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CHANCERY OFFICE

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

World Mission Sunday will be observed **October 19-20, 2019**. For more bulletin content information please visit www.propfaith.net. This annual collection supports Pontifical Missions Society, Catholic Home Missions and the Black and Indian Missions. Please see flyer included in this month's *Communique* attachments for more information.

CONFIRMATION

Sunday, October 13 3:00 p.m. St. Joseph, Alliance, Regina Coeli, Alliance,
St. Joseph, Maximo, St. Ann, Sebring
@ St. Joseph, Alliance

MINISTRY DAY 2019

“Embracing Our Call: A Journey We Share in Hope”
Saturday, October 19, 2019
9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
St. Thomas Aquinas High School, Louisville

Nancy Bird, Director of Training and Professional Development for RCL Benziger will present the Keynote address entitled “Embracing Our Call: A Journey We Share in Hope.” The Keynote Address will center on the reality that in today’s world of chronic busyness and chaotic negativity, it is often hard to recognize the sacredness in everyday living. How do we honestly address the challenges and roadblocks of our culture, our church, and our own circumstances while being faithful to the Gospel? How do we navigate the journey, and its multiple twists and turns, with the confidence that our compass has been properly regulated? How do we collectively and personally steady the course and be at the service of God’s holy people? Embrace your own call to holiness, and invite others to recognize theirs!

Over sixty breakout sessions on a variety of ministry topics will inspire participants for “Embracing Our Call.” To register on-line or view the brochure, please visit www.doy.org.

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 dcolucy@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 Mr. Dominic Colucy by mail: 144 W. Wood Street, Youngstown, OH 44503, phone: 330-744-8451 x293; fax: 330-744-5099; or e-mail: dcolucy@youngstowndiocese.org.

CATHOLIC TELEVISION NETWORK OF YOUNGSTOWN (CTNY)

1. Local Programming on the Ecumenical Television Channel:

Live stream ETC-Ecumenical Television Channel at doy.org/Media/ETC-TV Live Stream.

Spotlight with Fr. Jim Korda – 10:30 a.m. & 8:00 p.m. on Mondays:

October 7: Pastoral Planning with Msgr. John Zuraw and Dr. Pete Schafer

October 14: Clergy Sexual Abuse, Part I

October 21: Clergy Sexual Abuse, Part II

October 28: Clergy Sexual Abuse with guest Bob Elder

2. Radio Programming Wineskins

Wineskins airs every Sunday at 7:30 a.m. on WKBN 570 AM in Youngstown, WRQX 600 AM in Salem at 7:30 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: October 6: Dave Schmidt on Family Life; October 13: Fr. Jim Korda speaks with Fr. Joe Witmer on Ecumenism; October 20: Fr. Jim Korda speaks with Katie Moran and Deacon Mark Izzo on the Rosary and Pilgrimages; and, October 27: Fr. Jim Korda speaks with Fr. Dan Finnerty on Vocations.

Brother Al Milella, SSP, from the Society of St. Paul in Canfield, will tell us about the Saints celebrated this month: October 6: St. Pope John XXIII; October 13: St. Teresa of Avila; October 20: St. Pope John Paul II; and, October 27: Feast of All Saints.

The Interview Segment will include: October 6: Fr. Jim Korda speaks with Dr. Pete Schafer on Pastoral Planning, Part Two; October 13: Fr. Jim Korda speaks with Msgr. John Zuraw and Dr. Pete Schafer on Pastoral Planning, Part Three; October 20: Fr. Jim Korda speaks with Bishop Murry on Promise to Protect, Pledge to Heal, Part One; and, October 27: Fr. Jim Korda speaks with Msgr. John Zuraw on Promise to Protect, Pledge to Heal, Part One.

This month’s Music Segment is from the CD “O Merciful Father” by the Kellenberg Memorial High School Choir.

Fr. Jim Korda, President of CTNY, will give his reflections on the Sunday Scripture Readings: October 6: Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time; October 13: Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time; October 20: Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time; and, October 27: Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time.

3. 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.

4. For an ETC-Ecumenical Television Channel Schedule for fall/winter 2019, 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.
5. Like us on Facebook www.facebook.com/CTNYoungstown.

CANONICAL SERVICES

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. First Step for Change 2019 – Kicks off the “change” campaign at a parish near you

Catholic Charities’ annual First Step for Change campaign is an important fund raiser held during “Respect Life Month” (October). Parishes participating have been provided with baby bottle bags or collection envelopes. Parish families are encouraged to participate by filling the bag or making a donation, and returning this to church by October 31. 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. Please pray for a successful campaign!

If you have any questions or need more information about this program, please contact Nikole Baringer by email (nbaringer@youngstowndiocese.org), or phone at 330-744-8451.

Additional information is available on our website at www.ccdoy.org.

2. First Step to Service

First Step to Service, a diocesan-wide service learning opportunity for Catholic school students, sponsored by Catholic Charities kicks off in October - the month designated by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops as “Respect Life Month.”

This opportunity provides teachers with materials to use anytime during the month of October to help students understand what it means to respect life and what Catholic Charities does in the community to affirm life. Participants are also encouraged to participate in First Step for Change campaign for their school or group by using a baby bottle or baby bottle bag to fill with change and return it to our office by October 31. The school or organization that raises the most money will win a prize.

All funds raised support Catholic Charities’ First Step Programs which provide food, clothing, diapers and other “baby essentials” to the low-income pregnant women and families served by our Catholic Charities agencies across the diocese.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Nikole Baringer by phone 330-744-8451, ext. 323 or email nbaringer@youngstowndiocese.org.

Thank you for helping our Catholic students learn the value and importance of respecting life through service to the less fortunate in our communities.

3. Catholic Charities Fall Coloring Contest

All entries for the Catholic Charities Fall Coloring Contest are due by Friday, November 8, 2019. Entries must be signed by a teacher, parent or guardian in order to qualify for the random prize drawing. Mail completed entries to Catholic Charities, Attn.: Fall Coloring Contest, 144 West Wood St., Youngstown, OH 44503.

The coloring page is included with this publication. For more information or to download a copy of the form, please visit www.ccdoy.org or contact Nikole Baringer at 330-744-8451, ext. 323.

Contest is open to all ages.

4. Catholic Charities Serving Portage and Stark Counties announces the Stark County Annual Men Who Cook Event, “Giving Thanks with Men Who Cook.”

The event will take place on Saturday, November 9, 2019 from 6:00pm – 9:00pm at the Barrette Center at Walsh University. For additional information or if you are interested in volunteering, donating basket raffle items, or sponsoring this event, please call 330-491-0896 (M-F, 10:00 AM – 4:30 PM) or email Angela at Angela.Ayotte@CatholicCharitiesPS.org.

All proceeds from this fundraising event support Catholic Charities’ Stark County programing: Emergency Assistance, First Step, and Adult Day Services.

5. The Purple Door Breakfast

October is domestic violence awareness month. Christina House, a program of Catholic Charities Regional Agency will sponsor “Behind the Mask,” a breakfast to help bring awareness of domestic violence in our communities and the affects it has on victims and the children involved.

This event will take place on Thursday, October 3, 2019 beginning at 8:30 a.m. at St. George Social Hall in Lisbon, Ohio. This event is free and open to the public. For more information or to reserve your seat, call 330-420-0845.

OFFICE FOR SOCIAL CONCERNS

1. Hurricane Dorian

The Bahamas is reeling from the catastrophic Category 5 Hurricane Dorian, which struck and hovered over its northern islands from September 1-3, 2019, with winds between 185 mph and 220 mph, causing massive devastation. Catholic Relief Services is working with local partners to assess immediate needs, which are extensive on the devastated northern islands of Abaco and Grand Bahama.

CRS and Caritas teams are pursuing options for urgent relief efforts through the functioning markets of Grand Bahama, and use of cash assistance for quick, efficient and dignified relief. Join us in prayer for our brothers and sisters who have been affected by Hurricane Dorian, and consider donating to provide emergency food, water and shelter to people who need it most. Your help brings relief.

2. Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD) – Grants Available

CCHD is the domestic and anti-poverty program of the bishops of the United States. CCHD works to break the cycle of poverty by helping low-income people participate in decisions that affect their lives, families and communities. CCHD offers a hand up, not a hand out.

CCHD was created with two goals in mind: to raise money to support self-help projects that address the causes of poverty; and to educate the Catholic community and the general public about poverty, its causes, effects and the rationale for the Church’s involvement in working for justice.

CCHD funded programs enable all people to work together for long-range solutions to poverty in the area of social and economic development, housing, health, education and communications.

If you feel your organization may qualify for a CCHD funded grant, [CLICK HERE](#) to access a pre-application (you will have to choose Economic Development or Community Development). If you have questions, contact Nikole Baringer at 330-744-8451, ext. 323 or email nbaringer@youngstowndiocese.org.

CLERGY AND RELIGIOUS SERVICES

OFFICE OF VOCATIONS

1. New Seminarians

We are pleased to welcome three new men to our diocesan seminary program. They enter at different stages of formation:

John Harwood	Second College	Borromeo Seminary
Francisco Ogbonna	Pastoral Internship	St. Mary Seminary
Dr. Michael Silveus, DDS	First Theology	John XXIII Seminary

They join our 17 returning men who continue in their formation process. Please keep our new and returning seminarians in your prayers

2. Pastoral Internship Year

In the new academic year (2019-2020), two of our seminarians will be on pastoral internship.

Connor Hetzel	Christ Our Savior, Struthers	Fr. Martin Celuch
Francisco Ogbonna	Our Lady of Peace, Ashtabula	Fr. Ray Thomas

They will serve at their parishes and in other capacities throughout our diocese.

3. Priesthood Sunday

Priesthood Sunday, which used to be celebrated the last Sunday of October, has been moved to the last Sunday of September. This year, Priesthood Sunday will be celebrated on September 29th. This is a special weekend to celebrate the priests in our parishes and to recognize the work they undertake. Information on celebrating this day has been sent to all parishes.

4. Come and See Weekends

Come and See weekends allow young men the opportunity to experience what seminary life is like. During these weekends participants have the opportunity to attend classes with seminarians, experience the prayer life, participate in community recreation, and learn how to find their vocation. Following is the Come and See weekend for the fall semester

St. Mary Seminary – Cleveland
- December 6-8, 2019

The weekend is open to men 17 to 44 years of age. Register at clepriesthood.org - go to the Discernment and Discovery tab.

If you know of a man who may be interested, please encourage him to register for a weekend.

5. Vocation Awareness Week

Vocation Awareness Week for this year will be celebrated from Sunday, November 3rd through Saturday, November 9th. Consider now how you may celebrate this week in your community. This is a great time to teach vocations in the school and religious education setting. Go to vocationlessons.com for lesson plans. During this week, Eucharistic Adoration for vocations will be prayed throughout the state. For specific parishes and times in our diocese, look for the flier in your parish. Resources will be sent to the priests at each parish to help celebrate the week.

6. Seminary Field Trips

As a new academic year begins, please remember that our diocese has an established relationship with St. Mary Seminary in Cleveland. Because of its close proximity to our diocese, consider taking a day for young men and women to have a field trip to St. Mary's. Children from 6th thru 12th grades can find out firsthand what life is like in a seminary. Depending on when your tour is arranged, we hope to have a Youngstown seminarian guide the tour. This is a great opportunity for kids in our Catholic schools, CCD programs and youth ministry programs. The Vocation office may be able to help with transportation costs. For more information or to schedule a tour, please call the Vocation Office at 330-744-8451.

7. Help Needed

In an effort to keep a current roster of men and women from our diocese who are studying for a religious order (inside or outside of the diocese), your help is needed. If you know of someone in this situation please email their name, order they are studying for and local contact information. We are hopeful to start a poster similar to our seminarian poster that shows all the men and women from our diocese who are studying for a religious order. To do so, we will need a current photo of each discerner for the poster. If you have this information, please email Fr. Chris Luoni at cluoni@youngstowndiocese.org

8. 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.

9. Vocation Intercessions and Bulletin Blurbs for October

Attached to the Communiqué are vocation intercessions and bulletin blurbs for the month of October. 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.

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. **In-pew offertory envelopes** - Enhance your evangelization and stewardship efforts with custom in-pew offertory envelopes for visitors. Call Luke Politsky...330-744-8451 ext. 298
3. 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
4. Stewardship Bulletin Inserts Attached

PASTORAL AND EDUCATIONAL SERVICES

OFFICE OF EVANGELIZATION

1. October Weekend Mass Attendance

The Office of Evangelization and Pastoral Planning has mailed information to all parishes about the October Mass attendance counts, including a form to record the information. All parishes should record attendance at all weekend Masses (Saturday Vigil and Sunday Masses) each of the four weekends in October (October 5th/6th through October 26th/27th). The forms are due to the Office of Evangelization and Pastoral Planning by **Friday, November 8th**, via USPS, email, or fax. Contact the Office of Evangelization with any questions at (330) 744-8451 ext. 275.

2. Information on the Plan for Pastoral Regions Plan available

Full details of the Plan for Pastoral Regions, including statistical information, all the letters of Bishop Murry, details for each region and a map of the regions, are on the diocesan website, www.doy.org. Click on the Pastoral Planning Process banner or go directly to <https://doy.org/pastoral-planning-process/>. An episode of Spotlight on Pastoral Planning is also available to view. DVD copies of that episode for parish use can be obtained by contacting CTNY. Further information will be posted as it becomes available.

3. ChristLife Conference in Latrobe, PA – October 11th and 12th

ChristLife is a Christ-centered, relational process to evangelize and form missionary disciples through a three-part evangelization process: Discovering Christ, Following Christ, and Sharing Christ. There will be an introductory and training conference about the ChristLife Evangelization Process and how to run it in a parish setting at St. Vincent Basilica Parish in Latrobe, PA, on Friday and Saturday, October 11th and 12th. For more information, contact the Office of Evangelization or visit the St. Vincent Basilica Parish website: <http://basilicaparishstv.org/christlife-regional-conference/>

4. Parish Pastoral Council and Evangelization Team Formation at Ministry Day 2019

Ministry Day 2019 will be on Saturday, October 19th from 9:00 A.M. until 3:00 P.M. at St. Thomas Aquinas High School and Middle School in Louisville. In addition to an inspiring keynote presentation, prayer, and fellowship with over 500 people from all over the diocese, there will be breakout sessions for Parish Pastoral Council members and Evangelization teams. Please consider inviting your Parish Pastoral Council or Evangelization team!

5. Formation for Evangelization and Missionary Discipleship presented at parishes upon request

The Office of Evangelization and Pastoral Planning has conducted several regional workshops recently that can be adapted for individual parish groups. **“Missionary Discipleship in Parish Ministry”** helps parishioners active in ministry to understand the call to evangelization and to think of their ministry in terms of missionary discipleship. **“Preparing and Practicing My Faith Story”** helps parishioners reflect on their faith journey within the context of prayer and gives them the tools to articulate and share their faith story with others. A basic overview of evangelization with practical ideas and suggestions is also available for Parish Councils, evangelization teams, or others interested parishioners. To schedule one of these at your parish or to learn more about other workshops, please contact Pete Schafer at (330) 744-8451 ext. 275 or pschafer@youngstowndiocese.org.

OFFICE OF LAY MINISTRY FORMATION

Foundations in Ministry – Choose from Ashtabula, Stark, or Mahoning County

Foundations in Ministry forms the laity to serve Christ and His Church. It is a 20-session formation program that begins in October and continues through March 2020. The sessions cover a wide variety of foundational theological topics and ministry training 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!” Application deadline is Friday, September 20th. Brochures and applications, including online registration, are available at www.doy.or and click on “Lay Ministry” under the Ministries tab. 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. Project Rachel Outreach – October Message for Bulletin/Newsletter:

Do you know someone suffering after abortion? 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.

2. Intercessions for Life and Pro-Life Bulletin Briefs

Recommended intercessions and bulletin briefs for October 2019, 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.

3. October is Respect Life Month – October 6 is Respect Life Sunday

In August Respect Life Program packets from the USCCB Pro-Life Secretariat and other materials were distributed to all parishes. Additional copies may be obtained from the Office of Pro-Life, Marriage and Family life (contact 330-744-8451 ext.272 or dschmidt@youngstowndiocese.org) or by going to www.usccb.org/about/pro-life-activities/respect-life-program/index.cfm.

4. Life Chain

Since the 1980's many communities have held a Life Chain whereby people concerned for the lives of unborn children stand along a busy street in their town for about an hour while praying and holding signs with pro-life messages. Life Chains have been known to take place in many towns throughout the Diocese of Youngstown, including Alliance, Canton, Garrettsville, Ravenna, Warren, and Youngstown. This year's Life Chains will take place on Sunday, October 6. For details go to www.lifechain.net.

5. Mass of Consolation/Memorial Mass

There will be a Mass of consolation for parents who have lost children by any means at Holy Trinity Church, 235 W. 5th St. East Liverpool, Oh on Sunday, October 6 at 3:00 pm. There will be a reception following the Mass at Dawson Family center, 220 W. 5th St. East Liverpool.

6. Ministry Day 2019 – “Embracing Our Call”

The Office of Pro-Life, Marriage and Family Life is happy to be participating in the Diocese of Youngstown's Ministry Day on Saturday, October 19, from 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. details on which may be found elsewhere in this Communique. Please note these workshops:

“I Thirst:” Concrete Ways to Meet the Needs of Those Experiencing Same-Sex Attractions;
 Ministering to the Divorced Catholics: Ideas and Resources;
 Respect Life: Pray, Inform, Care, Advocate – Some Practical Tools & Tips.
 The Science Behind Modern Methods of Natural Family Planning: It Ain't the Old Rhythm Method

7. October Wedding Anniversary Celebration

Registrations closed on September 19 for the Wedding Anniversary Celebration taking place at the Basilica of St. John the Baptist Church in Canton on Sunday, October 20, 2019 at 2:00 p.m. The 2020 Wedding Anniversary Celebrations are scheduled for June 14 at St. Columba Cathedral, Youngstown and October 20 at the Basilica of St. John the Baptist, Canton. Additional details will be sent to parishes in the spring. For more information contact 330-744-8451 ext. 272 or dschmidt@youngstowndiocese.org.

8. “I Have Called You by Name” Healing Retreat

Women suffering after abortion are invited to “I Have Called You by Name” – a private weekend healing retreat at Loyola Retreat House north of Canton, October 25-27. Facilitated by Bethesda House of Mercy, this special weekend of healing is especially designed to meet the spiritual needs of women and offers new hope for the wounded heart. This retreat is sponsored by The Community of Jesus, the Living Mercy, a lay community founded with the Sisters of the Good Shepherd in the Diocese of Cleveland. The Community provides spiritual companionship and support to those who seek a healing encounter with Jesus Christ. For confidential retreat applications, call Bethesda House of Mercy 1-800-482-4100 or email BethesdaHouse@aol.com. Visit their website at BethesdaHouseofMercy.org.

9. Finding Peace Together Support Group

Finding Peace Together is a safe confidential support group with other on the journey of healing after an abortion experience. For details, in confidence call: Samantha Rinehart MA, LPC at 330-257-9445 or Christy Ballor MS Ed at 330-206-6250.

10. Marriage Preparation Engaged Couple Retreat Day

The next diocesan-sponsored one-day marriage preparation retreat day for engaged couples will be held Saturday, October 26, at St. Columba Cathedral Hall, Youngstown. Reservations are required. Dates for Engaged Couple Retreats for 2020 will be forthcoming.

11. Attention Married Couples: Holy Marriage, Happy Marriage!

Dan Dematte, co-author of “Three Secrets to Holiness in Marriage,” will be speaking on Sunday evening, October 27, at 6:00 p.m. in the Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Social Hall, 343 Via Mt. Carmel, Youngstown starting with a simple supper of Pizza & Salad. This is a free event co-sponsored by Men & Women United for Life and the Office of Pro-Life, Marriage and Family Life. Donations accepted. Babysitting available for those making reservations by October 21. Contact dschmidt@youngstowndiocese.org or 330-744-8451 ext.272.

12. Ticket Requests for the Youth Rally and Mass for Life at the National March for Life in D.C.

Each year on the morning of the National March for Life in Washington D.C. the Archdiocese of Washington D.C. hosts a free Youth Rally and Mass for Life that draws tens of thousands of teens from around the nation. It is so popular that tickets are necessary for entry.

This year’s event takes place the morning of January 24, 2020. Parishes and schools in the Diocese of Youngstown may request free tickets through the Office of Pro-Life, Marriage and Family Life. However, Friday, November 8, is the latest that ticket requests may be submitted. For more information contact Dave Schmidt at dschmidt@youngstowndiocese.org or 330-744-8451 ext. 272

OFFICE OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

1. Diocese of Youngstown MINISTRY DAY 2019

Please plan to join hundreds of persons from throughout the Diocese serving in a variety of ministries in Parishes, Schools, and other Catholic Institutions for Ministry Day 2019!

Register at www.doy.org
 Saturday, October 19, 2019
 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
 St. Thomas Aquinas High School
 Louisville

Nancy Bird, Director of Training and Professional Development for RCL Benziger will present the Keynote and Closing sessions. Sixty breakout sessions on a variety of ministry topics will inspire participants for “Embracing Our Call.” Please share the date with all those in your ministry, and avoid scheduling parish events and faith formation on that weekend to encourage participation. Ministry Day is co-sponsored by nearly every Diocesan Office, ensuring there is something for everyone!

2. Adult Faith Formation Opportunities

First Friday Club of Greater Youngstown
 Avion on the Water
 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Lunch
<http://www.firstfridayclubofgreateryoungstown.org>
 For reservations: 330-720-4498

Thursday, October 3, 2019
 John Angotti,
 Music Mission
 “God in the Mystery of
 Suffering”

Hamilton Forum
 St. Michael the Archangel Church
 7:00 p.m.
 No reservations needed.

Thursday, October 17, 2019
 Michael J. Pries, Ph.D.
 “Our Growing National Debt
 and what it means to Our Economic
 Future”

Portage County Dinner and Doctrine
 The Overlook
 Dinner at 6:00 p.m., lecture at 7:00 p.m.
 Purchase Tickets at any Portage County parish.

Tuesday, October 8, 2019
 Stephen J. Carattini,
 Director of Social Concerns,
 Diocese of Youngstown
 "Racism & Immigration:
 The Myth of Scarcity"

3. New Books from the Diocesan Library:

Please visit us anytime between 8:00 am-4:00 pm, Monday through Friday, or by appointment. You can access the collection 24/7 at <https://doylelib.follettdestiny.com>.

Facing Cancer with Mary: Reflections, Prayers, and Spiritual Practices. Stewart, Catherine. **Twenty Third Publications, 2019.** Catherine Stewart was not feeling well, but she never dreamed she was suffering from stage 3 colon cancer. From the moment of her diagnosis, through her treatment and recovery, Stewart found strength in Mary and the mysteries of the Rosary, and here she helps us journey through our own devastating cancer experiences with Mary as our companion. A hopeful book, bringing strength, consolation, and joy.

I Was a Stranger and You Took Me In: A Guide for Ministering to Returning Catholics. Spayd, Loyes M. **Twenty Third Publications, 2019.** This practical book offers many hints and techniques for inviting Catholics back to the church. Based on the author's wide experience in many areas of parish ministry, *I Was a Stranger* demonstrates how existing programs can be implemented successfully, and parish-specific programs developed, all with the goal of ensuring that those who are approaching the church with trepidation and fear are met with a warm and ready welcome. Ideal for staff retreats or parish council days of reflection.

Small Things with Great Love: 9-day Novena to Mother Teresa, Saint of the Gutters. O'Boyle, Donna-Marie Cooper. **Paraclete Press, 2019.** Inspiring words from Saint Teresa of Calcutta and the life of Jesus are an encouragement to say yes to God and serve Him through serving others. Nine days of readings and prayers.

4. Ethical Trade Shopping

A new collection of handmade items from Holy Land Handicrafts has arrived at the Office of Religious Education Ethical Trade Store! Please consider visiting to browse the finely hand carved olive wood ornaments, nativities, and household items. The shop also includes coffee, tea, spices, and candy from Ethical Trade collaboratives, CRS SERRV, and Equal Exchange. Purchases support our brothers and sisters to sustain a better quality of life for themselves and their families.

5. Religious Education Certification for Catechists and Teachers

A listing of the Religious Education Certification Opportunities for Catechists and Teachers is available at Catechist Café or at your parish in a printed brochure available from your principal or parish minister. Core courses, general courses, parish-sponsored, college/university-hosted, and other regional organizations are included in the list of online and onsite sessions. Visit catechistcafe.weebly.com, hover on "For Catechists" for "Catechist Courses."

<https://catechistcafe.weebly.com/catechist-courses.html>.

Registration is available at Catechist Café for these diocesan courses for fall:

ONLINE:

- **Sowing God's Word: Sharing Faith, Nurturing Discipleship**, Core Course, 10 hours credit; October 14 - November 18, 2019; Online Facilitator: Marcy Fessler
- **Conversing with God in Scripture, General Course**, 8 hours credit; October 14 - November 11, 2019; Online Facilitator: Thomas Sauline

- **Advent and Christmas: Prepare and Share K-8;** General Course, 6 hours credit; November 11 - December 9, 2019; Online Facilitator: Carla Hlavac
- **4 Women Doctors of the Church;** General Course, 8 Hours credit; November 24 - December 23, 2019; Online Facilitator: Sister Therese Ann Rich, OSU

ONSITE:

Elementary Catechesis, Core Course, 10 hours credit; October 3, 10, 17, 24, November 9, 2019; 6:30-8:30 p.m.; Onsite Instructor: Joan Lawson
Site: Our Lady of Perpetual Help, 618 Ohio Avenue, McDonald, OH 44437

6. Online Learning Centers

These online learning centers have fall 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. Visit [CatechistCafe/For Catechists/Catechist Courses](#) for connections to these learning centers:

- **STM Crossroads (Boston College School of Theology and Ministry)** has registration open now for courses beginning October 9 and October 23.
- **VLCFF (Virtual Learning Community for Faith Formation)** from the University of Dayton has registration open now, closing October 23, for courses beginning October 27.
- **The University of Notre Dame Satellite Theological Program (STEP)** has registration open now for courses which will begin on October 7 and October 14.
- **Vibrant Faith Institute** has specialized programs beginning in November:
 - Personalizing Faith Formation (Begins November 4)
 - Children's Faith Formation (Begins November 4)

7. NEW Online Bachelor's Degree in Ministry and Theology from Loyola New Orleans

Are you interested in pursuing a **Master's Degree in Pastoral Studies or Religious Education** in a local group that will help support you on your ministry journey? If so, the **LIMEX program from Loyola University, New Orleans** is for you! LIMEX learning groups meet weekly at a local site with a facilitator and learn in a small group discussion format, as opposed to the traditional lecture-style learning. We have a few people interested already and are looking for more. Tuition is approximately \$1056 per course for Graduate students and \$405 for Certificate students. Call Carla Hlavac at 330 744-8451, ext. 296 or email chlavac@youngstowndiocese.org for more information.

8. Library Membership

Did you know that Diocesan Library Mailing Memberships are available for only \$75.00 per year? For this low cost, we will mail any requested library books, DVDs, and audiobooks to your staff, teachers, catechists – and all your parishioners! For more information, email Carla Hlavac at chlavac@youngstowndiocese.org.

OFFICE OF WORSHIP

1. Implementation Date for New Order of Baptism of Children, *second edition*

The Congregation for Divine Worship and Discipline of the Sacraments has confirmed the new *Order of Baptism of Children, second edition* for the dioceses of the United States. Cardinal DiNardo, USCCB President, has indicated that the new *Order of Baptism of Children* may be used beginning on **February 2, 2020**, the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord and its mandatory use begins **April 12, 2020**, Easter Sunday. From this date forward, no other translation of the rite is to be used in the dioceses of the United States. Approved publishers will soon begin distributing information on the new ritual book and updated baptismal preparation materials and resources. In addition, depending on the scope of change and if necessary, the Office of Worship will also provide formation opportunities on the new *Order of Baptism of Children*.

2. Cecilia Project Accepting NEW Candidates

The Cecilia Project was developed in response to the growing concern to encourage, recruit, and train qualified people to become pastoral musicians in parishes and institutions. The Music Committee of the Diocesan Liturgical Commission created the Cecilia Project to meet this need by providing a competent training program and experience for potential musicians to become qualified music ministers.

Over the past six years participants have been engaged in various liturgical formation opportunities and received individualized professional music lessons in their area of interest –piano, organ or vocal training. Some are now preparing for their NPM certification and upon completion will be offered a local internship opportunity.

Currently the Cecilia Project is enrolling prospective participants to begin a two-year formation program in liturgy and music. This is a unique opportunity to identify young potential musicians and offer them the advantage to further their musical education and talent at no cost. The first Study Day will be held on Sunday, October 20, 2019, at Saint Columba Hall beginning at 12:00noon and concluding with attending 4:00 p.m. Mass at the Cathedral. All parishes have received interest forms. Potential candidates need the endorsement of the pastor and interest forms should be returned as soon as possible.

3. Liturgical Calendar Advisory's

November 2 – Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls Day): The Feast of the Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls Day) is Saturday, November 2, 2019. Mass celebrated for All Souls Day should be scheduled in the morning. Ritual Masses, including wedding masses, are not permitted this day. The Saturday evening anticipated Mass should be for the 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time.

December 8 – Feast of the Immaculate Conception: This year the Feast of the Immaculate Conception, normally December 8, falls on a Sunday. However this year, Sunday, December 8 is to be celebrated as the Second Sunday of Advent. In accordance with no. 5 of the *Universal Norms on the Liturgical Year and the Calendar*, the observance of the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception will be transferred to Monday, December 9. This is seen as a pastoral concession to observe the Solemnity even though it is impeded liturgically by a higher observance. The obligation to attend Mass remains attached to the day itself (December 8), and therefore does not transfer. As a result, the obligation to attend mass on December 9 for the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception is dispensed for this year.

4. 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 11, 2020. 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.

5. Rite of Election and the Easter Vigil

Bishop George V. Murry, S.J. will celebrate the Rite of Election of Catechumens and the Call to Continued Conversion of Candidates on the First Sunday of Lent, March 1, 2020 at Saint Columba Cathedral at 1:30 p.m. and at Saint Joseph Church, Canton at 6:00 p.m.

The Easter Vigil: The Easter Vigil will be on Saturday, April 11, 2020. The *Roman Missal* states that, *“the entire celebration of the Easter Vigil must take place during the night, so that it begins after nightfall...”* Furthermore, the Priest Policy Handbook states that the Easter Vigil *“is not to take place at the time of the ordinary anticipated Mass for Sunday,”* (cf. Faculties and Permissions, Section V, pg. 10). In the Diocese of Youngstown, sunset on April 11, 2020 will be at **7:58 p.m.** and the end of civil twilight will be at **8:27 p.m.** Bishop Murry has instituted a universal starting time for the Easter Vigil throughout the diocese of 8:00 p.m. or later. This universal starting time respects the current liturgical guidelines and diocesan policy. Furthermore it makes the Easter Vigil distinctive from the ordinary anticipated Mass for Sunday and alleviates any confusion among parishes. **Therefore the Easter Vigil is not to begin before 8:00 p.m.** *Please note that because daylight savings time begins each year in early March, the recommended start time of Easter Vigil will never be before 8 p.m.*

6. Liturgical Directory

The Liturgical Directory contains valuable information about Liturgy Committees; liturgical minister formation guidelines; guidelines for the celebration of sacraments; music in liturgical celebrations; and art and architecture directives. The directory can be accessed and downloaded from the diocesan website by clicking on “Worship” under the “Ministries” tab.

OFFICE OF YOUTH AND YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

1. Networking Meeting for Leaders of Young Adult Ministries

A time for those leading young adult ministries around the diocese to gather to share what we have going on for 20- and 30-somethings, discuss possible ways to collaborate and cross-promote events, and, in some cases, to just have the chance to meet each other!

Thursday, October 10

1:30 - 3:00 p.m.

@ the Diocesan Offices

Main Conference room on the 1st floor.

(Parking in the visitor lot at the corner of Elm and Rayen)

Please bring fliers/brochures for any activities for which you would like to share as well as your favorite resource for ministry with young adults. RSVP to Cindee, ccase@youngstowndiocese.org or (330) 744-8451, ext. 280.

2. NCYC Group Leader Reminders:

NCYC Preparation Session – for all taking part in the pilgrimage

Sunday, September 29

2:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

@ St. Joseph Parish, Canton

Group Leaders: Please bring Form G for each participant with you for each youth attending, eat lunch before coming and RSVP with your numbers by September 25, ccase@youngstowndiocese.org

NCYC Send-Off Meeting and Mass - for all taking part in the pilgrimage

Sunday, November 3

1:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.

@ St. Columba Cathedral, Youngstown

Group Leaders: Please bring Form G for each participant with you for each youth attending, eat lunch before coming and RSVP with your numbers by October 30, ccase@youngstowndiocese.org

3. “You are the “NOW” of God! (Pope Francis’ New Exhortation on Ministry with Youth and Young Adults – and Why It Should Matter to You, Too)” – Dinner and Presentation

Monday, November 4th
Starting at 6 p.m. with prayer and dinner
@ St. Joan of Arc Parish, Streetsboro

Following the three-year process of the Synod on Young People, the Faith and Vocational Discernment, Pope Francis issued an Apostolic Exhortation entitled *Christus Vivit*. It is addressed to all young people (especially those ages 16 – 30) and adults for minister with and for the teens and young adults. Come learn more about it with the Unites States Conference of Catholic Bishops staffer for Youth and Young Adult Activities, Paul Jarzembowski. (Pre-registration required.)

4. Journeying Together: The New Framework for the Church’s Ministry with Youth and Young Adults – In-Service Day

Tuesday, November 5th
9:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
@ St. Joan of Arc Parish, Streetsboro

An in-service day for all parish leaders, ministers and clergy to break-open the document *Christus Vivit* and explore the implications for our faith communities. This includes those in youth ministry, campus ministry, young adult ministry, religious education, adult faith formation, as well as pastors, principals, theology teachers, pastoral associates, liturgy directors, pastoral care coordinators, etc. Paul Jarzembowski, Youth and Young Adult Activities, Unites States Conference of Catholic Bishops will facilitate the day. (Pre-registration required.)

5. The Office of Youth and Young Adult Ministry has copies of the Apostolic Exhortation *Christus Vivit* available for purchase at \$10 flat-rate. Contact Cindee, ccase@youngstowndiocese.org or (330) 744-8451, ext. 280 to purchase. It can also be purchased at the USCCB (\$11.95 plus shipping) and it can be read online (and therefore linked on your website and social media sites) at: http://w2.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/apost_exhortations/documents/papa-francesco_esortazione-ap_20190325_christus-vivit.html

6. Holy Fire Great Lakes – Middle School Event at Bowling Green State University

A dynamic one-day faith event for middle school youth (grades 6-8) is making its way to the Northern Ohio area on Sunday, October 13 from 10 am - 4 pm at the Stroh Center at Bowling Green State University. We anticipate several thousand young people, their chaperones, parents and leaders to join an all-star cast of national talent to help inspire, engage, form and celebrate the young Catholic Church. Tickets are \$45 each. Notice that you may organize a group (and follow our Diocesan Child Protection Policies) or you may invite parents to accompany their own children. To order tickets, watch a promo video and learn more about the event, please visit: <http://nfcym.org/holyfiregreatlakes>

7. Free Webinars for Continuing Education

With the National Federation for Catholic Youth Ministry, we are proud to offer quality webinars with experts from around the country on topics of keen interest to adults serving in youth ministries (and often young adult ministries as well.) To register for the upcoming sessions (and view recordings from past webinars), please visit:

<http://nfcym.org/webinars>

A. **Incarnation Driven Ministry**

Tuesday, October 8, 2019 at 2:00 pm ET

Presented by Katie Prejean McGrady

When we read “The Word became flesh and dwelt among us” in the Gospel of John, we immerse ourselves in the reality of the Incarnation: God became man so that we can be in relationship with Him. This is life-changing, and the encounter with Jesus face to face transforms us entirely, turning us into a virtuous, prayerful, selfless individual who seeks to spread the Gospel. Does our ministry seek to do the same? Does our ministry introduce the reality of the Incarnation, and also build relationships with others that are transformational? Do we seek to build relationships with young people, new parishioners, and families, hoping to also help them meet and be in relationship with Jesus? Are we being incarnational?

B. **Get Families Talking about Relationships, Sex, and Safety**

Tuesday, November 12, 2019 at 2:00 pm ET

Presented by Dr. Kathie Amidei and Sister Kieran Sawyer

Parents want to have meaningful conversations about important topics, but they don’t always know how to do that. By harnessing the power of parental love, we can encourage them to guide their children in matters of life, faith, and morals. Help the families of your parish to have these critical conversations in healthy and effective ways. How can you engage parents in discussions with their children that they would not have on their own? How do we help them to start early, building the small steps of trust children need so that they will discuss important issues with their parents when they reach their teens? Join us as we explore, “how to get families talking!”

MISCELLANEOUS

GIA COMPREHENSIVE GATHER HYMNAL

St. Thomas the Apostle Parish in Vienna is upgrading their music books and now have available to anyone who wants/needs the green GIA Comprehensive Gather Hymnal. The books, which contain the readings, are just \$1 each. Call the parish office at 330-394-2461 for placing your order or for more information.

FESTA! DINNER/DANCE CELEBRATING APULIA, ITALY

60th Anniversary of Blessed Sacrament Parish, Warren, is hosting the 9th Annual FESTA! Dinner/Dance on Saturday, October 5, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. – 11:00 p.m. at the Trumbull Country Club. Dinner/Dance tickets and Prize raffle tickets available at the parish office, 330-372-2215. Please see flyer in this month’s Communique attachments.

MISCELLANEOUS (Continued)

CATHOLIC INTERRACIAL COUNCIL TO SPONSOR COMEDY: LATE NITE CATECHISM

The Catholic Interracial Council is sponsoring a special Halloween version of the popular comedy series, Late Nite Catechism. This year's presentation, entitled "The Holy Ghost and Other Terrifying Tales", is one of the uproariously funny series of "catechism lessons" written by Vicki Quade, Maripat Donovan, and Marc Silva. In "The Holy Ghost and Other Terrifying Tales", "Sister" offers up hilarious lessons on all the familiar Halloween tales of ghosts and goblins. Always hilarious but never disrespectful, Late Nite Catechism is sure to strike the funnybone of everyone who attended parochial school in the 1950's, 1960's, or 1970's.

Late Nite Catechism will be performed at 7:30 PM on Thursday, October 10, at the North Canton Hoover High School auditorium. **Tickets for this event are \$35 and can be purchased through Eventbrite.com or by phone at 330-353-6132.**

Please see flyer included in this month's Communique attachments. The Proceeds from Late Nite Catechism will benefit the CIC Scholarship Program.

IGNITING THE LIGHT OF CHRIST WITHIN YOU!

Concert & Reflection by Paul Koleske

Sunday, October 13, 2019 at 6:30 p.m. at St. Paul Catholic Church, 935 E. State Street, Salem, Ohio.

Let the Holy Spirit minister to you during this moving event with Paul Koleske. Please see flyer in this month's Communique attachments.

POPULAR DINNER & DOCTRINE SPEAKER SERIES IS BACK FOR A 11TH SEASON

Mark your calendar for October 8, 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. at "The Overlook" (formerly Twin Lakes Country Club) 1519 Overlook Rd, Kent, OH 44240 and purchase your tickets for this year's first Dinner & Doctrine presented by the Portage County Catholic Pastoral Ministers Association. The theme for this year is "*Am I My Brother's Keeper? Catholics Respond to a World in Need.*"

Each of the four sessions in this series will host a different presenter with a different topic.

Our October 8 Presenter is Stephen J. Carattini, Director, Dept. of Social Concerns for the Diocese of Youngstown. His presentation is titled, "Racism & Immigration: The Myth of Scarcity".

Tickets are available for \$25 at any Portage County Parish. Included in the evening are the speaker's presentation and a buffet dinner (cash bar). The last day to make your reservations is Tuesday, October 1. For more information please contact maclapp@olphaurora.org. Please see flyer in this month's attachments.

MOBILE CONSULATE OF MEXICO

We will have a mobile consulate of Mexico on October 26, 2019, in the hall of Our Lady of Mount Carmel in Youngstown. For more information, please contact our offices from 8am to 4pm. If Mexican citizens need to update, file, or modify documents, it is necessary to call 1-877-639-4835 prior to event to schedule an appointment with an agent or call us at our offices at: (330) 744-8451 EXT 317. Please see flyer in this month's attachments.

IN MEMORIAM

	<i>October</i>
<i>Rev. Henry E. Fabrizio</i>	1/99
<i>Rev. Nicholas Dengl, OFM</i>	2/98
<i>Rev. Msgr. Dacian O. Barrette</i>	4/97
<i>Rev. John Reiss</i>	5/18
<i>Rev. Joseph Tamburrini</i>	6/10
<i>Rt. Rev. Msgr. Joseph A. Krispinsky</i>	7/99
<i>Rt. Rev. Msgr. Joseph M. Heid</i>	10/83
<i>Rev. John O'Neill</i>	11/56
<i>Rev. Martin Kopunek, MSC</i>	13/92
<i>Deacon Edward Kurkas</i>	13/07
<i>Rev. Bradford Helman</i>	16/10
<i>Rev. John Tully</i>	16/15
<i>Rev. Anthony Fasline</i>	16/16
<i>Rev. Peter J. Faini</i>	18/73
<i>Rev. Ernest A. Ward</i>	19/68
<i>Rev. Werner Conwell, OSB</i>	19/77
<i>Rev. Robert Gibas</i>	19/17
<i>Rev. Sebastian A. Fialko</i>	22/75
<i>Rev. Thomas J. Beldue</i>	22/87
<i>Rev. Donald Oser</i>	23/12
<i>Rev. Gabriel Yablonsky</i>	23/17
<i>Rev. John Spataru</i>	24/57
<i>Rev. Joseph W. Rushton</i>	24/91
<i>Rev. Michael Gawron</i>	24/95
<i>Rev. John H. Unferfate</i>	26/60
<i>Rev. Alexius Schuette, CPPS</i>	27/67
<i>Rev. Ronald J. Waechter</i>	27/73
<i>Rev. Msgr. Robert D. Delmege</i>	27/86
<i>Rt. Rev. Msgr. Edward Labbe</i>	28/74
<i>Rev. John Liscinsky</i>	29/46
<i>Rev. Placidus Rattenburger, OSB</i>	29/48
<i>Rev. John Dueweke, CPPS</i>	29/65
<i>Rev. Arthur B. DeCrane</i>	29/82
<i>Rev. Dennis Guiner</i>	29/88
<i>Rev. Ilie Crihalmean</i>	30/72

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