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9 Priests to Retire

Nine priests of the Diocese of Rochester are retiring this year. They are Father Charles B. Connell, Father Paul J. Gibbons, Father John S. Hayes, Father Alfred J. Horr, Father Bernard V. Kuchman, Father Elmer A. McNamara, Father John A. Murphy, Father Bartholomew J. O'Brien, and Father Richard G. Stanton.

Father Connell, pastor of St. Philip Neri Church, was ordained in 1941. He has served at St. Patrick's Church, Old St. Mary's Church, as chaplain at St. Mary's Hospital, at Corpus Christi Church, as chaplain at Nazareth Academy, and as pastor at St. Gregory's in Marion.

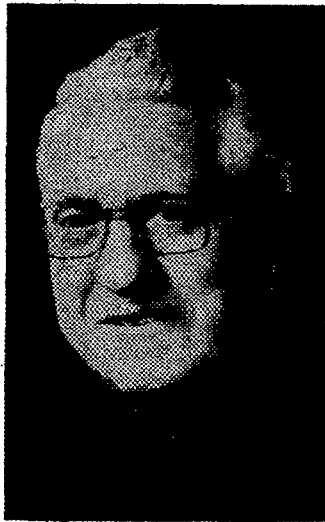
He was named pastor of St. Philip Neri in 1967. In addition Father Connell served as chaplain to the Rochester Council of Catholic Nurses, as instructor in Religion and Medical Ethics at St. Mary's School of Nursing, as instructor in Medical Ethics in Nazareth College's Nursing Program, and as instructor in Theology for the novices of the Sisters of St. Joseph.

Father Gibbons, associate pastor of St. Ann's in Hornell, was ordained in 1942. He has served at St. Monica's Church in Rochester, St. Ann's in Hornell, St. Michael's in Penn Yan, and St. Casimir in Elmira.

In addition, Father Gibbons taught Latin at St. Andrew's Seminary and its successor, King's Prep, for 20 years. In 1969, he was named pastor of Our Lady of Victory Church, a post he held for six years.

Father Hayes, pastor of St. Patrick's in Aurora and St. Michael's in Union Springs, and chaplain at Wells College, was ordained in 1940.

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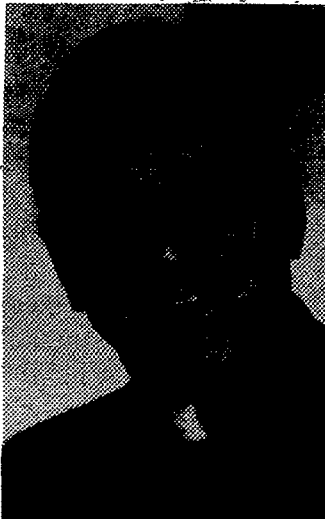
FATHER CONNELL



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FATHER STANTON

Scott M. Kubinski To Be Ordained

Bishop Matthew H. Clark will ordain Rev. Mr. Scott M. Kubinski a priest of the Diocese of Rochester, 7:30 p.m., Friday, June 1, at St. Charles Borromeo Church where the ordinand is serving his deacon internship.

The son of Edward and Dorothy Kubinski of Fitch Street in Elmira will return to his home city to celebrate a Mass of Thanksgiving, 2 p.m., Sunday, June 3 at St. Casimir's Church.

He will celebrate a second Mass of Thanksgiving 5 p.m., Saturday, June 9 at St. Charles Borromeo.

Born in 1955, Rev. Mr. Kubinski attended St. Casimir's Grammar School, Notre Dame High School, St. John Fisher College (and Becket Hall), St. Bernard's Seminary and Immaculate Conception Seminary in Mahwah, N.J. He holds degrees in psychology and divinity.

He took his Clinical Pastoral Education at Westboro State Hospital in Massachusetts.

In addition he has worked



REV. MR. KUBINSKI

at the Newark Developmental Center; De Paul Clinic; with the Religious Education Program in Ramsey, N.J.; with the pastoral staff at Holy Name Hospital in Teaneck, N.J.; St. Mary of the Assumption in Scottsville; Camp Stella Maris. He also serves as defender of the bond with the diocesan tribunal.



Lilac Festival Opens

Father James Lawlor, pastor of St. Mary's Church, downtown, joins among the many volunteers handing out lilac colored balloons outside the church last Friday noon. More than 500 diocesan school children participated in the releasing of the balloons to officially open the 1984 Lilac Festival.

Ministry with Disabled Sets Diocesan Program

Four years of advocacy, dialogue and task force work will come to fruition 10 a.m., Saturday, May 26 at St. Theodore's Church when a Celebration with Disabled Persons, their Families and Friends will be held.

The gathering will be a vehicle of celebrating the gifts of disabled persons, families and friends to address a panel from the Ministry with Disabled Persons of diocesan Catholic Charities.

A task force was established by Bishop Matthew H. Clark in 1980 to survey the pastoral needs of disabled persons in the diocese.

The task force's work was targeted only to the pastoral needs of the mentally retarded, thus it was recommended that their charge be broadened to assess the pastoral needs of all persons who are mentally, emotionally or physically disabled.

In the summer of 1983, the present steering committee, composed of disabled persons, was formed. One of the goals of the committee is to focus specific attention to the comments and input from other

disabled persons through personal contact.

This goal will be accomplished at the May 26 gathering.

The celebration will include a Mass and anointing, concelebrated by Fathers William Barrett, pastor of St. Monica's Church, and Paul J. Ryan, chaplain of Newark Developmental Center.

At 11 a.m. a convening to address a panel of the steering committee will commence to dialogue on such questions as:

● How can the pastoral care of the Church be effectively developed to meet the needs of disabled persons?

● How can the disabled person be encouraged to share his or her gifts with the parish community.

A summary of the convening will be submitted to Bishop Clark in June.

An invitation to the event has been extended to all persons in the community. Anyone wishing to address the panel has been asked to sign up in advance by calling Maureen Havens, (716) 235-8636. In addition, the committee will attempt to arrange transportation for those in need.