



Bishop Clark speaks with Louise Slaughter and Gary Proud.

Legislative Goals Listed by Bishops

Bishops' Goals For N.Y. State

Albany — Human need should be the touchstone for determining legislative priorities, according to the 1984 Legislative Program of the State Catholic Conference.

"The conference believes that the State of New York should be at the forefront in developing strategies to respond to those most in need," said J. Alan Davitt, executive director. "The Church will continue to assist government in establishing priorities on the use of public funds on behalf of those who are poor, sick, handicapped, abandoned and oppressed. Wherever possible, we must work toward alleviating human misery and suffering."

The program stresses that both the legislative and executive branches of government must examine state resources and decide to use public funds in those areas where human needs are greatest.

Speaking for the eight state dioceses, the conference annually lists the top legislative goals to enhance living conditions in the state. A copy of the program is sent to each state legislator as well as each department chief in the executive branch. The goals are developed through a wide consultative process and zero in on assistance to the poor, to those who are dependent on others for life and health, and to families in need.

Social Concerns — Strengthen services to avoid family breakup, provide day-care for working mothers, insure citizen involvement in establishing the use of federal funds, develop new programs for the elderly.

Economic security — Increase the basic public assistance grant to help beat some of the ravages of inflation, develop job training programs for youths, increase rental allowances for minimum shelter to reflect rising costs.

Protection of life — End state funding for abortions, prevent re-enactment of the death penalty, provide help to unwed mothers both before and after the birth of their babies, require notification of parents before their teenage daughters undergo abortions.

Education — Assist parents who are meeting extraordinary expenses in providing the state-mandated education for their children in public or nonpublic schools by offering tax assistance programs. Provide education to public and nonpublic school students by increasing the state aid for book costs by \$5 for student, permit the placing of handicapped children in suitable nonpublic school programs, provide transportation to nonpublic school students on all days their schools are in session.

Health — Offer incentives for better health care; provide more funding for preventive programs in the areas of alcohol and substance abuse; increase funding for outpatient care extending coverage to the undocumented and the working poor, thus reducing the high cost of in-hospital care.

Criminal justice — Increased funding for crime victim compensation; increased use of already existing programs of alternatives to incarceration such as work release; emergency release to avoid overcrowding, bail, providing restitution, etc.; permit mothers to keep children with them up to 18 months of age; better programs for ex-offenders; more attention to correction personnel and their problems.

Housing — Programs to combat the lack of available housing for low and middle income families, both urban and rural; expansion of opportunities for elderly residents; providing incentives for business and individuals to undertake urban renewal programs, establish a special task force to develop new strategies.

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"Finally, over the long term, we urge the state to make a decisive and public shift in its fiscal priorities in both capital and operating budgets from prison expansion to the variety of non-incarcerative sanctions indicated in the 'Pastoral Statement on Criminal Justice' issued by the New York State Catholic Bishops

in the spring of 1983."

The housing report filed by the Bishop Sheen Ecumenical Housing Foundation says: "We urge the legislators to act on housing issues and initiatives. We especially urge that an immediate solution be found to compensate for negative impact on food stamp recipients due to the Shelter Allowance increase. And secondly, that appropriations be made for the con-

struction of housing for low income people and the reorganization of New York State's Housing Delivery System."

Bishop Clark described the meeting as "an excellent forum for raising the issues of importance to us." He expressed his pleasure at the interaction the meeting afforded. "It was a very productive session," he said.

Christian Unity to Be Ecumenical Service Theme

Elmira Heights — An Ecumenical Service, at which Bishop Dennis W. Hickey will preside, is at 7:30 p.m., Wednesday, Jan. 25, at St. Charles Borromeo Church in Elmira Heights. The service has been planned jointly by the Diocesan Holy Year Committee, the Diocesan Office for Ecumenism and

Interreligious Affairs, and the Elmira Council of Churches. The theme of the service is the focus of the 1984 Week of Prayer for Christian Unity: "Called to be one in the Cross of the Lord."

Pope John Paul II urged local dioceses to celebrate the Holy Year in an ecumenical

setting in order to allow all people to experience the devotion and tradition of a Holy Year celebration. This diocesan celebration is considered a pilgrimage and that is why all are invited to travel to St. Charles and gather as one.

According to Mrs. Margery Nurnberg, the planning has involved many churches in the Elmira area. Area clergy will be participating and a combined choir will provide the music for the celebration. Following the evening of prayer, there will be an open reception in the parish hall.

The next diocesan Holy Year event will be a prayer/song experience at St. Charles Borromeo Church in Rochester on Sunday, April 1. The Holy Year will conclude on Easter Sunday, April 22.

UR Newman Sets Speakers On Pastoral

Msgr. William Shannon, professor emeritus of religious studies at Nazareth College, will speak on "Deterrence or Non-violence?" 7:30 p.m., Tuesday, Jan. 31 in the Interfaith Chapel of the University of Rochester.

His address is the last of three, sponsored by the Newman Community at the U. of R., on the U.S. bishops' pastoral letter, "The Challenge of Peace: God's Promise and Our Response."

Earlier speakers have been Peter Kountz, dean of students and associate professor of religious studies at the university; and James Lund, social ministry education and training coordinator for the Diocese of Rochester.

Kountz gave a general overview of the letter, and Lund addressed the topic of "Translating 'The Challenge of Peace' into Action."

Diocese Will Offer Tuition Subsidies

The Diocese of Rochester will offer tuition subsidies for the 1984-85 school year for students attending Catholic secondary and elementary schools.

The subsidy program aids economically disadvantaged children who wish to receive a Catholic education but cannot afford one, according to Sister Edwardine Weaver, superintendent of schools for the diocese.

Acceptance and registration at a Catholic school is required before application can be made for a subsidy.

Forms for secondary tuition subsidy will be available at each Catholic high school on March 1; forms for elementary tuition subsidy will be available on that date at each Catholic elementary school and parish.

Applications are to be completed and returned to the school by mid-March and awards will be announced in June.

Further information is available from the appropriate school or parish, or from Sister Virginia Steinwachs, 328-3210.

DEATHS

Edward J. Dunlea, Veteran Trainman

Waverly — Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated Jan. 5 for Edward J. Dunlea who died Jan. 2, 1984, at age 80, after an extended illness.

Mr. Dunlea was a retired trainman, having worked for the Lehigh Valley Railroad for 45 years.

Following a prayer service at Luckner Funeral Home, Father Edward J. Foy, pastor of St. James Church, pre-

sided at the Mass and committal service. Father William Burns also was present in the sanctuary.

Mr. Dunlea was born in Waverly in 1903, the son of Edward Dunlea and Mary Snell Dunlea.

He is survived by his wife, Eleanor; his stepson, Donald Beatty; a sister, Sister M. Ligouri, SSJ; and several cousins.

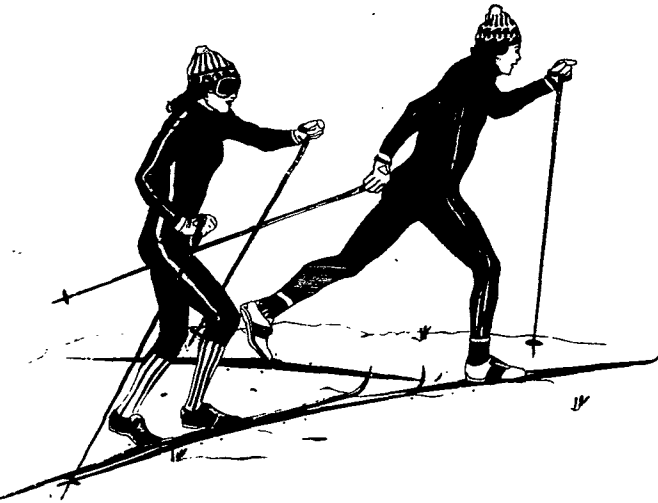


DOLLAR DAY — Try a computer, see a star show, watch a classic film and visit several exhibits — all for a dollar — from 11-6 p.m., Sunday, Jan. 29 at Rochester Museum & Science Center. Preschoolers and members are admitted free.

FILM SERIES — Face to Face continuing with "Gate of Hell" at 1:30 p.m., followed by artist Junco Sato Pollack demonstrating Japanese silkweaving on a traditional Japanese loom, Sunday, Jan. 29. Free with general museum admission.

EXHIBITIONS — Victorians and Their Valentines, Feb. through March 25, The Print Corridor, Rochester Memorial Art Gallery; Forma Art Studio, 9 a.m. - 9 p.m., weekdays; noon - 5 p.m., Saturday and Sunday, Wednesday, Feb. 1 through Sunday, Feb. 26, lower level gallery, Nazareth Arts Center. Free: Black Artists Exhibit, 9 a.m. - 9 p.m., weekdays; noon - 5 p.m., Saturday and Sunday, Thursday, Feb. through Sunday, Feb. 26, foyer gallery, Nazareth Arts Center. Free.

CONCERT — InterMusica of the Eastman School of Music presents "Music and Poetry of La Revue Blanche: A Glance at Parisian Musical Life 1890-1910," 8 p.m., Monday, Jan. 30 Rochester Memorial Art Gallery auditorium. Free.



NORDIC WEEKEND — Sponsored by Genesee Valley Nordic Ski Patrol Saturday and Sunday, Feb. 4-5, Rochester Museum and Science Center's Cumming Nature Center. Mini-workshop topics on Saturday, Feb. 4 are hypothermia and proper winter clothing at 11 a.m.; cross-country ski equipment and waxing techniques, 1:30 p.m., and ski touring and ski repair on the trail at 2:30 p.m. At 11 a.m., on Sunday, a slide show and program on patrol membership and qualifications, a 1:30 p.m. demonstration on use of toboggans in trail rescue, 2:30 p.m., ski touring mini-workshop. A winter picnic with hot dogs and mulled cider, noon - 4 p.m., each day. Admission, \$2 adults; 50 cents children. Call 271-4320, ext. 232.

SENIOR MATINEE — Shirley Jones, 1:30 p.m., "Oklahoma" starring Thursday, Jan. 26, Gordon MacRae and George Eastman House.

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