



Mrs. Mary Jane Brigandi, 7th, 8th grade teacher, on left and Miss Mary Lou DiJune, 4th grade teacher, far right, along with Chris Murphy, Lisa Ort and Julie Turek study talent charts for the Talents Unlimited Program at Mother of Sorrows school.

Innovations

Two faculty members of Mother of Sorrows School, Miss Mary Lou DiJune and Mrs. Mary Jane Brigandi, attended a Talents Unlimited Workshop in Mobile, Alabama, Sept. 9-18.

The federal project is designed to help teachers recognize and nurture multiple talents in children. Dr. Calvin Taylor, author of the Multiple Talent Approach, believes this approach to the teaching/learning process can enhance the development of academic talent and can result in increased achievement.

Students at the primary, intermediate, and junior high levels will have an opportunity to work in this program.

Miss DiJune and Mrs. Brigandi will be holding workshops for teachers interested in adapting this program to their subject areas. For dates and times that these one-hour sessions will be held call Mother of Sorrows School, 663-1100.

Unified Goals

Sept. 3 was an important day for Holy Apostles/Holy Family School students and their families. For the first time in many years kindergarten through eighth grade students reported to the same building.

To accomplish this, it was necessary to close one of two under-utilized buildings. A very difficult decision and one of the first Bishop Matthew H. Clark was asked to make early in his tenure in the diocese. The decision to close Holy Apostles building was made early in January in order to provide time for planning the implementation of the consolidation.

Closing a school which held children's laughter and tears for many years is not an easy task. Yet, in spite of heavy hearts, the people from both parishes worked together to prepare for the consolidation of Holy Apostles and Holy Family students into one building. Clergy, parishioners, parents and staff members worked together to organize, pack and move furniture, books and equipment. During the summer, volunteers washed and painted classrooms and the gymnasium, while faculty members reorganized and decorated their classrooms. Everyone wanted the children to feel welcome and ready to begin a new adventure on the first day of school.

Now we are a family living under one roof; joined together and supported by the love and generosity of the parishioners from both churches. If you were to walk into our building you would discover that our children reflect this love and generosity by the way they pray, work and play together.

As we approach Catholic Education Week, we realize that the theme, "Choosing a Tradition: Catholic Education," has a



Generations

Highlight of St. Salome's celebration of Catholic Schools Week will be a Grandparent's Day, Oct. 29. Students have been working on a family tree based on research into the 1920-21 register which revealed the names of several persons who are still parishioners and whose children and grandchildren are parishioners and have attended St. Salome's. Above, John Strong, Becky Denk, Amy Denk and Tracy Strong work on the tree.

real meaning for us. The consolidation has reinforced the tradition of providing a Catholic education for the young people who live in our expanded community. The consolidation, also, provides us with the opportunity to create new traditions for those who follow after us.

Some of the activities which we hope will become a part of our tradition are:

1. The clergy from each parish meets with two classes each week to enrich the religious education program.
2. The Parish Religious Education coordinators work cooperatively with the church staff and school staff to plan Eucharistic and Penance celebrations.
3. The kindergarten lunch program is supervised by eighth grade students who eat with the children and provide some playtime activities.
4. Student Council members meet bimonthly with the principal to plan student activities, identify problems and seek solutions.
5. In June, an Awards Assembly is planned to give public recognition to students and adults who have given special service to the school.

A difficult task is made easier when everyone works to reach the same goals. We are grateful for the support we have received. We are aware that we need the continued support and prayers of everyone if we are to continue to help our children grow in faith and love.

Daily Celebrations

St. John of Rochester School, 10 Wickford Way, Perinton, will celebrate Catholic Schools Week, Oct. 25-31. The theme for the week will be "Choosing a Tradition — Catholic Schools." The schedule of events is: students in grades K-8 and their families will participate in the Marathon for Catholic Schools, Genesee Valley Park, Oct. 25, 9 a.m.; junior high students participate in Masses, Sunday, Oct. 26 at 7, 9, 10:30 a.m. and noon, and Sat., Oct. 25, 5 p.m.; classroom visitations and coffee in the library, Monday, Oct. 27, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. (babysitting provided); recitation of the Rosary by students and teachers, Oct. 30, 2:15 p.m.; field day in the morning and classroom Halloween parties in the afternoon, Friday, Oct. 31.

Joint Effort

Elmira — Open houses at the Elmira Catholic schools will be major activities during the schools' observance of Catholic Schools Week.

The open houses will occur on consecutive nights, with all four of the system's principals attending each program. They will run from 7 to 8:30 p.m., with St. Casimir's on Monday, St. Mary's on Tuesday, Our Lady of Lourdes on Wednesday and St. Patrick's Junior High on Thursday.

Choosing a Tradition

Catholic Education Moving

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The theme for Catholic Schools' Week this year is "Choosing a Tradition — The Catholic School." We are certainly proud of the tradition we have in the Catholic Schools in the U.S. and especially in our diocese. The thousands of men and women who are graduates of the schools along with the young men and women currently attending the schools make this tradition possible.



We are concerned that that tradition remain as an opportunity for many years to come. We believe that we are responsible to offer quality Catholic Education today and to plan for that opportunity to continue in the future.

Educational leaders have told us that not to plan for the 1980s is to march into crisis! Planning is necessary for the optimum use of our personnel, facilities and financial resources. We are living in an era of rapidly changing needs and have to design ways to respond to those needs rather than offer packaged programs developed for some past generation.

As a diocese, we have taken several steps to address the future of our Catholic Schools. Richard Burke, Finance and Marketing Consultant for Catholic Education, has conducted three seminars in our area. He has introduced us to



Goal Planning

Discussing plans for St. Patrick's, Elmira, Junior High students Coletta, Sister Barbara, the advisor, Robert Geraghty, Anne M

Catholic Schools Week

Mass Open

The Rochester Parochial celebration of Catholic Schools Week will be celebrated by Bishop Dennis Joseph L. Hogan; Father Richard Kinsky, St. Joseph's Cathedral; and several priests scheduled for Sacred Heart Cathedral on Sunday, Oct. 26, 7 p.m. A reception will follow in the rectory hall.

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