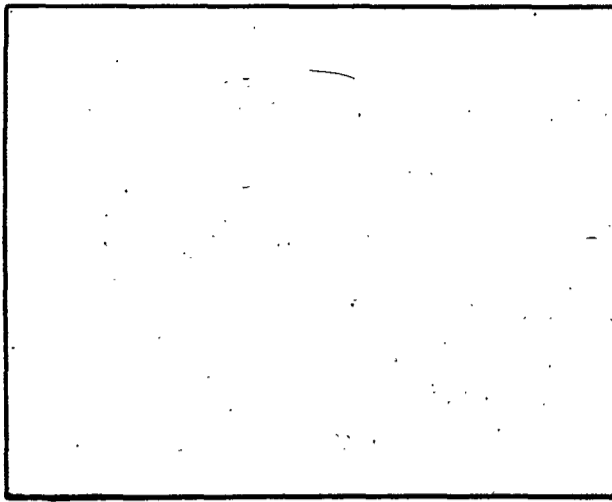
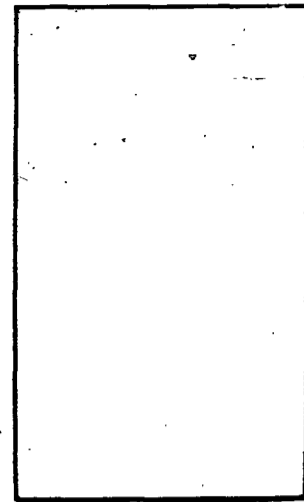


# EXPERIMENT



## This Is The Pastor This Is The Steeple All the Parish Has Is People

Denver (NC) — The Spirit of Peace parish community in the Archdiocese of Denver officially opened its doors Aug. 1 without really having any doors to open.

The alternative experimental parish is making history in Colorado, if not the nation, because although it is a real parish, it has no church "building, no pastor of its own, no history of having had them and no plans to get either.

It does have a "priest-enabler," who is pastor of another Catholic parish, a ministry team consisting of the priest, Religious and lay people, and a church building to use — the Westview Presbyterian Church in Longmont, Colo., which is sharing its facilities with the new Catholic parish.

Spirit of Peace was established with a \$76,000 grant provided by the National Conference of Catholic Bishops.

The parish formally was dedicated with a Mass at Westview Presbyterian celebrated by Archbishop James V. Casey of Denver, at which the Presbyterian pastor, the Rev. Tom Brown, welcomed the Catholics to his church.

Spirit of Peace will serve Catholics in Longmont, Hygiene and Lyons, Colo. Planned for 18 months, it is built on the concept of small Christian communities, with 10 to 12 families in each community. Members of the communities will meet twice a month in homes and the communities will be centers for religious education, paraliturgies, outreach efforts, stewardship, prayer and Scripture study.

Masses are scheduled on Saturday evening and twice on Sunday at Westview Presbyterian, with Father Daniel Flaherty and two other priests from the archdiocese as celebrants. Father Flaherty will remain as pastor of Our Lady of the Mountains parish in Estes Park, in addition to serving as the new parish's enabler.

Although the parish does not have a permanent pastor, it does have a ministry team. Members are Father Flaherty, a nun, a religious brother and three

laypersons. With offices at the Presbyterian church, they will spend most of their time working with the parish communities.

Even though it lacks some of the structures of a regular parish, Spirit of Peace will be permanent. It has a long-term, low-rent agreement with Westview Presbyterian, whose congregation voted unanimously to welcome Spirit of Peace to its church.

Sharing facilities with the Presbyterians is expected to save millions of dollars over the years. At least \$1.5 million is estimated as necessary for building a parish church alone — not counting the costs of interest payments and other expenditures involved in construction. The money not spent on erecting a separate building for Spirit of Peace can thus be spent on other priorities.

At the first Mass of the new parish, Archbishop Casey said parishioners in their small communities must "develop a truly mature faith . . . so they can reach out to others." An estimated 8,000 baptized Catholics live in the area but only 3,000 are active in parishes. One goal will be outreach to those who have not joined other parishes.

Archbishop Casey told the 500 persons at the Mass that the parish must remember the pursuit of justice is "an essential element of our faith" and that the parish must "work for the rights of minorities, the poor and the hungry." The parish "must become the spiritual home where everyone is welcome."

Father Flaherty said the lack of priests add impetus to the new venture. "Preparation is being made now in such communities as Spirit of Peace for an almost certain shortage of priests." In the future, he said, "It is hoped that the new community will serve as a model for dioceses around the country."

Such was the goal of the American Board of Catholic Missions of the NCCB when it gave the grant to establish the parish, which will later meet its own costs. The grant was part of some \$3.82 million allocated by the board to U.S. dioceses.

## Diocese Names Education Leaders

New principals and vice principals are Mary M. Diener, Holy Apostles/Holy Family; Sister Patricia Pullman, SSJ, Our Lady of Lourdes/Our Lady Queen of Peace; Sister Alice O'Brien, SSJ, St. Andrew's; Sister Anne Chang, SSJ, St. Helen's; Sister Jean Collins, SSJ, St. Mary's, Dansville; Sister Deanna Gears, SSJ, St. Casimir Regional School, Elmira; Mrs. Eileen O'Neill, St. Stephen's, Geneva; Sister Yvonne Blind, SSJ, St. Patrick's, Seneca Falls.

Sister Patricia Gouse, SSJ, St. John the Evangelist, Spencerport; Mrs. Loretta Hayton, St. James, Waverly;

Dennis Sadler, assistant principal, Aquinas Institute; Brother John Brennan, CFC, assistant principal, Bishop Kearney; Sister Magdalena Kellner, SSJ, assistant principal, Nazareth Academy; Sister M. Judith Heberle, RSM, Our Lady of Mercy High School.

New Religious Education administrators, coordinators and directors are Joan Brophy, Holy Ghost; Margaret Baconcini, Holy Name of Jesus; Mary Linder, Our Lady of Mercy; Patrick Donohue, Our Mother of Sorrows; Elizabeth Clark, St. Charles Borromeo; Andrew Desmarais, St. Jude; Annette

Truby, St. Philip Neri; Ada Stankard, St. Pius X; Patrick Shanley, St. Thomas the Apostle; Frances Powarzynski and Joyce Snyder, St. Christopher, North Chili.

Sister Mary Kay Ryan, SSJ, St. Elizabeth Ann Seton; Ann Lancto, St. Louis, Pittsford; Denise Mack, St. Rita, Webster; Sister Loreto Reynolds, SSND, St. Agnes, Avon; Weston Kennison, St. Patrick's, Mt. Morris; Sister Edna Slyck, RSM, St. Catherine of Siena, Ithaca; Kay Lucci, St. Anthony's, Elmira, and Sister Kay Nicosia, SSJ, St. Mary's, Elmira.



"Interior of a Mosque," Jean-Leon Gerome, 1870s, will be on display in the Memorial Art Gallery's Orientalism show.

## Orientalism Is Subject Of Major Museum Exhibit

The first major exhibition of 19th-century Orientalist art ever mounted in this country will open at the Memorial Art Gallery (MAG) Aug. 28.

"Orientalism: the Near East in French Painting, 1800-1880" consists of 75 oil paintings, watercolors and pastels by such masters as Delacroix, Ingres, Gericault and Gerome that are on loan from public and private collections in the United

States, Canada and several European museums, including the Louvre.

Orientalism, the depiction of Near Eastern peoples and places, was a 19th century European phenomenon which reached its peak in France.

The show was organized by Donald A. Rosenthal, the MAG's chief curator. He is also the author of a book on Orientalism which will be published in conjunction with

the exhibition's opening.

### ADORATION

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will be held at noon on Thursday, Sept. 2, at Blessed Sacrament Church. Rosary is recited at 12:15. The afternoon is devoted to private devotions with Benediction preceding the regular 5:20 p.m. Mass. The intention of the rites is for "Godliness and true patriotism in our schools," according to Wilma Higgs, organizer of the event.

## Business in Diocese



STITES and READING

Richard Stites of Brighton, a member of St. Augustine's parish, and Robert P. Roeding of Penfield, a member of Holy Spirit parish, have announced the opening of a new creative communications partnership, Stites & Roeding/The Producers, with offices at 478 Thurston Road.

Both were formerly associated with Case-Hoyt. Stites was most recently corporate communications director and Roeding managing director, Case-Hoyt Communication.

The new firm provides clients with professional creative and audiovisual communications, sales promotions and marketing, sales meetings and corporate identity programs.

Kenneth A. Konecny of St. John of Rochester parish has been named service manager of Isaac Heating & Air Conditioning. Many will recognize Konecny for his frequent appearances on Isaac television commercials. He is a member of St. John of Rochester Men's Club, a former Third Degree-lecturer

of the Fairport Council 7085 Knights of Columbus, and a current Fourth Degree member of the Knights of Columbus, Bishop James E. Kearney Assembly, Rochester.

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