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## Bishop Clark Due Here Next Monday

By Carmen J. Viglucci

Bishop Matthew H. Clark will come "home" to Rochester next Monday, June 25, one day before his installation as the eighth bishop of the diocese.

Bishop Clark will arrive at the Monroe County Airport at 9:56 a.m. to bring an end to the period of waiting for Rochester diocesans who have been eager to meet their new bishop since the announcement of his appointment on May 2.

Everyone is invited to come out to the airport to greet him.

Bishop Clark was ordained to the episcopacy by Pope John Paul II on May 27 in St. Peter's Basilica. Church protocol requires that an ordinary coming from outside the diocese must wait until as near the installation as possible.

Bishop Clark, who has been the spiritual director of the North American College in Rome, spent a week in the Holy Land since his or-

### Installation

The doors of the Rochester Community War Memorial will open at 6 p.m. the evening of Bishop Matthew H. Clark's installation as Bishop of Rochester, Tuesday, June 26. The rites begin at 7:30 p.m. A map indicating parking and directions on reaching the site from outside the City of Rochester are on Page 5.

dination; the trip had been planned for some time.

He returned to Albany last Thursday and often during a busy flurry of press conferences and other meetings with representatives of the communications media he reiterated his eagerness to come to his new home and to begin his work as the bishop of Rochester.

His opening remark during a press conference last Friday morning at the chancery in Albany was, "I am very happy to be going to Rochester."



Photos by Anthony J. Costello  
Bishop Clark, seated next to Bishop Hubbard of Albany, answers questions during a press conference at the chancery in Albany.

Bishop Clark has often mentioned during the past few weeks that he looks forward to his arrival here. And he often has an ancillary theme which he touched on again during the press conference. When asked what he considered the hottest issues he'll be facing he answered, "My highest priority is to get to know as best I can the priests of Rochester who will be my prime collaborators, if you will."

This is a point that Bishop Clark has made often. Earlier last week he told an interviewer that the "body of priests with the bishop form a corporate ministry and I look forward to going to Rochester and beginning my ministry



Bishop Clark greets his mother, Mrs. Grace Clark, as four of his five Waterford nieces wait their turn.

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## Jews Hail Pope's Words at Auschwitz

By Marc H. Tanenbaum



The pilgrimage of Pope John Paul II to Auschwitz on June 7 was a moral act of surpassing historic importance. In what will become the most significant development in the movement to advance understanding and friendship between Christians and Jews since the adoption of the Vatican Council's Declaration on Non-Christian Religions in 1965.

That assessment is based on the fact that virtually every Jew engaged in efforts to promote improved relations between Christians and Jews comes to the dialogue table with a consciousness deeply affected by the Nazi holocaust. Auschwitz, the chief Nazi death factory in which 2.8 million Jews and a million non-Jews were burned to death, symbolizes fatally for every Jew who lives under its shadow the loss of one-third of the Jewish people. And to the majority of American Jews — who are descendants of European-

avoid facing the actuality of the horrors of the Nazi holocaust and, in particular, its unique demonic consequences for Jews. The several statements about the Nazi nightmare by Christian leaders have frequently been couched in vague pieties or sentimental universalisms — another illustration of "man's inhumanity to man." Given the concrete ideology of Adolf Hitler, who was determined to exterminate the entire Jewish people under his control — the "final solution" was conceived only in relation to the Jews — such vague declarations gave more offense to the Jewish spirit than consolation.

That is why the words and actions of Pope John Paul II during his visit to Auschwitz and Birkenau have had almost an electric effect in the Jewish community. In his characteristically direct and explicit manner, the pope avoided generalities and spoke to the Jewish soul as much as he did to the Catholic peoples of the world:

"In particular, I pause with you before the inscription in Hebrew," he said gesturing toward the

Over the past several decades, Jewish leaders meeting with Christian authorities have felt that, with rare exception, most Christian leaders have sought to

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