

Neighbors in the News

Sister Marie Ruth Kerwin, S.S.J., a graduate of St. John the Evangelist School in Spencerport celebrated her Silver Jubilee in the St. Joseph order on Saturday, May 4. Sr. Marie is a pastoral assistant at Holy Name of Jesus Parish in Buffalo. Her parents are Norma and the late John Kerwin of Spencerport.

The National Council of Teachers of English has chosen Jane O'Brien, an English teacher at Our Lady of Mercy High School, as a regional judge for the 1985 NCTE Achievement Awards in writing.

O'Brien, of Forest Lawn Road, Webster, is the adviser to the school's literary magazine, the Mercedes, which has won several awards, including the council's highest honor.

Recipients of honorary degrees at Nazareth College's 58th commencement exercises were Anna Moffo-Sarnoff, Sister Ann Ida Gannon, B.V.M., and Lester Harrison. Moffo-Sarnoff, a soprano recently inducted into the First Hall of Fame of Great American Opera Singers, received a doctor of letters degree. Sr. Ann Gannon, who received the doctor of letters degree, is currently professor of philosophy at Mundelein College in Chicago. She was president of the college from 1957 to 1975. Harrison, the former owner and coach of the Rochester Royals professional basketball team and a member of the basketball hall of fame, was awarded a doctor of humanities degree.

Two McQuaid seniors have earned 1985 Kodak Scholarships ranging from \$750 to \$4,000 annually over four years of undergraduate study. Mininder S. Kocher, son of Haribhajan and Ranjit Kocher of Penfield, will major in premedicine at Yale University next fall on his way to a career as a physician.

Steven P. Strong will major in physics at the California Institute of Technology and intends to pursue a career in that field. His parents are James and Loretta Strong of Brighton.

Jeanne Grinnan, an English teacher at Nazareth Academy, has received the Elaine DeLancey Award for Teaching Excellence in

Secondary Education from the State University at Brockport.

Grinnan, a graduate of the academy and Nazareth College, was honored at a day-long recognition program at Brockport Wednesday, April 24. She is co-adviser of the academy's yearbook, the Lantern, and has been a faculty member there since 1982.

Faculty and students of the art department of Nazareth College have dedicated the 1985 Student Art Exhibition to Sister Magdalen LaRow, S.S.J., professor of art and former art department chairman.

The highlight of the exhibition's opening reception and awards ceremony on Saturday, April 13, was the presentation to Sister Magdalen of a portrait of herself, painted by Rochester artist John C. Menihan.

Father John Ward, C.S.B., has won the University of Rochester Award for Excellence in Secondary School Teaching. Father Ward has taught mathematics at Aquinas Institute for four years, also serving as assistant athletic director, golf coach and moderator of the Sports Boosters.

A Detroit native, Father Ward was assistant principal at Andrean High School in Indiana before coming to Aquinas.

Mabel Perdue Shults, a Nazareth College alumna, trustee and long-time benefactor, recently attended a campus reception for students being helped by the Otto A. Shults and Mabel Perdue Shults scholarships.

Otto A. Shults, late husband of Mabel Shults, was the first lay chairman of the Board of Trustees of the college. Nine students attended the reception.

The Carmelite Friars of the New York Province of St. Elias gathered last month and elected Father Mathais Deslauriers, O.Carm., as provincial for the next three years. Provincial council members elected were: Fathers Gary O'Brien, Matthew Temple, Sean Harlow and Gerald McGovern.

Father Deslauriers was most recently pastor of Transfiguration Parish in Tarrytown, N.Y., working in formation for the previous ten years.

Father David Mara, director of youth ministry for the Diocese of Rochester, recently conducted a retreat at Casowasco on Owasco Lake in the Town of Scipio. Participants were members of a class to be confirmed at St. Bernard's in Scipio Center Tuesday, May 21, by Bishop Dennis W. Hickey.

The candidates for confirmation are from the cluster parishes of the Southern Cayuga Team Ministry.

Deacon John Prave of Union Springs gave the homily at Masses on Sunday, May 5, at St. Bernard's Church in Scipio Center and at St. Isaac Jogues Church in Fleming. Prave is a member of the Southern Cayuga Team Ministry.

Sophomore Sharron Saptura has won the Sister Magdalen LaRow Award for "Best of Show" with her body of work in textiles and weaving in the Nazareth College Student Art Exhibit. Saptura is an art major from Watkins Glen, N.Y.

Other winners included: Anna DiMatteo of Hilton, best printmaking; Maura Lyons of Wappingers Falls, best photograph; Kim Mincer of Shortsville, best painting; Molly Maggulli of Pittsford, best illustration; Rafael Barreto of Honeoye, best metalsmithing; Dana Connell of Fairport, best textiles.

The Reverend Robert M. Franklin Jr. has been appointed Dean of Black Church Studies and a faculty member at Colgate Rochester/Bexley Hall/Crozer Theological Seminary.

Reverend Franklin comes from Harvard Divinity School, where he has served in the ministerial studies program and has taught in the area of Afro-American studies.

Two St. John Fisher College English professors have received National Endowment for the Humanities grants for summer study.

Mary Ann Davis, Ph.D., of Penfield, a specialist in Victorian literature, will study English Romanticism at Yale University this summer. Kenneth M. Mason Jr., Ph.D., of Rochester, is chairman of the college's English department. He will study the English novel at the University of California at Berkeley.

John Campbell, a senior at Cardinal Mooney High School in Rochester, is one of five winners in a state-wide fire safety poster contest sponsored by the state Office of Fire Prevention and Control and the State Education Department.

Winning posters will be reproduced as a composite for distribution as the official state fire safety poster for 1985. Prizes included a trip to Albany, a savings bond, and tours of the state capitol and museum.

St. Vincent DePaul Church in Churchville has been named as host for the National Pastoral Musicians Convention to be held in July 1986 according to Helen Halligan, music director.

Nazareth Academy seniors Zaida Bliss and Margaret Zicari were honored at the Veterans of Foreign Wars Loyalty Day dinner on Sunday, April 28 at the Mapledale Party House. The annual awards recognize students who exemplify leadership and loyalty.

Melissa Agustin and Katie Frey, both students at Our Lady of Mercy High School, are winners in the Penfield Library Poetry Contest. Agustin, a junior from Dansville, won third prize for "And Muses Shall Beseech." Frey, a senior from Rochester, received honorable mention for "Youth."

Anthony T. Barbaro of Binghamton has been appointed the third executive director of the Southern Tier Diocesan Office of Social Ministry in Elmira. He succeeds Father Michael J. Bausch, who was recently appointed executive director of the newly formed Genesee Valley Office of Social Ministry to serve Livingston and Monroe counties.

Barbaro has been director of the Binghamton Faith Center, an ecumenical youth center serving the students of area high schools.

A 1978 graduate of St. John Fisher College, Father Paul F. English, C.S.B., was ordained to the Basilian order on Saturday, May 11, at his home parish, Most Holy Rosary in Syracuse.

A Spanish literature major at Fisher, he has been assigned to Ste. Anne de Detroit parish, Detroit, Mich., where he has been active in diaconal ministry to the area's large Hispanic population.

Diocesan Roundup

Silver and Gold

On the theme "Past the Silver...Toward the Gold" administrators at Notre Dame High School in Elmira are beginning the school's third annual support campaign.

More than 6,000 letters and brochures were mailed to alumni parents, businesses and friends by May 1, according to Don Quick, campaign chairman. Personal follow-up with selected individuals and businesses will continue between May 1-15, with a phonathon set for May 14, 15 and 16. This year's campaign goal is \$68,000, "a sum crucial to ensuring Notre Dame's high-quality programs," said Quick.

Pointing out that annual giving has grown steadily, Sister Mary Walter Hickey, school principal, added that pressures on private education have increased tremendously.

"Never in the school's 30-year history was the need for greater teamwork more evident," noted Sister Mary Walter. "Each person's contribution is vitally important."

Application Deadline

Pre-applications for 1985-86 funding by the diocesan Campaign for Human Development should be filed with the CHD's regional office by Saturday, June 1, according to spokesman Tony Capozzi.

Established in 1970 by the U.S. Catholic bishops to combat domestic poverty, CHD's goal is to fund projects from self-help poverty groups representing all races, creeds, geographic regions and backgrounds. Projects should be innovative, attacking the root causes of poverty and effecting institutional change.

For forms or more information, contact Capozzi at 750 W. Main St., Rochester, 14611, or call (716)328-6400.

Catholic War Veterans

The annual state convention of the Catholic War Veterans of the U.S., Inc. and Ladies Auxiliary, department of N.Y., will be held at the Genesee Plaza Holiday Inn Wednesday through Saturday, May 15-18. The event will also mark the organization's 50th anniversary.

Highlights will include a memorial service in the Shrine Room of the Community War Memorial on Thursday, May 16, at 5 p.m., and a Convention Jubilee Mass on Saturday, May 18, at St. Mary's Church. The convention will conclude with a dinner dance on Saturday, May 18, attended by all participants as well as County Manager Lucien Morin.

Renewal Week

A week of renewal is planned by at Corpus Christi Church, 80 Prince St. in Rochester, Sunday through Thursday, May 19-23.

"I Love You Just The Way You Are" will include opportunities for spiritual renewal and prayer, and time to discover God through marriages, work, sorrows and joys. Leading the program will be Father Scott Seethaler, a Franciscan priest from Pittsburgh, Pa. whose ministry is that of a traveling preacher.

The topics and schedule of events are: Sunday, 6-8 p.m., "I have called you by name, you are mine;" Monday, 7 p.m., "There are a variety of gifts, but one Spirit;" Tuesday, 7 p.m., "Discovering God in daily living;" Wednesday, 7 p.m., "Entertaining angels;" and Thursday, 7 p.m., a closing liturgy.

Padre Scott predicara el Sabado, 18 de mayo, en la Misa hispana 6:30 p.m. Inmediatamente desues de la misa, el Padre Scott disigira una sesion en espanol, en el "hall" de la Iglesia. Por favor, ven.

Catholic Parents

A family atmosphere prevailed at the second annual convention of the New York State Federation of Catholic School Parents according to William P. Gallagher, federation executive director. The convention, held Friday through Sunday, April 19-21 in Albany, was attended by some 250 parents, teachers and administrators.

A wine and cheese reception Friday evening began the agenda. Highlights of the weekend included opening ceremonies on Saturday morning, featuring a keynote talk on the historical and theological roots of

A Word for Sunday

with Father Albert Shamon



Sunday's Readings: (R3) John 17:11-19; (R1) Acts 1:15-17, 20-26; (R2) 1 John 4:11-16.

Sunday's readings have much to say about Judas, the man who betrayed Christ.

Betrayal is always an ugly thing. Everyone despises the perfidy of Sinon who betrayed the windy city of Troy to the cruel Greeks; of a Benedict Arnold — and of course, Judas.

Dante put Judas in lowest hell. One can understand that, even though in this age of revisionist history attempts are made to vilify heroes and glorify villains, like Judas in "Jesus Christ, Superstar."

I can remember when reading of King Richard III, the abhorrence I felt when I read how the Duke of Buckingham was betrayed. Buckingham, perhaps sated with the foul corruption of Richard, decided to join the revolt against him led by Henry Tudor. Buckingham lost his army because torrential rains prevented it from joining up with Tudor. Left alone, Buckingham had to flee for his life. He took refuge in the house of Humphrey Bannister, a servant of his whom he had raised to high estate. Buckingham felt he could trust Bannister because Bannister owed all he had to the Duke. But when Richard III offered a thousands pounds to anyone who caught Buckingham, Bannister betrayed his benefactor to the king at Salisbury. There, Buckingham was beheaded.

Bannister then asked the king for his thousand pounds. The king refused to pay it, saying "He that would be false to so good a master ought not to be encouraged." Later, Richard found an excuse to have Bannister himself hanged for manslaughter. How often

prophecy by Father Edmund Ryan, vice president of Canisius College in Buffalo. Monsignor John F. Meyers, president of the National Catholic Educational Association, gave the main address at Saturday evening's annual dinner, and Bishop Howard J. Hubbard celebrated a closing liturgy on

the evil of betrayal recoils on the evildoer.

So it was with Judas. Of what profit was it for him to betray Jesus?

Yet God draws good even from evil. Judas' betrayal of Jesus serves only to confirm the goodness of our Lord's life. The chief priests who plotted to kill Jesus were seeking evidence to prove He was a fraud, a deceiver, a fake. Surely, if anyone knew of any flaw in either the character, teachings or miracles of Jesus, it would have been one of the Twelve, the men closest to Him. Had Judas possessed any such knowledge, what a chance it would have been for him to have gotten a vast sum of money. Yet Judas had no such intelligence to sell to the chief priests. All he could sell was information on the whereabouts of Jesus, worth only 30 pieces of silver — the price of a Jerusalem donkey.

How tragic it was that Judas left the first Mass early; he missed being prayed for by Jesus. It was Jesus' prayer that saved the disciples from betraying Jesus altogether. Had they been arrested with Him on the eve of His passion, they too would have fallen like Judas himself. But they were never given this test at that moment, because Jesus had prayed for them. The power of His prayer delivered them from a situation that might have proved too much for them at that moment! They were not yet ready to suffer for Jesus (R3).

What a comfort! Jesus will always be with His own to see that they are never tempted beyond their strength. "He lives always to make intercession for us!"

Sunday morning.

In the concluding words of the Mass, Bishop Hubbard pointed out the importance of the Catholic school ministry in today's society and the importance of parents acting as prophets and witnesses for their children and for other parents.