He studied at St. Andrew's Elementary

them are real.'

Cornelia I. Houck Cavanaugh was born in 1923 and attended Blessed Sacrament School.

The son of James F. and

brated today, Feb. 8, and

tomorrow for Father John

Francis Cavanaugh, pastor

of the Church of the

Epiphany in Sodus who died

Sunday. Feb. 5, 1984.

School News The Courier-Journal this issue introduces "Expressly Elementary," a new monthly page devoted to news of our

elementary schools. It

may be found on Page 7.

Sodus Pastor, Dies Funeral rites will be cele- and St. Bernard's seminaries and took a master of arts

either women religious or priests, so our team is a first in the in these communities.

Newspaper of the Diocese of Rochester

By Lourdes Perez-Albuerne

"I present this crucifix to you as a representative of your community to be a symbol of the unity which we share in

Christ between the people of Rochester and the people of your

community." These or similar words were used by Bishop

Matthew H. Clark at Oxolotan and two other "rancherias"

(small rural communities) which he visited last week. As I

Three of them are young lay persons -- Mark Kavanaugh from

St. Charles Borromeo Parish, Yolanda Ramos from St.

Francis Assisi Parish and Valerie Smith from the Newman

Community at the University of Rochester. The fourth

kind of approach to their ministry and style of living.

Father Cavanaugh,

Bishop Matthew H. Clark at the final Mass at Oxolotan on Sunday, Jan. 29. Beside him is Deacon Justino Hernandez. Behind them are Father Neil Miller and Bishop Rafael Garcia. The processional cross and candle holders were presented by Bishop Clark to the people there in the name of the Rochester diocese.

> Father Cavanaugh was ordained June 13, 1947 in his home parish church by Bishop James E. Kearney. He returned to St.

> degree from Cornell Univer-

Andrew's the following year, and taught English. From 1950-1965 he taught college level courses there; and in 1965 was named to the faculty of St. Bernard's Seminary. During the entire period he also was a familiar

figure at St. John the

Evangelist Church on

named pastor of the Church

of the Epiphany in Sodus,

Humboldt Street, where he celebrated daily Mass and assisted with weekend work. Three years later he was



translated these words for him in Spanish they made reality are contacted and respond to their request for simple things

what was written as a prologue to the Tabasco Mission such as crayons, pencils, glue, etc. But more important, they

Proposal. "The bonds that exist between missionaries, the are supported by the prayers offered in our diocese for them

Who are our four missionaries that serve in our name? missionaries were assigned by Bishop Rafael Garcia of hree of them are young lay persons -- Mark Kavanaugh from Tabasco to serve a rural town named Oxolotan and eight

member of the team is Father Neil Miller, who was director of know the people and understand their problems and needs and

the Southern Tier Office of Social Ministry until last July. The to continue working with some of the groups and programs

four missionaries work as a team and try to live as a Christian already existing. During these last three months they have

community. In both areas they are pioneers for our diocese. visited houses, celebrated liturgy and the sacraments in all the

We have missionaries in Brazil, Chile and Bolivia, but they are communities they serve and work with the different catechist

the generous contributions of our diocesan people to the helping them settle down. Now three months later, I am

community that sends them and the community that receives and their work and the letters they receive from home.

FATHER CAVANAUGH

Lima in Sodus Point. Father Cavanaugh is survived by his sister-in-law, Mrs. Mary Cavanaugh of Philadelphia; four nieces and nephews, Thomas and William Cavanaugh, Jr., Cathleen Anderberg and

Suzanne Cavanaugh.

Diocese Announces New **Directions for Becket Hall** By John Dash The diocese announced vesterday that Becket Hall will move its location from the campus of St. John Fisher College and will change its focus from a house of studies for seminary-bound collegians to a "center of discernment" open to juniors

Our Mexican Mission: Some Reflections

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Diocesan Mission Collection in May. They are also supported

by individuals who know of their work and by parishes who

Who do they serve and how do they serve them? Our

different "rancherias." Inhabitants of these communities are

simple peasants, subsistance farmers who are mostly of Indian

descent. Their work up to now has consisted in getting to

How are they doing? When they started their work last

What enables them to serve? Funds are provided through October, I was privileged to spend three weeks with them practical ways. They definitely need our prayers, so maybe

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and the Chapel of St. Rose of

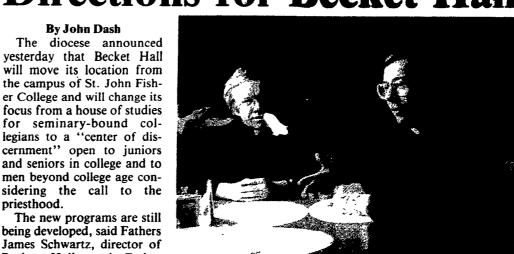
men beyond college age considering the call to the priesthood. The new programs are still being developed, said Fathers James Schwartz, director of Becket Hall, and Father Thomas Valenti, director of

the diocesan Vocations Of-

day chiefly concerned the

move from the Fisher campus

The announcement yester-



amazed at all that has been accomplished in so little/time. Our

missionaries know by name most of the people of Oxolotan

including children of which there is a large number (45 percent

of the population of Tabasco is under age 15.) Of the eight

rancherias they serve, if they do not know the name of a

person, they know which community they belong to. More

amazing is to watch while the community of Oxolotan (where

up to now most of their work has been carried out) celebrates

liturgy. There is greater community participation in the

liturgy. There is a new choir of young people who provide the

music, the prayer of the faithful and prepared and said by the

young people every day, there is an offertory procession on

Sundays and special liturgies. Work with the catechist not only

in Oxolotan but also with the other communities is now being

strengthened and there are two new youth groups in their

the results of the many seeds they have planted. They respond

to problems in the community and bring to bear Gospel

values, they respond to personal problems, they care for the

sick, the widowed, the infirm. In truth their work is a ministry

of love which they do in our name with great generosity and

How can we further support them? I could suggest sevral

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And these are the tangible effects. Only the Lord can know

initial stages, one in Oxolotan and one in Cuitlahuac.

commitment.

Fathers Schwartz and Valenti. to the former convent at St.

Boniface Church. There are nine men, two of

them from the Diocese of

Albany, in residence at Becket Hall. The diocese leases the building from St. Continued on Page 4