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## Around the Diocese

## Sale benefits Third-World needy

St. Louis, Pittsford - The parish's World Hunger Task Force is offering two selections for its 7th Annual Ornament Sale. Proceeds from the sale are used to help the people of Kaburnet, Kenya, install water lines and a generator so that they will no longer have to carry their water over a distance of several miles.

This year's ornaments are a 2-inch porcelain disk painted with the figure of the "Kneeling Santa," and a 2-inch woodtone cherub from the Fontanini collection of creches. Each is available with a gift box and card for \$5. Ornaments may be purchased after all Masses at St. Louis on Saturday and Sunday, Dec. 5 and 6, or by calling Marcie Mendola at (716) 381-65872 or 586-3771.

### Cluster studies council merger

Cayuga Team Ministry — Members of Our Lady of the Lake, St. Patrick's, St. Michael's and St. Joseph's parish councils are considering a proposed constitution for a new Common Council that would serve all four parishes. Parishioners from each community had a chance to offer their reactions to the constitution's second draft when copies were distributed with parish bulletins during the weekend of November 15.

On Thursday, Nov. 19, members of the four councils planned to finalize the constitution proposal, which will then be offered to parishioners for their approval in December or January.

#### Auction features local artist's work

St. Mary's, Waterloo — The silent auction of an oil painting depicting LaFayette Park and donated by local artist Anthony French will highlight the parish's 17th annual luncheon, craft and bake sale on Saturday, Dec. 5, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Many of the handcrafted items at the sale, including wreaths, needlework and religious items, are created by parish volunteers during weekly craft sessions throughout the year. Coffee and doughnuts will be served beginning at 10 a.m., with lunch to follow at 11. A variety of home-baked goods will also be on sale.

Eighth-graders from Holy Trinity School in Webster visited the community of Trappist monks at the Abbey of the Genesee in Piffard last month.

Escorted by teachers Patricia Urban and Roberta Mace, the students attended Mass and compline devotions at the Abbey's chapel, watched a video explaining the monastery's structure and routine, and met with two brothers for a question-and-answer session.

"The singing was amazing," one girl mentioned. "I expected it to be a gloomy and boring, but it was just the opposite"

"You become peaceful with yourself and the world when you are there," another student ob-

Cardinal Mooney High School hosted two district events last month: the fall leadership workshop for the District 10 Future Business Leaders of America and the Genesee Valley Forensic League's Invitational Forensic Tour-

Participants at the leadership workshop represented 12 area schools. Keynote speaker Robert Dalberth, coordinator of Junior Achievement, gave a presentation on the topic of motivation. Representatives of six schools gathered at Cardinal Mooney to vie for Forensic-League awards in such events as extemporaneous speaking, debate, great speeches and dramatic reading. Mooney Senior John Stables earned a second-place trophy in the extemporaneous speaking division.

Children from Most Precious Blood School

# **Parish Notes**

## Parishioners to discuss pastoral

St. Mary, St. Alphonsus, Auburn - Both parishes are sponsoring a discussion series on the U.S. bishops economics pastoral, "Living out the Pastoral Message" will be the topic of a session on Tuesday, Dec. 8, featuring a presentation on the Diocese of Tabasco,

On Tuesday, Dec. 15, Terry DeFelice, a representative from the Cayuga County Action Program will lead a discussion entitled "Building Christian Communities," about economic conditions in Cayuga County.

Each session is scheduled from 7-9 p.m. in the basement at St. Mary's Church, 15 Clark St., Auburn. For information, contact either parish at (315) 252-9545 or 252-7261.

### Priest plans clown celebration

St. Mary of the Lake, Ontario - Father David Mura will celebrate Jesus' humanity and humor by bringing a clown to life through makeup and costume on Sunday, Dec. 13, at 3.p.m. in the church. A Mass and a dish-toshare supper will follow the clown celebration.

Adults and children of all ages are invited. For information, contact Lucretia Lettau, (716) 872-6262, or Father Mura, (315) 536-7459.

### Parish hosts ecumenical service

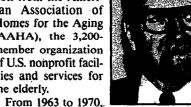
St. Mary's, Honeoye — Parishioners hosted an ecumenical Thanksgiving service on Sunday, Nov. 22. Father Michael Hogan, pastor, welcomed the Rev. Brian Krause and parishioners from the United Church of Chirst to the service. A joint parish choir, accompanied by the United Church of Christ's Bell Choir, provided music. Proceeds from the offertory will benefit the Community Pantry.

# **Neighbors**

celebrated World Hunger Day last month by making and selling "Peace Buttons" to members of the school's student body, faculty and

Four students from the fifth grade — Lisa Gardner, Maria Cignarale, Eddy Van Grol and Billy Roberts — then visited St. Joseph's House of Hospitality to present staff members at the Catholic Worker house with the \$78 raised during the sale. While they were there, the children enjoyed a tour of the house.

Former Rochester-area resident Donald J. Mulcahy has earned a meritorius service citation from the American Association of Homes for the Aging (AAHA), the 3,200member organization of U.S. nonprofit facilities and services for the elderly.



Mulcahy served as director of Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Rochester. He and his wife now live in Washington, D.C.

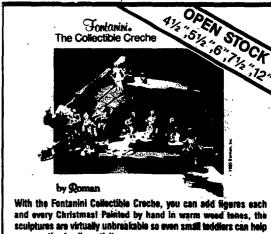


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