

Parish Notes

Greece parish to offer Bible school

Mother of Sorrows, Rochester — The parish Religious Education Office will offer Vacation Bible School August 3 through 7 for children aged four through 12. Sessions, which will run from 9 a.m. to noon daily, will include Bible stories, music, arts and crafts, recreation, prayer and a snack.

The cost of the four-day program is \$10 per child, or \$15 per family. Since a limited number of class spaces is available, interested parents should register by calling the Religious Education Office at (716) 621-3495.

Hornell parish prepares for festival

St. Ann's, Hornell — Parishioners are preparing for the church's annual festival Friday and Saturday, August 7 and 8. The fun begins both evenings at 6 p.m. On Saturday evening, a chicken barbecue will be served. The cost for a full dinner is \$3.75. Half dinners are \$3 and take-outs are available. All are welcome.

Cluster will host ecumenical program

Northern Cayuga Cluster — St. Joseph's Church in Weedsport will host the Weedsport Ecumenical Vacation Bible School Monday through Friday, August 3-7. Children in preschool through grade six are invited to the sessions, which are scheduled from 9:30 a.m. to noon.

The cluster will also sponsor a Marian pilgrimage to the Shrine of the Immaculate Heart of Mary in Washington, N.J., on October 13, the 70th anniversary of the Blessed Mother's last apparition at Fatima.

Those interested in making the trip during this Marian Year are urged to reserve a seat now by calling Debra Oster, (315)252-9072.

Families invited to join baptism class

St. Mary's, Corning — Prospective parents, godparents and grandparents are invited to a special evening of reflection entitled "Promise: A Baptismal Preparation Program," on Monday, August 3, at 7:30 p.m. in the Brennan Center. All parents who wish to have their children baptized at St. Mary's are asked to participate in the program, but it is also open to other family members who wish to deepen their understanding of the sacrament of baptism.

August 11 will be used as an alternate date if needed. The program will not be offered again until November.

Two Rochester Bible schools opening

Holy Apostles, Rochester — Boys and girls from preschool (age 4) to sixth grade are invited to "God's Promises for You," the parish's Vacation Bible School, which will run from Monday through Friday, August 10-14, in the Parish Center School Building on Austin Street. Each day's activities will include Bible study, prayer, crafts, recreation and refreshments. For more information, contact Audrey Renna, (716)254-6700.

Neighborhood children are also invited to attend "People of Courage," at nearby Cameron Community Ministries' Vacation Bible School during the week of August 3-7, from 12:30-2 p.m. each day. For more information, contact the Rev. Jane Baldwin at (716)254-2697.

The Basilian Fathers and the Aquinas Institute Board of Trustees have announced that Basilian Father Harry Gardner has been appointed to replace Father Steven R. Martin as principal of Aquinas.

A native of Fairport, Father Gardner was ordained to priesthood in 1959. He has served as librarian at several Basilian colleges and at St. Basil's Seminary, and has taught Latin and history at Catholic Central High School in Detroit.

Prior to his appointment at Aquinas, Father Gardner was superior at the University of St. Michael in Toronto.

Nazareth Academy junior Margaret Sawyko was one of 300 students chosen to participate in the 1987 New York State Senate Student Policy Forum in Albany last month.

Participants chose topics in which they were interested and which presented an opportunity for legislation. After researching the topic thoroughly, each student presented to state senators his or her proposed solution.

Sawyko, who chose mandatory drug testing as her topic, was recommended for the program by her history teacher, Walt Gordinier. She has participated in Nazareth's honors program for the past three years.

Dr. Toinette M. Eugene, a pastoral theologian at Colgate Rochester Divinity School/Bexley Hall/Crozer Theological Seminary, has been appointed the school's provost.

She assumed duties as the school's chief academic officer June 1, in addition to continuing as an associate professor of education, society and black church studies.

Dr. Eugene's academic expertise and research interests center on religious education and the black family and Church. A Roman Catholic, she frequently serves as a lecturer and consultant. Recently, she was the Antionette Brown Lecturer at Vanderbilt University. Currently, she is acting as a consultant for the committee of U.S. Catholic bishops working to draft a national pastoral letter in response to women's concerns.

Correction

Sister M. Edwardine Weaver, RSM, has earned a master's degree in liberal science from Mercer College in Macon, Ga., rather than a master's degree in library science, as was noted in the July 16 issue of the Courier-Journal's "Neighbors" section.

Neighbors



Dr. Margaret Teresa Kelley, SSJ, received an honorary doctor of letters degree from Nazareth College at commencement exercises earlier this month.

A faculty member of the college's Center for Lifelong Learning, Sister Kelley has taught for more than six decades. She served as chairwoman of the college English Department from 1956-67 and taught Dante's *Divine Comedy* to more than 30 freshman classes before retiring in 1977. As professor emerita, she continued to teach part-time in the college's graduate program.

Students at Our Lady of Mercy High School celebrated the presentation of more than 200 awards and scholarships at the school's annual awards ceremony June 4.

Among those honored was senior Sandra Imperati, who accepted a \$1,000 scholarship from Sally Rodenhouse, president of Mercy's Parents Association.

Carrianna DaMasso and Cynthia Agustin, editors of Mercy's literary magazine, *The Mercedes*, were also recognized for earning the magazine the distinction of "best magazine in New York high schools" from the Empire State Press Association.

Seniors from Our Lady of Mercy High School were honored for academic and personal achievement last month at the school's 56th graduation ceremony.

Marlena Mendola was chosen to receive the Witness Award, which is presented to a senior who has consistently witnessed to the Christian message during her four years at Mercy. Mendola is the daughter of Mrs. and Mrs. Nick Mendola of Pittsford.

Valedictorian Carole Boos, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Boos of Honeoye Falls, received the Scholarship Award in recognition of her four-year average of 98.5. Also honored for academic achievement was Salutatorian Denise Marentette, who compiled an average of 96.9. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Marentette of Pittsford.

Nine graduates were presented with academic department awards for outstanding achievement. Seventy-three of Mercy's 161 graduates earned scholarships, including 29 New York State Regents Scholarships. More than 90 percent of the members of this year's graduating class plan to attend colleges and universities.

Administrators at Cardinal Mooney High School and members of the Peter S. Castle Scholarship Committee have chosen Heather King, a graduate of Holy Rosary School, as the fourth recipient of the Peter S. Castle Scholarship.

An alumnus of Cardinal Mooney, Castle was killed while working as a tutor for the Rochester City School District. In his memory, friends, family members and classmates established the scholarship, which is granted to an incoming Cardinal Mooney freshman, based on need, character and academic acceptance at the high school.

At Holy Rosary, King served as student council treasurer, sang in the choir, and participated in social and fund-raising activities.

Ten students from DeSales High School in Geneva who earned National Merit Certificates were among dozens honored at the school's annual awards assembly last month.

Certificate winners were: Nancy Burslem, Holly DeMetro, Kevin Fianagan, Patricia Hezel, Anne Lewis, Tricia Long, Adrienne Oddi, Peter Parshall, Rebecca Peters and Adrianna Polon.

Presented with Right to Life Awards were John Cataline and Melissa Hunter. Stacy Marsteiner earned the Wellesley Book Award. Winners in the United Way Essay Contest were Sean Murphy and Kathleen Morgan.

In addition to receiving awards presented by each academic department of the school, students were also recognized for participation in such extracurricular activities as yearbook, folk group, Varsity Club, Student Council and French Club.

The Catholic Daughters of the Americas, Annunciation Court #416, has chosen new officers to serve for the next two years.

Installed by District Deputy Virginia Terpolilli were: Eleanor Heffernan, regent; Madeline DeMaria, first vice-regent; Margaret Crowley, second vice-regent; Anna DeMaria, financial secretary; Phyllis Seidel, treasurer; Gerry Pollino, recording secretary; Kathleen Capozzi, monitor; Mary Felcetti, Virginia Murray and Rose Sollene, trustees; Marianna Moracco, ceremonial coordinator.

The court has also welcomed five new members: Vera Grau, Ruth Oughterson, Mary Cassasanta, Anna Lewis and Esther D'Amico. Three other women were reinstated as active members. They are: Margaret Malose, Helen Smith and Rose Ventura.

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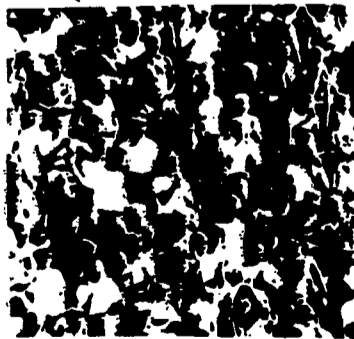
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