DPC: More Time Needed for Study of 'Thornbush'

One man noted a problem is

roles for them, he said.

in those of the family.

the celibate lifestyles, and not

Following a half-hour discussion, the DPC voted to

support the boycott of

Nestle's. Bishop Clark and

several groups previously had

expressed their support for the

effort to get Nestle to accept the World Health

Organization's code on infant

formula sales in third world

Some[®] members questioned

the effectiveness of such

boycotts, noting the other

companies which are involved

in immoral activities but are

Still others said the

economic benefits of the

Stouffer's Hotel to the city of

Rochester should be con-

sidered, and that it should not

be made a target of such a

But the council turned back

a motion which would have

called for the boycott to not

emphasize the role of Stouffer's as a Nestle sub-

sidiary 31 to 5 with 3 ab-

A motion supporting the

boycott was then approved,

29 to 6 with 5 abstentions.

not made targets.

countries.

boycott.

stentions.

Geneva - After spending 90 minutes studying Bishop Clark's pastoral "Fire in the Thornbush," the Diocesan Pastoral Council agreed on one thing.

At the end of its meeting Saturday at St. Francis DeSales the council unanimously passed a resolution noting its frustration with dealing with the document in such a chort the document in such a short time, and commending it to more extensive study at the parish level.

Split into 10 groups, the DPC members studied a single section of the document, and most groups reported

Sister Margaret Anne

Comin will profess perpetual

vows as a Sister of Mercy during a Mass, 2 p.m., Sunday, Nov. 28, in the

Mercy Motherhouse chapel

Father Robert Kennedy,

director of the diocesan

department of Continuing

Education, will preside at the

rites the theme of which is

"Lord, my hope, in you I

Sister Margaret is the

daughter of Mr. and Mrs.

Walter G. Comin of Demarest

Parkway in Elmira. She is a

on Blossom Road.

Mercy Sister Slates

DPC Highlights

· More time seen needed for study of "Fire in the Thornbush."

· Nestle's boycott sup-

desire to spend more time on the effort.

The DPC's study was led by three members of the committee which advised Bishop Clark on the document: Sister Mary Sullivan, Alice Pempel of Ithaca, and Sara McLaughlin of Rochester.

Ms. Pempel noted the letter has received national at-

graduate student in Public

Administration and Health

An RN, she graduated from

Elmira Free Academy in 1967, and received her BS in nursing from Alfred University in 1971. Prior to

entering the congregation, in

1976, she was a nurse at

Genesee Hospital, head nurse

at Park Ridge Hospital and a

nursing instructor at Roberts

During her postulant year

she continued as head nurse at

Park Ridge. From 1978 until

August of this year, she was

head nurse at Highland

Wesleyan College.

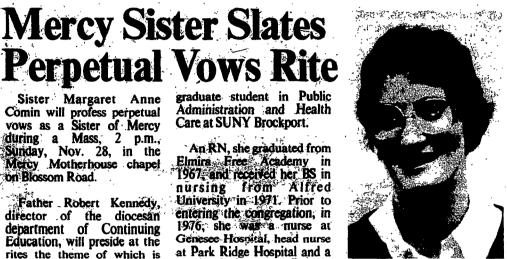
Care at SUNY Brockport.

tention: "somehow it has touched a pulse somewhere in the nation," she said.

She noted the effort began with the DPC's request in 1978 that the role of women in parish life be studied.

Since the study in parishes has begun, she said, some parishes have discovered more interest than they expected, and there has been little problem getting the lengthy study process under way.

Reports by the groups on their discussions included statements that the role of women in the Church is affected not only by the formal restrictions on their service, but also by attitudes.



She lives at Spirit House as women and work.

SISTER MARGARET

a member of the receiving community for religious who are experiencing major stresses in their lives

Bishop Clark noted his caused by women's acceptance of other women in support of the boycott, noting his position does not require roles in the parish. He finds he everyone to agree with him. often is the only defender in a The boycott began before Stouffer's decided to open the group of women of increasing hotel in Rochester, he said. As a subsidiary of Nestle, it cannot be ignored. Another group noted that too often holiness is seen in

Of the boycott, he said, "if it's God's/work, it'll stand. If it's not, it will fall."

The bishop, just returned from the Washington conference of the nation's bishops on their war-peace letter, said that a letter from the White House may have helped the discussion.

The letter from a White House staff member to each bishop personally generated increased publicity for the meeting and it had a possibly unanticipated effect.

The letter addressed the issues on a moral rather than a political plane, he said, at a time when some were accusing the bishops of getting involved in political issues.

He said that a straw poll taken after discussions of the letter showed 195 of the bishops present in support of the document, 12 opposed and 71 with reservations. Those with reservations were seen as supporters seeking changes. Some had concerns about the use of scripture, the question of deterrence, the treatment of pacifism and the just war

He said he will distrubte a copy of the letter to DPC members and was especially interested in having young people study the document.

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Father Daniel P. Tormey. Roman Catholic chaplain at the University of Rochester Medical Center, has been appointed acting director of chaplaincy services, succeeding Rev. Nathaniel T. Whitcomb, who died in September.

Father Tormey will provide

Bishop Matthew H. Clark

has received a letter from the

Franciscans of the Holy Land

thanking Rochester diocesans

for the donation of

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Holy Land is the international

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earth and builds churches,

chapels and sanctuaries in memory of the miracles and

teachings of Christ and for the

devotion of the faithful.

places in the Near East.

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For Holy Land Help

leadership and administrative direction to the Strong Memorial Chaplaincy Department at the center and will serve as principal representative to the community for the hospital's chaplaincy services.

Father Tormey also will participate in teaching

Its field of activity includes

Father Raphael D.

Bonanno, OFM, of the

commisariat, wrote, "Please

communicate to your pastors

and neonle the profound

gratitude of the good people in the Holy Land and of the

friars who serve them. We remember the benefactors, living and dead, continually at

the altar and shrines."

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Cyprus and Rhodes.

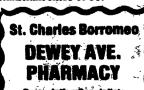
programs for students and staff and will assist clergy of all faiths who come to Strong Hospital Memorial Hospital to visit their parishioners.

> In addition to other duites in the diocese of Rochester, Father Tormey has served as chaplain on the hospital ship SS Hope and as chaplain at the Elmira Correctional and Reception Facility. He has been a chaplain at the medical center since 1979.



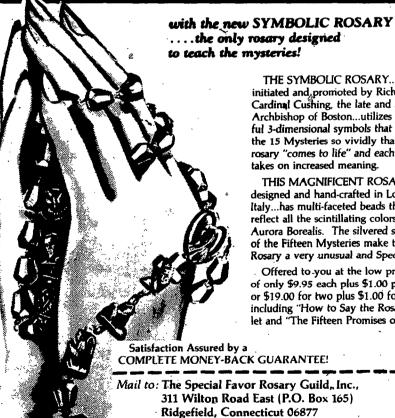
FATHER TORMEY Leader Named

Mabel Kochert, a lector at St. Salome's Church, has been named foundation chairman of District 7 of the Business and Professional Women's Club. The district covers nine counties and 15 clubs. She is a member of the Webster BPW Club and also its foundation chairman since 1981.



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