

# Parish Notes

## Genesee Valley

### School plans drug, alcohol awareness week

**Holy Ghost, Rochester** — Drug and Alcohol Awareness Week will be held at the Holy Ghost School from April 24-30. The school will be participating in an extensive program of daily activities in an effort to educate students on the dangers of abusing drugs and alcohol.

On Thursday, April 24 at 7:30 p.m. in the school hall, the Home-School Association, in conjunction with G-C Radar and the Heuther-Doyle Memorial Institute, will present a film, "Wasted," for all the parents in the parish. Following the film, parents will hear the stories of two teens recovering from addiction to drugs and also the mother of a reformed drug abuser.

A similar program will be presented during the week to the seventh and eighth grade students at the school.

### Corpus Christi plans special Mass, retreat

**Corpus Christi, Rochester** — The Comforting Ministry within the parish will hold its last meeting of the school year, on April 23 at 7:30 p.m. in the rectory, 80 Prince St., Rochester. The ministry is planning a special Mass at the St. Ann's Home in May for all parishioners. The specific date of the Mass is yet to be determined.

Father James B. Callan would also like to remind all parishioners that a Visioning Retreat will be held on Saturday, May 3, from 8:30 a.m.-3 p.m. 200 parishioners are expected to attend the retreat that will focus

The film, "Alcohol Use vs. Abuse," will be presented to the fifth and sixth grades by Lou Ferrari of the Monroe County Sheriff's Department. Time for a discussion period will follow.

After the week-long series of films and presentations concerning drug abuse, the program will culminate on Wednesday evening, April 30, with a dance in the school hall for the sixth, seventh and eighth grade students within the parish. A student from R.I.T. will entertain all on hand with an elaborate sound system and record collection stressing the message that "you can have a good time without drugs and alcohol."

Any other school which is interested in a similar type of program can call (716)247-4655.

on determining the spiritual needs of the parish, and what or should be done to meet them. Father Callan asks that all participating parishioners register for the retreat with Marie VanHuben in the parish office. The keynote address will be delivered by Mary Dombeck, a "regular spiritual director," within the parish.

### Census is vital to needs

**St. Charles Borromeo, Greece** — On Sunday afternoon, April 20, more than 250 volunteers will participate in a census to bring parish records up to date. The census, which will hopefully be completed in four hours or less, will encompass an area of more than 20,000 inhabitants. As of June 1983, 2,570 families were registered as members of St. Charles Borromeo, which recently celebrated its 60th anniversary in Rochester. The church runs the largest parochial school in the diocese, with a current enrollment of 760 pupils, from kindergarten through eighth grade.

### St. Anne's Next-to-New sale

**St. Anne, Rochester** — A Next-to-New sale will be held in the St. Anne's School, 151 E. Henrietta Rd. at Brighton Park in Rochester, on Friday, April 18 and Saturday, April 19. The sale, which will be held in the school's basement, will run from 10 a.m.-8 p.m. on Friday, and 10 a.m.-4 p.m. on Saturday. All are invited to attend.

### Traditional 'Swieconka'

**St. Stanislaus, Rochester** — A traditional "Swieconka," sponsored by the church's Polish Choir, will be held on Saturday, April 19. There will be a dinner in the St. Stanislaus Auditorium at 6:30 p.m., that will be followed by music by "The New Dimension." Tickets may be obtained for \$12.50 per person by calling (716)342-4283 or (716)544-8057. Tickets will also be available at the rectory, 34 St. Stanislaus St.

## Southern Tier

### St. Mary's offers 'Christian Parenting' series

**St. Mary, Corning** — St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church, in cooperation with the Diocese of Rochester, will present a series entitled "Christian Parenting," on four consecutive Tuesday evenings, beginning April 29. The series, which will be held in the church, will be presented by Theresa Stanley of Ithaca. The four sessions are entitled "What is Christian Parenting;" "Kids Grow: Parents Do Too;" "Communicating;" and "Portrait of Your Family."

Stanley, who is active in the family education program at St. Catherine, Ithaca will explore developmental stages in families, the characteristics of being a parent and skills and traits of a healthy family. There is a nominal fee of \$10 and advance registration is required. Those interested may make reservations through St. Mary's Church, 155 State Street, Corning. Reservations must be made by April 23.

### Baptismal anniversary Mass stresses unity

**Our Lady of Lourdes, Elmira** — Each year, the church has a special gathering for all those families who have had a child baptized during the past year. The purpose of the Mass is to stress the importance of living out one's baptism and to bring families together in Christian unity. This year's annual celebration will be held at the 9:30 Mass on Sunday morning, April 20. Following the Mass, there will be a small

reception in the church hall.

The church would also like to announce that the election of new members to the Parish Council will be held the weekend of May 17 and 18 after all the Masses. Vacancies to be filled are for three-year terms. Anyone wishing to enter his/her name as a candidate, or anyone wishing more information, can call (607)732-4885, (607)733-0923 or (607)732-0433.

## Finger Lakes

### Donations needed for CDA rummage sale

**Immaculate Conception, Ithaca** — Donations to the Catholic Daughters Rummage Sale may be left at the Court Street entrance to the Immaculate Conception School Gym on Monday, April 21,

between 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Funds raised through the sale are used for charitable works such as sponsoring a Day of Recollection for the Parish, and donations to the school, Camp Stella Maris camperships, etc.

### Local Catholic schools aid in Megaclean '86

More than 400 students from Aquinas, Bishop Kearney, Cardinal Mooney, McQuaid and Mercy are expected to aid in the Megaclean '86 clean-up campaign. More than 2,000 high school students county-wide are expected to volunteer their time on Sunday, May 4, to clean area expressways, parks and beaches.

I-390, I-490, I-590, Rt. 104 and the Inner Loop are being cleaned in an effort to make the community more aware of the environment.

The Rochester Area Chamber of Commerce, The Rochester Chamber Associates and Castle Hi Tech Chem, a Rochester manufacturer of automotive and industrial

cleaners and lubricants, are the organizers of this annual campaign which was originated in 1979 with students from McQuaid Jesuit High School.

The effort is timely in that it comes just before the summer, when many thousands of visitors arrive in Rochester.

### Catholic Women's benefit

The Catholic Women's Club of Rochester will hold their annual Benefit Luncheon and Fashion Show at the Burgundy Basin Inn on Saturday, April 12. The club, founded in 1919, has been offering scholarship assistance to girls in Catholic high schools since 1922 and in recent years, their luncheon and fashion show has been a major source of funds for this project. Fashions this year are from Nadezda Fashions on Monroe Avenue, and they will be presented by Elna of London. Reservations are available by calling the club office at (716)461-9173, before April 7. The club would also like to hear from or about previous scholarship winners. If you have been a scholarship recipient, or know one, also contact the office.

### Central America Week at Cardinal Mooney

Cardinal Mooney High School participated in national Central America Week during the school week of March 17-21.

Alejandro Gomez, a refugee from El Salvador, spoke to students about his experi-

ences in his former country and his expectations of his new life in the United States. Mooney students held a Liturgy depicting the similarities between what happened to Gomez in El Salvador, and what happened to Jesus during the Stations of the Cross. Red ribbons were distributed among the audience to symbolize the blood sacrificed by the martyrs in El Salvador, and the blood that Christ spilled for all of man.



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