

Calendar

Thursday, December 3

MOVIE: "The Bishop's Wife;" matinee movie for seniors; Eastman House Dryden Theater; 1:30 p.m.; free; loop system available; call (716) 271-3361, ext. 260.

FOCUS ON THE EUCHARIST: evening prayer and rosary precede the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass; short meditation time will close with Benediction; St. Philip Neri Church, 1776 Clifford Ave., Rochester; Fr. James King, CSSR, celebrant; 7:30 p.m.; all are welcome.

ADVENT SERIES: first of three-part series on "The Gospel of Mark;" Eucharistic chapel, Holy Ghost Church, Rochester; 7-8:30 p.m.; Fr. George Norton, presenter.

Friday, December 4

RETREAT: on faith and resistance; Bethany Retreat House, Abbey of the Genesee, Piffard, N.Y.; 9 a.m. through noon Saturday; call (716) 243-2220 for information.

DEVOTION: first Friday Mass to the Holy Spirit; Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church, 1089 Joseph Ave., Rochester; 7:30 p.m.

DEVOTION: first Friday Mass; co-sponsored by Rochester Council #178 Knights of Columbus and the Daily Mass League; K of C Home, 670 Thurston Rd., Rochester; Fr. Paul Ryan celebrant and luncheon speaker; 11:45 a.m.; all welcome.

RETREAT: "Prayer: The Struggle, The Search, The Sign;" Fr. Sebastian Falcone, dean St. Bernard's Institute, presenter; Cenacle Center for Spiritual Renewal, 693 East Ave., Rochester; begins 7:30 p.m., running through 3:30 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 6; \$60; open to all.

PERFORMANCE: "The Best Christmas Pageant Ever;" Nazareth Youththeatre; Nazareth College Arts Center, 4245 East Ave., Rochester; 7:30 p.m.; tickets — \$8 for adults, \$6 for children under 18 — can be purchased at the college box office Monday-Saturday, 11 a.m.-5 p.m., or by calling (716) 586-2420.

Saturday, December 5

PJEC ALTERNATIVE CELEBRATION FAIR: features Third World gifts, holiday crafts, toys, cards, baked goods, natural fiber clothing, pottery, books and art; Asbury First United Methodist Church, 1050 East Ave., Rochester; 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

DEVOTION: first Saturday Mass in honor of Our Lady of Fatima; Immaculate Conception Church, 113 N. Geneva St., Ithaca; 9 a.m.; recitation of the rosary will follow.

DEVOTION: monthly first Saturday service in honor of Our Lady of Fatima; Guardian Angels Church, 2060 E. Henrietta Rd., Rochester; following 9 a.m. Mass; repeated monthly.

BREAKFAST: for widowed persons; sponsored by the Finger Lakes D/S/W group; at Town & Country Restaurant; 245 S. Main St., Canandaigua; 9 a.m.; call (315) 789-6347, (716) 526-5625, (607) 243-7085 or (315) 789-2686 for information.

ROSARY FOR PEACE: Guardian Angels Church, 2061 E. Henrietta Rd., Rochester; 5:15 p.m.; proceeding 5:30 Mass; repeated weekly.

CHRISTMAS CRAFT FEST: features more than 60 crafters, visit by Santa, food; St. Rita's School, 1008 Maple Drive, Webster; 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

CHRISTMAS BAZAAR: presented by Altar and Rosary Society; features crafts, gifts, white elephants, baked goods and lunch; basement of St. Pius X Church, Main Street, Van Etten; 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

ARTS/CRAFTS SHOW: presented by parish Rosary Society; 80 vendors presenting Christmas gifts and baked foods; Mother of Sorrows Church, 5000 Mt. Read Blvd., Rochester; 9:30 a.m.-4 p.m.

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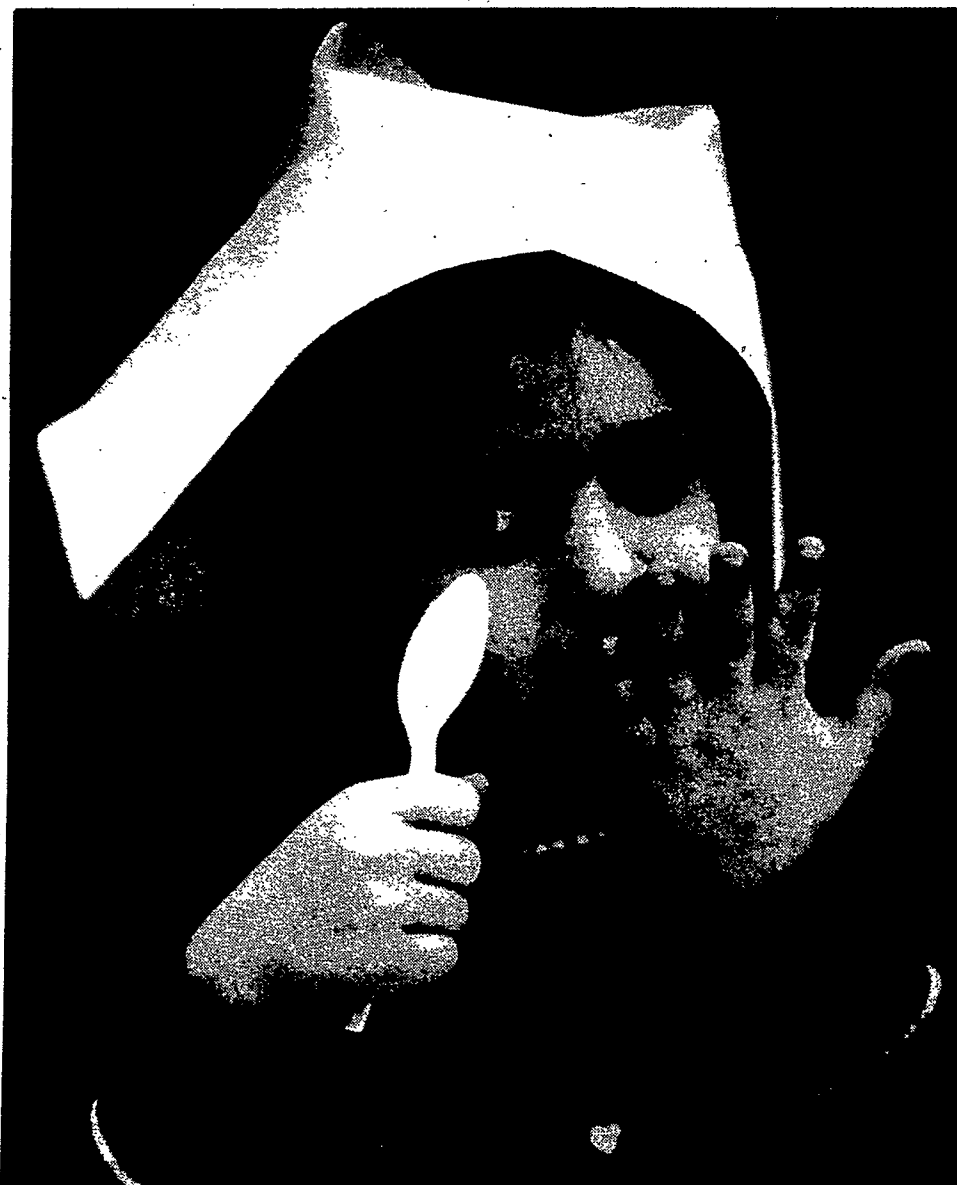
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FESTIVE FEAST — Lisa Yanz, 5, finds her homemade Thanksgiving feast to be finger-licking good. Children at St. John the Evangelist Church, Rochester, prepared for turkey day by helping to prepare their own applesauce and other goodies.

DANCE NIGHT: St. Thomas More Singles Club; Marriott Thruway; 9 p.m.; call (716) 482-5656 for information.

PERFORMANCE: "The Best Christmas Pageant Ever;" Nazareth Youththeatre; Nazareth College Arts Center, 4245 East Ave., Rochester; 2 and 7:30 p.m.; tickets — \$8 for adults, \$6 for children under 18 — can be purchased at the college box office Monday-Saturday, 11 a.m.-5 p.m., or by calling (716) 586-2420.

Sunday, December 6

DINNER: weekly Young Adult pot-luck supper and discussion; Corpus Christi Rectory, 80 Prince St., Rochester; 6-9 p.m.; call Fritz, (716) 325-2424, for information.

TELEVISION: Eternal Word Television Network (EWTN); GRC Channel 2 suburbs, Channel 16 Webster, not carried on GRC West; 8-11 p.m.; call (716) 687-6300 for information.

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CONCERT SERIES: Sacred Heart Cathedral Choir performing "A Ceremony of Carols" by Benjamin Britten; Dr. J. William Greene, conducting; sponsored by Sacred Heart Cathedral Parish; in the cathedral, 296 Flower City Park, Rochester; 3 p.m.; free and open to the public.

SOCIAL: cabin party at Knollwood Lodge, Northampton Park; sponsored by St. Thomas More Singles Club; 1-9 p.m.; call (716) 482-5656 for information.

ADVENT/MARIAN CELEBRATIONS: Lessons and Carols service sponsored by Diocese of Rochester's Marian Year Activities Committee; consists of choral singing, Old Testament readings, congregational singing and prayer; 4 p.m. at St. Mary's Church, 224 Franklin St., Elmira, and 3:30 p.m. at St. Mary's Church, 15 St. Mary's Place, Rochester; choirs of both St. Mary's churches will lead; free and open to all; contact Loretta Price, (716) 328-3210, for information.

PATIENT/FAMILY DINNER: sponsored by Kidney Foundation; Diplomat Party House; reservations required; call (716) 244-8893.

HOLIDAY CONCERT: "Holiday Fanfare" by Penfield Symphony Orchestra with Eastman Brass and guest conductor James Dumm; Penfield High School Auditorium; 7 p.m.; tickets — \$5 for adults, \$3 for students and senior citizens — may be purchased at the door or by calling (716) 248-5690.

CHRISTMAS TEA: business women's group of Catholic Women's Club; benefit for

Carmelite Nuns; AAUW Club House, 494 East Ave., Rochester; 2-4 p.m.; soliciting donations of food, household supplies, especially canned vegetables, soup, tuna, etc.; open to club members and guests; contact Ann Fertig, (716) 435-2561, for information.

ADULT FORUM: "The Bishops' Letter on the Economy;" Vic Bartolotta, presenter; Corpus Christi church hall; 10-11 a.m.; baby sitting provided.

MARIAN-YEAR DEVOTION: St. Ambrose Church, 25 Empire Blvd., Rochester; 7:30 p.m.; Fr. Gary Tyman, presenter; Ernesta Del-Prince will offer Marian reflections; refreshments to follow; all welcome.

Monday, December 7

NOVENA: Our Lady of Guadalupe; Guardian Angels Church, 2061 E. Henrietta Rd., Rochester; 7:30 p.m.; repeated weekly.

SERIES: "The Role of the Churches and the 'Third Age' Spiritualities of Aging;" session VI of Mercy Center with the Aging's Family Education Series on Aging; Srs. Anne Maloy and Gratia L'Esperance, presenters; Transfiguration Church, Pittsford; 7:30-9:30 p.m.

EUCHARISTIC LITURGY: "Mary: A Model Disciple;" Denise Mack, presenter; Our Lady Queen of Peace Church, 601 Edgewood Ave., Rochester; 7:30-9:30 p.m.; sponsored by South East Region Religious Educators' Association; open to all.

Tuesday, December 8

BIBLE STUDY: sponsored by SSJ Spirituality Institute; Sisters of St. Joseph Motherhouse, 4095 East Ave., Rochester; 1:30-3:30 p.m.; conducted by Ruth R. Roy; repeated each Tuesday; call Sr. Anne de Porres, (716) 586-1000, for information.

CHRISTMAS BUFFET: St. Andrew's Rosary Society annual party; school cafeteria, 923 Portland Ave., Rochester; 6:30 p.m.; entertainment by Nazareth Academy Show Choir; request donations of canned food and "care packages" for the House of Mercy; reservations through Betty Pudetti, (716) 342-8355, and Mary Meritt, 342-7991; no tickets sold at the door.

REGISTRATION: for spring-semester courses at St. Bernard's Institute; 1100 S. Goodman St., Rochester; 9 a.m.-4 p.m. and 7-9 p.m.; also 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Wed., Dec. 9; for information or brochures, call (716) 271-1320, ext. 290.

Wednesday, December 9

BLOOD-PRESSURE SCREENING: sponsored by St. Joseph's Hospital and Department of Volunteer Services; St. Joseph's Hospital, 555 E. Market St., Elmira; in emergency-care

waiting room, in front of mural; 4-7 p.m.; free.
VIDEO CONFERENCE: "Ethical Dilemmas in Nursing;" St. Joseph's Hospital, 555 Market St., Elmira; noon-2 p.m.; for information or registration, contact Ann Bishop at (607) 733-6541.

CHRISTMAS PARTY: sponsored by Rosary Society of Holy Family Parish; Pine Room; 7:30 p.m.; price is \$3; for reservations, call Ethel Spahn, (716) 436-5642, by Dec. 6; open to all women of the parish; in lieu of grab bag, each member asked to bring canned or staple goods for donations to SWEM food cupboard.

MEETING: on coping during the holidays; People to People S/D/W support group; Room 11, Blessed Sacrament School, 546 Oxford St., Rochester; 7:30 p.m.; for information, call Linda at (716) 586-8204 after 7 p.m.

CRAFT FAIR: sponsored by Office of Student Activities, SUNY College at Brockport; Seymour College Union; 10 a.m.-4 p.m.; for information, call Ginger Toth, (716) 395-2604.

Thursday, December 10

MOVIE: "Seven Brides for Seven Brothers;" matinee movie for seniors; Eastman House Dryden Theater; 1:30 p.m.; free; loop system available; call (716) 271-3361, ext. 260.

ADVENT SERIES: second of three-part series on "The Gospel of Mark;" Eucharistic chapel, Holy Ghost Church, Rochester; 7-8:30 p.m.; Fr. George Norton, presenter.

MARIAN-YEAR CONCERT: performance of sacred works by Holy Cross Church Choir directed by John Gaspar; in the church, 4492 Lake Ave., Rochester; 8 p.m.; choir will be accompanied by organist Paul Barte and string orchestra composed of Eastman School students; public is welcome.

Friday, December 11

DEVOTION: follow-up Ultreya for Men's Weekend #60; sponsored by Rochester Cursillo; St. Anne's Church 1640 Mt. Hope Ave., Rochester; 8:30 p.m.; meets second Friday of every month; call (716) 428-5173 or 328-4702 for information.

SEMINAR: Life in the Spirit; Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church, 1089 Joseph Ave., Rochester; 7:30 p.m.

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SOCIAL: St. Thomas More Singles Club; Amerks hockey night; 7 p.m.; call (716) 482-5656 for information.

MEETING: Coping Skills for Caregivers of the Elderly support group; "Maximizing the Older Person's Potential" by Virginia Hartley; 34 Meigs St., Rochester, behind Third Presbyterian Church; 10 a.m.-noon; for information, call (716) 454-3224, ext. 112.

LECTURE: "Mary, Queen of Peace;" conclusion of four-part lectures on the various titles of the Blessed Mother; Father Anthony Mugavero, presenter; sponsored by St. John Fisher Society; Holy Rosary Church, 420 Lexington Ave., Rochester; 7:30 p.m.; free-will offering will be solicited.

PRESENTATION: Natural Family Planning information night; Rochester General Hospital, 1425 Portland Ave., Rochester; 7:30 p.m.; free; call (716) 464-8705 for information.

DAY OF PRAYER: "The Christmas People;" women's retreat; Notre Dame Retreat House, Foster Road, Canandaigua; 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.; \$6; lunch is provided; reservations requested; call (716) 394-5700 for information.

Saturday, December 12

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SOCIAL: St. Thomas More Singles Club; movie night at Loews Webster; 6:45 p.m.; for information, call (716) 482-5656.

DAY OF RENEWAL: for the separated and divorced; Cenacle Center for Spiritual Renewal, 693 East Ave., Rochester; 10 a.m.-4 p.m.; all may participate; bring bag lunch, beverages will be provided; offering is \$6; for information, call Helen Patsynski, (716) 271-8755.

SOCIAL: S/D/W groups of Finger Lakes region; Saw Dust Cafe, campus of the New York State Agricultural Station, North Street, Geneva; 8 p.m.; co-hosts Margaret Crane and Nina Palmer; for information, call Vi (315) 789-6337, Mary Lou (716) 624-2374 or Dottie (607) 869-2982.