

Today's Courier Nov. 8, 1978

C/S Region Meets 18

Two replacements to represent the Chemung-Schuylker Region on the Diocesan Pastoral Council were named at the regional assembly Oct. 28. The body also discussed the field representative being hired for each region by the diocesan Religious Education Department, and chaplaincy at Arnot Ogden Hospital and the Elmira Psychiatric Center.

DPC Lists Concerns 3

Diocesan assessments and a variety of proposals will be discussed at the next Diocesan Pastoral Council meeting Saturday, Nov. 11.

Join Forces 19

Three major religious relief agencies for the first time will promote a joint public appeal to combat world hunger. In what they hope will be an annual campaign, the agencies will gear the first drive for Thanksgiving time. Bishop Edwin Broderick of Catholic Relief Services is the first chairman of the joint appeal.

Up the Lights! 15

St. Agnes thespians will present Woody Allen's "Don't Drink the Water," Nov. 17-18. Sister Ann Patrice, drama director, explained that the story line revolves around a young American diplomat, Alex Magee, who takes over an embassy in an unidentified Soviet country. A family of American tourists bumbles its way into being identified as spies and takes refuge in the embassy. Magee's effort to help starts a major international crisis. Over at Our Lady of Mercy the classic "Brigadoon" will run Nov. 16-18. The musical centers in 18th century Scotland and is about the travels of two young gentlemen, Tommy Albright and Charley Dalrymple.

Smiles Abound 18

The "Fools for Christ" made an appearance at the Elcor Nursing Home Oct. 28 and blended right in with the staff and residents, as all were in costume for a Halloween party. The "Fools for Christ" is a group of teenagers from Watkins Glen and St. Mary's in Corning, who entertain as clowns in hospitals and nursing homes. If smiles and laughter are an indication, their visit to the Elcor was well appreciated by many of the residents.

Educators Meet 21

Area educators, principals, parents and others interested met recently to discuss the future of Geneva's DeSales High School. They agreed that Christian secondary education in the Finger Lakes area is here to stay.

Chapters Open 1

Chapters for the three major groups of women religious in the diocese will be running concurrently for the first time in the area. Chapters are spiritual and legislative gatherings. The Congregation of the Sisters of St. Joseph, the Sisters of Mercy and the School Sisters of Notre Dame are either now conducting Chapters or are preparing to begin them soon.

AGENDA

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The hottest item on the agenda may well be the proposal for an annual collection for diocesan and national use of media which is being presented by the USCC Communication Committee. The proposal dates to 1974 when regional meetings of the NCCB produced more than 40 specific recommendations for action at the parish, diocesan, regional and national levels. The proposals were approved in principle that year but their implementation was in many cases deferred until funds could be found.

Although the USCC Communication Committee recommended a national collection as the best approach to funding, that proposal failed to receive the necessary two thirds of the bishops' votes at last year's meeting. This year the Administrative Committee approved placing the resolution on the agenda once again.

If the collection is approved, half the funds would remain at the local level and half would be disbursed at the national level after wide consultation and approval by the bishops' Committee on Budget and Finance.



Speaker

Father Walter Burghardt, SJ, one of the nation's leading theologians and ecumenists, will discuss the question "Can Catholics and Lutherans Unite?" at 8 p.m. tomorrow, Nov. 9, at St. John Fisher College's St. Basil Auditorium. Father Burghardt is a member of the Lutheran-Catholic Dialogue Commission which recently published its report on mutual understandings of papal infallibility.



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