

Rochester Kolping Slates German Christmas Mass

The Rochester Kolping Society invites the public to its annual Christmas Mass, 2 p.m., Jan. 6 at Holy Family Church on Ames Street.

The concelebrated Mass will feature all parts in German including the sermon. In addition, favorite German Christmas carols will be sung.

Following the Mass, a German dinner will be served in the school hall. Reservations are made by calling 621-3226 evenings.

Tickets for the dinner are \$10.50 per person.

Eleanor Schwind is president of the Kolping Society.



Mooney Coach Honored

Ed Nietopski, right, athletic director at Cardinal Mooney High School, was named "Man of the Year" by the Greece Police Benevolent Association at a banquet on Oct. 25 at Lake Shore Country Club. Presenting the award is Don Riley, left, Greece town supervisor, as Nietopski's wife, Betty, looks on. Nietopski's basketball and baseball teams, in his 20 years at Mooney, have captured three sectional titles and 24 divisional championships. The Nietopskis have seven children and are members of St. Charles Borromeo Parish.

Nicaraguan Priest-Official Expelled from Jesuit Order

Rome (NC) -- Father Fernando Cardenal, Nicaraguan education minister, has been expelled from the Society of Jesus, five months after Jesuit officials said his post in the Marxist-influenced government was "incompatible with his status as a Jesuit."

Jesuit headquarters in Rome announced the expulsion Dec. 10. The decision followed strong public pressure by the Vatican and the Nicaraguan bishops that Father Cardenal and three

other Nicaraguan priests leave their government posts.

Father Johannes Gerhartz, Jesuit general secretary, said in a separate interview that the decision was communicated to Father Cardenal Dec. 4. The decision was taken after the Vatican made clear that there would be no exemptions in Nicaragua to the canonical prohibition against priests holding government posts, he said.

The terse two-line Jesuit announcement said: "The Jesuit provincial superior of

the Central American province of the Society of Jesus has given Father Fernando Cardenal the document dismissing him from the Society of Jesus. In deference to the wishes of those involved the Jesuit Curia will issue no more information about this."

The Jesuit decision "is not a laicization, is not a penal act" under canon law, said Father Gerhartz after the announcement.

The decision means that Father Cardenal is no longer under Jesuit church authority and his immediate church superior is Archbishop Miguel Obando Bravo of Managua, Nicaragua, an opponent of Nicaragua's Sandinista government and of Nicaraguan priests holding government positions.

"As every member of the faithful he is under the authority of the local bishop," said Father Gerhartz.

Under the decision Father Cardenal is still a priest but would need to be incardinated in a diocese before he could practice his public ministry. Incardination is a process by which a local bishop authorizes diocesan priests to administer the sacraments in his diocese. Religious order priests are given this authority by their local religious superiors.



Santa's Back!

The Sacred Heart Cathedral Home School Association recently issued thanks to all patrons and helpers who made the group's recent "Breakfast with Santa" a success. Children of patrons here share a portrait with the legendary figure.



Distinguished Citizen

David Winn, a junior at Aquinas Institute, has been given the Distinguished Citizen Award for outstanding conduct and cooperativeness with law enforcement agencies.



CHRISTMAS: MASS FOR YOU

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The Midnight Mass in Bethlehem is offered each Christmas for members of this Association. How better can we say thank you? In 18 mission countries (where Catholics, though few, are mostly of the Eastern Rites) the Holy Father helps millions because you read this column. Blind boys in the Gaza Strip (not one of them a Christian) are learning rug making, basket-work, the ABCs, at the Pontifical Mission Center for the Blind. Lepers in India are cared for by native priests and Sisters. The poor have the Gospel preached to them in Egypt, Iraq, Iran and Ethiopia.... This season especially, won't you remember our work in your prayers? Our priests and Sisters depend on you. They ask the infant to bless you always!

Gifts we receive no later than Monday, December 31, can be listed in your 1984 income tax return. Wondering what you can do?

BUILDING FOR CHRIST

Immediate help is needed for three projects in poor rural areas in India. The parish church at THALORE is in need of reconstruction. The dome above the Sanctuary collapsed just ten minutes after adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. Bishop Kundukulam seeks \$5,000 to rebuild Infant Jesus Church... Sr. Jacintha at MULASSERY pleads for \$6,000 to provide a chapel for Providence Convent... Fr. George and his people at ATHANI are doing their utmost to raise funds to build a school for their children. Only \$5,000 more is needed. They look to us for assistance.

A HOME FOR THE HOMELESS

Some 25 children, many from broken homes, depend on Fr. Marreddy of KANCHIKACHARLA, India, for shelter. The temporary sheds must be replaced. Only \$4,000 will provide an orphanage building. Can you help? Will you help?

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POPE

Catechesis Is Central

Vatican City (NC) — Here is the Vatican text of Pope John Paul II's remarks in English at his general audience Dec. 5.

Dear brothers and sisters,

With today's audience I wish to begin a new series of reflections on the truths of the Christian faith and moral life, especially as these truths are formulated and transmitted through the church's catechesis.



We read in the Acts of the Apostles that, according to the Lord's command to go forth and make disciples of all nations, the essential mission of the church is to preach the Gospel; to proclaim the good news of salvation to all the world.

Those who heard the saving message of Jesus Christ and were baptized in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit became members of the church and hence were called to partake of the mission entrusted by Christ to the community of the baptized.

By "devoting themselves to the apostles' teaching" the members of the early Christian community were faithful to their vocation and to the mission they had received.

This vocation and mission continues in the church today. The recent papal documents "Evangelii Nuntiandi" (On Evangelization in the Modern World) and "Catechesi Tradendae" (Handing on the Teaching) give clear indications of the role of evangelization and catechesis for the church today.

Through this present series of instructions, specifically on catechesis, I wish to reflect with you and the whole Christian people on the wonderful things that God, in his love, has revealed to us and accomplished on our behalf. I pray to the Holy Spirit for the light and grace to bring all to a deeper and more systematic knowledge of the person and message of our lord Jesus Christ.

Business In Diocese

Elmira — St. Joseph's Hospital School of Radiologic Technology has received accreditation by the New York State Department of Health for a five-year period, the longest period of accreditation awarded to a school.

The hospital also announced that Dr. Joshua Nagin MD, director of emergency services, has been named a fellow of the American College of Emergency Physicians.

Joseph B. Butkowsky, a member of the Knights of Columbus, and a communicant at and member of the Men's Club of Our Mother of Sorrows Church, has joined the staff of Kraft Technologies, Inc., as director of marketing and consulting services.

The Volunteers of America Adult Home has been awarded a \$5,000 grant from the Rochester Area Foundation to be used for the installation of a new gas-fired boiler.

Lawrence A. Wehner, president of Wehner Mower, Inc., announced recently that he had purchased the 35-year-old Rochester Automatic Heating Corp. from Henry Jesserer; and that Rochester Automatic Heating is now a division of Wehner Service Corp.

Wehner, a communicant of St. Theodore's Church, also announced that the heating firm is located at the Wehner address, 2321 Ridgeway Ave., and "there's been no disruption in the heating-air conditioning business because the same experienced people are with us."

Carolyn Portanova, program director of Catholic Family Center, has completed Rochester Institute of Technology's Executive Program for Non-Profits. The program is coordinated by the Center for Management Development in RIT's College of Business and is supported by the Rochester Area Foundation. Designed to improve the managerial effectiveness of upper-level executives in nonprofit organizations, the program applies current business thinking to nonprofit environment.

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