

Concerts

Friday, Dec. 6: "Christmas Concert" performed by the St. John Fisher College Glee Club; Kearney Auditorium, St. John Fisher College, 3690 East Ave., Rochester; 8 p.m.; free; open to the public; call 716/385-8104.

Sunday, Dec. 8: "Celebrate Christmas," featuring Loretta Cisterna Doyle; Corpus Christi Church, 864 Main St. E., Rochester; 4 p.m.; free; open to the public; to benefit Problem Pregnancy Center, Inc. call 716/328-8740.

Sunday, Dec. 8: Handel's "Messiah," with Genesee Valley Orchestra and Chorus; St. John of Rochester Church, 18 Wickford Way, Fairport; 4 p.m.; admission by ticket, donation requested; Virginia Hogan, conductor; open to the public; tickets available at GVOC office, Perinton Town Hall or at the door; call 716/223-9006.

Sunday, Dec. 8: "Garlands in the Cathedral: Music and Drama for Advent and Christmas," featuring Sacred Heart Cathedral Choir; Sacred Heart Cathedral Choir with soloists and orchestra; cathedral, 296 Flower City Park, Rochester; 3 p.m.; free; open to the public.

Sunday, Dec. 8: "Annual Christmas Gift to the Community," with Greece Performing Arts Center and

Choral Society; St. Charles Borromeo Church, 3003 Dewey Ave., Rochester; 8 p.m.; free; open to the public; The Greece Symphony Orchestra; call 716/225-4336.

Sunday, Dec. 8: "Advent Lessons and Carols," with Cathedral Choir School; St. Mary's Church, St. Mary's Place, Rochester; 4 p.m.; all welcome.

Friday, Dec. 13: "What Child is This," with Bethel Full Gospel 80-voice choir and orchestra; Bethel Full Gospel Church, 321 East Ave., Rochester; 8 p.m.; also Dec. 14 at 8 p.m. and Dec. 15 at 4 p.m. and 8 p.m.; free; open to the public.

Saturday, Dec. 14: "Winter Concert of Dances," with Bishop Kearney High School Performance Ensemble; auditorium, Bishop Kearney High School, 125 Kings Highway, Rochester; \$3; all welcome; call 716/342-4000.

Saturday, Dec. 14: "In Anticipation of Christmas," with St. Mary's Musicians; St. Mary's Church, 15 St. Mary's Place, Rochester; 6:30 p.m.; tree trimming party in rectory to follow; free; open to public; call 716/232-7140.

Sunday, Dec. 15: "The Judy Collins Holiday Show," hosted by Founders Club of the Sisters of Mercy of Rochester; Eastman Theatre, Rochester; 2:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.; \$15, \$21 and \$25; to benefit

order's Education Fund; tickets available at The Founders Club Box Office, TicketMaster or TicketExpress; call 716/288-4817.

Programs

Thursday, Dec. 5: "Advent Day of Prayer," Holy Trinity Monastery, 7200 Tobes Hill Road, Hornell; 9:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.; call 607/324-7624.

Saturday, Dec. 7: "Advent Day of Prayer," hosted by Corning/Painted Post Roman Catholic Community; St. Mary's Church, 15 State St., Corning; 1-5 p.m.; all welcome; features presentation by Sr. Mary Louise Heffernan.

Sunday, Dec. 8: "Spiritual Christmas," Cenacle Center, 693 East Ave., Rochester; 1:30-5 p.m.; all welcome to dinner at an area restaurant afterward; Karen Lynch, guest speaker; call 716/271-8755.

Monday, Dec. 9: Christmas Novena; St. Joseph's Church, Fremont Street, Wayland; 7 p.m.; held weekly until Dec. 23; all welcome.

Monday, Dec. 9: "Celebrate Advent," a Eucharist and sharing supper; Mercy Prayer Center, 65 Highland Ave., Rochester; 5:30 p.m.; free will offering accepted; call 716/473-6893.

Tuesday, Dec. 10: "Praying with Luke, An Advent Adventure," rectory, St. Mary's Church, 15 St.

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Mary's Place, Rochester; 12:10 p.m.; free; open to the public; Mary Lu Coffey, presenter; call 716/232-7140.

Tuesday, Dec. 10: "Grieving: Surviving the Holidays and Other Issues," St. Mary's Church Hall, 99 Main St., Scottsville; 7:30 p.m.; free; open to the public; Dr. Michael Henrichs, presenter; call 716/889-8440.

Thursday, Dec. 12: "Women's Day of Prayer," Notre Dame Retreat House, Foster Road, Canandaigua; 9:30 a.m.-3 p.m.; Fr. Tim Keating, CSSR, and Judy Shafer, presenters; \$12; features prayer, discussion, lunch, confession, celebration of the Eucharist; deadline to register Dec. 7; call 716/394-5700.

Friday, Dec. 13: "An Advent Retreat: Biblical Models of Prayer for Advent," Cenacle Center, 693 East Ave., Rochester; 7 p.m. and concludes Dec. 15; Fr. Sebastian Falcone, leader; \$70 suggested offering; call 716/271-8755.

Plays

Friday, Dec. 6: "Christmas in Suburbia" and "The Christmas Stranger," two one-act plays by the



Footlight Players; auditorium Anne's Church, 1600 Mt. Hope Rochester; continues Dec. 7, 8, 1 and 15; 8 p.m./Fri. and 5 p.m./Sun.; \$5/senior citizens, \$3/children 12 and under, \$12/family; all welcome; tickets available at door; call 716/271-3

Sales

Saturday, Dec. 7: "Holidayazaar," St. Pius Tenth Church, Street, Van Etten; 9 a.m.-4 p.m. features crafts, gifts and bake sale luncheon from 11:30 a.m.-1:30 all welcome.

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