

Parish Notes

Genesee Valley

Church secretaries desire to 'COPE' through support group

Church of the Good Shepherd, Henrietta — Last August, the formal organizational meeting of the Association of Church Office Professional Employees (COPE) was held at the church. The group's main objective is "to strengthen the professionals and personnel of the Church Office Professional Employees in their roles and responsibilities as they work with those in ministry to help the Church to fulfill its mission."

The formation of COPE came about when a group of secretaries started meeting in a support group two years ago. After the group met with the diocesan Personnel Office last May, they were urged to open membership to all parishes and institutions in the diocese. In August, the group voted to meet in regional areas. Two general membership meetings will be held a year. COPE is open to all secretaries, bookkeepers, administrators and office managers of any parish or related institution.

Hayride to Kruger Farms set; boys', girls' hoop tryouts near

Blessed Sacrament — The Blessed Sacrament Young Adults are sponsoring an autumn hayride to Kruger Farms in Hilton on Saturday, October 11. The cost of the excursion is \$5, and includes a bonfire and a party afterward. Members will be carpooling from the school parking lot at 7 p.m. All are welcome to attend and bring their friends.

For reservations and information, contact either John at (716) 621-4782, Liz at 442-7517 or Steve at 546-3746.

Tryouts are slated for all seventh and eighth graders interested in playing basketball for Blessed Sacrament this fall and winter. Girls' basketball tryouts will be on October 14 and 16 from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m., and boys' tryouts will be October 15 from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. and October 18 from 10 a.m. to noon.

Anyone wishing to join the support group may contact one of the following people: Ann Pariso, (607) 732-1553; Margie Enright, (716) 346-3815; or Mary Jo, (716) 334-3518. Sixty-eight parishes have representatives already, and the group welcomes more.

Pancake and sausage breakfast at Our Lady of Good Counsel

Our Lady of Good Counsel, Rochester — The parish will be hosting a pancake and sausage breakfast on Sunday, October 12, in the school hall, 630 Brooks Ave., Rochester. Breakfast will be served from 8:30 a.m. until after the noon Mass. Tickets, which may be purchased at the door, are \$3.25 for adults, \$2 for children between six and 12 years old, and free for children under six.

All are welcome to bring their family and friends.

The tryouts will take place at the school, 546 Oxford St., Rochester.

A car wash and bake sale will be held on Saturday, October 18, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the Blessed Sacrament parking lot. The donation for the car wash is \$2.

All are invited to come out and support the Blessed Sacrament basketball program.

Sixth annual 'Italian Night' set at Rochester's Holy Family

Holy Family, Rochester — The parish has scheduled its sixth annual "Italian Night" for October 18. Once again, the evening will feature a macaroni dinner and music performed by Johnny Capone. Tickets are \$7 and can be obtained by calling (716) 647-1135. All are welcome to attend.



Class of 1936 schedules reunion at St. Andrew's in Rochester

St. Andrew, Rochester — The Class of 1936 has scheduled its 50th reunion for Saturday, October 25, at the Royal Scot, 657 Ridge Rd. E., Rochester. Cocktails will be served at 6:30 p.m., followed by a dinner at 7:30 p.m. The cost of the gala is \$14 per person. Since coordinators of the reunion need an accurate count for dinner, all attending are asked to mail a check to Paul Dietz, 200 Harvington Dr., Rochester (14617) as soon as possible. Checks must be

received no later than October 15.

If transportation will be a problem or if you have any questions regarding the reunion, please call: Robert Cooke, (716) 671-0103; Paul Dietz, 342-2455; Virginia Sullivan Fleche, 544-4991; Donald Gagner, 225-7493; Helen Weidenborner Odorczyk, 266-8673; Mildred Geiger Siebert, 467-5058; and/or Leo Wesley, 342-5596.

Visiting priest to offer ministry to St. Joseph parishioners

St. Joseph, Penfield — Father Bonaventure Stefun, a Capuchin-Franciscan priest, will bring his teaching and preaching ministry to St. Joseph's during the week of October 12.

In addition to being the homilist at all the weekend liturgies, Father Stefun will conduct special teaching sessions in the school hall beginning at 7:30 p.m., Monday through Friday evenings that week.

The theme for the week will be "Detours and Destinations on the Journey of Faith," and nightly topics will include: "The Church has Never Been Better," an overview of the "journey" so far, on Monday; "Crossroads: Arguing When to Make a Turn" Tuesday night's offering on the topic of dissent; "Scripture

Guides the Journey," letters from prior pilgrims, on Wednesday; "Pilgrims Travel Light," on Thursday; and "Souvenirs Show the Joy of the Journey," Friday night's discussion of essentials for the final journey.

The public is invited to share in this program at the church, 43 Gebhardt Rd., Penfield.

R and R weekend

St. Bridget, East Bloomfield — The parish will host an "R & R" (Relaxation and Renewal) weekend on Friday, October 17, and Saturday, October 18. The weekend is being sponsored by a team from St. Mary's in Canandaigua, which will be furnishing food and speakers.

Non-Catholics are welcome. Transportation will be provided if needed. Call (716) 657-6036 for information.

Recently, Father William J. Flynn has suffered a recurrence of cancer and is temporarily away from the parish receiving treatment. Parishioners ask everyone at St. Bridget's to devote one hour a day to prayer for Father Flynn, and for the success of the program.

Class of 1936, seeks classmates for St. Augustine's 50th reunion

St. Augustine, Rochester — The 50th reunion of the class of 1936 is scheduled for Saturday, October 11, at McGinnity's Restaurant, 534 Ridge Road W., Rochester. The gala will begin with a 6:30 p.m. social hour, followed by dinner at 7:30 p.m.

Opera seats still available for show at Shea's in Buffalo

St. Stanislaus, Rochester — Choice seats are still available for the Polish opera "Halka," to be presented at Shea's Theater in Buffalo on Sunday, October 12, at 6 p.m. This program is sponsored by the Polish Arts Group. Tick-

ets are \$26 per person (including transportation), and can be obtained by calling (716) 342-2136 or 467-0930. The bus will be leaving the church, 1124 Hudson Ave., Rochester at 6 p.m.

Finger Lakes

Men's club plans bus excursion to Cornell-Brown football game

Cayuga Team Ministry — The Our Lady of the Lake/St. Patrick Men's Club has planned a bus trip to the Cornell-Brown football game in Ithaca on October 18. Anyone from the four churches is welcome to join them. The cost for the game ticket and bus ride is \$12.50 per per-

son. Reservations are being taken on a first-come, first-served basis, and need to be made by October 12.

Call (315) 364-7248, 364-7248 or 364-8982 for ticket information.

Ziti dinner for parishioners at St. Stephen's in Geneva

St. Stephen, Geneva — The Parish Life Committee is hosting a ziti dinner on Wednesday, October 15, from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Knights of Columbus in Geneva. Tickets are \$3.50 for adults, \$2.50 for senior citizens and

\$1.50 for children under 12.

Frank and Ann Monaco will be preparing the dinner, and takeouts will be available.

All are welcome to attend.

Southern Tier

Adult education series set to explore cardinal's philosophy

St. Patrick, Elmira — The parish will offer a four-part adult education series this fall to all interested adults and teens. Sponsored by the Parish Social Ministry Office, "A Consistent Ethic of Life" will explore Cardinal Bernardin's concept of the responsibility to protect and nurture all human life at every stage of its development.

A videotaped presentation will provide the springboard for discussion, which will be moderated by Sister Mary Jean Smith, coordinator of the parish Social Ministry program. The series will be offered at two different times: on Tuesdays, October 7 through October 28, 7:30-9 p.m., and on Thursdays, October 16 to November 6, 10-11:15 a.m. Sessions will take place in the parish center on the first floor of the former St. Patrick's Junior High Building. Call (607) 734-6934 for information.

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