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Pro-life faction plans 48-hour vigil

Genesee Hospital is site of protests

ROCHESTER — Approximately 50 pro-life activists are expected to participate in a marathon demonstration over the next two days outside the Genesee Hospital, 224 Alexander St.

The vigil was scheduled to begin at 9 a.m. on Thursday, July 29, and run continuously until 9 a.m. on July 31.

According to the demonstration's organizers, Genesee Hospital is one of the largest facilities in the diocese where abortions are performed. In recent years, the hospital has been the site of numerous pro-life demonstrations and "rescue missions," the term used for when activists block access or enter abortion clinics.

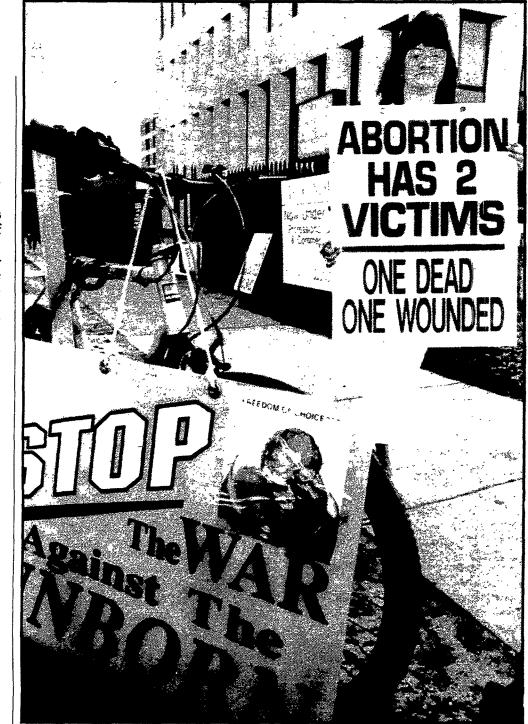
According to organizer Gerald Crawford, participants have registered to serve on various shifts throughout this event's 48-hour period. Activists are being stationed in front of the Doctors' Office Building, 220 Alexander St., where a series of prayer and picketing has been scheduled.

Crawford told the Catholic Courier that he had received commitments from "20 to 30" people as of July 25 for the demonstration. He expected the final figure to be about twice that number. Crawford also noted that several Roman Catholics have registered to participate.

The mere sight of protesters, Crawford said, might discourage pregnant women who arrive at the hospital from following through on planned abortions.

"Many times during our Saturdaymorning protests, we'll see people drive by three or four times at abortion clinics but not go in — just because somebody was there, just because of that physical presence," observed Crawford, who serves as director of **Continued on page 3**

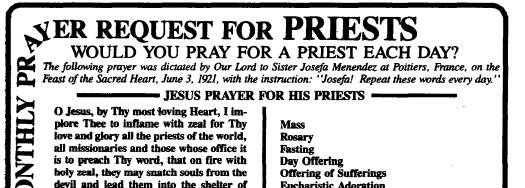
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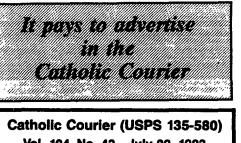
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Terry Crawford, a member of Rescue Rochester, walks the sidewalk in front of Genesee Hospital, 224 Alexander St., last Saturday, July 24, as part of the group's weekly abortion protest. Rescue Rochester has planned a marathon demonstration at the hospital from July 29-31.

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Agencies seeking aid for flood victims

ROCHESTER — In response to the torrential floods devastating the Midwest, Catholic Charities agencies in Minnesota, Wisconsin, Iowa, Illinois, Missouri and South Dakota are seeking donations to assist thousands of families with temporary housing, renovation expenses, utility bills, replacement of household goods and ongoing counseling for survivors.

The outlook is particularly bleak for rural families who have lost their crops and may lose their farms because of the flooding.

Financial assistance is the most effective way to quickly address specific needs and to provide recovery assistance over the long haul, according to Judy Taylor from diocesan Social Ministry. Moreover, the affected areas are not well equipped to handle an outpouring of donated *items* at this time. Collecting, sorting, transporting, storing and distributing goods and clothing from numerous sources is costly and time consuming, according to Taylor.

The address to assist flood victims is: Flood Relief, Diocese of Rochester, 1150 Buffalo Road, Rochester, N.Y. 14624. Please make checks payable to "Catholic Charities USA — Disaster Response."

The Catholic Charities USA Disaster Response Office, in collaboration with the United States Catholic Conference, represents the Catholic community in times of domestic disaster.

Diocese, CFC to host mayoral discussion

ROCHESTER — A panel discussion featuring some of the candidates for mayor of the City of Rochester is scheduled for Tuesday, Aug. 3, from 7 to 9 p.m. The program will take place at St. Michael's Church Hall, 869 N. Clinton Ave., Rochester.

Co-sponsored by the diocesan Department of Urban Services and Catholic Family Center, the panel is scheduled to include Maxine Childress Brown, John Erb, Kevin Murray, Nancy Padilla and Ruth Scott.

Each candidate will answer questions previously gathered from the community as well as questions from the audience. A Spanish translator and deaf interpreter will be available.

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Correction

Two page 2 items in last week's *Catholic Courier* contained errors.

One article reported the wrong first name of a priest commemorating two anniversaries this year ("Father Erb to mark double anniversary.") Father Charles Erb celebrated the 60th anniversary of his ordination to the priesthood and the 65th anniversary of his profession of vows to the Society of the Divine Word July 25.

The other gave the wrong area code for a number readers may call to help arrange housing for members of Celebrant Singers, who will perform in Ithaca Aug. 3. That number is 607/277-3097.⁵ We regret the errors.

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