

# Graymoor Friars Plan Ecumenical Community

Garrison, N.Y. — (RNS) — The Graymoor Ecumenical Institute, an agency of the Franciscan Friars of the Atonement, plans to sponsor an ecumenical religious community.

Though the Institute will advertise the project and give initial guidance, it is leaving decisions about the actual life of the new community to those who join it. The unit, according to an announcement, would consist of "Protestants and Anglicans as well as Catholics."

Father Ralph Thomas, director of the Institute, and Brother Alexander Keliher will give general direction to the new community in its formative period, but will not join it.

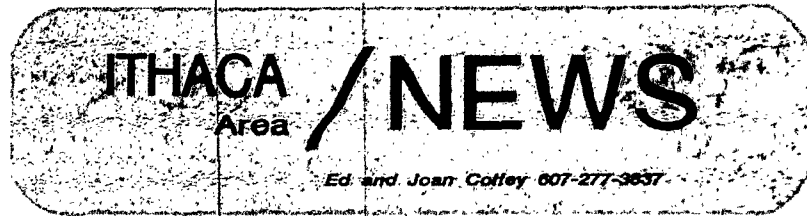
The primary purpose of the

move, they say, is to advance the ecumenical movement — the apostolate of the Society of the Atonement.

The community will have no ecclesiastical status, since canon law does not allow for the acceptance of non-Catholics into a Catholic religious order.

## PENTECOSTALISM SPEAKER

Albert Gerhardt will address the Oct. 1 Mass League/First Friday Club luncheons at the Top of the Plaza. Gerhardt's subject will be Catholic Pentecostalism. The subject was first presented at the August luncheon by Father Donald McCarthy, an instructor at Aquinas Institute.



# New Attitudes Explained By Religious Educator

By ED and JOAN COFFEY

Ithaca — A special inter-parochial conference was held Sept. 19 at Immaculate Conception to introduce the religious education programs for all ages to be conducted in the Ithaca parishes.

Guest speaker was Father Holland, diocesan director of religious education. Also taking part were Fathers David Gramkee and David Mura of Immaculate Conception parish, Mike Stanley, religious education director at St. Catherine of Siena parish, and Sisters Nancy and Kathleen of the Immaculate Conception school. Parents and others attending were able to examine textbooks that will be used this year.

Father Holland explained the contrasting philosophies behind the "old" religious education program and the "new." He pointed out that interpretation of Revelation (how God speaks to us) is the key to understanding the differences between the old and new programs.

During the past twenty years both secular and religious life have changed significantly, Father Holland continued. The static life is gone. We are a nation on wheels. TV has broadened our world. The impact of change has been felt in the Church. Since Vatican II, there has been a new interpretation of Revelation; although Revelation reached a highpoint in Jesus Christ, God continues to talk to us today. The religious

education programs of the present must help young people "tune in" to God.

It is more important for the educator to create an attitude in those he teaches than merely to dispense facts, Father Holland went on. Because the young have grown up on TV, film strips, movies, and posters speak their language and are useful tools.

Perhaps the most difficult aspect of the new religious education programs for the adults, he suggested, is the realization of the risks of freedom — no one knows what God will say, nor what our answer will be. Today the secular and religious are not separated: everything one does is religious, he said.

Father Mura gave a general account of the new interdenominational religious education program for all area high school students that is about to open at the "Tin Can" in Stewart Park.

Father Gramkee talked of the numerous adult education programs available. In addition to parental meetings prior to Baptisms and First Communions, Immaculate Conception Parish offers a pre-marriage series. Also, the parish will offer a new adult education program on Tuesday evenings, commencing Oct. 5. A course on Sacred Scripture will be taught by Father Mura and one on Christian morality will be conducted by Father Gramkee.

# Festival Workers 'Appreciated'

Penn Yan — Father William Cosgrove of St. Michael's Parish, was host at an "appreciation" party Sept. 18 for parishioners who helped with the recent festival.

A buffet was prepared by Mrs. Ignatius Scott and her committee. It was announced that nearly \$8500 was realized from the festival after expenses. The money will help defray operating costs of the parish school, particularly those associated with opening the new kindergarten.

## PRAYER VIGIL

The Legion of Mary, Monroe Curia will join the Rochester Right to Life Committee in sponsoring a prayer vigil Sunday, Oct. 10 at St. Anne's Church on Mt. Hope Avenue. The vigil will last from 3 to 10 p.m.

## MASS ADDED

Father Edward Steinkirchner has added a Mass to the Sunday schedule at Holy Ghost Church. Beginning this Saturday, Oct. 2, there will be a 5:15 evening Mass, in addition to the 7:45. On Sunday, Masses are at 7, 8:30, 9:45 and 11 a.m., and 12:15 p.m.

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**SCHOOL DESK Sale,** St. Stanislaus School yard, Saturday, October 2nd, 9 a.m. thru 12 noon.

**GARAGE SALE:** 181 Ferncliffe Drive, October 2nd & 3rd, Household, clothing, toys and some antiques.

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# Ithaca Area Notes

**Ithaca —** The Tuesday Night Adult Religious Education series will commence at Immaculate Conception Parish on October 5. Father David Mura will offer a course in Sacred Scripture at 8 p.m. and Father David Gramkee will conduct a series on Basic Catholic Christian Ethics at 9:05 p.m. Both courses are open to interested adults, including 11th and 12th grade students. Both classes will be held in Room 108 of Immaculate Conception School on West Buffalo Street in Ithaca. Additional information may be obtained by calling either Father Mura or Father Gramkee at 273-6121.

**Penn Yan —** Sister Alice McLaughlin of the Secular Mission, Yates County, recently presented a \$1000 check to representatives of the Rushville Clinic. The funds, to be used for installing a new septic system at the clinic, were raised by the Ladies of LACE, a group of Rochester women committed to assisting others in need.

**Ithaca — ALTERNATIVE INC.,** the organization offering alternatives to abortion for women with problem pregnancies, will play tapes of the talks given at recent meetings at 10 a.m. on Sept. 30. In order, the tapes will include discussions led by Dr. Richard Murray, Father Charles Mulligan, Mrs. Mary Spadero, Kathleen Kearns and Marian Grimes of "Choose Life." Coffee and cookies provided, children welcome — at the home of Mrs. William Wimsatt, 121 Cayuga Park Road. Call 272-5436 for more information.

**Groton —** The Altar and Rosary Society of St. Anthony's Parish is sponsoring a Bake Sale after the Masses on Oct. 3. Location will be the church lawn or the rectory porch (in case of rain). Further information is available from chairwoman Doris Slocum.

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