

regional news reports

Ithaca

35 Confirmed In Trumansburg

Trumansburg — The 35 young people confirmed here April 5 signified their Christian adulthood with a gift of money they had earned for the diocesan mission in Bolivia.

The gifts presented to Auxiliary Bishop John E. McCafferty during the Offertory included a check for \$125 to be used in the La Paz parish of St. Joseph the Worker. The money came from odd jobs separately performed.

In conferring the sacrament and celebrating Mass in St. James the Apostle Church, Bishop McCafferty had the assistance of the pastor, Father Albert Ryan; Msgr. John M. Duffy of Mother of Sorrows and Father Walter J. Kohl of St. Augustine's, Rochester; Msgr. William Roche, pastor of St. Catherine's, Ithaca; Father Thomas Cleary, Dryden pastor, and Father William Lammers, Ovid pastor; Father David Callan, Cornell chaplain, and Father John Lynch, officials of the Diocesan Tribunal.

CCD-MARRIAGE

Penn Yan — The 12th graders of St. Michael's Parish recently met for a religious education session on marriage. It was conducted at the home of the Berkes on Rt. 54A. Father Robert Collins, director of the Diocesan Family Life Office, celebrated the home Mass for the group and lead the discussion.

SEDER TONIGHT

Ithaca — A ritual reenactment of the last supper which Jesus ate with his disciples will be carried out at St. Catherine of Siena parish center tonight. Dr. David Safadi of Temple Beth El will lead the Seder service, traditional opening ceremony of the Passover.

PALM SUNDAY BREAKFAST

Watkins Glen — The annual mother-daughter communion breakfast for St. Mary of the Lake parishioners was held Palm Sunday at Glen Motor Court Restaurant, under the direction of Lurie Yeager and Chris Seither.

GIRLS' RETREAT

Ithaca — Twenty eighth-grade girls, accompanied by Sisters Kathleen and Clare, recently went on an over-night retreat at Cayuga Preventorium overlooking the lake. Father David Mura of Immaculate Conception parish said Mass for them, using Communion bread and vestments that the girls had made.

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RETREAT

Canandaigua — Father Thomas Cantwell, OMI, is at St. Mary's to conduct a Holy Week retreat.

MISSION

Rushville — Father Marcellus McFarland, CP, from New Jersey, is guest preacher for Holy Week at St. Mary's. Father Norbert Nolan, pastor, said the mission services would be for parishioners of all ages.

SCHOOL EVENTS

Canandaigua — Upper classmen at St. Mary's School raised \$200 at a recent bazaar for the missions.

Fourth and fifth graders, totaling 120, learned about the Indians who once lived here from the Ontario County historian, Clyde Maffin. The speaker displayed and explained a collection of artifacts found in the area.

Elmira

PARISH COUNCIL

Owego — The Parish Council of St. Patrick's Church here has authorized the formation of a Parish Human Development Committee.

In other business, it was decided that the annual parish dance would be held May 11 at the Elks Club in Owego from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Reservations should be made by contacting the rectory.

The names of three candidates seeking positions on the council were also announced. Seeking the posts are William Fahl, Patricia Purpura and George Hall.

SPECIAL MASS

Coming — A special Easter Sunday High Mass will be celebrated at 10 a.m. here at St. Mary's Church. All the hymns at the service will be sung by the St. Mary's Choir, which will be accompanied by Mrs. Joseph Clancy, organist. Joseph J. Lesse is director of the choir. Some of the selections to be performed at the Mass include an organ solo of the hymn "Jesus Christ Our Lord is Risen" and the Glory of the Lord from "The Messiah." The Mass in Honor of St. Dominic by R.R. Terry will also be presented.

SCHOOL BOARD

Horseheads — Nominations to serve as candidates for the St. Mary Our Mother School Board are being accepted. These interested in volunteering should submit their names to the rectory as seen as possible.

COMMUNION BREAKFAST

Apalachin — A father-son communion breakfast will be held at St. Margaret Mary Church on April 29 following the 8 a.m. Mass. The breakfast will be served in the church hall.

Tickets to the affair should be purchased from Gene Talerico, John Joyce, Peter Premock, Ralph Maffin or John Chapura.

ROSARIANS

Elmira — Mrs. Charles Dalton was installed as president of the St. Cecilia Rosary and Altar Society April 4 at the mother-daughter communion supper. Other new officers are Mrs. Peter Ball, vice president; Mrs. Eugene Corbo, secretary, and Mrs. B. Rudy Mallare, treasurer.

'Way of The Cross' Has Ecumenical Tone

By PEGGY PEASE

Wayland — "CROSS-WALK," the re-enactment of the Way of the Cross to be held Good Friday, is a joint program of the Wayland and Springwater United Methodist Churches, St. Paul's United Church of Christ of Wayland, Sacred Heart Church of Perkinsville, St. Joseph's Church of Wayland and the Wayland Seventh Day Adventist Church.

The trek will start at 1 p.m. with 14 stops, ending at the top of Selbig Hill in Springwater, where two sermons will be delivered. This will be the end of the 2 1/4 mile walk beginning at the Town Hall in the Village of Wayland.

The first homily will be given by Father Timothy Weider of Sacred Heart, and the second will be delivered by the Rev. Ferdinand Kurz of the United Church of Christ.

"This we feel, adds an ecumenical tone to the service," said coordinator John W. Lan-

dino. For each stop along the way, there will be a different reader, representing the participating churches. In addition to the readings will be a congregational response. Each participating church chose the hymn to be sung.

The theme of the homilies will be "The Sermon on the Mount" which Landino feels is something every clergyman must wish to deliver at some time in his vocation.

Landino urges people from all areas to join in all the service or to participate in as much of the service as they wish. He said, "the hill is very steep and might present a problem to some of the elderly, and, if so, we ask that they join in the last three stops." And he added, "we pray for a good day but feel that rain would only enhance the spirit of the people taking part in the event."

The area in front of the Wayland Town Hall will be blocked off so that the par-

ticipants may gather in this area prior to 1 p.m.

Landino has been advised that people from 5 to 75 years of age will be taking part and "the enthusiasm seems to be growing beyond my wildest expectations."

He said the students from the eighth grade at St. Joseph's School should be commended for the fine job painting the signs to be used at each stop. There were 30 students involved in this one project alone.

Those participating, are urged to construct a small cross to be carried by themselves if they so desire.

The men of Sacred Heart Church under the direction of Father Weider will carry the large cross.

"Even though this sounds youth oriented," Landino said, "it is for everyone from everywhere. We plan on a big success."

RETREAT

Apalachin — A one-day retreat sponsored by the Holy Name Society of St. Margaret Mary Church will be held June 10 from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the Carmelite Monastery in Waverly. Reservations must be made before May 7 by contacting Gene Talerico at 625-2633.

Hornell

FRANK'S HAPPY!

Perkinsville — Frank Malter, a parishioner of Sacred Heart Church is all smiles lately. His decision to take \$208,000 lump sum or \$200 a week for life doesn't present too much of a problem. The Chohocton businessman's ticket was drawn recently in the New York State Lottery. The 34 year-old bachelor purchased three tickets in his own supermarket for the drawing.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Dansville — F.I.S.H. needs more phone volunteers and transportation volunteers. Questions will be answered by Mrs. James Whitford at 987-3890 or by Mrs. William Cole at 987-6638.

'MEALS ON WHEELS'

Wayland — Volunteers are needed to transport "Meals on Wheels" once a day at 11:15 a.m. from the Dansville Hospital to the Wayland area. Anyone willing to help is asked to call Deanie Traphagen at 728-2943.

TV PANEL

Hornell — Continuing the weekly television panel discussions based on materials developed by the recent diocesan survey on religious attitudes of Catholics, maybe viewed over Channel 6 on Tuesday evening, May 8, at 7:30 p.m., the topic will be "Confession and Conscience" with panelists: Mark Schneider, student; Sister Vincenza, Religious Education Coordinator of St. Ann's Parish; Burton Corbett, businessman and Carol Shilkette, housewife. The May 15 topic will be "Priests and Nuns" with Sister Mary Patrick, St. Ann's School teacher, Mike Cipolla, student; Jane Fahl, housewife and Father Robert C. MacNamara, pastor of St. Ann's Church.

CARD PARTY

Hornell — St. Ignatius parish will sponsor a card party May 1 at the VFW home on Canisteo St. Donation \$1. Refreshments will be served under the direction of Mrs. John Fenton and Mrs. Otto Rauber. Chairman is Mrs. Gerard Smith. Mrs. Robert Bowles is advertising chairman.

Auburn

CHAPLAINS MEET

Seneca Falls — The annual Spring conference of the Campus Ministry Board of the Diocese of Rochester was held April 7 at Eisenhower College with representatives from Newman Communities of 16 campuses.

The program theme focused on prayer, scripture and social action with a talk on the Time of Renewal by Father Daniel Holland, director of the program. Father Charles Mulligan, director of the Office of Human Development, spoke on the special responsibility of the Church in human development mandated by Scripture.

Father Gerald Appelby, Chaplain at RIT was re-elected director of the Campus Ministry Board for the coming year. In reviewing changes in campus religious life, he recommended that chaplains respond to an emerging spirit of mysticism and prayer life.

Death Is Topic Of Lenten Talk

By MARY ANN GINNERTY

Seneca Falls — A slide presentation on the psychological aspects of dying was presented by Father Edwin Metzger, director of Field Education and Theology teacher at St. Bernard's Seminary, at a recent interparish Lenten series.

This presentation was coupled with an explanation by Father John L. Coonan, pastor of St. John the Evangelist in Clyde and associate pastor, Father Gary Shaw, on the revisions of the sacrament of anointing of the sick.

Father Metzger said that death should be considered as dignified as the life process.

The film strip dealt with the mental processes of the dying person, considering the psychological defenses employed by the dying and a healthy acceptance of the dying process.

Fathers Coonan and Shaw pointed out the sacrament of the anointing of the sick takes away sins, strengthens the soul of the sick person, giving him a confidence in God's mercy, and if it is God's will, restoring bodily health. This sacrament may be administered to those in danger of death from serious sickness or old age.



Father Appelby, left, greets Father Kevin Murphy at chaplains' meeting.