

Activities Around the Diocese

Diocesan superintendent appointed to council



Sister M. Edwardine Weaver, R.S.M.

Sister Edwardine Weaver, diocesan superintendent of schools, was appointed vice president of the New York State Council of Catholic School Superintendents, part of the New York State Catholic Conference of Bishops.

The council is a forum to exchange ideas and share information affecting education in the eight dioceses of the state, including state education policies and programs. Members also work with the state's education department colleges and universities, especially in the area of researching Catholic school needs.

As vice president, Sister Edwardine will also serve on State Education Commissioner Gordon Ambach's Advisory Council for Non-Public Schools.

Concert Benefits Central Americans

Faculty members of the Eastman School of Music and other distinguished artists will perform in concert Sunday, Dec. 1, to raise funds for humanitarian aid to the people of Central America.

Sponsored by the Rochester Committee on Latin America, the Sisters of Mercy and the Sisters of St. Joseph, the concert will begin at 3 p.m. in the Downtown United Presbyterian Church. Selections from the music of Bach, Schubert, Copeland, Mozart, Bartok and Elliott will be featured. Tickets, available at Jazzberry's, Parkleigh Pharmacy or at the

Organist to Perform

The Nazareth College Faculty Recital Series will present a free one-hour program of North German organ music for Advent and Christmas on Friday, Dec. 6, 8 p.m., at the Gerald G. Wilmot Hall of Music at the Nazareth Arts Center.

Featured organist will be Dr. J. William Greene, organ and harpsichord instructor at Nazareth. Greene, who has received the prestigious Eastman Performer's Certificate, marking one of many of his accomplishments, will be playing the mechanical-action pipe organ which was custom-made for Nazareth in 1984.

Organ renditions will include the music of Bach, Buxtehude, Scheidt and Sweelinck, and will stem from the 17th and 18th centuries.

For additional information, call Bill Brady at (716)586-2525, ext. 387.

Students Honored

Students of St. Mary's School in Waterloo were honored Friday, Nov. 15, for their efforts in the Marathon for Catholic Schools. The students collected \$3,986 — the most in four years.

Gift certificates and checks were awarded to top achievers of the marathon by local businesses.

Proceeds from the marathon sponsored by the parents' club will be used to purchase new cafeteria tables for St. Mary's, present assembly programs and help support the music program.

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Parish Reunion

Holy Family Church will offer a parish reunion Sunday, May 25, 1986, 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. Mass will be celebrated at the church at 2 p.m., followed by an open house and then a reception and dinner at the Mapledale Party House. If you recognize anyone in this photograph of Holy Family parishioners, taken at the Notre Dame Retreat center in Canandaigua, please contact the church. For reservations, call Betty Boeham at 647-1135, or Margaret St. John at 254-9238.

Fast Day

St. Patrick Junior High School students participated in a limited fast commemorating World Hunger Harvest Day Thursday, Nov. 21. In addition to fasting, students attended classes focusing on issues of world hunger.

A simple lunch consisting of soup, a slice of bread and a carton of white milk was provided at lunch with a contribution of \$1 from each student who is financially able. Flickinger's Warehouses provided the soup at no cost so proceeds may be used to help alleviate world hunger through an international hunger organization called Oxfam.

Students were also asked to eat a small breakfast and dinner, and refrain from snacking between meals.

Charismatic Masses

Father Val Welker will celebrate first Friday Mass on Friday, Dec. 6 at St. Joseph's Church in Penfield. Mass will begin at 8 p.m. with opportunities for healing prayer afterward. Father Welker is liaison for Catholic Charismatic Renewal in the Diocese of Buffalo.

In Elmira, a Charismatic Mass is planned Friday, Dec. 13, at 7:30 p.m. in St. Cecilia's Church, 950 Lake St. Prayers for healing will follow the Mass, which is sponsored by the Charismatic prayer groups of Elmira.

Anti-Hunger Steps

Bread for the World, a 49,000-member Christian citizens' anti-hunger movement, offers 10 holiday anti-hunger steps for concerned citizens to take against hunger:

Become better informed; discuss the problem of hunger with family and friends; interest others; give to your church hunger

program or relief agency; help form a local or church hunger group; simplify your lifestyle; become a citizen advocate; pray; begin now; don't become discouraged.

For more in-depth information on how to help eliminate the causes of world hunger, call or write Bread for the World, 802 Rhode Island Avenue, NE, Washington, D.C., 20018, (202)269-0200.

Christmas Dance

St. Patrick Junior High School will present its annual parent-student Christmas Dance Friday, Dec. 6, at 9 p.m.

Chemung County General Education Board members are welcome to attend.

Advent Discussions

Father Damian O'Connell, SJ, will offer a series of Advent talks in preparation for Christmas at the McQuaid school chapel Mondays, Dec. 2 and 9, and Wednesday, Dec. 18, at 7:30 p.m.

The "Reflection on the Christmas Mystery" will introduce a period of reflection and prayer.

Manger Display

The Casa Italiana of Nazareth College will display local artist Achille Forgiome Jr.'s "Presepio Policscnic" manger scene starting Saturday, Dec. 2, at noon. The scene will be displayed weekdays, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., and weekends, noon to 5 p.m.

Since 1979, Forgiome has continued the tradition started by his father and grandfather of making the manger scenes out of papier mache, stretched canvas and handcrafted statuettes.



National Award

David Dickinson Kaiser, vice president of the Mental Health Chapter in Pittsford, presents the National Employer of the Year award to St. Ann's Director of Personnel Faye Young. St. Ann's Vice President Patricia Nichols (front row far left), who accepted the award in Washington, D.C., observes the presentation with other administrators of the home.

St. Ann's Home/The Heritage was presented the Mental Health Employer of the Year award Saturday, Nov. 2, from the President's Committee on Employment of the Handicapped and the National Mental

Health Association. The national award was presented to Patricia H. Nichols, vice president of administrative services at St. Ann's, during the national associations' membership meeting in Washington, D.C.

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