

DEATHS IN THE DIOCESE

# Andrew J. Hamrock, 84, was Campbell city, Slovak official

Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated Aug. 6 at St. Elizabeth Parish in Campbell, for Andrew J. Hamrock, 84, of 61 Woodland Ave., former Campbell public official and officer in Slovak organizations. He died of a heart ailment Aug. 2 at the Meridian Arms Living Center.

Mr. Hamrock was the mayor of Campbell from 1942 to 1945 and in the 30's had been clerk of council, safety-service director and auditor. He was also deputy clerk of Mahoning County Courts, named the city's first Urban Renewal director and worked with the Mahoning County Engineers office until he retired in 1980.

His wife, the former Agnes L. Borza, whom he married Oct. 14, 1931 died Feb. 8, 1986. He is survived by a daughter; Mrs. Carol Ann Mingo, Campbell; a son, Gerald G. of Boardman; and three grandchildren.

Besides his wife he is also preceded in death by five brothers, Msgr. John Hamrak, Joseph, George, Stephen and Michael, and five sisters, Mrs. Catherine Baytos, Mrs. Ann Ludertovic, Misses Mary, Sophie and Susan Hamrock.

Mr. Hamrock was born Oct. 9, 1905, in Youngstown, the son of George and Mary Sonoga Hamrak and moved to Campbell as a child. He was a member of St. Elizabeth parish, its Holy Name Society, and Infant Jesus of Prague Guilds. He was also a church councilman and chairman of its festival committee.

Mr. Hamrock was the secretary of Branch 260 of Men's Catholic Jednota and a member of Branch 159 of the Men's Sokols, Baseball Oldtimers. He was also secretary and treasurer of the Slovak Club of Campbell and served as president of the Fraternal Order of Police Association.

He graduated from St. Procopius Academy in Lisle, Ill., received a degree in business administration from St. Procopius College also in Lisle, Ill. He attended St. Louis U. School of Medicine.

**FR. RAYMOND MARCIANO**

Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated Aug 11 in St. Rocco Church, Cleveland for Our

Lady of Mercy Father Raymond Marciano, 98, formerly a resident of Girard, Ohio. He died Aug. 6 at St. Raymond Nonnatus Seminary, LeRoy, N.Y. where he had lived in retirement.

Father Marciano was born Sept. 17, 1891, in Reggio, Calabria, Italy. He was the son of Paul and Elizabeth Battaglia Marciano. He attended Girard schools and was a 1936 graduate of St. Charles Seminary in Baltimore.

He served parishes in the Cleveland and LeRoy areas and remained active in his retirement at the St. Raymond Nonnatus Seminary in LeRoy. His golden jubilee was celebrated in Sept. 1986.

Among others he is survived by nine nephews and four nieces. A brother Anthony, and a sister Mrs. Antonia Olivia, are deceased.

**DR. GUY I. NICOLETTE**

A Mass of Christian Burial was offered July 28 at St. Patrick Church, Leetonia for Dr. Guy I Nicolette, D.D.S., 81, of 638 Columbia St. who died July 26 of congestive heart failure.

He was born Sept. 9, 1908 in Leetonia, the son of Charles and Maria Ricci Nicolette. He was a lifetime resident of Leetonia. Following graduation from Leetonia High School, he earned undergraduate and doctor of dentistry degrees from Pittsburgh U.

In 1932 he opened his office in Leetonia. He went into partnership with his brother, Dr. Arthur Nicolette, in a Boardman location. He returned to his Leetonia practice in 1957 and retired in 1986.

Dr. Nicolette was a member of numerous organizations including: Odontological Society of Western Pennsylvania, Pierre Fauchard Academy, Ohio and American Dental Assoc., President's Club of Ohio State U. and the Charter Council of Pittsburgh U. He served for 17 years on the Leetonia Board of Education and four years on Leetonia Village Council. He was honored for 50 years of service by the Corydon Palmer Dental Society in 1982.

Survivors include his wife the former Mary M. Carey, whom he married Oct. 14, 1936; two daughters, Mrs. Ann Michele Roberts of Pittsburgh, and Dr. Jeanne Nicolette, D.D.S.;

a son, Dr. Charles Nicolette, M.D. of Odessa, Texas; five sisters, Joan Guerrier, Jense Nicolette and Julia Feyock, all of Leetonia, Ann Lavelle of Salem, and Mrs. Carmen Riise of LaCanada, Calif.; two brothers, Anthony of Downers Grove, Ill., and Dr. George Nicolette of Sarasota, Fla.; and four grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by a brother Dr. Arthur Nicolette.

**ALLIANCE**

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HOLY NAME: Joseph Monaco, 83, Austinwoods Nursing Home, Austintown  
OUR LADY OF HUNGARY: Mark Hanson, 28, 2613 Fletcher Ave. N.E.

SS. PETER AND PAUL: John W. Litch, 76, 400 Coitsville Rd., Campbell  
SACRED HEART: Mrs. Kathryn Delick, 78, 148 Lincoln Park Dr.

## Vatican sends condolences on Kreisky's death

VATICAN CITY (CNS) -- The Vatican secretary of state sent a telegram to Austria's chancellor offering condolences on the death of former Chancellor Bruno Kreisky. The telegram from Cardinal Agostino Casaroli was sent to Chancellor Franz Vranitzky Aug. 7, the day of Kreisky's funeral in Vienna, Austria. It described the former Austrian leader as an important contributor to "the politics of international solidarity," according to the Aug. 9 edition of L'Osservatore Romano, the Vatican newspaper. Kreisky died July 29 at the age of 79. He led the Austrian government from 1970 to 1983, causing controversy and garnering praise for his support of Palestinian self-determination, pan-European cooperation and dialog between the developed countries of the North and the developing nations of the South.

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This photograph of the original St. Stephen of Hungary Parish was taken at the close of World War I.

**BY MARY SEGRETARIO**  
Special to the Exponent

People travel to St. Stephen of Hungary Parish in Youngstown from all over the area to share in an abundance of love, dedication to God, ethnic pride, humor and a sense of family. A majority of the 380 families who belong to the parish live as far away as Columbiana, Boardman, Austintown, Struthers and Campbell.

"We come here because we want to, not because it's close to home. We make an effort," said **Ruth Fabian**, a grandmother and life-time parishioner. Her mother **Margaret Nagy Burnett**, is still a parishioner, as are

her daughter and granddaughters, **Mrs. Mary Rose Purton** of Austintown, Julie age 15, and Gloria age 9.

"We're Hungarian and proud to be part of St. Stephen," said Mrs. Fabian, adding, "When I was a child, my family used to walk from Brownlee Woods, across the Center Street Bridge and down Wilson Avenue to go to Mass on Sunday."

As the parish prepares to celebrate its 85th anniversary, a number of members and staff shared, in an Exponent interview, what the parish means to them. (The anniversary celebration will take place Aug. 19. A special Mass will be offered at 3:30 p.m. After Mass,

a dinner will be held at the Saxon Club on Meridian Road in Austintown.)

**Alice Smith** said her husband, **Steve**, "was raised here and his family were among the [parish] founders. I used to come [to the parish] every Christmas. Then I came more often. We felt comfortable and pretty soon we were members. It's just like a family here."

**Mary Eileen Vrabel**, who is parish liturgical coordinator and affectionately known as "Mary I" also remarked about the sense of community and family at St. Stephen. "Everyone stays and talks forever. They never want to go home after Mass."

Part of Mrs. Vrabel's job is to coordinate

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Ms. Horvath



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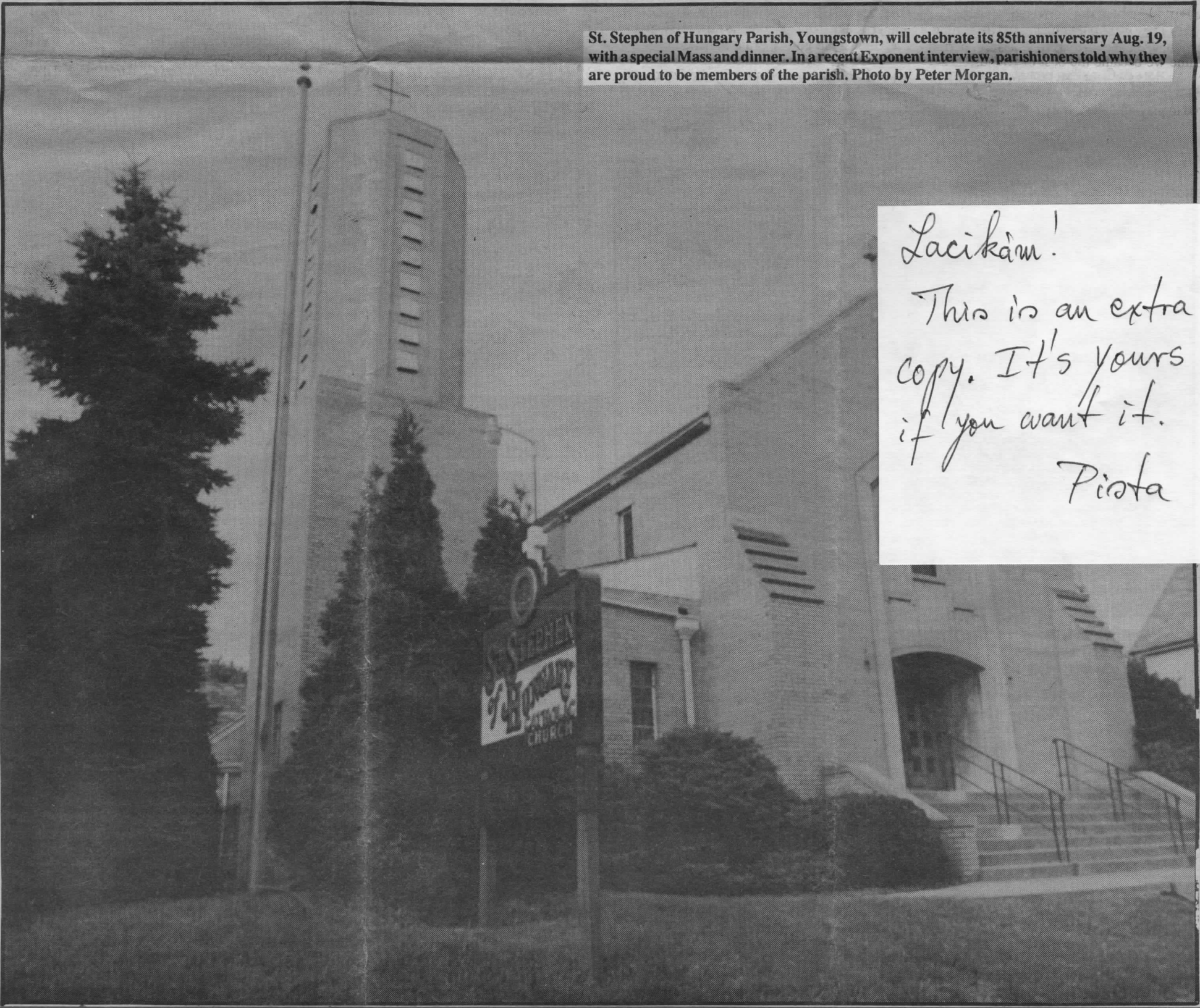
parish functions and social events, so, she needs many people to help her. "My job is to get people involved. Very seldom does anyone ever say 'no.' Every organization we have is strong. The members are very dedicated to their cause," said Mrs. Vrabel.

St. Stephen of Hungary has approximately 23 active organizations which range from choir and Adult Religious Education to the Altar Society and Liturgy Committee.

Other parish programs are dedicated to making food baskets for less fortunate members at Christmas and Easter, helping shut-ins, and consoling parishioners after there is a death in the family. The parishioners also contribute to voter registration, the Red Cross bank, and St. Vincent de Paul Society. Also, Mrs. Smith coordinates a parish job bank. She said she has helped place 14 people in jobs thus far. She also writes and publishes a quarterly parish newsletter.

Mrs. Vrabel said every time any of the members of an organization meet it is a time of celebration. "We make a celebration no matter

St. Stephen of Hungary Parish, Youngstown, will celebrate its 85th anniversary Aug. 19, with a special Mass and dinner. In a recent Exponent interview, parishioners told why they are proud to be members of the parish. Photo by Peter Morgan.



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# STEPHEN OF HUNGARY:

## Christian heritage is still vital after 85 years



Schauer



Miss Purton



Mrs. Purton



Medvez



Novak



Mrs. Fabian

what we do. ... Even the parish retreat day is looked at as a celebration. And of course. ... when we celebrate we eat!"

To be sure, most of the parish events have a Hungarian flavor. The annual parish picnic, held on the second Sunday of July, features two live bands -- one playing Hungarian favorites, the other Slovenian polkas. There are games for the children and plenty of ethnic food.

Paula Horvath, a parishioner who lives on the south side of Youngstown, added, "We try to get active when it comes to Hungarian heritage. Any event that comes from out of town here like ensembles from Hungary ... we're part of it. We may bake or take part in the publicity."

Recently, some parishioners opened their homes to children from the Piccoli Archi Orchestra and Chorus of Hungary. The group was touring the U.S. to raise money for the Hungarian Heart Foundation. Julie Purton, said she became good friends with 15-year-old Ildiko Hadnazili from Nyiregyhaza, Hungary. Ildiko and her 11-year-old brother Daniel stayed with the Purton family for three days.

"They were both quiet at the beginning. Then they opened up to us. In that short period of time we became the best of friends," said Julie. Julie's younger sister Gloria said she had a lot of fun playing with Daniel. He especially liked to play with the family's Nintendo games.

When there isn't any out-of-town Hungarian entertainment, the parishioners can always enjoy the "St. Stephen of Hungary Dance Group." Ruth Fabian is the dance teacher and creator of the ethnic costumes that the dancers wear. The dancing troupe performs at least six times a year at events such as the Canfield Fair and Heritage Day at Youngstown State U. Or they may brighten someone's day by performing for residents in a nursing home.

Even though St. Stephen is an ethnic parish, Mary Vrabel said members are open to new things. "People get the idea that ethnic churches are closed (to non-parishioners), but we're not that way here. We've grown to be open especially in the past 10 years," said Mrs. Vrabel. "Twenty years ago who would have ever thought that we would have been exposed to a black Baptist minister preaching, a black choir, or someone playing the bagpipes in the church."

Mrs. Vrabel said one reason the parish is much more open is because it has had five pastors in the last nine years. Even though the

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Deacon Al Medvez

parishioners' greatest wish is for a pastor who will stay for a longer time, Mrs. Vrabel said that each pastor has given them something new. "It's helped us so much to grow and we're richer for the experience. At the same time, every one of them has encouraged and respected our Hungarian traditions."

Mixing the old and the new is one of the things done best at St. Stephen. The parishioners recognize the importance of their young members. For example, every year at First Communion, the parish honors the family with a brunch. Also, at the end of the school year, all CCD students who have just graduated from high school are acknowledged at Mass and

welcomed as adults into the parish community.

Mrs. Purton said her children benefit greatly from the St. Stephen of Hungary community. "I feel like we have more than anyone could ask for ... compared to a larger parish. ... I think our kids feel more special."

Frank Schauer, a parishioner who lives in Columbiana, has belonged to St. Stephen since he arrived from Hungary more than 30 years ago. He said it is good the parish ministers well to its youth because this helps the parish move forward. "We keep our Hungarian heritage and we cater to the youth at the same time. If you try to

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Mary Eileen Vrabel

keep the parish strictly Hungarian it will die out. We have to move with the times so we can keep the parish going," said Schauer.

Besides Schauer, other members also expressed hopes and wishes for the future.

"I'd like to see everyone come home again ... like the way it was 30 years ago ... to see the church packed again," said Mrs. Vrabel.

Deacon Al Medvez, who has been at St. Stephen of Hungary for eight years, said he would like to see more people participate in visiting the sick and ministering to the bereaved families of the parish. He also commented on the unique qualities of the parish: "It really is a family ... closeness ... community. ... It's also very important then that we keep growing as a family community, spiritually and socially."

Even though many of the parishioners are looking forward to a productive future, the upcoming 85th anniversary celebration gives the members a reason to reflect on St. Stephen's proud past.

Schauer and Mrs. Horvath talked about the time that Cardinal Joseph Mindszenty visited the parish on June 3, 1974. (The cardinal had also visited in July of 1947.) Having fled Hungary himself during the revolution against the communists in 1950s, Schauer said he was especially touched by the cardinal's visit. Mindszenty was persecuted in Hungary for his religious beliefs. "It was emotional for Hungarians because [Cardinal Mindszenty] fought for the Catholic churches in Hungary," said Ms. Horvath.

Stephen Novak, a life-time parishioner remembers the groundbreaking for the new church. "We had services at a Romanian church (St. Mary Byz. Rite) on Prospect Street until the new church could be built."

Mrs. Vrabel recalled hearing her grandparents tell stories about how the parishioners collected enough money to build the new church. "People would go house to house and collect quarters, dimes and nickels. ... They struggled to build the church."

St. Stephen of Hungary has had two churches built on its present site. In 1905, Father John Kropacs began to organize the Roman Catholic population of Hungarian descent in Youngstown. He celebrated the first Mass for that group on Dec. 5, 1905 at the Temperance Hall on Franklin Street. On July 10, 1907, Father John Folytan accepted the call as pastor to the young Hungarian parish. The present site of the church and rectory at 854 Wilson Ave. was purchased on Oct. 19, 1907. The church was dedicated on Oct. 30, 1910, by the Msgr. Edward Mears, pastor of St. Co-



**ABOVE: Cardinal Joseph Mindszenty, who fled Hungary during the Communist Revolution in 1956, visited St. Stephen of Hungary Parish in 1947 and again in 1974.**

**BELOW: Picture in the church sacristy depicts from left, the baptism of St. Stephen, the Saint's dedication of Hungary to the Virgin Mary, and the coronation of St. Stephen as Hungary's King.**

lumba, even though the church was not complete.

In the late 1940s the parishioners, realized a need for a new church. So, in 1948 a Building Fund Drive was organized, and on April 20, 1952, Bishop James A. McFadden broke ground for the new church. The new church was built on property adjacent to the old church. The property was originally bought so that a convent could be built there, but the convent was never built. The cornerstone of the new church was laid in a ceremony on June 14, 1953.

In 1956, the old church was razed and a school built on the site but the school never opened. The classrooms were used for religious education classes both for St. Stephen and for St. Rose of Lima Hispanic parish then located on Himrod Street. Currently, the parish rents the facility out to "The Learning Depot," a day care center that buses in inner city children; and the "English Center," which teaches new immigrants the English language. The CCD and Youth Ministry Programs are also held in the school building.

There have been many pastors associated with St. Stephen of Hungary. Father Dezso Torok, a native Hungarian, now pastor of Our Lady of Lourdes, East Palestine, served the parish as associate from 1950 to 1964 and then as pastor until 1981, while also holding the post of director for the Propagation of the Faith. Father Bernard Bonnot, was pastor from 1981 to 1987, while also working as head of the diocesan cable TV and radio apostolate. Father Blaine Pierce, pastor emeritus of St. Paul Parish, Salem, will take over as pastor of St. Stephen's in September. Father Thomas Spisak has served as interim pastor of the parish, since Father Frank Lehnerd's transfer to Edward Parish. Father Spisak, who will move to SS. Cyril and Methodius Parish in Warren, said he has enjoyed his brief stay at St. Stephen. "My being here came as a surprise. It's been a fulfilling experience even if brief. The people have been open, hospitable, and supportive, even though I'm just an interim pastor. It's a good growing experience for me."



## AROUND THE DIOCESE

# Catholic singles slate picnic, new member fete

**YOUNGSTOWN--CATHOLIC ALUMNI CLUB** will attend a Mass and picnic beginning at noon, celebrated by Sacred Heart Father Joseph Viti, club chaplain, on Aug. 26 at the Birch Hill Cabin in Mill Creek Park. A picnic and outdoor activities will follow. Cost is \$6.50 and reservations can be made by calling Rita Jochman or Paula Higgins by Aug. 22.

**MEMBERSHIP DAY EVENT** for Catholic Alumni Club, beginning at 2 p.m. September 1 at the Arco Club (Shady Run Rd.) A buffet dinner will be served at 5 p.m. following indoor and outdoor games, dancing will conclude the event. The event is being held to introduce all those who are single and free to marry in the Catholic Church to the club. The cost is \$17; to confirm reservation, send check to: "CAC", 148 Beechwood Dr., Boardman, O. 44512 by Aug. 30. For more information call Gary Russo at 788-6613

**THE MAHONING UNIT OF THE AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY** will hold a Glow Ball Classic, on Aug. 25 the event will begin with a barbecue buffet dinner at 7 p.m. and at 8:30 the shotgun start for the golfing will begin. Cost is \$30 per person or \$50 per couple, which will include dinner, 2 glow balls and golf. All proceeds from this golfing event go to help the Cancer patients in Mahoning County. For more information call the Mahoning Unit of the American Cancer Society at 788-5048.

**SACRED HEART PADRE PIO PRAYER GROUP** afternoon of prayer will begin at 2:30 p.m. Aug. 19, at Franciscan Friary, 517 South Belle Vista Ave. There will be Rosary, confession and Mass. Following Mass, a taped lesson on prayer by the late Archbishop Sheen will be presented. A social will conclude the day.

**6TH ANNUAL HIKE FOR HEART** will begin at 1 p.m. Sept. 23 (Registration begins at 11:30 a.m.) Proceeds from the hike benefit the

American Heart Assoc. and the Regional Learning Center for Cardiac Life Support at St. Elizabeth Medical Center. Further information about entering the Hike is available by calling 726-5550 or 746-2255 ext. 3346.

**THE ITALIAN AMERICAN WAR VETERANS-CAPT. CHARLES M. MARINO POST 3** will sponsor a spaghetti dinner noon-5 p.m. Aug. 19. Cost is \$4 for adults, \$2.50 for children under 12 years old, free for children under 6.

### Austintown

**ST. JOSEPH PARISH COUNCIL** will meet on Aug. 29 starting with a 6:30 p.m. tureen dinner.

### Boardman

**FRIENDS OF THE BOARDMAN LIBRARY** will hold a book sale 12:30-8 p.m. Aug. 20-21, at the library on 7227 Glenwood

Ave. There will be a variety of books for sale including: cookbooks, craftbooks, reference books, fiction, non-fiction, paperbacks, religious, new text books and magazine. The Friends will welcome any book donations and are collecting them in a box at the entrance of the library.

### PEOPLE

**Jerry Smith** has been recently appointed Administrator of Little Forest Rehabilitation Center, 5665 South Ave., Youngstown. He succeeds Vince Lisi, who resigned to pursue another career in public speaking.

Smith has over 12 years experience in the healthcare field serving recently as the regional vice president for Life Care Centers of America, at Cleveland, Tennessee, where he had supervision of seven nursing centers. He also was a senior administrator for three years with Manor Healthcare Corp.

In addition to his working knowledge of the healthcare arena, Smith attended Ohio State U., Columbus, majoring in business administration and gerontology.

Smith is relocating to the Youngstown area with his wife, Susan and children, Kyann, Mindy and Jenny.

**Chris Infante**, a sophomore at Austintown Fitch High School and member of St. Brendan Parish, will represent Camp Fire on the Ohio State Junior Fair Board. Chris and another male member of Camp Fire are the first males to represent the organization on the board. He is an altar boy, works for Stevens and Sons Concessions, a member of both the Concert and Marching Band of his school, and a 10 year veteran of Camp Fire under the leadership of Mike and Patty Infante.

**Lola Komisin** has been named director of employee education at St. Elizabeth Hospital Medical Center. She replaced Humility Sister Rene' Parman, who retired in May.

Ms. Komisin has been an employee education instructor at the medical center since Oct. of 1987. Before joining St. Elizabeth's, Ms. Komisin was an administrator for health care programs at Penn State U.'s Shenango Valley Campus, Sharon. She also taught development courses at the same university and continues to serve as an adjunct faculty member.

Nationally certified in counseling, Ms. Komisin also is qualified to administer and interpret the Myers-Briggs Type Indicator.

A graduate of Youngstown State U. with a master's degree in counseling education, she also holds a bachelor's degree in psychology from Edinboro U., Pa. She is a doctoral candidate in higher education administration at Akron St. U. and this summer will complete her dissertation on suicidal behaviors in young adults.

Originally from Sharpsville, Pa., Mrs. Komisin and her husband Michael, have two children, Kelly, 16, and Michael, 9. They reside in Hermitage, Pa. She is the daughter of Olivia and Gerald Baron, also of Hermitage.

# Oblate Sisters will staff home for retired Pittsburgh priests

The Oblate Sisters of the Sacred Heart who operate two facilities for retired priests in the Youngstown diocese, will administer another for the Pittsburgh Diocese beginning Sept. 1.

Sisters Teresina Rosa and Isabella Pezone, will administer St. John Vianney Manor, a facility accommodating 31 retired priests of the Diocese of Pittsburgh. The Sisters say they are welcoming the opportunity to broaden their charism of caring for priests.

Sister Teresina Rosa came to the United States from Italy in 1955. She has since earned two master's degrees (from Youngstown State U. and Duquesne U., Pittsburgh) and taught at St. Anthony (Youngstown), Our Lady of Perpetual Help (McDonald), and St. Frances Cabrini



Sister Teresina Rosa



Sister Isabella

(Conneaut) schools. She also taught Italian at St. Anthony and at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, Niles; and C.C.D. and youth ministry in various parishes. She served as director of religious education for youth ministry at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, Youngstown, and has been formation director, local superior and regional delegate of her religious community. She has also been active in the Diocesan Conference of Women Religious.

Sister Isabella came to the United States from Italy in 1974. She is a graduate of Sedes Sapientiae in Rome and holds a bachelor's degree in education from Youngstown State U. She has taught in Rome and Toronto, as well as at Villa Marie Teresa, Hubbard; and St. Anthony (Youngstown) and St. Frances Cabrini (Conneaut) schools.

The order operates Emmaus House at Louisville and another retirement center for priests at the Villa Marie Teresa motherhouse in the Youngstown Diocese

# Sr. Lou Ann professes vows as Oblate

Oblate Sister of the Sacred Heart of Jesus Lou Ann Szematowicz professed her perpetual vows Aug. 12 at St. Anthony Church, Youngstown. Bishop Benedict Franzetta was principal celebrant, assisted by Father John DeMarinis, episcopal vicar for finance and pastor of St. Anthony; and concelebrants Piarist Father Andrew Buechele, rector of the Piarist Fathers House of Studies, Washington, D.C.; Dominican Father Bede Shippy, associate pastor of St. Dominic Parish; and other priests Sister Lou Ann has known in the Youngstown Diocese.



Sister Lou Ann

Father Buechele, who helped Sister Lou Ann discern her vocational call and who had resided in her home parish in Ithaca, N.Y., delivered the homily. Sister Lou Ann's family assisted at the liturgy. Sister M. Assuntina Reale, vicar of the community's Mother General, came from Rome to hear the vows.

Originally from East Aurora, N.Y., Sister Lou Ann moved to Ithaca in 1974, and a job transfer led her to the Youngstown area following a year at Canisius College, Buffalo. She entered the Oblate community in 1981 and took temporary vows in 1984.

She earned an education degree from Youngstown State U. and took religious education courses through the diocese's Ursuline

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