

Charities Publishes New Report On Homeless Transients' Need

Diocesan Catholic Charities last week began circulating a report identifying a need for low-cost living arrangements for homeless and/or transient persons in Monroe County.

The report is the work of a number of persons and agencies, both civic and religious, convened by Charities "at the request of a small, informal group of social work, social ministry, and political persons who felt the impending close of the YMCA and YWCA dormitory residences would further the imbalance between the needs of homeless/transient persons and community-based

housing resources," the report stated.

The major findings of the group include:

"Single adults of limited means, who may have a need for inexpensive housing with some support services, but who are not eligible for mandated care (provided by the Department of Social Services, Mental Health, Youth Bureau, Office of Vocational Rehabilitation, and State Institutions for the Retarded and Developmentally Disabled), experience a small number of housing options.

"The supply of housing for this group is actually

declining, with long waiting lists at locations appropriate for many of these individuals.

"Many organizations are interested in this housing problem, but there is as yet no mechanism to focus energies and resources to find and implement solutions.

"Housing may be seen as a social living environment, not just shelter, and this observation has implications for whatever housing is arranged for the above individuals.

"There are no immediately identifiable financial resources for either capital expenditures or operations

costs for single adult housing with some support services."

"The housing problems of single transient adults of limited means are serious and require attention," the report states.

By October of this year, Charities will convene all the interested organizations and agencies with resources to focus on the problem. That meeting will develop a coordinated plan that establishes 150-200 rooms for single, transient persons.

The United Way will review the need for human services support to the single, transient person housing population and prepare a plan to meet those needs.

In addition, the initial group will again meet in October to review progress on resolving the problem.

The YWCA closed its residence on June 30 this year. The YMCA anticipates closing its residence before January 1983.

At Your Parish . . .

St. Joseph

Rush — The annual Chicken Barbecue and Bazaar of St. Joseph's Church here is slated for 4:30 to 8 p.m., on Saturday, Sept. 12, in the church dining room.

The event is the main fund raiser and social gathering of the parish year. Proceeds provide scholarships for the youth of the parish.

Chairmen are Joan Countryman and Linda Henry.

St. Theresa/St. Mary

Stanley/Rushville — The Rosary Society of the joint parishes of St. Theresa and St. Mary recently held a garage sale at the church hall in Stanley, and donated the proceeds to DeSales High School in Geneva.

Ann Turner, president of

St. Andrew's

Final preparations are being made for St. Andrew's Fall Festival, 6:30 p.m. to midnight, Sept. 3 and 4 in the school hall, 901 Portland Ave.

the society, indicated that the group felt obligated to help the school since DeSales is a regional high school and the only one between Rochester and Syracuse.

Father Norbert Nolan, pastor, presented Edward Tracey, principal of the school, with a check for \$250. Chairperson of the event was Margaret Coleates.

St. Felix

Clifton Springs — The third annual Fall Festival of St. Felix Parish will be held from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Saturday, Sept. 12, on the church grounds.

Features include a garage sale, a farmer's market, a hot dog stand and, new this year, a pie baking contest.

On the last, Mary Galens is in charge and only fruit pies are to be entered. The pies should be baked at home and brought to the grounds by 10 a.m. There are two divisions: junior, through age 14; and senior, older than 14.

Bob Altman is in charge of the hot dog stand and Shirley and Charles Gelens are overseeing the farmer's market.

Proceeds from the festival are given to the Rosary and Altar Society, the Food Cupboard and the Catholic Youth Organization.

Festival coordinators are Barb Maslyn and Mary Galens, Dorothy H. Parmele, parish spokesperson, said.

St. Theodore

The Rosary-Altar Society of St. Theodore Church will hold its annual Installation Banquet Sept. 23 at the Diplomat Party House, 1956 Lyell Ave.

Tickets for the buffet supper are obtained at the rectory. Rita Montanaro and Mary Tanza are in charge.

Holy Family

The Rosary Society of Holy Family Parish will meet at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 9, in the Pine Room to recite the rosary. A meeting and wine tasting party will follow. Mrs. Donald Mayeu is hostess for the evening.

Business in Diocese



Cass and Lioi

William Pomeroy Cass III, owner of Cass Funeral Home, recently announced the consolidation of that firm with Thurston Funeral Home, owned by John L. Lioi, at a new address, 2636 Ridgeway Ave.

Cass, his wife Karen, and their six children are communicants at St. Charles Borromeo Parish. Cass has just completed his first year as

a candidate for the diocesan permanent diaconate.

Lioi, his wife Elizabeth and their four children are communicants at St. John the Evangelist in Greece. Lioi has recently been elected to the parish council at St. John's, and is an active Men's Club member.

Both men are members of the Knights of Columbus.

Francis J. Russo, an active member of St. Pius X Parish and treasurer of "Camp Good Days and Special Times," the not-for-profit camp for children with cancer in remission, has been named Chief of Administration, Department of Engineering for Monroe County.

Russo was formerly director of Fiscal and Administrative operations for the county Department of Social Services.

He, his wife Donna and two children reside in Gates-Chili area.



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