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Around the Diocese

Parish hosts pre-cana program

Our Lady of Lourdes, Elmira — Engaged couples are invited to a pre-Cana conference hosted by the parish on Friday and Saturday, Jan. 15 and 16, in the parish center. Friday's session is scheduled from 7:30-10:30 p.m. On Saturday, couples will gather from 9 a.m.3 p.m. Lourdes parishioners are also invited to an additional session entitled "Planning Your Wedding Ceremony" on Saturday evening from 7-8:15 p.m.

To register, contact Marc or Lisa Rustici at

(607)732-5816.

Parishioners are also invited to a postholiday appreciation party on Friday evening, Jan. 22, from 6:30-8:30 p.m. in the parish center. The party is intended to bring parishioners together, welcome newcomers, and thank volunteers.

Pastor proposes new outreach

Corpus Christi, Rochester — Father James Callan has proposed a new parish outreach program to offer women an alternative to abortion through counseling, shelter and support.

"At Corpus Christi, we offer hospitality to the homeless, the hungry, the ex-prisoner, the sick, the dving and the little children," he wrote in a Christmas bulletin message. "How about offering hospitality to those who are pregnant and have nowhere to turn?"

On Saturday, Jan. 9, the parish will offer a nuclear resistance retreat from 9 a.m.2 p.m.

Parishioners are also planning to welcome Father Emory Tang, a priest from California, who will conduct a parish renewal January

For information on any of the above items, contact the rectory at (716)325-2424.

Parish Notes

Holy Cross to offer concert

Holy Cross, Rochester — Holy Cross School Band will present an instrumental concert featuring a medley of holiday tunes on Wednesday, Jan. 13, at 7 p.m. in the school hall. All are invited to share the Christmas spirit.

The parish's School Age Child Care Center has also opened in the newly refurbished parish house at 4488 Lake Avenue. The center operates from 6:45-8:45 a.m. and 3:05-6 p.m. For information, contact Katie Irwin, (716)865-3821, or the Maplewood YMCA, 647-3600.

UR parish to sponsor service

Newman Community, University of Rochester - Parishioners will sponsor an afternoon worship service at Monroe Developmental Center on Sunday, Jan. 24, at 1 p.m. The center, located on Westphal Road, houses 430 people with mental retardation and other handicapping conditions.

During the service, Newman Community members hope to include residents in singing and prayer, and afterward to offer them an opportunity to socialize over refreshments.

Volunteers are needed to serve as escorts for residents and to provide music, refreshments and hospitality.

For information, contact the chapel office at (716)275-4322.

Two Rochester-based organizations, Cephas Attica, Inc., and the STAR Program were among 15 winners of the Fourth Annual Eleanor Roosevelt Community Service Awards.

The awards, presented by Governor Mario M. Cuomo's wife, Matilda, and Brooklyn Auxiliary Bishop Joseph Sullivan in a ceremony last month at the state capitol, recognize civic or voluntary organizations that make outstanding contributions to the community through the use of volunteers. More than 300 organizations from across New York state were nominated for the Roosevelt Award this year.

Cephas Attica, Inc., is a program that since 1972 has provided job training and counseling for ex-offenders both prior to and after their release from prison. The STAR Program. administered through the Catholic Family Center, recruits volunteers to provide elderly men and women with friendly visits, transportation and light housekeeping.

A hiring committee last month chose Pauline and James Dobbertin to serve as codirectors of Corpus Christi's home for the homeless, Dimitri House.

Parishioners' prayers were also answered with the recent arrival of Chuck Sawyer, who is serving as a full-time staff resident at Rogers House, an outreach program for ex-offenders.

Teen suicide prevention was the topic of a faculty inservice program for teachers at Nazareth Academy last month. The featured speaker, Dr. Christopher Hodgeman, director of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry at Strong Memorial Hospital, outlined the early signs and symptoms of depression, as well as methods for coping with those symptoms.

"It is important for the faculty to be able to recognize the early signs of depression which may lead to thoughts of suicide," remarked Sister Marlene Pape, Nazareth Academy nurse. "(Teachers) must be prepared to deal with those students appropriately by referring them to the agencies which will be able to help them."

Four students from Aquinas Institute discussed high-school-level peer pressure and drug abuse with elementary-aged students as part of the Rochester Police Department's Drug Abuse Residence Education (DARE) program

During the 12th of 17 weekly DARE sessions, Kacey Compisi, Ellen Frederick, Aaron Micheau, and Joe Triassi visited Nazareth Hall. Holy Rosary, Holy Family, and St. Philip Neri schools to answer questions such as "what happens if you refuse drugs at a party?"

"Students wanted more than facts," Micheau explained. "(They) wanted to hear from another student what it was like and how to handle situations."

Neighbors

The Catholic Theological Society of America has awarded a Rochester native, Father Walter H. Principe, CSB, the 1987 John Courtney Murray Award in honor of his distinguished work in the field of theology.

Father Principe, the son of the late Arthur and Louise Principe, former members of St. John the Evangelist Parish, Humboldt Street joined the Congregation of St. Basil after graduating from the Aquinas Institute.

He was ordained in 1949, after which he continued theological studies at the Sorbonne in Paris and the Pontifical Institute of Medieval Studies, where he was awarded the doctor of medieval studies degree summa cum laude in 1954. He has subsequently served as a Senior Fellow of the institute, as well as a professor in the University of Toronto's Graduate Centre for Medieval Studies.

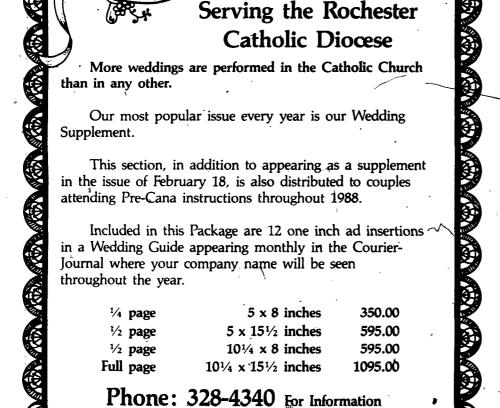
The author of five books and numerous articles on theological and religious topics, Father Principe earned a Guggenheim Fellowship for research in 1967. Among the other academic honors he has since received are a Canada Council Research Grant, a scholarship and research grant from the Association of Theological Schools, and a Humanities Research Council of Canada Leave Fellowship.

Energy was the focus of experiments and models entered by students in the first Science Fair sponsored last month by the Renaissance Program at St. Mary's School, Waterloo.

Judges Matt Brennesholtz, an engineer with Phillips ECG, David Mulvey, a science teacher at St. Mary's and Terry Youmans, science teacher at Waterloo High School, chose the following students' projects as winning entries: first place, Rachel Brennesholtz; second, Christopher Wilcox; third, Kevin Kuney; fourth, Christopher Petrosino; fifth, Megan Grela; sixth, Matt Stowell and Timothy Wadhams.

Local companies, including New York State Electric and Gas, Evans Chemetics, Goulds Pumps, and the Waterloo Lions and Rotary Clubs donated prizes for the winners.

Sister Mary Judith Heberle, RSM, principal of Our Lady of Mercy High School, has been reelected to the executive board of the Mercy Secondary Education Association. This month, the association will begin an eighth year of collaboration between educators serving 45 Mercy secondary schools located in 21 states as well as Argentina, Belize, Honduras and Jamaica.



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