

regional news reports

Ithaca

RABBI VISITS

Ithaca — Rabbi Morris Goldfarb of Temple Beth El, Ithaca, spoke to the fifth grade CCD class at Immaculate Conception School. He told the children the literal meaning of 'rabbi' was teacher but that society had made the rabbi a spiritual leader. Hannukah was explained, as well as early Hebrew history and customs. Mrs. Pat Hurst is teacher of the class, which meets on Sunday mornings.

TEEN SEMINAR

Ithaca — Teens in this area can take advantage of these dates for seminars in the coming months: Dec. 3, 4, 5, 17, 18, 19; Jan. 7, 8, 9, 28, 29, 30; Feb. 11, 12, 13, 25, 26, 27.

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS

Ithaca — Catholic Daughters of America Court Santa Maria 240 held their November meeting at the Women's Community Building. Ms. Mildred Barnard, coordinator of public health in Tompkins County, discussed home nursing, helping new mothers with problems and administering shots and medication to patients recently released from the hospital.

On December 5 at 7:30 members will gather again, bringing gifts to be wrapped for the County Home residents. Suggested gifts are greeting cards, stationery, warm sleepware, knitting yarn, woodworking kits, candy and sleepsocks.

PAINT THE CHURCH

Ithaca — A 'paint the church' campaign is going on at Immaculate Conception. Paint, brushes and scaffolding have been donated. Needed now are competent painters who would work at their own convenience. Volunteers may call 273-4361.

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CHRISTMAS TREES

Ithaca — Immaculate Conception youth groups — CYO, scouts and cheerleaders—will be selling Christmas trees in Weston's parking lot. Adults are needed to sell while the youngsters are in school. Committee members are Father David Mura, Theresa Ferrara, Dell Grover, George Zavaski, Steve Heinz, Margaret Haring and Leo Maliski.

SAGE SPEAKER

Ithaca — Father Charles Curran, Professor of Moral Theology at The Catholic University of America in Washington, D.C., will be the guest speaker at the Sage Chapel Convocation on the Cornell University Campus at 11 a.m. Sunday, Dec. 2. The public is invited.

Hornell

CLOTHING DRIVE

Wayland — The Thanksgiving Clothing collection is being conducted at St. Joseph's this week with the sorting and packing to be done Nov. 30 under the direction of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Gessner. Volunteers are needed and may contact the Gessners or the rectory.

MEETING TONIGHT

Canisteo — St. Joachim's Women meet tonight, Nov. 28, at 8 p.m. at the Parish Center. The Jr. S.J.Y. will meet Sunday noon, Dec. 2, at the Parish Center.

BASKETBALL

Canisteo — Canisteo Church League Basketball holds its first practice today with all boys age 10 thru 14 welcome. Each player, by a Council of Churches ruling, must attend church and religious instructions. Details are available from Father Otto Vogt at the rectory.

CHRISTMAS PARTY

Hammondsport — St. Gabriel's Rosary Society Christmas party will be held Monday, Dec. 3. Friends and parishioners are invited.

COUNCIL MEETING

Addison — St. Catherine's Parish Council meeting is tonight. All are invited. The Nov. 18 Union Thanksgiving Service and Supper sponsored by Addison Council of Churches was held at the American Legion Home here with Mrs. Donald Halferty and Mrs. David Smith representing St. Catherine's Women on the preparation committee.

YOUTH GROUP

Naples — Linda Bouchard of St. Januarius will be working this year with the Youth Group. All junior and senior high school students are invited to join by contacting her or Father Robert Smith at the rectory.

Canandaigua

CDA MEETING

Geneva — Catholic Daughters, Court Annunciation #416, met at St. Stephen's Hall on Wednesday, Nov. 14. Dr. and Mrs. Hucker showed slides of the Onseyawa Rotary Camp for handicapped children located in Ovid. Children spend two weeks a year here, experiencing as much as possible the camping experience of an average child. Since the camp's inception, over 1,200 children have enjoyed its facilities. At this meeting, plans were also finalized for a Christmas party to be held at the Toll Gate Club on Wednesday, Dec. 12, at 7 p.m. Sisters from the DeSales Convent will be guests and Mrs. Julia O'Connor is chairman of the event.

KID WORK

Geneva — The Children of St. Francis de Sales Grammar School did their share towards the purchase of visual teaching aids for the school. They held a Christmas Bazaar on Saturday, Dec. 1. Christmas items, handmade goods and "attic treasures" were featured.

EUCHARIST DEVOTION

Canandaigua — Three days of devotion to the Eucharist took place at St. Mary's beginning with the feast of Christ the King. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament began each morning and closed with an evening service.

Auburn

PRE CANA

Auburn — The next pre cana conference will be held on Dec. 2 and Dec. 6 at St. Mary's School from 7:15 p.m. to 10 a.m.

CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

Aurora — St. Patrick's Christmas Bazaar will be held in the parish hall, Dec. 8 and 9.

HOSPITAL BAZAAR

Auburn — The Mercy Hospital Bazaar and Bake Sale sponsored by the Mercy Hospital Auxiliary will be held from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Wednesday, Dec. 5 and 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Thursday, Dec. 6.

BETTER WORLD

Auburn — The Better World Prayer Session, open to the public, will be held Friday, Dec. 7, at 7:30 p.m. at St. Mary's School.

ADVENT SPECIAL

Auburn — Father Daniel Holland will join catechists in an Evening of Prayer revolving around the Advent theme, No Room at the Inn, to be held at CEDAR, 89 North Street, Wednesday, Dec. 5 at 7:30 p.m. The film, The Stranger, and group shared prayer and liturgy will complete the evening.

Elmira

CHARITY BALL

Elmira — The Ladies of Charity will hold their annual Charity Ball on Saturday at Notre Dame High School. Proceeds will be given to the New Horizon House, a senior citizen recreation center in Elmira.

Tickets are \$15 a couple. Reservations should be made by calling 607/732-7775.

BUILDING PROJECT

Apalachin — The Parish Council of St. Margaret Mary Church, proposing to build a new two-story CCD and activities center, has decided that 80 per cent of the parishioners must be in favor of the project if it is to be carried out.

Council members will seek Bishop Joseph L. Hogan's approval of the plans. After the bishop decides on the matter parishioners will be asked their opinions.

Ronald Jones, a member of the council's financial committee, said at a recent meeting that the parish was financially sound, but not in a position to take on new building. The council hopes to raise the money separately and not depend on parish funds. No construction would start until at least 50 per cent of the cost was in hand.

The council is putting together a brochure on the project to explain the reasons for the new building.

COLUMBIETTES

Horseheads — The Columbiettes of Horseheads are the only such organization in the Diocese of Rochester, but that doesn't stop the women's group from doing their part to help out in Christ's work.

The Columbiettes are the officially recognized women's auxiliary of the Knights of Columbus. The organization is still in its infancy, compared with the Knights, but auxiliary chapters have been sprouting up along the East Coast as far south as Delaware.

Mrs. Francis Sally, Columbiettes district deputy for the 44th district and the first president of the Horseheads unit, says the organization holds bake sales and similar functions so that it can contribute to charity programs.

"We recently donated \$50 to a special advertising campaign the Knights sponsored for the diocese in efforts to seek more vocations. It was our small way of helping the Knights with the project," Mrs. Sally said.

Another project was the distribution of five Thanksgiving baskets to needy families. The group paid for everything that went into the baskets and then delivered them.

"In all the time we have given out the baskets everyone has really been grateful and happy to accept them, except for one person who just refused to take our offering. There was just nothing we could do about that," Mrs. Sally said.

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