

State Commission Awards Contract To Local Group

The New York State Commission on Quality of Care for the Mentally Disabled has awarded a \$58,000 contract to the Monroe County Coordinating Group on Developmental Disabilities.

The award will be used to establish a Protection and Advocacy Regional Office in Western New York. The office will be one of seven across the state.

In announcing the award, Commissioner Clarence J. Sundram said, "State and federal laws guarantee to persons with developmental disabilities the right to a free and appropriate education, freedom from discrimination in housing and employment, and protection from harm. We want to help make these

rights a reality."

The Monroe County Coordinating Group was founded by parents of disabled and professionals in 1955 and has been cited as a model for organizing advocacy groups to work on behalf of handicapped persons. Developmental disabilities include mental retardation, cerebral palsy, autism, and other similar conditions.

Approximately 52,000 persons with developmental disabilities reside in the 17-county region to be served by the Monroe County Coordinating Group and also Neighborhood Legal Services of Buffalo. The groups will provide services directly to individuals and provide support and assistance to other groups in the region.

22 Nursing Students Promoted at St. James

Hornell — St. James Mercy Hospital School of Nursing senior and junior students were awarded stripes and two scholarships were awarded during ceremonies Sept. 20 in St. Ignatius Church.

Kimberly Hudzinski of Hornell received the Arthur R. Foreman Memorial Scholarship, which is presented to a junior nursing student who "has displayed a dedication to the profession for which she is training and who has conducted herself in the best interest of the patient." The \$100 award is given annually in the memory of Mr. Foreman by his family.

Michael Iven of Wellsville received the Hazel Stewart Award, given a student "who has demonstrated dedication to the pursuit of a career in nursing and has high scholastic ability." The \$100 award was established in 1971 by the late Miss Stewart, who served as a public health nurse in Hornell for 30 years.

The awards were presented by Loretta Haeefe, school director.

Diocesan Respect Life Celebration In January

Although the national celebration of Respect Life Sunday is scheduled next weekend, the Rochester diocese is planning its own marking of the event on Jan. 30-31.

The diocesan Human Life Commission has announced that parishes will receive information and literature on the nature of the celebration during December and January.

CHARISMATIC MASS

A charismatic Mass, sponsored by the parish, has been scheduled for 7:30 p.m., Friday, Oct. 23, at St. Joseph's Church in Penfield. Father James Moynihan, pastor, will celebrate the Mass which will be preceded by congregational singing at 7 p.m.

Fall Festival

The day following, the fair will open at 3 p.m. A Neopolitan Steak Parmigiana Family Dinner will be served from 1 to 5 p.m. on Oct. 18. Reservations are made by calling 663-3230.

Jesuit Professor Says Coin Matches Marking on Shroud

Chicago (RNS) — A Loyola University professor reports he has found that an imprint on the Shroud of Turin matches that of a rare coin issued by Pontius Pilate.

Jesuit Father Francis L. Filas says magnification of the coin shows an unusual misspelling that matches the markings covering the right eye of the face depicted on the 14-foot-long cloth, which is kept in a church in Turin, Italy. The cloth has been venerated in Europe since the mid-14th Century as the burial shroud of Jesus Christ.

Father Filas obtained the coin two years ago from a numismatist in Georgia. He later had several experts authenticate its validity as having been issued by the First Century Roman official, who, according to the Bible, sentenced Jesus to death in Jerusalem.

However, the Jesuit priest did not discover the misspelling on his purchase until August when he had a photo of the coin enlarged

22 times for use on a television program in California.

He believes that the letters "u cai" provide the most convincing evidence yet that the cloth originated around the time that Christ was crucified and in the same vicinity.

"What makes the discovery so definitive is the fact that a maverick and extremely unusual misspelling from the Greek words for 'Tiberius Caesar' occurs on both the shroud pattern and on the coin," Father Filas told reporters.

He said some experts have maintained that the misspelling had been painted on the shroud.

"The coin provides definite concrete proof that the misspelling did exist in the past as it exists today," Father Filas said. "Pontius Pilate issued coins of this type no earlier than 29 A.D. and perhaps through 32 A.D. at the latest. Coins like this could not have been used to cover the eyes of a

dead person after 70 A.D. when the Romans destroyed the temple," he said.

"No one can reasonably deny that this coin originated in Palestine. This confirms more than ever that the man of the shroud was a crucified Jew. It excludes the possibility of a forgery on the shroud imprints," he said.

Although the shroud has been venerated for centuries by Roman Catholics and other Christians, it has remained controversial because historians have been unable to trace it before the 14th Century. Many have argued that it was painted by an artist using a medieval process not now known.

A voluntary team of U.S. scientists who performed an array of tests on the cloth at Turin three years ago said they were confident that no dyes, stains or paints had been applied to fool the faithful but they do not agree as to how the image was produced.

Cameras of the type used in U.S. space flights and computer enhancement techniques were used to examine the eye area. However, the team said they found no evidence to support the theories Father Filas initially put forth a year ago that the image of a coin could be discerned.

ADORATION

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will begin at noon at Blessed Sacrament Church, tomorrow, Oct. 1. The afternoon of devotions includes recitation of the rosary at 12:15 and benediction at 5 p.m. preceding the regular 5:20 Mass. Intentions of the rites are fidelity on the part of priests and religious to the magisterium of the Church.

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Scholarship Awarded
Patrick Rogers, left, presents a \$500 scholarship to Mary Louise Weyand, a senior in the St. James Mercy Hospital, Hornell, School of Radiography. The scholarship is given by the Central New York Radiological Society. Rogers is educational director of the school. Miss Weyand is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Karl Weyand of the Canisteo Road, Hornell.

St. Charles Borromeo
A country social and square dance at 8 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 16, will open the three-day Country Fair of St. Charles Borromeo Church, 3003 Dewey Ave.



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The bishop Mass concelebrated with Father Paul Msgr. Arthur Doyle, addition, the an American flag as part of ceremony for school building

A tree was the ceremony reception in completed festivities.

Had the celebrations a fussy eye? Bishop Clark followed in predecessor arrived at the

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