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All Diocesan

Religious Activities

■ **DEC. 5-7 - Diocesan youth retreat:** for grades 9-12; Rotary Sunshine Camp, Rush; call Michael Theisen, 716/328-3210 or 800/388-7177.

■ **WED, DEC. 10 - Reservation deadline:** for Dec. 14 Christmas event; sponsored by Catholic Golden Age; Marriott Inn, W. Ridge Rd., 11:30 a.m.; \$15 per person; send check to CGA, PO Box 67544, Rochester, NY 14617; 716/467-3398.

Workshops

■ **DEC. 5-7 - Marriage Encounter weekend:** sponsored by Worldwide Marriage Encounter; Holiday Inn-Airport, 911 Brooks Ave., Rochester; 7:30 p.m. Fri.-5 p.m. Sun.; call 716/872-3180 or 607/776-4870.

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Fundraisers

■ **FRI, DEC. 5 - Concert:** to benefit Amnesty International; Notre Dame High School Cafeteria, 1400 Maple Ave., Elmira; 7:30 p.m.; \$3 in advance, \$4 at the door, \$10 family maximum; for advance tickets call 607/734-2267.

■ **SUN, DEC. 7 - Craft fair:** and bake sale; sponsored by the Holy Family School Association; St. Mary's Southside Gym, Elmira; 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

■ **SUN, DEC. 7 - Turkey show:** St. Cecilia's Hall, 950 Lake St., Elmira; \$1 admission; 1:30-4:30 p.m.

Religious Activities

■ **SUN, DEC. 7 - Fellowship:** and family prayer; St. Mary Our Mother's Church, 816 W. Broad St., Horseheads; dish to pass dinner, noon; video series, 1-2 p.m.; for more information call Joan, 607/562-3314.

Monroe County

Education

■ **FRI, DEC. 5 - Registration deadline:** for Dec. 9 & 10 training sessions for Rochester Interfaith Jail Ministry; Downtown United Presbyterian Church, 121 N. Fitzhugh St., Rochester; 6-9 p.m.; for more information or to register call 716/325-1942.

■ **MON, DEC. 8 - Conversation:** "Coping with Grief During the Holidays," with Cathy Spoto; St. Mary's Church, Dugan Center, 15 St. Mary's Pl., Rochester; 12:10 p.m.-1:30 p.m.; for more information call 716/232-7140.

■ **SAT, DEC. 6 - Entrance exam:** Bishop Kearney High School, 125 Kings Hwy. S., Irondequoit; 8:30 a.m.; for more information, or to receive



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Sharing the bounty

From left, St. Helen's School fourth-graders Mike Mercendetti, 9, Anthony Mirabella, 9, and Danielle Capiersheo, 9, unload donated food from school families in front of the altar prior to a Thanksgiving prayer service for students and parents Nov. 26. Each student brought a food item to school to be given to the St. Helen's food cupboard.

an application, call Kristin Stallone, 716/342-4000.

■ **SAT, DEC. 6 - Entrance exam:** Our Lady of Mercy High School, 1437 Blossom Rd., Rochester; 8:30 a.m.-noon; for pre-registration forms call 716/288-7120.

■ **SAT, DEC. 6 - Entrance exam:** Aquinas Institute, 1127 Dewey Ave., Rochester; 8:30 a.m.; for an application or more information call 716/254-2020.

■ **WED, DEC. 10 - Program:** "Empowering Women Through Knowledge: Changing Our Lives for the Better"; St. Mary's Church, Dugan Center, 15 St. Mary's Pl., Rochester; 7-9 p.m.; for more information call 716/232-7140.

Fundraisers

■ **DEC. 5, 6 - Craft show:** to support Metro Justice; First Unitarian Church, 220 Winton Rd. S., Rochester; Fri. 6-9:30 p.m., Sat. 10 a.m.-3 p.m.; music provided by the Golden Link Folksinging Society; for more information call 716/325-2560.

■ **SAT, DEC. 6 - Craft boutique:** and Collector's Corner craft sale; to benefit Ronald McDonald House, 333 Westmoreland Dr., Rochester; 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

■ **SAT, DEC. 6 - Christmas boutique:** St. Margaret Mary School, 400 Rogers Pky., W. Irondequoit; 10 a.m.-4 p.m.; crafts, baked goods, fresh wreaths; for more information call 716/266-0413.

■ **SAT, DEC. 6 - Craft sale:** sponsored by Town of Gates Recreation and Parks Dept., Gates Town Hall, 1605 Buffalo Rd., Gates; 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

■ **SAT, DEC. 6 - Dance:** sponsored by St. Patrick's Day Committee; Milestones, 170 East Ave., Rochester; featuring Linda Rutherford and Celtic Fire; \$5; for more information call 716/325-6490.

■ **DEC. 6, 7 - Arts and crafts show:** Mother of Sorrows Church Hall, 5000 Mt. Read Blvd., Rochester; 9:30 a.m.-4 p.m.

SUN, DEC. 7 -

Christmas tea: sponsored by the Catholic Women's Club, 492 East Ave., Rochester; proceeds to benefit the Carmelite nuns; for more information call 716/482-0095.

■ **DEC. 6, 7 - Christmas sale:** Shrine Shop at St. Jude's Church, 4100 Lyell Rd., Rochester; 9 a.m.-9 p.m. Sat., 9 a.m.-3 p.m.; all items discounted, including Hummels and Precious Moments.

Religious Activities

■ **THU, DEC. 4 - Registration deadline:** for Dec. 11, 12 Overnight Getaway; Mercy Prayer Center, 65 Highland Ave., Rochester; Sat. 6:30 p.m.-Sun. 9 a.m.; for more information or to register call 716/473-6893.

■ **THU, DEC. 4 - Registration deadline:** for Dec. 11 presentation "Advent: Waiting for the fullness of life"; Mercy Prayer Center, 65 Highland Ave., Rochester; 9:30-11:30 a.m.; for more information or to register call 716/473-6893. Sponsored by the Catholic Women's Club, 492 East Ave., Rochester; 11:45 a.m. rosary; noon Mass; Bishop Dennis Hickey, celebrant; refreshments to follow.

■ **SUN, DEC. 7 - Organ recital:** followed by choral vespers; Sacred Heart Cathedral, 296 Flower City Pk., Rochester; 3:30 p.m.; for more information call 716/254-3221.

■ **SUN, DEC. 7 - Ceremony:** of Lessons and Carols; St. Louis Church, 60 S. Main St., Pittsford; 2:30 p.m.

■ **SUN, DEC. 7 - Show:** "Haunted by God: The Life of Dorothy Day"; Corpus Christi Church, 80 Prince St., Rochester; 7:30 p.m.; for more information call 716/325-2424.

■ **MON, DEC. 8 - National night of prayer:** for life; Assumption of Our Lady, 10 East Ave., Fairport; 9 p.m.-1 a.m.; Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Rosary, Benediction, quiet time for prayer; everyone welcome; for

more information call Monica, 716/223-7353.

■ **MON, DEC. 8 - Registration deadline:** for Dec. 15 Advent Eucharist and soup supper; Mercy Prayer Center, 65 Highland Ave., Rochester; 5:30 p.m.; to register or for more information call 716/473-6893.

■ **DEC. 10, 17 - Program:** focusing on time leading up to next millennium as a "new Advent"; Borromeo Prayer Center, 3011 Dewey Ave., Rochester; 7:30-9 p.m.; also presented on Dec. 3, 10, 17 from 9-10:30 a.m.; for more information call 716/663-5856.

Social Activities

■ **DEC. 4-6 - Play:** "Godspell"; presented by the Mercy/McQuaid Players; Mercy High School Auditorium, 1437 Blossom Rd., Rochester; 7:30 p.m. each evening, also 1:30 p.m. Sat.; \$6; for information or ticket reservations call 716/482-6097.

■ **DEC. 4-7 - Play:** "Steel Magnolias"; presented by the Lamplighter Players; Nazareth Academy, 1001 Lake Ave., Rochester; Thu.-Sat. 8 p.m., Sun. 2 p.m.; for ticket information call 716/458-8583.

■ **DEC. 4, 6 - Concert:** Rochester Philharmonic Orchestra; Eastman Theatre, Main and Gibbs St., Rochester; 8 p.m.; special tribute to Islam, Christianity and Judaism; for ticket information call 716/454-2620.

■ **SAT, DEC. 6 - Concert:** "Christmas Music for Voices and Percussion"; presented by Madrigalia; St. Anne Church, 1600 Mt. Hope Ave., Rochester; 8 p.m.; for ticket information call 716/234-4283.

■ **SUN, DEC. 7 - Tribute Mass:** and homily; for St. Monica's Church's 100th anniversary; St. Monica's Church, 831 Genesee St., Rochester; 9:30 a.m.; Father Bill Barrett, homilist; all welcome; call 716/235-3322 for information.

■ **SUN, DEC. 7 - Christmas concert:** Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church, 1089 Joseph Ave., Rochester; 2 p.m.; \$5 for adults, \$4 for seniors, children under 12 free; tickets available at the door or call 716/467-2725.

■ **SUN, DEC. 7 - Concert:** "Messiah Sing-Along"; with the Brockport Symphony Orchestra and the College Community Chorus; Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary Church, 152 Main St., Brockport; 7 p.m.; \$5 for adults, \$4 for senior citizens, children under 12 free.

■ **SUN, DEC. 7 - Christmas concert:** presented by Greece Performing Arts Society; St. Charles Borromeo Church, 3003 Dewey Ave., Rochester; 7:30 p.m.; for more information call 716/865-5205.

■ **TUE, DEC. 9 - Concert:** "A Holiday Concert with Madrigalia"; St. Joseph's Park, N. Clinton Ave. and Pleasant St., Rochester; 5 p.m.; sponsored by the Landmark Society.

■ **WED, DEC. 10 - Christmas party:** hosted by Rosary Society of Holy Family Parish; Holy Family School, Pine Room, 899 Jay St., Rochester; 6:30 p.m.; for reservations call 716/235-3749 or

716/235-4396.

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Fundraisers

■ **DEC. 6, 7 - Christmas bazaar:** Immaculate Conception Church Parish Hall, 113 N. Geneva St., Ithaca; 9 a.m.-4 p.m.; proceeds to benefit the church and school.

Religious Activities

■ **MON, DEC. 8 - Celebration Mass:** followed by dish-to-pass supper and novena; sponsored by the Centennial Planning Committee; Immaculate Conception Church and Parish Hall, N. Geneva St., Ithaca; Mass, 5:30 p.m., dinner, 6:30 p.m.; Novena, 7:30 p.m.; for more information call Ann, 607/273-5379, Barb, 607/273-8052 or Pat, 607/272-2023.

Social Activities

■ **SUN, DEC. 7 - Snoop and Snack Sunday:** sponsored by the Centennial Planning Committee; Immaculate Conception Church, N. Geneva St., Ithaca; 2-4 p.m.; free and open to the public; kick-off for year-long celebration of Immaculate Conception Parish's 150th anniversary and church's 100th; for more information call 607/255-2117 or 607/272-7053.

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Meetings

■ **WED, DEC. 10 - Breakfast meeting:** of the Ontario County Divorced/Separated/Bereaved Group; Denny's Restaurant, Route 5 and 20, Geneva; 9 a.m.; for more information call 716/526-5465.

■ **FRI, DEC. 12 - Breakfast meeting:** of the Men's Group for Divorced, Separated and Widowed; Blue Ribbon Smokehouse, Routes 88 and 96, Phelps; 9 a.m.; for more information call 716/374-5982 or 315/539-2284.

Religious Activities

■ **FRI, DEC. 5 - Nocturnal adoration:** St. Mary's Church Chapel, 95 N. Main St., Canandaigua; 7-8 p.m.; first Friday every month.

■ **DEC. 6-10 - Advent retreat:** St. Stephen's Roman Catholic Community, 48 Pulteney St., Geneva; directed by Jesuit Father Joseph Neville; includes anointing of the sick at 2 p.m. Mass Dec. 7. for more information call the rectory; 315/789-1124.

■ **Through SUN, JAN. 4 - Festival of Lights:** Sonnenberg Gardens, 151 Charlotte St., Canandaigua; 5:30-8:30 p.m. nightly; \$6 for adults, \$3 for children 4-12; optional tour of the mansion additional \$2/\$1; call 716/394-4922.