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Sections of the ceiling hang down as the main structure of the ceiling rests on the pews of Holy Angels Church, Nunda.

Nunda Church Ceiling Collapses

Nunda — The ceiling of Holy Angels Church collapsed in the early morning hours of Wednesday, Sept. 3, only a few hours after Mass was offered in the 108-year-old structure.

installed organ were spared from damage, he noted.

Father Sasso said that they
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A thunderstorm which included high winds struck Nunda on Tuesday. Father Joseph M. Sasso, pastor, related, and he said Mass in the church at 5:15 in the afternoon.

And then about 2 a.m., most of the ceiling fell onto the pews.

Father Sasso expressed thanks that no one was in the church at the time of the collapse, as anyone there probably would have been killed.

Sunday Mass for Holy Angels parishioners will be offered at Holy Trinity Presbyterian-Baptist Church until further notice, the pastor pointed out. Daily Mass will be offered in the parish center.

Damage has been estimated at \$75,000, he said. The work cleaning up the debris has been delayed while a contractor secures the walls of the church to prevent further collapse. The church's stained glass windows and recently

New DPC Officers Elected At Opening Convocation

By Martin Toombs

Given a few minutes to speak before the election of a chairperson for the Diocesan Pastoral Council (DPC), Ronald Keller told the members not to vote for him if they didn't want to work hard.

But Keller's warning didn't stop the members from electing him to lead the council for the coming year.

The election occurred at the DPC Convocation at St. Anne's, Rochester, last Friday and Saturday, beginning the DPC's sixth year.

In his acceptance speech,

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Keller, a Northeast Region delegate and Holy Spirit, Webster, parishioner, noted his feeling that the best way to get people involved is to ask them personally for help. He told the members that that personal challenge would be part of his work this year.

He also noted the challenge the job will offer him, and the need for the DPC to be a prayerful group, as "we only achieve what we achieve with the help of God."

Elected to serve as vice-chairperson was Shirley Foole of Geneva, a Yates-Ontario-Wayne delegate. Joining them on the executive committee will be Sister Ann Habershaw, SSND; Sister Ann Miller, RSM; John Dollinger of the Southeast Region, and Bert Jones and Anthony Rosati of the Northwest Region.

The convocation began with a Mass in St. Anne's Church, during which Bishop

Clark commissioned each DPC member.

On Saturday morning, the members heard descriptions of the work of the five diocesan divisions from the respective directors, and from several department heads. The presentations began over breakfast, and continued until 11:30 a.m.

The DPC gave its support for a program on ministry to the retarded which will be carried out over the next several months. Sister Clare Roland, head of the Department of Institutional Ministries, explained the

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Plea: Upgrade Refugee Status

By Michael Groden

Father Gerard Jean-Juste, director of the Haitian Refugee Center in Miami, visited Rochester last week to ask for the continued support of the Haitian refugees who have escaped the dehumanizing and repressive actions of the 23 years dictatorship of the Duvalier family. Jean-Claude Duvalier has followed his father Francois (Papa Doc) Duvalier, as "president for life" in Haiti.

Father Jean-Juste, in a prepared statement, said that "arbitrary arrests, detention without trial and torture while in custody remain daily occurrences in Haiti," and referred to the Haitian refugees as the "Black Boat People of the Caribbean."

His main concern is for the people who have escaped Haiti and are living in a refugee camp in Miami. He described conditions in the camp as "deplorable, and unfit for humans to live there."

He said that the camp is not taken care of, that the grass in the camp is three feet tall and provides good cover for dangerous snakes, common to the area. The food provided is also unfit to eat, Father Jean-Juste said, and sometimes contains fecal material.

Another problem faces the 1,000 refugees in the camp, he said. Their current political status is "in Limbo," in that no official refugee status has been granted by the U.S. govern-

ment, which makes the possibility of deportation a very real concern.

Those who have escaped Haiti and then returned face a stiff fine and three years in jail, Father Jean-Juste said, and sometimes that the prisoners are "lucky to survive the jail term."

The primary concern of the Haitian refugees, according to the Haitian-born priest, is that of being deported. The refugees are afraid of what might happen if they have to return. He is urging the government to act, "one way or another," on the issue, either grant refugee status so that resettlement can begin, or deport the entire refugee population which would make it difficult for the Duvalier government to punish the refugees.

He is also calling for improving conditions at the camp. His visit to Rochester was to thank groups, including Catholic Charities, Church World Service and Lutheran Immigration, for assistance already received and to plead for their continuing support.

"It's no miracle at all for the Rochester city to care for a few Haitian brothers and sisters and Cuban brothers and sisters. This is the true

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Marathon Editor

Chances are that the Courier-Journal's Carmen J. Viglucci is the only editor in the Catholic press to have run a marathon. In fact, it is possible that he is the only such editor ever to have run the 26.2-mile classic.

Viglucci did just that on Labor Day, Sept. 1, when he finished the Rochester Marathon in 4 hours, 12 minutes and 48 seconds.

The editor, 48, said some other Catholic press editors are runners, notably Father Henry Kriegel of the Lake Shore Visitor in Erie, Pa. "And, of course, I could be wrong, but I think I am the only editor in the Catholic press crazy enough, to try a marathon," Viglucci said.

He is quick to point out, however, that Leonard Lockwood, editor of the Upstate Business Journal in Rochester, is a longtime marathoner and at 60 years of age also completed the recent Rochester race.

"In fact, Lockwood has been one of my mentors and can still move along better than I," Viglucci said.

Why would anyone want to run such a distance?

"Probably it's the natural culmination of events," Viglucci said. "I began as an overweight, puffing jogger some four years ago. Each time a person like me reaches another running plateau — first time finishing a mile, first race, etc. — he is establishing steps toward a possible marathon some day."

Asked if the long-distance run is something of a religious experience, he answered quickly, "No — unless you mean in the sense that everything we do is a religious experience."

Nonetheless, he took as a slogan a quotation from St. Paul: "Let us run with

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A congratulatory cake capped the achievement for editor Viglucci.

TV Mass
The Mass for shut-ins televised over WHEC-TV, Channel 10, is in a new time slot. The Mass may be seen each Sunday, beginning at 8:30 a.m.