

## Auburn parishes unite to stage city-wide census

AUBURN — The city's eight Roman Catholic and Ukrainian Catholic parishes, along with mission parishes in Owasco and Fleming, will conduct a city-wide census from 1-5 p.m. this Sunday, May 3.

Approximately 900 volunteers will visit the estimated 12,000 city residences to determine the Catholic population and any special needs parishes might address, according to Gary LaLonde, director of religious education at St. Mary's Parish, 17 Clark St.

The city has been split into four sections, with two parishes assigned to conduct the census in each section, LaLonde explained.

The effort is the first encompassing the entire city since the Rochester diocese conducted a diocesan-wide census in the 1960s, LaLonde said.

Parishes decided to conduct a joint census because "there really are no parish boundaries in the City of Auburn. People have, as long as I've been involved here, been free to go to any parish they want to," LaLonde observed.

Volunteers will ask for the number of baptized Catholics living in each residence, the number of children residing in the homes, and what sacraments people have received. The census will also help determine the needs of city Catholics, LaLonde explained, citing, for example, those with visual or hearing problems.

Churches will follow-up the main census effort at Masses over the following two weeks to reach people who weren't home when the visits occurred.

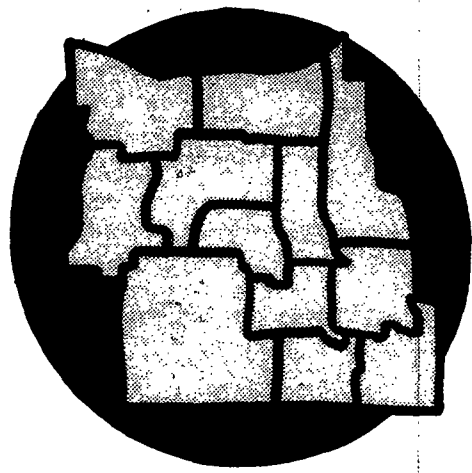
Once the census is completed, results will be tabulated and sent to each parish. In addition to determining how best to address needs, parishes will also be better able to carry out ministries, LaLonde said.

"The model for the census is to bring us closer together," LaLonde said, to help develop more cooperation among parishes.

Father John Gagnier, pastor of St. Francis of Assisi Church, and Father Patrick Sullivan, parochial vicar at St. Mary's, are serving as co-coordinators of the census.

Catherine Anton of St. Alphonsus Parish is heading the committee dividing the city into districts and recruiting volunteers. Lori Dacey of St. Hyacinth Parish has been handling the public relations and marketing committee.

Planning for the census has been going on since last fall, LaLonde observed, predicting, "It's going to be an exciting, cooperative venture."



**HOME SCHOOL HUNT** — Students at St. John the Evangelist School in Spencerport enjoyed an April 16 Easter egg hunt, sponsored by the Home School Association. Students in kindergarten through third grade searched the gymnasium floor (due to rain) for a variety of sweet delights. Pictured (from left) are Amanda Reitz, Kristen Coon and Katie Spurling.

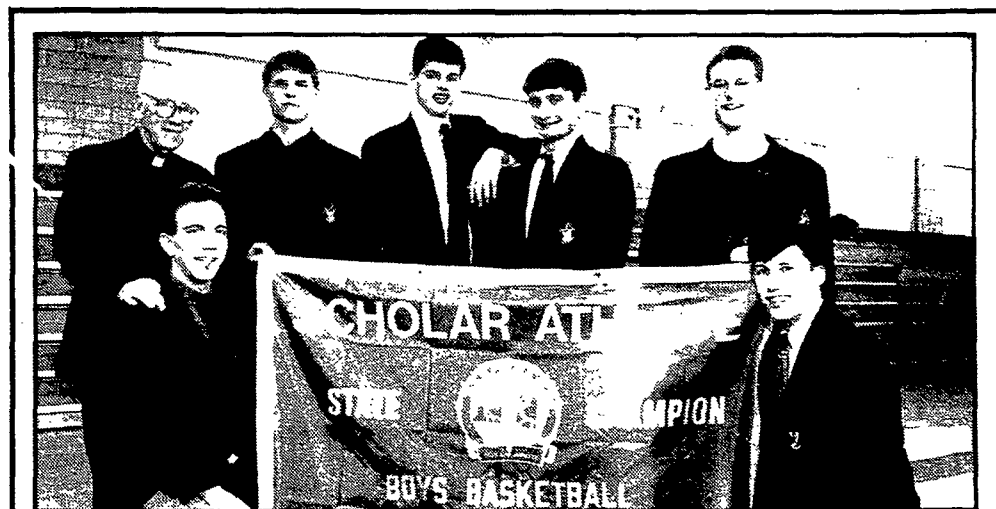
### Sisters plan supper, sale

ROCHESTER — The Sisters of Mercy will host their annual roast beef supper and spring sale on Saturday, May 2, from 4-8 p.m., at their motherhouse, 1437 Blossom Road.

To accommodate patrons and reduce any waiting, the sisters will provide two large dining areas — instead of one — for the first time this year.

Supper tickets are \$6 for adults, \$5 for senior citizens, and \$3 for children under 10. Tickets can be purchased at the door or in advance by calling 716/288-4956.

The sale will feature homemade bread, baked goods, candy and plants. Proceeds will be used to help pay for an emergency generator for the motherhouse and the sisters' infirmary.



**SCHOLAR-ATHLETES HONORED** — The McQuaid Jesuit High School varsity basketball team was recently recognized as the top basketball team in the New York State Public High School Athletic Association's Scholar-Athlete Program. Pictured (from left) are Marc Hurley, Father Daniel J. O'Brien, SJ, Greg Connolly, Tim Whelehan, Christian Klein, David Lorel and Sean Norton.

### Bishop's Day is Sunday; 800 youths set to attend

ROCHESTER — "Follow Me and Walk in the Way of the Lord" is the theme for the ninth annual Bishop's Day with Youth, scheduled for this Sunday, May 3, from 10:15 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. The event will take place at the Rochester Riverside Convention Center, 123 E. Main St.

An estimated 800 teenagers from around the diocese will attend the program, which will offer workshops on such issues as parent/teen communication, music, depression, self-acceptance, family conflicts, faith and death. Diocesan youth ministers and high school teens will present the workshops.

A question/answer period with Bishop Matthew H. Clark is scheduled from 2:30-3:30 p.m. The event will conclude with 150 high school seniors receiving the Hands of Christ Recognition Award for service to their parishes and communities.

### Franciscan priest to visit Tier on awareness walk

HORNELL — He has hiked the mountains of Peru for the last three decades. Now, over the next month, Father William Brown will walk along the highways of western New York in order to raise consciousness about those in his adopted homeland.

The Franciscan priest was scheduled to begin his 600-mile journey on Wednesday, April 29, at his home parish of Immaculate Conception in Wellsville, N.Y. The projected route will take him through the Southern Tier, up through Syracuse, then to Rochester, Buffalo, Olean and back to Wellsville.

During his travels, Father Brown plans on making overnight stops and

celebrating Mass at several parishes in the Rochester diocese. In addition to lecturing on the plight of the Peruvian natives, the priest will collect funds for the missions in the strife-torn South American country.

Since 1960, Father Brown has devoted his life to missionary work in Peru. He has spent much of that time with economically deprived Peruvians living high in the Andes Mountains.

Further information about Father Brown's walk can be obtained from Father Elmer Schmidt, pastor at St. Ann's Church, Hornell, at 607/324-0410.

## Recognizing...

★ **School of the Holy Childhood**, which received \$10,000 from The UPS Foundation — the charitable arm of United Parcel Service — to purchase equipment for its new Woodworking Shops.

★ **Brenda Lisi**, who has been named administrator of the Holy Family Catholic Schools Intermediate Building in Elmira. A native of the Tier city, Lisi is a graduate of St. Mary's School and Elmira Notre Dame High School.

★ **DePaul Mental Health Services**, which received a \$33,250 grant from the New York state Department of Transportation. The grant enables the agency to purchase a 12-passenger, handicapped-accessible van for transporting clients.

## MAY BINGO CALENDAR

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Holy Family 3 St. Ambrose St. Boniface St. Rita's St. Stanislaus St. Theodore	Holy Apostles 4 St. Charles Borromeo St. Mary	Holy Apostles 5 St. Francis Xavier St. Stanislaus Our Lady of Mercy	Bishop Kearney 6 Guardian Angels Holy Family Home School Assoc. Our Lady of Perpetual Help	St. Anne 7 St. James St. Mary Our Mother St. Michael's St. Stanislaus	Holy Ghost 8 Most Precious Blood St. Cecilia's St. Mark's	Good Shepherd 9 St. Thomas the Apostle
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### BINGO TIMES & LOCATIONS

- Bishop Kearney**  
125 Kings Hwy. S.  
671-1065 Wed. 8p.m.
- Good Shepherd**  
3288 E. Henrietta Rd.  
334-3518 Sat. 7:30pm
- Guardian Angels Church**  
2061 E. Henrietta Rd.  
334-1412 Wed. 7:30pm
- Holy Apostles**  
6 Austin St. 254-7170  
Mon., Tues. 7:30p.m.
- Holy Family Church**  
899 Jay Street  
328-3110 Sun. 7:30pm
- Holy Family Home School Assoc.**  
899 Jay St. 328-4800  
Wed. 7:30p.m.
- Holy Ghost**  
220 Coldwater Rd.  
247-3535 Fri. 8p.m.
- Most Precious Blood**  
179 Stenson St.  
458-6078 Fri. 7:30p.m.
- Our Lady of Mercy**  
600 Denise Rd.  
865-0775 Tue. 7:30pm
- Our Lady of Perpetual Help**  
923 Portland Ave.  
467-2725 Wed. 7:30pm
- St. Anne**  
1600 Mt. Hope Ave.  
271-3260 Thur. 7:30pm
- St. Boniface**  
15 Whalin St. 271-1468  
Sun. 7:45p.m.
- St. Cecilia's**  
2732 Culver Rd.  
467-4286 Fri. 8p.m.
- St. Charles Borromeo**  
64 Maiden Lane  
663-3230 Mon. 8p.m.
- St. Francis Xavier**  
316 Bay St. 482-3211  
Tues. 8p.m.
- St. James**  
119 Brockley Rd.  
482-9796 Thur. 7:30p.m.
- St. Mark's**  
54 Kuhn Rd. 225-3710  
Fri. 8p.m.
- St. Mary**  
Lyceum Hall, Auburn  
315-252-9545  
Mon. 7:30p.m.
- St. Mary Our Mother**  
811 Westlake St.,  
Horseheads  
607-739-3818  
Thur. 7:30p.m.
- St. Michael's**  
869 Clinton Ave. N.  
325-4040 Thur. 7:30 & 9pm
- St. Rita's** 1008 Maple Dr.  
671-1100 Sun. 7:30pm
- St. Stanislaus**  
1150 Hudson Ave.  
467-1472 Sun. 6:15p.m.,  
Tues. 7pm & Thur. 8pm
- St. Theodore**  
170 Spencerport Rd.  
425-8811 Sun. 7:30p.m.
- St. Thomas the Apostle**  
41 Colebrook Dr.  
342-2323 Sat. 8p.m.

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