

# Deaths

## John G. Bittner, Knight of St. John

Funeral services took place at in Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church Wednesday, Feb. 3, for John G. Bittner, a member of the parish since 1912.

Mr. Bittner, retired Rochester postmaster, was active in his parish, serving in many capacities including lector, member and chairman of the parish council, chairman of the Parish Life Commission, and member of the Holy Name Society. His civic services included that of councilman for the City of Rochester, member of the Rochester Area Chamber of Commerce, founder and past president of the Federal Executives Association of Rochester, and founder, past president and honorary member of the Rochester Chapter Institute of Internal Auditors.



MR. BITTNER

His many honors include the Rochester Savings Bank Radio Program Rochester Citizen of the Day Award in 1954; Proclamation declaring Nov. 21, 1969, as John G.

Bittner Day in Rochester; Monroe County Chapter, Catholic War Veterans, Catholic layman of the year, 1971; National Association of Postal Supervisors Appreciation plaque, 1969.

Mr. Bittner was initiated in the First Degree of the Knights of St. John on Oct. 2, 1922, as a member of Commandery 40 of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church. He served as president from 1941 to 1945 and was a trustee from 1951 to 1981. He served as president of the New York State Grand Commandery, 1952-56.

He is survived by his wife, Helen (Welch); children Joseph, George, John, and Mary; 11 grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

## Margaret R. Byrne

Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated Wednesday, Jan. 27, at St. Ann's Home for Margaret R. Byrne, 102.

Concelebrants were Fathers John Glogowski and Paul J. Cuddy. Miss Byrne had resided at St. Ann's for 15 years. She was a sister of the late Msgr. William Byrne who died in 1967.

She was a former

parishioner of Blessed Sacrament Church. Burial was in Calvary Cemetery, Ithaca, where services were conducted by Father Bernard L. Carges.

Survivors include a niece, Mrs. James Gersbach of Scotia; a nephew, C. Francis Gilligan of Dansville; and nine grandnieces and grand-nephews.

## 400 Give Thanks for Church Drive

Corning — Nearly 400 people attended the special Mass of Thanksgiving for the success of a \$400,000 fund drive for St. Mary's Church here.

The Mass was presided over by Bishop Matthew H. Clark, and was celebrated by ten priests of the area.

Initially the Mass was to have been a consecration of a new altar. But that altar is yet to be installed in the renovated church.

Bishop Clark was homilist for the Mass, and the guest speaker for a dinner following the rites at the Knights of Columbus chambers.

## Health Topic Of Seminar

A two-hour seminar exploring the relationship between one's self-image and physical health will be held from 10 a.m. to noon, and 7-9 p.m., on Thursday, Feb. 18, at the American Red Cross, 50 Prince St.

During the class, individuals will be given a working definition of self-image and will participate in group exercises to clarify their goals for change. There is no charge for the seminars. To register, call the Red Cross Registration Office, 275-9800, ext. 222.

## Schools Set Registration

Blessed Sacrament/St. John's Consolidated School has announced registration for the 1982-83 school year. Parents may contact the schools before or during the first week of March for appointments or information.

St. John's school is pre-K through grade six; Blessed Sacrament building is grades seven and eight.

Thursday, Feb. 11, main auditorium, Nazareth College Arts Center. Tickets: \$12; students, \$10.

**BASKETBALL** — Friends, Inc. from St. Charles Borromeo is sponsoring outing to a Rochester Zeniths game, 8 p.m. (meet in lobby at 7:30 p.m.), Wednesday, Feb. 17, Dome Arena. Cost, \$5.

**SPEAKER** — Mary Hunt, theologian and author, at 7:30 p.m., Tuesday, Feb. 16, The Otto Schuttis Center, Nazareth College.

**MEMORIAL ART GALLERY** — A guided tour, 2 p.m., Sunday, Feb. 14. Topic: "Magic and Ritual Practices in African Art." Free to gallery members, free to non-members with gallery ad-

**COMMUNITY SERIES** — Sponsored by the Greater Rochester Citizens for Action and featuring Paul Spiegel, Pittsford town supervisor, who will address the question of a possible "congress of towns." Free and open to the public.

**THURBER** — Presented by actor William Windom, 8:30 p.m., Saturday, Feb. 20, Nazareth Arts Center. Tickets, \$10 for adults, \$8 for students, are available at box office, 11 a.m.-5 p.m. weekdays, or call 586-2420.

## Region Sets Evangelism Meeting

Members of the North Region parishes will meet at 7 p.m., Wednesday, Feb. 17, at St. Thomas the Apostle School, 41 Colebrook Dr., for a discussion of current programs and resources available for evangelization projects.

The meeting has been designed for pastors, staff, faculty, parish councils, committees, organizations and parishioners.

Further information is available by contacting Donna Torpey, 544-8021, after 3 p.m., or Elaine Clausen, 467-8712.

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### Calendar

**LECTURE** — Michael Manley, former prime minister of Jamaica, will speak on third world cultures at 9 p.m., on Wednesday, Feb. 17, in the Kearney Auditorium at St. John Fisher College. Free.

**SLIDE/TALK** — On Israel, 7:30 p.m., Thursday, Feb. 11, Fairport Public Library.

**FILM** — "Butterflies are Free," 1 p.m., Saturday, Feb. 13, third floor auditorium, Central Library, Rundel Memorial Building.

**CHILDREN'S FILMS** — "Wedding Bells," 3:30 p.m., Wednesday, Feb. 10, Pulaski Community Library; "Firefly Named Torchy," 10:30 a.m., Friday, Feb. 12, Janes Library, 200 Fairport Rd.; "Bird Island," 1 p.m., Saturday, Feb. 13, Greece Public Library; "Dragon Stew," 2 p.m., Saturday, Feb. 13, Chili Public Library; "Pippi Goes on Board," 2 p.m., Saturday, Feb. 13, Gates Public Library; "Seventh Voyage of Sinbad," 2:30 p.m., Saturday, Feb. 13, Lowden Point-Branch Library.

**MEETING** — Marriage Encounter Information Night, 7:30 p.m., Thursday, Feb. 4, Tompkins County Library, 312 N. Cayuga St., Ithaca.

**SENIOR MATINEES** — "Mouse on the Moon," starring Margaret Rutherford, Terry-Thomas, 1:30 p.m., Thursday, Feb. 4, George Eastman House.

**THEATER** — The Acting Company, from the John F. Kennedy Center, presents "Twelfth Night" by Shakespeare, 8:30 p.m.,

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