

Owego parish needs help serving meals to needy

OWEGO — St. Patrick's Church is a member of Allied Christians of Tioga (ACT), which provides meals for the less fortunate in the Owego area. The project is sponsored by the parish's Social Ministry Committee.

The organization serves 75 to 150 meals at the Methodist Church in Owego every Wednesday night. Members of St. Patrick's Church are responsible for serving meals six times per year.

Volunteers are now being sought to provide dishes to serve approximately 10 people. The food must be dropped off at the Owego Methodist Church at 6 p.m. Wednesday evenings.

Parishioners who would like to help support this project should call 607/687-2050 for information.

Parish to update directory beginning Holy Thursday

ELMIRA — St. Mary's Church is planning to update its parish directory.

Photographs for the directory will be taken between Holy Thursday and Easter Sunday. An appointment schedule will be placed at the rear of the church before and after Sunday Masses so families can sign up.

Each family will receive a free portrait and a complementary parish directory. Those interested in helping with the project may call 607/734-2679.

Hammondsport churches conclude meditations

HAMMONDSPORT — St. Gabriel's Church once again participated in a series of ecumenical Lenten meditations and luncheons with other area churches.

The series, which included the exchange of priests and ministers among area churches, was sponsored by St. Gabriel's, St. James Episcopal, First United Methodist and First Presbyterian churches, all of Hammondsport.

Speakers during the meditations were Father Gerard J. McMahon, pastor of St. Gabriel's, as well as the Rev. Robert Rochelle Jr., the Rev. Lee Williams and the Rev. Carol Hull.

Father McMahon concluded the series with a final session on Wednesday, April 4.



Catechists honored

More than 350 diocesan catechists, nominated by their parishes, were given Catechist Service Awards by Bishop Matthew H. Clark during the first-ever Institute for Catechist Recognition at Guardian Angels Church on Sunday, March 25.

Parish choir needs voices

ITHACA — The choir at Immaculate Conception Church is looking for additional people to join in singing at the parish's Holy Week and Easter services.

Those who are interested in joining the choir for Holy Week services only may call the rectory, 607/273-6121.

RECOGNIZING ...

- ★Lucy Gallucci and Tara Vallee, members of Bishop Kearney High School's forensic team, who placed first in duo interpretation at a tournament competition March 3 at Webster High School.
- ★Kristi Gaylord, an eighth-grader who won the oratorical contest at St. John the Evangelist School, Spencerport, and represented the school at the diocesan competition March 3.
- ★Contributors to Rogers House, which raised \$10,000 in February through its Deep-Pocket Dinner and carnation sale.
- ★Cathy Stephens, a licensed practical nurse at St. Joseph's Hospital, Elmira, who has been awarded an \$800 scholarship by the hospital's School of Nursing Alumni Association to help her complete training to become a registered nurse.
- ★Mary B. Krebs, R.N., director of patient evaluation at St. Joseph's Hospital, Elmira, nominated for the N.Y. state legislature's Nurse of Distinction award for 1990.
- ★Winners of scholarships to Nazareth Academy for 1990/91: Michelle O'Leary, Rochester Christian School; Kristen Tischer, St. Ambrose; James Tackett, Holy Cross; Elizabeth Bess, St. Ambrose; Erin Dady, Holy Rosary; and Jennifer Dwyer, St. Ambrose.
- ★Scouts from Troop 21 at Sacred Heart, Auburn, presented with the Boy Scout Eagle Award Feb. 17: Vernon Alterman, Mark Ambrose, Kevin Coleman, Kevin Klink, and David Knaut.
- ★Francis Bucher of St. Jerome Parish in East Rochester, named 1989 Catholic War Veteran of the Year, and William Miller of St. Ambrose Parish, chosen Catholic Layman of the Year for 1989 — both by the Monroe County Chapter of the Catholic War Veterans.
- ★Four students from Christ the King School who have earned scholarships to Bishop Kearney High School for 1990-91: Michael Johnson, Ruth Schlosse, Andrew Slesko, and Anne Wolpink.
- ★The Thomas Fagnoli family of Bristol and St. Januarius Parish, Naples, who are hosting a student from Mexico this year.
- ★Bishop Kearney's Visual Dance Ensemble, which captured first places at four consecutive national qualifying shows recently in Hackensack, N.Y., Auburn, N.Y., Boston, Mass., and Montreal, Quebec.
- ★Bright M. Hurley, appointed executive director of Birthright of Rochester.
- ★Fifth- and sixth-graders from St. Agnes, Avon, who triumphed over 200 other teams from across New York state to win the Gannett Newspapers Stock Market Game.
- ★Marilyn Curtis, recently appointed coordinator of volunteers for Respite Cares!
- ★Aprille Sweeting, a seventh-grader from St. John the Evangelist School, Spencerport, who has won the Auto Club Traffic Safety Poster Contest.

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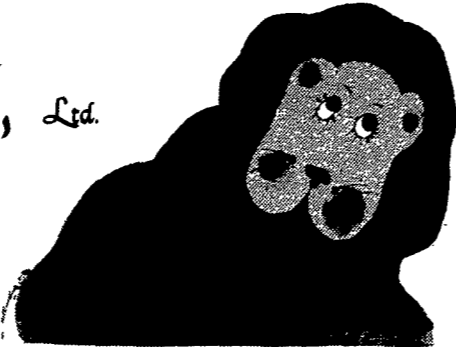
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