

Activities Around the Diocese

Theologian to Speak

Patricia Schoelles, SSJ, professor of religious studies at Nazareth College, will speak at St. Mary's Church, Rochester, Tuesdays, Nov. 19 and 25, 12:10 p.m. to 12:45 p.m., contributing to a series of discussions called "Conversations: Faith and the Marketplace."

The series of discussions started September 17, and will continue until December 17. It is designed for business personnel who work in the downtown area.

Brown bag lunches are welcome, and dessert and refreshments are provided.

For additional information, call Sister Joan Sobala at (716)232-7140, or Linda Quinlan at 865-8718.

Candlelight Vigil

A candlelight vigil will be offered Sunday, Nov. 17, at 7:30 p.m., at the World War I monument on Main Street in Phelps. The vigil will be followed by an ecumenical prayer service in the United Church. The celebration is an effort through prayer and presence to support the adoption of a comprehensive test ban treaty, which will be presented at a Geneva Summit meeting between President Ronald Reagan and Soviet Secretary General Gorbachev.

The vigil is sponsored by the local organization Phelps People for Peace.

For additional information, call Peg and Ralph Barbalace at (315)548-3118.

Alcoholism Seminar

A monthly alcoholism seminar will be offered Thursday, Nov. 21, 12:15 p.m., in the Dunn Memorial Building, Classroom No. 2, at St. Joseph's Hospital, Elmira.

Thomas Bruner, of the Chemung County Probation Department, will address the history of the Chemung County Chemical People in a speech entitled "Prevention at Work."

For additional information, call the Stars Office at (607)733-5519.



Holy Family Craft Sale

All kinds of handcrafted holiday items will be available at Holy Family School's Christmas Craft Sale, Saturday and Sunday, Nov. 23 and 24.

Saturday's hours will be 11 a.m.-7 p.m. and Sunday's will be 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Refreshments will also be served.

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Ministry Conference

Anyone seriously interested in graduate theological studies is invited to explore options at a three-day conference on ministry at the Colgate Rochester Divinity School, 1100 S. Goodman St., Thursday through Saturday, Nov. 14-16. Through worship, course exploration and informal conversation, participants will grapple with the question of how to respond to God's call.

A reception and dinner are planned Thursday evening. Friday's activities include faculty presentations and panel discussions. Information on admissions, financial aid and placement will be presented at Saturday's session, which will conclude at 1 p.m. Participants will be guests of the school and housing can be arranged for anyone coming from a distance.

Call (716)271-1320 for more information or to make reservations.

Volunteer Training

Training sessions for homeless shelter volunteers are being offered by shelter organizers at Corpus Christi Church. Topics covered will include health screening and first aid, dealing with the Department of Social Services, and crisis intervention. All three topics will be covered on Saturday, Nov. 16, from 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

On Tuesday, Nov. 19, the session on crisis intervention will be repeated from 7-8:30 p.m. For more information, call Christine Garrison at (716)325-2424. Volunteers from all shelters are welcome.

St. Patrick's Winter Bazaar

A magic show, arts and crafts and Santa Claus will be some of the highlights of St. Patrick's Winter Bazaar, Friday and Saturday, Nov. 15-16, in Seneca Falls.

Friday, from 5-7:30 p.m., a ziti dinner will be served in the school hall. Adult dinners are \$3.75 and children 12 or under are \$2.50. At 7:30 a free magic show will begin, featuring Du Zuti.

On Saturday, booths will open at 9:30 a.m. R & R Lunch Wagon will serve lunch beginning at 11 a.m. and "famous characters" will arrive on a fire truck at 1:30 p.m.

Mercy Dinner Auction

A Super Bowl trip for two will be just one of the items on the block at a dinner auction planned by The Parent's Association of Our Lady of Mercy High School Saturday, Nov. 16. Cocktails will be served at 6:30 p.m. in the school's mezzanine followed by a gourmet dinner.

Donations for the evening, at \$25 for a couple or \$13 for an individual, will be used to purchase other items for auction according to Chairman Tom Walley. For reservations, contact the school at (716)288-7120.

Holiday Bazaar

An annual holiday bazaar will be offered Saturday, Nov. 23, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., and Sunday, Nov. 24, 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., by Corpus Christi Church, Rochester.

The bazaar will be in the church hall, on the corner of Main and Prince Street.

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Hunger Bazaar

Our Lady of Mercy Parish will sponsor its 11th Hunger Bazaar, Saturday, Nov. 16, from 10 a.m.-7 p.m. Above, Dick and Betty Johnson, chairpersons, Bill and Agnes Veness and Georgiana Abiuso display a few of items available.

St. Rita's Ministry Fair

Lay ministers at St. Rita's Parish will demonstrate their church-related activities at a Ministry Fair Tuesday, Nov. 19, at 7:30 p.m.

Representatives of 33 groups and committees, from parish council to Men's Club to Youth Ministry, will talk about their purposes, when and where they meet, their membership and activities. Desserts and beverages will also be provided. For more information, call (716)671-1160.



On the air

Maybe you didn't hear him, or maybe you did and couldn't believe your ears. Bishop Matthew H. Clark made his radio debut in Rochester as a celebrity guest host on WHAM last Wednesday morning, October 30. Between 7 and 8 a.m., the Bishop lent regulars Chet Walker (left) and Jeff Howlett a hand with news, sports and weather.

Dean Inauguration

Two Our Lady of Mercy High School teachers will attend the inauguration of a

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University of Rochester dean Saturday, Nov. 16.

Jane O'Brien, English teacher, and Mary Nickles, a physics teacher, were invited to observe the inauguration of the new dean of the college's Graduate School of Education and Human Development, and to participate in the seminar Perspectives on Educational Reform, at the River Campus.

Sister Jacqueline DeMars, director of Academics at Mercy High School, will also attend the inauguration as representative of administration.

Fall Assembly

The Annual Fall Assembly of the northwest region of the Diocese of Rochester will be Thursday, Nov. 21, 7 p.m. to 10 p.m., at Sacred Heart Cathedral, Flower City Park, Rochester.

During the assembly, four mini-sessions will be offered, focusing on liturgical prayer, family prayer, charismatic prayer and centering prayer.

An evening prayer and benediction, and social with refreshments will follow the mini-series.

For additional information, call the Sacred Heart rectory, (716)254-3221.

Action Center Grant

The Easter Seals Society has awarded \$15,000 to Catholic Charities' Action Center for the Disabled, a social and recreational program for disabled adults.

In a letter announcing the grant, Easter Seals' President John E. Swett stated: "this is the first time that we have granted the entire amount of the request in a second year of support to an agency and that we have given as much as \$15,000... We congratulate you on the unique service which the Action Center provides to the handicapped adults of Monroe County."

The Action Center is the only purely recreational program open to adults with a variety of handicaps, from hearing or visual impairment to developmental or mental disabilities.

For additional information, call the Sacred Heart rectory, (716)254-3221.

Forty Hours Devotion

An annual Forty Hours Devotion will be offered Sunday, Nov. 24 to Tuesday, Nov. 26, at 7:30 p.m. each evening at the Church of Saint Mary Our Mother, Horseheads.

Fathers Robert Ring, Thomas Nellis and Bartholomew J. O'Brien will be the homilists.

Each service will include evening prayer and benediction followed by the Laying On of Hands and the Rite of Penance.

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