

## June's calendar looks busy, rewarding

By Bishop Matthew H. Clark  
Tuesday, May 29.

For many people, the Memorial Day weekend signals the beginning of the summer season. Cottages are being opened these days. Boats are being prepared for another season. College students have finished the year's work and younger students are finishing assignments and getting themselves ready for final examinations. For a great number of people, it is a busy time of the year, but a pleasant one. Summer does bring vacation and a different pace of life.

These days I find myself looking forward to vacation time in July, but not so strongly that I'll fail to enjoy the stimulating events of the month of June. This evening we will have the first of five celebrations at which we'll receive the

parish reports from the Commitment to Ministry Process. I am excited about these gatherings because they represent an enormous amount of work, lovingly done, by our parish communities. That work already has been and will continue to be of great benefit to our parish communities. It also will offer a considerable amount of useful information to the diocese. The gatherings at which we'll celebrate this work and receive the reports will be at Sacred Heart Cathedral; St. Ann's, Hornell; St. Mary's, Elmira; Transfiguration, Pittsford; and Holy Family, Auburn. You'll be reading more about these gatherings in future issues of the *Catholic Courier*.

In addition to the gatherings for the Commitment to Ministry Process, I am conducting a series of three meetings with

our pastors concerning our next Thanksgiving Appeal. The meetings will take place at Corning, Penfield and Auburn. I expect that these, too, will be pleasant meetings because during them we will announce some steps toward improving the annual TGA, which is so important for our diocese.

The month's activities will also include ordinations to the permanent diaconate; the ordination to the priesthood of Vic Bartolotta; two more confirmation celebrations; and meetings with the boards of Social Ministry, Holy Sepulchre Cemetery, Sheen Ecumenical Housing Foundation, the *Catholic Courier*, the Diocesan Board of Education, and our New York State Board of Bishops.

There will be visits to the Carmelite Monastery on Jefferson Road; to Holy



Spirit Parish on the Feast of Pentecost for the celebration of their 25th anniversary; a weekend visit to our parish communities in East and West Bloomfield; a breakfast meeting with representatives of the media in the Rochester area; and the graduation celebrations at McQuaid and Aquinas high schools.

I'll be missing the other high school graduations this year because the bishops of our country will be gathering at Santa Clara University in California for eight days in the second half of June for one of our occasional extended programs of study and reflection on particular pastoral themes. This year's theme is the ministry of the bishop in today's church. I am looking forward to that opportunity, and will tell you more about it as the date draws near.

June looks to be a busy and rewarding month on my calendar. I hope that it will be the same for you. As you go about your daily tasks, please be sure that you do so with the support of my prayers.

Peace to all.

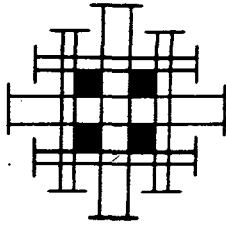
## The Holy Spirit's work goes on among believers

By Sister Mary Louise Heffernan  
Diocesan Liturgical Commission

The great 50 days, the celebration of the feast of Easter, conclude on Pentecost Sunday. Pentecost is the feast of the People of God gathered to celebrate the Spirit of God.

The assembly gathered today is the focus of this celebration. It is the community sharing its gifts and love that exemplifies the power of the Spirit still alive in the world today. In the opening prayer of the Pentecost liturgy, we say, "... let the spirit you sent on your Church to begin the teaching of the Gospel continue to work in the world through the hearts of those who believe." This prayer is both a challenge and call to us to be mindful of the gift and gifts in abundance. The building of the Kingdom demands that we reflect upon our giftedness and respond. Recalling the commitment of our baptism, we understand the call of the Lord to those who covenant to be followers. Each gift is for the service of the whole body. Pentecost, the coming of the Spirit, is a gift

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to the church.

Pentecost is celebrated in the fullness of the Resurrection. Passing through the major seasons of the liturgical year we can better appreciate the Paschal Mystery. This mystery is central to everything in the church's life. The preface of Pentecost emphasizes the connection between Pentecost and the paschal mystery: "Today you send the Holy Spirit on those marked out to be your children by sharing the life of your only Son, and so you brought the paschal mystery to its completion." The Spirit moves us to courageously live this mystery, to share in the life of Jesus.

The liturgy includes a sequence, a hymn

that sings of the church's joy and of the power of the Spirit. Wonderful images of blessing, consoling, faithfulness, guidance and reconciling pulse through this poetry. The historical Pentecost most certainly spoke of the fulfillment of the Spirit's work among the community of believers. This work continues today. The activity of the Spirit is constant in the life of every Christian believer. The Spirit strengthens us, intensifies faith, and deepens unity within the church.

Let us enter into our Pentecost '90 celebration praising and thanking God for the Spirit. Let us move into ordinary time committed to bringing the Spirit to one another through our giftedness. Let joy be in our hearts, the deep joy that is the mark and gift of the Christian.

Peace and happy celebrating!

Bishop Matthew H. Clark has announced the following diocesan appointments, which become effective June 26, unless otherwise indicated.

Mr. Victor W. Bartolotta Jr. to priest intern at St. Joseph Church, Penfield, (ordination to the priesthood is scheduled for June 30).

Father William G. Eades from sabbatical-assistance ministry as temporary administrator of St. Vincent DePaul Church, Corning, to parochial vicar at Holy Trinity Church, Webster.

Father David J. Farsone from parochial vicar at St. Joseph Church, Penfield, to parochial vicar at Our Mother of Sorrows Church, Greece.

Father Ronald P. Frederick from parochial vicar at St. Mary Church, Canandaigua, to sabbatical at the Marianella Pastoral Centre in Dublin, Ireland, July 1-Dec. 31, 1990, and then to sabbatical-assistance ministry as temporary administrator of St. Francis DeSales Church, Geneva, for the duration of the sabbatical of the pastor, Father Ronald P. Harley, Jan. 1-June 30, 1991.

Father George P. Heyman from parochial vicar at Holy Cross Church, Rochester, to sabbatical-assistance ministry as temporary administrator of St. John the Evangelist Church, Newark

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Valley and St. Francis of Assisi Church, Catonsville, for the duration of the sabbatical of the pastor, Father Joseph P. McCaffrey, July 1-Dec. 31, 1990, and then as temporary administrator of St. Anne Church, Palmyra, and St. Gregory Church, Marion, for the duration of the sabbatical of the pastor, Father Louis A. Vasile, Jan. 1-June 30, 1991.

Father Robert A. Klee in sabbatical-assistance ministry from temporary administrator of St. Andrew Church, Rochester, to temporary parochial vicar at Church of the Assumption, Fairport, for the duration of the sabbatical of the parochial vicar, Father Dennis R. Seward, July 1-Dec. 31, 1990, and then to temporary administrator of St. Joseph Church, Rush, for the duration of the sabbatical of the pastor, Father Richard C. O'Connell, Jan. 1-June 30, 1991.

Father Scott M. Kubinski from parochial vicar at St. Patrick Church, Oswego, to parochial vicar at St. Ambrose Church, Rochester.

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June 8-10 **Spirituality of the 12 Steps:** Continuing to deepen your spirituality by growth in the 12 Steps. Gregg Doyle, Ellen Frawley, r.c. and Margie Mayk, r.c.

June 15-17 **A Quiet Retreat:** Prepare for the feast of Corpus Christi by discovering more deeply the meaning of the Eucharist as the center of our prayer life. Fr. Tom Green, S.J.

June 22-24 **In the Name of Jesus of Nazareth Be Healed:** Weekend Retreat given by Fr. John A. Lubey on God's love, prayer and inner healing. (This retreat will end at noon.)  
All events are open to men and women of all faiths

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