



Photo by Mary Ann Ginnerty

Happy Day

Waterloo — Father James F. O'Connell (left), pastor emeritus of St. Mary's Church, shares a light moment with Father Albert Shamon, pastor, during a testimonial and community reception held recently to note Father O'Connell's years of service to the parish and the civic life of the area. Ordained in 1936, Father O'Connell was pastor of St. Mary's from 1959 to 1973.

Lenten Homily Series Set at Queen of Peace

Our Lady Queen of Peace Church will conduct a series of Lenten homilies on the first four Sunday evenings of Lent. The first speaker (7:30 p.m. Feb. 16) will be Father John Hoffman, SJ, whose subject will be family life. Father Hoffman last year acted as pastoral counselor at a psychiatric hospital in Houston, Tex., and is currently pursuing doctoral studies in pastoral theology at Colgate Rochester Divinity School.

Father John J. McDonald, SJ, will speak on Feb. 23, and his subject will be faith. Father McDonald is rector and president of McQuaid Jesuit High School. He was superior of the McQuaid Jesuit Community for three years and Headmaster of Xavier High School in New York City for seven years before coming to Rochester.

Father Albert J. Shamon, pastor of St. Mary's Church in Waterloo, will speak on Sunday evening, March 2, and his topic will be sin. Father Shamon was formerly diocesan vicar for education and he is the author of several books and many spiritual pamphlets.

The final speaker will be Auxiliary Bishop Dennis W. Hickey, who will give a homily on Sunday, March 9, on young people and the Mass. Bishop Hickey received a B.A. degree from Colgate University where he pursued studies in history and government, attended St. Bernard's Seminary and served as pastor and assistant pastor in several churches in the diocese. He currently holds many positions of responsibility in the diocese.

Not only the parishioners of Our Lady Queen of Peace Church but also all who are interested in

hearing these speakers on timely subjects are invited. Each of the Lenten homilies will begin at 7:30 p.m. and the entire service including a homily and benediction will last no longer than 35 minutes. The church is at 601 Edgewood Ave. in Brighton and there is access to it at the corner of Warren Avenue and Edgewood Avenue. Father James F. Slattery is pastor.

K of C Council Sets Ice Party For HC Pupils

Trinity Council #4618 of the Knights of Columbus in Webster will sponsor a skating party for the children of the School of the Holy Childhood on Feb. 8, at the Xerox Skating Rink.

The event, which will include a visit from members of the Rochester American and Monarchs Hockey Teams, is the first of a series of activities undertaken by the Charity Fund Committee of Trinity Council this year.

According to co-chairmen Stanley Zawacki and Frank Lombino "Last year we raised over \$11,000 and simply made donations to a number of charities. But this year we are planning to support various charities with events such as this skating party, in addition to our fund raising activities."

Sister Serafine, principal of the school said: "This is a wonderful gesture on the part of our friends at Trinity Council. The children, as well as the staff are looking forward to the party."

ARE Workshop Stresses Sense of Community

By JOAN M. SMITH

Canandaigua — Listen, meditate, and communicate were the focusing points of the fifth annual coordinators' workshop held by the Area Religious Educators (ARE) at the Notre Dame Retreat House here, Jan. 27-29.

The three-day seminar had as its theme "Healing: Unto the Kingdom," and included business assemblies, open forums for discussion, and talks by guest speaker Dr. Thomas Francoeur, chairman of the Department of Catholic Studies at McGill University in Montreal, and practicing clinical psychologist.

Those who attended were enthusiastic about its format which allowed for the sharing of ideas and suggestions regarding their teaching ministry.

Sister Mary Lynch, SSJ, from St. Patrick's parish in Corning, declared, "I always feel that meeting with the other coordinators gives me a great deal of support, courage and inspiration."

Fellow coordinator Sister Beth McGlynn of Holy Redeemer parish, Rochester, agreed, "It's very good for us to gather together as a group of people of the Church bound together by

friendship, work and visions for the Church of tomorrow."

Preparation for this year's workshop started immediately following the 1974 seminar.

The reason for these annual workshops was explained by director of ARE communications, Leonard Pagahelli, who noted, "We're trying to establish a sense of community and renewal... a place to come for new ideas, and to get input from all the coordinators."

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