

# DIOCESAN NEWS

## Obituaries

### Sr. Marie Patricia Costello, SSJ

Sister Marie Patricia Costello of the Sisters of St. Joseph died at the St. Joseph Convent Infirmiry on July 28, 2000. She was 92.

Sister Marie Patricia entered the Sisters of St. Joseph in 1926 and was a member of the last group received into the congregation in the motherhouse on Augustine Street, Rochester.

She was a graduate of Nazareth Academy and earned her baccalaureate at Nazareth College.

Sister Marie Patricia taught in the parochial schools of the Diocese of Rochester for 55 years. Among the schools at which she taught were: Immaculate Conception, St. Joseph's Villa, St. Lucy, St. Pius X and Holy Rosary, all of Rochester; St. Francis de Sales, Geneva; St. Michael, Penn Yan, where she was also principal;

Sacred Heart, Auburn; St. Joseph, Wayland; St. Aloysius, Auburn; and St. Patrick, Seneca Falls. Her last assignment was at Holy Rosary, where she served as teacher for 12 years and as supervisor of the lunch program for two years. Due to her failing health, Sister Marie Patricia retired to St. Joseph Convent Infirmiry in 1986.

Sister Marie Patricia is survived by her niece, Patricia Mele; other nieces, nephews, grandnieces and grandnephews; and her sisters in the congregation.

Father Bruce Ammering was principal celebrant at her funeral Mass in the motherhouse chapel Aug. 1. He was assisted by Father Robert Bradler. Burial was in Holy Sepulchre Cemetery.

Contributions may be made in Sister Marie Patricia's memory to the St. Joseph Convent Infirmiry.

### 'Lita' Gillette, 69; widow of deacon

Dolores "Lita" Gillette, 69, widow of Deacon James Gillette, died Aug. 2, 2000.

A graduate of Nazareth Academy, she was a parishioner at the Church of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary in Brockport. Mrs. Gillette was active in the church community, serving as music director, planning liturgies and participating in bereavement ministry, through which she assisted with funerals. She also had served as treasurer of the St. Stephen's Deacon Association and sang at its retreats. Mrs. Gillette was also a longtime member of the Diocesan Festival Choir.

"She really loved the church very much," remarked Father Peter Enyan-Boadu, pastor of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary. "She was a wonderful person in the parish before I came and I can attest to it while I was here."

Deacon and Mrs. Gillette worked together in Marriage Encounter for about 10 years. Deacon Gillette, who was ordained a permanent deacon in 1988, died in 1991.

Mrs. Gillette is survived by her children, Karen Turner, James Gillette Jr. and Bernadine Peets; and grandchildren, Kelly Turner, Taylor Gillette and Alyssa Peets.

Bishop Matthew H. Clark presided at the Aug. 7 funeral Mass for Mrs. Gillette at Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary Church. The Gillettes' close friend, Deacon Al Wilson of St. Paul of the Cross Church in Honeoye Falls, assisted. Bernadine Peets delivered a eulogy to a congregation that included more than 40 deacons and wives of deacons.

Burial was in Mt. Olivet Cemetery, Brockport.

—Liza R. Mugnolo

### Alice H. McHale; mother of late priest

Alice Holleran McHale, 88, died Aug. 18, 2000, at Cooley Dickerson Hospital in Northampton, Mass. She was the mother of Father Michael A. McHale, who died in an automobile accident on Christmas Eve in 1995.

Born in Tioga, Penn., she married Francis J. McHale Sr. in 1938. He predeceased her in 1983.

Mrs. McHale was a member of the Corning-Painted Post Roman Catholic Community. She attended St. Mary's Church and was involved with the House of Prayer. In earlier years she was a den mother for the Cub Scouts. She also was an avid gardener.

Surviving her are sons, Francis J. Jr. of

Columbus, Ind., and Thomas J. of Portsmouth, R.I.; daughters, Michele A. McHale of Northampton and Jane E. McHale Gear of Heath, Mass; granddaughters, Ruth McHale and Alice Gear; a grandson, John McHale; great-grandson, Jason Theriault; a sister, Theresa Cruz of Norwich, N.Y.; brothers, James Holleran and Roger Holleran of Tioga; and nieces and nephews.

Mass was celebrated Aug. 22 at St. Mary's. Interment was in St. Mary's Cemetery.

Memorials may be sent to The Geneva Center of Concern Inc., 58 Avenue D, Geneva, NY 14456.

## Recognizing

★ **Brother Peter (James) Quinlan, OCSO**, made his solemn vows at the Abbey of the Genesee in Piffard Aug. 22, feast of the Queenship of the Virgin Mary. The son of James and Frances Quinlan of Fairport, he attended Fairport High School and Monroe Community College. Brother Quinlan made vows of obedience, stability in (loyalty to) the Cistercian monastery and conversion of life, or openness to the Spirit working within his life.

★ **Four McQuaid Jesuit High School students** competed in the Empire State Games July 27-30 in Binghamton. The Western Region men's scholastic baseball team was represented by **Mike Lewis**, a pitcher; **Paul Knittle**, a catcher; and **Hector Urena**, a shortstop. In Western's opening game on July 27, Lewis threw a no-hitter — with Knittle as his catcher — as Western defeated New York City, 7-2. Brian O'Dell played for the Western scholastic men's volleyball squad, which captured its fifth straight gold medal. Western won 20 of 21 ESG games overall.

★ **Helen Root**, a junior at Our Lady of Mercy High School, won the 2000 "Junior of the Year Award" sponsored by the Notre Dame Club of Rochester. **Chloe Pullman**, also a Mercy junior, ranked nationally in the 65th annual Le Grand Concours, or National French Contest.

## A hiker's wonder



Andrea A. Dixon/Staff photographer

A hiking trail follows the gorge at Taughannock Falls State Park, located off Route 89, on the west side of Cayuga Lake, north of Ithaca. The falls are the highest in the Northeast, even higher than Niagara Falls.

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