



Members of St. Patrick's parish, Seneca Falls review a slide presentation that was given at last week's Stewardship meeting. From left are Charles Shaffer, co-chairman of the Stewardship program, Ann Prayne, Stewardship secretary, Father Michael Conboy, pastor, Sister Dolores Monahan, SSJ, school principal and Philip Ryan, co-chairman.

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complete the preparation for the visitations Sunday, Oct. 8. "We think we're pretty well set," he noted. Sign-ups are continuing for

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Talent," Father Billotte reported. He said that parishioners will receive a mailing describing the program before they are visited. A parish financial statement will be part of the materials being provided parishioners. Father Billotte said that finances will not be emphasized, but merely presented, with the request that if a person is able to provide more financial support, that they do so.

Follow up will be an important part of the total effort, he noted. Each parish council committee will take the names

workers, with a goal of 200 workers to contact the parish's 1,500 families. Father MacNamara noted that collecting estimate cards often raised needs of parishioners that parish staff

of those expressing a willingness to work in their area, and a permanent Stewardship Committee will take those not fitting an existing committee. Follow-up contacts are expected to be done immediately, he noted.

Father Billotte lauded the diocese's efforts on Stewardship, noting that the whole project has been well organized and has kept to schedule.

The other co-chairmen for the project are Thomas Hotopp and Mrs. Eleanor Sementilli. Committee secretary is Mrs. Mary Lynn Draper.

had not known about, even though the project was not designed to do that. Stewardship, which is designed to surface needs, should provide even more valuable information, he commented.

"A major work ahead of us" will be the follow-up, he noted. "We're very hopeful, and prayerful, that we'll be in a position to follow up afterwards."

Father MacNamara added that the bishop's support of the program, and the knowledge that 40 other parishes also are participating, has been a support to the parish as the work continues.

Key personnel working on the program are Jack Lisi, chairman; Peter Arcangeli, Rudy Schneider, Robert Sachs, Harry Fillmore and Edward Cannon, section leaders; Virginia Hussong and Virginia Argentieri, secretaries.

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always appreciated, the form does not require a response in the financial area.

"It is time and talents and involvement which we are encouraging," Shaffer said.

A homily on the "Time, Talent and Treasure" stewardship program has been slated for the weekend of Oct. 7-8. Volunteers will make their house to house contact with parishioners on Sunday, Oct. 8 from 2-5 p.m.

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parishioners and non-parishioners alike.

The parish's goal is "activating as many Catholics as possible," he commented, with special attention on those who only attend Mass on Sunday and those who have become unchurched. The parish wants to contact the unchurched and "get them back into our parish family," he said.

The program's results also should help the parish "update our program to meet the needs of the parishioners," he noted.

The parish council will be conducting the follow up, he noted, and through the efforts of the council's committees and a special follow-up committee they intend to "get back to everybody before the end of the year."

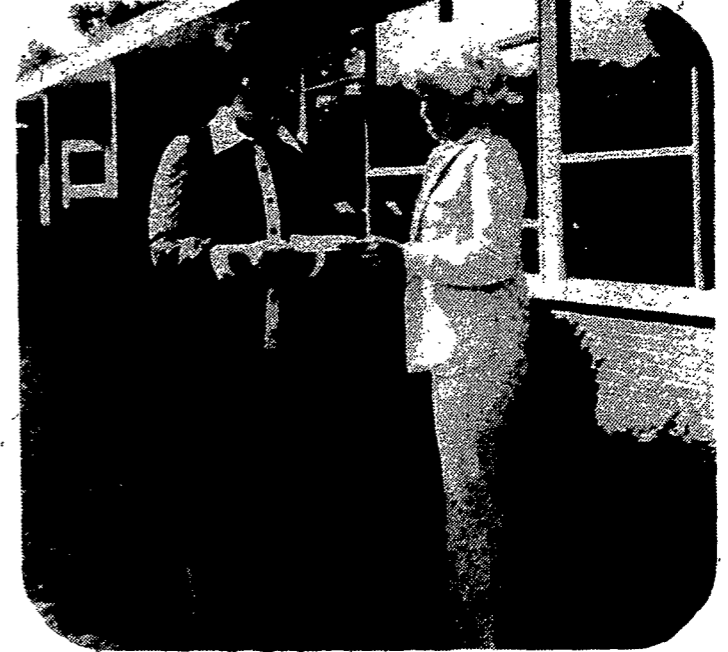
Father Burr cited the leaders of the parish's Stewardship Committee for the "tremendous amount of work" they have done in preparing for the program. Serving as co-chairmen are Tony Geleazzo and Fred Lang; Marge Loper is committee secretary.

Adoration Rites

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament has been slated in two area churches this month, Our Lady of Lourdes and Blessed Sacrament.

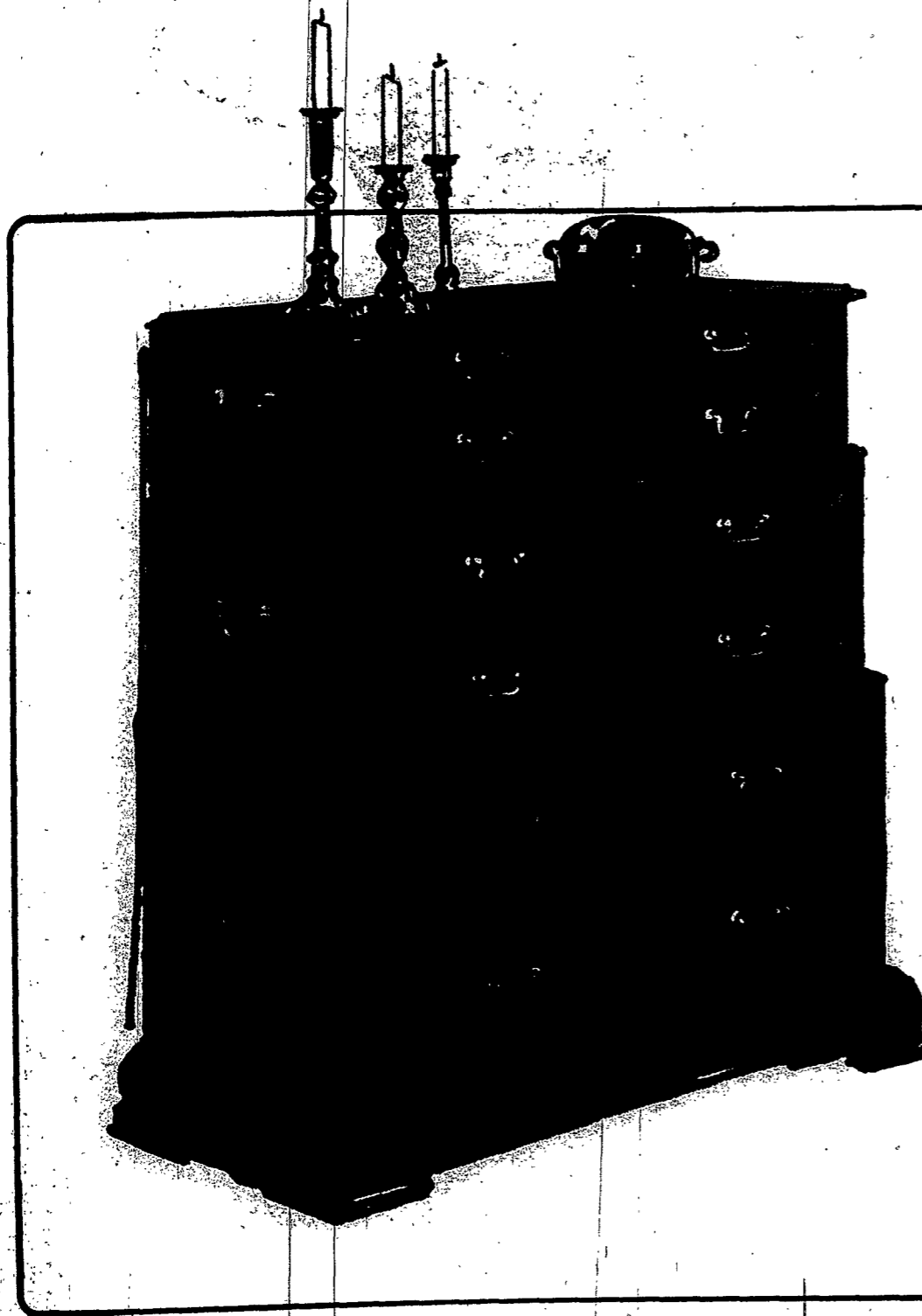
The monthly adoration at Blessed Sacrament begins at noon on Thursday, Oct. 5. A rosary will be recited at 12:15, and benediction will be given at 5 p.m. A Mass at 5:15 closes out the rites dedicated to priestly fidelity to the Magisterium of the Church.

At Our Lady of Lourdes, at Rhinecliff and Imperial Drives in Brighton, adoration begins after the 9 a.m. Mass on Friday, Oct. 6. A rosary will be recited at 9:45 a.m. The day will conclude with a Mass at 5:30 p.m.



For the Kids

Mrs. Bonnie LeGrett, president of St. Thomas More Parents Association, presents a check for \$2,500 to Sister Judith Whalen, STM elementary school principal. The funds were raised during a Fun Night and are to be used for student enrichment. The parents association held its first meeting at the school Monday night.



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