

## Working Together

Father Joseph Reinhart, head of the diocesan effort for Italian relief; Dr. Arthur Anzalone, vice consul of Italy in Upstate New York; and Joseph Anzalone, the head of the civic Italian relief effort, discuss their plans to assist the thousands suffering in the aftermath of Italy's devastating earthquake. Persons wishing to contribute to the diocesan effort have been asked to send donations to Father Reinhart at 123 East Ave., Rochester, N.Y. 14604.

Fr. Paul J. Cuddy



On the Right Side

## Herr Willy Franken

From a former German prisoner:

"Thank you for your letter. I was surprised and happy to hear from you. There have been times when I thought about you and what you did for me in those days in France. I shall never forget it. I would have written to you if my English, due to lack of practice, wasn't of such poor quality. I am sorry to inform you that Father Kohorst died. He died a few years ago of a stroke. I still work as an inspector for the internal revenue service. In my spare time I am the choir-leader in my local parish. I also play the organ in a neighboring church. My daughter Ingeborg became a school teacher. Son Klaus just got his discharge from the army, and is preparing himself for a profession. My wife Maria takes care of the family. My beloved mother died in 1970. My father is 76 and doing fine. With my next letter I shall send you some family pictures. For now my thanks for your kindness to remember me."

Comment:

In May 1945 WWII in Europe ended. Our 409th Bomber Group was returned to the States from France. I was kept in Europe, as chaplain where needed, first for five months at a lovely village, Holtzkirchen near Munich; then two weeks before Christmas. I was transferred to an air depot outside Compiègne, France. Our function was two-fold: one, to collect scattered materiel and the other to take care of German prisoners of war who worked with the collecting

# Operation Breadbox Begins

Operation Breadbox 1981 is under way. The Lenten program is aimed at feeding the hungry through on-going self-help programs in the Rochester Diocese and third world countries. Those parishes wishing to participate in the annual collection are asked to contact the International Justice and Peace Commission office, 750 W. Main St., Rochester, 14611; telephone is 716 328-6400.

## New Year Overnight

The Cenacle will host a New Year's Overnight Renewal, a program of prayer, reflection, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Midnight Mass. Registration opens Wednesday, Dec. 31 at 7:30 p.m. and will close following breakfast, at 10:30 a.m. New Year's Day. Reservations and information are available by calling the Cenacle (716) 271-8755.

Saturday Evening Post to depict the ideal American youth. For a while I kept in correspondence with Father Kohorst who was assigned to St. Ludwig's College in Holland; and with Willy, who returned home to the Rhineland. Then addresses got lost. Correspondence ceased, until recently I found his address of 35 years ago. I wrote: "It is 35 years since we were together with Father Kohorst in Compiègne. I wonder if you are still at the Muenchen-Gladbach address. If this comes to you, will you write to me? The last I heard from you, you were happily married, contented with your job and had a child or two. He wrote back promptly. And I have written to him, and sent him a set of Archbishop Sheen cassette tapes for Christmas, which he will surely share with others, to sanctify their souls and to improve their speaking English.

(Any reader who wants to give Archbishop Sheen tapes as Christmas gifts, is invited to write me: Holy Trinity Church, 1460 Ridge Road East, Webster, N.Y. 14580; or phone: (716) 265-1616.)

# Priests Council Hears Bishop's Appeal Plan

Bishop Matthew H. Clark formally announced his plans for the diocesan appeal at last week's priests council meeting. The program is designed to replace the parish assessment "with a new and more positive way of supporting the ministry of our diocesan Church."

Father Walter Wainwright, priests council secretary, reported that council members "generally were very supportive of the plan." Father Wainwright said that a good discussion followed the bishop's announcement and Bishop Clark thanked the council for their interest.

Other council action included a report from Bishop Dennis W. Hickey on priest sabbaticals; the second division report, given by Sister Roberta Tierney, director of education; and an update on the work done regarding the ministry to priests committee.

Bishop Hickey presented a recommendation to the council that would provide \$50,000 per year for tuition, room and board for a three to six month study period for diocesan priests wishing to further their studies.

The Continuing Education Committee would review and approve all requests presented to them by priests wishing to take a sabbatical. Bishop Hickey said. The sabbaticals would be for up to six priests per year.

Father Wainwright said that the proposed recommendation is now being discussed by the blocks and action will be taken at next month's meeting.

Sister Roberta Tierney

briefly described the division of Education to council members. Sister Roberta's presentation was the second of a series of reports from division directors.

The Division of Education is divided into three main areas: General Education, Continuing Education and Religious Education. Several on going programs were described by Sister Roberta. They include a study regarding religious education in Catholic secondary schools and catechesis for high school students in parishes; long range financial guidelines for Catholic schools and a revision of sexual education in parochial schools.

Father James Schwartz, director for the Ministry to Priests program, requested a recommendation from the

priests council regarding priests ministry, clergy conference and priests spirituality committees.

Father Schwartz asked council members to recommend one of two proposals for the ministry to priests. They are that the director of ministry to priests be responsible for coordinating the clergy conference, priests spirituality committees as well as the ministry to priests program. Or that the director work toward the amalgamation of all three programs into one organization and one committee be responsible for the work done by the three existing groups.

Father Wainwright said that these proposals have also gone to the blocks for discussion and will be acted upon at the January meeting.

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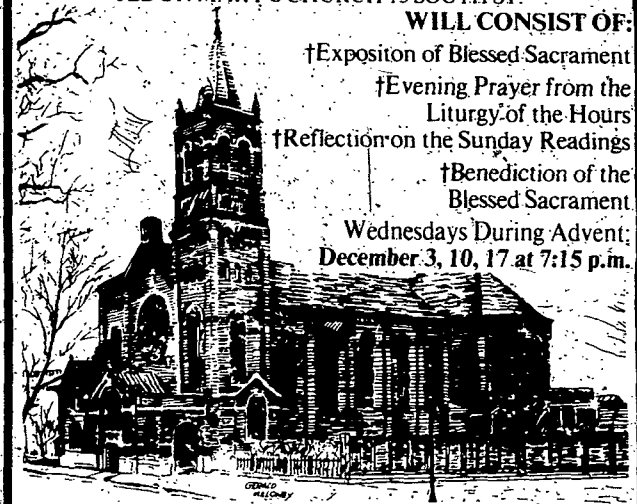
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