

Obituaries

Deacon Stanley Zawacki, suddenly, at 55

WEBSTER — Stanley T. Zawacki's boundless faith and energy were so extraordinary that they left even his fellow deacons humbled.

"I watched in amazement as Stan surpassed anything I was doing," remarked Deacon Leo Kester, recalling the days he and his friend spent in the diocesan permanent-diaconate program in the early 1980s.

"Typically for Stan, he was leading and I was following," said Deacon Bill Schmitz, who originally met Deacon Zawacki 20 years ago when they worked together at Xerox Corporation.

Both deacons made these remarks to a congregation that filled Holy Trinity Church on Wednesday, June 29, for Deacon Zawacki's Mass of Christian Burial.

Deacon Zawacki died suddenly of a heart attack on June 25, at the age of 55. His death was a shock for the many



who knew him through his involvement in a multitude of Catholic organizations.

A native of Brooklyn, Deacon Zawacki was a 1968 graduate of C.W. Post College and had worked for Xerox since 1970.

He became a part of history on April 17, 1982, when he was ordained in the diocese's first class of permanent deacons. He balanced his duties as deacon with his role as community-relations manager for Xerox.

Prior to his entry into the diaconate program, Deacon Zawacki and his wife, Veronica, were active participants in Marriage Encounter, Cursillo, the Charismatic Renewal and youth ministry through the Holy Trinity parish.

Deacon Zawacki was a fourth-degree Knight and past Grand Knight in Webster's Knights of Columbus Trinity Council 4618, as well as a member of such community organizations as the Rotary Club and the Webster Chamber of Commerce. He also served on the board of St. Joseph's Villa, School of the Holy Childhood and the State Agricultural

and Industrial School at Industry, N.Y.

Yet the work he and his wife became most noted for was their untiring effort in prison ministry. They participated in the Residents Encounter Christ Program at 17 different prisons.

Bishop Matthew H. Clark, who celebrated Deacon Zawacki's Mass of Christian Burial, recalled the "many wonderful Christmas mornings I was able to spend with Stan" at the Monroe County Jail, where Deacon Zawacki served as a chaplain.

In addition to his wife, Deacon Zawacki is survived by his children and their spouses, Joanne and Thomas Sharpe, Stanley and Deborah Zawacki, Christine and Kent Peckham, and Michael, Stephen, Traci and Teresa Zawacki; his mother, Helen; seven grandchildren; sister and brother-in-law Carol and Kenneth Levinson; nieces, aunts, uncles; and cousins.

Interment was at Holy Trinity Cemetery.

— Mike Latona

Fr. Bertrand Scully, OFM; was pastor

Father Bertrand Scully, pastor of Interlaken's St. Francis Solanus Parish from 1973-78, died Sunday, May 15, 1994, after experiencing complications from a heart attack. He was 80 years old.

A native of Yonkers, Father Scully was born on Aug. 15, 1913. He entered the Capuchin Franciscan Order July 21, 1931, at St. Felix Friary in Huntington, Ind. He pronounced his perpetual vows on July 23, 1935, at Mary Immaculate Friary in Garrison, N.Y., and was ordained a priest at St. Mary's Church,

Marathon, Wis., on June 26, 1938.

Following his ordination, Father Scully spent many years teaching and serving as director of Franciscan students. He also served on the Provincial Council and as Provincial Vicar for the New York/New England Capuchin Franciscan Province of St. Mary from 1955-58.

From 1973-78, Father Scully was both pastor of St. Francis Solanus Parish and guardian of St. Fidelis Friary. Between 1978 and 1983, he served for brief periods at several Franciscan communi-

ties, including St. Francis Solanus.

In 1983, Father Scully became chaplain at Immaculate Conception Motherhouse in Hastings, N.Y., where he remained until his death.

Father Scully is survived by three sisters: Mrs. Kathleen Dohan and Mrs. Clare O'Hara, both of Yonkers; and Mrs. Bernadette Weir of Hialeah, Fla.

Donations in memory of Father Scully may be made to the Father Bertrand Scully Memorial Scholarship Burse, 210 W. 31st St., N.Y., N.Y. 10001.

Sr. Mary Knittel, SSND; longtime teacher was 83

Sister Mary Hermina Knittel died Friday, June 3, 1994, at School Sisters of Notre Dame's Motherhouse in Wilton, Ct. She was 83.

A native of Rochester, Sister Hermina was born August 10, 1910. She entered the School Sisters of Notre Dame

from Holy Family Parish, professing her vows Aug. 11, 1933.

Sister Hermina taught for 58 years, serving at the following schools both outside and within the Diocese of Rochester: St. Peter's, Cambridge, Mass. (1933-44); Sacred Heart, Baltimore

(1944-47); St. Michael's, Baltimore (1947-55); Holy Cross, Albany (1955-56); St. Mary's, Albany (1956-62); and St. Margaret Mary, (1962-67), Holy Redeemer, (1967-68) and Holy Ghost (1968-91) schools, all in Rochester.

In 1991, Sister Hermina retired to the motherhouse.

Mass of the Resurrection for Sister Hermina was celebrated June 7, 1994, in the SSND Motherhouse Chapel. Interment was in St. Mary's Cemetery in Bethel, Ct.

Donations in Sister Hermina's memory may be made to the SSND Development Fund, 345 Belden Hill Road, Wilton, Ct. 06897.

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Justice, peace slated
to be institute topics

PAINTED POST — Catholic Charities of the Southern Tier is sponsoring its 1994 Summer Justice and Peace Institute on Saturday, July 16, from 9 a.m.-2:30 p.m. at Watson Homestead Center.

Serving as co-facilitators for the event will be Judy Kiehl, pastoral associate at Holy Trinity Church in Webster; and Matthew Smith, executive director of the Center for Justice in Buffalo.

This institute is open to all people who are active in Catholic parish social ministry, or those who wish to learn more about the Catholic Church's social-justice tradition.

Pre-registration is required. To register, call 607/734-9784.

July 9-10 collection set
to aid E. Europe church

Diocesan parishes will hold collections to aid the church in Central and Eastern Europe at weekend Masses July 9-10.

Money raised from the collection will be used to help Catholics in Central and Eastern Europe as they attempt to rebuild the church abroad.

The U.S. Catholic Church in 1990 began the collections to fund rebuilding projects in the region. Since that time, the collections have raised more than \$17 million.

Holy Rosary seeks
alumni for association

ROCHESTER — Holy Rosary Parish is currently seeking graduates of its school in order to create an active alumni association. If you are a graduate or know the whereabouts of one, please contact the school office at 716/254-8180, or write to 420 Lexington Ave., Rochester, N.Y. 14613.

Discount tickets offered
for Catholic Family Day

Discount tickets are currently available for Rochester Catholic Family Day, set for Wednesday, July 13, at Darien Lake Theme Park.

Tickets can be purchased for \$11. For details, contact your parish representative or call Jeanie Raisbeck at 716/328-3210 or 800/388-7177.

Camp needs seniors

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