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<b>CHANCERY OFFICE</b>
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## CONFIRMATION

Tuesday, February 4	7:00 p.m.	St. Michael, Canfield
Saturday, February 15	10:00 a.m. & 1:00 p.m.	St. Charles, Boardman

## CHILD PROTECTION POLICY

### Requirements and Procedures for Employees and Volunteers

#### 1. Authorization & Verification; Acknowledgement

All employees and volunteers must receive or review 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 Safe Environment Coordinator. 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.

Background checks are to be sent to the Safe Environment Coordinator at the Diocese. Have background checks sent directly to:

Catholic Diocese of Youngstown  
Attn: Safe Environment Office  
144 West Wood Street  
Youngstown, OH 44503

Compliance Officer's will use the Compliance Checklist to request copies of background checks from the Safe Environment Coordinator.

Any Webcheck location may be used. Webcheck locations can be found at [www.ohioattorneygeneral.gov](http://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](mailto: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 Mr. Dominic Colucy, Safe Environment Coordinator/Victim Assistance Coordinator, 330-744-8451 x293.

6. For More Information

For more information about the Diocese of Youngstown Child Protection Policy, contact by mail: 144 W. Wood Street, Youngstown, OH 44503, phone: 330-744-8451 x293; fax: 330-744-5099; or e-mail: [dcolucy@youngstowndiocese.org](mailto:dcolucy@youngstowndiocese.org).

7. 2020 Background Check Requirements

Background check requirements are included in this month's Communique attachments.

## **CATHOLIC TELEVISION NETWORK OF YOUNGSTOWN (CTNY)**

1. Local Programming on the Ecumenical Television Channel:

**Live stream ETC-Ecumenical Television Channel at [doj.org/Media/ETC-TV](http://doj.org/Media/ETC-TV) Live Stream.**

**Mass for Consecrated Life** will be live streamed from St. Columba Cathedral at 10:30 a.m. on Sunday, February 3, 2020. It will broadcast on ETC on Monday, February 4 at 10:00 a.m. & 8:00 p.m.; Wednesday, February 5 at Noon; and, Friday, February 7 at 10:00 a.m. & 8:00 p.m.

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: February 2: Fr. Jim Korda speaks with Dr. Shannen Dee Williams on Religious Life; February 9: Fr. Jim Korda speaks with John Angotti from the First Friday Club about Music Ministry; February 16: Rachel Hrbolich talks about Catholic Charities; and, February 23: Fr. Jim Korda talks with Joan Lawson on Religious Education.

Lou Jacquet, from St. Brendan Church in Youngstown, will tell us about the Saints celebrated this month: February 2: St. Agatha; February 9: Ss. Cyril and Methodius; February 16: St. Peter Damien; and, February 23: St. Polycarp.

The Interview Segment will include: January 5: Fr. Jim Korda and Fr. Jeff Mickler, SSP, talks about the Vatican II document on Religious Life; February 9: Fr. Jim Korda and Fr. Jeff Mickler, SSP, talks about the Vatican II document Priestly Formation; February 16: Fr. Jim Korda and Fr. Jeff Mickler, SSP, talks about the Vatican II document on The Laity; and, February 23: Fr. Jim Korda and Fr. Jeff Mickler, SSP, talks about the Vatican II document on The Missions.

This month’s Music Segment is from the CD “Miss D & Joni, Songs for a Better World” by local artists Diane Drapcho and Steve Vuich.

Fr. John Sheridan, Rector of St. John the Baptist Basilica and pastor of St. Peter Church, both in Canton, will give his reflections on the Sunday Scripture Readings: February 2: Presentation of the Lord; February 9: Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time; February 16: Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time; and, February 23: Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time.

3. See the newest of CTNY Local Programming on the Internet by linking to [doy.org](http://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 winter 2019-2020, please contact CTNY at 330-533-2243, or visit [www.doy.org](http://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/CTNYyoungstown](http://www.facebook.com/CTNYyoungstown).

## 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. Warm Hearts For Warm Homes (Formerly known as Keep the Kids Warm)

This year, in an effort to raise awareness about the breadth of need for utility assistance during the cold winter months, Catholic Charities has renamed “Keep the Kids Warm” to “Warm Hearts for Warm Homes.”

Changing the name and focus allows us to expand our reach beyond families with children to include working poor adults and older adults on fixed incomes, many of whom struggle to keep up with the rising cost of living.

This annual “Warm Hearts for Warm Homes” (WH4WH) campaign was held the weekend of January 24 – January 26 in parishes across the diocese. Parishes were asked to either take up a special collection, or publish information about WH4WH in their bulletins for those interested in making a donation to this important effort. Schools can also get involved by coordinating a special collection with proceeds supporting WH4WH or collecting socks, hats, gloves or scarves for people coming to Catholic Charities.

It is not too late to support this important campaign. Donations can be made on-line <https://15181.thankyou4caring.org/WH4WH> or mailed to Catholic Charities, 144 West Wood Street, c/o WH4WH, Youngstown, Ohio 44503.

For additional information, contact Nikole Baringer at 330-744-8451, ext. 323 or [nbaringer@youngstowndiocese.org](mailto:nbaringer@youngstowndiocese.org).

2. Catholic Charities Walks With Moms In Need

Pregnant and parenting moms in need are in our parishes and our neighborhoods. As Pope Francis reminds us, our parishes need to be “islands of mercy in the midst of a sea of indifference.” Everyone in the parish community should know where to refer a pregnant woman in need.

The 25th anniversary year of *Evangelium vitae* gives us a wonderful opportunity to assess, expand, and communicate resources to pregnant moms and families in need. We are inviting you to join a nationwide effort from March 25, 2020 to March 25, 2021 entitled: “Walking with Moms in Need: A Year of Service.”

Catholic Charities *walks with moms in need*. Please use the attached bulletin announcements to learn more.

3. Immigration Legal Services Available

Effective January 1, 2020, and through a formal agreement between two neighboring dioceses, Ms. Ashley Sanchez, immigration staff attorney with Catholic Charities, Diocese of Cleveland, has been assigned to provide immigration legal services to people living in the Diocese of Youngstown.

Ms. Sanchez will be keeping regular office hours at the Catholic Charities Diocesan Office in Youngstown, and will be available to meet with clients at any of the Catholic Charities service sites located in our six-county diocesan region. Appointments are required for all locations, and can be scheduled by calling 330-599-4314.

Services can be provided in a variety of languages, and all matters are treated professionally and confidentially.

For more information, visit Catholic Charities’ website at [www.ccdoy.org](http://www.ccdoy.org), or contact Rachel Hrbolich, Diocesan Director of Catholic Charities, at 330-744-8451, ext. 328.

## **OFFICE FOR SOCIAL CONCERNS**

1. Bishop's Appeal

Announcement Weekend - The 2020 Annual Bishop’s Appeal will be announced in parishes throughout the diocese on February 22-23. Look for information in the upcoming weeks.

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

## 2. Community Grants Available

Community Grants are available on through money supported by the local Catholic Campaign for Human Development collection. 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 your organization is working to make our community a better place and/or working towards solutions for poverty, your organization may qualify for a community grant. Contact Nikole Baringer at 330-744-8451, ext. 323 or email [nbaringer@youngstowndiocese.org](mailto:nbaringer@youngstowndiocese.org) for more information. Applications are attached.

## 3. CRS Rice Bowl

Through CRS Rice Bowl, we journey with members of our human family around the world, and commit our Lenten prayers, fasting and almsgiving to deepening our faith and serving those in need. For information or resources, visit <https://www.crsricebowl.org/>

Local Rice Bowl grants are available and attached to this issue of the Communique. Contact Nikole Baringer at 330-744-8451, ext. 323 or [nbaringer@youngstowndiocese.org](mailto:nbaringer@youngstowndiocese.org) with questions.

# CLERGY AND RELIGIOUS SERVICES

## OFFICE OF VOCATIONS

### 1. Posters, Bookmarks, and Prayer Cards

By now, all parishes and schools should have received their new seminarian posters, bookmarks and prayer cards. Please make sure they are displayed where all can see them and/or take them for their discernment and prayer. If your community does not have these items available to you, please contact the Vocations office at 330-744-8451 or by email at [cluoni@youngstowndiocese.org](mailto:cluoni@youngstowndiocese.org) and these materials will be sent out to you immediately.

### 2. 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  
 - February 7-9, 2020  
 - April 3-5, 2020

The weekend is open to men 17 to 44 years of age. Register at [clepriesthood.org](http://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.

### 3. Pastoral Internship Year

During this academic year (2019-2020), four of our seminarians are on pastoral internship.

Connor Hetzel	Christ Our Savior, Struthers	Fr. Martin Celuch
Dcn. Matthew Humerickhouse	St. Christine, Youngstown	Fr. Leo Wehrlin
Francisco Ogbonna	Our Lady of Peace, Ashtabula	Fr. Ray Thomas
Deacon Matthew Zwilling	Our Lady of Peace, Ashtabula	Fr. Ray Thomas

They will serve at their parishes and in other capacities throughout our diocese. If you would like a seminarian to visit your parish or school, please call them at their internship parish to check their availability to come and speak.

### 4. Seminary Field Trips

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 6<sup>th</sup> thru 12<sup>th</sup> 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.

### 5. 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 discernor for the poster. If you have this information, please email Fr. Chris Luoni at [cluoni@youngstowndiocese.org](mailto:cluoni@youngstowndiocese.org).

### 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](mailto:cluoni@youngstowndiocese.org).

7. Vocation Intercessions and Bulletin Blurbs for February

Attached to the Communiqué are vocation intercessions and bulletin blurbs for the month of February. 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. World Day For Consecrated Life

Bishop George V. Murry, S.J. will celebrate the annual diocesan *World Day for Consecrated Life* on **Sunday, February 2, 2020 at St. Columba Cathedral at the 10:30 a.m. liturgy.** All are welcome. Please mark your calendars and join us in celebrating the gift of Consecrated Life to the diocese and the closing of the Year of Consecrated Life.

2. Conference/Jubilee Day

This year we will honor our Religious Jubilarians on Saturday, February 29, 2020 at St. Paul's in Salem. Dr. Dan Laginya and Barb Zorn will be our special guest performers. The Social will begin at 1:30 followed by dinner, then the performance. The day will conclude with the Eucharistic Liturgy at 4:30 p.m. Bishop George V. Murry, S.J. will be the main celebrant. Registration forms will arrive shortly. Please mark your calendars.

3. Religious Retirement Appeal

On behalf of all the retired religious throughout our diocese and nation the Office of Vowed Religious wants to thank the pastors and parishioners in the diocese for their wonderful cooperation and continued generosity to the Religious Retirement Appeal. We also want to thank the religious presenters who spoke in behalf of our elderly religious. Many presenters spoke on more than one weekend.

## DEVELOPMENT/STEWARDSHIP

1. Join us on **February 13** for a free online giving seminar presented by LPI WESHARE. Two locations: St. Michael the Archangel in Canton and St. Columba Cathedral Hall in Youngstown. Parishes using online giving see their total offertory giving increase by an average of 9% according to a 2018 study. **SEE THE FLYER ATTACHMENT FOR DETAILS!**
2. Studies indicate that most people address their will or estate plan during the “stay indoor” winter months. SO NOW is the time to plan a Life & Estate Seminar. End of life issues and Estate Planning are discussed in a one-hour power-point presentation. Participants are encouraged to remember their parish, a Catholic school or favorite Catholic cause in their plan. The seminar is FREE! Call Pat Palombo...330-744-8451 ext. 325.

3. Contact us TODAY to plan an Increased Offertory Program or Capital Campaign in 2020. Call Luke Politsky...330-744-8451 ext. 298.
4. 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.
5. 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 Pat Palombo....330-744-8451 ext. 325.
6. Stewardship Bulletin Inserts Attached

## PASTORAL AND EDUCATIONAL SERVICES

### OFFICE OF EVANGELIZATION

1. Conference for Pastoral Planning and Council Development Summit in Cleveland

The Conference for Pastoral Planning and Council Development is returning to Northeast Ohio for their annual Summit in April. The summit theme is “Practicing Pastoral Leadership” and will be at the Jesuit Retreat Center in Parma from the afternoon of Sunday, April 26 through the morning of Wednesday, April 29. Full conference and daily registration options are available and include all meals. The full conference rate includes housing at the retreat center. Presenters include Jack Jezreel, Marti Jewell, Mark Mogilka, and Chris Lowney. For more information and registration options, visit [www.cppcd.org](http://www.cppcd.org).

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](http://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.

### OFFICE OF LAY MINISTRY FORMATION

1. Notre Dame University Conference on Co-Responsibility – March 4-6

The McGrath Institute for Church Life at Notre Dame University will be sponsoring an academic and pastoral conference dedicated to exploring what “co-responsibility” might mean, both for the laity and for the ordained. “Called & Co-Responsible: Exploring Co-Responsibility for the Mission of the Church” will be held at Notre Dame University from March 4-6.

For details on topics, speakers, rates, and housing options, visit <https://mcgrath.nd.edu/conferences/academic-pastoral/called-co-responsible-conference/>.

2. National Association for Lay Ministry (NALM) Annual Conference – June 2-6

The National Association for Lay Ministry will hold their Annual Conference from June 2-6 on the campus of St. John’s University in Collegeville, Minnesota. The Conference theme is “Sustaining a Healthy Vineyard: Co-Workers at Fifteen.” More information and registration is available on the NALM website, [www.nalm.org](http://www.nalm.org).

## **OFFICE OF PRO-LIFE, MARRIAGE AND FAMILY LIFE**

1. Marriage Preparation Engaged Couple Retreat Day

The next diocesan-sponsored one-day marriage preparation retreat days for engaged couples will be held Saturdays, February 1 at St. Columba Cathedral Hall, Youngstown and March 7, at St. Peter Parish Hall (in the school building), Canton. Reservations are required. For more information contact [dschmidt@youngstowndiocese.org](mailto:dschmidt@youngstowndiocese.org) or 330-744-8451, ext.272.

A complete list of 2020 dates for Engaged Couple Retreats may be found at [www.doy.org](http://www.doy.org) by clicking on the Office of Pro-Life, Marriage and Family Life tab under “Ministries.”

2. Annual White Mass for all Health Professionals Including Mental Health Workers

The Annual White Mass – celebrating and recognizing the ministry and work of those in the health professions – will be held on Sunday, February 9, 2020 at 10:30 a.m. at the Cathedral of St. Columba located at 154 W. Wood St. in Youngstown. Bishop George V. Murry, S.J., will preside. A reception will follow in the Cathedral Hall. All are welcome. For more information call 330-744-8451 ext.272 or contact [dschmidt@youngstowndiocese.org](mailto:dschmidt@youngstowndiocese.org).

3. World Marriage Day

Sunday, February 9, 2020 is World Marriage Day. World Marriage Day occurs each year on the second Sunday of February, obviously intended to occur near the celebration of St. Valentine’s Day. The day was originally called “We Believe in Marriage Day” and started in Baton Rouge, Louisiana in 1981, and was quickly adopted by World Wide Marriage Encounter who is the chief promoter of World Marriage Day. Materials for celebrating World Marriage Day at your parish may be found by going to <http://wmd.wwme.org/>.

4. *The Catholic’s Divorce Survival Guide* at St. Paul Parish North Canton

*The Catholic’s Divorce Survival Guide* will be offered on Wednesday Evenings, February 19, 26, March 4, 11, 18, 25, April 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, May 6 from 6:45 to 9:00 pm at St. Paul Parish, 241 S. Main St., North Canton in North Room A (lower level of the Church).

*The Catholic's Divorce Survival Guide* is a DVD-based series with accompanying materials created to bring hope and healing to divorced and separated Catholics. In addition to top Catholic experts on Church teachings, relationships, love, sex, marriage, divorce and annulment, the presentations also feature the personal testimonies of twelve divorced Catholic men and women who share their real-life stories of hope and healing.

No cost. To ensure your space or to learn about additional ministry to the divorced contact the Office of Pro-Life, Marriage and Family Life at [dschmidt@youngstowndiocese.org](mailto:dschmidt@youngstowndiocese.org) or 330-744-8451 ext.272.

5. Save the Date: Faith & Family Festival on Sunday, September 27 at Walsh University.

For more information contact Dave Schmidt at [dschmidt@youngstowndiocese.org](mailto:dschmidt@youngstowndiocese.org) or 330-744-8451 ext.272.

6. Project Rachel Outreach – February Message for Bulletin/Newsletter/Website:

Abortion wounds relationships. God's love heals. For CONFIDENTIAL help contact Project Rachel of N.E. Ohio at 888-259-4806 or [support@projrachneo.zohosupport.com](mailto:support@projrachneo.zohosupport.com).

7. Intercessions for Life and Pro-Life Bulletin Briefs

Recommended intercessions and bulletin briefs for February and March 2020, 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](http://www.doy.org).

8. 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.

## **OFFICE OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

1. Knights of Columbus Matching Funds

With heartfelt appreciation, the Office of Religious Education acknowledges the outstanding generosity of the Knights of Columbus. The Ohio State Council annual Matching Funds Campaign "Continue to Grow" in Catholic Education resulted in a substantial contribution by the council and assemblies of the Diocese of Youngstown for the Office of Religious Education Library. These funds are used exclusively to provide the finest Catholic resources for lifelong faith formation in our parishes, Catholic schools, and other Catholic institutions for ministry with adults, youth, and children. Library resources assist in the development of and providing ministry for RCIA, youth and young adult ministries, evangelization, bereavement, prison ministry, stewardship, pastoral care, liturgical ministries, and more. To all the Knights of Columbus, a big thank you!

## 2. 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>.

The Catholic Way: Believe + Pray + Live, Lent. Naffziger, Ann. Pastoral Center, 2019. This resource gives you material to offer a faith formation session and/or handouts on Lent. It includes: Leader guide for offering a short prayer session on Stations of the Cross; Leader guide for offering a general session on Lent, including: Ashes and Ash Wednesday; What Changes in Lent, Prayer, Fasting, and Almsgiving; Ideas to Honor Lent; Two reproducible handouts: The Season of Lent Ideas for Honoring the Season of Lent; A general leader overview, including “Session Preparation” and “Ground Rules for Group Sharing.”

Jesus Christ Superstar (DVD): Live in Concert. Tim Rice and Andrew Lloyd Webber. Masterworks Broadway, 2018. Live version of the rock opera, Jesus Christ Superstar, starring John Legend, Sara Bareilles, Alice Cooper, and Brandon Victor Dixon.

Journey Through Lent, Repent and Believe in the Gospel: Weekly Scripture Reflections for Lent 2020. Zannoni, Arthur E.. Pastoral Center, 2020. This reproducible resource for Lent offers in-depth reflections with background and insights into the Sunday lectionary readings for each week, followed by reflection questions. Use this resource as preparation for preaching, a small group resource, a starting point for prayer, or a reflection tool for the beginning of parish meetings.

Lent, Season of Transformation: Liturgical Seasons (Alive in the Word Series). Ekeh, Amy. Liturgical Press, 2017. This 3-session Bible study for adults includes questions for group discussion. During Lent, we strive to free ourselves from all kinds of clutter — material and spiritual — in order to focus on God and turn back to him with our whole hearts. If this “turning back” is genuine, it will be a reorientation, a transformation. To help us enter into this season, Amy Ekeh guides readers in exploring three key moments in the life and ministry of Jesus.

Lenten Plans for Busy Families: Whole Family Catechesis Session. Schaeffler, Janet. Pastoral Center, 2017. Your families are busy, and they need help to slow down long enough to set their intentions for the Lenten season. Gather your families for a fun, prayerful parish event to help them do this preparation in community. This session will gently encourage them to choose some commitments together. This resource from Sr. Janet includes talking points and four activities from which you can choose: “Take Time” Family Lenten game, which prompts families to discuss the Lenten season and meaningful moments in their lives. Little Lenten Living Boxes, which families will make and fill with slips of paper that will prompt them to take simple prayerful actions throughout the season. Our Lenten Calendar leads them through the special days during the season, pointing out opportunities for them to connect with their faith. Almsgiving helps families learn about the Rice Bowl project from Catholic Relief Services and decide if they want to commit to it.

## 3. 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](mailto:chlavac@youngstowndiocese.org).

## 4. Religious Education Certification for Catechists and Teachers

A new brochure for Winter and Lent, and a listing of the Religious Education Certification Opportunities for Catechists and Teachers was mailed in early January and is available on Catechist Cafe. 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](http://catechistcafe.weebly.com), hover on “For Catechists” for “Catechist Courses.”

Registration is available at Catechist Café for these diocesan **online** courses for February and Lent:

***Lent Prepare and Share K-8***, GENERAL COURSE, 6 hours

January 27 - February 24, 2020

Online Facilitator: Carla Hlavac; Contact Carla for password at [chlavac@youngstowndiocese.org](mailto:chlavac@youngstowndiocese.org).  
\$15.00

***The Gospel According to John***, GENERAL COURSE, 12 hours

February 10 - March 30, 2020

Online facilitator: Sr. Therese Ann Rich, OSU; contact Sr. Therese Ann by email for password:  
[tarich@theursulines.org](mailto:tarich@theursulines.org).  
\$15 fee

***Seeking Spiritual Balance***, GENERAL COURSE, 10 hours

February 24 – April 6, 2020

Online facilitator: Carla Hlavac; contact Carla for password at [chlavac@youngstowndiocese.org](mailto:chlavac@youngstowndiocese.org).  
\$25 fee includes book

***Exploring the Old Testament***, GENERAL COURSE, 12 hours

March 23 – May 11, 2020

Online facilitator: Joan Lawson; contact Joan for password at [jlawson@youngstowndiocese.org](mailto:jlawson@youngstowndiocese.org).  
\$28 fee includes book

## 5. 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, February 6, 2020

The Most Rev. George V. Murry, SJ

Bishop of the Diocese of Youngstown

“The Church in America and the

Social Gospel Movement 1880-1900”

Hamilton Forum

St. Michael the Archangel Church

11:30 a.m.

No reservations needed.

Thursday, February 20, 2020

Justin Huyck

Associate Pastor

St. Michael the Archangel, Canton

“The Baptismal Body: Getting into FaithShape this Lent”

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, February 11, 2020  
 Whitney Daley  
 “Moving from Busyness to  
 Intentionality”

## 6. Online Learning Centers

These online learning centers have Winter 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:*

- The Boston College Crossroads online program is offering these courses that begin in February:  
[Living Community: Insights from L'Arche](#); [The Old Testament Narrative](#); [Lent 2020: Reflecting Together](#); [The Joy of the Gospel](#)
- The Vibrant Faith Institute has their Faith Formation For a New Generation (Gen Z) course beginning February:  
[Foundations of Lifelong Faith Formation](#); [Adult Faith Formation Practices and Approaches](#); [Faith Formation in a Digital Age](#)
- The University of Notre Dame Satellite Theological Program has these courses beginning on February 24:  
[Vatican II: The Experience and the Event](#); [Youth Ministry 202](#); [Catholic Social Teaching](#); [The Creed: We Believe...](#); [Emerging Models of Catechesis: A Study of Faith Formation Models](#); [In God's Image: The Mystery of Creation](#); [Introduction to the New Testament](#); [An Introduction to Sacraments](#); [Liturgical Prayer: The Liturgy of the Hours](#); [On Prayer](#); [Pro-Life Ethics in a Throwaway Culture](#); [The Reformation](#); [Faith and Science: Origins and Belief](#); [El Misterio del Mal y del Amor que lo supera](#); [El Credo: un encuentro con Dios Padre, Hijo y Espíritu Santo](#); [La Creación: Don de Dios](#); [La Iglesia Intercultural: Fundación Teológica y Práctica Pastoral](#); [El Misterio de Dios: La Santísima Trinidad](#)
- The Virtual Learning Community for Faith Formation from the University of Dayton has registration open now for more than 30 courses that begin on March 1, including these:  
[Bioethical Issues, Including Care for the Aging and Support for Families](#); [Church History 2](#); [Conscience](#); [Designing and Implementing Adult Learning and Faith Formation](#); [Disabilities in Parish Life: An Overview](#); [Discovering Integral Ecology in Laudato Si'](#); [Ecclesiology: Pilgrim Church](#); [Faith and Human Development](#); [Galatians](#); [History of Catholic Social Action](#); [Images of Jesus](#); [Introduction to Liturgy](#); [Introduction to Pastoral Care](#); [Introduction to Practical Morality](#); [Introduction to Prayer](#); [Mary in Scripture and Tradition](#); [Ministering in Times of Scandals and Divisions](#); [Our Hearts Were Burning](#); [Sacraments](#); [Understanding Culture in Ministry: Building Bridges](#)

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

Did you know that Loyola University New Orleans now offers a Bachelor's Degree in Ministry and Theology totally online? The program requires two or more years of full-time work or volunteer experience for admission, allows students to transfer up to 90 credit hours of coursework from accredited colleges and universities, and requires 120 credits for completion. To learn more, visit <https://online.loyno.edu/online-bachelor-of-arts-in-ministry-and-theology/> or email Carla Hlavac, LIMEX liaison, at [chlavac@youngstowndiocese.org](mailto:chlavac@youngstowndiocese.org).

8. Ethical Trade Shopping

Roman Catholic Social Teaching includes seven themes which help us to recognize the inherent goodness of all persons as children of God. When we engage in activities that promote the dignity of work, the rights of workers, and solidarity with the poor, we fulfill our call to discipleship rooted in our Baptism. The Office of Religious Education Ethical Trade Store is an extension of adult faith formation in Catholic social teaching, and provides an opportunity to purchase finely crafted gifts and make a real difference in the lives of persons seeking a living wage for their families. Visit anytime!

## OFFICE OF WORSHIP

1. Save the Date!

Liturgy Day 2020  
Saturday, October 10, 2020  
Keynote Speaker ~ Rev. Ricky Manalo, CSP  
More Details to Follow!

2. Rite of Election – March 1, 2020

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. Materials will be mailed to RCIA Team Chairpersons in early January. The deadline to submit the names of Catechumens and Candidates for inclusion in the Rite of Election book is **FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2020**.

3. 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. Publicity materials will be mailed in early February.

4. Easter Vigil – April 11, 2020

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.*

5. Confirmation of Baptized Catholics at the Easter Vigil

Priests are reminded that the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults gives them the faculty to confirm catechumens and candidates at the Easter Vigil. However, if there are persons who are baptized Catholic and completing their initiation at the Easter Vigil, the pastor must request permission of Bishop George V. Murry, S.J., to confirm them. A letter of request stating the names of only those individuals who were **baptized Catholic** and who will be confirmed at the Easter Vigil should be sent to the Bishop’s Office as soon as possible.

6. Chrism Mass -- April 7, 2020

The Chrism Mass will be celebrated on **Tuesday, April 7, 2020 at 10:30 a.m.** at Saint Columba Cathedral. Information letters and details will be sent in the coming weeks.

7. 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. .

8. Diocesan Youth Choir Festival

The annual Diocesan Youth Choir Festival will be held in conjunction with the 2020 Pueri Cantores Choir Festival at St. Paul Cathedral in Pittsburgh on Saturday, March 21, 2020 for all students (grades 4-12). Rehearsals will be held prior to the festival and transportation to/from Pittsburgh will be provided. The combined Festival Choir will sing at the 6:00 p.m. Cathedral liturgy and the Most Reverend David Zubik, Bishop of Pittsburgh will be the main celebrant. Those interested in participating can register by calling the Office of Worship (330-744-8451 ext. 304) or emailing Mrs. Barb Zorn [zornbarb@aol.com](mailto:zornbarb@aol.com). Registration deadline is February 15, 2020 and there is no charge to participate.

9. Youngstown Diocese NPM Chapter

A Youngstown Diocese NPM (National Association of Pastoral Musicians) Chapter has recently been formed and is open to all pastoral musicians. The next meeting of the Chapter will be on Monday, February 3, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. at Saint Angel Merici Parish – 397 S. Jackson Street, Youngstown. The topic will be Lent/Easter Choir Anthems – Traditional, Contemporary and Children’s. Those attending are asked to bring their favorite choir anthems for a read and sing-through. For more information contact Mrs. Libby Saxton, Director of Music, Saint Michael the Archangel Parish, Canton, 330-492-3119 or [libby@stmichaelcanton.org](mailto:libby@stmichaelcanton.org).

10. Flu Season and Liturgical Celebrations

During flu season parishes may receive requests from parishioners to make changes to liturgical celebrations in order to prevent the spread of the flu and other viruses. The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, in consultation with the Center for Disease Control, recommends that the following measures be taken in the celebration of the liturgy:

- a. Priests, deacons, and extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion should be especially reminded of the need to practice good hygiene. All Ministers of Holy Communion are encouraged to wash their hands using an alcohol based anti-bacterial solution before Mass begins and immediately after Mass.
- b. Pastors should instruct people who feel ill not to receive from the cup.
- c. Those who are sick should stay home, and limit contact with others to keep from infecting them.
- d. All should be encouraged to follow good everyday healthy actions:
  - of covering your nose and mouth with a tissue when coughing;
  - avoid touching your eyes, nose or mouth after shaking hands or touching any surface;
  - avoid close contact with those who are sick.

At the present time, the Bishop’s Committee on Divine Worship of USCCB has not issued directives considering any changes, adaptations or restrictions of options in the celebration of the Liturgy.

11. University of Notre Dame – 2020 Summer Liturgy Week

The McGrath Institute for Church Life will sponsor the 2020 Liturgy Week *“The Liturgical Orientation of Catholic Education,”* June 22-25, 2020 at the University of Notre Dame. Discover how the task of Catholic Education unfolds in the school, parish and family. Explore the role of liturgical prayer in forming young people in Catholic life. Early-bird discounts through April 5, 2020. For more information: [www.mcgrath.nd.edu/liturgyweek](http://www.mcgrath.nd.edu/liturgyweek).

12. 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. Eagle of the Cross Nominations mid-February deadline fast approaching

If you know an outstanding high school junior or senior in our diocese, be sure to nominate him/her for the 2020 Eagle of the Cross Awards. Recipients will be honored at a Mass and Banquet on April 29 in Youngstown, and all nominees receive a certificate of acknowledgement.

The form can be found in the attachments of this *Communique* and has been posted at: <http://youngstownoyyam.weebly.com/eagle-of-cross-awards.html>

Nominations are **DUE by 3 p.m. ET on Friday, February 14** (please mail by Feb. 12<sup>th</sup>).

2. CMD National Workshop: **Radiate Christ - Forming Youth for Discipleship**

Register now for this in-service day scheduled for 8:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 3, 2020 at the St. Michael Parish Hall, 300 N. Main Street, Canfield OH 44406. This session which will incorporate *Christus Vivit* would be great for all adults serving in middle school and high school, parishes and schools.

Session topics will be:

1. Proclaiming the Heart of the Gospel to Young People Today
2. Teaching Youth Discipleship
3. Radiating Christ - Witnessing Faith

NOTE: Unfortunately, the fliers in last month's attachments were printed by CMD with the WRONG city and zip code, please know that it is in Canfield, OH 44406. Contact the office if you would like to receive a corrected flier.

3. Parish Youth Ministry Report Forms were Due January 31

Parish Coordinators/Directors for Youth Ministry are reminded to complete and submit the annual Parish Youth Ministry Report posted at <http://youngstownoyyam.weebly.com/key-forms.html> by January 31, 2020 for the 2019 year. This form, in addition to providing necessary information to the diocese, can be a useful tool for evaluating your current youth ministry efforts and to plan for the future. Thank you to those who have already submitted the report!

## MISCELLANEOUS

### **CATHOLIC EXPONENT**

Publication dates and special sections for the Exponent are as follows: January 24, Seniors – Living 50+/Catholic Schools Week; February 7, Careers & College Guide/American Heart Month; February 21, Spring Home Improvement/Retreats. The normal deadline for each issue is 12 days before the publication date. We try to get late information into the issue, but are sometimes limited by lack of available space.

Due to mail delivery schedules, some of our subscribers get their papers on Saturday or even Monday, instead of Friday. If you have a big event planned for the weekend the paper is published, we recommend submitting items for publication in the previous issue so everyone will have the information in a timely manner.

The 2020 Directory and Telephone Guide is currently being put together. We hope to have copies available sometime in February. The price will remain at \$12.

February is Catholic Press Month. The Exponent remains an important source of adult faith formation for diocesan Catholics in more than 22,000 homes, focusing on the diocesan news and features that are not available in any other Catholic publication. The Exponent will be mailing materials to the parishes to help pastors promote subscriptions during all the weekends of February.

To subscribe, call 330-744-5251 or email us at [exposubscriptions@youngstowndiocese.org](mailto:exposubscriptions@youngstowndiocese.org) to request subscription information. Remember God's presence in our lives and His glory. Read and support the Exponent.

### **LENT 2020 - - "SOUP FOR THE SOUL"**

Save the date for "Soup for the Soul." This coming Lent, try something new. Instead of giving something up, why not come to a soup supper and learn more about the Eucharist? Join us at St. Rose Church in the Rossetta Hall on Thursday evenings, beginning March 5 through April 2 from 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. The evening will begin with a simple meal followed by Bishop Robert Barron's DVD series, "The Eucharist." Cost: \$15 for study guide. For more information, call Linda at 330-727-4604. Please see flyer in this month's Communique attachments.

### **MARDI GRAS BEER TASTE!**

St. Luke Church Annual Mardi Gras Beer Taste will be held on **Saturday, February 22, 2020**. Food, Music, Dancing, Chinese Auction, 50/50 Raffle & More! Tickets: \$25 per person. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. Taking reservations for tables of 8, call 330-782-9783 for further information. Please see flyer in this month's Communique attachments.

<b>MISCELLANEOUS (continued)</b>
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**SUNDAY BRUNCH @ ST. DOMINIC'S PARISH CENTER**

St. Dominic Parish, 77 E. Lucius Ave., Youngstown is hosting Sunday Brunch on **Sunday, February 9, 2020** from 10AM—2PM. The menu includes: oven baked ham, a waffle station with strawberries, blueberries, whip cream & syrup, scrambled eggs with optional toppings of peppers, onions, mushrooms & cheese sauce, crispy breakfast potatoes, quiche Lorraine, sausage & bacon, coffee, tea, OJ, mimosa, and water. Please see our website [www.saintdominic.org](http://www.saintdominic.org) or Facebook page for more information. Take out is available with advance notice. The cost is \$10 per person. This is catered by our own Chef Shannon & the Caterer.

**ASH WEDNESDAY @ ST. DOMINIC'S PARISH CENTER**

St. Dominic Parish, 77 E. Lucius Ave., Youngstown is having Ash Wednesday CARRYOUT DINNERS ONLY on Wednesday, February 26 from 10 am-1:30 pm. The menu includes: baked cod, oven roasted potatoes, baby carrots, dinner roll w/ butter and orange pound cake OR cheese lasagna w/marinara sauce, tossed salad w/dressing, garlic breadstick and orange pound cake. Please see our website [www.saintdominic.org](http://www.saintdominic.org) or Facebook page for more information. Take out is available with advance notice. The cost is \$10 per person. This is catered by our own Chef Shannon & the Caterer.

**CATHOLIC MEN'S FELLOWSHIP CONFERENCE**

“CMF Conference 2020 – Making Your Vision Clear”

Dr. Ray Guarendi will be the keynote speaker at the 8<sup>th</sup> annual Catholic Men's Fellowship Conference. Come together with men from the diocese for a day of fellowship, spiritual awakening and new direction on **Saturday, March 21, 2020**; 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. with Bishop Murry presiding at the 4:00 p.m. closing mass. For more information go to [www.CMFDOY.org](http://www.CMFDOY.org).

**SCOUT RELIGIOUS EMBLEMS AND AWARDS PRAYER SERVICE**

The annual "Scouts Religious Emblems and Awards Prayer Service" will be held this year on **Saturday, April 18, 2020** at 10:00AM at St. Michael Church, 300 N. Broad St. Canfield Ohio 44406. Please note the change of venue from the past services that were held at the Cathedral. The change was made due to the dwindling number of scouts receiving the awards. All Pastors and Parish Leaders are invited to attend, especially if you have scouts in your parish receiving the awards.

<b>IN MEMORIAM</b>
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	<i>February</i>
<i>Rev. John Spitale</i>	1/07
<i>Rev. Robert J. O'Dea</i>	2/85
<i>Rev. Daniel Cipar</i>	2/18
<i>Deacon Albert Jaskiewicz</i>	3/03
<i>Rev. David Menegay</i>	3/17
<i>Rev. Peter Hyland</i>	5/49
<i>Rt. Rev. Msgr. Ralph C. Kotheimer</i>	5/69
<i>Rev. Msgr. Michael Ronik</i>	5/16
<i>Rev. Robert Flynn</i>	6/01
<i>Rev. Albert DePascale, CPPS</i>	6/01
<i>Rev. Joseph Dervan</i>	8/60
<i>Rev. Stephen Horvath</i>	8/10
<i>Rev. Leo H. Collins</i>	10/54
<i>Rev. John Schmidt</i>	10/03
<i>Rev. Hippolyt Deesy</i>	12/64
<i>Rev. Bernard Hawkins, MSC</i>	13/95
<i>Rev. William Petrunak</i>	13/10
<i>Rt. Rev. Msgr. Leo Schlindwein</i>	14/65
<i>Rev. Msgr. Branimir Radetic</i>	15/03
<i>Rt. Rev. Msgr. Alfred Manning</i>	17/54
<i>Rev. Edward P. Franko</i>	17/67
<i>Rev. Msgr. Cyril A. Adamko</i>	17/14
<i>Rt. Rev. Msgr. John G. Hamrak</i>	18/65
<i>Rev. Berthold Schuh, MSC</i>	18/82
<i>Rev. Joseph G. Beene</i>	18/92
<i>Rev. Leo Vogt, CPPS</i>	19/53
<i>Rt. Rev. Msgr. Michael Tondra</i>	19/68
<i>Rev. Martin Matulik</i>	19/98
<i>Deacon Russell Brode</i>	19/16
<i>Rev. John L. Maurer</i>	20/62
<i>Rev. Thomas M. Spisak</i>	20/03
<i>Rev. Joseph Bresnyak</i>	21/58
<i>Very Rev. Robert G. Moorhead</i>	22/59
<i>Rt. Rev. Msgr. Walter Martin</i>	22/77
<i>Rev. William Witt</i>	22/11
<i>Rev. John P. Cunningham</i>	23/89
<i>Deacon Robert Rapp</i>	23/15
<i>Rev. Donovan Mulert, MSC</i>	24/00
<i>Rev. John T. McFarland</i>	25/61
<i>Rev. Hugh F. Gallagher</i>	25/88
<i>Rev. Paul Gubser</i>	25/06
<i>Rev. Bonaventure A. Babik</i>	27/86
<i>Rev. Leo Horner</i>	28/86