

Parish Notes

Genesee Valley

Parish announces completion of handicapped-ramp project

St. Pius V, Cohocton/Sacred Heart, Perkinsville — Second-grade boys at St. Pius are invited to attend a training session for

Dates set for retreat, card party

St. Stanislaus, Rochester — The annual men's retreat at Notre Dame Retreat House in Canandaigua has been set for Friday, March 6, through noon on Sunday, March 8. For information, contact Mike Bialaszewski, (716)544-5492.

The Polish Women's Alliance — Rozwoj Polek — has scheduled a card party for Sunday, March 8, at 2 p.m. in the parish auditorium. Proceeds will go to the Children's Dance Group. For tickets, call Mrs. G. Jaskot, 467-0288, or Dorothy Pospula, 467-9247.

Series focusing on repentance

St. Leo, Hilton — The adult enrichment committee will sponsor three Lenten presentations during March. Father Jack Healy will be featured speaker. On March 2, he will discuss "The Meaning of the Church Lenten Season." On March 16, Father Healy's topic will be "The Sacrament of Penance," and on March 30, the focus will be on "The Biblical View of Sin." Each presentation will run from 7:30 to 9 p.m. No admission will be charged, and the sessions are open to all adults.

Annual smorgasbord planned

St. Bridget, East Bloomfield — March 15 is the date for the annual smorgasbord in honor of St. Patrick's Day. Serving will take place from noon until 4 p.m. The cost is \$4 for adults, \$2 for children age five through 12, and free for children under 5.

altar servers at 11 a.m. on Saturday, March 7. The session will last one hour and will be held in the church.

St. Pius has announced that its ramp for the handicapped is completed. The concrete ramp was constructed by parishioners and was partly funded by the Altar and Rosary Society.

Parishioners at Sacred Heart are meeting in the Community Center on Mondays between 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. to make a quilt for a parish fund raiser. Other parishioners are welcome to drop in to work on the quilt or to work on their own craft projects while socializing. For information on these craft meetings, call Betty Engel, (716)728-2272.

Rosary society members plan dinner, Stations of the Cross

Sacred Heart, Rochester — The parish Rosary Guild will meet at 7 p.m. in the church on Monday, March 9, to recite the Stations of the Cross. Afterward, guild members will gather in the rectory hall for a catered dinner, at which Father Robert Werth will speak. Tickets for the dinner are \$6.50 and may be obtained by calling Judy Holder, (716)254-7898 on or before Friday, March 6.

Guild planning party, dance

St. Thomas More, Rochester — The Margaret Roper Guild will sponsor a St. Patrick's Day party on Saturday, March 7, in the school gym, 2617 East Ave.

Entertainment will be provided by the Ira Shmedley Band, featuring Irish-style music and call dancing. Irish coffee and other refreshments will also be available.

For information, call (716)288-8649.

Community announces census; youth-retreat spots available

Catholic Communities of St. Gregory and St. Anne, Marion/Palmyra — "Reach Out in Friendship" is the theme for the cluster-parish census now being planned for the two communities. The target date for the census is Sunday, May 17. Members of both parish communities will canvass area residents, and

Auburn parish schedules series

St. Francis of Assisi, Auburn — A five-part Lenten series has been scheduled for consecutive Tuesdays, March 10 through April 7. Speakers for the program will be Father Albert Shamon, Father Dennis Bonsignore, pastoral assistant Jack Wilson, Willis Homick and Gregg Lawson. Programs will begin at 7:30 p.m. in the school. Refreshments will be served and the public is invited.

parishioners are asked to help in this endeavor if called upon.

No census has been conducted in either parish for at least seven years, and the current project was designed to allow the staff of the two parishes to better meet parishioners' needs.

Father Louis Vasile, pastor, is on the staff of the youth "Search" retreat, set for March 13-15 at Camp Stella Maris. Twelve openings remain for the retreat, which costs \$30. To register, call the rectory (315)597-4571.

Rosary society plans social

St. Pius V, Cohocton — The Rosary Society is planning its annual Penny Social for Monday, March 9. The social will take place in Sturmer Hall. Contact a Rosary Society member for details.

Southern Tier

St. Patrick's dinner to mark birthday of pastor emeritus

St. Catherine of Siena, Ithaca — March 14 is the date for the St. Patrick's Day birthday celebration for pastor emeritus Father John Maloney. The Parish Council will act as host for the dish-to-pass dinner, which will follow the 5 p.m. Mass. Table services and beverages will be provided. Jack Burns will lead

participants in singing.

On March 6, parishioners will join members of the Baptist church in Dewitt Park for a World Day of Prayer celebration. Refreshments will be served after the service, and child care will be available.

Rehearsals for both the Sabt and women's quartets are set for Tuesday, March 24, at 8:15 p.m. Anyone interested in joining one of the parish's musical ensembles is asked to call music director Jack Stevenson at (315)272-5477.

Adults who have never received the sacrament of confirmation are asked to attend an informational meeting at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, March 12, in the rectory.

Women's retreat scheduled

St. Patrick's, Corning — A women's retreat has been scheduled for May 22-24 in Mt. Pocono, Pennsylvania. Retreat master will be Father Bartholomew O'Brien. To register, write Mary and Margaret Crane, 104 W. Pulteney St., Apartment 6F, Corning.

Finger Lakes

Five-part Lenten series employs Father John Powell videotapes

Northern Cayuga Cluster — A Lenten program using the five-part video series "Faith: The Search for God" by Father John Powell, SJ, has been scheduled for the parishes of the Northern Cayuga Cluster. Topics to be considered are: *The God Connection*, *A Comfort and a Challenge*, *God's Gift*, *A New Vision*, and *A Prelude to Prayer*.

At St. Joseph's in Weedsport, the series

will be presented on Monday evenings, March 9 through April 6. Presenter for the evening will be Steve Graff.

At St. John's in Port Byron, the video series will run on Tuesday evenings, March 10 through April 7, and the presenter will be Father Bill Moorby.

Sister Beth McGlynn, SSND, will lead the series at St. Patrick's in Cato on Tuesdays, March 10 through April 7.

Programs will begin at 7:30 p.m. in the church halls of the respective parishes. Admission is free, and the public is invited to attend.

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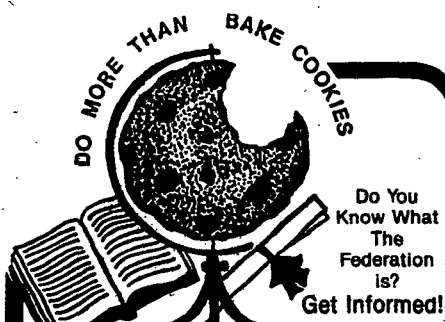
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