

Kills creeks and the deep waters in adjoining parts of the marshland.

According to Marino, the search will continue today along the Staten Island Expressway into Travis, and then be focused on the Greenbelt tomorrow.

"Everyone has been working with a fervor you wouldn't believe could exist," said Father Gentile, an associate pastor at Holy Family Church.

According to the priest, thousands more posters have been distributed in areas throughout the city, and volunteers are trying to reach out to people in Manhattan to determine if the girl may have been taken there.

"We are trying to hold up," Jennifer's mother, Karen, said as the massive hunt got underway. "It's getting harder as time goes by, but, we still have hope."

Bishop Patrick E. Ahern, Staten Island's Episcopal vicar, has visited with the Schweiger family over the past weeks and yesterday described the child's disappearance as an "unspeakable tragedy" which has left people devastated.

"We can't let ourselves give in



Ken Schweiger, Jennifer's father, goes over the areas where volunteers will search.

to frustration and disappointment," Lamberti told the crowd of searchers yesterday. "The volunteers are the ones who are making

this work."

Detectives handling the investigation continue to search for new leads in the case, and said yesterday there is still no evidence to prove Jennifer had fallen victim to foul play.

The Friends of Jennifer group is operating out of Holy Family Church, and anyone interested in volunteering to help with the hunt for the child is asked to call the group at 494-5460.

Anyone with information concerning Jennifer's disappearance or the possible whereabouts of the girl is asked to call police at a 24-hour hotline number, 447-4168.

Donations are still being collected to increase a \$5,000 reward being offered for Jennifer's safe return and the conviction of anyone who may have been responsible for her disappearance. Anyone interested in contributing can send donations to The Jennifer Schweiger Fund, P.O. Box 961, Staten Island, N.Y. 10314.