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PARISH NOTES

Band to perform benefit

GENEVA — Nik and the Nice Guys will perform a concert to benefit St. Francis/St. Stephen's School Friday, Sept. 8, from 8 p.m. to midnight, at McDonough Park. The concert will include comedy skits and music from the '50s to the present. Tickets cost \$5 in advance and \$6 at the gate. Advance tickets may be purchased at Martin Music, Cass TV or at the park ticket office.

Parish sponsoring trip

ROCHESTER — Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, 150 Varinna Drive, is sponsoring a 10-day trip to Europe May 24 to June 7, 1990. The tour will include a visit to Oberammergau, West Germany, for a performance of the Passion Play; sight-seeing in Bavaria; a stop in Paris and a sojourn to the Normandy coast; a pilgrimage to Lourdes; and a vacation on the seacoast at Nice. A travelogue and information will be available at the parish on Sept. 17 at 1 p.m. The trip's cost is \$2,800, and registration deadline is mid-October. For information, call Sister Mary Bernadé, 716/244-2361.

Community forum asking for charitable donations

ROCHESTER — The Downtown Community Forum, a program of St. Mary's Parish, is asking individuals to make donations of \$15 in the upcoming year.

Each year, from fall to early summer, the forum brings in speakers on various topics. The forum operated in the black for its first four years, but currently needs money to defray its printing and mailing costs. The forum staff is appealing to people who have attended its programs to contribute.

Please make checks payable to: St. Mary's Church/DCF, and send them to the attention of Sister Joan Sobala, 15 St. Mary's Place, Rochester, 14607. For information, call 716(232-7140).

NEIGHBORS



Brother Michael P. Flanigan, OP, took his first vows Aug. 12 and will begin theological studies at the Graduate Theological Union in Berkeley, Ca., this fall.

On Aug. 12, Michael P. Flanigan professed his first vows as a member of the Order of Preachers, better known as the Dominicans. A member of Good Shepherd Parish, Henrietta, he first became interested in the order after meeting members through campus ministry at Kentucky's, Vanderbilt University. He spent his novitiate at St. Martin de Porres Parish in Columbia, S.C.. This fall, he will pursue theological studies at the Graduate Theological Union in Berkeley, Ca.

Pat Salerno has been named the new administrative assistant for St. Catherine of Siena Parish, Ithaca. She comes to the position with 18 years experience in business.

Owego fall festival set

OWEGO — St. Patrick's Church, 300 Main St., has scheduled its fall festival for Friday, Sept. 8. The festival, which will run through Sunday, Sept. 10, is sponsored by St. Patrick's Catholic Home School Association.

No admission fee will be required. Call 607/687-2105 for information.

Parenting workshop series set for parish in Wayland

WAYLAND — A four-part parenting workshop series at St. Joseph's Church will begin Tuesday, Sept. 26, at 7:15 p.m. in the school gym, 209 Fremont St.

The Bible "Book of the Month" Club will begin in the fall for those people who are serious about reading the Bible in a systematic way. The group will meet for one hour once a month between Sunday Masses.

The annual parish yard sale is scheduled for Saturday, Sept. 16. Donations of all items, large or small, are needed. Call 716/728-2817 or 728-5039 to arrange pickup of larger items.

Blessing of graves slated

SCIPIO CENTER — The annual blessing of graves in St. Bernard's Cemetery will take place Sunday, Sept. 10, following the 10:30 Mass in St. Bernard's Church. Father Robert Downs, pastor, will celebrate the Mass and officiate at the blessing.

In the event of rain, the blessing will take place Sunday, Sept. 17.

Class reunion scheduled

ROCHESTER — St. Michael's School Class of 1929 is planning a reunion for Wednesday, Sept. 20, at 3 p.m. in Rick's Prime Rib House, 788 Howard Road. Arthur Renauto, reunion committee chairman, will distribute a copy of the graduation day picture to each classmate.

For information, call Renauto at 716/225-6481, or Dolores Roberts at 716/865-6421.

At a special meeting of the board of directors of St. Joseph's Hospital Foundation, Sisters of St. Joseph Louise Dolan and Dorothy Mulcahy were elected as new board members.

On Aug. 12, 9-year-old David Peters, a student at St. Mary's School, Waterloo, finished fifth in the 9-10 Boys Softball Throw at the 12th annual Hershey's National Track and Field Youth Program competition in Hershey, Pa. Peters qualified for the nationals by taking part in local and regional competitions.

Monica Tette, a parishioner of St. Theresa's, Stanley, has been commissioned a Samaritan Lay Missioner by the Medical Mission Sisters. Tette, a graduate of St. Francis DeSales High School, Geneva, and St. Mary's College, South Bend, Ind., will serve a one-year commitment at the Brewster Center for Victims of Family Violence in Tucson, Ariz.

St. Joseph's Villa of Rochester has announced the election of new officers for the agency's board of directors. Janet S. Welch will serve as president; Stephanie Whitaker, first vice president; Carl J. Atkins, second vice president; A. Thomas Hildebrandt, treasurer; and Donald P. Berens, recording secretary.

The Sisters of St. Joseph of Rochester have announced the publication of *Bridge*, a triennial newsletter. The publication is intended to inform friends, family, associates, volunteers and others about the work in which the Sisters of St. Joseph are currently involved in the Diocese of Rochester and beyond. To receive a copy of *Bridge*, call the Sisters of St. Joseph motherhouse at 716/586-1000, ex. 72.