

## Bishop Clark visits congressman's office

CORNING — Young children don't have the means to stand up for their rights, so thousands of adults in the diocese are taking on that responsibility instead.

Accompanied by several Southern Tier parish representatives, Bishop Matthew H. Clark delivered a baby stroller filled with about 2,000 letters to the Corning office of Rep. Amory Houghton Jr. (R-34th District) last Wednesday, June 10. The letters urged the Corning senator to give increased support to three federal programs — Job Corps, Head Start and WIC.

Although Rep. Houghton was in session in Washington, D.C. last Wednesday, his aide, Jackie O'Neill, accepted the letters on his behalf.

"She told us he would take our message very seriously," said Anthony Barbaro, the Southern Tier Office of Social Ministry's executive director.

All three of the targeted programs are geared toward impoverished children: Job Corps attempts to provide job-skill education; Head Start provides health care, nutrition and coun-

seling for children ages 3-5; and WIC (Women, Infants and Children) furnishes health care and nutrition for pregnant women and children up to the age of 5.

Southern Tier parishes prepared for this event by studying the programs over a four-week period and then writing letters.

"We wanted to draw attention to the fact that children are the largest segment of the nation's poor, with one in five children living in poverty; and that we need to work with Congress to enhance and expand these programs," Barbaro stated.

Bishop Clark participated in a similar effort back on May 29, when he and Finger Lakes parish representatives toured the Geneva Agribusiness Child Development Center, a site for Head Start and WIC. The bishop's visits to Corning and Geneva were made in conjunction with the Diocese of Rochester's Campaign for Children, which seeks support for Job Corps, Head Start and WIC.

— Mike Latona

## Jesuit priest to celebrate first Mass in E. Rochester

Father R. Richard McAuliff, SJ, an Elmira native who grew up in East Rochester, will celebrate his first Mass of Thanksgiving this Sunday, June 21, at 2 p.m. The Mass will take place at St. Jerome's Church, 207 S. Garfield St., East Rochester.

He was ordained at Fordham University in New York City on Saturday, June 13, along with four other Jesuits from the New York Province.

A graduate of East Rochester High School, he later graduated with a degree in psychology from St. John Fisher College. He entered the Jesuit order in 1981, did his novitiate studies in Syracuse at St. Andrew Hall, and professed first vows at Our Lady of Solace Church in Syracuse in 1983.

## Flood to be remembered by Southern Tier residents

ELMIRA — Making the best of tough times will be the focal point for "Remembrance and Renewal," scheduled for Wisner Park this Sunday, June 21.

The event is scheduled to begin at 2:30 p.m. at the city park, located at the corner of Main and Church streets. The remembrance will take place on the eve of the 20th anniversary marking the worst flood ever in the state.

"The idea is to pull together the same kind of community spirit that we had after the flood, and apply it to the problems we have in Elmira today," noted Father David N. Gramke, pastor of Elmira's East Side Catholic Parishes. The priest was on the planning committee for the event marking the wrath of Tropical Storm Agnes.

Several guest speakers will offer recollections of the trying times that resulted from the flood. The public is invited. In case of rain, the proceedings will be moved to First Baptist Church, 121 W. Church St.

## Sessions to discuss abuse

ROCHESTER — Alternatives for Battered Women will offer workshops on abusive relationships on June 23 and 30, at the Corpus Christi Parish rectory, 80 Prince St.

Melinda Borsoff will lead the June 23 session on domestic violence. The June 30 session on dating violence will be led by Kate Washington. Both sessions are scheduled to begin at 7 p.m.

The presentations are open to both men and women.

Call Corpus Christi at 716/325-2424 for information.

After studying philosophy at Fordham, Father McAuliff taught for three years in the missions on the Island of Chuuk in the Federated States of Micronesia. In addition to working with the Jesuits on the Rosebud Indian Reservation in South Dakota, Father McAuliff has done extensive pastoral work in the Dominican Republic.

Since 1988 he has studied at the Jesuit School of Theology in Berkeley, Calif. Father McAuliff was ordained a deacon in March, 1991.

## Deacons will host meetings concerning Holy Land trip

Two informational meetings concerning an upcoming Holy Land pilgrimage led by two diocesan deacons are scheduled for Saturday, June 20.

Deacon Stanley Grenn will host a 1:30 p.m. meeting at St. Theodore's Church, 168 Spencerport Road, Rochester. Deacon Raymond Defendorf will lead a session at the same time in the Brennan Center of St. Mary's Church, 161 State Street, Corning.

Deacons Grenn and Defendorf are planning a January, 1993 pilgrimage that will last 10 days. The pilgrimage will include visits to such sacred places as the Sea of Galilee, Capernaum, the Mount of the Beatitudes, Mount Tabor, Cana, Nazareth, Mount Carmel, Bethlehem and Jerusalem.

Cost is \$1,348, which includes airfare and hotels as well as breakfast and dinner daily.

Those interested in attending either meeting may contact Deacon Grenn at 716/247-1158 or Deacon Defendorf at 607/937-5858.

## Apostolate plans service to honor Blessed Mother

WATERLOO — The Queen of Peace Apostolate has scheduled a prayer service and Mass honoring Our Lady Queen of Peace on Thursday, June 25. The service is scheduled for 6:15 p.m. at St. Mary's Church, 25 Center St.

The celebration will begin with all 15 decades of the rosary, followed by a Mass at 7:15 p.m. Father Paul Bonacci, parochial vicar at Fairport's Church of the Assumption, will serve as celebrant for the liturgy.

In addition to a healing service immediately following the Mass, the celebration will include a reception in the school gym. Various books and religious articles will be on sale throughout the reception.



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Monsignor Francis Burns tickles the ivories to entertain several sisters at the St. Joseph's Convent Infirmary. Monsignor Burns, who resides at the infirmary, is marking his 70th anniversary of ordination.

## Msgr. Burns, Frs. Vogt and Hurley celebrate ordination anniversaries

EDITORS' NOTE: Due to circumstances beyond the Catholic Courier's control; the following three priests inadvertently were omitted from the June 4 feature story on priest-jubilarians. We regret any distress the omissions may have caused to the priests, their families and friends.

By Lee Strong  
Staff writer

ROCHESTER — Monsignor Francis Burns, known by many as the dean of diocesan priests, is marking his 70th anniversary of ordination this year. The 97-year-old priest remains active, regularly playing the piano to entertain residents at the St. Joseph's Convent Infirmary at the Sisters of St. Joseph Motherhouse, 4095 East Ave., Pittsford.

Born in Rochester on June Nov. 19, 1922, Monsignor Burns attended St. Patrick's School before graduating from St. Andrew's Minor and St. Bernard's seminaries. He was ordained by Bishop John H. Conroy of Ogdensburg, N.Y., June 10, 1922, at St. Patrick's Cathedral, Rochester.

Monsignor Burns served as assistant pastor of St. Mary's Elmira from 1922-25, and before he was given the same post at St. Mary's, Auburn, from 1925-28.

In 1928 he was named to the faculty of St. Bernard's Seminary, where he taught until his retirement in 1968.

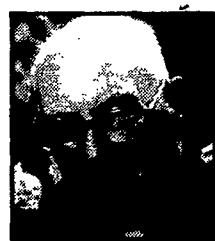
In addition to earning a licentiate in sacred theology in 1932, Monsignor Burns was awarded an honorary doctor of divinity degree from St. Bernard's in 1973.

Pope Pius XII named Monsignor Burns a domestic prelate in 1956.

He became known during his teaching days as a promoter of the church's social teachings. In addition to serving as the chaplain at the School of the Holy Angels, he sat on the boards of the Rochester Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children and the Al Sigi Day Care Center for Handicapped Children.

After retiring from teaching, Monsignor Burns continued to live at St. Bernard's Seminary until its closing in 1981. He then lived at Holy Apostle's Church, Rochester, before moving to the Sisters of St. Joseph Convent Infirmary in 1988.

Father George Vogt, who celebrates 65 years as a priest this year, was likewise known for his deep concern for the church's social teachings. He was among the pioneers of the local Catholic Worker movement in the early 1940s, and promoted the Catholic Labor College to train leaders in Catholic social doctrine and



parliamentary procedures.

Born Feb. 25, 1902, in Rochester, Father Vogt attended Holy Redeemer School, St. Andrew's and St. Bernard's seminaries. He earned a master's degree from St. Bonaventure University in 1932. He was ordained a priest June 11, 1927, by Pietro Cardinal Fumosoni-Biondi, apostolic delegate to the United States.

After serving as assistant pastor at Holy Family Parish from 1927-30, he taught at St. Andrew's Seminary from 1930-39. From 1939-1946, he was diocesan director of the Confraternity of Christian Doctrine and the Rural Life Bureau.

From 1946 until his retirement in 1972, he served as pastor of Good Shepherd Parish in Henrietta. He continued living at the parish after his retirement until 1987, when he moved to St. Ann's Home, where he continues to reside.

Father John D. Hurley is celebrating 50 years as a priest this year.



Thirty of those years were spent as an Air Force chaplain — including 14 as a missionary in the Philippines. A Waverly native, Father Hurley was born July 7, 1916. He attended public schools in Waverly before graduating from St. Andrew's and St. Bernard's seminaries. He was ordained by the late Bishop James E. Kearney on June 6, 1942.

After serving as assistant pastor of three diocesan parishes — Holy Rosary, Rochester (1942-43); St. John's, Spencerport (1943-44); and Our Lady of Lourdes, Elmira (1944-49) — Father Hurley became a U.S. Air Force chaplain in 1949. He served on active duty and in the reserves until he retired as a colonel in 1979. As a chaplain, he served in various parts of the world, from Okinawa to Greenland.

After leaving active duty in 1958, Father Hurley began missionary work in the Philippines, where he had served at Clark Air Force Base. Among his accomplishments was starting St. Michael's Mission Academy.

Father Hurley remained in the Philippines until 1972, when he returned to active duty in the Air Force and was stationed near Denver, Colo. He was assigned to Fort Belvoir in Alexandria, Va., in 1976, and retired from military duty in 1979.

Father Hurley remained in Alexandria from 1979-91. He returned to Rochester and moved into the Sisters of St. Joseph Convent Infirmary, where he now resides.

He celebrated his 50th anniversary at St. James Church in Waverly on Sunday, June 7.