

# Activities Around the Diocese



## New Diocesan Staff

Sister Joseph Gilmery Russell, S.S.J., standing at right, has been named assistant superintendent for elementary administration/religious instruction. She will continue to serve as principal of St. Jerome's School in East Rochester part time. Seated at left is Evelyn Kirst, the new diocesan assistant superintendent for curriculum. She had been principal of Church of the Annunciation School.

## St. Mary's Anniversary

In celebration of the 110th anniversary of the parish, St. Mary's on the southside of Elmira plans a full weekend of events. Any priest, sister, teacher or family who has been connected with the parish in the past is invited to attend.

On Friday, Sept. 13, a dinner-dance is scheduled in the auditorium from 6 p.m.-1 a.m. Tickets are \$10 per person. A parish family picnic follows on the church grounds Saturday, Sept. 14, from 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Bishop Matthew H. Clark will celebrate Mass at 5:15 p.m. On Sunday, Sept. 15, Mass will be concelebrated by Fathers Boyle and Connor at noon. A reception will follow in the auditorium.

For more information or tickets, call Sandy Harkness at (607)734-1325 or Mary Kay Robinson at 732-7966.

## Residents Encounter Christ

A volunteer team of 17 laypeople and two priests will conduct the fifth Residents Encounter Christ weekend at Auburn Correctional Facility Friday through Sunday, Sept. 27-29. "Be Not Afraid, For I Am With You Always" is the theme of the retreat, which will be reflected in the religious programs and events planned for inmates.

Thomas Treis, rector for the weekend, invites members of the community to take part in a sing-a-long on Saturday, Sept. 28,

beginning at 4:30 p.m. Anyone who wishes to join inmates in singing praise to God should register before Monday, Sept. 9, by calling one of the following numbers. Call in Rochester — (716)223-7166, Houeoye Falls — (716)367-3365, Auburn — (315)776-4161, Elmira — (607)733-5193.

## Fellowship Meetings

Nora Hallett, national director of area and regional development for the Fellowship of Reconciliation, will visit Rochester on Wednesday and Thursday, Sept. 4-5, to found a local, active chapter of the fellowship. An interfaith, international organization established in 1914, the fellowship has opposed war and commits its members to resolving human conflict by achieving justice, freedom and dignity for every human being.

Informational meetings are scheduled on Wednesday, Sept. 4, at 7:30 p.m. in Strong Auditorium at Colgate Divinity School, and on Thursday, Sept. 5 at noon at the Downtown United Presbyterian Church and at 3 p.m. in Conference Room B, Nazareth College Library.

At 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, Hallett will meet with anyone interested in active membership at the Shults Center of Nazareth College. For more information, call Dorothy J. Barbehenn, (716)271-1844.

## Parish Men's Retreats

Men from 18 Monroe County parishes will have the opportunity to relax, reflect, refresh and rejuvenate during the month of September at Notre Dame Retreat House on Canandaigua Lake. Father Leo Dunn, C.S.S.R., the rector, describes the retreat as "40 hours to listen to God" through liturgies, conferences and group discussions as well as private time and "great-view walks" overlooking Canandaigua Lake.

Participants register and get their room assignments from 7-9 p.m. on Friday and leave at noon on Sunday. Men from Ukrainian parishes in Auburn, Syracuse and Buffalo are also invited. The parish schedule is:

- Sept. 13-15: Blessed Sacrament, St. Boniface, Our Lady of Good Counsel, Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Holy Rosary, St. Lawrence, St. Christopher.
- Sept. 20-22: St. John the Evangelist (Humboldt St.), St. Anne, St. Mary (Rochester), St. Philip Neri, St. Joseph (Rush), Holy Trinity, St. Rita and St. Paul (Webster).
- Sept. 27-29: St. Ambrose, St. Francis Assisi, St. Nicholas, St. Josephat, Church of the Epiphany, St. Peter and Paul-Auburn, St. John the Baptist-Syracuse, Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Lackawanna.

## Liturgy Workshop

An educational program for parish liturgy committee members will be offered at St. Christopher's Church in North Chili Tuesday evenings from Sept. 10-Oct. 29 and on Saturday, Nov. 9. Hosted by St. Christopher's liturgy committee, the sessions will cover the liturgical year, music in liturgy, environment and art, eucharistic theology, principles of good liturgy and liturgical renewal, among others.

Tuesday evening sessions will be held at St. Christopher's beginning at 7:30 p.m. On Saturday, Nov. 9, the program will begin at 9:30 a.m.

Anyone interested in attending one or more sessions should call the Liturgy Office, (716)328-3210, for a complete schedule of topics. Registration will be taken at the door. The cost is \$5 per person for all sessions or \$1 for each individual session. The text, "The Liturgy Documents: A Parish Resource" is \$5 and will be sold at each session.

## Mt. Morris Festival

Parishioners from St. Patrick's Church in Mt. Morris report that their August 10 festival was "the best we've had yet."

This year the festival featured a small merry-go-round for the children and a Pepsi

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Wagon from Batavia, N.Y. The weather was beautiful and the turnout was great according to Dorothea Dio Guardi, chairman.

"God bless all who made this day so wonderful," she wrote.

## Center For Spirituality

The Sisters of St. Joseph are sponsoring new programs this fall focusing on the Christian traditions of prayer, mysticism, spiritual direction and personal growth. A series of evenings of recollection, a weekly program and several series are planned.

Evenings of recollection are set for Wednesday evenings, Sept. 18, Oct. 23, Nov. 20 and Dec. 10, from 4-8 p.m. Topics will include "Lectio Divina" by Monsignor William Shannon, "Prayer in John" by Sister Mary Lynch, "Prayer in Luke" by Sister Kathleen Weider and "Advent, Season of Desiring" by Sister Sheila Briody.

Beginning Sept. 23, the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius according to the 19th Annotation will be studied at a weekly program, Mondays, from 7:30-9:30 p.m., for 30 weeks. The exercises involve a daily commitment to prayer and a weekly group meeting with one-on-one spiritual direction.

Five 3-part series are also planned during the months of October and November from 7:30-9 p.m. The schedule is:

- Oct. 3, 10, 17 — The Trinitarian Breakthrough in Paul by Sister Mary Lourdes.
  - Oct. 6, 13, 20 — Traditions in Prayer: Franciscan by Sister Ann de Porres.
  - Oct. 22, 29, Nov. 5 — Spiritual Direction by Sister Mary Louise Heffernan.
  - Nov. 10, 17, 24 — Traditions in Prayer: Ignatian by Sister Ann de Porres.
  - Nov. 12, 19, 26 — Spirituality and Wholeness by Sister Mary Louise Heffernan.
- All programs will be held at the Sisters of St. Joseph Center for Spirituality at 4141 East Avenue. A donation of \$5 is requested for each session. Deadline to register for each session is one week before the date scheduled. Suggestions are also welcome for future offerings. Call Sister Ann de Porres at (716)586-4516 for more information.

## Red Mass

Members of the Monroe County legal and law enforcement communities will open the fall court session with the traditional Red Mass on Friday, Sept. 20, at 12:15 p.m. at St. Mary's Church. Bishop Matthew H. Clark will celebrate the Mass and Father Frank R. Haig, S.J., will be the guest homilist.

The Red Mass is sponsored each year by the St. Thomas More Lawyers Guild. Sister Gaye L. Moorhead, R.S.M., Scott C. Smith and Andrew J. Weidman are chairpersons. Call Scott Smith at (716)325-3175 for more information.

introduced to the band's field show and music for the coming season.

This year Band Director Brian Coughlin will be assisted by Pete Carbone, assistant field director, Dick Stenzel, percussion instructor, and Holly Cannon and Stephanie Pullizzi, instructing colorguard.

## Magazine Drive

Aquinas Institute's annual magazine drive is scheduled from Wednesday, Sept. 18, to Wednesday, Oct. 2. This year's theme is Disney World and each class will have its own mascot — Snow White for freshman, Alice in Wonderland for sophomores, Cinderella for juniors and Peter Pan for seniors.

An assembly to kick off the drive will feature skits by each class with a prize for the best skit. Prizes, ranging from a trip for two to Disney World to cash, shirts, mugs and buttons, will also be awarded for the drive.

Friends of Aquinas can choose from 500 magazines as well as records and tapes this year. Existing subscriptions can also be renewed through an Aquinas student. For more information, call Carol Coletti at (716)254-2020.

## Buttino Documentary

A documentary written by Louis F. Buttino of St. John Fisher College will be shown on WXXI-TV, Channel 21, Monday, Sept. 2, at 10 p.m. "Even the Heavens Weep: The West Virginia Mine Wars" traces the struggles of coal miners in West Virginia to establish a union between 1880-1921. Buttino is an associate professor of communication and journalism at Fisher.

The statewide movement to organize the United Mine Workers climaxed in 1921 when almost 10,000 miners faced machine guns, bombs and U.S. troops in the "Battle of Blair Mountain." Buttino's documentary attempts to tell this story, largely ignored in U.S. history books, through interviews with eyewitnesses and historians, archival film footage and photographs, and dramatic re-creations.

## Catholic Women's Club

Sister Nancy Whitley, R.S.M., will speak on "Changes in Church Society and Religious Life" at the Catholic Women's Club fall luncheon, Saturday, Sept. 14, at the Burgundy Basin Inn. Sister Nancy is assistant superior general of the Sisters of Mercy.

Social hour is planned at 11:30 a.m. with the buffet luncheon at 12:30 p.m. Advance reservations are required by Thursday, Sept. 5. The cost is \$9. Checks should be payable to the Catholic Women's Club and should be sent to Fran Jones, 66 Glenmount Drive, Rochester, N.Y., 14617.



Hostesses welcomed Bishop Matthew H. Clark and other guests at a reception following the Diocesan Mass for Peace. The bishop celebrated the Mass on Friday, August 9, at St. Francis DeSales Church in Geneva.

## Band Camp

Trumpets blaring, drum rolls and shouted commands signalled the beginning of Aquinas Institute's annual band camp, Monday-Saturday, August 19-24. At camp, new members are integrated and everyone is

## 10K Benefit Run

The third annual Citibank/Muscular Dystrophy 10K Road Race will be held Sunday, Sept. 1 at 8:30 a.m., starting at Brighton High School. All proceeds from the race will be donated to the Muscular Dystrophy Association during the 1985 Jerry Lewis Labor Day Telethon.

Entry forms are available at all Citibank branches and local sporting goods stores. The entry fee is \$5 in advance and \$6 the day of the race. For more information, call (716)352-5760 or write Citibank/MDA Race Director, P.O. Box 335, Spencerport, N.Y., 14559.

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