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## Two Pastors Appointed

Father John Mulligan, co-pastor of St. John the Evangelist Church on Humboldt Street, will assume the pastorate of St. Stephen's Parish in Geneva. Father John Morgan, pastor of St. Columba's Church in Caledonia, will assume the pastorate of St. Gregory's in Marion.

The appointments, announced last week, are effective on June 30.

Father Morgan, ordained in 1940, has served associate pastorates at Blessed Sacrament and St. Thomas

the Apostle in Rochester, Assumption in Fairport and Our Lady of Lourdes in Elmira. He also served at DeSales High School in Geneva before being named pastor of St. Bernard's in Scipio Center. In 1967, he was named pastor of St. James in Waverly, a post he held 11 years until his pastorate in Caledonia.

Father Mulligan, a 1964 ordinand, served at Immaculate Conception in Ithaca, St. Patrick's in Corning, and St. Mary's in Auburn before his 1973 co-pastorate at St. John's.

## El Salvador Arrests Six For Slayings

From Courier-Journal Services

In fast breaking events last week, the U.S. State Department acknowledged that the government of El Salvador had arrested six members of its national security force in the murders of four American missionary women last December.

The announcement by El Salvador followed shortly thereafter.

Also last week, Father Roy Bourgeois, MM, who had disappeared April 26 in El Salvador, setting off great concern throughout the religious community in the U.S., returned to this country acknowledging that his absence was self-produced. At a press-conference Friday afternoon he admitted to having made a "mistake" by joining guerilla forces in El Salvador. He nevertheless scored U.S. policy in that nation, particularly in supplying military aid to the Salvadorean government.

Earlier last week, former U.S. Ambassador to El Salvador Robert White, speaking in Rochester, again lashed out at the State

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## Priests to Approve Personnel Policies

By Michael Groden

Priests Personnel Policies were discussed at length during the May meeting of the Diocesan Priests Council last week.

The proposed policies, being revised by an eight-member committee headed by Father Walter Wainwright, were presented to council members last Tuesday for further input from priests in the diocese.

The personnel policies include 12 major areas of concern: statement of philosophy (Preamble), Office of Personnel, priestly performance reviews, parish profiles, terms of office; individual ministry profile, financial matters, sabbaticals, assignments, transfer procedures, personal life style and senior clergy retirement.

The entire personnel policy document is now back in committee for final revisions and will be voted on at the final Priests Council meeting of the 1980-81 year, June 17.

Father Wainwright said that block reactions received in recent weeks by the committee, as well as those

given during last week's meeting, will be considered in the revision process.

Revision committee members include Father Wainwright and Fathers Gerald Connor, Donald Schwab, and Thomas Valenti; at-large members Thomas Reddington and Gennaro Ventura; and personnel board members John Rosse and Kevin Murphy.

The Priests Council also adopted a resolution that would "endorse and encourage efforts being made" to eradicate racism in the Church.

The report, presented to council members by Father David Gramke, lists suggestions on how the diocese can work against racism. The suggestions included working closely with the Social Ministry Division, the Offices of Black Ministries and Education and the Liturgy Department, in parish and homily school programs; providing homily outlines on positive racial attitudes, and suggested that Bishop Matthew H. Clark write a letter (near Martin Luther King's anniversary) on

Catholic racial attitudes and responsibilities.

In his regular remarks, Bishop Clark announced two new pastoral assignments. Father John Mulligan has been assigned to the pastorate at St. Stephen's Church, Geneva. Father John Morgan will take over pastor's duties at St. Gregory's, Marion.

The bishop also addressed himself to the recent Courier-Journal circulation program. He said that there appeared to be some confusion among priests on what the program's goals are.

Bishop Clark said that the circulation program is not a mandatory one, adding that he hoped the priests will work toward encouraging parishioners to subscribe.

The Courier-Journal last week reported the bishop as saying that "such a voluntary method of increasing circulation is better than any mandated plan. I hope that through this effort our people will be encouraged to read the Courier-Journal and lend their support to the important work it does," he said.

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## Mother Teresa Takes Time For Rochester Namesake

By Joan M. Smith

Confirmation is an important and exciting event. Add to it a prayer and personal note from a respected person whose name you've taken for Confirmation, and the occasion becomes an extraordinary one.

Monica Heffernan, an eighth grader at Blessed Sacrament Junior High School, was confirmed by Bishop Joseph L. Hogan on Thursday, April 30. She took for her Confirmation name Teresa, after Mother Teresa of Calcutta, whom she admires.

A few days after the ceremony there was a surprise in the mail for Monica, a prayer card along with a personal message from Mother Teresa.

"Monica was so thrilled."



MONICA

said her mother, Mrs. Bernice Heffernan, "that she immediately started phoning her friends."

Monica, however, wasn't the only one thrilled. Mrs. Heffernan also received a prayer card and personal note from Mother Teresa.

The correspondence from Mother Teresa was in response to a poem, "Hunger," that Mrs. Heffernan wrote and sent to her. According to Mrs. Heffernan, when she first conceived the idea of writing Mother Teresa about Monica's decision about taking Mother's name, she was told, "Don't expect to hear from her, she's a busy lady."

But Mrs. Heffernan was confident she would hear from Mother Teresa but was surprised she heard so soon. This quick, warm response has increased the Heffernan's respect and love for Mother Teresa and has added to their already strong faith.

"I feel that God has his arms around me all the time," said Mrs. Heffernan, who has been under medical treatment for cancer. Because of this

feeling, she isn't depressed by her illness. She keeps busy as a nurse at the Brightonian Nursing Home, teaches Cardio-Pulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) for the Red Cross, loves to read, and plays the piano.

Monica is also busy with maintaining honor roll marks, piano lessons and swimming. This Fall she will be a freshman at Our Lady of Mercy High School, and is thinking of a career in law.

The Heffernan's are a close family. Monica had her dad, Thomas, as her Confirmation sponsor. They are members of St. John the Evangelist parish on Humboldt St., and count among their friends Father Paul Cuddy who has pursued their admiration of Mother Teresa by presenting them with a tape made by her.

Mrs. Heffernan thinks of



LOVE TO PRAY—  
feel often during  
the day the need  
for prayer  
and take trouble  
to pray.  
Prayer enlarges the  
heart until it is  
capable of  
containing God's  
gift of Himself.  
Ask and seek, and  
your heart will  
grow big enough  
to receive Him and  
keep Him as your  
own.

In union with all the Masses being offered throughout the Catholic world, I offer you my heart. Make it meek and humble like yours.

Special prayer card sent by Mother Teresa.

Mother Teresa as an extraordinary person. "I like her for her love of people and her humility . . ." And from the

other side of the world this extraordinary woman took time to share this love for people with the Heffernans.