

Real to Reel

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respondents to the survey have indicated considerable interest in viewing future "Real to Reel" programs.

Sister Roberta observed that future scheduling of "Real to Reel" on diocesan television stations will be revamped with an eye both to the cost of scheduling and the times purchased.

The project has had another benefit, Sister Roberta said. The responsible group has given Bishop Matthew H. Clark a recommendation that another group be convened to study and devise a long-range plan

for all official diocesan communications.

The future production of "Real to Reel" would be under the egis of a project committee of that larger group, Sister Roberta said.

"I see both as very active and positive steps for the Church to take in communications at this time," she said.

A portion of the funds raised this weekend will support a national communications effort of the U.S. bishops. The remainder stays in the diocese to further local efforts in this direction.

Bishop's Statement

Following his review of the work of the committee responsible for "Real to Reel," Bishop Matthew H. Clark stated last week:

I reaffirm the need for the Church to be actively communicating through all forms of the media. The effect of the media on the decisions and life choices of all our people continues to be apparent in our society. The Church must use every possible means to "Proclaim in Every Tongue" the Good News of Jesus Christ!

May I ask each of you to assist us in this endeavor through your generous contribution to the Catholic Communication Campaign Collection on the weekend of June 13-14. I also request your prayerful support of the project and your continued letters, comments and recommendations.

The story of the mission and life of our Church can only be told through the interest, support and efforts of all of us!

DPC Concentrates on Budget

By Martin Toombs

The impact of diocesan budget increases, the upcoming diocesan appeal, and specific budget items occupied the Diocesan Pastoral Council (DPC) during its more than two-hour budget discussion Saturday.

After approving three of the four cuts proposed by the Ministerial Review Committee (MRC), the DPC overwhelmingly recommended the budget's approval, and then unanimously gave its support to a resolution calling for all parishioners in the diocese to support the Annual Appeal which will take place for the first time in November.

The meeting, at Bishop Kearney High School, was the last of the 1980-81 year, and the first of the 1981-82 council.

Kathleen McLaen, a Holy Cross, Rochester, parishioner, gave the MRC presentation, noting changes and new programs being funded in the budget, which, at \$3,375,000 is 30 percent higher than the current plan.

One member questioned the expense of \$212,000 for the appeal, to raise \$600,000 more than is being collected through assessments.

Father Peter Bayer, the pastoral center liaison to the MRC, said that the diocese's study of such appeals indicates there will be a larger impact than seen at first. Of the dioceses which started appeals, he said, all reported either stable or increased parish collections. He said the appeal will raise \$2.2 million for the diocese, while leaving the \$1.7 million now paid in diocesan assessments with the parishes. The total impact, he said, should be seen as \$3.9 million.

Fr. Epping

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diocesan duty in 1960 because of failing health. He moved to Florida and began assisting various chaplains at military stations throughout that area. In addition he served at San Pedro Church in Plantation Key.

He moved into Rochester's The Heritage in 1977 and transferred, three years later, to St. Ann's Home, where he presently resides.

He also related the experience of the Altoona-Johnstown diocese, which allowed parishes to "piggyback" on the appeal, and exceeded a \$750,000 goal when they got \$3 million in pledges.

He also stated that parishes will be required to participate, and will have goals to meet. Eighty percent of any excess pledges will remain in the parish.

Robert O'Gara, Tompkins-Tioga delegate from Owego, questioned the increased expenses, calling the increase in funding expected from the diocese "very optimistic," and an "extreme burden" on parishes.

Ms. McLaen responded that the MRC recommends the increases in light of the static situation in the diocese for the past several years.

The DPC acted upon four proposed cuts, recommending three.

The first, to reduce the ecumenical office from \$30,000 to \$26,000, included the elimination of funding for ministerial associations in Livingston and Chemung counties.

Father Raymond Booth, MRC member, explained that they were trying to avoid a precedent of funding local ecumenical groups. But

81 Frisbee Tourney At Fisher

St. John Fisher College will host the 1981 East Coast National Freestyle Frisbee Championships this Friday, Saturday and Sunday, June 12-14. The championships will include competition in the following categories: Open, Women's, Mixed Pairs, and even a golf event. Plus on Sunday, the Rochester Canine Disc-Fetching Championships will take place. The public is invited free of charge.

Volunteers Needed

The multiple sclerosis camp for adults planned for two weeks this summer is in need of volunteers, 18 or older.

Two camp sessions are scheduled — Aug. 17-21 and Aug. 24-28. Daily schedules are 7:30-10 a.m. and 8:30 to 11 p.m. Help is needed for any time and overnight accommodations will be available.

Anyone interested should contact Ms. Bartemus at the Al Sigl Center, 442-4100, Ext. 288.

Father Charles Latus, a former ecumenical office director, called Genesee Ecumenical Ministries in Rochester "essentially a county" effort, which set the precedent of such funding more than 10 years ago.

Following discussion of that issue and of the travel expenses of the office's director, Margery Numburg who lives in Elmira, the cut was recommended with 26 in favor, 3 opposed, and 1 abstaining.

The MRC recommendation that the \$13,000 cost of the Justice and Peace newsletter "Challenge" be deleted also was approved, with 28 in favor and 2 opposed.

The MRC recommendations to reduce planned increases in the diocesan tuition subsidy plans were defeated in a close vote. Defeated in the same vote was

a suggestion to suspend the Continuing Education Department budget pending the program's restructuring.

The DPC gave its approval to the Youth Ministry Proposal, budgeted at \$24,000, be deleted, to be considered for next year's budget.

The budget itself was then recommended to Bishop Matthew H. Clark, with 25 in favor, 1 opposed, and 3 abstaining.

The DPC also heard a follow-up report from Sister Roberta Tierney on the diocesan communications effort. She described the questionnaire results from the "Real to Reel" program, and told the DPC of her committee's recommendation that the bishop establish a permanent diocesan Communications Advisory Committee.

DPC Starts 81-82 Year

The 1980-81 Diocesan Pastoral Council completed its term of office following the budget discussion Saturday. During the Mass that followed, members who were completing their terms received certificates of appreciation from Bishop Matthew H. Clark, and members of the 1981-82 council were installed.

Among those receiving certificates was Elaine Gotham of the Yates-Ontario-Wayne Region, the last member of the original, 1975-

76 DPC to complete her service on the council.

That afternoon, officers for the coming year were elected. Shirley Toole of Geneva and the YOW Region will be president; Sister Ann Habershaw, SSND, of Rochester will be vice president.

Completing the Executive Committee will be Gerald Driscoll, Northeast; Michael Fitzpatrick, Southwest; Mary Hynes, Livingston; Sister Ann Miller of Corning; and Robert O'Gara, Tompkins-Tioga.



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