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## Hiroshima Recalled

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Sister Margaret Brennan, SSJ, right, reads from Scripture during a peace vigil Monday morning in memory of Hiroshima Day. More than 20 people took part in the demonstration in front of the Federal Building in remembrance of the first use of a nuclear weapon 34 years ago to the day.

## FLHSA Questions State On its Scanner Decision

By Martin Toombs  
Southern Tier Editor

Corning — The Finger Lakes Health Systems Agency (FLHSA) Executive Committee took another step July 31 in its attempt to stop operation of a CT Scanner on St. Joseph's Hospital property. Following the decision of Supreme Court Justice Elizabeth Pine denying a preliminary injunction against operating the scanner by Scanner Diagnostic Services, but upholding the FLHSA on other points, the committee approved sending a letter drafted by the agency's attorney, John M. Wilson II, to Richard Berman of the state Office of Health Systems Management.

The letter notes that the state's investigatory hearing is apparently complete, and that "we presume a decision on the matter is imminent."

The letter asks the state to notify the agency as to action it will take in the matter, and reminds them that Justice Pine's decision would allow the state to be included in the suit if it takes no action.

Finally, the letter asks that a reply be made before the Aug. 21 FLHSA Executive Committee meeting.

Anthony Mott, FLHSA executive director, explained that the letter does not commit the agency to a specific further action, and that the executive committee will make the decision on "a number of courses of potential action."

A consideration is that currently the FLHSA is bearing the legal costs for the suit; if the state intervenes and takes the agency position, the FLHSA could drop its legal effort. If the state decides otherwise, the agency could

include the state as a defendant in the suit.

While two committee members questioned further pursuit of the legal action against St. Joseph's, sending the letter received the approval of 12 members, while one abstained.

## Pope Accepts Cardinal's Resignation

St. Louis (RNS) — Pope John Paul II has accepted the resignation of Cardinal John Joseph Carberry of St. Louis.

"I was a little surprised," confessed the cardinal who received the news of the pope's action on his 75th birthday, July 31. But he

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## Sainthood Cause Draws Supporters To Corning Mass

By Martin Toombs  
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Corning — An American-born Capuchin priest's cause for canonization brought 100 people to a special Mass at St. Patrick's Church Tuesday morning, July 31.

The life of Father Francis Solanus Casey was the subject of a sermon presented by a Capuchin who knew Father Solanus both as a parish priest and a fellow religious, at the Mass offered on the 22nd anniversary of Father Solanus' death, and the 75th of his ordination.

Father Cletus McCarthy, of St. Fidelis Friary in Interlaken, addressed those present, and concelebrated with Corning's pastors, Father Andrew Teuschel of St. Patrick's, Father Michael Hogan of St. Mary's, and Father Joseph F. Hogan of St. Vincent's.

When he was a boy in Yonkers, Father Cletus said, Father Solanus was a priest at his Sacred Heart parish. While there, he said, he served Mass for him.

Later, in 1945, they were members of the same community, St. Bonaventure's Friary in Detroit. It was there

"that I experienced his love for the sick," Father Cletus said. In a hospital himself, Father Cletus recounted, Father Solanus visited him, and while there, comforted a girl in the next room who was undergoing painful treatments. After that she never screamed in pain as she had previously.

In Detroit Father Solanus greeted persons signing up for the order's Mass Association, Father Cletus said, and through those contacts met many people. Several events were reported following those meetings. One woman who had had a loss of memory for eight years regained it two days after he enrolled her in the association. A daughter enrolled her father, and he returned to the Church. And a man, blinded by hot lead, was enrolled by his wife. When the bandages were removed, he was healed in a case which caused the doctor to say "if I ever saw a miracle, this is one."

Many other events also occurred, Father Cletus noted, adding that he is not "telling you all the things you just heard are miracles." That will be decided by the

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## Two Matthew Clarks

Photo by Martin Toombs

Mrs. Larry Clark of St. Mary of the Lake Parish in Watkins Glen holds her new-born son and a picture of Bishop Matthew H. Clark, for whom the infant has been named. Young Matthew came into the world on July 26 at St. Joseph's Hospital in Elmira. Mr. and Mrs. Clark admit that Matthew was a favorite name, but they were sure it was a good choice when they realized their son would carry the same name as the diocese's new bishop.



Photo by Susan McKinney

Margaret Zimmer proudly holds her new-born son Matthew Clark Zimmer, 8 lbs., 10 oz., born July 30 at 8:22 a.m. in Rochester General Hospital. An aunt explained that Mrs. Zimmer and her husband Richard were watching the recent installation of Bishop Matthew Clark on television when they decided to name the infant, if he was to be a boy, in honor of the eighth Bishop of Rochester.