

DEATHS

**Rosella T. Kraft
Active in Church
Civic Enterprizes**

Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated Feb. 13 at the chapel of St. Ann's Home for Mrs. Rosella T. Kraft. Mrs. Kraft died Feb. 10, 1984.

Long active in the civic affairs of the Town of Greece, Mrs. Kraft was a secretary of William Schmitt when he was supervisor of the town. She was the first president of the Women's Republican Club of Greece, and a charter member of the Women's Auxiliary of the Bernard Fire Department.

Mrs Kraft was also very active in the activities of her

parish, St. Charles Borromeo, to which she belonged from its founding in 1926. She served in the Rosary Society there and championed the foreign mission apostolate, while supporting the mission work of her son, Father Richard Kraft, SVD, a Divine Word Missionary working in the Philippines since 1956.

She is survived by three sons, Father Richard, Donald E. and James E.; three daughters, Mrs. James (Marian) Smith; Mrs. Mark (Bernice) Conover and Mrs.



MRS. KRAFT

Edward (Rosemary) Bachelor; three brothers, Anthony, Raymond and Bernard Miller; one sister, Mrs. Genevieve Roth; 24 grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Fr. Connell, Native of Rochester

Father Patrick C. Connell, 70, a native of Rochester, died Sunday, Feb. 5, 1984, in Atlanta, Ga., where he served most of his priesthood.

Father Connell was born

May 15, 1913, the son of George B. and Mary Kavanaugh Connell. He was ordained June 3, 1939, and his first assignment was as assistant pastor at St. Michael, Penn Yan.

He later served at Holy Cross and Holy Apostles in Rochester and St. Cecilia in Elmira before leaving for the then diocese of Savannah-Atlanta, Ga., in 1944.

**Day with Youth Nears;
CYO Assists Planning**

With less than a month to go before the gathering at Bishop Kearney High School on March 4, the plans are falling into place.

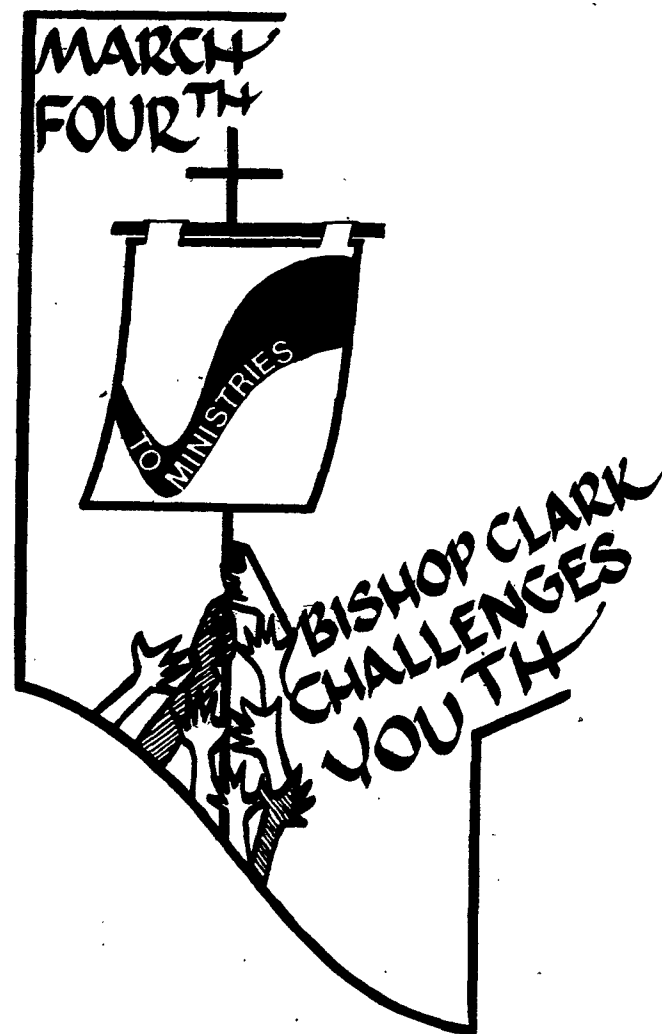
Bishop Matthew H. Clark will open the day with the keynote address. Following that, there will be a panel made up of a diocesan priest, a religious priest, a sister, a brother, a single layman, a single laywoman and a married couple.

Among those on the panel will be Father James Schwartz, director of Becket Hall; Sister Muriel Curran, vicar for Religious; and Brother Raymond, from the administration at Cardinal Mooney High School. Joining them will be Harold Hacker, a retired, single man; and John and Pat Young, a married couple and parents of teenagers.

Workshop people represent diverse activities of the diocese, including Father John Mulligan, director of Urban Ministries; Anne Wegman, associate director of Youth Ministry; Paul Swiatek, youth minister at St. Louis, Pittsford; Pam Masterson, youth minister at St. Joseph's, Livonia; Father Tom Valenti, diocesan director of vocations and seminarians; Sister Sheila Stevenson, faculty member at Monroe Community College; and members of the Jesuit Volunteer Community in Rochester.

There has been heavy interest in the program and many calls have already come into the Pastoral Center pertaining to the registration and arrival. A big turnout is anticipated.

Many groups have been involved in the preparation and planning of this program. The Catholic Youth Organization has offered its services to assist in the planning and administration of registration. The experience they have had in the past with other major youth events will enable us to conduct a smooth and orderly registration process. The CYO, as a part of the youth ministry efforts in the diocese, is a welcome addition to those putting time and effort into this program with youth.



**Catholic Conference
Releases Report
On Teenage Pregnancy**

Albany -- The State Catholic Conference has released its Teenage Pregnancy Task Force Report, which is being distributed to parishes, schools and Church agencies for action.

"The task force findings and recommendations," the bishops state in a forward to the document, "are addressed to the Church in New York State."

Although the document directly addresses the Church and its agencies, the bishops note that the findings show "government, schools, community agencies and all citizens" have roles to play in supporting the values necessary to provide maximum care for teenage mothers and their babies.

"Each of these groups," the bishops say, "must vigorously adopt a more active role in promoting strong marriages and healthy family life for our society... if we are to succeed in providing a health, wholesome, stable community for our future citizens."

The task force was created in 1981 to make recommendations to the bishops "on how the Church might respond to the issues related to teenage pregnancy" in the state.

Sister Maureen Joyce, RSM, director of Community Maternity Services of the Albany diocese, was chairperson. She works with unmarried mothers and their children.

Recognizing that each of the eight dioceses in the state has different resources available, the task force suggests "flexibility in the implementation" of the recommendations.

The report states that the ideal response would be one that assures that the "prevention, care and healing elements of the Church's response to teenage pregnancy should become integrated through the entirety of the programmatic resources of the Church."

The report's recommendations are addressed to various members of the Church including the bishops themselves, parishes, Religious Educators, schools, parishes, social service agencies, hospitals, family life offices, campus and youth ministers and community organizations.

The report rejects outright the use of abortion as a

response to the problem. "The Catholic Church," the report states, "defends the fostering and cherishing of all human life."

Speaking directly of the teenage mother, the bishops add she "shows great personal courage and commendable commitment to life in seeking viable alternatives to abortion. She and her

child deserve the best health care and supportive services that society can provide. Many of the needed services are available under Catholic and other religious auspices." When necessary, they should be supplemented "by public agencies so maximum assistance can be provided," the bishops conclude.

**Rival Coaches
Combine Experiences**

According to Nazareth Academy sources the school's basketball coaches have a great deal in common. They were, at one time, coaches for rival teams. Walt Gordinier, Nazareth varsity coach, once directed Holy Family's CYO girls team; Sister Barbara Tomasso, the JV coach, headed St. Theodore's team; Tom Maira, the Mother of Sorrows girls basketball squad. This year all three of them are coaching Nazareth Academy's two basketball teams.

In recent play, the junior varsity, led by forward Lynn Staropoli beat Wilson 37-16, and Bishop Kearney 24-14. The varsity, captained by Tricia Zava and Moira Young, beat Wilson 48-32, but lost to BK.

Members of the 1984 varsity squad are: Traci Butera, Nancy Ciavarrri, Karen Collins, Jean Darling, Susan Salisbury, Katie Schiano, Tonya Spann, Debbie Thatcher, Mary Young, Moira Young, Tricia Zava.

Members of the junior varsity are: Robin Beaty, Sharon Brown, Tammie Chin, Gillian Hobbins, Chris Horton, Denise Klein, Norma Marchetti, Lance McCombs, Michelle Miller, Gwen Price, Paula Short, Lynn Staropoli, Molly Risewick, Sara Young, Mary Zava.

"We find that our previous experiences as rival coaches made it much easier to get together here at Nazareth," explained Gordinier. "We know each other's strengths and coaching methods," he said.

**Project Funding
Available at CHD**

Local grant application forms for 1984-85 funding from the Campaign for Human Development are now available from the diocesan CHD Office, 750 West Main Street. They may also be picked up from two regional offices: Southern Tier Office of Social Ministry, 160 High Street, Elmira, and the Finger Lakes Office of Social Ministry, 21 High Street, Geneva.

projects must:

- Benefit the poor. The majority of those benefitting from the projects must be members of the low-income community.

- Be self-help projects of poor and oppressed people. The projects must be directed by the low-income groups themselves.

- Aim to bring about institutional change by attacking the root causes of poverty, including the unjust policies, laws or institutions that keep people poor.

The Campaign for Human Development, established by the Catholic bishops of the U.S. in 1970, is the Church's national education - action program for fighting domestic poverty. CHD makes grants to self-help projects and conducts a year-round justice education program.

For more information and/or materials contact Dorothy Kaiser or Melissa Marquez at 328-6400; Kathy Dubel, Elmira, at 734-9784; Father William Spilly, Geneva at 789-2686. Deadline for submission of applications is March 7.

To obtain CHD's support,

PRE-REGISTRATION-----"March Fourth to Ministries: Bishop Clark Challenges Youth"

Return this form (+\$5.00) to: **March Fourth Ministries**
1150 Buffalo Road/Rochester, New York 14624. MAIL BY FEBRUARY 29.

(\$5.00 MUST accompany this form.)

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(Bus transportation is being arranged from many towns throughout the Diocese. Cost will be \$10.00.)