

Local Seminarians Ordained Deacons At Vatican Mass

Two Rochester seminarians were among 40 ordained to the diaconate by Archbishop Jean Jadot on Thursday, May 14, in St. Peter's Basilica at the Vatican.

Alexander Bradshaw and Stanley Kacprzak were ordained deacons along with a group of seminarians from dioceses in the United States currently studying at the North American College in Rome.

The two priesthood candidates for this diocese are

expected to complete their studies in Rome in May, 1984, and then return to Rochester to begin the deacon-intern program. They are expected to be ordained to the priesthood also during that year.

Among their families and friends present were Bishop Matthew H. Clark and Father Thomas Valenti, diocesan director of vocations, who joined a group of priests from Rochester concelebrating the ordination at the Vatican.



Bishop Matthew H. Clark stands between Deacons Alexander Bradshaw, left, and Stanley Kacprzak in the gardens of the North American College in Rome following their ordination.

Sister Audrey Synnott Celebrates New Group

Sister Audrey Synnott will celebrate her "incorporation" into the Sisters of Mercy of Rochester at a prayer service 3 p.m., Sunday, May 15 at the motherhouse chapel, 1437 Blossom Road. The rites will mark her transfer from the Buffalo community of the Sisters of Mercy to here.

The theme Sister Audrey has chosen for the prayer service is "Choosing Life," in her own words, "continuing to choose the challenge to grow."

A reception will follow in the McAuley Community at the motherhouse where she lives.

Sister Audrey is poetry editor of the national magazine, "Sisters Today." A native of Stamford, Conn., she has taught composition and literature at the high school and college level in the

Buffalo area.

She received an AB in English from Vassar College, and an MA in English from SUNY Buffalo. She has also done graduate work in communications at the University of Notre Dame.

Musician Awarded

Rita George, a senior at Boston Conservatory of Music and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank George of Hogan Road, Fairport, was awarded a \$500 second prize as one of the five flute composition finalists in the James Pappoutsakis Memorial Fund Concert on April 24. The concert was held at the Williams Recital Hall of the New England Conservatory of Music in Boston, MA.

DEATHS

Helen K. Helfer

Word was received last week that Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated Feb. 7 for Helen Keefe Helfer who died Feb. 4, 1982.

Mrs. Helfer was well known in Wayne County for her civic and religious involvements. The former Republican Committeewoman there was also secretary-treasurer and state director of the Wayne County Real Estate Board, treasurer of the Sodus Bay Chamber of Commerce, a member of the Sodus Town Chamber of Commerce, a director of the county Health Association, a director-at-large of the diocesan council of the National Council of Catholic Women, a member of the Altar-Rosary Society of St. Rose Church in Sodus, and a member of the Wayne County Deanery.

Mrs. Helfer's niece, Mrs. Margaret K. Gilmartin, said that Mrs. Helfer's passing

"leaves an empty spot in the lives of her many relatives and friends. Helen will be remembered for her warm, friendly personality and her ongoing works of charity."

Rep. Frank Horton commented, "Helen was one of my very good friends for many years. She made a very valuable contribution to her community and was very much loved in Wayne County. Helen was a very sweet and kind person — always willing to help anyone she could."

Mrs. Helfer is survived by her sister, Mrs. Della Manwaring (formerly of Rochester and Waterloo); two sisters-in-law, Mrs. Adeline Keefe of Rochester and Mrs. Cora Helfer of Sodus Point; dear friends; Mrs. Winnie Shaw and Mrs. Kitty Logan of New York City and Sodus Point; and several nieces and nephews.

Sister Jean Marie Magin

Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated for Sister Jean Marie Magin, SSJ, May 1 at her congregational motherhouse. Sister Jean Marie died April 28, 1983 at the age of 82.

A native of Rochester, Sister Jean Marie entered the Sisters of St. Joseph in 1919. She was a graduate of Nazareth Academy, and earned her bachelors degree from Nazareth College. In addition she held degrees in music from Nazareth and from St. Pius X School of Liturgical Music, and a degree in music education from Nazareth.

One of the pioneers of the revival of liturgical music in

the diocese, Sister Jean Marie taught her subject for a period of 57 years, at St. Michael's, Penn Yan; Immaculate Conception, Ithaca; St. Mary's, Canandaigua; and Nazareth Academy.

She was a master teacher of piano and violin.

She retired in 1978 because of failing health and moved to the congregation's infirmary in 1979.

Sister Jean Marie is survived by a brother, George, of New Orleans, La., and several cousins in Rochester.

Fathers Peter Bayer and Benedict Ehmman presided at the rites.

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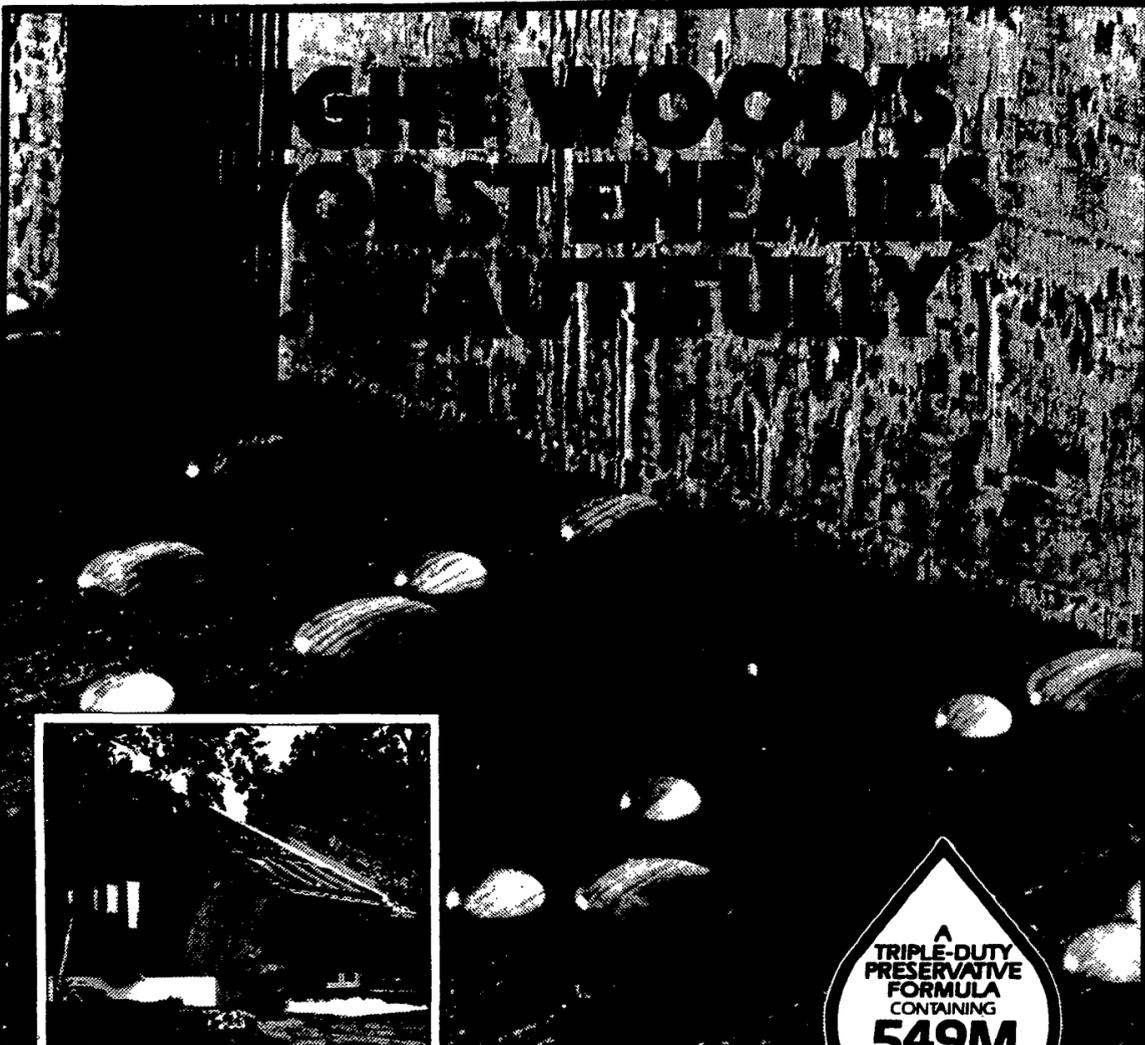
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