Auburn Mass Opens Year of Renewal

By MARY ANN GINNERTY

Auburn — A Mass marking the opening of the "Year of Renewal" for the Cayuga Seneca Region was celebrated Sept. 7 at St. Mary's Church here with more than 300 people in attend-

Most were members of parish councils and represented 26 churches of the region.

Twenty priests joined Father John Hayes of Aurora, senior regional co-ordinator as concelebrants making this the largest number of priests to concelebrate a Mass in this area.

Father Hayes observed, "This is an auspicious beginning for the Year of Renewal. It is only a beginning, much work remains to be developed. I am especially encouraged by the number of my colleagues who concelebrated the Eucharist together, the number of nuns who participated in the liturgy, and the generous response of the laity here to our invitation to share the work of building up the church in this Year of Renewal."

During the offertory, mem-bers of the congregation turned in signed "Pledges of Dedicatin", offering their service to the church in areas of human developmet. worship and Catholic education.

Members of the staff accepting these offerings of service were, Father Lewis Brown for Human Development; Ben



Cool, diocesan pastoral repre-sentative; Sister Ellen Ward, Christian education; Father Leo Lynch, representing Seneca County: Father Edward Palumbos for liturgy; and Father John Mulligan, media director.

Father Thomas Reddington, pastor of Holy Name of Jesus Church in Rochester and his parish assistant, Sister Mary Jo Langie were selected as guest homilists because of their experiences in regionalism and formation of parish councils.

Father Reddington described the task of the priest as one of helping men to reach Christian maturity, and then form the Christian community by helping people discover what they are able to do for Christ.

He spoke on how all of them

share as a community in the building of a worshipping, sharing parish.

Sister Mary Jo described the living parish as one in which the laity was involved along with the clergy in decision making, and one in which people participated and share in the liturgy, religious education and human development concerns.

This initial celebration will be followed by programs to evaluate the needs of the region and their resources, and with emphasis on broadening the basis of Christian involvement for the benefit of all.

Following the Mass a social hour in the church hall provided an opportunity to meet with negional coordinators.

CEDAR Program **Features Speakers**

featured during the CEDAR sponsored fall Enrichment program which began Sept. 13.

Sessions will continue for five consecutive Wednesdays, at 7:30 p.m. at CEDAR Offices, Van Anden Street.

The program's purpose is to provide the catechist with more background, information and experience concerning the development of faith related topics.

Barbara Schmucker, CEDAR coordinator, stressed that the program was planned to enrich

Auburn - Guest speakers are the growth of knowledge of CCD teachers as well as the new teacher.

> Joseph Kelly, scripture teacher at St. Bernard's Seminary, took a look at the Old Testament as the foundation for current morality during the initial session.

> Tonight's session features Father Joseph Jankowiak from St. Bernard's Seminary. He will review the morality of the Christian life style as found in the New Testament.

> On Sept. 27, there will be workshops for each grade 1-6, based on the "Come To The Father Series" and conducted by professional religion teachers. The format includes a semester overview with emphasis on learning activities.

Report Claims Nicotine Lowers Body's Defense Against Sickness

Washington, D.C. (RNS) Nicotine in cigarette smoke can increase a smoker's susceptibility to illness involving not only the lungs but his whole body, a Georgetown University Medical Center researcher has discovered.

The effects of nicotine on the system which defends the body against infection were studied for three years by Dr. Sorell L. Schwartz, associate professor of pharmacology at the Jesuit university's schools of medicine and dentistry.

He reported that he and his colleagues found nicotine "in-terferes with (the body's defense-against-infection) system. potentially lowering the body defenses, and consequently causing 2 renti increased bility to sickness among smokers.



Fr. Giudice Reassigned

Father Anthony Giudice, a Captain and chaplain in the United States Army, helps out at an orphanage in South Vietnam. Father Giudice is a Capuchin of the Province of New Jersey. He has recently returned to the U.S. after an extended tour of duty in South Vietnam. Before his entry he was stationed at Immaculate Heart of Mary Seminary, Geneva. He has been assigned to Fort Carson, Colorado.



Mrs. Roger Richmond, R.N., of Penn Yan, a volunteer at the Rushville Clinic, checks some equip-

Rushville Clinic In Need of Friends

By PAT BOLAND

Canandaigua - The Rushville clinic is in need of a foster parent. In fact, several foster

The clinic operates on a nonprofit basis, and exists on contributions from religious orders clubs, businesses, and individuals.



Award Winner

Lisa Dailor, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edwin P. Dailor, of Braewood Lane, Geneva, is the first recipient of the Father Nolan Memorial Scholarship Fund. The \$100 a year scholarship, estab-lished in memory of Father Raymond P. Nolan, deceased pastor of St. Stephen's Parish, will be awarded every year to a student entering DeSales High School. The alternate winner is Debbie Conrad, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dean Conrad.

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Special experiences for elementary teachers will continue on Oct. 4 with art and music workshops for primary and intermediate grades. Participants will be involved in both an art and music session on their division level and cover material applicable in the teacher's everyday classroom preparation.

Sister Margaret Caufield from Rochester will handle music and Sister Virginia Taylor from Notre Dame High School will cover art in religious education.

The Oct. 11 "Liturgy and Catechist" session will feature Father Edward Palumbos, assistant at St. Alphonsus, and regional liturgy chairman for the Year of Renewal.

At the concluding program, Oct. 18, Father Daniel Holland, diocesan director for the Year of Renewal, will focus on both the spirit and implementation of plans for the diocesan program and the implications this has for the catechist. It will touch on the specific tasks which belong to the teacher of religion.

This meeting will close with the celebration of the Eucharist.

A fee is charged for non-CEDAR members, who may register by calling CEDAR on the evening of the session.

It has already been observed by scientists and others that smokers have more sick days than non-smokers. It is generally held that smoking increases the incidence of lung cancer and other respiratory diseases.

However, what has not been well known is that smoking increases the incidence of infective diseases throughout the body. 'In the past, the reasons for these latter conditions were not clear," Dr. Schwartz said. "This was because many of the harmful components of tobacco smoke which affect the lungs do not get into the general circulation. However, nicotine, a major component of smoke, does enter the bloodstream and distributes itself throughout the body.'

"For three years," he said, we have studied the effects of nicotine on parts of the reticuloendothelial system, a system responsible for the body's defense against infection. We have found nicotine interferes with the system, potentially lowering the body's defense and consequently causing an increased susceptibility to sickness among smokers.

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would be another way of saying it.

Opened three years ago, the clinic serves the medical and dental needs of those who are unable to pay for these services themselves

These patients are working people with a low income who are unable to afford the cost of private medical care. They could be retired persons, migrant workers or permanent residents. Occasionally these patients contribute whatever they are able.

Though it is open only from May through October, since its beginning, over 1300 people have been served by the clinic.

When the clinic began its operations in the quiet village of Rushville, its home was a rather questionable looking old house. Today the house is painted, spruced up, and proudly wears a large sign proclaiming it "Rushville Clinic." But says Ruth Bebedict, R.N., administrator, the house is still in need of much repair.

Some structural changes too, are necessary. Though the professional services of doctors, dentists, and nurses are all volunteered, the clinic must still pay for supplies, maintenance, and other operational costs.

Now the clinic is greatly in need of a financial boost. Mrs. Benedict is hoping that a club or organization will adopt the clinic as a project; or maybe a group would sponsor a dance or rummage sale in its behalf.

Private contributions are, of course, always welcome. Mrs. Benedict would be happy to show the Clinic to anyone interested. She can be reached at 315-584-6824 or 315-536-4157.



Canandaigua — The St. Mary's Rosary Altar Society held its first Fall meeting, Monday, Sept. 11, in the school auditorium. Father Charbonneau, pastor, was the speaker. The society held a rummage sale Sept. 15.

Canandaigua — A ten week adult theology series will be held at St. Mary's Church. Classes will be held Monday evenings at 7:30 p.m. The series, called "Everything You Always Wanted To Know About the Church -But Were Afraid to Ask," will be conducted by Fathers Hart and Kiggins.

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