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The annual Women’s Day Appeal for Catholic Charities will be conducted May 11 in parishes across the region. The goal for this year’s appeal is $165,000 which is used to “respond to people in need, empower families to healthier lives and to invite others to join in the work of charity and justice.”

In the centerfold of this week’s NCC Bishop Lalvady and Sister Donna Funk vice-diocesan director of Catholic Charities, offer information about the critical work of Catholic Charities. FULL STORY, PAGE 4

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We, Catholics, love our saints. Each of us has a couple of favorites. In many families, there is a saint that is dearly loved and cherished. Our definition of saint is determined by the saint on whose feast we have a Mass or on whose day we have a Mass in church. Each day of the year is the feast day of a Saint. The Church celebrates a Saint, a day assigned by the Church to commemorate a certain Saint. We would always celebrate what the Church has called saint’s day but it is not the feast of the saint that we celebrated.

The recent canonization Mary Mother of the Church and Pope John XXIII will be remembered and celebrated for many Holy Spirit Church in making possible all that the faithful heard.

Father Francis called the Church to celebrate Pope St. John XXIII’s leading in being the Holy Spirit. Pope Francis spoke of Pope St. John XXIII as the pope of his family, the son of the Father in the service of the Church. He reminded us that Pope St. John XXIII is Constant effort to follow the Church into the world is a closer union with the Church.

A mother can be the one to pick you up when you fall down or help you when you are in need.

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HEALING MASS

LIFEFIGHT MEETING
 nuisance originated at the St. Mary Parish Church. Contact: 518-752-5228.

AQUARICULTURE ADORATION
Plattsburgh - The Adoration of the Rosary is held every Wednesday. Contact: 518-561-5083.

TOMATOES
Chateaugay – The Broad Street Church will be selling tomatoes. Contact 718-444-9006.

ATLANTIC ROSECRASY
Carrigan – The 12th annual summer rose festival, is today. Contact: 718-444-9006.

POTATO LUPENICE
Perkin – A lupenice is planned for today. Contact: 518-561-5083.

NEWENMAN CENTER is holding a week-long Ignatian retreat. Contact: 518-561-5083.

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RITES held for Fr. Benjamin James McKeen, 64, who served as pastor of the North Country Catholic Newman Center from 1969 to 2013. Fr. McKeen, who was the chief executive secretary on the commission on ecclesiastical and interreligious affairs of the Archdiocese of Los Angeles served as a priest for 40 years. He worked in the alco- hol/drug treatment unit of the Catholic Memorial Hospital in Long Beach, Calif. starting in 1984. He was married in 1988. He died March 26 at Loren- deck Medical Center, Nursing Home, West Palm Beach, Fla. He was 61. Fr. McKeen was appointed to the St. Denis Cemetery in Watertown, N.Y. in 1999, after leaving the North Country Catholic Newman Center was elected minister general of the North Country Conference of the American Baptist minister, mental health counselor with a private practice, in the Broad Street Church in St. Petersburg, Fla.

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Rites held for Fr. Arthur John XXIII

Posthumous Canonization

The Blessed John XXIII Newman Cente- ter on May 7. Although there are no special events, the Newman Center is looking forward to welcoming priests, seminarians and other guests.

Bishop Terry L. Cafferty blessed the new parish sign at the Blessed John XXIII Newman Center in recognition of the canonization of its namesake. The Mass was celebrated in honor of Pope John Paul II and John XXIII who were canonized by Pope Francis that day.

The bishop was invited to the service by Very Rev. Timothy G. Cavan, the pastor of the Roman Catholic Church of St. John the Baptist which includes the Newman Center as a worship site. Bishop Lavy had said that he decided to attend because he felt it important to be part of the holy and histori- cal occasion.

The church universal is re- joicing in the canonization of two very holy men who were the victors of Christ on Earth,” the bishop said. “It was a spe- cial honor for me to be present here and celebrate it with the faithful here.”

During his homily, Bishop

Bishop talking about John XXIII saying he opened the window so that everyone can see the tender mercies of God.

“After, he blessed the new sign in front of a group of people, celebrating not only the new name of the Newman Center but the two new saints.”

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For information call Fr. Don Schneid at 518-643-6759.
At the youth rally

PHOTO BY DAYNA LEADER

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The Good Shepherd: Our security and hope

By Mary Catherine Pietropaoli Contributing Writer

Spring and summer are the theological high points of the Church’s liturgical year, because of the Gospel during the Easter season, which echoes back to the mystery of the Creation of the world. It is so fitting that this Gospel be read in its entirety, not just as a snippet of the whole, during the season of Easter, and that we be encouraged to hear it send us through Lent, and again, sent us through the Easter season and the Ascension. It reflects on the story of the Good Shepherd, His call to His sheep, His role in their lives, His concern for their physical, emotional, and spiritual well-being. It is an invitation for us to listen to His voice, to hear of His love, and to believe in the promise of eternal life which He offers to all of us. His words: “I am the gate. If anyone enters by me, he will be saved.”

The letter writer seems to be concerned about the greater middle class feeling as if no previous pope had emphasized the theme, “What I am not hearing is the voice of a shepherd who, because of personal misfortune or living under corrupt leaders, feels himself the “gate”, it is His rolls, the enterprise of caring for the sheep, to bring them back together into the world by girls, to share the world. They're Shepherds, too!...
LTCV is seeking volunteers

The Arc of Greater Syracuse is seeking volunteers to participate in their training program. Further information is available at 315-595-2902, ext. 1040. Upcoming programs:

- June 6, 9:30 a.m., Fairway A, Aver- 
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- June 9, 1:00 p.m., Fairway A, Aver- 
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- June 11, 9:30 a.m., Fairway A, Aver- 
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- June 18, 1:00 p.m., Fairway A, Aver- 
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- June 19, 9:30 a.m., Fairway A, Aver- 
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- June 21, 1:00 p.m., Fairway A, Aver- 
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- June 23, 9:30 a.m., Fairway A, Aver- 
  isham
- June 25, 1:00 p.m., Fairway A, Aver- 
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- July 1, 9:30 a.m., Fairway A, Aver- 
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- July 8, 1:00 p.m., Fairway A, Aver- 
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Donations by check may be sent to: The Arc, 1712 W. Genesee St. 
 Syracuse, NY 13204.
Pope Francis, with retired pope, canonizes Sts. John and John Paul

A day of two saints

Dr. Frank Rame
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October 27 in Vatican City (CNS) - Pope Benedict XVI, Pope Francis' predecessor, praised St. John Paul II for his best-known accomplishment: modernizing church teaching on marriage, divorce and practice on marriage, areas he has said exemplify a particular need for mercy in the church today.

The pope repeatedly mentioned mercy in his homily, which he delivered on Divine Mercy Sunday in 2011. In addition to Pope Benedict's criticism of the indulgence scandal, which he recognized in February 2013, Pope Francis' canonizations included some 68 cardinals and 700 bishops.

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During the canonization ceremony, which took place at the beginning of the Mass, cardinals dressed up in white robes, the new saints in matching silver reliquaries, which Pope Francis kissed before they were placed on a small table for use during the celebration.

St. John's relic was a piece of the late pope's skin, not moved when his body was transferred to its present tomb in the main sanctuary of St. Peter's Basilica.

Elisabeth Maria Dior, Costa Rican woman whose aneurysm was recognized by Pope John Paul, brought up a second miracle before a previous pope, John XXIII, who was not a saint.

In a dedication ceremony held April 22 at the Magdalen Crescent Chapel in Lake Placid, Mercy Sister Catherine Cermack, director Mercy Care's Parish Nurse Program; and Donna Beal, Mercy Care's Executive Director, commissioned three parish nurses and a health minister who had completed the "Intermediate Hinduism" course offered by Mercy Care in the Adirondacks from left are Diane, John, and Barbara. The current King of Belgium was in attendance.

The Vatican estimated that 100,000 people, including 80,000 pilgrims, gathered up to it were tightly packed with approximately half a million pilgrims, many of whom had been standing for hours before the start of Mass. Among the many national flags on display, the majority were from Poland, the native land of St. John Paul II.

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The children of St. Mary's Primary in Watertown are learning to speak Spanish. Pictured with their Spanish teacher, Marta Mario-Garcia, are Elle Oliver, Katie Oliver and Claire Sheley. Sheley, Oliver, Katie Oliver and Claire Sheley spent time praying around a cross during a winter break weekend for the St. Mary's and St. John's Youth Group from Clayton and LaFargeville and the Youth Group from the Catholic Communities of Cape Vincent, Redwood and Clayton. Some of the young people were taking their fifth grade math class at St. Mary's.

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Dear Friends of Catholic Charities,

Faith is motivated by the Word and expressed in action. Catholic Charities is asking for your help. Putting the love of the Gospel into action is the mission of Catholic Charities. In order to accomplish this mission, Catholic Charities needs financial resources.

Your financial gift to Catholic Charities is an expression of love shared. The services provided because of your gift to Catholic Charities rebuid hope in the lives of our brothers and sisters.

Because of you:
• You were able to help a car fixed and continue to go to work to support her family.
• Joe received help in coping with his emotional challenges and avoided inpatient hospitalization.
• Rose received the support she needed to leave an abusive relationship.

Brenda and Tom received counseling to help them deal with the loss of their child.

These are just a few of the hundreds of stories of people served by Catholic Charities in 2013. Last year Catholic Charities staff and volunteers served over 10,000 men, women and children across the North Country.

Funds raised in each County stay in that County. The more funds Catholic Charities raises through the Annual Appeal, the more services your area can receive.

Help us meet our goal of $165,000 for 2014. Every dollar counts.

The parish collection will take place on Mother's Day, May 11, 2014. If you cannot give through your parish, you can send your donation to Catholic Charities.

Thank you for your generosity. All benefactors of Catholic Charities are remembered each month in a Mass celebrated for your intentions.

In gratitude and prayer,
St. Donna T. Franklin, D.C.
Dioscese Director

Invest in the future of individuals and families. Invest in building healthy communities. Your gift counts!

Name: 
Address: 

(Pope Benedict XVI)

1. Paid in Full (check enclosed payable to Catholic Charities) Amount: $ 
2. Online donations at: www.catholiccharities.org For privacy protection, Catholic Charities is accepting credit card donations online only.

Our online donation program is a secure site.

3. Pledge Total Pledge $ (quarterly payments) Catholic Charities will remind you when the pledge payments are due.

Mail to: Catholic Charities, Appeal 2014 4866 State Highway 37 Ogdensburg, NY 13669
Pope Francis, with retired pope, canonizes Sts. John and John Paul

A day of two saints

October 22, 2014

The Pope invited the holy figures to the synodal prayer for the saints for the synod’s success, and he prayed, “May the two of them teach us how to be a transparent and ever more deeply into the mystery of divine mercy, which always hopes and always forgives, because it always loves.”

Pope Francis has said the agenda for the family synod will include church teaching and practice on marriage, areas he has said exemplify a particular need for mercy in the church today.

The pope repeatedly mentioned mercy in his homily, which he delivered on Divine Mercy Sunday, an observance St. John Paul put on the church’s universal calendar. The Polish pope died on the vigil of the feast in 2005 and was beatified on Divine Mercy Sunday in 2011.

In addition to Pope Benedict XVI and in his third public appearance since he resigned in February 2013, Pope Francis’ conclave included some 150 cardinals and 700 bishops.

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During the canonization ceremony, which took place at the beginning of the basilica’s calendar, the new saints were carried up into the basilica, and the square was decorated with 30,000 roses and other flowers donated by the nations of Ecuador. The square and the broad via della Conciliazione leading up to it were tightly packed with approximately half a million pilgrims, many of whom had been standing for hours before the start of Mass. Among the many national flags on display, the majority were from Poland, the native land of St. John Paul II. The Vatican estimated that 800,000 attended the ceremony, while flow crowds watching on giant screen TVs set up at various locations around the city. The 2011 beatification of Pope John Paul drew more than 1 million people, according to Italian police estimates, at the time.

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The children at St. Mary’s Primary in Watervale are learning to speak Sign. Pictured with their Spanish teacher, Marta, are students Jodi Swallow, Zane Rees, Felicity Davis, Sophie Rayner and Tarni Begg who, with their signed gloves, are learning the Spanish names for articles of clothing.
Guggenheim camp clean-up!

by Linda Innes

It is time again for spring cleaning! Camp Guggenheim is no exception: the facility with its many buildings and activity areas needs loving attention.

This is no job that can be done by one person. Each year, volunteers across the diocese participate in this camp, for no job would be complete without the hard work of everyone good to make the diocesan camp a welcoming and clean environment for everyone who will be present during the summer session. To the camp and Family Life program to the many diocesan families who will be present during the summer session, we say, "Thank You!"

If you would like an exciting Adirondack weekend, please sign up for a wonderful service at the same time, please join us!

The 43rd Annual Spring Clean-Up will take place during the week of May 5-7. This annual project is a great way to give back to the camp while helping to maintain the facilities.

Time for Spring Cleaning

Each year, volunteers will have an opportunity to enjoy the beauty of the Adirondack mountains, work in teams, and spend time together. Volunteers are needed to assist in cleaning the lodge and dorms, workshops and vacation time, all enjoy and benefit from the hard work and planning that go into the camp’s annual weekendaround.

This year May 16 at 6 p.m. to May 18 will be the ‘Camp Clean-Up weekend’ coordinated by Dick Lynch, from St. Joseph’s, Dannemora. If you can’t do a whole week end but can offer a day-work—wonderful! Your support is welcome. If anyone is interested in helping prepare Camp Guggenheim for the upcoming season, please contact Dick Lynch at 518-492-7583 or e- mail your friends: info@pgug.org for more information and to sign up. We are looking forward to your service before you get away and before the snow flies.

You are invited to get up early and spend a few hours of your time this spring helping to keep the Guggenheim camp clean. If you would like an exciting Adirondack weekend, please sign up for a wonderful service at the same time, please join us!
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Woman of Grace Retreat

Led by EWTN personality Janebbeniek, founder and President of Women of Grace

June 27-29, 2014

Wadsworth Hall, Oglesburg

The Weekend of Welch will be filled with the celebration of the Eucharist, Adoration, prayer, talks, music, and sacred scripture. Throughout this weekend, Wadsworth will unfold the truths of authentic femininity leaving a lasting imprint on minds, hearts, and souls.

Register at www.Adytum.org/wegspr

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At the youth rally

By Ed Kennedy

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Colangelo spoke about how embracing the faith enabled her to overcome the challenges of her life. She mentioned the importance of prayer and the support of others in her spiritual journey.

The day began with an address from keynote speaker, Bishop LaValley, followed by Adoration. Following Adoration, there was a question and answer session with Bishop LaValley who answered many questions with great insights that captivated the teens.

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The Mass was celebrated in honor of Pope John Paul II and Pope John XXIII who were canonized by Pope Francis that day. The bishop was invited to the Mass by Father Timothy C. G. Canaan, the pastor of the Roman Catholic Church of the Benedicts which the John XXIII Newman Center is a worship site.

Bishop Vailly said that he decided to attend because he felt it important to be part of the holy and historical Mass.

The church universal is rejoicing for a holy and very holy who were the Victors of Christ, on earth, the bishop said. It was a special day for me because I have known Father Daniel Keefe for many years. The Mass will be sponsored by the Knights of Columbus and local Catholic parishes.

"During his homily, Bishop Vailly talked about John XXIII saying he hoped the window so that everyone can see the tender mercy of God. After, he blessed the new sign in front of a group of people, celebrating not only the new name of the Newman Center but the two new saints. It [the Mass] just happened to be the day that the two of them were being canonized as saints in Rome. Father Canaan said: ‘It is six hours ahead of us, so St. John XXIII and St. John Paul II were already canonized when we celebrated the Mass.”

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