

# Parish Notes



## Genesee Valley

### Four Chaplains Remembered

**St. Rita's, West Webster** — In memory of four World War II chaplains who died in a torpedo attack on the S.S. Dorchester, a memorial service will be held at St. Rita's Church, 1008 Maple Drive, on Sunday, Jan. 26, at noon.

George L. Fox, a Methodist minister, Jewish rabbi Alexander D. Goode, Clark V. Poling, a minister of the Reformed Church of America and Father Johnny P. Washington, a Catholic priest, are remembered for sacrificing their spots in a lifeboat

to others and going down with the ship. A shrine at Temple University in Philadelphia has been dedicated to their memory.

The national organization of the four chaplains, headquartered in Philadelphia, has chosen Dr. Daniel Broida to receive the Four Chaplains' Humanitarian Award this year. Dr. Broida is the chief of mental hygiene at the Veteran's Administration Clinic in Rochester. The Veteran's of Foreign Wars of Monroe County will present the award.

### Liturgical Ministers' Gather

**Assumption of Our Lady, Fairport** — The parish liturgy committee will sponsor an evening of prayer for all cantors, lectors, eucharistic ministers, children's liturgists, members of the choir and ushers Monday, Feb. 10, at 7:30 p.m.

Led by Father Thomas Mull, the gathering will be a time for liturgical ministers to become better acquainted and strengthen their commitment. Hors d'oeuvres and desserts will be served afterward.

### Peace Child Chorus Performs

**St. Andrews, Rochester** — Hoping for peace in the new year, the Peace Child chorus will perform at St. Andrew's School hall Thursday, Jan. 30, at 7 p.m.

children from around Monroe County, expresses in song their desire for peace. All are invited to be inspired and renewed by their talents. Admission is free.

The chorus, composed of school-aged

### Windows Are Big Winners

**St. John the Evangelist, Humboldt St.** — The decorating talents of sixth graders at St. John the Evangelist School paid off in a big way when the school was awarded first place recently in a contest sponsored by local radio station KC-99. The station offered a \$999-dollar prize for the best holiday decoration incorporating its call letters, plus the chance to designate an additional \$999 to a charitable organization.



The school staff has not yet decided what to do with their windfall, but the students chose Camp Good Days and Special Times as the beneficiary of the charitable donation.

Prize-winning call letters adorned the windows at St. John the Evangelist School on Humboldt Street.

## Action Center Schedules Classes for Disabled

The Action Center for the Disabled offers exercise, craft and continuing education classes throughout the winter and spring. Unless otherwise noted, all classes are free and are offered at the Edgerton Recreation Center, 41 Backus Street, Rochester. The schedule is:

**Monday** — exercise, 10 a.m.; swimming, Baden Street, 11 a.m.-1 p.m.; noon-3, crafts; swimming, YWCA, 1:30-2:30 p.m. (fee).

**Tuesday** — fitness, 10 a.m.-1 p.m.; swimming, YWCA, 7:30-8:30 p.m.

**Wednesday** — exercise, 10 a.m.; swimming, Baden Street, noon-2 p.m.; crafts, noon-3 p.m.; sign language, Calvary St. Andrews Church, 2-3:30 p.m., also 7:30-9 p.m.

**Thursday** — fitness, 10 a.m.-1 p.m.; Coping with Disability, noon-2 p.m.; music, 1-2 p.m.; ceramics and crafts, 2-3 p.m.

**Friday** — exercise, 10 a.m.; swimming, Baden St., 11 a.m.-1 p.m.; special events, 1:30 p.m.-2

Registration for sign language classes is required and help with transportation is always welcome. Call (716)458-7994.

## Women's Guild To Meet

The Cardinal Mooney Women's Guild will meet Monday, Jan. 27 in the school cafeteria. A catered dinner will be served to mothers and daughters at 7:30 p.m. Cocktails are at 6:30 p.m.

A Sibley's hair and makeup demonstration will follow dinner. For reservations, call Kathy Heinsler or Sue Sahmel by Jan. 23.

## Prayer Groups at McQuaid

McQuaid Jesuit High School will resume weekly prayer group meetings Wednesday, February 5, at 1 p.m. The meetings will continue each Wednesday during Lent in the conference room adjacent to Room 11.

The groups are small and the atmosphere informal. Meetings usually begin with a reading from scripture and include private reflection and sharing. New participants are welcome. Call (716)473-1130.

## School Information Night

**Holy Cross, Rochester** — Families considering sending their children to Holy Cross School next fall are invited to an information meeting Wednesday, Jan. 29, from 7-8 p.m.

After a short presentation, school staff members will be available for questions and conversation. Wine and cheese will be served and babysitting will be provided.

Students entering pre-school through grade six will be accepted unless there is a

waiting list. Applications will be available.

The school offers a two-day pre-school program for three year olds and a three-day program for four year olds. Both half-day and full-day kindergarten are also offered for five year olds. To be eligible, children must have reached these respective ages by December 1, 1986.

Please call the school office, (716)663-6533, for more information.

## Youth Activities Planned

**Assumption of Our Lady, Fairport** — "Love and Friendship" is the theme of a retreat the parish's high school students are planning at Camp Onanda on Canandaigua Lake Friday through Sunday, Jan. 31-Feb. 1. Led by Paul Swiatek, the retreat will offer a chance to escape the normal weekend routine and examine relationships with God and with others.

Buses will leave from Assumption Friday night and return Sunday afternoon. Call (716)223-0525 by Friday, Jan. 24, for reservations or more information.

All those who can't make the retreat, but who are interested in a similar activity are invited to attend Reality Group, which meets weekly at the home of Bill and Marie Claus. Call (716)223-7540 for more information.

## Old-time Valentine Dance

**St. Rita's, Webster** — The Parent Association of St. Rita's School will sponsor a 1950s Valentine Dance Saturday, Feb. 15. A sandwich buffet will be served in the barn followed by dancing to "Beals Rock and Roll Review" in the school audio-visual room.

Everyone over 21 is invited and encouraged to dress '50s-style.

A \$7.50 donation is requested. Call (716)671-7048 or 671-8230 before Sunday, Feb. 2, for reservations.

## Southern Tier

### Novena to Our Lady

**Our Lady of Lourdes, Elmira** — A solemn novena to Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal will begin Sunday, Feb. 2, and continue through Monday, Feb. 10, the eve of the Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes. Father Albert Shamon will direct the novena.

Sunday Masses. On weekdays, at 11 a.m., Mass will be offered along with a sermon and novena prayers. At 7:30 p.m., novena prayers will also be offered along with a sermon, Communion and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

Novena prayers will be offered at all

### Ireland Trip Planned

**Immaculate Conception, Ithaca** — Anyone interested in traveling to Ireland in late August and early September, 1986, is invited to call Father Bernard Carges at

(607)273-6121. At least 21 people are needed to set an itinerary. The cost is estimated at \$1,800 per person.

### Pre-Cana Program Offered

**Immaculate Conception, Ithaca** — Engaged couples are invited to register for a pre-Cana program Saturday, Jan. 25, from 9

a.m.-4 p.m. in the school. Pre-registration is necessary. For more information, call (607)273-6121.

## Nazareth Plans Study Tours

For those who believe the world is a classroom, Nazareth College is offering overseas study tours to Great Britain and Israel during the late spring.

Theatre lovers may find the May 19 to June 16 trip to Britain interesting. Directed by David M. Ferrell, chairman of Nazareth's theatre arts department, the tour includes visits to theatrical facilities and historic sites. The group will also attend lectures and stage

productions.

Jerusalem, Jericho, the Dead Sea, Bethlehem and Nazareth (naturally) are on the itinerary for the Israel trip, May 20 to June 6. Joseph Kelly, associate professor of religious studies at Nazareth, will lead the tour.

Participants in both courses may earn college credit. For more information, call (716)586-2525, ext. 400.

## Mercy Antique Sale

Our Lady of Mercy High School's Alumnae Association will hold its eighth annual Antique Show and Sale at the high school, 1437 Blossom Rd., Saturday and Sunday, Jan. 25 and 26, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Edward Cornwell, who teaches a course on antiques at the Rochester Museum and

Science Center, will be available both days to give verbal appraisals.

Among the items featured at the show will be a sterling silver chalice that will be auctioned silently. A baked food sale will be held both days, and lunch will be served.

## Retrouvaille Weekend Set

Retrouvaille (Rediscovery), a program designed to help heal and renew troubled marriages, will sponsor a Rochester-area weekend program and three-month follow-up period in February. Registration is under way for the program, which begins Feb. 7-9.

Retrouvaille is offered to married, separated, or divorced couples interested in reconciliation or renewal of their marriages. Rather than focusing on particular problems, the program emphasizes communication,

forgiveness and healing. Although Retrouvaille is a Catholic program, it is open to all couples, regardless of denomination.

For information, call (716)621-2901.

## Safety Equipment Available

Free door locks and smoke alarms are available to qualified City of Rochester home owners aged 60 or older from the Home Safety and Security Program of the Regional Council on the Aging. For more information, call (716)454-3224, ext. 132.

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