

... At Your Parish

St. Cecilia, Irondequoit

The people of St. Cecilia's Church in Irondequoit are planning a testimonial dinner for their retiring pastor, Father Bernard C. Newcomb, who founded the parish 28 years ago. Festivities are scheduled for Friday evening, May 11, at Sweets Party House in Webster.

All parishioners are invited, but reservations will close at 800, the committee announced last week.

Father Newcomb, St. Cecilia's only pastor, has seen the parish grow to nearly 3,000, with a new convent and rectory and a school that has been expanded twice. The territory was carved from St. Salome's, St. Ambrose and St. Andrew's parishes in 1950.

Joe Culligan is chairman of the dinner committee, which includes Dario Armanini, Mark Bonsignore, Pat Connaughton, Don Deming,

Judy Dewey, Bob Dierna, John Finnegan and Peter LoGrosso.

Also, Rosemary Mogavero, Paul Mura, Donald Pero,

Bernard Schum, Patricia Sleight, Dorothy Tallie, Vincent Urban, Joseph Walla and Ellen Wrobel. Tickets may be obtained from any committee member.



Champs!

The girl's elementary basketball team from St. James parish took the CYO East Division Championship recently and the Class A Girl's Tourney. Lisa Guidicci, 21, of St. James is shown here going up for a shot.



Shown above are members of the team with their trophies. Bottom row, from left, Joanne Gumina, Teresa McMahon, Jeannine Witner, JoAnne D'Angelo. Middle row Kathy Wehner, Michelle Gumina, Katie Keenan, Ann Voellinger, Martha Moffett. Top row Leslie LaBoo, Sandi VanHove, Lisa Guidicci, Trish Rosenzweig and Patty Bates.

St. Patrick's, Seneca Falls

Seneca Falls — The Thursday evening Lenten lecture series continues tomorrow at St. Patrick's Rectory meeting room here given by Father John S. Hayes, pastor of St. Patrick's, Aurora.

Father Hayes has based his series, "New Dimensions in Theology," upon courses in

scripture and theology taken recently at St. Bernard's Seminary as well as refresher courses with the English Jesuits at Edinburgh.

Topics remaining include Holy Spirit: Are you Ready for a New Pentecost; Moral Values: Whatever became of Sins?; and Eternal Life: Is there truly Life After Death?"

Holy Cross, Rochester

Holy Cross School, 4488 Lake Ave, is now accepting registrations for its newly formed pre-school program for three and four-year olds. The pre-school program is geared to "learning experiences and readiness skills and helping each child acquire the necessary feeling of self fulfillment," according to a Holy Cross release.

Two sessions are offered to

the children. Parents may select between a Monday, Wednesday session or a Tuesday, Thursday session. Both sessions will be from 9:30-11:30 a.m. The children will be assigned to one of the sessions on a first come, first serve basis. The pre-school program is open to children of all faiths.

For further information interested parents may call Holy Cross School 663-6533.

St. Mary's, Canandaigua

St. Mary's, Canandaigua, has scheduled a weekend of renewal and reconciliation for parishioners on March 30-31. The weekend is designed "to provide an opportunity for each person to encounter Christ and nurture a stronger Christian community. This will be accomplished through talks, personal sharing, reflections and liturgical celebrations," according to Karen Haight, publicity coordinator for the parish.

Featured speakers for the program include Fathers

James Hewes, William Spilly, Thomas Schmidt, Edward Palumbos, Francis Blighton and Mr. William Boyle and Thomas and Elizabeth Brown.

The event takes place at St. Mary's School. The parish invites anyone interested to call Sister Marie Brown (716)394-2325.

Perpetual Help, Rochester

The Parents Association and the Education Commission at Our Lady of Perpetual Help School will co-sponsor a program titled "Death and Dying" today at 7:45 p.m. in the Audio-Visual room of the school located on

74 Lang St., off Joseph Avenue.

A parish release said that Dr. Ruth Lawrence of the University of Rochester will give the presentation which deals with "the most certain

and least discussed topic" people face.

The program which begins after the regular Wednesday evening Lenten Mass is open to the public.

Our Lady of Mercy

A "total parish (renewal) experience for the priests, sisters, brothers and lay members, including teenagers from the ninth grade on," of Our Lady of Mercy parish is being planned for April 23 to April 29.

Denise Rd. in Greece. On Tuesday evening only the retreat will be held at Holy Cross Church on Lake Avenue.

The retreat will be given by a team from the Movement for a Better World, a movement that seeks to help people to appreciate the gift

and responsibility of being a Christian in today's world, according to a Mercy spokesperson. Each session will begin at 7 p.m.

Those interested in the retreat are asked by the parish to call the rectory at 865-0775.

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