

# DIOCESAN CALENDAR OF EVENTS

NOVEMBER 1972

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1 All Saints Day	2 All Souls' Day  Diocesan Sisters' Council, Nazareth Motherhouse — 8:00 p.m. Ultreya — St. Louis, Pittsford — 8:30 p.m.	3	4 Radio Message — 7:00 p.m. Cursillo Monthly Mass, Newman Center — U of R, 8:30 p.m.
5  Northwest Regional Convention — Cardinal Mooney H.S. — 3 p.m.	6 St. Bernard Sem. Bd. of Trustees Mtg. — 10:30 a.m.  Confirmation—St. Francis, Auburn — 7:45 p.m. Confirmation—St. Thos. More, Roch. — 7:45 p.m.	7	8  Legion of Mary—Horseheads — 8 p.m.	9  Ultreya, Pittsford — 8:30 p.m. Confirmation, Blessed Sacrament — 7:45 p.m. Confirmation, Holy Apostles — 7:45 p.m.	10 Confirmation, St. Mary, Auburn — 7:45 p.m. Confirmation, St. Ann's Hornell — 7:45 p.m. Conf., O. L. of Lake, King Ferry—8:00 p.m. Legion of Mary, Jr. Curia — S.H. Cath. — 8:00 p.m. Ultreya, St. B's. Sem. — 8:30 p.m.	11 Letter on Human Development Campaign to be read in parishes on weekend. K. of C., Corning — 75th Anniversary, St. Pat'k., Corning — 5:30 p.m. Conf., St. Anthony, Rochester — 7:45 p.m.
12  Ultreya — Horseheads, 3:00 p.m. Confirmation, Christ the King — 3:00 p.m.	13  United States Bishops' Meeting, Wash., D.C.	14  Roch. Assoc. Cath. Sch. Adm., Holy Redeemer 9:45 a.m. Priests' Council — Beckett Hall — 10:30 a.m.	15	16  Cursillo — Women's #10 Registration — Notre Dame, Canan. — 7:45 p.m. Ultreya, Pittsford 8:30 p.m.	17  Legion — Commitment—S.H. Cath. — 8:00 p.m. Ultreya, St. B's. Sem. — 8:30 p.m.	18  Human Development Campaign Collection  Holy Hour — Cursillo Women's #10 — Notre Dame — 8:00 p.m.
19  Confirmation, Good Shepherd, Henrietta — 2:30 and 4:30 p.m. Pastoral Office Staff Workshop, Nazareth College — Concludes Nov. 22. Cursillo, Women's #10 Closing — 5:30 p.m.	20	21	22	23  Thanksgiving Day  Legion — Dansville — 7:30 p.m.	24  Legion, St. Ann's Sch. Legion, Geneva, 8 p.m. Ultreya — St. Patrick, Corning — 7:30 p.m. Ultreya, St. B's. Sem., 8:30 p.m.	25
26  Better World Retreat — Ends 12/2	27  Confirmation—St. Francis of Assisi, Roch. — 7:45 p.m.	28  Third Anniversary of Bishop Joseph Hogan as Bishop of Dio. of Roch.  Confirmation, St. Alphonsus, Aub., 7:45 p.m.	29  Cursillo Leaders' Sch. Sec. "C" — Mercy High — 7:30 p.m.	30  Confirmation, St. Anthony, Elmira — 7:45 p.m. Ultreya, Pittsford — 8:30 p.m.		

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Watch for The December Calendar of Events in the November issue of The Courier-Journal.

### What Do You Think

## ...About Nursing Homes?

By CHARLES RANDISI

Last week I went to Christ the King Church for a meeting of the Home School Association, and asked, "What do you think of nursing homes?"

One fortyish man said, "Of course, it all depends which one you go to." He said that many are too expensive, that "a lot are run for profit. They're just after your Social Security." He added, however, that St. Ann's Home, for example, will "bend over backwards" for its patients.

Mrs. Ann Palazzo has an uncle who had a recent stroke and lived in a home. She said that they had been "very satisfied" with his therapy, and that in his case "yes, a nursing home is good." But she said that it was too bad that "some people can't afford to get in."

"The state should be more in-

involved," said Sam Giambrone. "Most nursing homes are private agencies, and it is important to make sure that they treat their patients properly."

Carl DeSteno said, "I would question the motives of some nursing homes, but there is a definite need for them. First, (since nursing homes provide medical care) they keep the elderly out of the hospital. Second, some elderly people are better off in nursing homes than with their own families."

Lee Wesley said, "I would speak positively about nursing homes. There is a need for them, but there are good and bad things about them. With people living longer now than in the past, there must be a place for the aged to go."

Vincent Agosto also spoke favorably about nursing homes. "If you can't take care of yourself, and if you find yourself a burden to your family, then you

should go there."

"I think they leave a lot to be desired," said Leo Flick. "They are too confining, and you have no independence."

His wife Alice was not much more tolerant. "They're a necessary thing," she said, "but some improvements could be made. Elderly people can fall into too much of a pattern of living. It's depressing for both the elderly and the people who work there. That's why there is such a big turnover of help there."

Most nursing homes have at least one medical professional affiliated with them, but not at all times. Frank Masucci offered that there should be at least one resident doctor there at all times.

He also said, "nursing homes are too expensive for the average man. I think that there should be state and federal aid for nursing homes. They should be subsidiaries of the state."

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## Regionalism

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newal he wanted to reach the thousands of people no longer associated with the Church, as well as keeping regular churchgoers involved.

He presented his plan to reach people throughout the year. First, a survey of some 1,400 Catholic families in the diocese is planned. The survey will take opinions on issues concerning religion, and will be conducted by independent professionals working with a Diocesan Monitoring Committee.

The second part of the plan includes several newspaper ads in the press relating what the research found and the formal teachings of the Church regarding the issues surveyed.

Other points included in Father Holland's plan are open meetings in the parishes discussing these issues, and possible television programs relating what the Church in Rochester is saying and doing.

Mrs. Donald Stebbins, speaking for the Spiritual Development Committee, recommended that every parish council spend a

substantial amount of time in common prayer and study of the documents of the Vatican Council.

Edward Winterkorn, chairman of the Regional Guidelines Committee, then submitted a preliminary draft of guidelines for regions. His committee recommended that regional conferences be set up in each region, made up of representatives of parishes.

Sister Mary David, SSJ, chairman of the Regional Boundaries Committee reported that her committee is surveying the validity of existing boundaries for existing regions. A few differences were noted, but the general set up of boundaries has been good. Two or three parishes may have to be placed in other regions, because of natural affinities between parishes.

Sister Mary Ann Binsack, RSM, chairman of the Pastoral Council Constitution Committee, reported that the experiences of other dioceses with pastoral councils is being studied. Her committee hopes to present the preliminary draft of the constitution by next spring.