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Around the Diocese

Dinner slated to honor SSJs

St. Alphonsus, Auburn — The parish has scheduled a Mass and dinner on Sunday, September 18, to honor the Sisters of St. Joseph, who have provided teachers for the parish school for 100 years.

All graduates of St. Alphonsus and Blessed Trinity schools, as well as former and current parishioners are invited. To be put on the mailing list for more information, call Nancy Guido at the St. Alphonsus rectory, (315)252-7261.

Bible-study programs starting

Holy Apostles, Rochester — The parish will offer a Vacation Bible School for children age 4 through sixth grade during the week of August 15-19, from 10 a.m. to noon in the Parish Center. The program will include Bible study, prayer, crafts, recreation and refreshments.

The parish will also conduct an adult Bible study program, entitled "How to Read the Bible" from August 15-19, 10:15 a.m. to 11:45 a.m. The Bible study sessions will be conducted in the rectory by Pat Shanley, the parish's pastoral minister. Baby sitting will be available.

To register a child for the Bible school, contact Audrey Renna, (716)254-6700. Registration forms for the adult program are available at the church entrances.

'Lanterns for Hope' to mark peace pastoral's anniversary

Immaculate Conception, Ithaca — To commemorate the fifth anniversary of the U.S. bishops' pastoral letter *The Challenge of Peace*, the parish social ministry committee is inviting parishioners and interested people to participate in a Lanterns for Hope peace lantern launch at Cass Park on Saturday, August 6.

The event is part of a citywide remembrance of the people who died at Hiroshima. More than 300 communities — including Ithaca — held lantern launchings last year. The ceremony is scheduled for 8 p.m., and will be preceded by a dish-to-pass supper.

For more information, call the rectory at (607)273-6121.

Father William F. Gaffney, CSsR, a member of the Redemptorist Mission Band of Philadelphia, has been appointed rector of Notre Dame Retreat House, Canandaigua. He replaces Father Thomas Barrett, who has returned to service at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church in New York City.

Father Gaffney, ordained in 1960, served in the Brooklyn Mission Band until 1970. For the next eight years he conducted 250 marriage encounter retreats throughout the United States. In 1978, he was appointed pastor of Our Lady of Lourdes Church in Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, and later joined the Philadelphia Mission Band.

Father Joseph B. Dorsey, CSB, an honorary trustee at St. John Fisher College, has accepted an appointment to the Town of Irondequoit's five-seat board of ethics. His appointment, which has no set term, was unanimously approved by the Irondequoit Town Board on June 2.

A native of Syracuse, Father Dorsey holds a bachelor's degree from the University of Toronto and a master's degree from Catholic University of America. Following his ordination in 1942, he taught at various colleges and high schools (including Aquinas Institute) before arriving at St. John Fisher College in 1961. At Fisher, he has served as an associate professor of English, vice president, dean, and following the retirement of Father Charles Lavery in 1980, interim president. He was also a member of the college's board of trustees from 1970 until 1985, when he became an honorary trustee.

Father Dorsey is currently assistant pastor at Christ the King Church in Irondequoit.

St. Joseph's Hospital, Elmira, in conjunction with Joint Education and Training (JET), Inc., has announced that **Kaye Canfield** of the hospital's rehabilitation department has received a JET Level II Managers' Certificate. In order to earn the certificate, Canfield had to complete 50 hours of management training and the 67 hours of supervisory level training required for the Jet Level I Supervisors' Certificate Program.

Parish Notes

White elephant sale featured

All Saints, Lansing — A White elephant sale will be one of the highlights of the parish festival, August 7, from noon to 6. Among other events will be a chicken barbecue and games for children.

The chicken dinner will cost \$4 per person. Anyone with items to donate for the sale may bring them to the trailer next to the church, on Route 38 and Myers Road. Clothing donations are not needed.

Annual four-parish picnic set

Cayuga Team Ministry — The parishes' annual picnic will take place at the Kings Ferry Firehouse, Route 34B, on August 7 beginning at noon. The parishes will provide meat, beverages and games for both adults and children. People are asked to bring a dish to pass, a salad or a dessert, and a place setting for each family member or friend attending.

All parishioners, summer people and visitors are welcome.

Thanksgiving Mass celebrated

St. Ann's, Hornell — A Mass of Thanksgiving for the ordination of Deacon Robert McCormick was celebrated Sunday, June 12, at noon. Father Elmer Schmidt, pastor, and Father James Jaeger concelebrated the Mass, assisted by Deacon McCormick.

The permanent deacon, who was ordained June 5, chose "Rejoice in the Lord Greatly" as his theme for the Mass. He is the first Hornell resident ordained to the permanent diaconate.

Deacon McCormick will serve in the parish, at St. James Mercy Hospital, St. Ann's School and the Steuben County ministry to the needy in addition to continuing his teaching duties at State University of New York Agricultural and Technical College at Alfred.

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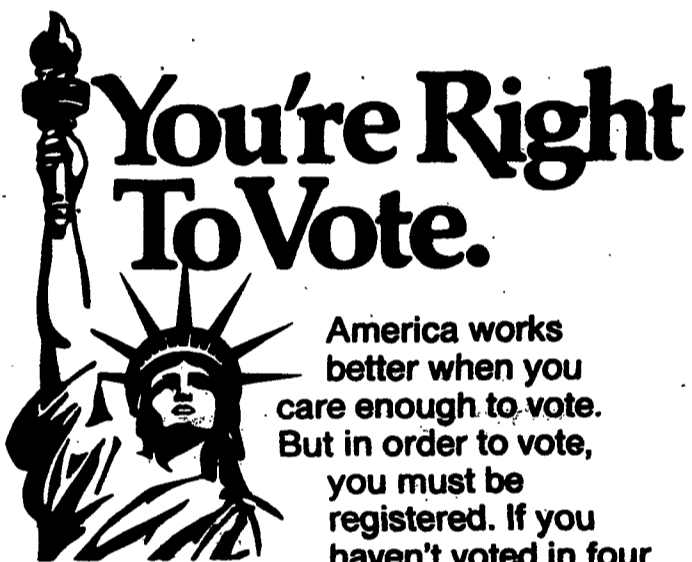
In June, St. Joseph's Villa presented awards for special service and years of service at the annual St. Joseph's Villa Board of Directors and Staff Dinner. The agency's highest honor, the Sister Rose Xavier Service Award, was given to **Kathleen Pexton**, the Villa's director of volunteers. **Ruth Blair**, a teaching assistant at the campus school and director of the Villa's theater activities, received the Spirit of Caring Award. The Volunteer Service Award was presented to **Kenneth and Gloria LaJouette**.

Sister Diane Muldoon, SSJ, received a 25-year service award. 10-year certificates were given to **Marian DeBruyne**, **Stephen Merman-Smith**, **Angelo Figueroa**, **Carol Trapasso**, **William Powell**, **Joanne Ziervogel**, **Glen Van Zile**, and **Richard Adams**. Earning five-year awards were **Carole Van DeMortel**, **Karen Crawford**, **John Ferrara**, **David Schwab**, and **Theodore Adams**.

The second annual Genesee Hospital Nursing Alumni Association Award for Excellence in Nursing Practice has been presented to St. Ambrose parishioner **Anne Ross, R.N.**

Ross, a team leader in a medical-surgical unit, has worked at the hospital for eight years. In a 25-year nursing career, Ross has served in a number of nursing positions, including staff nurse, head nurse, and nursing instructor. She earned her nursing degree from St. Mary's Hospital School of Nursing and a Bachelor of Science degree in nursing from the University of Rochester.

Sister Joan Dawson, OSF, a former member of Our Lady of Good Counsel Parish, Rochester, and a graduate of Nazareth Academy, has been re-elected a general councilor of the Franciscan Sisters of Allegany during the order's general chapter at St. Elizabeth Motherhouse in St. Bonaventure, N.Y. Currently the superintendent of education for the Diocese of St. Petersburg, Fla., Sister Dawson holds a master's degree in education from Notre Dame University and a doctoral degree from Wayne State University.



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