

# Church of Europe in Ireland's Debt

At the end of last month while he was visiting Ireland, Pope John Paul II addressed a number of European bishops who had come to Ireland for his visit.

Dear Brothers in our Lord Jesus Christ,

That so many of you have come from different countries, to share with me the various moments of my visit, is a tribute to both Ireland and to yourselves, for it proves that you feel united with the Bishop of Rome in his "solicitude for all churches," and at the same time it shows that you want to honor the faith of the Church in Ireland.



For is it not true that the Christian communities you represent have to discharge a duty of gratitude to the Church in Ireland? You who come from other European nations feel a particular relationship with the people that brought forth so many and so great missionaries, who in centuries past travelled untiringly across the mountains and rivers and through the plains of Europe to support the faith when it was flagging, to revive the Christian communities, and preach the word of the Lord. The vitality of the Church in Ireland made the establishing of many of your own communities possible, Peregrinari pro

Christo: to be a voyager, a pilgrim for Christ was their reason for leaving their dear native land; and the Church in Europe was given new life by their journeyings.

Outside the continent, the Irish immigrants, priests and missionaries were again the founders of new dioceses and parishes, the builders of churches and schools, and their faith succeeded, sometimes against overwhelming odds, to bring Christ to new regions, and to imbue new communities with the same undivided love for Jesus and his Mother, and with the same loyalty and affection for the Apostolic See in Rome as they had known in their homeland.

As we reflect on these historical realities, and as we witness together, during this visit, the piety, the faith and the vitality of the Irish Church, we cannot but feel blessed for these moments. Your presence here will in turn be an encouragement for the Irish Episcopate and for the Irish Christians, since in seeing you gathered around the Bishop of Rome, they will see that it is the whole of the Episcopal College that offers support to the local pastors and assumes its share of responsibility for the Church that is in Ireland.

Let your love for Ireland and your appreciation of Ireland's place in the Church be expressed in prayer for a speedy return to peace in this beautiful island. Lead your faithful people in this earnest and untiring prayer to the Prince of Peace, through the intercession of Mary, Queen of Peace.

When the people of this beloved country see you, gathered together with the Irish bishops around the Bishop of Rome, they witness that special union that constitutes a core of the episcopal collegiality, a union of mind and heart, a union of commitment and dedication in the building up of the Body of Christ, that is the Church. It is this profound union, this sincere "communion" that confers depth and meaning to the concept of collegiality and that carries it beyond a mere practical collaboration or a sharing of insights. It then becomes a bond that truly unites the bishops of the whole world with the Successor of Peter and among themselves, in order to carry out cum Petro et sub Petro the apostolic ministry which the Lord entrusted to the Twelve. Knowing that such are the sentiments that animate your presence here with me not only gives me satisfaction but also supports me in my own unique and universal pastoral ministry.

From this union among all the bishops will flow forth for each ecclesial community, and for the Church as a whole, abundant fruits of unity and communion among all the faithful and with the bishops, as well as with the visible head of the universal Church.

Thank you for sharing with me the privilege and the supernatural grace of this visit. May the Lord Jesus bless you and your dioceses with ever more abundant fruits of union in mind and heart. And may every Christian everywhere, and the whole Church of God as one, increasingly become a sign and a presence of hope for all of humanity.



Photos by Martin Toombs

Bishop Clark visits with Mrs. Mary Graham.



The bishop and the Roper children; their trailer in left background.

## Poverty Tour

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woman's chair is her walker, and a kerosene heater to warm the drafty house. Bishop Clark prayed with her, and promised to send her a rosary he brought from Rome.

Outside he paused to talk to the grandchildren, and to have his picture taken with them. They had shown Father Latus and Father Hoffman the basement of the new house, each pointing out their rooms. The family will live in the basement until they are able to build a first floor.

Julia and Sidney Bouton's Newark Valley home was the last stop. Mrs. Bouton is

bedridden, and she prayed with Bishop Clark while Bouton expressed surprise over the bishop's visit.

Bouton also said that he wished his son were there. He had been clipping pictures of Bishop Clark and Pope John Paul II for some time, he said, and putting them in scrapbooks. "Wait until I tell my son," he said as the bishop gave Mrs. Bouton a blessing.

As they drove the one-lane and dirt roads of rural Tioga County, the two sisters pointed out some of the poor housing and told of other problems: lack of transportation, lack of health care, and nutrition

problems.

Sister Mary and Sister Sheila also noted that they fear the problems that could happen this winter. Many people they visit have very little money to buy food each month, they said; some less than \$20. Rising fuel oil prices and an expected scarcity of kerosene this winter, the two most common sources of heat in the county, could leave some with a choice between starving or freezing, they said.

The sisters expressed their special concern for the elderly in the rural areas, some of whom live in the homes they were born in, and won't consider moving

## Justice Workshop Scheduled

Elmira — The Southern Tier Office of Human Development is sponsoring an Education for Justice workshop Saturday, Oct. 27, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at St. Peter and Paul's school, 160 High St.

Three speakers will be featured in the program. Leading off will be Father Joseph Nangle from Washington, DC, who will speak on "The Foundations and Development of Catholic Social Teaching."

The second speaker will be Father John Podsiadlo,

speaking on "The Importance of Analysis in Education for Justice."

Daniel McNamara will conclude the program, speaking on "Implementation of Education to Justice Program in the Total Parish Picture."

Designed primarily for parish human development committee members and teachers involved in the Education for Justice program, the workshop is open to anyone interested. Registrations will be accepted at the door, and there is no

admission charge. Participants are asked to bring their own lunch; coffee and tea will be provided.

## Art Show For AOH

Elmira — Val McGann, one of Ireland's best known marine painters, will have a special fund-raising exhibition and sale of his paintings of Ireland and Maine at the Hibernian Hall, Sunday, Oct. 28, noon to 6 p.m. The hall is at 701 Kinyon St.

# THE DEMING RECORD

## A Record That Deserves Your VOTE

### DELIVERY OF SERVICES

Don Deming believes the biggest asset the town has to offer the taxpayer is service and town government is a service oriented organization. Under Don Deming's leadership the town has provided its citizens with the highest level of service possible at the lowest possible cost. Don Deming has demonstrated time and again that he is a strong fiscal conservative.

### FISCAL RESPONSIBILITY

The Deming administration has established a high sense of fiscal integrity over the past eight years. While the cost of living has skyrocketed, Don Deming has held the town tax rate well below the inflation rate. Don has seen to it that all idle town funds are invested in C or D's to produce the highest possible return. Don Deming has proven he is cost conscious in his approach to town government.



DON DEMING  
"Integrity Above All"

### COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

In addition to having served as Irondequoit's full-time Supervisor for the last eight years, Don continues to be actively involved in community affairs. Organizations with which he has been affiliated include the following: Monroe County Supervisors' Assoc.-Past President-1977; Supervisors' & Legislators' Assoc.-State of New York-Board of Directors; Irondequoit Community Band-Board of Directors; Monroe County Fire Advisory Board; Active Volunteer Fireman for 23 years; Board of Directors of Irondequoit Athletic Assoc.; St. Cecilia's Festival Chairman, 1976-1979; St. Cecilia's Mens' Club-Past President-1972-73; Irondequoit Elks Lodge 2054; Lecturing Knight; Advisory Board-Irondequoit Branch of Community Savings Bank.

# DON DEMING

## Irondequoit Supervisor

### DEMOCRAT ROW A

Endorsed by Right to Life Party

### FEDERAL AND STATE GRANTS

The Deming administration has sought and received millions of dollars and state and federal grant money for such projects as sanitary sewers, storm sewers, street replacement, recreation, home improvement and many other areas of benefit to the Town of Irondequoit. The town is now receiving at least a fair share of our state and federal tax dollars.

### COMPUTERS

Although a novice in the area of computers Don Deming saw the need for the Town of Irondequoit to establish a computer system for town justice court, snow and ice records, town clerks records, bookkeeping, payroll and many other areas. Through his efforts the town now is serviced by two mini computers that in the long run will save the town thousands of dollars. Don feels this is an investment in the future of our town.

### PURPOSE

As Irondequoit Supervisor for the past eight years, Don Deming has always put the interests of Irondequoit first and foremost. His administration has exemplified honesty, integrity, and openness in the operation of town government. Through his efforts, the Irondequoit Police Department has developed into a highly professional organization; the Department of Public Works has become much more efficient; the Recreation Department has become a model throughout the county; and his entire administration has demonstrated a unique ability to serve the taxpayer in a courteous and efficient manner. Don has sought and obtained our fair share of federal and state funds and, at the same time, kept town taxes to an absolute minimum. Now, Don Deming would like the opportunity to continue to serve you, the taxpayers of Irondequoit, in order to continue the high quality of government you have come to expect.

Sponsored by Committee to Re-Elect Don Deming, Earl and Karl Peters, Co-Chairpersons