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### Nursing School Graduates 39

Elmira — Academic honors were bestowed on nine of the 39 graduating students of St. Joseph's Hospital School of Nursing at ceremonies Saturday, June 7 at St. Peter and Paul's Church.

Father Theodore Centala, OCD, officiated at the liturgy, and Father Robert Hammond was homilist. Father Centala is a member of St. Joseph's Pastoral Care team, and Father Hammond is chaplain at Notre Dame High School.

During the ceremony, Claire Cook of Ithaca received the Father Francis J. Walker Memorial Award for highest scholastic achievement. Sally Ann Westphal of Painted Post received the St. Joseph's Hospital School of Nursing Faculty Recognition Award. The Alumni Award for excellence in nursing practice was presented to Cathy Soprano of Waverly. Anne Frost of Burdette received the

District 3, NYSNA Award for outstanding qualities.

The Rita Corcoran Stoddard Memorial Award for outstanding clinical performance went to Donna Faraglia of Athens, Pa. Anne Frost also received the Dr. Lee J. Kinner Memorial Award for proficiency in operating room nursing, and Elizabeth Whitaker of Horseheads was presented with the Dr. Lee J. Kinner Memorial Award for excellence in medical-surgical nursing. The Loretta Daly Hughes Memorial Award for excellence in intensive care nursing was awarded to Mary Oksutak of Owego.

Those who were recognized for maintaining a "B" or higher average were: Claire Cook, Ithaca; Cathy Soprano, Waverly; Maureen Farrell, Binghamton; and Therese Kilmer, Binghamton.



### 'I Love Trash'

Costumed as trash cans, these first graders were singing a song that delighted their parents, "I Love Trash," during the annual spring program of St. James School, Waverly. The packed church hall audience heard several songs and skits by the school students, in a program which also honored the parish pastor, Father Edward Foy, on the 35th anniversary of his ordination.



Photos by Martin Toombs

### Anniversary Celebrated

Above, Bishop Matthew H. Clark greets parishioners after the Mass marking St. Casimir's school building's 50th anniversary. At right, the Mass itself, which took place June 1, concludes with Father Stanislaus Bialaszewski, Bishop Clark, Father Robert Hammond, and Father Henry Adamski, pastor. The year-long celebration ended later that day with a banquet.



### Waverly Festival To Be This Weekend

Waverly — The Third Annual St. James Parish Festival will be Saturday, June 14, and Sunday, June 15, on the school grounds at 503 Clark St., from 1 to 10 p.m. each day.

Special attractions this year will include carnival rides, Big Bird of Sesame Street, Rags the clown, and donkey rides.

The Pat Haggerty Dancers will perform at 4:30 p.m. Saturday. Also performing Saturday will be the Statesmen Quartet.

On Sunday, Happy Days Band will play from 2 to 4 p.m., the Toledo Barge Company from 5 to 6 p.m., and the Down Under Band will play from 6:30 p.m. on into the evening.

There will be a variety of food concessions, as well as dinners each day. On Saturday, a spaghetti supper

will be served from 5 to 7 p.m. On Sunday, Fathers Day, there will be a chicken barbecue from 2 to 5 p.m., with fathers eating free when their families purchase dinners.

Also available during the event will be games and crafts.

Organizing this year's event are Father Edward Foy, pastor; Judy Jennings, Sharon Mente, Jean Steed and Ginny Schliecker.

### Celtic Culture Courses Scheduled

Cornell University is offering a series of courses this Summer on Celtic languages, literature and culture. Classes will be taught by professors and lecturers from Ireland and Wales. Students may elect to take Irish or Welsh, or both, at the beginning or intermediate level. A special seminar will examine the position and importance of the Irish and other Celtic-speaking peoples in the culture of the Western World. Details may be obtained from Steven Gilmer, 607-256-3354, or Fred Ahl, Director, Summer Celtic Institute, Cornell University Summer Session, 105A Day Hall, Ithaca, N.Y. 14853.

### St. Casimir's Planning Festival

Elmira — St. Casimir's Summer Festival will be Sunday, June 29, beginning at 1 p.m. on the parish grounds, rain or shine. The event, which annually draws thousands of visitors, will feature a wide selection of foods, including Polish dishes and a chicken barbecue. Sunshower, a polka band from Binghamton, also will perform.

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