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## 2 Departments Reorganized

Bishop Matthew H. Clark has appointed Father Peter Bayer director of Pastoral Planning and Management, in a restructuring of departments within the Support Ministry Division.

Father Bayer has been director of Pastoral Planning for the past five years, and for the past four years his office has been cooperating with the Department of Finance in planning and budgeting. Father William J. Flynn's announcement pointed out. As division chief, he wrote to pastors and department heads, explaining that consolidation of the finance and planning departments would "allow for coordination of planning and

budgeting efforts into an integrated program."

"The merger will provide greater flexibility in areas of data processing and utilization of information," the letter said. "This merging of the two departments will provide up-to-date, summarized information to diocesan decision makers. This consolidation will streamline the diocesan planning and budgeting process, at the same time offering the capability of an expanded program of services to our parishes."

As director of Pastoral Planning, Father Bayer has been working with the Ministerial Review Committee and diocesan departments in planning and budgeting procedures. Father Flynn noted. Father Bayer's Parish Visitation program "has won national acclaim from the National Pastoral Planning Conference."

A committee has been organized to recruit an office manager of finance, the letter continued. This person "will be responsible for managing all assets and operations under the supervision of Father Bayer, and in conjunction with the expanded scope of Father Bayer's Financial Advisory Board and its subcommittees."



FATHER BAYER

## Stewardship '80 Schedule Begins

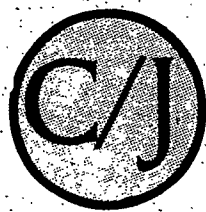
Stewardship 1980 is underway as the diocesan Development Office has begun to enlist parishes interested in participating in this year's program. James Georger, development administrator, said last week that parish presentations are now being scheduled to explain Stewardship.

These presentations include a slide show which gives an overview of Stewardship. It explains what Stewardship is, how the program is conducted and how some of the parishes in the diocese have benefited, Georger said.

Stewardship centers on a personal visit, by a trained volunteer, to families living in the parish. The visit is geared to find out the spiritual needs of all members in the family and to find out what the parishioner may be interested in doing to help his or her parish.

Father Conrad Sundholm, executive director of Fund Development, sent a letter to all pastors in the diocese in December, inviting them to participate in Stewardship 1980. Father Sundholm said that in the past two years "47 parishes and missions have participated, many of them both years, and have found the program to be of great benefit. At St. Salome's (where Father Sundholm serves as pastor) over the past four years I have found that these benefits have accrued to our parishioners individually and to the parish family in general."

Georger said that the first parish presentation will take place at St. Philip Neri on Jan. 16. He added that any pastor who may be interested in Stewardship 1980 can simply contact him at the development office, at the Pastoral Center. The number is 716/328-3210.



## Christmas Fund

## 50 G Goal Topped

People of the diocese contributed \$50,580 to ease the plight of the poor during the 1979 Courier-Journal/Catholic Charities Christmas Fund.

The contributions to the 11th annual appeal exceeded by more than \$7,113 the amount raised last year, according to Anthony J. Costello, publisher and general manager of the Courier-Journal.

The Courier-Journal publishes the "100 Neediest Cases" in conjunction with the drive. Catholic Charities is the source of those cases and disburses the funds from the appeal.

## Grammar School To Close

Our Lady of Mercy Parish in Greece will close its school at the end of this semester, "because of insufficient students and finances," Father William J. Amann announced last week.

Three neighboring parish schools stand ready to take in the 123 pupils, and "We have been assured all our teachers (nine lay people) will be placed in Catholic schools if they wish," the pastor and his staff wrote to parents. Families that continue to support their home parish will receive tuition aid from the parish, the letter said. It spoke of "some consolidation with neighboring parish schools" as a possibility in the future.

The neighboring parishes are Holy Cross, St. Charles

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A young Cambodian child sits listlessly in the Sa Kaew refugee camp in Thailand, apparently too weak to eat. Doctors report that many children have not eaten for so long they clamp their mouths shut when offered food. (RNS)

## Cambodia Diocese Gives \$100,000 To CRS Refugee Effort

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In its most recent up-date on activities serving the refugees in Thailand and Cambodia, Catholic Relief Services last week reported that it is feeding 135,000 families in both countries.

The report further stated that CRS has established nine locations along the border for feeding Cambodian refugees, and that, on occasion, CRS has been allowed into Cambodia.

The report was made public last week by Father Joseph Reinhart, head of diocesan efforts to assist the

refugees. He said that CRS has opened both a hospital and an orphanage as well.

The local Cambodian Relief office last week sent a check for \$100,000 to CRS, Father Reinhart said.

His comment on the diocesan response was:

"Our people must be reading St. Basil the Great, who lived back in the Fourth Century. He said, 'The bread which you do not use is the bread of the hungry; the garment hanging in your wardrobe is

the garment of him who is naked; the shoes that you do not wear are the shoes of the one who is barefoot; the money that you keep locked away is the money of the poor; the acts of charity that you do not perform are so many injustices that you commit."

Father Reinhart observed that contributions for the relief effort are daily arriving at his office:

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