Rosarians Attend Seminar At Canandaigua Parish

Canandaigua — More than 35 representatives from throughout the diocese attended a rosarian seminar at St. Mary's Church. Presiding over the event were Msgr. William Roche, pastor, and Joanne Veronica, president of St. Mary's Rosary Altar Society.

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In his opening remarks, Msgr Roche told the rosarians, "This seminar presents an important opportunity to listen to issues church women are most concerned with, and to explore avenues open to parish participation by women. It is a new age to articulate your views and make the presence of women felt on all levels.

Sister Gratia L'Esperance of St. Bernard's Seminary, and Mrs. Diane Blum described for the rosarians the results of the Rochester Regional Task

Force survey of women's participation in the local parish. That study was done

Many of those who attended thought that Rosary Societies should return to more spiritual activities than social, by sponsoring such events as retreats and pilgrimages, reflection evenings, more involvement with senior citizens and sponsorship of Latin services, as indicated by the Liturgical Norms of 1972.

Also, it was a consensus of opinion that there was a great need for establishing better communications for women and their activities with the diocesan Liturgy Office. Sustaining membership in various organizations was also discussed, as well as a need for unity among women's

organizations.

The rosarians agreed in principle to hold an annual seminar like the Canandaigua event, at different parishes throughout the diocese. The next seminar will be held at St. Mary's of the Assumption in Scottsville.

Mrs. Blum has agreed to form a steering committee for women and rosarians where suggestions and common concerns can be presented to both the Diocesan Pastoral Council and its Liturgy committee.

Mrs. Veronica will serve as liaison between rosarians and Mrs. Blum. Mrs. Veronica be reached at 123 mav Holiday Harbour, Canandaigua, 14424.

A social hour concluded the day's activities.

CWC Slates Fund-Raiser

The Catholic Women's Club has slated its annual Antique Sale and Exchange, the yearly fund-raiser for high school scholarships for Saturday, April 21 at the Otto Shults Center on the Nazareth College campus.

Margot Gram will appraise items at the event.

In addition to the antique sale, the CWC will also hold a luncheon. Donations for the sale are 10 per cent of the sale price; and for the luncheon,

Reservations are required for the luncheon. The CWC Offices may be reached between 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. on weekdays, 275-9173.

Mrs. Eugene Lang is chairman of the event, assisted by the Mesdames Peter DeLucia, John Dever, John Goater, Jr., William Kramer, Elmer Schmidt, Edward Strobino, and Donald Tyrell.

Retreat

"Teach Me Wisdon," is the title of a retreat planned for April 20-22 at the Cenacle, 693 East Ave. Father John Walchars will lead the retreat. Registration opens at 7:30

p.m. on Friday. The retreat will close Sunday at 3 p.m. Reservations are secured by calling the Cenacle ministry office (716) 271-8755.

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Mr. and Mrs. Carmen Cicci of St. Anthony's Parish, who were celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary, presented the Offertory gifts.

Those attending applauded when Father McCabe told them that the single red rose that had been on the altar during the Mass had been sent by the Elmira Divorced and Separated Catholics Group.

Father McCabe called on the couples to remember in their prayers those who have "suffered the pain of loss."

Concelebrating with Father McCabe were Father Richard O'Connell of Ss. Peter and Paul, and Father Kevin Murphy of St. Patrick's.

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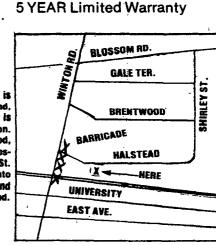
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