

Thursday, Dec. 6

ADORATION: of the Blessed Sacrament; sponsored by the Associates of the Sacred Heart; Ss. Peter & Paul Church, 720 W. Main St., Rochester; 7:30-8:30 p.m.; call 716/436-4682.

ROSARY: five decades and teaching; chapel, St. Michael's Church, Penn Yan; 7:30-8:30 p.m.; call 315/536-7459.

PROGRAM: on perpetual adoration; St. John of Rochester Church, 18 Wickford Way, Fairport; 7:30 p.m.; Fr. Martin Lucia, CC.SS., speaker; all are welcome; call 716/425-1396 or 586-5404.

MEETING: Queen of Peace Prayer Group; St. Dominic Church, 6 Canandaigua St., Shortsville; 7:30 p.m.; call 716/289-4164.

REGIONAL VOCATION EVENING: hosted by the Sisters of St. Joseph at St. Francis Xavier Convent, 282 Pennsylvania Ave., Rochester; 7:30-9 p.m.; Srs. Clare Brown and Eileen Daly, SSJ, facilitators; call 716/338-1146.

REFLECTION: Scripture, quiet time and group sharing; Mercy Prayer Center, 65 Highland Ave., Rochester; 9:30 a.m.-2 p.m.; bring brown bag lunch, beverage provided; call 716/473-6893.

FOCUS ON THE EUCHARIST: Sisters of St. Joseph Convent Infirmary, 4095 East Ave., Rochester; 7:30 p.m.; evening prayer and rosary precede the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass and Benediction; Father Leo Klem, CSB, celebrant; all are welcome.

EVENING OF PRAYER: "Savoring Advent in the Midst of Pre-Christmas Hype," for married couples; Cenacle Center, 693 East Ave., Rochester; 7-9 p.m.; suggested offering, \$10 per couple.

LIVING NATIVITY PAGEANT: Pearce Memorial Church, 4322 Buffalo Rd., North Chili; 6:30-9:30 p.m.; same hours Dec. 7-8; free.

Friday, Dec. 7

FELLOWSHIP MASS: St. Charles Borromeo, 3003 Dewey Ave., Rochester; 7:30 p.m.

EUCHARISTIC HOLY HOUR: Holy Rosary Church, 414 Lexington Ave., Rochester; 8 p.m.; sponsored by the World Apostolate of Fatima.

MASS: and fellowship sponsored by Catholic Women's Club of Rochester; Cenacle Center, 693 East Ave., Rochester; noon; Bishop Dennis W. Hickey, celebrant; followed by coffee and discussion at clubhouse, 492 East Ave., Rochester; \$1; call 716/461-9173.

MASS: and luncheon; Rochester Knights of Columbus Home, 670 Thurston Rd., Rochester; 11:45 a.m.; Fr. Peter Clifford, celebrant and speaker; visitors welcome.

CHRISTMAS PARTY: Church of the Epiphany, 105 W. Main St., Sodus; 6:30; bring a dish to pass and table setting.

DEADLINE: for reservations to Dec. 13 senior Christmas party at St. Mary's Church, Rochester; 15 St. Mary's Place, downtown; 1 p.m.; \$6; call 716/232-7140.

WEEKEND RETREAT: "Spirituality of the 12 Steps;" Cenacle Center, 693 East Ave., Rochester; runs from 7 p.m. until 3 p.m. on 12/9; \$65 suggested offering; open to the public; call 716/271-8755.

CHRISTMAS CONCERT: performed by St. John Fisher College Glee Club; Kearney Auditorium, 3690 East Ave., Pittsford; 8 p.m.; free; open to the public; call 716/385-8104.

ADVENT WORSHIP: and tea sponsored by Church Women United in Rochester and Vicinity, Inc.; Bethany Presbyterian Church, 3000 Dewey Ave., Rochester; 1 p.m.; babysitting available; call 716/454-1813.

Saturday, Dec. 8

OPEN HOUSE: for physically handicapped people interested in playing wheelchair tennis; Student Life Center, St. John Fisher College, 3690 East Ave., Rochester; 9:30-11 a.m.; call



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Concerts combine choirs

Local choirs and musicians gathered Dec. 2 at Sacred Heart Cathedral to take part in the Diocesan Choral Festival. Above left, members of the Sacred Heart Cathedral Choir await their cue. At right, Jen Vitale, (left) and Karen Palermo perform with the Holy Cross Church Handbell Choir. The two choirs will again perform together at 2:30 p.m. on Dec. 9 for the annual Advent concert at Sacred Heart.

716/271-2520, ext. 332.

CHRISTMAS PARTY: for children of employees of St. Joseph's Hospital, Elmira; Notre Dame High School, 1400 Maple Ave., Elmira; call 607/733-6541.

DEVOTION: to Our Lady of Fatima; Guardian Angels Church, 1960 E. Henrietta Rd., Rochester; 9 a.m.

HOLIDAY BAZAAR: sponsored by Blessed Trinity School, 101 E. Genesee St., Auburn; 10-3 p.m.; features crafts, gift items and food; free admission; donations appreciated; call Helen Tolomay, 315/252-2153.

PERFORMANCE: of Handel's "Messiah" by the Genesee Valley Orchestra and Chorus; Holy Spirit Church, 1355 Hatch Rd., Penfield; 8 p.m.; another performance at Assumption Church, 20 East Ave., Fairport at 4 p.m. Dec. 9.; call 716/223-9006.

ARTS FAIR: St. Mary's Church, 15 St. Mary's Place, Rochester; 9:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m.; features crafts, paintings, weavings and more; call 716/232-7140.

Sunday, Dec. 9

PARISH SERVICE: Cursillo Ultreya; St. Mary's, 40 Elizabeth St., Dansville; 7:30 p.m.

CHRISTMAS PARTY: for children; sponsored by the Women of St. Dominic's Parish; parish center, Canandaigua St., Shortsville; 1-3 p.m.; donate one pair of mittens to charity for admission.

ADVENT BREAKFAST: for families of Sacred Heart Cathedral, Rochester; in the rectory hall, 296 Flower City Park, Rochester; 10-11:30 a.m.; \$2.50 for adults, \$1.50 for children 10 and under; call 716/254-3221.

BANQUET: in honor of Our Lady of Guadalupe; Dandrea's Party House, 1713 Lyell Ave., Rochester; 1-5 p.m.; call 716/426-0583, 377-1158 or 458-3858.

FOLLOW-UP: Ultreya for women's 57, sponsored by Cursillo community; barn at St. Rita's Church, 1008 Maple Drive, Webster; 2:30 p.m.; replaces Dec. 14 Ultreya gathering; call 716/467-8544.

Monday, Dec. 10

BIBLE STUDY: rectory hall, St. Mary's Church, 8961 Main St., Honeoye; 9:30-11:30 a.m.

ROSARY: in reparation of the sins of abortion; chapel, St. Michael Church, 312 Liberty St., Penn Yan; 7:30-8:30 p.m.

NOVENA: in honor of Our Lady of Guadalupe; Guardian Angels Church,

1960 E. Henrietta Rd., Rochester.; 7:30 p.m.

ROSARY: in honor of Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament; St. Dominic Church, 6 Canandaigua St., Shortsville; 7 p.m.; call 716/289-4164.

CHARISMATIC MASS: Christ the King Church, 445 Kings Highway S., Rochester; 8 p.m.; prayers for healing follow.

HOLY HOUR: Our Lady of Mercy Motherhouse, 1437 Blossom Rd., Rochester; 7:25-8:30 p.m.; Fr. James F. Slattery, celebrant.

LECTURE: "St. Bernard of Clairvaux: The Legacy of His Spiritual Theology," part of the annual Otto A. Shults Lectures on Spirituality celebrating the 900th anniversary of the birth of St. Bernard of Clairvaux; St. Bernard's Institute, 1100 South Goodman St., Rochester; day begins with workshop on prayer at 3 p.m., followed by Eucharistic liturgy with Bishop Matthew H. Clark at 5 p.m.; call 716/271-1320, ext. 290.

STORY HOURS: for children aged 3-5; library, St. Michael's School, 214 Keuka St., Penn Yan; 10:15-11:15 a.m.; call 315/536-6112.

PROGRAM: "Advent Lessons and Carols," performed by the Cathedral Choir School; Interfaith Chapel, River Campus, University of Rochester, Wilson Boulevard, Rochester; 8 p.m.; free; open to the public; call 716/275-4321.

Tuesday, Dec. 11

CEREMONY: "Tree of Love," lighting of the front of St. Joseph's Hospital, 555 E. Market St., Elmira; refreshments to follow; call 607/733-6541.

DAY OF PRAYER: Advent themes; Notre Dame Retreat House, 5151 Foster Rd., Canandaigua; 9:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m.; \$10, includes lunch; call 716/394-5700.

Wednesday, Dec. 12

ROSARY: for the holiness of our priests; chapel, St. Michael's Church, 312 Liberty St., Penn Yan; 10:30-11:30 a.m.

BIBLE STUDY: rectory, St. Charles Borromeo Church, 3003 Dewey Ave., Rochester; 7-9 p.m.; call 716/225-5053.

MEETING: Mending Hearts, a bereavement support group for people who have lost a loved one to AIDS; conference room, Our Lady of Victory Church, 210 Pleasant St., Rochester; 7:30 p.m.; call 716/454-2244.

CHRISTMAS DINNER: and party sponsored by Rosary Society of St. Joseph's Church, Wayland; St. Joseph's School, 209 Fremont St., Wayland; 6 p.m. social hour, 7 p.m. dinner; \$10; please bring two cans of food for Christmas baskets; call 716/728-2228.

CHRISTMAS PARTY: sponsored by Rosary Society of Holy Family Parish, Rochester; Pine Room of the school, 899 Jay St., Rochester; 6:30 p.m.; \$5; please bring a non-perishable food item for food cupboard; call 716/235-4396.

DEADLINE: to register for Dec. 12 Christmas party and auction sponsored by the Rosary Society of St. Ann's Church, Owasco; 6:30 p.m.; call Margaret Pacyliak, 716/252-7271.

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Friday, Dec. 14

CHARISMATIC MASS: St. Cecilia's Church, Lake St., Elmira; 7:30 p.m.; prayers for healing will follow.

CHARISMATIC MASS: and dish-to-pass dinner; St. Cecilia Church, 950 Lake St., Elmira; 6 p.m. dinner followed by 7:30 p.m. Mass; bring a dish-to-pass and table service, meat and coffee provided; all are welcome.

Saturday, Dec. 15

ROSARY: in honor of Our Lady of Fatima; St. Ambrose Church, 25 Empire Blvd., Rochester; following 8 a.m. Mass.

DEVOTION: to Our Lady of Fatima; Guardian Angels Church, 1960 E. Henrietta Rd., Rochester; 9 a.m.

MEETING: of Lay Catholic Women/Daughters of St. Francis de Sales; Mercy motherhouse, 1437 Blossom Rd., Rochester; 1:30 p.m.; call Beth, 716/482-3636 or Dora, 716/663-7309.