



Bishop Clark shows Kathy the picture of Kateri. They are joined by Kathy's mother, Mrs. Mary Farina, left, and Kathy's schoolmates Lori Koppler and Michelle Lobene.

Parishes Alerted To Charities' Meet

Parishes in the diocese were alerted last week that Rochester's Catholic Charities will host the 1980 Annual Meeting and Congress of the National Conference of Catholic Charities this September.

The local announcement stated that, although the program has not yet been completed, Bishop John McCarthy of Galveston/Houston will speak on "Social Ministry as an Essential Component of Parish," and Sen. Daniel Patrick Moynihan of New York will speak on "Progress for the Poor."

"The impact of parish social ministry on Catholic Charities," "Support for those hurting from separation and divorce," "Respect for human life," "Minority families in the 1980s," "The urban problem in the Northeast: a matter of social justice," "Tensions in parish outreach," "Healing

the family," and "Housing our poor and elderly."

Further information on the meeting is available by contacting Maurice J. Tierney, diocesan director of Catholic Charities, 50 Chestnut St., Rochester, N.Y. 14604.

Legion Distributes Tekakwitha Picture

By John Dash

An unusual portrayal of Kateri Tekakwitha, a portrayal at a far remove from the standard representations of the "Lily of the Mohawks," is being distributed in the diocese this year by the Legion of Mary at Christ the King Parish.

What at first glance appears to be merely a crude work, rendered in a style popular among some a few years back, may well be, on second glance, a more accurate and devout work — a depiction of the frail human flesh which glows with the beatitude the Church will solemnly profess June 22.

The legionnaires, spearheaded by Mrs. Sweeney, have reproduced a photograph of a statue on the grounds of the Shrine of the North American Martyrs in Auriesville.

Luncheon Planned For Sr. DeRitis

A farewell luncheon for Sister Anne Vincent DeRitis, resigning executive director of St. Joseph's Villa, will take place on Wednesday, July 9 at Sweet's Party House in Webster beginning at noon. The luncheon, sponsored by the St. Joseph's Villa Guild,

The statue, Mrs. Sweeney said, was sculpted by Dutch artist Elstervoort, and was given the shrine in 1964 in memory of William and Rose McCabe and daughter Mamie.

She said, "It is unique among the artistic representations of Kateri in that it depicts a delicate Indian girl whose face might indeed be pockmarked and whose eyesight might be impaired. Yet the image is hauntingly serene and sweet, suggesting a loveliness and depth of personality."

The legion's program of distributing the image is an outgrowth of prayers for a member of this year's graduating class of the parish school, Mrs. Sweeney said. The graduate is Kathy Farina.

Mrs. Sweeney related that in June 1977, Kathy, her family and friends, made a pilgrimage to Auriesville, the



The Elstervoort Kateri.

birthplace of Kateri, to ask her intercession in the disease which confines the youngster to a wheelchair.

Father Joseph McBride, U.S. vice postulator for the canonization cause of the Mohawk maiden, blessed Kathy with a relic of Kateri, and prayed over her.

As prayers continue to be said for Kathy, Mrs. Sweeney remarked, the legion is preparing to present the child with a photograph of the statue on the occasion of her graduation. That photograph, incidentally, was blessed by Bishop Matthew H. Clark on Nov. 25 last year.

More than 1,600 people from across the U.S. and Canada will attend the conference, the announcement said, which will be held Sept. 18 to 24, in both the Genesee Crossroads Plaza and the Rochester Americana, both in the heart of downtown Rochester.

Topics to be discussed at the meeting were listed as:

Celebrating

West Side Manor, a private proprietary home for adults, will fetter Father John Murphy of St. Lawrence Church in Greece on his 40th anniversary of ordination. The party will be held June 19. The event is a testament to the priest, who, in the words of the facility, "has provided many services to our residents even though we are not in his parish territory."

Car Wash

The Youth Group of Our Lady of Good Counsel Church will operate a car wash on the school grounds Saturday, June 28, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. According to Terri Maccarone, spokesperson for the group, a special Mass will be celebrated at 7 p.m. that evening for the organization.

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Mrs. Marion Murrer, past president of the Nazareth College Alumni Association, announced the recipients of the 1980 Outstanding Alumni Awards at Nazareth's Homecoming Weekend. Dr. Jean Foley (on left), class of '45, was honored for her post-graduate accomplishments as a woman who has successfully combined her roles as physician, wife and mother. Rosemary Welch Klee, '45, was recognized as an Outstanding Alumni and acknowledged for her long standing service to the Alumni Association, family and community.

will honor Sister Anne Vincent for 19 years of leadership at the Villa.

The Villa Guild is a newly formed organization aimed at helping the facility. They have raised funds for a new gymnasium, scheduled for construction in 1981.

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