Fashion show benefits church

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MANCHESTER — On Saturday, Mary-Jo and John Donovan opened up their Smith's Point oceanfront home to welcome 200 guests.

The occasion was a spectacular fund-raiser fashion show to benefit the Sacred Heart Church. Women's fashions were by August Max, while Johnny Appleseed provided the men's fashions.

Funds from the $15 per ticket event will go toward the rectory renovation fund. The Sacred Heart Church has upgraded its chimes and landscaping and has added new lights, as part of an ongoing renovation plan.

Blanche Lemay, Danie Connolly, Valerie Germaine and Heather Murray were coordinators of the event.

Mary-Jo Donovan was responsible for the tulip laden table settings and all the meticulous detail that marked the event. Donovan also modeled some of the fashions.

The 200 tickets for the event were sold immediately, and a waiting list had to be formed.

When asked how he felt about the tremendous support for his church, Father Harrington replied, "I love it!"