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Our goal is to raise \$10,000.

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Parish notes

Adult education series slated

IRONDEQUOIT — St. Margaret Mary Church is sponsoring a four-part adult education series as part of its 60th year jubilee celebration. Sessions will be presented in the parish school at 400 Rogers Parkway on the following dates:

Thursday, Feb. 16, 7:30-9 p.m. — "How do I know what is right anymore?" Father Robert Kennedy, assistant professor of liturgical studies at St. Bernard's Institute, will focus on moral decision-making skills, guides one can use to make moral choices, defining sin, and maintaining one's integrity in a materialistic society;

Thursday, Feb. 23, 7:30-9 p.m. — "Why should I go to Confession?" Father Kennedy will discuss reasons to go to confession, revisions of the sacrament of penance, and the sacrament's current relevance to the individual;

Wednesday, March 1, 1:30-3 p.m. — "Save money and avoid problems: successful estate planning," presenter Philip Burke, attorney-at-law, will explore the issue of estate planning, touching on such areas as trusts, gifts and various tax-related concepts. He will also address the question of whether or not avoiding probate in New York State is worth the required time and expense;

Wednesday, March 15, 7:30-9 p.m. — "The future Church: What will it be like?" Father William Lum, Catholic chaplain at the University of Rochester, will discuss Vatican II and its long-range effects.

Each presentation will include a question/answer period and refreshments. Admission is free and open to the public. For information, call Charles Prindle at 716/342-7114.

Elmira parish plans fish fry

ELMIRA - The annual Lenten fish fry at Our Lady of Lourdes in Elmira will begin Friday, Feb. 10, at 5 p.m. and continue through 8 p.m. in the parish center. The fish fry will take place every Friday for six weeks — with the exception of Good Friday.

In addition to fish, pizza and take-out orders will also be available. High chairs and booster chairs will also be readily available for little children. The cost of the fish fry is \$4.75 for adults and \$2.75 for children under 12.

Men and women are needed for all jobs at various times on Fridays from 9 a.m. until 11 p.m. Call Sue Bollock at 607/734-1202 or 733-2542 for information.

Neighbors

The Social Justice Activities Committee of St. Joseph's School, Penfield, raised \$500, collected several boxes of toys and put together Christmas stockings for Bethany House, a temporary shelter for women and children. During the school year, the committee focuses on several social-justice activities to help students gain an awareness of the community and of other people's needs. Between January and April, the students will put together health kits for the House of Mercy and the missions in Chile. They are currently collecting combs, toothpaste, and sample-size soaps and mouth-wash for the kits.

The English department at Our Lady of Mercy High School has received a certificate of commendation for instructional excellence from the National Council of Teachers of English. The department earned the commendation because a Mercy senior, Dale Glogowski, is a winner of the council's Achievement Award in Writing for 1988.

Monsignors Gerard and Joseph Gefell have been awarded the New York State Conspicuous Service Cross by Governor Mario Cuomo. The award is granted to any citizen of the state who distinguished himself in World War II, the Korean War or the Vietnam War by earning the Legion of Merit or the Bronze Star. The two received a total of seven Legion of Merit awards, two Bronze Stars and numerous other decorations and service awards.

Monsignor Joseph Gefell served in the Philippines and Japan between 1945 and 1947, in Korea from 1950 to 1951, and in Vietnam during 1968 and 1969. Monsignor Gerald Gefell spent two years in Korea, and served two tours of duty in Vietnam.

Scripture series scheduled

ROCHESTER — Corpus Christi Parish, 80 Prince St., is sponsoring two lectures this month on Scripture. Both will be presented in the rectory.

On Wednesday, Feb. 15, from 7:30-9 p.m., Father Francis Blighton will discuss "The Word that brings Life." Father Blighton is a retreat and spiritual director, and is currently completing studies for his second master's degree in applied spirituality at the University of San Francisco.

Father Paul Tomasso will discuss "Energy of Scripture, energy for living" on Wednesday, Feb. 22, from 7:30-9 p.m. Father Tomasso, secretary to Bishop Matthew H. Clark, is involved in the Cursillo movement, a renewal group.

Food collection to aid needy

WEBSTER — Parishioners of Holy Spirit Church at 1355 Hatch Rd. will be receiving baskets to be used to collect food for the needy after the 5 and 7:30 p.m. Masses on Saturday, Feb. 11, and after the 8:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m. and noon Masses on Sunday, Feb. 12.

Parishioners are encouraged to fill the baskets with food throughout Lent, and to return them on Palm Sunday, when they will be placed on the church altar to be blessed. The baskets will then be distributed to the needy.

The basket distribution is sponsored by the parish's Human Development Committee. For information, contact Eleanor T. Falkowsky at 716/671-7572.

Films to focus on God's love

MACEDON — The Family Life Committee of St. Patrick's Church, Macedon, is offering a Lenten film series entitled "His Stubbard Love," Feb. 27, March 6 and 13. The films will shown in the church hall, 50 Main St., from 7:30-9 p.m. on the 27th and the 6th, and 7:30-9:30 p.m. on the 13th.

The series will feature four films by Joyce Landorf which focus on how God's persistent love can make sense out of suffering, renew self-esteem and provide encouragement for Christian living. Landorf, the author of 15 books, is a widely-sought-after speaker.

The four films are: "Change Points," which deals with hope during crisis points in life, to be shown on Feb. 27; "Your Irregular Person," which focuses on overcoming disappointment and rejection, to be shown March 6; "Mourning Song," which discusses dealing with loss, and "God's Waiting Room," which examines how God is working even as people wait for answers to prayers, to both be shown on March 13.

For additional information about the series, call Marita VanDerveer at 315/986-4715.

Raphaela Mamuscia has been named to the board of trustees at DeSales High School. She taught at St. Michael School in Newark and is currently the director of Small World Nursery School.



Kenny Sanford (front, left), Patrick Murphy and Jacob Rose are among the first members of St. Ann's Cub Scout Pack #9 in Hornell. Pictured with the trio are cub master Joe King (back, left), Father James Jaeger, den leader Cyndi Hornbeck, pack committee chairman Mike Colomaio and Father Elmer Schmidt.

Sister Virginia Steinwachs, SSJ, assistant superintendent for urban education in the Division of Education, had two ideas for improving language arts skills for grade school students published in the January, 1989, issue of *Teaching PreK-8*. The first idea involves holding a poetry festival at which students dramatize their favorite poems. The second idea calls for students to find and define action words found on sports pages.

Martin C. Barrell, chancellor of the Board of Regents of the University of the State of New York, announced the appointment of Carolyn Portanova, to the Committee for Professional Assistance. Portanova, director of the Catholic Family Center's Restart Substance Abuse Services, will serve a four-year term on the committee, which advises the Board of Regents on matters of licensed professionals who are impaired as a result of drug or alcohol abuse.

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