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**THE REV. THOMAS W. ROGERS**

### New St. Mary's Priest Served Here for Six Months in 1960

FORD CITY — The new priest at St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church at Ford City is familiar with Ford City since he had served as associate pastor for about six months in 1960 at Holy Trinity Roman Catholic Church, Ford City.

The Rev. Thomas W. Rogers began his pastorate at St. Mary's Tuesday and will celebrate his first Sunday Mass there Sunday. He arrived at Ford City from a pastorate at Sutersville.

Fr. Rogers was ordained in 1952 at Boston. He had previously studied at Our Lady of Angels Seminary, Niagara, N.Y., and at St. Francis, Loreto. He was graduated at Long Island University, Long Island, N. Y., and taught school for two years at Plattsburgh, N. Y.

Too, before his ordination, Fr. Rogers served for two years in the U.S. Navy during the Korean conflict. He was assigned to Naval Intelligence and served in the Pacific Theater.

Upon entering priesthood, Fr. Rogers served a year in the Boston Diocese and then for a year as a "street preacher" in Kentucky.

When the Greentown Diocese was formed in 1954, Fr. Rogers was transferred to the new diocese and served as associate pastor at various churches. His last associate pastorate was at Holy Trinity in 1960 after which he received his first pastorate at Glen Campbell.

During the next 12 years he served at Glen Campbell then at Clymer and, before coming to Ford City, at Sutersville.

"Ford City is a wonderful town," he said. "I like it very much. People are very friendly and the town looks so clean."

"Another thing I like about Ford City is that it is level. Most other towns in western Pennsylvania are located on the side of a hill."

Fr. Rogers is a native of Saranac Lake, N. Y.

#### VFW Aides Plan Picnic

Ford City VFW Auxiliary's annual picnic will be held at 12 noon Saturday (Aug. 12) at the Post Home. Those attending expected to bring basket lunch.

#### Backing McGovern

COLUMBUS, OHIO — The Executive Board of the United Glass and Ceramic Workers of North America (AFL-CIO, CLC) today announced its unanimous endorsement of Democratic presidential nominee George McGovern.

#### Bowlers Plan Meeting

FORD CITY—The Saturday Night Mixed Doubles Bowling League members will meet for a reorganizational meeting at 8 p.m. Saturday at the C.U. Bowling Lanes, 6th Ave., here.

Plans will be made for the 1972-73 season. Interested bowlers may attend the meeting, a league spokesman said.

VISIT AT FREEPORT, FREEPORT — John Rutkowski and Mary Beth Rutkoski of Long Island, N. Y., are visiting their uncle, Victor Rutkoski of Riverside Drive here.

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