SEPTEMBER BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFICE OF FAITH FORMATION AND LAY ECCLESIAL MINISTRY

CELEBRATE FAITH FORMATION September 4, 2022

Those who Labor in the Vineyard of the Lord serve with a joyful enthusiasm to spread the Good News of Jesus Christ at all times in all ways, often with little or no compensation for their generosity of time and talent. Perhaps today we can seek a catechist, youth minister, adult faith formation minister, or RCIA team member to express our appreciation for their willingness to share their faith with our parishioners and our community.

CELEBRATE THOSE WHO SHARE FAITH: September 11, 2022

The Ministry of the Word includes the mission of Faith Formation, Catechesis, and teaching. Catechesis means “to echo.” Believers who embrace the Gospel of Jesus Christ as the best news ever proclaimed are eager to “echo” the Good News everywhere. Have you shared your enthusiasm for the Catholic Church with someone recently?

HONOR OUR CATECHISTS AND TEACHERS: September 18, 2022

Today the Catholic Church of the United States observes “Catechetical Sunday” to recognize the importance of the ministry of catechesis. We honor those persons who share faith with other adults, youth and children through their service as catechists and facilitators in all of our parish ministries. Please commit yourself to pray for those who are helping faith to grow in you, and your family.

COMMIT TO LIFELONG LEARNING: September 25, 2022

Faith formation requires a commitment to lifelong learning and openness to grow in Discipleship. Many opportunities designed to assist adults to nurture their spirituality and acquire enhanced knowledge of the faith are presented during the fall and Advent season. Should you be open to expanding your understanding of the teaching of the Catholic Church, please contact the Diocesan Office of Faith Formation and Lay Ecclesial Ministry at 330 744-8451, visit https:catechistcafe.weebly.com/catechist-courses.html or speak with your Parish Director of Religious Education for more information.

LIMEX INFORMATION SESSIONS

Are you interested in a part-time, graduate-level program in theology and spirituality from a Catholic university? Information sessions concerning the Loyola Institute for Ministry Extension Program of Loyola University New Orleans are scheduled October 13, 2022 at 10:00 am at the Diocesan Conference Room and at 6:30 pm via Zoom. Please contact Margie Hynes, liaison for LIMEX, at 330 744-8451 ext. 296 or mhynes@youngstowndiocese.org with any questions and which information session you plan to attend.

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