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# Epiphany Catholic Church has dedication for new garden

Epiphany Catholic Church recently dedicated a new garden. Members cleared and decorated the area with flowers, shrubs, benches and a waterfall. Overlooking the waterfall is a statue of St. Francis of Assisi. The garden lies between the church offices and the recreation hall. The pastor, the **Rev. Frank X.J. Smith**, made the dedication and welcomed more than 200 parishioners and guests.

A farewell to the **Rev. Joseph Tran** was held in the social hall and featured the professional recordings of the **Rev. Vincent Smith**, the pastor's brother. **Tran** soon will be leaving for Switzerland. He was ordained in 1983 and served at St. Mary Magdalen Catholic Church in Altamonte Springs. A native of Vietnam, **Tran** was an associate pastor at Epiphany for about two years.

Lunch was served by the women of



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the parish and entertainment was provided by the Foursquare Square Dancers and called by **Larry Patten**. The movie depicting the life of St. Francis of Assisi, *Brother Sun, Sister Moon*, was shown. Guests included the **Rev. Francis Blood**, principal of Father Lopez High School, and the **Rev. Sean Reed**.

■ Every Tuesday the Port Orange Recreation Department will present a senior citizens exercise program. It is

designed to meet the needs of those with limited mobility or those who just want to do light exercise. The class will be from 10 to 11 a.m. at the civic center, 3738 Halifax Drive. The program is free, but registration is required.

Other free classes Thursdays through Dec. 2 at the youth center, 4790 S. Ridgewood Ave., are: ceramics I from 1 to 3 p.m.; beginning line dancing from 5:30 to 7 p.m.; and advanced line dancing from 7 to 8:30 p.m.

A pottery class will be offered from 1 to 3 p.m. starting Oct. 24 at the civic center. The fee for the six-week course is \$20 with an additional \$2 for non-residents. Beginning bridge is available from 1 to 3 p.m. Thursdays

at the civic center. Fee is \$1 for materials.

■ The youth group at Our Lady of Hope Catholic Church will go bowling from 4 to 6 p.m. Sunday at LaPaloma Bowling Lanes. Cost is \$1.30 a game and includes shoe rental. Those who would like to join the group should call **Cathy Mojock** at (904) 788-3316.

■ Our Lady of Hope Catholic Church parishioners are reminded that canned goods are collected the second weekend of each month. Aluminum cans and newspapers may be left at the designated area in the church parking lot. Green stamps and Winn Dixie stamps also are needed. The canned goods are collected for the Halifax Urban Ministries.

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