



Father Daniel J. Berrigan, known for his anti-war activities during the '60s, participates in his first anti-abortion rescue at Highland Hospital Saturday, May 20. Looking on is Sister Lorraine Julien, SSJ, of St. Monica's in Rochester. Sister Christine Lloyd, SSJ, of St. Mary's in Auburn is in the background.

## St. Bernard's to operate program in Albany diocese

By Lee Strong  
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Rochester's St. Bernard's Institute will begin operating a graduate theology extension program in the Diocese of Albany this coming fall semester.

At a ceremony held Monday, May 15, at the Pastoral Center of the Albany diocese, Bishop Matthew H. Clark, chancellor of St. Bernard's Institute, and Albany's Bishop Howard J. Hubbard, signed an agreement officially creating the program. The agreement follows approximately a year of discussion between Albany diocesan officials and representatives of the institute.

The program fulfills a need for professional ministerial development in the Albany diocese, according to Bishop Hubbard. "For our diocesan vision of collaborative ministry to be fully realized, we need to provide those desiring to minister with the educational resources they will require to serve well," he said. "All of us need access to ongoing theological and pastoral education appropriate to one's background, experience and ministerial responsibilities."

Courses in the program will primarily employ Albany-based faculty, with some of the summer selections being taught by members of St. Bernard's faculty. The courses will be offered at the Albany diocese's Pastoral Center and at St. Anthony-on-the-Hudson seminary in Rensselaer.

Students in the program will receive graduate credits from St. Bernard's which they will be able to apply toward a master's degree. Eventually, said Father Thomas Powers, director of the Office of Initiation and Ongoing Formation for the Albany diocese, the program will aim to offer a master's degree.

Father Powers said the diocese had examined other programs, but opted for St. Bernard's because of "the quality of the faculty and the type of courses offered. They reach out to the same constituency in the Rochester diocese as we have in Albany."

The program will provide the academic component of the diocese's program for permanent deacons. In addition, the program will be open to professional ministers already working in the church — such as religious education personnel, youth ministers and liturgy coordinators — as well as those seeking academic preparation for church leadership roles.

Father Sebastian Falcone, president of St. Bernard's, noted that the Rochester institute has received inquiries from several dioceses other than Albany about its ministerial training program. One of the attractions of St. Bernard's program, he said, is the emphasis on training both ordained and unordained people for ministry. "We do feel this is the direction for ministry in the future," he remarked.

## Bishop Clark to install new leaders of Mercy order

ROCHESTER — The recently elected major superior and four-member council of the Sisters of Mercy of Rochester will be installed Sunday, June 4, at 4 p.m., at the motherhouse, 1437 Blossom Rd., Rochester.

Bishop Matthew H. Clark will preside at the celebration of the Eucharist and the ceremony, during which Sister Ann Miller will be installed as major superior and Sisters Kathleen Milliken, Judith Heberle, Joyce McGinn and Gaye Moorhead as

councilors.

Sisters Miller and Milliken have been councilors for the past four years, and Sister Heberle has just completed a term as principal of Our Lady of Mercy High School. Sister McGinn is the congregation's treasurer, and Sister Moorhead has been a lawyer specializing in children's rights.

The Sisters of Mercy of Rochester have 260 members who serve in the diocese, across the nation and abroad.

# Retreat links activism against war, abortion

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ROCHESTER — Father Daniel J. Berrigan, who was renowned for his anti-war activities in the 1960s, believes that "a decent society should no more have an abortion clinic than the Pentagon."

Thus the Jesuit priest, who burned draft records in 1968 and vandalized Minuteman missiles in 1980, came to Rochester last weekend to take part in a Faith and Resistance Retreat at the Abbey of the Genesee in Piffard. The retreat, which included two non-violent acts of civil disobedience, was an effort on behalf of the Rochester Faith and Resistance Community to equate two issues the group stands strongly against: war and abortion.

"I see an interlocking directorate of death that binds the whole culture ... an unspoken agreement that we will solve our problems by killing people, a declaration that certain people are expendable," Father Berrigan said. "We need to cherish and embrace and foster life in all areas from the womb to old age."

The priest admitted that rescue missions and other related pro-life activities are not as familiar to him as the anti-war protests he led during the Vietnam War era, but he does see similarities between the two issues.

"Faith and Resistance retreats that include civil disobedience are very new, but this is so beautiful and so very imaginative because there is a link (between the two issues)," Father Berrigan said of the retreat, which was sponsored by the Faith and Resistance Community — a Christian witness group comprising priests, religious and lay people from the Rochester area.

The group, which has about 250 active members, staged a three-hour sit-in outside

the obstetrics-gynecology clinic on the fifth floor of Highland Hospital last Saturday morning, May 20.

Just the night before, 21 members of the same group went over the fence at the Seneca Army Depot, where the activists claim nuclear arms are stored.

Among the 21 to climb the fence were four priests and two nuns. They were: Father Berrigan; Father James B. Callan, administrator of Corpus Christi parish and the leader of the action at the depot; Father Dan O'Shea, a priest in residence at the Abbey of the Genesee; and Father John Burke, a visiting priest who attended the retreat.

The two religious arrested were Sister Lorraine Julien, SSJ, pastoral assistant at St. Monica Church; and Sister Christine Lloyd, SSJ, pastoral assistant at St. Mary's in Auburn.

Father Berrigan celebrated Mass outside the depot before joining the others in climbing over the wire fence. The demonstrators were quickly met by military police officers who tied plastic cords around the activists' wrists before taking them to U.S. Army vans nearby.

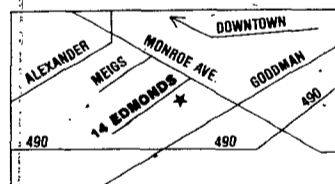
The guards took identifications inside a trailer on the depot grounds. According to Father O'Shea, who helped coordinate the retreat, police also took all possessions from the demonstrators, fingerprinted everyone and took pictures as well.

"I found it very interesting when they took away all our possessions because of the biblical imagery," said Father O'Shea, who added that the activists were detained for about five hours before their release around midnight. "The (detention) rooms were like monastic cells, and they allowed for much personal meditation and soli-

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