

Along The Way

With Bishop Matthew H. Clark



This afternoon, Saturday, I leave Rochester to spend some time in the Southern Tier of our diocese.

This evening we'll be in Owego to celebrate and give thanks for the 125 years of service given by St. Patrick's School.

Tomorrow, Sunday, we'll have Confirmation for our candidates at St. Mary's, Rexville, and St. Vincent's in Corning. On Monday, St. Mary's in Corning will be the site of another joyful Confirmation event.

Tuesday will be a day given to two other kinds of celebrations. One, at Sacred Heart, Auburn we'll gather our presbyterate in a celebration honoring our priests who celebrate silver and golden jubilees of ordination this year. The other, at St. Rita's Webster, will be for the formal dedication of that parish community's beautiful new church.

Each gathering will have its own character not only because of the different liturgical rites involved but because each will gather a particular group of people who somehow rejoice in the love of the risen Lord.

As I go from place to place in times like this I am always much impressed by the faith and generosity of the people I meet. It is a tonic to spend time with men and women, boys and girls, who in some indefinable way make me more aware than I would otherwise be that Jesus is vitally and creatively present in His beloved people.

That loving presence is manifest among you in countless ways. Let me be as concrete as I can in exemplifying that. It is there in: 1) the warm and easy hospitality of those who offer refreshments to community members when we gather. 2) the careful, gentle service rendered by those who assist our young people in their preparation for Confirmation. 3) the joyful affirmation and generous support you give to our newly ordained. 4) the hours of hard work given by those who help us worship in song. 5) the initiative of friendship and service I observe so often in our young people.

It is important to me and to us all that you realize how beloved you are of the Lord and that you realize how powerful

an effect your goodness has on others. All of that is of high value because it helps us to appreciate anew that we are persons of holiness whose common vocation it is to tell others of our gracious and compassionate Lord.

An easy exercise may bring this home to you very personally. In a quiet and prayerful moment this evening think of an individual who has been hospitable to you or who rendered you some unexpected service or who surprised you with some gesture of friendship. That kind of loving memory puts us in touch with holiness.

And I invite you take it a step further. When you have remembered that person give thanks for him or her and ask the Lord to deepen that individual's capacity for His love.

When you are before the Lord giving thanks for the goodness of another you are deeply in touch with your own holiness. And that is a wonderful grace. Peace.

Sister Patricia Kenny To Profess Final Vows

Sister Patricia Kenny, RSM, one of three staff persons at Melita House for pregnant women, will make profession of final vows as a Sister of Mercy, 7:30 p.m., Saturday, June 2 during a Mass at the Mercy motherhouse chapel.

Father Daniel Condon, associate pastor of St. Joseph's Church in Penfield, will preside at the rites. Fathers Robert Bourcy and James Willsey will celebrate.

Sister Patricia's theme is from the Magnificat: "My heart is glad because of God, my Savior," and reflects for her the joy of commitment and the seriousness of issues of justice.



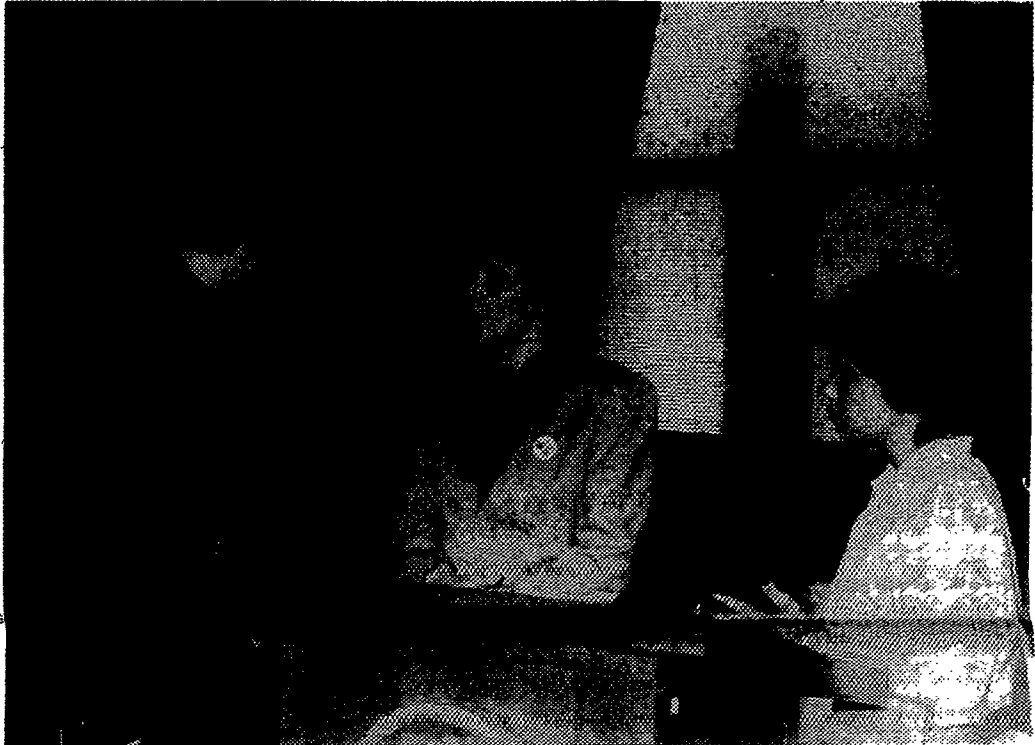
SISTER PATRICIA She entered the Sisters of Mercy in 1978.

A 1974 graduate of Our Lady of Mercy High School, she received her RN in 1977 from St. Joseph's Hospital School of Nursing in Syracuse, and her BS in nursing in 1982 from Nazareth College of Rochester.

She was a staff nurse at Strong Memorial Hospital from 1977 to 1982, with two years out for her canonical year of study in the congregation.

She began her ministry at Melita House in 1982.

She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James (Mary) Kenny of St. Louis Parish in Pittsford. She resides in community at St. Joseph's in Penfield.



Msgr. Francis Weldgen, director of the Youth Council of the Diocese of Buffalo with Mrs. Cuomo and Miss Countryman.

Retirees

Continued from Page 1 He served assistant pastorates at St. Anthony's in Rochester, Sacred Heart Cathedral, St. Augustine's in Rochester, and Our Lady of Lourdes in Rochester. From 1943 to 1946 he served in General George Patton's Third Army and was greatly decorated.

In addition Father Hayes has served as chaplain to the Veterans Administration facility at Bath, as pastor of St. Patrick's in Elmira, and, for six years, as rector of Sacred Heart Cathedral. He was named to his present post in 1972, and has also served as regional coordinator, as a member of the executive committee of the Diocesan Pastoral Council and as a member of the Priests Council.

Father Horr, pastor of St. Mary Magdalen in Wolcott and St. John Fisher in East Bay, was ordained in 1940. He served as assistant pastor at St. John the Evangelist in Spencerport, St. Leo in Hilton, Holy Family in Auburn, St. Mary in Corning and St. Mary in Elmira.

Father Horr was named to his present post in 1965.

Father Kuchman, pastor of St. Michael's Church in Montezuma and St. John's in Port Byron was ordained in 1940. He served assistant pastorates at Holy Family, Rochester; St. Andrew, Rochester; St. Philip Neri, Rochester; St. Alphonsus, Auburn; St. Francis Xavier, Rochester and Holy Redeemer, Rochester. In 1964, Father Kuchman was named

pastor of St. Januarius in Naples and built the present church. In 1971, he was named to St. Andrew, Rochester. In 1972, he went to St. Pius in Van Etten; and he was named to his present post in 1975.

In addition, Father Kuchman served a year with the U.S. Airforce. He is planning a party for noon, Saturday, June 2 at the church, with a dinner to follow at Port Byron Middle School.

Father McNamara, pastor of St. Bridget's Church in East Bloomfield and St. Joseph's in West Bloomfield, was ordained in 1933. Following his ordination, he continued his studies in Rome; and, in 1938, he was appointed professor of Sacred Scriptures at St. Bernard's Seminary.

Father McNamara remained in that post until 1967, educating hundreds of diocesan priests. In 1967 he was named to his present pastorate.

Father Murphy, pastor of St. Lawrence Church in Greece, was ordained in 1940. He served assistant pastorates at St. Philip Neri in Rochester, and St. Patrick's in Elmira. In 1951 he was named chaplain at Craig Colony in Sonyea and its Chapel of the Divine Compassion.

In 1962, Father Murphy was named to his present post.

Father O'Brien, pastor of St. Mary Our Mother in Horseheads, was ordained in 1940. He served assistant

pastorates at Holy Rosary Church and St. Patrick Church in Rochester and St. Peter and Paul Church in Elmira.

In 1962, he was named pastor of the Elmira church; and, in 1965, to his present post. In addition, Father O'Brien is an author, and served as Vicar for the Corning-Elmira-Waverly area, and as diocesan director of the Sacerdotal Union and its lay branch, the Eucharistic Legion.

Father Stanton, pastor of Our Lady of the Lake Church in King Ferry and All Saints in Lansing, was ordained in 1939. He served assistant pastorates at St. Alphonsus in Auburn, St. Mary in Elmira, St. Ann in Palmyra, St. Cecilia in Elmira, St. Augustine in Rochester, St. Anthony of Padua in Rochester, Holy Ghost in Coldwater and St. Joseph in Wayland.

He was named to his present post in 1962.

Tutorial program

The Sisters of St. Joseph are sponsoring a tutorial program in math and reading, July 9-20, and July 23-Aug. 3 at Nazareth Academy, 1001 Lake Avenue for those completing grades 6-8, and at Nazareth Hall, 180 Raines Park for those completing grades 1-5. There is a \$20 registration fee and each hour of tutoring will cost \$8. For more information call Sister Jeanne Morreal, 621-2794.

State Youths Parley

Recently 20 teenagers and seven adults from the Diocese of Rochester traveled to Albany to join other youths and adults from across the state for a weekend conference.

Included were workshops on teen pregnancy, clown ministry, youth development and the meaning of youth ministry.

More than 100 participated in the event, including guests from the Diocese of Kitchener/Waterloo, Canada.

In the course of one afternoon, the group was given a tour of the State Capitol. At the outset of the tour the group was greeted by Mrs. Mathilda Cuomo, wife of the governor. She welcomed the group to Albany. Two members of the Elmira contingent presented her and the governor with buttons which read, "Elmira, NY."

The workshops at the conference were interesting and challenging, a diocesan release stated. The group was able to ask questions and offer their input on a variety of issues.

The weekend concluded with the celebration of the Eucharist.

Diocesan participants were Peter Michalke, Tom Keenan, Dave Sullivan, Molly Steed, Beth Hammula, and Kim Eller of Elmira; Tom Cincebox of Horseheads; Ellen Williams, Kari Petralis, Elizabeth Orman of Gates; Cairn Reeve, Penn

Van; Moe Finster, Amy Vaughn, Livonia; Mike Clifford, Pete Farrell, Tom Kuntz, Lee Allen and Chuck Staropoli, Rochester; and Erin Countryman, Rush.

Accompanying the group were Father David Gramke, Kate Karski, Keith Bock, Pat VanDurme, Anne Wegman, Father David Mura and Patrick Fox.

Bishop Honors Priest Jubilees

Bishop Matthew H. Clark was scheduled to preside at a concelebrated Jubilee Mass yesterday in Sacred Heart Church in Auburn, honoring the diocesan priests who are celebrating their 25th and 50th anniversaries of ordination this year.

In a letter of invitation to priests, the bishop said, "I welcome this opportunity for us to gather in fraternity and love, with no other purpose than to celebrate our common priesthood and congratulate the jubilarians."

Priest members of the class of 1959 are Fathers Gerald J. Appelby, William M. Barrett, Paul Brennan, Charles Curran, John D. Dillon, Paul J. Freemesser, George E. Gauthier, Richard M. Mattie, Paul J. McCabe, Gerald J. McMahon, Thomas J. O'Keefe and Anthony J. Valente.

Jubilarians of the class of 1934 are Msgr. Joseph A. Cirrincione, Father Gerald C. Kelly, Father William Tobin, Father William Lammers (who will celebrate in his home parish in Ohio on May 27), Father Bernard Newcomb and Father Elmer McNamara.

Diocesan Appointments

Bishop Matthew H. Clark appoints:
 Father Michael F. Conboy to pastor, St. Margaret Mary Church, Rochester, from pastor, St. Patrick's Church, Seneca Falls.