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CHANCERY OFFICE

LETTERS OF SUITABILITY

Please note that no priest or deacon may exercise ministry within the Diocese of Youngstown without being granted faculties/permission by the bishop. It is the obligation of the pastor of the parish where ministry or speaking engagement will occur (or other responsible person outside a parish setting) to insure that the visiting cleric has obtained a letter of suitability. Without such a letter, the Diocese, the parish or school and the pastor or president could become legally liable should any wrongdoing occur.

The visiting cleric himself should ask his bishop or religious superior to send a letter of suitability to Bishop Murry. Letters of suitability are to be sent from one bishop/superior to another, not directly to a parish, since it is the bishop who is responsible for determining a cleric's suitability for ministry.

If you have any questions, please contact Msgr. John Zuraw, Chancellor

CHILD PROTECTION POLICY

Requirements and Procedures for Employees and Volunteers

1. Authorization & Verification; Acknowledgement

All employees and volunteers must receive a copy of the Child Protection Policy and sign the Authorization & Verification Form (p. 35) and the Acknowledgement Form (p. 36).

The signed forms are to be kept on file at the location of service; the date signed is to be noted on the Compliance Checklist and sent to the Chancery. Do not send the signed forms to the Diocesan Office.

2. Fingerprinting and In-Service

Employees and volunteers who work with children, regardless of their level of contact with children, must be fingerprinted and participate in the VIRTUS in-service program.

If an employee or volunteer has attended a child protection in-service for another agency, employer, diocese, Scouts, etc., they must participate in the DOY in-service to be compliant.

Any Webcheck location may be used. Background reports are to be sent to the location of service, not to the Diocesan Office. Webcheck locations can be found at www.ohioattorneygeneral.gov.

3. In-Service Classes

Visit the [diocesan website](#) for a schedule of VIRTUS in-service classes.

4. Updating Information

Administrators must submit updates for employees and volunteers as they complete child protection compliance requirements (either on the Status Report or on a copy of a Compliance Checklist previously submitted); and must submit all information for new employees and volunteers on the Compliance Checklist. For the Compliance Checklist, email rsciubba@youngstowndiocese.org.

5. Reporting Child Abuse

If you or someone you know has been abused at any time by a priest, deacon, religious, employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Youngstown, contact civil authorities and also Delphine Casey, Victim Assistance Coordinator, 330-718-1388.

6. For More Information

For more information about the Diocese of Youngstown Child Protection Policy, contact Rev. Msgr. John A. Zuraw by mail: 144 W. Wood Street, Youngstown, OH 44503, phone: 330-744-8451 x292; fax: 330-744-5099; or e-mail: jzuraw@youngstowndiocese.org.

CATHOLIC TELEVISION NETWORK OF YOUNGSTOWN (CTNY)

1. Local Programming on the Ecumenical Television Channel:

Mondays at 10:30 a.m. and 8:00 p.m.

“75th Anniversary Spotlight” with host Fr. Jim Korda

Guests and Broadcast Date:

Sr. Jerome Corcoran, OSU, (Part I) on July 2
 Sr. Jerome Corcoran, OSU, (Part II) on July 9
 Msgr. Peter Polando on July 16
 Sr. Joyce Candidi, OSHJ, on July 23
 Sr. Regina Rogers, OSU, on July 30

2. Radio Programming Wineskins

Wineskins airs every Sunday at 7:30 a.m. on WKBN 570 AM in Youngstown, WSOM 600 AM in Salem at 10:00 a.m., WILB AM Canton 1060/WILB FM 89.5 Youngstown/WILB FM 94.5 Canton at 9:30 a.m. and 9:00 p.m. Listen to *Wineskins* on the diocesan website by going to the “News and Media” bar, then, click on “Wineskins Audio Library.”

The Current Issue Segment will feature: July 1: Fr. Jim Korda speaks with Sr. Joan Franklin, OP, Parish Administrator at St. Patrick Church in Leetonia; July 8: Dave Schmidt on Marriage and Family Life; July 15: Fr. Jim Korda speaks with George Garchar from Catholic Charities in Portage and Stark Counties; July 22: Fr. Jim Korda speaks with Anthony Kobak, Parish Leader at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church in Austintown; and, July 29: Fr. Jim Korda speaks with Pam Davies from Western Reserve Living Center in Trumbull County.

Marianne Yeager, from St. Christine Church in Youngstown, will tell us about the Saints celebrated this month: July 1: St. Thomas the Apostle; July 8: St. Kateri Tekakwitha; July 15: Our Lady of Mt. Carmel; July 22: Ss. Joachim and Ann; and, July 29: St. Ignatius of Loyola.

The Interview Segment will include: July 1: Fr. Jim Korda interviews Msgr. Peter Polando on the 75th Anniversary of the Diocese of Youngstown; July 8: Special on St. Columba Cathedral for the 75th Anniversary of the Diocese of Youngstown; July 15: Fr. Jim Korda interviews Msgr. Peter Polando; July 22: Fr. Jim Korda interviews Dr. Joy Schroeder from the First Friday Club; and, July 29: Fr. Jim Korda interview Connie Lennerman on Divorce Ministry, from St. Paul Church in North Canton.

This month’s Music Segment is from the CD “The St. Louis Jesuits 40th Anniversary Edition of Earthen Vessels,” which is available at ocp.org.

Fr. Zach Coulter, Associate Pastor of St. Christine Church in Youngstown, will give his reflections on the Sunday Scripture Readings: July 1: Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time; July 8: Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time; July 15: Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time; July 22: Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time; and, July 29: Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time.

3. Living Bread Radio broadcasts the series “Scripture 101” on Saturday’s at 12:30 p.m. and Sunday’s at 9:30 p.m. WILB broadcasts on AM 1060 in Canton, FM 94.5 in Canton, FM 89.5 in Boardman/Youngstown.
4. See the newest of CTNY Local Programming on the Internet by linking to doy.org and click “News and Media” bar, then click on “CTNY Gallery.” DVD copies of all local productions are available through CTNY for a nominal fee. Please contact us at CTNY at 330-533-2243.
5. The weekly *Mass for Shut-Ins* can be viewed by going to the Home Page of the diocesan website www.doy.org and clicking on Mass for Shut Ins, or to the “News and Media” bar and click on “Mass For Shut Ins.” CTNY also produces the weekly Sunday Mass for Shut Ins in Spanish which broadcasts on ETC-Ecumenical Television Channel on Sundays at 9:30 a.m.

6. For an ETC-Ecumenical Television Channel Schedule for summer/fall 2018, please contact CTNY at 330-533-2243, or visit www.doy.org and go to the “News and Media” bar and click on the ETC-TV schedule.
7. Like us on Facebook www.facebook.com/CTNYoungstown.

CANONICAL SERVICES

1. Diocese of Youngstown 31th Annual Pilgrimage

The Basilica and National Shrine of Our Lady of Consolation, Carey, Ohio
Day of Prayer for Vocations & Religious Life

Reverend Msgr. Michael Cariglio
Spiritual Director

Wednesday, August 1, 2018

Cost: \$30 per person

Departing from Our Lady of Mount Carmel Basilica, Youngstown at 6:00 A.M.

For more information call 330-744-8451 ext. 252
~ RESERVATIONS REQUIRED ~

2. Tribunal In-Service Available

The Tribunal staff has made available an ongoing, in-service for pastors, associates, deacons, religious, directors of religious education, religious education coordinators and counselors in order to prepare them in facilitating pleas for nullity for persons within the community whose marriages have broken down and who may be seeking a second union recognized by the Church.

The in-service focuses on preparation of case histories, compilation of documents, witnesses and determining of the appropriate grounds of nullity. Covered also are other types of nullity procedures.

Size of the in-service is in small groups of between 8-12 participants and generally runs approximately two hours. The in-service is offered at either the offices of the Tribunal of the Diocese of Youngstown or at a parish in the Canton area.

Interested parties, who have not already registered or who need a “refresher” should call the Tribunal at (330) 744-8451, ext. 252, to have their names placed on the registrant list. You would then be contacted when there are at least eight registrants for a particular location.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES SERVICES

1. Catholic Charities Regional Agency Hosts “Non-Event” to Benefit Christina House

Catholic Charities Regional Agency (CCRA) invites you to its Sixth Annual “Non-Event” to support Christina House, the agency’s domestic violence shelter located in Columbiana County.

Please see the flyer included with this issue of *Communiqué* for more details, or visit www.ccdoy.org.

2. First Step for Change

Catholic Charities’ annual First Step for Change campaign is an important fund raiser held during “Respect Life Month” (October). Parishes interested in participating will be provided with refillable plastic baby bottles for parish families to take home, fill with spare change, and return to church by October 31, 2018. Funds collected help to provide material assistance, such as food, formula, diapers, wipes, and a limited number of cribs and other larger items to low-income pregnant women and families served by Catholic Charities’ First Step programs across the diocese.

A parish participation form has been included with this issue of *Communiqué*. If your parish would like to join with others in supporting First Step for Change, please complete your parish participation form and return it to Nikole Kelley by email (nkelley@youngstowndiocese.org), or U. S. Mail (144 West Wood Street, Youngstown, Ohio 44503) by **September 7, 2018**.

3. Harriet’s Cupboard

Did you know that families who receive SNAP (food stamp) assistance cannot use their benefits to purchase taxable products, such as hand soap, body soap or deodorant?

Through “Harriet’s Cupboard,” Catholic Charities keeps a supply of essential hygiene and personal care products, as well as basic household cleaning products, for low-income families in need.

If you can sponsor, donate or help in any way to ensure those in need in our communities get these products they so urgently need, please contact the Catholic Charities agency nearest you or visit our website www.ccdoy.org.

4. Hunger Never Takes a Summer Vacation

Catholic Charities is running its Summer Hunger campaign to help feed children who are experiencing hunger here in our communities. Currently in our diocese, one in six children is experiencing hunger or is at risk for hunger. What can you do to help children get the food their growing bodies need during the summer months? PRAY. VOLUNTEER. DONATE. JOIN. Visit www.ccdoy.org and learn more about Catholic Charities’ Summer Hunger Campaign. A flyer regarding this important campaign is attached to this issue of the *Communiqué*.

5. Catholic Charities Corner

Don't forget to read, "Catholic Charities Corner." This section highlights each Catholic Charities Agency as a one page attachment to the *Communique*. We encourage you to use "Catholic Charities Corner" in your parish bulletins.

ANNUAL BISHOP'S APPEAL

1. 2018 Appeal Information

As of June 12, 2018 we have received commitments totaling \$3,835,290 (95.88%) towards our \$4 million dollar goal. These gifts came from 16,868 households. To date, we have received \$3,134,783 cash towards our annual goal. We would also like to recognize and welcome the 1,072 brand new supporters who have joined in our mission to serve those in need!

To see your individual parish results please visit www.ccdoy.org; scroll down to the Bishop's Appeal Logo; click "Learn More" and then scroll down again to find Parish Resources to view the **Parish Progress Summary Report**. This report is updated on a regular basis. Daily updates can also be viewed by accessing your Raiser's Edge account.

Please note: the Catholic Charities website is no longer under construction. Please visit our re-designed site and also check back often to see what's new.

2. Software Updates/Other

Although some parishes are now using other software for parish record-keeping, all parishes are still required to use **Raiser's Edge** to update their parishioner registration records on a regular basis for the Bishop's Appeal. Your cooperation is critical to the success of the Appeal. If you need more information on how to do so or if you are not able to do so, please contact Jennifer Lucarelli at 330-744-8451, ext. 316 or jlucarelli@youngstowndiocese.org.

Please remember to check your Parish####@youngstowndiocese.org email address for Appeal updates throughout the year. All Diocesan and Bishop's Appeal updates go through this email-address system.

*** If you are not currently accessing your Diocesan issued email account, please arrange to have it forwarded to an account that is accessed on a daily basis. To do this, please contact Matt Pecchia, ext. 268.**

On behalf of all those served through your support of the Annual Bishop's Appeal, thank you.

OFFICE OF SOCIAL ACTION

1. Creation Care Teams (CCT)

The Office of Social Action is working to develop “Creation Care Teams (CCT) within the Diocese of Youngstown. These Creation Care Teams (CCT) will enable the Catholic community to lead the charge to solve climate change. Whether it is a group from your parish, workplace or school your CCT will work to make a difference, create more sustainable facilities, and advocate for faith-informed climate policies. CCT will help transform your community and become, in Pope Francis’ words, “protectors of God’s gifts. How to create a CCT team can be found in the attachments. The steps are simple, for more information contact Adrienne Curry at 330/744-8451, ext. 327 or acurry@youngstowndiocese.org.

2. Save the Date

Laudato Si Conference (Saturday, September 29, 2018)

John Carroll University 9 am to 5 pm, hosted by the Diocese of Cleveland. The cost is \$25. CEU’s will be available.

3. Second National Prison Ministry Conference (October 12-13, 2018) “Bridges of Hope Archbishop Cousins Center 3501 South Lake Drive, Milwaukee, Wisconsin. Hosted by: Dismas Ministry, Catholic Mobilizing Network, National St. Vincent DePaul

4. Death Penalty Event (Sunday, October 28, 2018)

St. Michael Church- Canfield, 300 N. Broad Street, 12:30 pm

CLERGY AND RELIGIOUS SERVICES

OFFICE OF VOCATIONS

1. New Transitional Deacon

Congratulations to Simon Mino who was ordained to the diaconate on Saturday, June 2nd by the Most Reverend Martin J. Amos, Bishop Emeritus of Davenport, Iowa. Deacon Simon will serve at Our Lady of Sorrows for the summer and then return to Mt. St. Mary’s Seminary in Cincinnati to complete his last year of formation before priesthood ordination. Please keep Deacon Simon and all of our seminarians in your prayers.

2. Summer Assignments

Our diocesan seminarians have been assigned to the following parishes/programs for the summer months.

Brook Benedict	St. Patrick - Youngstown
Kevin Bertleff	St. Joseph – Massillon
Scott Brand	IPF – Creighton University – Omaha, NE
Bob England	Immaculate Conception – Ravenna
Ryan Furlong	Little Flower – Middlebranch
Garrett Guerrieri	Assumption – Geneva
Connor Hetzel	Spanish Immersion & St Brendan - Youngstown
Matthew Humerickhouse	St. Christine – Youngstown
Chad Johnson	IPF – Creighton University – Omaha, NE
Jerry Land	St. Joseph – Mantua
Simon Mino	Our Lady of Sorrows - Youngstown
John Rovnak	St. Thomas the Apostle – Vienna
Brian Smith	PCJ Hispanic Mission Trip – St. Peter – Canton
William Wainio	St. Michael - Canton
Matthew Zwilling	Our Lady of Peace - Ashtabula

3. Vocation Ministry

The Hundredfold Workshop for vocations on April 21st was a great success. I know that those who attended found the day very helpful to revive or begin vocation ministries in our parishes and schools. If you or someone from your parish or school was not able to be at the workshop and you want to increase your vocation presence in your community, please contact Fr. Chris Luoni and he can give you more information. He can be reached at 330-744-8451 or by email at: cluoni@youngstowndiocese.org.

4. Pastoral Internship Year

Next academic year (2018-2019), four seminarians who have completed 2nd year Theology will go on pastoral internship serving at four parishes in our diocese. They are assigned to the following parishes:

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| • Brook Benedict | Immaculate Conception, Ravenna | Fr. William Kraynak |
| • Scott Brand | St. Michael's, Canton | Fr. Don King |
| • Chad Johnson | St. Rose, Girard | Msgr. John Zuraw |
| • Brian Smith | St. Peter/St. John Basilica, Canton | Fr. John Sheridan |

5. YouTube Channel – Buckeye Vocations

The Vocation Directors from the six diocese of the state of Ohio have worked together to create a YouTube channel for vocations. The channel will feature different vocation events and short video clips about vocations from around the state. On YouTube go to Buckeye Vocations and search around to see what is available for your personal viewing or for your classroom setting.

6. Vocation Lessons

Please do not forget to make use of Vocation Lessons for your school, religious education or youth ministry program. It is a vocation curriculum that has lessons and instructions online that you can download and use in your classroom/meeting setting. It is FREE for your use and can be accessed as many times as you want throughout the year. If you do not already have a brochure that contains the access codes, please request one by contacting Fr. Christopher Luoni at the Vocations Office at 330-744-8451 or by email at cluoni@youngstowndiocese.org.

7. Vocation Intercessions and Bulletin Blurbs for July

Attached to the Communiqué are vocation intercessions and bulletin blurbs for the month of July. Please use these in your bulletins and at Mass to help promote vocations to the priesthood and religious life in your parish community and school.

OFFICE OF VOWED RELIGIOUS

1. A. Ministry Data Sheets

All Congregational and Ministry Data Sheets have been sent to Major Superiors. They are due back in this office by **August 3, 2018**. Feel free to call the Office of Religious if you have any questions, 330-744-8451, ext. 237.

If you know of Religious who are living, working, or **studying** in the diocese but not listed in the current edition of the Diocesan Directory, kindly ask them to contact this office.

2. Bishop/Religious Leadership Meeting

Please mark your calendars. Bishop George Murry, S.J. and/or his designated representative will meet with Congregational Leaders on Monday, September 24, 2018 at the Ursuline Motherhouse in Canfield from 9:30 A.M. to 1:00 P.M. Lunch will be served.

3. Retirement Fund for Religious

The annual Retirement Fund for Religious Appeal will take place on the weekend of November 17 – 18, 2018. The collection will be taken up the following weekend.

4. World Day for Consecrated Life

Please mark your calendars. The Diocese will celebrate World Day for Consecrated Life on Sunday, February 3, 2019 at St. Columba Cathedral at the 10:30 a.m. liturgy.

5. Religious Jubilee/Conference Day

Please mark your calendars. The Diocese will celebrate the jubilees of religious who have, or are currently serving in the diocese, on Saturday, March 30, 2019 at St. Patrick Parish in Hubbard.

6. Pastoral Visit

If Sister Joyce Candidi has not had an opportunity to visit with any religious within the last year, please feel free to schedule an appointment with her anytime during the 2018 – 2019 year. Sister Joyce is willing to travel to any residence. Contact information: sjcandidi@youngstowndiocese.org or (330) 744-8451.

DEVELOPMENT/STEWARDSHIP

1. **NOW** is the time to plan a **Life & Estate Seminar**. End of life issues and Estate Planning are discussed in a one-hour presentation. Reviews of our recent seminars have been “Outstanding.” The seminar is FREE! Call for information...330-744-8451 ext. 325.
2. Your parish, Catholic School or Catholic Agency can **Leave A Legacy** for the future by establishing an endowment fund in the **Diocese of Youngstown Foundation**. Call us about the revised policies for creating a perpetual gift...330-744-8451 ext. 325.
3. **Mark the Date...September 27, 2018...Diocesan Stewardship Day!** Presented by the Diocesan Stewardship Commission. Details forthcoming!
4. Stewardship Bulletin Inserts Attached

PASTORAL AND EDUCATIONAL SERVICES

OFFICE OF EVANGELIZATION

1. Weekend Mass Attendance Counts

Please continue to keep an accurate record of weekend Mass attendance and **submit the Mass attendance form monthly**. The completed forms can be faxed to (330) 742-6448, scanned and emailed to pschafer@youngstowndiocese.org, or sent via USPS. This data will be used for planning purposes in the near future and to track the impact of changes. If you need the general form for reporting Mass attendance each month moving forward, please contact Pete Schafer at (330) 744-8451 ext. 275 or pschafer@youngstowndiocese.org.

2. Parish Pastoral Council and Evangelization Team Formation - *Living as Missionary Disciples*

The Office of Evangelization and Pastoral Planning will be offering regional workshops in the fall for Parish Pastoral Councils and Evangelization Teams. The formation will include an overview of the USCCB Committee on Evangelization and Catechesis resource, *Living as Missionary Disciples: A Resource for Evangelization*. There will also be an opportunity to network with members of other parishes and share ideas. The date, time, and location of the gathering in each deanery will be shared with the parishes in July. *Living as Missionary Disciples* is available online through the USCCB website (usccb.org) by searching “Living as Missionary Disciples.”

Printed copies are available through the Office of Evangelization and Pastoral Planning at the reduced rate of \$6.50 per copy.

3. Parish Consultation and Formation available

The Office of Evangelization and Pastoral Planning is available to assist parishes with evangelization efforts, the pastoral planning process, parish pastoral council formation, and implementation of the Diocesan Pastoral Plan for Evangelization. Services offered include consultation, training sessions, and recommended resources. Call or email Pete Schafer to discuss how the Office of Evangelization can support your parish - (330) 744-8451 ext. 275 or pschafer@youngstowndiocese.org.

OFFICE OF LAY MINISTRY FORMATION

1. The Office of Lay Ministry Formation is continuing the tradition of forming disciples for lay ministry. This fall, there will once again be the Foundations in Ministry Program as well as new retreat and course opportunities. Locations and topics are still being finalized. If you have suggestions for locations, topics, or presenters, or if you would like to help, please contact the Office of Lay Ministry Formation today at (330) 744-8451 ext. 275 or pschafer@youngstowndiocese.org. **More information for Lay Ministry Formation Programs will be shared with the parishes in August.**

2. Foundations in Ministry – Mahoning or Stark County

Foundations in Ministry is a comprehensive theological, spiritual, and ministry formation program held from late September 2018 until early April 2019. Two locations will be available. This program is open to **anyone who is ready to go deeper in their faith journey and further discern God's will in their life.** The formation takes place in a setting of prayer and discussion among a community of learners. As one past participant said, **"it's a wonderful opportunity to learn about your faith and church in an environment that is as excited and passionate as you are!"** For more information, contact the Office of Lay Ministry Formation at (330) 744-8451 ext. 275 or pschafer@youngstowndiocese.org.

3. Pope Francis: A contemporary witness of faith – Ashtabula County

Since his election to the Papacy, Pope Francis has inspired millions of people through his actions and his words. **This three-week course in Ashtabula County beginning in October will explore Pope Francis's life and writings.** Through learning, prayer, and discussion, the course will help participants discern more fully how God is calling them to be missionary disciples like Pope Francis. For more information, contact the Office of Lay Ministry Formation at (330) 744-8451 ext. 275 or pschafer@youngstowndiocese.org.

4. Social Justice: The Church's guide to transforming the world – Mahoning/Trumbull County

Jesus taught that the greatest commandment is to love God and to love your neighbor as yourself. We are called to do this as individuals, communities, and societies. **By highlighting the lives of the saints throughout the history of the Church, this course will explore the themes of Catholic Social Teaching and help participants discern how they are called to live it out in their daily lives.** This five-week course in the Youngstown/Warren area will begin in October. For more information, contact the Office of Lay Ministry Formation at (330) 744-8451 ext. 275 or pschafer@youngstowndiocese.org.

OFFICE OF PRO-LIFE, MARRIAGE AND FAMILY LIFE

1. Natural Family Planning Awareness Week: July 22-28, 2018

July 22-28 is Natural Family Planning Awareness Week: a national education campaign of the US Conference of Catholic Bishops to celebrate God's design for married love and the gift of life and to raise awareness of Natural Family Planning (NFP) methods. The theme of this year's observance is "Generations of Love: *Humanae Vitae* (1968-2018) and marks the 50th year of Blessed Pope Paul VI's encyclical letter that articulates the Church's teaching about human sexuality, conjugal love and responsible parenthood. The dates of NFP Awareness Week highlight the anniversary of *Humanae Vitae* (July 25) and the feast of Saints Joachim and Anne (July 26), the parents of Mary, the Blessed Mother. Resources (e.g., the 2018 NFP Week poster, web banners, prayers, homily notes, bulletin inserts, etc.) and ideas for celebrating and promoting NFP Awareness Week can be found on the USCCB's NFP Program website: <http://www.usccb.org/nfp/awareness-week/index.cfm>. A bulletin announcement and poster is included with this Communique.

A Mini-Conference on *Humanae Vitae* and related teaching is being planned to take place on the eastern side of the diocese in November on a date and at a location yet to be determined. This event will be a reprise of "Love, Sexuality, Family & Culture: 50 Years Since *Humanae Vitae*" which took place this past April and was well attended. More details to come. For more information contact 330-744-8451 ext. 272 or dschmidt@youngstowndiocese.org.

2. Project Rachel Outreach – July Message for Bulletin/Newsletter:

Do you need freedom from the heartache of an abortion? God's mercy offers release from the bonds of regret. There is Hope and Healing available. For CONFIDENTIAL help contact *Project Rachel of N.E. Ohio* at 888-259-4806 or support@projrachneo.zohosupport.com.

3. Intercessions for Life and Pro-Life Bulletin Briefs

Recommended intercessions and bulletin briefs for July 2018, prepared by the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops Secretariat for Pro-Life Activities may be found at <http://www.usccb.org/about/pro-life-activities/word-of-life/index.cfm> and on the Office of Pro-Life, Marriage and Family Life page of www.doy.org.

4. Marriage Preparation Engaged Couple Retreat Day

The next diocesan-sponsored one-day marriage preparation retreat days for engaged couples will be held Saturdays, August 11 & September 15 at St. Columba Cathedral Hall, Youngstown. Reservations are required. To view the entire schedule for 2018, visit www.doy.org and click on the Office of Pro-Life, Marriage and Family Life tab under “Ministries.”

5. Regional Respect Life Meetings Scheduled

The Office of Pro-Life, Marriage and Family Life is scheduling regional meetings for members of parish respect life groups and individuals involved in any pro-life ministry. Three regional meetings will take place from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. on

- Thursday, August 23 at St. Paul Parish, North Canton (241 S. Main St.) in the North Room downstairs from the church.
- Wednesday, August 29 at Blessed Sacrament Parish, Warren (3020 Reeves Rd. NE) in Holy Family Hall.
- Thursday, August 30 at St. Charles Parish, Boardman (7345 Westview Dr) in the St. Luke Room.

For more information contact 330-744-8451 ext. 272 or dschmidt@youngstowndiocese.org.

6. Please Mark Your Calendar!

Men & Women United For Life, in conjunction with St. Christine Parish and the Office of Pro-Life, Marriage and Family Life, are proud to present Jason Evert on Wednesday, September 5, 2018 at 6:00 pm, At St. Christine Church, Youngstown (3165 S. Schenley Ave.). Jason Evert will present "Purified." "Purified" is an event for the entire family, ages 13 and up, which includes Jason's presentation for parents (Parenting for Purity), followed by his chastity talk for teens (Love or Lust?). After the presentations, a time of Eucharistic Adoration with music and prayer is offered, along with the Sacrament of Reconciliation and the distribution of free books and CDs for attendees. This format elevates a basic seminar into an encounter with God, through a life-changing mini-retreat for the family.

Jason and his wife, Crystalina, have spoken about the virtue of chastity on six continents to more than one million people, including World Youth Days in Sydney, Madrid, and Kraków. They are the authors of more than ten books, including How to Find Your Soulmate without Losing Your Soul and Theology of the Body for Teens. In addition they have received endorsements from Cardinal Sean O'Malley of Boston and the late Cardinal Francis George of Chicago.

Also, Men & Women United For Life will be holding their 3rd Annual Run for Life – 5k Fun Run and 1 Mile Walk – on Saturday, September 30, 2017 at 9:00 a.m. at Canfield Fairgrounds, 7265 Columbiana-Canfield Rd., Canfield. Proceeds underwrite the programs offered by Men & Women United for Life.

7. Please Mark Your Calendar for the 2018 Faith & Family Festival!

Plans are already underway for the Ninth Annual Faith & Family Festival to take place on Sunday, September 23, on the campus of Walsh University, beginning at 11:00 a.m. with Mass planned with Bishop Murry. This year's event will focus on the 75th Anniversary of the Diocese of Youngstown and will feature local and nationally known musical acts including Matt Schafer, Conjunto Riquena, Felicia Landry and Remedy Drive. In addition there will be kids' and youth activities, vendors and affordable food by Café Augustine. The event has been moved onto the campus of Walsh University to include students and their families. Watch for more details. See bulletin announcement included with this Communique. For more information contact dschmidt@youngstowndiocese.org or 330-744-8451 ext. 272.

8. Save the Date – Death Penalty Program

The Office of Pro-Life, Marriage and Family Life and the Office of Social Action are planning a program to address the Death Penalty on Sunday, October 28, 2018 12:30 p.m. at St. Michael Parish Hall, Canfield (300 N. Broad St.). Watch for more details.

OFFICE OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

1. Confirmation Retreats 2018-2019

The Office of Youth and Young Adult Ministry and The Office of Religious Education in collaboration with the 75th Anniversary Committee have developed a facilitator packet for Confirmation Retreats to be implemented in all parishes for Ministry Year 2018-2019, and beyond. The Retreat materials were distributed with a walk through at sessions held for confirmation contacts on June 5 and 6, 2018. Persons responsible for Confirmation preparation and unable to participate at one of these sessions are encouraged to contact Cindee Case or Barbara Walko. One complete Retreat guide has been prepared for each parish.

2. Save The Date: August Day of Prayer and Preparation

The Office of Youth and Young Adult Ministry and The Office of Religious Education have announced the Annual Day of Prayer and Preparation for the new Ministry Year will be held on Tuesday, August 28, 2018. All persons engaged in catechetical and other pastoral ministry leadership will receive an invitation soon. Please mark your calendar!

3. Graduate Degrees or Certificates in Ministry through LIMEX/LIMFlex

Last call to register for the new Fall 2018 local learning group to earn your Masters Degree or Certificate in Religious Education or Pastoral Studies from Loyola University New Orleans! This small group format will offer you a good foundation in theology, a practical introduction to real-life ministry, and a supportive community for your ministry journey. Call Carla Hlavac now at 330 744-8451, ext. 296 or email chlavac@youngstowndiocese.org for more information. Scholarship funds are available.

4. Lay Ecclesial Ministry

Persons seeking employment opportunities and information regarding qualifications to serve as Parish Directors and Coordinators of Religious Education, and Pastoral Ministry are encouraged to contact Barbara Walko, Office of Religious Education, to learn areas of preparation, qualifications, and positions available.

5. New Parish Ministers

Pastors seeking new or additional staff persons in the area of catechesis and other pastoral ministries are encouraged to contact Barbara Walko for assistance in creation of position description, interviewing suitable applicants, and compensation recommendations.

6. Upcoming Adult Faith Formation opportunities for catechists, teachers, and all lifelong learners:

These online learning centers have summer offerings. Contact the Office of Religious Education for information about catechist certification hours for these and other courses, webinars, and other online catechist formation opportunities:

STM Crossroads (Boston College School of Theology and Ministry) These courses begin July 25. Register at <https://www.bc.edu/schools/stm/crossroads/courses/>

- Adult Faith Formation for a Vibrant Church (5-WEEK COURSE)
- Church: A Spirit-led Community of Hope (3-WEEK COURSE)
- Teaching Religion to Adolescents (5-WEEK COURSE)

VLCFF (Virtual Learning Community for Faith Formation) from the University of Dayton has registration open until July 11 for these courses running July 15-August 18:

- Autism in Faith Formation (SN 4)
- Bereavement Ministry: A Christian Perspective
- Bible Basics
- Catholic Beliefs
- Catholic Identity and Culture
- Christology
- Church History 2
- Communication and Community
- Conscience
- Disabilities in Parish Life: An Overview (SN 1)
- Ecclesiology: Reframing Church
- Faith and Human Development
- Images of Jesus
- Introduction to Catechesis
- Introduction to Liturgy
- Introduction to Practical Morality
- Introduction to Prayer

- Introduction to Scripture
- Introduction to the Sacraments of Initiation
- Marianist Studies: Community
- New Testament
- Old Testament
- On Bended Knee
- Parish as a Learning Community (AFL 2)
- RCIA
- Relational Ministry with Youth
- Sacraments
- Scripture and Justice
- Survey of Catholic Doctrine
- Theological Reflection: Key to Connecting Faith and Life
- Vocation, Spirituality and Discipleship of Catechists

7. Adult Faith Formation Opportunities

First Friday Club of Greater Youngstown
 The Georgetown
 11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
<http://www.firstfridayclubofgreateryoungstown.org>
 For reservations: 330 758 – 0811

Thursday, July 12, 2018
 Sheila E. McGinn Ph.D.
 Theology Department Chair John
 Carroll University
 “Science and Religion”

OFFICE OF WORSHIP

1. Liturgical Resources for 2019

The Office of Worship will offer the following 2019 Liturgical Resources for order and purchase: 2019 Sourcebook for Sundays, Seasons and Weekdays; 2019 Workbook for Lectors and Gospel Readers; At Home with the Word; 2019 Daily Prayer; 2019 Liturgical Calendars and 2019 Visiting the Sick and Homebound. These resources will be available at a discounted price and includes free shipping and handling through the Office of Worship. Information and order forms will be mailed in July.

2. Leader of Prayer Formation Series

Over the past twenty years, more than 300 men and women from over 70 parishes in the diocese have been commissioned as Lay Leaders of Prayer. In many of these parishes, the Leaders of Prayer have been of great assistance when a priest is not available for Liturgy of the Word, Morning and Evening Prayer, Vigil Services for deceased members of the parish, and Stations of the Cross.

A new Leader of Prayer formation class will be offered on Wednesday evening’s beginning in September at Our Lady of the Lake Parish – Saint James, North Jackson. Registration forms will be mailed in July to all parishes for potential candidates. Participants must be recommended by their pastor.

3. Annual RCIA Team Gatherings

The Christian Initiation Committee of the Diocesan Liturgical Commission will sponsor the Annual RCIA Team Gatherings in August at three locations from 6:15 – 8:30 p.m.

- Thursday, August 16 ~ Holy Spirit Parish, Uniontown
- Tuesday, August 21 ~ St. William Parish, Champion
- Wednesday, August 22 ~ St. Michael Parish, Canfield

This event is for all RCIA Team Members. The topic will be “*A Full House: Dealing a Meaningful RCIA.*” Registration forms will be mailed in July.

4. University of Notre Dame – 2018 Liturgy Symposium

The McGrath Institute for Church Life – Center for Liturgy will host a liturgy symposium entitled “*Liturgical Music for the Liturgical Year*” July 16-20, 2018. The symposium will consider ways that music enriches the Eucharistic celebration throughout the Church’s liturgical seasons and feasts. Liturgical ministers, leaders, teachers and musicians are invited to experience a 5-day symposium on the beautiful Notre Dame campus. For more information and to receive updates visit: www.bit.ly/summerliturgy18.

5. Displaying of Flags in Catholic Churches (*from the USCCB website*)

There are no specific regulations governing the display of flags in Roman Catholic Churches. Neither the Code of Canon Law, nor liturgical books of the Roman rite comment on this practice. As a result, the question of whether and how to display the American flag in church is left to the judgment of the diocesan bishop, who in turn often delegates this to the discretion of the pastor. The Bishop’s Committee on Divine Worship encourages that the American flag not be placed within the sanctuary itself, in order to reserve that space for the altar, ambo, presidential chair and tabernacle. Instead, the suggestion is made that the American flag be placed outside the sanctuary, or in the vestibule along with a book of prayer requests

6. Liturgical Calendar Advisory

December 8 – Feast of the Immaculate Conception: The Feast of the Immaculate Conception, December 8, 2018, is on Saturday this coming year. It remains a holy day of obligation even though it is on Saturday. Mass for the holy day may be scheduled on Friday night and Saturday morning. The anticipated Mass on Saturday evening is for Second Sunday of Advent and **does not** fulfill the holy day obligation. There is an obligation to participate at Mass for both the Feast of the Immaculate Conception and for the Second Sunday of Advent. Should a wedding be scheduled on December 8, 2018, the ritual Mass for Matrimony may not be used. The Mass prayers and readings of the day must be used without change.

7. The Light Is On For You ~ An Evening of Reconciliation

“The Light is On for You” ~ An Evening of Reconciliation” will be held on Wednesday, March 20, 2019. All parishes are asked to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation **either** individually from 6:30 – 8:00 p.m. **or** by scheduling your Lenten Communal Reconciliation Service with neighboring parishes on this day. This event will coincide with a similar evening for the Cleveland diocese.

OFFICE OF YOUTH AND YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

1. NCCYM (National Conference on Catholic Youth Ministry) in Tampa this December –
Registration now open

Visit <https://www.nccym.info/> for information and registration portal for the December 5 – 8 conference for those in parish, campus and other Catholic ministries with young people in middle school, high school, college and young adult years. General Session speakers include:

Fr. Alejandro López-Cardinale, Bishop Frank Caggiano, Sr. Josephine Garrett, Julianne Stanz,
Fr. João Chagas and a panel of U.S. Bishops

2. FREE Monthly Webinars for Youth Ministry Leaders

Summer is a great time to get in some continuing education as you lounge by the pool or in a hammock! As a diocesan member of the National Federation for Catholic Youth Ministry (NFCYM), you are all invited to participate in free monthly webinars on various topics of concern.

Upcoming topics include:

Well Played: Games That Do More!

July 10 at 2:00 PM EDT

Presenter: Tony Vasinda

Three Focused and Effective Pastoral Care Strategies for Youth Struggling with Bullying, Depression, and LGBTQ Issues

August 21 at 2:00 PM EDT

Presenter: Dr. Tim Hogan; Moderator: Cindee Case

Is Your Parish Ready to Grow Young?

September 18 at 2:00 PM EDT

Presenter: Leisa Anslinger

Find out more and register (for free) at: <http://www.nfcym.org/webinars/>

3. Diocese of Youngstown 75th Anniversary Regional Youth Masses

Teens of the diocese are invited to gather in prayer for Mass and a reception at the following:

Ashtabula, Columbiana, Mahoning and Trumbull County Parishes/Schools:

Sunday, August 26 for 5:30 p.m. Mass at St. Rose in Girard

Portage and Stark Counties:

Sunday, September 30 for 6:30 p.m. Mass at Christ the Servant in Canton

Fliers are available for each Mass at: <https://youngstownoyyam.weebly.com/recently-shared-fliers.html>

4. CULTIVATING A CULTURE OF ENCOUNTER FOR ADOLESCENTS THROUGH EVANGELIZATION, CATECHESIS AND the FAITH COMMUNITY

October 1 – 28: 2A :Fundamentals of Evangelization and Catechesis with Adolescents

November 5 – 25: 2B: Forming a Consequential Faith in Adolescents

This is a great Youth Ministry Online Training (YMOT) for all catechists and volunteers in middle school and high school, perhaps even for parents who wonder what they could be doing to support their teens faith development!

Still only \$40 per class which includes a book and all online materials.

The insights from fellow students really add to the articles you read and inspire ideas to use at the local level. Come be part of the conversation! This class meets the requirements for the Religious Education area of Adolescent Catechesis. Download the flier and registration form from:

<https://youngstownoyyam.weebly.com/ymot--youth-ministry-online-training.html>

5. 2018 Diocesan Youth Convention on Sunday, November 4th

As part of the 75th Anniversary year, we will have Jesse Manibusan lead our diocesan youth gathering on **Sunday, November 4** at St. Michael the Archangel Parish in Canton.

Parishes and schools will receive further details in the fall with registration, but for now, be sure to reserve this date for your high school youth ministry program as you will want your high school aged teens to be part of this celebration!

6. Continue to help young adults connect with peers

As you encounter young adults (post high school teens in through their 30s), help connect them to programs around the diocese by sharing our office webpage:

<https://youngstownoyyam.weebly.com/young-adults-20s30s.html>

and the Facebook group:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/37418797880/>

MISCELLANEOUS

USCCB ADVISORY

The Diocese of Rockville Centre has advised the Conference of its concerns regarding Fr. Charles Omotu, a priest of the Diocese of Aba, Nigeria, who had been temporary serving in the Diocese of Rockville Centre since 2005. As a result of what the Diocese describes as “immoral misconduct” the Diocese has suspended Fr. Omotu’s faculties, has instructed him to return to the Diocese of Aba, and has notified his diocesan superiors. However, the Diocese relates that Fr. Omotu has not complied with the instructions he has been given, and has refused to return to his own diocese. The Diocese of Rockville Centre asks that if Fr. Omotu presents himself as a priest to any U.S. diocese or Church entity, that the Office of the Bishop of Rockville Centre be contacted, at (516) 678-5800.

LAUDARE -- TO PRAISE, TO BLESS, TO PREACH

A Summer Event for Raising Middle School & High School Students. Saturday, July 21, 2018. Led by the Dominican Friars at St. Dominic Parish 77 E. Lucius Avenue, Youngstown, OH 44507. For more information call Jacqueline Conigliaro at 330-783-1900 x247. Please see flyer in this month’s attachments.

ST. JOSEPH 55TH OX ROAST FAIR

Plan to attend the largest, three-day fair in Northern Portage County where you’ll enjoy delicious food and find family fun for all ages. St. Joseph’s Ox Roast Fair in Mantua begins on Friday, July 20th, at 6:00 to 11:30 p.m., Saturday, July 21st, from 1:00 to 11:30 p.m., and Sunday, July 22nd, from Noon to 10:00 p.m. The 55th Ox Roast Fair has plenty of fun to keep the whole family entertained including: a wide variety of Fair food favorites; live entertainment in three locations; Friday night fireworks; Saturday morning 5K Run/Walk & 1M Fun Walk; Sunday Blessing of the Bikes, air-conditioned dining hall; an assortment of rides, games, contests & giveaways; over \$20,000.00 in main raffle prizes & hourly progressive drawings each day plus several specialty raffles, souvenir T-shirts & mugs; tractor, truck & semi pulls; trade booths; Ox Idol Karaoke Contest; indoor casino with instant bingo; security; handicap accessibility; clean grounds and much, much more! The Parish Community of St. Joseph’s at 11045 St. Joseph Blvd. is located in Mantua Twp. off Pioneer Trail approximately 1/4 mi. west of St. Rt. 44, south of St. Rt. 82, just north of Mantua Village (accessible from U.S. Rt. 422 just 7 miles north or Ohio Turnpike Exit 193 just 2 miles south). ***You won’t want to miss St. Joseph’s Ox Roast Fair ~ Not Your Typical Church Festival!*** For more information, please check out St. Joseph’s website www.stjosephmantua.com, find us on Facebook (St. Joseph’s Ox Roast Fair), or phone the parish office at 330-274-2253. Please see flyer in this month’s attachments.

PARISH FESTIVALS

The list of parish festivals (submitted as of the *Communiqué* publication date) is included in the attachments of this issue.

IN MEMORIAM

	<u>July</u>
<i>Rev. Joseph Palermo</i>	3/79
<i>Rev. Michael Coan</i>	4/46
<i>Rev. Paul J. Sikora</i>	5/44
<i>Rev. William E. Martin</i>	6/66
<i>Deacon John F. Carney</i>	7/17
<i>Rev. Walter P. Alger, OP</i>	9/84
<i>Rev. Edward Goodwin</i>	10/47
<i>Rev. Aloysius J. Rzendarski</i>	10/78
<i>Rev. Sylvan Laszlo, OFM</i>	10/87
<i>Rev. Ignatius J. Piotrowski</i>	15/57
<i>Rev. Joseph Petsche</i>	18/44
<i>Rev. Adolph J. Bernas</i>	19/79
<i>Rev. Regis Heuschkel, O.P.</i>	19/17
<i>Deacon Felipe Colon</i>	20/05
<i>Rev. Joseph C. Pino, OP</i>	21/58
<i>Rev. Anthony M. Bachowski</i>	21/87
<i>Rt. Rev. Msgr. Joseph Galganski</i>	22/92
<i>Rev. Sylvester Hartman, CPPS</i>	23/53
<i>Rev. Henry R. Lileas</i>	23/84
<i>Rev. Kevin L. Fete</i>	23/06
<i>Rev. Anthony T. Chenevey</i>	23/13
<i>Rev. Andrew A. Crehan</i>	24/64
<i>Rev. Msgr. Lawrence C. Fye</i>	25/09
<i>Rev. Sylvester Kaminski</i>	26/03
<i>Rt. Rev. Msgr. William Murphy</i>	26/67
<i>Rev. Allen M. Simpson</i>	28/68
<i>Rev. Clement Stopka, OCD</i>	28/80
<i>Rev. Lawrence Biro, OFM</i>	29/46
<i>Rev. William D. Moriarty, OP</i>	29/90
<i>Rev. Otto Brachman, CPPS</i>	30/64
<i>Rev. John F. Behan, OP</i>	30/52
<i>Rev. Fred C. Nachtigal</i>	30/05
<i>Rev. Francis A. Fox, OP</i>	31/54