



Seton Catholic fourth-graders greet teachers Phyllis Herscha (l) and Elaine Smith (r) in the school at Our Lady of Lourdes in Brighton. The students came from Seton's K-3 program at St. Thomas More.

Sister Bringley to profess final vows as Mercy sister

ROCHESTER — Sister Joanie Bringley, a staff member at Melita House, will profess final vows as a Sister of Mercy on Saturday, Oct. 6, during a eucharistic liturgy starting at 2 p.m. in the motherhouse chapel, 1437 Blossom Road.



Her theme for the celebration is "Truly You have formed my inmost being" (Psalm 139, verse 13).

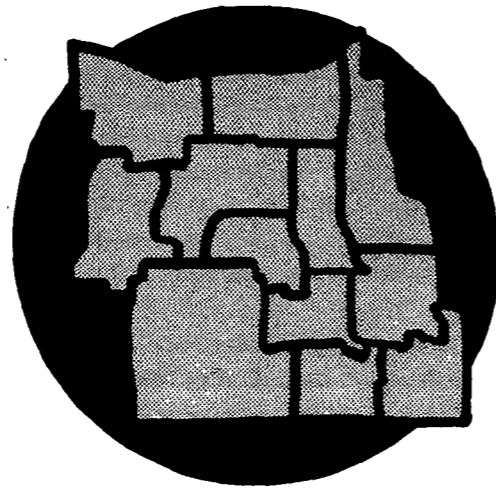
Bishop Matthew H. Clark will be the main celebrant of the Eucharist. Father Timothy Keating, CSSR, will be the homilist, and Sister Ann Miller, RSM, major superior of the Sisters of Mercy of Rochester, will officiate at the Rite of Profession.

Sister Bringley, 33, coordinates the After Care Program at Melita House, 124 Evergreen St. As part of her work Melita House, she maintains contact with former guests after they have left the residence for unwed expectant mothers. She also provides numerous support services for former guests.

A 1975 graduate of Cardinal Mooney High School, Sister Bringley received an associate's degree in special education from Mohawk Valley Community College in Utica in 1977. She earned a bachelor of science degree in education from the State University of New York College at Geneseo two years later, and a master's degree in theology and pastoral counseling from St. Bernard's Institute this past May.

Sister Bringley entered the Sisters of Mercy in 1981 and professed her first vows in 1984. She now lives with the order's North Street community.

The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Bringley of St. Charles Borromeo Parish in Greece, Sister Bringley is one of eight children.



Parish to host dinner for outreach centers

ROCHESTER — Corpus Christi Parish is sponsoring its ninth annual outreach dinner on Friday, Oct. 12, at 6:15 p.m., at Logan's Party House, 1420 Scottsville Road. The cost is \$50 per person, and the proceeds will benefit Corpus' five inner-city outreach ministries:

- Corpus Christi Center — offers health and dental care, health education, counseling, social services and school programs for young people and adults.
 - Corpus Christi Child Care — offers low-cost care to children ages eight weeks to 10 years.
 - Rogers House — serves men and women from Rochester-area jails who want to change their lives. They must commit 90 days to the program which consists of counseling, job training and support in adapting to a new lifestyle.
 - Dimitri House — provides meals, shelter and social and health services to the hungry and the homeless.
 - Isaiah House — a two-bed, hospice-like home for needy people who are dying.
- For information, call Jim Smith at 716/232-2749.

Group tabs Auburn priest Man of the Year

AUBURN — The Christopher Columbus Commemorative Committee has named Father Patrick Seelman, OFM, its Man of the Year.

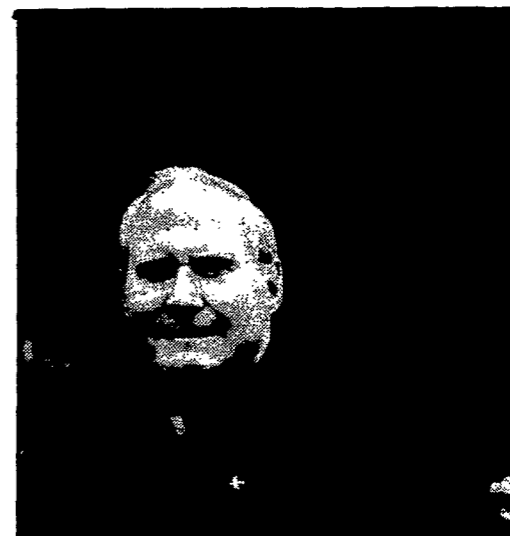
Father Seelman, pastor of St. Francis of Assisi Church, will be honored at a dinner scheduled for Oct. 7, at 5 p.m. in the Holiday Inn.

A Utica native, Father Seelman was ordained in 1963. After serving in a number of parishes in New York, Pennsylvania and Minnesota, as well as the Franciscan Mission in Paraguay, he was named pastor of the Auburn parish in 1985.

While serving as pastor in Auburn, Father Seelman has been credited with rejuvenating the parish, noted Mary Piscioti, treasurer of the Christopher Columbus Committee.

"He has put new life into the parish community," Piscioti said. Father Seelman, she added, became actively involved in a number of the parish groups and societies. "He's gotten everyone together," she said.

In addition, Father Seelman spearheaded the renovation of the parish's physical plant, noted Francis Piscioti, Mary's husband and president of the Christopher Columbus Committee. The priest arranged for the installation of new doors and a canopy for the church. In addition, he had



Babette G. Augustin/Staff photographer
Father Patrick Seelman

improvements made on the parish's Shrine of Our Lady of Lourdes.

"We've got people from all across the country who stop by to see the shrine," Francis Piscioti said.

Tickets for the dinner, which cost \$15 per person, may be purchased at the rectory, 185 Clark St., Auburn, or by calling Francis Piscioti at 315/252-7847.

All proceeds will be used for a scholarship fund for students graduating from Auburn High School.

Canandaigua school to benefit from annual marathon

CANANDAIGUA — The sixth annual Catholic Schools Marathon at St. Mary's Parish is scheduled for Saturday, Oct. 13, at 9 a.m.

The six-mile race, sponsored by the New York Federation of Catholic School Parents, is intended to raise money for St. Mary's School and to promote Catholic education.

Money is raised through pledges collected by participants. The goal for this year's marathon is \$7,000.

The race will be followed by a hot dog lunch.

For information or pledge cards, stop by the school office at 16 Gibson St., or call 716/394-4300 during school hours.



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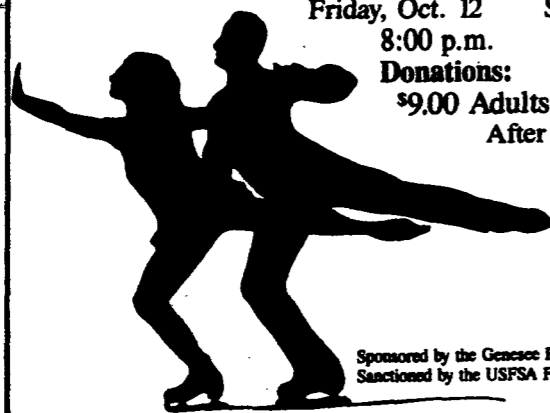
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