

# DIOCESAN NEWS

## Obituaries

### Father Joseph Hogan; Corning pastor

Father Joseph F. Hogan, pastor of St. Vincent de Paul Parish in Corning from 1964 to 1983, died March 22, 1996, at St. Joseph's Hospital, Elmira, after a long illness.

Father Hogan was 82.

A Waverly native, Father Hogan was born April 3, 1913, to the late Frank and Margaret O'Neill Hogan. He attended St. Andrew's and St. Bernard's seminaries, and was ordained a priest by then-Bishop of Rochester James E. Kearney at Sacred Heart Cathedral May 18, 1940.

Following his ordination, Father Hogan served as assistant pastor at St. Michael's Parish, Penn Yan (1940-43); St. Patrick's Parish, Elmira (1943-45); St. Patrick's Parish, Owego (1947-53); and St. Stephen's Parish, Geneva (1953-55).

From 1945 to 1947, Father Hogan served as procurator — or business manager — at St. Bernard's Seminary, and beginning in 1955, spent six years as chaplain at Notre Dame High School, Elmira. In 1961, he was named pastor of St. Mary's of the Lake Parish, Watkins Glen, remaining there until his appointment as pastor of St. Vincent de Paul's Parish in 1964.

Bishop Dennis W. Hickey, who celebrated the funeral Mass for Father



Hogan March 26 at St. Patrick's Church, Elmira, noted that the late priest "had a facility of empathizing with people in every circumstance. This was especially evident during the 1972 flood which devastated St. Vincent's parish. He was a leader in the recovery effort."

After retiring from active ministry in 1983, Father Hogan assisted at St. Patrick's Church, Elmira.

"He really took on the work of a full-

time assistant," recalled Father Daniel F. Holland, currently pastor of St. Theodore's Parish in Gates, but the pastor of St. Patrick's during Father Hogan's retirement years there. "He was a wonder."

During his time at St. Patrick's, Father Hogan was able to re-establish contact with people who had been students at Notre Dame during his chaplaincy 20 years earlier, Father Holland said. The retired priest also regularly visited the school and the convent of the School Sisters of Notre Dame who served there.

Overall, Father Hogan was a joy to have in the parish, Father Holland noted. "He was very gentle, in the best sense of the word," Father Holland said. "He was compassionate to all the people."

Father Hogan remained at St. Patrick's Parish until 1990, when he entered the Green Meadow Nursing Home in Painted Post. He moved to St. Joseph's Hospital in 1993, residing there until his death.

Father Hogan is survived by a sister and brother-in-law, Marguerite and John Conroy of Waverly; a brother-in-law, John Hennessy of Herndon, Va.; and by nieces, nephews, grandnieces and grand-nephews. He was predeceased by his sister, Rita Hennessy.

—Lee Strong

### Wegman fund to provide aid for AQ tuition

Robert B. Wegman, chairman of Wegmans Food Markets, Inc., has initiated a fund to provide tuition assistance at Aquinas Institute.

The commitment, announced in early March, is expected to exceed \$500,000 over the next four years.

According to Patrick A. Hanley, president of the Catholic high school, the program will begin in September. This funding is available for both current and incoming Aquinas students.

Financial aid, Hanley noted, will be available to at least 40 percent of Aquinas students as a result of the gift. Only 30 percent of students were offered tuition assistance in 1995-96.

"What we hope will be that the Wegman gift will encourage people who might otherwise say, 'Well, private Catholic education is beyond our financial means.' This will take that barrier away," Hanley remarked.

This gift is the second major contribution to Aquinas by Wegman in recent years. He also donated \$2 million toward construction of the Wegman-Napier Center, a science and athletic facility opened in March 1994.

Hanley commented that Wegman, a 1957 Aquinas graduate, "loved his time here. He's just very, very convinced of the mission and tradition of the school, and the value and vitality of Catholic education."

In addition to the Aquinas gifts, Wegman and his wife, Peggy, launched a tuition program last summer to provide \$25 million over 10 years for children attending six Catholic schools in Rochester's inner city.

### Refugee program seeks resettlement volunteers

ROCHESTER — Catholic Family Center's Refugee Resettlement Program needs volunteers to help resettle refugees from Bosnia, Cuba, Ukraine and Vietnam.

There are no financial, legal or language requirements. Volunteers must have their own transportation and be able to devote four hours a week to assist refugees with appointments and to provide companionship.

For information, call Jim Delaney at 716/262-7074 or 262-7076.

### Former seminary plans gathering for graduates

Alumni are being sought for a summer reunion for the former St. Mary's College Seminary in St. Mary's, Ky.

A gathering is scheduled for July 26-28, 1996, to commemorate the 175th anniversary of the institution's founding. The college closed in 1977.

St. Mary's alumni are requested to call Father Terry Lawler at 908/257-0077 or John Poland at 410/850-0868. Poland can also be contacted by mail at 300 Eva Ave., Linthicum Heights, MD 21090.

### Parish offers openings for perpetual adoration

GATES — Perpetual adoration of the Eucharist is taking place at the former convent of St. Theodore's Parish, 229 Spencerport Road. Participants are needed to spend one hour with the Blessed Sacrament, which is exhibited 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Interested people may call 716/429-6159 or 429-6095.

### Marie Lynch, 59; former St. Paul's DRE

Marie Lynch, a literature teacher at Martha Brown Junior High School in Fairport, and former director of religious education at St. Paul's Parish in Webster, died Jan. 24, 1996, following a short illness. She was 59.

Born in Rochester, Lynch attended St. Thomas the Apostle School in Irondequoit and Our Lady of Mercy High School in Brighton.

She entered the Sisters of Mercy in 1955, becoming known as Sister Mary Sean. She taught at St. Joseph's School in Penfield, St. John the Evangelist School in Rochester, Holy Family School in Auburn, and St. Patrick's School in Elmira.

She served on the first Mercy Sisters'

senate, and was a member of the singing group, "The Shanachie Sisters."

In 1968, Sister Mary Sean became the director of religious education at the newly founded St. Paul's Parish in Webster, a position she held until 1973. She was one of the first people in the diocese to use the "DRE" title.

Father John T. Walsh, pastor of St. Paul's 1967-88, noted that she was an innovative catechist who insisted on including the parish's families in the religious education process.

"She was an excellent teacher," Father Walsh said.

Lynch left the Mercy Sisters in 1972, and accepted her teaching position in Fairport in 1973.

She was predeceased by her mother, Kathryn Faux, of Peterborough, Ontario, Canada. She is survived by her stepfather, Charles Faux, of Peterborough, aunts and uncles and many devoted friends.

A funeral Mass was celebrated Jan. 27 at St. Paul's, by Father Walsh, Father Raymond Booth (St. Paul's current pastor), and Father L. John Hedges. Father Walsh and Sister Mary Sullivan, RSM, spoke at the Mass.

Interment was to take place April 27 in St. Joseph's Cemetery in Penfield.

—Rob Cullivan

### Sr. Cyrille Powell, Rochester teacher

Sister Mary Cyrille Powell, SSND, died Feb. 17, 1996, at the age of 90.

Born in Rochester, she entered the School Sisters of Notre Dame from Immaculate Conception Church and made her profession in 1944.

Sister Cyrille served as a teacher and secretary for institutions in Baltimore; Buffalo; Demarest, N.J.; and Rochester, where she taught at St. Joseph High School (1954-56 and 1963-66), and at Bishop Kearney High School (1966-71).

A funeral Mass for Sister Cyrille was celebrated Feb. 20 at the SSND Motherhouse Chapel in Wilton, Conn. Interment was at St. Mary Cemetery, Bethel, Conn. Donations in Sister Cyrille's memory are being accepted by the SSND Development Fund, 345 Belden Hill Road, Wilton, CT 06897.

### Sister Mary Alida Ford, SSND; 81

Sister Mary Alida Ford, SSND, who taught at St. Michael's School in Rochester from 1934 to 1945, died Jan. 26, 1996, in Wilton, Conn. She was 81.

A native of Malden, Mass., Sister Alida professed her vows as a School Sister of Notre Dame in August 1934. She spent most of her adult life in Catholic education, starting out in Rochester, and serv-

ing as a school principal in New York, Connecticut, Maryland and New Hampshire. She retired in 1986.

A funeral Mass was celebrated Jan. 30 in the School Sisters of Notre Dame Chapel in Wilton. Interment took place at St. Mary Cemetery in Bethel, Conn.

Donations in memory of Sister Alida may be made to the SSND Development Fund, 345 Belden Hill Road, Wilton, CT 06897.

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### Kids' Answers—from page 16

- Order of events
2. Jesus is born.
  3. Jesus says he will suffer.
  5. The sermon on the mount.
  6. Jesus teaches about prayer.
  1. An angel appears to Joseph.
  7. John the Baptist dies.
  9. The Last Supper.
  4. Jesus calls Peter and Andrew.
  10. Mary visits Jesus' tomb.
  3. Jesus is baptized.

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