

## Reunion stirs reflections on God's love

By Bishop Matthew H. Clark

Now that August has rolled around again and the memory of summer vacation — though still very pleasant — is rapidly fading, I find myself resuming my normal round of activities. Notwithstanding the usual adjustments we all experience in moving from vacation to work, I have found the transition this year to be smoother and more peaceful than I ever have before. Somehow it seems right and good to be home and at work. The work to which I have returned excites me and gives me life, and I am happy to be about it.

I cannot account fully for this sense of satisfaction. I am sure that it is deeply

rooted in the refreshing vacation experience I had. And I know that once again this year I owe special thanks to Tom Powers and Howard Hubbard who do so much to make those vacation days the pleasure they are each year.

Once again this year, the three of us maintained our incredible standards of predictability! If any neighbor ever wished to track and anticipate our movements, within two days that person could predict with amazing accuracy where any one of us would be at any given moment. Quiet as our stay was, it was wonderful and deeply relaxing.

One aspect of our experience this year

that differed from that of previous years was the visits of two friends, who each stayed with us for several days. Jim Bill and Phil Morris — from Oakland, Calif., and Newark, N.J., respectively — were schoolmates and dear friends when we were all together at the North American College in Rome during the early '60s.

As you might expect, we did a lot of reminiscing about those long-gone days, and shared our knowledge of the whereabouts and activities of other friends whom we first met during those years. On one of the two evenings on which Phil and Jim were both with us, we were joined by two other classmates who were passing



through the area: Dan Cawthon from San Francisco, and Tom Gilmartin from Cleveland.

The presence of those with whom we had shared so much years ago was one of God's special gifts to us on those vacation days. To me, it provided a privileged occasion on which to remember the events of the years since then, to reflect on how each of us had remained the same and how each of us had changed.

On the one hand, I was amazed at how a group of individuals who had not spent that kind of time together in 30 years could pick up with one another with such ease. On the other hand, I believe there was a common realization among us that the experience of the years had changed each of us, and that a visit so short could never afford the time in which to share all that had happened to us. I suppose this is a normal reaction to any reunion experience.

Such occasions allow one a special awareness, both of those elements of our lives that are constant, and of those that are more subject to change. I find such opportunities to be important because they provide special moments in which to remember that God's love for us endures always, that God's love leads us in diverse paths, that God's love somehow calls us to a genuine unity even in our diversity.

Thanks to you all for your vacation prayers. Be assured of mine each day. I hope that the summer months have afforded you some rest and refreshment.

Peace to all.

## New school principal appointments announced

ROCHESTER — Brother Brian Walsh, diocesan superintendent of schools, has announced the appointment of four new principals for 1990-91.

Thomas Bahr has been named principal of Mother of Sorrows School, Greece; Sister Mary Smith, SSND, will become principal of St. Boniface School, Rochester; Diana Baker will head Immaculate Conception School, Ithaca; and Sister Ann Carapella, RSM, will be principal of Holy Family Junior High, Elmira.

Bahr served as principal of Our Lady of

Good Counsel/Genesis Catholic Junior High in Rochester from 1981-89 before heading St. James School in Irondequoit over its last year. A graduate of St. John Fisher College, Bahr holds a master's degree in education administration from the State University of New York at Brockport.

A graduate of St. John's University, Sister Smith served as principal since 1973 at the now-closed St. Philip Neri School in Rochester before teaching last year at St.

### Hospitality house seeks full-time staff members

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Stanislaus School in the city.

Baker has taught at Immaculate Conception since 1979. She is a graduate of SUNY Oneonta.

Sister Carapella has been a teacher and administrator in the Elmira Catholic school system since 1968. She has taught at Our Lady of Lourdes School and St. Patrick's Junior High before becoming principal at Our Lady of Lourdes in 1974. She became vice principal of Holy Family Junior High in 1979. She holds a master's in education from Elmira College and is a member of the Mercy Elementary Education Network and the Sisters of Mercy Administrators Association.

### Organizers seek members of 1940 class at Mercy

ROCHESTER — Organizers of the 50th reunion for the class of 1940 at Our Lady of Mercy High School are trying to locate four members for a gala planned for the weekend of Oct. 13-14.

Missing members of the class are: Helen Jason Fuller, Betty May Martindale, Gloria Held Erickson, and Mary Pat Hart Williams.

The Mercy High Alumni Association is sponsoring a dinner at the Mapledale Party House on Oct. 13. Those who know the whereabouts of the missing class members are asked to call Florence Wuest, 716/436-4505.

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