

Network Provides Volunteer Service For Stroke Victims



The Volunteer Patient/Family Support Network, a program developed by the Monroe County Stroke Center at the University of Rochester Medical Center, has become a part of the volunteer activities provided by the Visiting Nurse Service (VNS) of Rochester and Monroe County, Inc.

The network is a program in which volunteers, who themselves have suffered a stroke or are spouses of stroke survivors, visit with and provide encouragement to stroke patients.

"All of our volunteers have

accepted the changes forced upon them as a result of a stroke and have developed positive outlooks on their lives in spite of their disabilities," said Rita Pelusio, project coordinator.

"They all have a sincere desire to help other stroke survivors by sharing their own personal stories and showing those patients that life doesn't end just because of a stroke."

By operating through VNS, the program will have an established community base and be able to expand to a larger population of stroke

patients. VNS receives four or five stroke-related referrals per week for coordinated home care services.

Ann Edwards, director of volunteers at VNS, feels that the new program will help immeasurably: "Many of our patients would benefit from a visit by another survivor who has already been through the problems of adjustment after returning home."

Anyone requesting additional information or who would like to volunteer, may call Ann Edwards at the Visiting Nurse Service, 482-0120.

At Your Parish

St. Monica/St. Augustine

The annual celebration of the feasts of St. Monica and St. Augustine will be jointly observed by the parishes dedicated to them at 7:30 p.m., Aug. 24.

The event will be a celebration of senior parishioners now residing at St. Ann's Home/The Heritage. Francis Dollard will emcee the party at St. Ann's. The Sweet Adelines will sing and snacks and beverages will be provided.

St. Patrick's

Owego — An increased enrollment this year, 164 students, is but one boast of this K to 6 school serving not only St. Patrick's Parish, but also St. Margaret Mary in Apalachin, St. John in Newark and St. Francis in Catatonk.

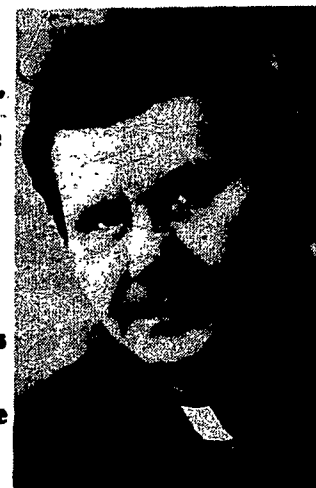
A Mass of the Holy Spirit will be offered at 11 a.m. on Friday, Sept. 11. Among the events planned this year are a Fall Festival, Sept. 26, the proceeds of which will go to the school; a Science Fair in the Spring; and the establishment of mini-courses. The Home School Association will first meet on Sept. 14.

Holy Family

"Kiss Me, Kate" the Broadway musical retelling Shakespeare's "Taming of the Shrew," will be staged by the Holy Family Theatre at 8 p.m., Aug. 19-22, in the church auditorium at Jay and Ames streets. Seats are reserved by calling 254-9090.

Father Klem Notes 25th

Father Robert J. Klem, CSB, celebrated his 25th anniversary of ordination to the priesthood with a Mass of Thanksgiving in the Basilian Fathers Chapel last Sunday. The Mass was followed by a reception and dinner for relatives and friends. Father Klem, whose home parish is Holy Trinity in Webster, was ordained in Toronto in 1956 as a Basilian. He has been stationed at Aquinas Institute since 1957. He teaches German, business and mechanical drawing. This is his fourth year as superior of the priests of Aquinas.



FATHER KLEM

Retreat House Gets New Superior

Canandaigua — Father Leo F. Dunn has been assigned superior and retreat master at Notre Dame Retreat House by the Redemptorist Fathers of the Baltimore Province.

Father Dunn is no stranger to the diocese. He was born and baptized in Immaculate Conception Parish, Rochester.

Ordained in 1944, Father Dunn was assigned to mission work in Brazil. Upon his return to this country, he worked for several years at St. Joseph's Business School on Franklin Street and as assistant for special projects in the diocesan schools office.

Since 1972, Father Dunn has been superior at St.



Father Dunn with retreat house in background.

Alphonsus Retreat House, Tobyhanna, Pa.

He succeeds Father Thomas Schmidt here. Father Schmidt is continuing his

retreat apostolate at San Alfonso Retreat House, Long Branch, N.J.

Cuban/Haitian

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employment and general adjustment to life in the United States."

In addition, the group has assumed an advocacy role particularly in regard to the political and legal status of the Cubans and Haitians.

The report cites some success in dealings with the Secretary of State, the Attorney General, the

Chairman of the House Judiciary Committee.

But, in attempting to provide protection to Haitians arriving in the U.S. after Oct. 10, 1980, the group's assessment of its own success is "dismal."

In addition, the bishop's group charges that Immigration and Naturalization Service "is carrying out perfunctory, closed hearings" which are unfair to the rural Haitian refugees who are here under the same circumstances as the Cubans."

Deacons To Be Ordained

All diocesan are invited to the ordination to the diaconate of four seminarians at 10 a.m., Saturday, Aug. 29, at Sacred Heart Cathedral.

To be ordained are Robert S. Bourcy, son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Bourcy of Rochester, Holy Ghost parish; Patrick L. Connor, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Connor of Avoca, St. Joachim's, Canisteo, parish; Dennis R. Sear, son of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Sear of Henrietta, Good Shepherd parish; and James E. Willsey, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Willsey of Hornell, St. Ann's parish.

Bourcy and Willsey will complete their studies in

theology at the Seminary of the Immaculate Conception in Darlington, N.J., and Connor and Sear at the Seminary Program at Theological College, Catholic University, Washington, D.C.

The ordination will be followed by a reception in the hall of the Cathedral rectory.

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