WESTERN NEW YORK
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Sunday under Difficulties — Special Council —
Noon-Day Prayer in a Bank — National Service

The entire section of Western New York
has been affected with the Spanish influenza
and in most of the larger places, especially
in Rochester and Buffalo, all churches
as well as other places where people can
congregate have been ordered closed. This
necessitates postponement of the special ses-
on of the council, which was to have met on
October 15th in Rochester to elect a Bishop
Coadjutor. The Standing Committee of the
diocese now appoints the adjourned meeting
of the special council for Thursday, November
14th, at St. Paul's Church, Rochester,
to elect a Bishop Coadjutor and to transact
such other business as may properly come
before it.

A NOON-DAY pause for one minute is
observed at Manufacturers and Traders' Bank
in Buffalo, one of the busiest in the city,
when a prayer for victory and a righteous
peace is offered by either one of our own
clergy or a minister from one of the other
Christian bodies.

CHURCH LIFE in Buffalo is suffering many
tribulations. For two “gasless” Sundays a
street car strike kept many away from
divine worship. Now the “gasless Sunday”
ban has been raised, although at the present
there is still no prospect of a settlement
of the car strike, but there are no churches
to which one may go owing to the epidemic.
Editorials in the daily press speak of the
possibility of taking our “country rides
on Sunday once more”, but it is to be hoped
that when permitted many autoists will once
more avail themselves of the privilege of
riding to church on Sunday.

St. John's Church, Wellsville, has pur-
chased a $500 Liberty Bond of the fourth
issue as a nucleus for a “sinking fund”.
There are nineteen young men from the
parish in the ranks, one woman in Red
Cross work, and two more preparing as Red
Cross nurses.