DIOCESAN NEWS

CFC to take fingerprints for immigrants, refugees

ROCHESTER - Catholic Family Center, 25 Franklin St., has been authorized by the U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service to take fingerprints of persons 14 years of age and older who wish to file INS applications, petitions and forms.

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The price of the service is \$13 for each fingerprint card. Fingerprinting hours at CFC are by appointment only, on Wednesdays from 1 to 4 p.m. Appointments may be made by calling 716/262-7074. Applicants must take with them proper INS or other government-issued photographic identification.

Jim Delaney, CFC's Refugee Program manager, said the fingerprints are sent to the INS, which sends them to the Federal Bureau of Investigation for verification. Fingerprints are necessary to identify refugees and immigrants seeking visas, permanent resident status, requests for asylum and applications for naturalization, he said.

The INS has recently farmed out fingerprinting services to a variety of private agencies, Delaney added. "It takes the load off INS," he said.

-Rob Gullivan

Victor parish center sets Aug. 7 tours, dedication

VICTOR — St. Patrick's Church in Victor will dedicate its new parish center Wednesday, Aug. 7, beginning with tours from 7 to 8 p.m. Bishop Matthew H. Clark will preside over the dedication ceremony at 8 p.m. A social hour will follow.

The event is open to the public.
The new building, at 115 Maple Ave, was designed to complement the 71-year-old church building to which it is attached.

Summer religious education programs have already begun in the center.

Play reaches out to youth

ROCHESTER — "Baptized in Love," a play based on the experiences of a priest who reached out to a notorious gang member, will be performed Aug. 9-11 at the Freddie Thomas Foundation, 1180 E. Main St., Rochester,

The play's purpose is to reach out to youth at risk, according to writer Camille Fadia of Rochester. She has invited local dignitaries and other guests to an Aug. 8 premiere.

Several churches, businesses and groups are sponsoring tickets for at least 300 inner-city youth, according to Fadia.

The play is being directed by Carl Wager, who directed Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dream Coat last spring at Theater on the Ridge Cast members include Tim Page, who has a gang ministry in Los Angeles, other visiting actors and local actors.

Times are 7 p.m. Aug. 9 and 10, and 5 p.m. Aug. 11. Ticket prices are \$25 for the premiere; for other performances, \$10 for adults, \$7 for adults over 60, and \$4 for children under 17.

Tickets may be ordered by writing Michaelangelo Productions Inc., c/o Camille Fadia, 36-D Georgetown Drive, Rochester, NY 14617. Further information is available from Fadia at 716/342-1562.

St. Mary's links layoffs to finances

St. Mary's Hospital of Rochester laid off 18 employees July 18 and 19 and has acknowledged it may have to close or consolidate some units.

The "staff reduction" came just days after the announcement that the hospital would receive the prestigious Foster G. McGaw award for its community work.

"It's directly related to a trend that is happening throughout this city, and nationally as well," said Margy Riemer, manager of public affairs and marketing, of the layoffs. "That is, decreasing hospital admission rates and shorter length of stays, which translates into decreasing income for the hospitals.

"At this point we don't know what the future impact on staffing will be. We do anticipate closing or consolidating some units," she said.

Hospital officials have not determined which units will be affected, Riemer added.

She also indicated that the layoffs will not affect the community programs for which the hospital is being honored.

The layoffs were across the board, she said. They included secretaries, admissions staff, purchasing personnel and some clinical workers, but no nursing



ST. MARY'S HOSPITAL

staff. The hospital now has 1,706 full-and part-time employees.

The 218-bed hospital has an occupancy rate of about 69 percent, the Riemer

Diane Ashley, of the Rochester Regional Hospital Association — which advocates for hospitals in nine counties around Rochester — said that uncertainty is common in this time of changing health-care delivery. And, she noted, that while it isn't clear if downsizing will be common, institutions will definitely be retraining and redirecting their efforts.

"(Health-care delivery) is going to

change drastically the next few years," she said. That's largely because New York has been behind the rest of the country in moving into a "market-driven" system, away from government regulation, she said. Also, with the increase in managed care, she said, the focus of health care is to move toward keeping people well and reducing their need for hospital care.

St. Mary's has been moving toward such a different health-care model through establishing outreach programs and services in the community. Those programs include a primary-care network in underserved neighborhoods, Healthy Moms, Healthcare for Homeless People, psychiatry satellites and Cameron Community Health Center.

In recognition of that outreach work, St. Mary's will receive the 1996 McGaw award Aug. 5 at the American Hospital Association convention in Philadelphia. The award is being co-presented by the Baxter Foundation.

"I think St. Mary's receiving the award underscores the work we do in the community and reinforces our commitment to staying viable and continuing that work," Riemer remarked.

-Kathleen Schwar

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DIOCESAN APPOINTMENTS

The following are recent diocesan appointments not cited in earlier lists. Appointments were ef-

fective June 26, unless otherwise noted.

Priest Administrator/ Temporary Administrator

Father Daniel W. Heintz, priest administrator of St. Joachim Church, Canisteo, and St. Mary Church, Rexville, from temporary administrator, St. Mary Church, Dansville.

Father Timothy E. Horan, temporary administrator, St. Philip Neri Church, Rochester, concurrent with duties as pastor of St. Andrew Church, Rochester.

Father Eugene O'Hara, OFM Cap., temporary administrator, St. James the Apostle Church, Trumansburg, from outside the diocese.

Father Mitchell Zygadlo, temporary administrator and sabbatical assistance minister at St. Stanislaus Church and St. Theresa Church, Rochester, from parochial vicar, Our Mother of Sorrows Church, Greece.

Sacramental Ministers/ Assisting Priests/ Priest Moderator

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Father Robert J. Kennedy, assisting priest, Church of the Good Shepherd, Henrietta, concurrent with responsibilities at St. Bernard's Institute.

Father Kevin E. McKenna, sacramental minister, St. Mary of the Assumption Church, Scottsville, concurrent with duties as diocesan director of legal services and chancellor.

Father Robert P. Ring, sacramental minister, Guardian Angels Church, Henrietta, priest moderator, St. Mary of the Assumption Church, Scottsville, concurrent with duties as priest personnel director.

Father Louis A. Sirianni, assisting priest, Guardian Angels Church, Henrietta, concurrent with position as judicial vicar in the diocesan Tribunal Office.

Parochial Vicars

Father Paul A. Bonacci, Immaculate Conception Church, Ithaca, from parochial vicar, Corning-Painted Post Roman Catholic Community.

Father Peter Enyan-Boadu, Church of the Holy Cross, Rochester, from parochial vicar, Roman Catholic Community of the 19th Ward, effective Aug. 1.

Father Paul Walsh, Church of the Assumption, Fairport, from outside the diocese.

Chaplain

Father William Onuh, part-time

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Catholic chaplain, Monroe Community Hospital, Rochester, from assisting priest, St. Thomas More Church, Rochester.

Sabbaticals

Father Andrew Grzela, American College, Catholic University of Louvain, Belgium, from pastor, St. Stanislaus Church, Rochester.

Father Gerard M. Hafner, Israel Program, through the Catholic Theological Union, Chicago, from pastor, St. Columba Church, Caledonia, and St. Patrick Church, Mumford, effective Aug. 1.

Father Jeremiah P. Moynihan, Center for Continuing Formation in Ministry, University of Notre Dame, Notre Dame, Ind., from pastor, St. Ignatius Loyola Church, Hornell, effective Sept. 1.

Other

Father Victor W. Bartolotta, to chaplain, Bishop Lynch High School, Dallas, Texas, from parochial vicar, St. Pius Tenth Church, Chili.

Fr. Thomas Brennan dies

As it was going to press, the Catholic Courier learned that Father Thomas F. Brennan, retired pastor of St. Mary's Parish, Corning, died July 30. The paper will run an obituary Aug. 8.

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