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Father Mulligan said he hopes his letter will prompt "a change of tone" from the Times-Union. Rather than looking for a right way or wrong way of approaching this issue or focusing on "the fight between Catholics vs. Planned Parenthood, conservatives vs. liberals," he said he was urging more recognition of a changed pattern and new beginnings that are taking place.

Rick Jensen, city editor for the Times-Union, said he preferred to "let the letter speak for itself" as a good and legitimate point of view.

Privett wrote to the Democrat & Chronicle, specifically addressing an editorial by Mark Hare entitled "Pregnancy prevention demands more realism."

Calling Hare's conclusion to "begin to preach contraception" misguided, Privett added: "Your language certainly represents a direct challenge to the Rochester-area church community."

"I'm taking issue with the editorial stance of the D & C which was urging that the most effective way of dealing with teen pregnancy prevention is to expand contraceptive

counseling and dissemination," Privett said. "I think it's a simplistic approach, and I don't think that's the best way we should go."

He hopes that his letter will "raise the consciousness of people who are silent on the sidelines in terms of why this is an important issue. By and large, the church community was silent on that," he noted. "I would encourage others ... to give thought to their silence."

Mark Hare, who wrote a series of editorials for the D & C on the teen pregnancy issue, including the specific one Privett quoted, said that he was not completely sure what Privett meant in his letter. Restating the intent of his editorial, he said that "we need to be sure that whatever program we come up with makes adequate contraception available" to fulfill state funding requirements. "This is not to say there shouldn't be education and discussion," Hare added.

When asked whether his language was calculated as a challenge to the church community, Hare answered no. "I didn't see that as a red flag for churches," he said.

Hispanic Mission in Geneva/Newark

Santa Mision, two weeks of preaching and evangelization in the Hispanic communities of Geneva and Newark, will open on Sunday, July 28, at St. Francis DeSales Church in Geneva. Bishop Dennis W. Hickey will preside at the paraliturgical celebration, beginning at 7 p.m.

Special guest Rocabel Chamorro, H.Ch., from the diocese of Ponce, Puerto Rico, will be on hand throughout the mission to preach. Each night of the following week, St. Francis DeSales will host services at 7 p.m., beginning with exposition of the Blessed

Sacrament and including the rosary, a gospel reading, preaching, meditation and Benediction.

Monday through Friday, August 5-10, the mission will move to St. Michael's Church in Newark on the same schedule. Bishop Matthew H. Clark will preside at closing ceremonies on Saturday, August 10, with Mass at 7:30 p.m.

Father Nicolas Menjivar, pastoral assistant for the Geneva/Newark area, described the mission as an attempt "to reinforce our pastoral work in the communities."

For more information, call Father Menjivar at (315)789-0930.

St. Jude

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Although some recently have assumed that the devotion to St. Jude is regional in popularity, Catholics throughout the world pray to him in times of special need. One of the most famous of the believers in the intercession of St. Jude is entertainer Danny Thomas.

Devotion to St. Jude commonly takes the form of a novena, nine successive days of prayer, private or public, to obtain special favor or graces. Some have mistakenly suggested that the nine days the Apostles waited for the coming of the Holy Spirit were a scriptural prototype of the practice. The novena as known today first appeared in the early Middle Ages, specifically in France and Spain, as nine days of preparation for Christmas, the number nine representing the months Our Lord spent in His mother's womb.

Preparatory novenas of this kind, especially to popular saints and Our Lady, became increasingly common as times of special supplication in which the

devout sought favors such as could be hoped for through the intercession of the saints honored. Recovery of health was a very common favor sought through novenas. The Church did not begin to actively encourage the practice until the 19th century.

Novenas have been attacked by some as superstitious because of the apparent magic of the number nine or in some instances due to extraordinary and even miraculous effects credited to them. It cannot be denied that elements of superstition have appeared in some instances, but the concept of earnestness and perseverance in prayer as evidenced in a novena is valid. There is nothing doctrinally objectionable in the idea of nine days of prayer with emphasis on perseverance and constancy. Jesus, who approved of the neighbor's insistent knocking at the door for food in the middle of the night, would be pleased with the persistent petitions of the faithful through novenas.

Sisters of St. Joseph Mass

The families of deceased members of the Sisters of St. Joseph are invited to attend a memorial Mass on Sunday, July 28, at 2 p.m. held in the Motherhouse chapel. Bishop Joseph L. Hogan will be the celebrant. Following the liturgy, a social is planned outside on the lawn of St. Joseph's Convent and Infirmary.

"For some time, it has been a desire of mine to have a get-together where we can feel at home with one another again," said Sister Elizabeth Anne LeValley, superior general, of her hope to renew acquaintances with members of the deceased sisters' families.

Reduced Bus Fares

Regional Transit Service has announced a special 10-ride ticket for seniors and disabled people during off-peak periods beginning July 1. The ticket may be used by anyone eligible for a half fare between 9 a.m.-3:30 p.m. and after 6:30 p.m. Monday-Friday, and all day Saturday, Sunday and holidays.

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General

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