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Steuben, Livingston Regions Split

By Michael Groden

Father Douglas Hoffman, director of the Office of Pastoral Ministry, last week announced plans to separate the Livingston-Steuben Region into two distinct regions. Father Hoffman cited the size of the region, stretching some 100 miles from north to south, as the primary reason for the split.

The suggestion to separate the two counties came from Father Walter Wainright, regional coordinator for the region. Father Hoffman said that the suggestion was received with "positive encouragement from himself and Bishop Clark who accepted the plan."

Father Wainright, pastor of St. Thomas Aquinas in Leicester and St. Lucy's, Retsof, will be coordinator of the Livingston Region.

Father Hoffman said that the bishop wants a region to be an area where the parishes can become close and work for common goals and that he felt the Livingston-Steuben region was just too large a geographic area for that to occur.

The separation of the two regions will be effective on or near Oct. 15.

Father Hoffman added that "I see it (the regional split) as one of the first steps to make

the work of the regions more effective."

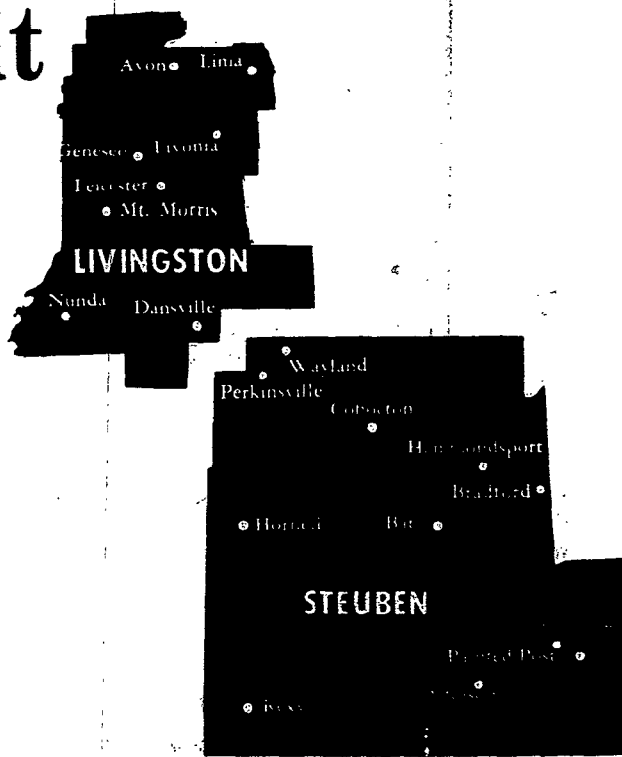
Father Wainright said the current setup was just too large an area to be an effective region. The great distances coupled with severe weather conditions often resulted in regional assemblies being very poorly attended.

Father Wainright has written to all priests in Livingston and Steuben counties informing them of the split. Father Hoffman will then ask each of these priests to name who they think would make a good regional coordinator for the newly formed Steuben region. The nominations will be submitted

to Bishop Clark who will select the new regional coordinator.

Father Wainright said that "the move to separate the two regions will better facilitate what regionalism should be." He added that one of the models for regionalism, recently submitted to Bishop Clark, called for "a whole new look at regional boundaries," and that the separation of the Livingston-Steuben region may serve as a test case for further regional divisions.

There are currently ten regions dividing the diocese. Five are in Monroe County and five are outside.



Pope Praises Humanae Vitae

Vatican City (RNS) — Pope John Paul II, commemorating the death of Pope Paul VI, specifically praised his predecessor's controversial "Humanae Vitae" encyclical that reaffirmed the Church's traditional ban on all forms of artificial contraception.

Together with 27 cardinals, Pope John Paul II concelebrated a solemn memorial Mass in St. Peter's Basilica to commemorate Paul VI, who died Aug. 6, 1978, after a 15-year reign.

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Three Become Deacons

Three students in their fourth year of theological studies at St. Bernard's Seminary were ordained last Saturday by Bishop Matthew H. Clark as deacons of the Diocese of Rochester. The ceremonies were held at Sacred Heart Cathedral.

Those ordained were Rev. Mr. Anthony Mugavero, a member of Mother of Sorrows Parish; Rev. Mr. Paul Tomasso, Holy Rosary Parish; and Rev. Mr. George Heyman, St. Andrew's Parish.

Rev. Mr. Mugavero holds a

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Among the Souvenirs

The photo of Pope John Paul II is stamped on buttons at the rate of 500 an hour at a plant in Evergreen Park, Ill., for the pontiff's upcoming visit to Chicago. (RNS Photo)

Church Official Rebutts Series By Gannett

- All Mass Requests Fulfilled
- All Bills Paid or Current
- All Local Banks Repaid

Philadelphia (RNS) — Catholic officials say a series of investigative newspaper articles charging the Pauline Fathers order in Doylestown, Pa., with gross mismanagement of charitable donations only dredges up past problems that were public knowledge and that the Church has already settled.

"The articles now assert as problems matters already resolved and they do so in a way that unfortunately minimizes the genuine renewal and stability achieved at the Shrine through the Vatican," said Bishop George H. Guilfoyle of Camden, N.J., in a statement that also denied allegations of a Church "cover-up."

"Comments on the specific accusations would only dignify that which is not worthy of comment," said Father Lucius Tyrasinski, the Pauline order's prior. "The subject matter has been explored many years ago."

The Gannett News Service series said the Pauline order "squandered" millions of dollars in "one of the Church's

worst scandals," and that high officials, including Pope John Paul II attempted to cover it up.

According to the report, the Pauline Fathers, who operate a shrine dedicated to Our Lady of Czestochowa, collected donations for stated religious purposes — Masses to be said, memorials and construction projects — and instead invested it in ill-fated business ventures. A substantial part of \$20 million in donations and bank loans, to build the shrine and to construct a Polish Catholic religious and housing complex, was misused and nearly drove the small order into bankruptcy, the reports said.

In 1975, the Vatican sent Bishop Guilfoyle and Bishop Paul M. Boyle as "visitors" to investigate the situation and set aright what was reported to be a "chaotic" and "immoral" atmosphere. According to Bishop Guilfoyle, the following steps have been taken since 1975:

— All previously unsaid

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