again it was said in good-natured spirit.

After the homily the two seminarians approached the altar and were officially accepted as candidates for the priesthood.

The following day, he performed his first confirmations at the Marymount International School for Girls, where he has been chaplain.

Sister Theresa, the guidance counselor at the school, confided that they had originally hoped to have Pope John Paul II confirm the class.

"But then the Holy Spirit interceded," she smiled, "and made Matt a bishop and it couldn't have worked out more perfectly."

The week also was dotted with various formal receptions and the new bishop somehow found time to be solicitous toward the pilgrims from his home diocese of Albany and his new diocese of Rochester as well as squeeze in some time with his mother, Mrs. Grace Clark, and sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. James Early, of Waterford.

The life of a bishop leading a flock of some 400,000 Catholics over a 12-county area will obviously be a busy one. And Bishop Clark in his first days in the episcopacy has already had a taste of the heavy schedule.

Installation

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airport although the date has not been settled. He will have a press conference upon arrival.

Bishop Clark told Rochesterians present for his ordination last week that he is "extremely eager to come to Rochester," but that Church protocol requires that he delay his arrival until as close as

possible to the installation date.

Music for the installation will be provided by a choir of 175 and a chorus of 150 chosen from throughout the diocese. The Chorale Hispanic and the Black Ministry Choir will also participate.

Ushers for the installation will be chosen from among renewal groups.

Father Thomas Wheeland, in charge of transportation, said that there will be ample parking for those who wish to drive their cars. He added that many parishes will be taking advantage of bus arrangements to further facilitate parking. A map in preparation will show parking places and rates as well as transportation routes. It will be printed in next week's Courier-Journal.



In Rome, Bishop Matthew H. Clark seems very pleased with the looks of the tickets to his Rochester installation.