

He served as assistant pastor at St. Mary's in Canandaigua from 1954-58. He was assistant pastor at St. Joseph's in Cayuga and its mission parish of St. Aloysius in Auburn for six months in the summer of 1958, and while he was there he also served as chaplain of Auburn Correctional Facility. In October 1958 he became assistant pastor at St. Andrew's in Rochester, where he stayed for three months.

Father Rosse became chaplain at St. Mary's Hospital in 1959 and served the hospital community for almost 25 years. While he was chaplain, he also taught religion and medical ethics at St. Mary's School of Nursing and was chaplain at the Monroe County Jail.

"Not only did you take care of the spiritual needs of the patients, but you also had a great deal to do with the staff — the medical staff, the nursing staff, the auxiliary staff. You took care of all those needs, their spiritual needs. It was a full job and it was very interesting," Father Rosse said.

In 1983, Father Rosse was named pastor of Holy Name of Jesus in Rochester, where he remained until his retirement in 1998. After he retired, he took up residence at St. Margaret Mary's in Irondequoit, where he helps celebrate the sacraments.

25 YEARS



Father Michael J. Bausch, pastor of Pittsford's Church of the Transfiguration, grew up in St. Mary's Parish in Batavia, and studied at St. Bernard's Seminary in Rochester. He was ordained on April 27, 1979, by Bishop Joseph L. Hogan at St. Ann's Church in Hornell.

He served as priest intern at St. Patrick's in Seneca Falls from 1979-82; co-chaplain at Strong Memorial Hospital from 1982-83; and director

of the Southern Tier Office of Social Ministry (now Catholic Charities of the Southern Tier) from 1983-85. In 1985, he was named director of the Genesee Valley Office of Social Ministry (now Catholic Family Center). He had been involved in social-work ministry prior to his ordination and wanted to continue that work as a priest, he said.

"I wanted to work more directly with the social Gospel, and there was fortunately an opening at that time," Father Bausch said.

In 1988, Father Bausch was assigned to his first pastorate at St. Helen's in Gates. He remained there until 1994, when he became pastor of Henrietta's Church of the Good Shepherd. Father Bausch was assigned to his current pastorate in June 2002.

"I am extremely grateful for the many people who have passed through my life and blessed my life in my time in ministry," Father Bausch said.



Father Thomas Celso grew up in St. Michael's Parish in Newark. He attended Becket Hall, as well as St. Andrew's and St. Bernard's seminaries, all in Rochester. He was ordained on March 9, 1979, by Bishop Joseph L. Hogan at St. Thomas the Apostle Church in Rochester.

Father Celso served as assistant pastor of Sacred Heart in Auburn and St. Ann's in Owasco from 1979-80; St. Francis DeSales in Geneva from 1980-82; and St. John the Evangelist in Spencerport from 1982-85; parochial vicar at St. Mary's in Canandaigua from 1985-88; priest-in-residence at St. Mary's in Bath for five months in 1988; and priest-in-residence at Blessed Sacrament in Rochester from 1988-95. In 1995, Father Celso was sent outside the diocese on a special assignment having to do with the movement to beatify Luisa Piccaretta.



Father Timothy Horan, pastor of St. Margaret Mary Parish in Irondequoit, was born in Akron, Ohio. He attended Becket Hall and St. Bernard's Seminary in Rochester and was ordained by Bishop Joseph L. Hogan at St. Pius Tenth Church in Chili on May 11, 1979.

Father Horan served as assistant pastor at Church of the Assumption in Fairport from 1979-82; associate pastor of Holy Rosary in Rochester from 1982-87; parochial vicar at St. Michael's in Newark from 1987-93; and pastor of St. Andrew's in Rochester from 1993-2001 as well as pastor of St. Philip Neri in Rochester. He became pastor of St. Margaret Mary in 2001, and in December 2003, he was appointed diocesan director of priestly vocations awareness.

Father Horan said he has enjoyed his vocation, and finds representing Christ in the sacraments and preaching for God's people to be especially rewarding.

"There have been many, many moments when I've realized that this is exactly why I became a priest," he said.

Father Robert Werth, originally from St. Charles Borromeo Parish in Greece, didn't always know he wanted to be a priest. After finish-

ing graduate school, he was a social worker for five years before realizing that he wanted and was being called to something more.



"I felt as a social worker that I was serving too few people. Look what I can reach in 35 hours on this job, look what you can reach in one Mass," he said. "I did all I could do as a lay person, and I felt called to leadership in the church."

Father Werth enrolled in St. Bernard's Seminary in Rochester, and was ordained at Rochester's St. Andrew's Church on May 25, 1979, by Auxiliary Bishop Thomas Costello of the Diocese of Syracuse.

Father Werth served as priest intern at St. Andrew's until September 1979; priest intern at St. Mary's in Auburn from 1979-82; assistant pastor at St. Ambrose in Rochester from 1982-83; pastor of St. Bridget in Rochester from 1983-92; co-administrator of St. Michael's in Rochester for six months in 1992. That year, he began his current position as pastor of the Roman Catholic Community of the 19th Ward. He has also served as chaplain for Nazareth Hall Middle School since 1992 and has been pastoral moderator at Ss. Peter and Paul in Rochester since 2000.

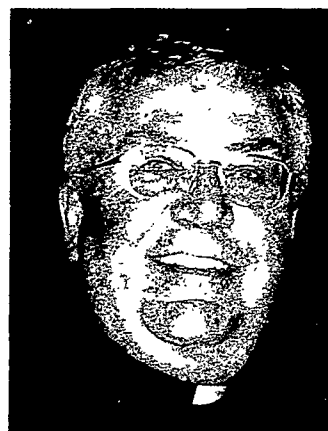
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Blessings and Love to
FR. ROBERT THOMAS WERTH
as he celebrates his
25TH YEAR
AS A PRIEST
in the Rochester Diocese.

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OF THE 19TH WARD (OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL,
ST. AUGUSTINE'S, ST. MONICA'S) AND
SS. PETER AND PAUL AND EMMANUEL CHURCH OF THE DEAF

*We celebrate you,
Fr. Mike!*



*Thank you for
sharing your journey with us.*

*Happy 25th Anniversary
of your Priesthood.*

*In Peace,
Your Staff and Transfiguration Family*