

Redemptionist Father coming to St. Ann's

A unique opportunity will present itself next week at St. Ann's Roman Catholic Church in Penetang when Father Bill Comerford will conduct a mission there.

It will be a unique opportunity indeed for all Christians in that town to help them find their way in today's materialistic and often confusing world by learning how to centre

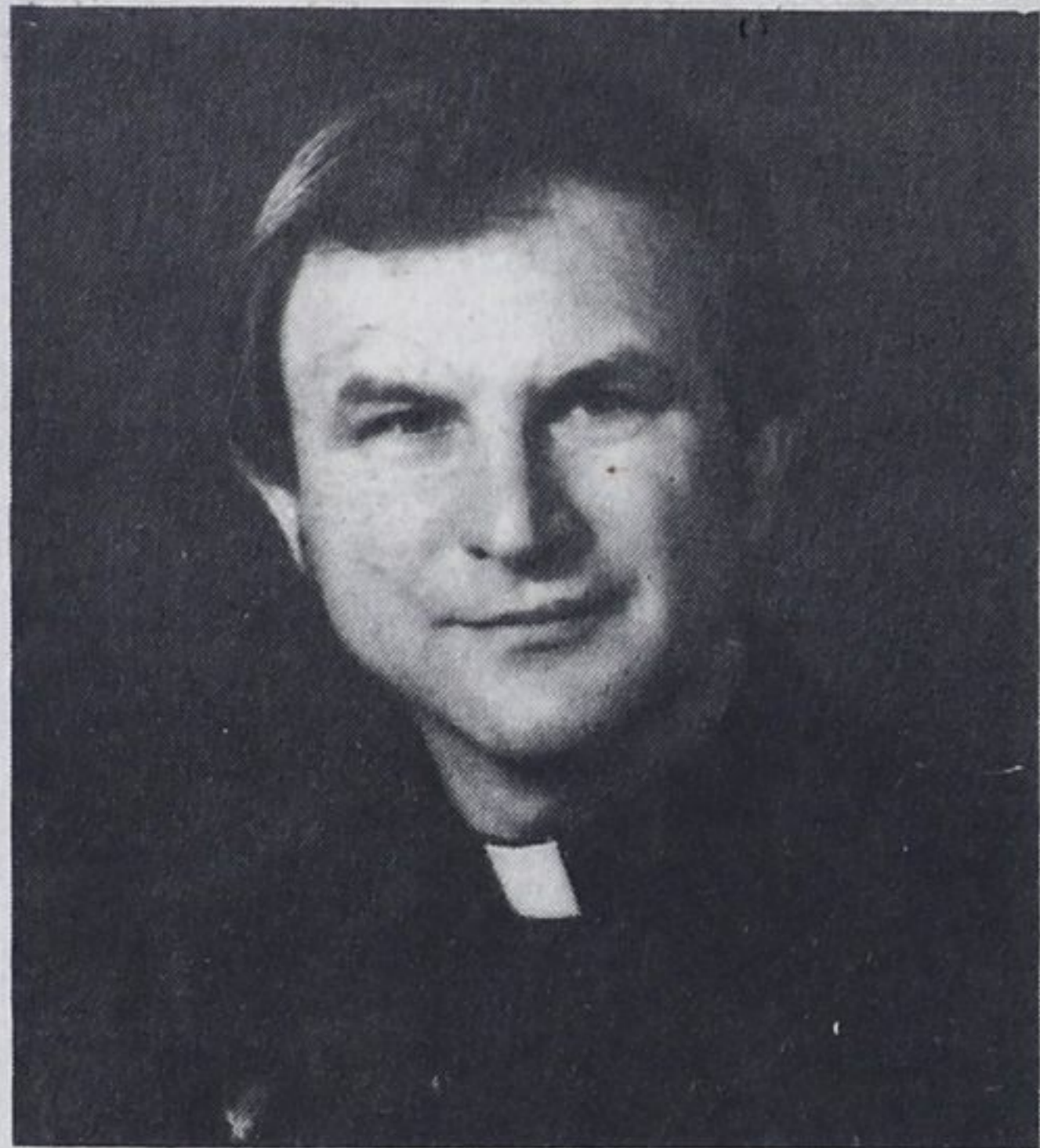
their lives on Jesus and become a people of Praise and Prayer.

Father Bill Comerford is a Redemptionist Father, born in Ottawa, ordained in 1962, and presently working from Toronto. He has a lot of pastoral experience varying from parish work in the Maritimes to his current position as Chairman of the Ministries Committee for the Archdiocesan

Charismatic Service Team.

During the services, which are to take place every evening at 7:15 p.m. from Sunday, March 7 through Thursday, March 11, Father Comerford will teach on the following topics: Sunday, "God's Love"; Monday, "Jesus"; Tuesday, "Healing and Wholeness"; Wednesday, "Forgiveness"; and Thursday, "Mary" and "The Church". In addition to that, there will be a special, condensed, teaching for the congregation of "Our Lady of the Rosary" church on Sunday, March 7 at 3 p.m. On most evenings, the St. Ann's Folk Group will lead the congregation in song.

In order to enable as many people as possible to attend, transportation will be provided if needed, and babysitters will be looking after the little ones in the church basement. Also, extra ushers will be on hand to help people negotiate the many steps of St. Ann's Church.



Father Bill Comerford

LUTHERAN CHURCH: charter this Sunday

Pastor Paul Schult and members of Holy Cross Evangelical Lutheran Church, Midland will be celebrating a very special event March 7.

For the past two years, Holy Cross has been a missionary

church depending largely on the synod for support. However, with its growth from the original 12 members to the present 78 members, Holy Cross will now take the big step and assume its own obligations.

At 2:30 p.m. at the Athenian Hall, Midland,

Bishop William F. Huras will conduct the special service that will see 78 chartered members become the congregation of Holy Cross Evangelical Lutheran Church of the Eastern Canada Synod and part of the Lutheran Church of America.

Bishop Huras will also install the nine members of the new church council at this time.

Local dignitaries will be present to bring greetings from the community. A reception will be held immediately following the service.

Recipe for a happy birthday

SCOUTING AROUND



Take one bunch of energetic Beavers, Cubs and Scouts. Add a sprinkling of assorted Leaders and Assistants, Blend in several colorful displays on Scouting. Stir in a Birthday song written and sung especially for the occasion.

Mix well with interested observers, then top it off with a big piece of Birthday Cake.

This describes the scene at Huronia Mall last Thursday evening as several groups of boys and leaders joined together to celebrate not only Baden-Powell Week, but the 75th anniversary of Scouting.

Scouting... what's the magic that holds the interest of these young boys in today's computerized society? What makes a young boy leave a warm bed, hot food, television video games, automatic dishwasher, indoor plumbing, and a mother who picks up after him to spend a week or weekend camping out

in the cold, eating possibly raw, smoke-flavoured food that he had to cook himself, washing his own dishes, using an outdoor biffy, being responsible for keeping his side of the tent or cabin clean and neat, with his only entertainment being songs and stories around a blazing campfire.

Is it magic? Or just plain responsibility that we all must face in order to survive in our ever-changing world. Whatever it is, Scouting may not be the whole answer but to the thousands of young boys involved with Scouting it sure is a good solid start.

Thanks now to Rita Hoadley for the above article, and thanks to the Management of Huronia Mall, the agreeable shopkeepers, and the leaders and boys who made it all a success. And thanks to Robin Nutbrown, now in Belleville, former author of this column. We wish you well.

P.S.: Scouters, remember the Dinner-Dance March 6, and the Kub Kar Rally on March 7.

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