

# Parish Notes



## Genesee Valley

### Student peace conference set at St. Augustine's School

**St. Augustine, Rochester** — "A Student Conference on Peace" will be held at St. Augustine's School, 420 Chili Ave., Rochester, on Tuesday, May 20. The school's junior high is sponsoring the program for eighth grade students, teachers and

### D/S/B support group releases calendar of events

**Blessed Sacrament, Rochester** — The calendar for the church's People-to-People support group for separated, divorced, and bereaved persons has been released. The support group will meet every two weeks from May 14 to July 23. Included in the events are a night of card playing, an evening on stress management and an evening picnic. All meetings will start promptly at 7:30 p.m. in Room 11 of the school, the corner of Monroe Avenue and Oxford Street. Call (716) 272-0398 for details.

### Bible school program offered at St. Rita Church

**St. Rita, Webster** — St. Rita's Church in Webster will be enrolling children in its Vacation Bible School program after Masses on the weekends of May 17 and May 31. The "Glad Days" program is open to all children ages four and up, and will include Bible stories, arts and crafts, music and recreation. The program is scheduled for the week of July 21-25, 9:30 a.m. to noon. The donation is \$7 per child and/or \$15 per family. For information, call the parish's religious education office, (716) 671-2079 or 671-7342.

### Social Ministries group needs family assistance

**St. Ambrose, Rochester** — The parish social ministries group is looking for families who would be willing to pick up one or two individuals from the Culver Road Group Home for Young Adults to attend Mass at St. Ambrose on a regular basis. Parishioners bringing home residents to attend Mass with their families would be greatly appreciated. Please call (716) 288-2715 or 28-1064 for information or to volunteer.

### Church committee seeks aid to schedule liturgy leaders

**Church of the Assumption of Our Lady, Fairport** — The Children's Liturgy Committee within the parish is seeking a volunteer to schedule leaders, assistants and aides for Sunday liturgies. The committee has a master list of volunteers who receive quarterly mailings of schedules. Volunteer coordinators are not required to serve as Sunday liturgists or to have children in the program. If interested, call (716) 377-6796, 377-0817 or 223-8608 for information.

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principals from area Catholic schools. The program will feature guest speakers, films and an ecumenical prayer service for peace.

Speakers and their times are: Andrew Thomas, director of the Center for Dispute Settlement, 9:15 a.m.; Father William Cuddy, a priest from the Diocese of Syracuse and an anti-war activist charged with trespassing at Griffiss Air Force Base, 10 a.m.; Jerome Berrigan, an anti-war activist who was also arrested at Griffiss, 10:40 a.m.; and Louis Buttino, an author and political science professor at St. John Fisher College, 12:15 p.m.

A prayer service for peace will begin at 1:30 p.m. at the church. The featured speaker will be William J. Sullivan, professor of religious studies at St. John Fisher College. The service is open to the public.

### "Family Living Rosary" slated at St. John the Evangelist

**St. John the Evangelist, Spencerport** — St. John the Evangelist Church, 60 Martha St., Spencerport, invites all families to the "Family Living Rosary" on Monday, May 19, at 7 p.m. in the church. All families are encouraged to attend and participate in this devotion to the Blessed Mother. Punch and cookies will be served immediately following the service in the PAC room. Call (716) 352-6164 for information.

### One-month votive candles for deceased family, friends

**St. Stanislaus, Rochester** — Parishioners may wish to have votive candles burning in memory of deceased family members, friends or for special intentions. Upon request, a candle will be placed at one of the altars in the sanctuary or upon one of the altars. A \$10 donation is asked for the candle, which will burn for a period of one month. For information, contact the rectory at (716) 467-3068 between 9 a.m.-3 p.m., Monday through Friday.

### Parish visitation program to assess community needs

**St. Mark, Rochester** — "St. Mark's Reaching Out... Time, Talent, Together" is the theme of this year's visitation program now being developed within the parish. Home visits will be made Sunday afternoon, June 8, and will include all homes bounded by Lake Ontario on the north; Island Cottage Road on the east; Jane's Road, Long Pond Road and Drumcliff Way on the southeast; Flywood on the south; and the old railroad tracks to Manitou Road on the southwest and the west. Father Thomas Erdle, pastor of St. Mark's, stressed that the purpose of the visitation program is to assess the needs of all members of the community and to acquaint people with the programs available at the church.

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### Various materials needed for recently renovated room

**Corpus Christi, Rochester** — Thanks to the hard work of several parishioners, the room east of the altar has been repainted and renovated. It will now be used as a religious education room and as a parish library — complete with books, tapes and magazines. Materials such as book shelves, file cabinets, tables, chairs and lamps are needed, according to Father Callan. If parishioners have any of these items to donate, please contact Craig Bullock at the rectory, (716) 325-2424.

The next parish meeting will be Sunday, May 18, at 7:30 p.m. in the school, 880 Main St. E., Rochester. Sister Sharon and Donna Del Santo will update parishioners on the

Health Center's recent struggles. Because the church does not have a parish council, all Corpus Christi parishioners can attend the meeting to discuss parish issues.

### Rides, fun and food abound

**Holy Apostles, Rochester** — The Church carnival will be held from now through May 18 on the Church grounds on Lyell Avenue at the corner of Austin Street in Rochester. The gala will include plenty of rides, fun and food. There will also be a pay-one-price matinee on Saturday afternoon, May 17. Call (716) 254-7170 for information. All are welcome.

## Finger Lakes

### Education coordinator honored at special Thanksgiving Mass

**St. Catherine of Siena, Ithaca** — Sister Edna M. Slyck, religious education coordinator of St. Catherine of Siena Parish, Ithaca, will celebrate the 25th anniversary of her profession as a Sister of Mercy, on Sunday, May 18, with a special Mass of Thanksgiving at 2 p.m. in the church. The Mass will be followed by a reception in the Parish Center.

Prior to her appointment at St. Catherine's, she had taught for 21 years in grades one through eight in the Catholic school system in the Diocese of Rochester, the last 12 years in grades six through eight in Corning. While in Corning, Sister Edna was

also involved in High School Religious Education, Youth Ministry and the liturgy committee.

Sister Edna is the daughter of the late Lewis Slyck and Martha Schramel Slyck, who currently resides in Rochester.

Teens are reminded that a special meeting with George Morin, who is cousin to Deacon Candidate Ken Morin, will be held on Monday, May 19 at 7:30 p.m. in the Parish Center. Morin will be coming from Boston with some youths from that city to talk about a teen retreat, August 15-18, in the Berkshires in Massachusetts.

### Ice cream social, exhibit night at Immaculate Conception School

**Immaculate Conception, Ithaca** — Immaculate Conception School has scheduled its annual Ice Cream Social/School Exhibit Night for Wednesday, May 21. The exhibit, entitled "God's Nations on the Earth," features art and science projects of students in grades kindergarten through eight. The art projects have been integrated with the students' social studies curriculum, and as the title implies, the program will be representative of many cultures.

In addition to this program, the school will be honoring its principal, Sister Campion Bush, who has served the school for eight years. Sister Campion is leaving at the end of

this school year. Call (607) 257-5237 for information on the two events.

An open house for Father Dave Mura's 15th anniversary of ordination will take place on June 14, from noon to 6 p.m., including a 3 p.m. Mass at Kamp Koinonia in Middlesex. A buffet dinner at 5 p.m. will follow the Mass. Parishioners who wish to attend should contact Kathleen Nagy, 136 Walker Road, Hilton, N.Y., 14468, (716) 392-3339.

Any ninth through 12th grade area student who is interested in working as a rectory assistant on evenings and weekends should call (607) 273-6121 between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m., weekdays.

## Southern Tier

### Construction of playground depends on volunteer help

**St. Mary Our Mother, Horseheads** — The building dates for the church's proposed playground are nearing. Playground construction depends directly upon how many people volunteer. Father Joseph M. Jankowiak, pastor of St. Mary Our Mother, needs 400 volunteers per shift for Friday, Saturday and Sunday, May 16, 17 and 18. This "Community Park," which is a contemporary design by Robert Leathers, should be a source of enjoyment for generations of

children. There will be an on-site food tent to feed helpers. It should prove a fun time, combining a worthwhile project, work, food and a time to visit. Father Joe is hoping to see a contingent from Rochester join in helping the Church of St. Mary Our Mother.

### Parish Council elections

**Our Lady of Lourdes, Elmira** — Parish Council elections will be held in the church hall this weekend after all Masses. Five parishioners are running for three open positions.

The Easter season parish penance services will be on Monday, May 19, at 11 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.

If you or anyone you know has been unable to come to church to receive Holy Communion during the Easter season, which ends May 25, please call the church office to make arrangements for Father McCabe to bring the Eucharist to parishioners' homes.

### Corning children for peace invite bishop, city mayor

**St. Patrick, Corning** — Parishioners are reminded that there will be a Corning Children for Peace Day on May 30. Bishop Matthew H. Clark and Mayor Dan Killgrew have been invited to attend. Call (607) 962-6814 for information.

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