



# CLERGY COMMUNICATIONS

100 East Eighth Street Cincinnati, Ohio 45202

(To be filed in loose leaf binder and kept in parish archives)

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## ***CHRIST AT THE CENTER***

The Worship Office will hold Sacramental Ministry Framework information sessions in each of the three areas of the Archdiocese in September. The framework for sacramental ministry is inspired by the New Evangelization, the baptismal catechumenate, and family-centered catechesis. It focuses primarily on sacramental ministry with couples seeking Marriage, parents and guardians seeking Baptism for their children, and candidates for Confirmation. It is an approach that:

- recognizes the importance of providing an evangelizing catechesis and engaging our people into an ever-deeper relationship with Christ;
- meets people where they are at and invites them and accompanies them on their journey of faith;
- provides greater connection to the parish community of faith and long-term relationships with members of the parish community;
- seeks to form disciples for mission in the world.

Attending one of these free sessions will be your chance to:

- review the Sacramental Ministry Framework (which will be distributed at the sessions);
- ask questions and address concerns;
- meet with members of the Archdiocesan Sacramental Ministry Committee;
- network with other parish pastoral ministers who are planning to implement the framework;
- begin to discuss possible next steps, including signing up to be a pilot parish.

The presentations will take place as follows:

### **DAYTON**

Tuesday, September 10; 1:30 – 4:00 p.m.  
Archbishop Daniel E. Pilarczyk Center (Moeddel Room)  
1436 Needmore Road, Dayton, OH 45414

### **CINCINNATI**

Tuesday, September 17; 1:30 – 4:00 p.m.  
St. Saviour Church (undercroft)  
4136 Myrtle Avenue Cincinnati, OH 45236

### **NORTH**

Thursday, September 26; 7:00 – 9:30 p.m.  
Sacred Heart of Jesus Church (undercroft)  
9333 State Route 119W, Anna, OH 45302

Please make a reservation by email [worship@catholiccincinnati.org](mailto:worship@catholiccincinnati.org) or call the Worship Office at 513.421.3131x6609. Please give us your name, parish, email address or phone number, and indicate which location you will be attending.

## **DEPARTMENT OF EXECUTIVE SERVICES**

### ***CHANCERY OFFICE***

#### **LAST CHANCE FOR PETER'S PENCE RESOURCE MATERIALS**

If you need to change the amount of resource materials that you received for the Peter's Pence collection this past June, please contact the Chancery Office **no later than September 11** at 513.421.3131x2842 or [lheidi@catholiccincinnati.org](mailto:lheidi@catholiccincinnati.org).

#### **NATIONAL COLLECTION**

##### **TO BENEFIT THE ARCHDIOCESE FOR MILITARY SERVICES**

In July, all pastors received a letter from Archbishop Schnurr concerning a national collection to benefit the Archdiocese for Military Services. This collection is to be taken up in every parish in the Archdiocese of Cincinnati at every obligation Mass on the weekend of **November 9-10, 2013**. *Our Sunday Visitor* will be distributing the resource materials to the parishes as the collection draws closer. Please remind your parishioners that this is an ideal time to remember and thank all those who have served our country in all branches of the military, to pray for the peaceful repose of those who have died defending our country and to pray for the intentions of those still serving our country. All collection monies should be forwarded to the Finance Office indicating that it is for the Archdiocese for Military Services. If you have any questions, please contact the Chancery Office at 513.421.3131x2842.

#### **OCTOBER COUNT GRID 2013**

Enclosed with this mailing is the **2013 OCTOBER COUNT GRID** for parishes and institutions where regular weekend Masses are celebrated. Tabulation for the October Count begins the weekend of October 5 – 6. Please return the completed form by **Friday, November 15, 2013**. Also, please note that the grid may be completed online at: [http://www.catholiccincinnati.org/octobercount/october\\_count\\_form\\_electronic.pdf](http://www.catholiccincinnati.org/octobercount/october_count_form_electronic.pdf).

#### **OFFICIAL CATHOLIC DIRECTORY (OCD) UPDATE SHEETS**

Please be on the lookout for a mailing from The P.J. Kenedy Publishing Company which contains the update sheets for the 2014 OCD which needs your immediate attention. Please make the necessary corrections and additions as soon as possible and return the sheets to the Chancery Office. **NOTE:** Please make sure that the back of the form is signed by the person completing the form in case the need arises for follow up.

#### **ARCHIVES RELOCATING; VOLUNTEERS SOUGHT**

The Archives are moving and looking for volunteers to help in the office. After a thorough evaluation of potential sites, acting archivist Richard Hamilton is happy to announce that the residence at 25 E. Eighth Street, immediately adjacent to St. Louis Church, will be the new home of the Chancery Archives. This building, which is owned by the Archdiocese, is the former home of the Daughters of St. Paul Bookstore and the television studio from which Masses were

broadcast. The new Archives will feature a reading room and display area, a stacks area for documents and artifacts, and a stacks mezzanine level to house special collections such as vestments, photographs, architectural drawings, and artwork. Upstairs above the reading room will be a small office and work area and the microforms collection. Our architect is planning to retain as many of the original features as possible, such as the staircase, fireplaces, and stained-glass skylight. Structural and renovation work will begin soon. Work is currently underway to organize and prepare our various collections for the move. The move will allow us to make use of an unused building that we already own instead of paying rent. Both before and after the move, volunteers are needed to tackle such tasks as sorting and identifying photos, organizing and labeling architectural drawings, reviewing bound *Catholic Telegraph* volumes for completeness of contents, and replacing files pulled from various collections and not re-filed. If you are interested, please contact Richard Hamilton at [rhamilton@catholiccincinnati.org](mailto:rhamilton@catholiccincinnati.org) or 513.484.6284.

### **REVISIONS OF THE *DECREE ON CHILD PROTECTION***

In July, Father Steve Angi, Chancellor, held four informational meetings in the Archdiocese outlining the revisions of the *Decree on Child Protection*. To familiarize yourself with the changes, you may now access the video that was produced from one of the informational meetings by visiting <http://www.catholiccincinnati.org/protecting-children/decree-on-child-protection/2013-revised-decree-on-child-protection/>. It may also be found on the archdiocesan website under Protecting Our Children.

### **B-4 FORMS**

At the informational meetings on the revisions of the *Decree on Child Protection* that took place in July, participants were informed that there is a **new** B-4 Form that all parishes/schools/institutions should begin using immediately. It has been brought to our attention that this was the only means of communication and therefore many parishes/schools/institutions may not be aware of the new form. **Included with this mailing is the new B-4 form.** For those that handle the hiring process at parishes/schools/institutions, we kindly ask that you begin using the new form immediately. Make additional copies as needed and please discard any old copies you may have. **With the new form, if the “Yes” box is checked, it is approval for hiring.** Also, effective September 1, 2013, the handling of the B-4 Forms will fall under the supervision of the Office of Safe Environment, therefore when sending in your B-4 Forms, please send them to the attention of Mr. Tom Coz, Coordinator of Safe Environment. Thank you for your cooperation and assistance in this matter. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Tom Coz at 513.421.3131x2848 or [tcoz@catholiccincinnati.org](mailto:tcoz@catholiccincinnati.org).

### **FRAUDULENT EMAIL ALERT**

We have received correspondence from the Office of the General Secretary of the USCCB alerting us of two emails that are fraudulent. The first email is from an individual identifying himself as Reverend Alberto Fernandes Camillio which purportedly forwards a request from His Eminence Cardinal Marc Ouellet, Prefect of the Congregation for Bishops. The second email purports to be issued directly from Cardinal Ouellet. If additional information is needed, please contact Fr. Steve Angi, Chancellor, at 513.421.3131x2846.

## **CHURCH INVOLVEMENT IN POLITICAL ISSUES**

With the upcoming November election, the constant advice of the USCCB and the Chancery is to be unusually scrupulous by avoiding **any activity** that could be perceived as supporting any political party and/or its candidates, including the signing of petitions promoting political issues. Just because a political party, a candidate, or a group of supporters says that some proposed activity or statement of support is appropriate does not make it appropriate. A perception of a violation could cost thousands of dollars in attorney's fees. In addition, the not-for-profit designation could be lost which would have a chilling effect on offerings and donations. If you have any questions, please contact **Fr. Steve Angi** at 513.421.3131x2846. Included with this mailing are Guidelines for Church Involvement in Political Issues. You may also access this resource by visiting:

[http://www.catholiccincinnati.org/wp-content/uploads/2012/03/church\\_involvement\\_in\\_political\\_issues2012.pdf](http://www.catholiccincinnati.org/wp-content/uploads/2012/03/church_involvement_in_political_issues2012.pdf).

## **OFFICE OF SAFE ENVIRONMENT FOR THE PROTECTION OF CHILDREN AND YOUTH**

### **LOCAL SAFE ENVIRONMENT COORDINATORS**

It is very important, if you have not already done so, to please advise Jackie Heinitz at [jheinitz@catholiccincinnati.org](mailto:jheinitz@catholiccincinnati.org) of the (i) name, (ii) title, (iii) phone number, (iv) e-mail address, and (v) last four digits of Social Security number for the person who will serve as the Local Safe Environment Coordinator ("Local SEC") for your parish, school or institution. All Local SECs are authorized to view the "Administration" tab on their *VIRTUS*® home pages. This tab allows each Local SEC to view the "Master Report" for his/her Parish, School, Institution, etc.

### **VIRTUS® CHILD AWARENESS SESSIONS**

To register for a *VIRTUS*® Child Awareness Session, please go to [www.virtus.org](http://www.virtus.org) (the *VIRTUS*® Home Page) and choose the yellow "Registration" link in the left hand column. Then choose "Register for a Session" and pick Cincinnati (Archdiocese of Cincinnati) from the drop down box. The registration instructions will then prompt you to set up a user name and password and ask some other questions. You can then sign up for any one of the many currently scheduled *VIRTUS*® Child Awareness Sessions from all across the Archdiocese. You can also find step-by-step *VIRTUS*® session registration instructions on the Archdiocesan website at: <http://www.catholiccincinnati.org/wp-content/uploads/2012/06/Online-registration-instructions.pdf>

### **VIRTUS® FACILITATOR BINDERS**

If you were trained as a *VIRTUS*® Facilitator during 2012 and you have not yet presented a live Session or if you have decided that you no longer wish to serve as a *VIRTUS*® Facilitator, please return your Facilitator Binder to Tom Coz as soon as possible. We have requests from other persons wanting us to hold another *VIRTUS*® Facilitator Training Session. We need to receive all "extra" Binders back in order to re-distribute them to new Facilitator Trainees.

### **FINGERPRINT / BACKGROUND CHECK UPDATE**

Fingerprinting services may not always be available at the downtown or other Archdiocese of Cincinnati fingerprint locations. **Therefore, if you are planning to go downtown or to another fingerprint location, please check the Archdiocesan web site link for "Protecting Our Children / Archdiocesan Fingerprinting" first.** Fingerprint site information is

continuously updated to indicate if fingerprinting is or is not available at each fingerprint location during regularly scheduled times.

### **MOBILE FINGERPRINTING UNIT**

If you would like a **mobile fingerprinting unit** to visit your parish, school, or other Archdiocese of Cincinnati institution, please email Tom Coz at: [tcoz@catholiccincinnati.org](mailto:tcoz@catholiccincinnati.org) to schedule this visit. In your message, please state (i) your location, (ii) the date(s) that you would like a mobile unit to visit, and (iii) approximately how many persons would be fingerprinted so we can schedule the outside fingerprint contractor we are using in an efficient manner. We do not plan to use the Archdiocese's mobile fingerprint units any longer because we are now trying out the services of a third party contractor, called SELECTiON.COM.

### **INFORMATION NEEDED**

We need contact person names, street addresses, email addresses, telephone numbers, and fax numbers, for each Archdiocesan parish, school and other institution for fingerprinting purposes and our new mobile unit contractor. Please send the necessary information to Tom Coz at [tcoz@catholiccincinnati.org](mailto:tcoz@catholiccincinnati.org).

## ***COMMUNICATIONS OFFICE***

### **DIRECTORY UPDATES**

Remember, our online parish directory needs help in keeping the listings current. Please go to [www.CatholicCincinnati.org](http://www.CatholicCincinnati.org) and check out your parish in the directory by clicking on "Find a Parish" at the top of the home page. If you see any mistakes, outdated information or even what appear to be software errors, please send an e-mail to [Communications@CatholicCincinnati.org](mailto:Communications@CatholicCincinnati.org) with the subject line DIRECTORY.

## ***VOCATIONS OFFICE***

### **NEW SEMINARIANS**

This year, we were pleased to welcome nine new seminarians for the Archdiocese of Cincinnati: five new college seminarians, two new seminarians and two men transferred to the Archdiocese from another community. This brings our current total of men in formation for the Archdiocese of Cincinnati to 45, with one on a leave of absence. This is the largest number of men in formation that we have had since the early 1990s, and certainly the prayers of so many across the Archdiocese are no small contributor to this increase.

### **ORDINATION DATES FOR 2014**

Next year's priestly ordination will take place on Saturday, May 17, 2014, 11:00 a.m. at St. Peter in Chains Cathedral. Ordination for transitional deacons will take place on Saturday, April 26, 2014, at 11:00 a.m., also at St. Peter in Chains Cathedral.

### **FALL ANDREW DINNERS**

Andrew Dinners have been scheduled for the Fall season. Thank you to those who offered to host, we will circle around to parishes in the near future.

September 24, 2013: Holy Angels, Sidney  
October 2, 2013: St. Anne's, Groesbeck, Cincinnati  
October 10, 2013: Incarnation, Centerville

Doors will open at 5:30 p.m. with dinner at 6:00, program at 6:45 and evening prayer at 7:30 p.m. Please consider inviting those in your parish whom you see as having the potential of a priestly vocation to join us for the evening. If you could let the Vocation Office know how many are attending for meal purposes, it is greatly appreciated! Call 513.421.3131x2890 or email [kschnippel@catholiccincinnati.org](mailto:kschnippel@catholiccincinnati.org) for more information.

### **VOCATION AWARENESS WEEK**

The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops has moved the next observance of National Vocation Awareness Week to November 2014; leaving the coming academic year with no national observance. In lieu of the national observance, the Archdiocese of Cincinnati will observe Vocation Awareness Week during the week of November 17 - 23 so that it concludes with the National Catholic Youth Conference in Indianapolis.

### ***DIACONATE OFFICE***

#### **DEACON GRANTED SENIOR STATUS**

Deacon Richard Janowiecki, ordained on September 28, 1991, has been granted Senior Status effective on September 28 from his assignment as a deacon at Precious Blood Parish in Dayton. Deacon Janowiecki retains his faculties as a deacon of the Archdiocese of Cincinnati and the title deacon. He will continue to serve the people of the Archdiocese as he is able.

#### **DEACON ASSIGNMENT**

**Deacon David Meyer** has been assigned to St. Vincent Ferrer Parish in Cincinnati effective July 27, 2013.

### **INFORMATION MEETINGS ABOUT THE DIACONATE**

WHO IS A DEACON?  
WHAT DOES A DEACON DO?  
WHY DO WE NEED DEACONS?

You are cordially invited to a meeting of interested men (and wives) to learn more about the role of deacons in the Archdiocese of Cincinnati. If you have never attended an information meeting about the diaconate, this meeting will be very helpful as you consider a vocation to the diaconate or would just like to learn more about the ministry of deacons in the Archdiocese of Cincinnati. Besides discussing the role of deacons (and wives), the meetings will include information about the requirements for admission into the Deacon Formation Program. There will also be an explanation of the ongoing process of discernment to the diaconate and possible discernment methods. Finally, there will be time for you to ask any questions which are on your mind in order to help you to better understand the ministry of deacons.

Wednesday, October 23, 2013; 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.  
Our Lady of the Rosary, Dayton (Parish Hall)  
22 Notre Dame Avenue, Dayton, OH 45404

November 13 2013; 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.  
St. Matthias, Cincinnati (Parish Center)  
1050 W. Kemper Road, Cincinnati, OH 45240

If you plan on attending, please call Barry Mersmann, Director of the Office of the Diaconate, or Karen Brannon at the Office of the Diaconate (513.421.3131) or register by e-mail at [deaconoffice@catholiccincinnati.org](mailto:deaconoffice@catholiccincinnati.org) to let us know so we will be sure to have enough handouts. If you need directions, we will be glad to provide them.

## **DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL SERVICES**

### ***FINANCE AND ACCOUNTING OFFICE***

#### **BENEFITS ALLOCATION SYSTEMS (BAS) UPDATE**

*The toll free number to contact BAS is: 1.866.694.6423.*

*Important reminder: the Archdiocese of Cincinnati is no longer partnering with Healthsmart for healthcare administration and has transitioned to BAS effective immediately. The process for benefit election for new employees as well as changes for existing employees is CHANGING. Please plan to attend a training session below.*

#### **TRAINING SITES**

Wednesday, September 18, 2013	Pilarczyk Center, Dayton; 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 (noon) Moeddel Room
Wednesday, September 18, 2013	St. Ignatius Church, Cincinnati; 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. Hilvert Center
Thursday, September 19, 2013	St John Church, West Chester; 9:00 – 11:00 a.m. Pavilion
Thursday, September 19, 2013	Lehman High School, Sidney; 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. Computer Lab
Tuesday, September 24, 2013	Pilarczyk Center, Dayton; 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 (noon) Moeddel Room
Tuesday, September 24, 2013	Lehman High School, Sidney; 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. Computer Lab
Wednesday, September 25, 2013	Our Lady of Victory Church, Cincinnati; 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 (noon), Convocation Center, Main Hall

Wednesday, September 25, 2013      Athenaeum of Ohio, Cincinnati; 2:00 – 4:00 p.m.  
Bartlett Center

Thursday, September 26, 2013      Archdiocese of Cincinnati; 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 (noon)  
Central Office – Conference Room 1A

Thursday, September 26, 2013      St. John Church, West Chester; 2:00 – 4:00 p.m.  
Pavilion Hall

Please email Stacey Longbottom at [slongbottom@catholiccincinnati.org](mailto:slongbottom@catholiccincinnati.org) for meeting reservations. Please contact Charlotte McManis at [cmcmanis@catholiccincinnati.org](mailto:cmcmanis@catholiccincinnati.org) or 513.421.3131x2852, Barb Walsh at [bwalsh@catholiccincinnati.org](mailto:bwalsh@catholiccincinnati.org) or 513.421.3131x6603 or Annie Zoz at [azoz@catholiccincinnati.org](mailto:azoz@catholiccincinnati.org) or 513.421.3131x2853 with questions.

**STUDENT ACCIDENT INSURANCE: Change in carrier effective immediately**

The Archdiocese of Cincinnati offers Student Accident Insurance that is secondary to the parent’s primary health insurance. The Student Accident Insurance is intended to help cover expenses not covered by the parent’s primary health insurance carrier. The new carrier for this insurance is Gallagher-Koster and administered by BMI Benefits. Please destroy old materials and brochures from the carrier Maskin as it no longer applies. Visit the Finance Office website for link to claim forms, FAQ, and instructions. It is requested that each location print these forms for your files and to distribute to parents and faculty.

Key points:

- Parents are eligible to file a claim for an accident involving their child if it occurred during a school-related activity.
- Who is covered? All registered students in an Archdiocesan school for grades PreK-12 for incidents that occur during school time and school activities. Coverage also includes all PreK- Grade 8 interscholastic athletes (including CYO participants).

Direct questions to Charlotte McManis 513.421.3131x2852 [cmcmanis@catholiccincinnati.org](mailto:cmcmanis@catholiccincinnati.org) or Barbara Walsh 513.421.3131x6603 [bwalsh@catholiccincinnati.org](mailto:bwalsh@catholiccincinnati.org).

**LIFE AND AD&D INSURANCE**

The Standard Insurance Company has increased rates for the Archdiocesan core life and AD&D insurance for the 2013-2014 plan year. Effective September 1, 2013 each location will be billed by Benefit Allocation Systems (BAS) a monthly premium according to the table below.

Benefit	Age	Premium
50,000	Under 65	7.25
32,500	65 to 69	4.71
21,000	70 to 74	3.05
15,000	75 and over	2.18

## **PAYROLL**

Paycor is introducing a new user friendly, flexible online payroll application. For those Archdiocesan locations utilizing Paycor's PC product, we are excited to announce an updated platform named Perform. Over the next several weeks, each location will be upgraded to the new cloud-based payroll and HR platform. This is a free upgrade to each location's existing application. All history will remain fully intact, so there will be no need to rekey any information. Also all Paycor passwords will remain the same. All location payroll administrators will receive an email from their payroll specialist with detailed information including training dates and times for a **required** 90 minute training session. Please contact your payroll specialist or Annie Zoz ([azoz@catholiccincinnati.org](mailto:azoz@catholiccincinnati.org) or 513.421.3131x2853) with questions regarding Perform.

## **WELLNESS INCENTIVE, EXTRA SALARY COMPENSATION AND PAYROLL**

Since January 1, 2013, per the Archdiocesan 401k Plan Document, all compensation, except severance pay, is required to be subject to 401k employer contributions and 401k employee deferrals. To ensure that the employer and employee deferrals (percentage and flat dollar) are coming out of all eligible compensation, please follow the procedure below. When adding additional compensation to payroll, please "add a line" to the individual, enter the dollar amount (\$100 for 2013-2014 plan year bioscreen wellness incentive) or number of hours, then choose the appropriate earnings code (i.e. bioscreen, extra salary comp) to identify each line of every additional compensation. Repeat this process for all additional compensation. Please note that for simplicity and compliance sake, employee compensation will no longer be "grossed up" or paid through a second payroll check. Please remember to submit your locations bioscreen payroll report for reimbursement via fax (513-421-6225) or emails below to Charlotte McManis or Barb Walsh's attention. Please contact Charlotte McManis ([cmcm manis@catholiccincinnati.org](mailto:cmcm manis@catholiccincinnati.org) or 513.421.3131x2852); Annie Zoz ([azoz@catholiccincinnati.org](mailto:azoz@catholiccincinnati.org) or 513.421.3131x2853); Barb Walsh ([bwalsh@catholiccincinnati.org](mailto:bwalsh@catholiccincinnati.org) or 513.421.3131x6603) with questions.

## **NEW VENDOR – PHARMMD**

A new vendor, PharmMD, has been secured to provide increased health care benefits to our employees. This new partner specializes in Medication Therapy Management and will assist our Anthem members in **complimentary medication reviews**. PharmMD will be sending information on this new service to the home of members later this month. This service will enhance the current prescription drug benefits through Optum and will provide opportunities for access to pharmacists or nurses for medication questions. If you have questions or concerns about this new benefit, please feel free to contact Barb Walsh (ext. 6603) or Charlotte McManis (ext. 2852) in the Finance Office, 513.421.3131.

## **PROPERTY AND LIABILITY RISK INSPECTIONS**

The Finance Office has contracted with Gallagher Bassett Services (GBS) to conduct risk inspections throughout the diocese for the current fiscal year. These inspections will be of two varieties: physical inspections and self-inspections. Physical inspections will be conducted by Paul Kenkel and other inspectors from GBS on 20% of our locations. Appointments will be made and inspections completed throughout the fall and spring. All locations must participate in the self-inspection process. Forms for self-inspections will be available on the Finance Office website in OCTOBER. Completed forms are due in the GBS office by May 31, 2014. That address is:

Mr. Paul Kenkel  
Gallagher Bassett Services  
4555 Lake Forest Drive, Suite 650  
Cincinnati, OH 45242

Locations that submit completed forms by this deadline will receive an incentive of \$100.00. Please contact Barb Walsh (ext. 6603) or Charlotte McManis (ext. 2852) in the Finance Office, 513.421.3131 with any questions. Thanks in advance for your cooperation with this important project.

## ***INFORMATION SYSTEMS OFFICE***

Parishes, please check out the [www.CatholicCincinnati.org](http://www.CatholicCincinnati.org) website, “Find a Parish” section located at the very top of the page. We have added parish photos for each parish if we had one on file. If your parish link does not have a photo or if you would like a different photo of your parish, please contact Chris Iacobucci of the Archdiocese of Cincinnati, IT Services at 513.421.3131x2859 for directions on submitting one.

## **PASTORAL SERVICES**

### ***FAMILY AND RESPECT LIFE OFFICE***

#### **BEREAVEMENT WORKSHOP**

For additional information, please refer to the article under the Worship Office section.

#### **PROJECT RACHEL MINISTRY – DAY OF REFLECTION**

*“...Children who are no more...there is hope for your future in Ramah.” (Jeremiah 31:15-17)*

Since 1994 Project Rachel has ministered to women and men who have lost a child through abortion. Knowing what we do know now, there are relatives, friends, partners and others involved in the experience that are also suffering the loss of an unborn child, and need to honor the child and have an opportunity to heal while grieving and mourning their loss. The Family and Respect Life Office is offering a **Day of Reflection on Saturday, October 19** at Transfiguration Spiritual Center from 9:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. There will be a healing service following Witnesses, music and prayer. We invite you to: *“Look into your heart, listen to the voice of God. Help yourself by accepting His love and forgiveness.”* For more information or registration, please call the Family and Respect Life Office at 513.421.3131x2620. There is no charge; a free will offering will be accepted.

#### **PROJECT RACHEL WEEKEND RETREAT**

Will be offered **September 27-29, 2013** in the Cincinnati area. Please contact Mary Anne Boyd for more information at 513.421.3131x2620 or [mboyd@catholiccincinnati.org](mailto:mboyd@catholiccincinnati.org). You may access the registration form at [Project Rachel Weekend Retreat](http://www.catholiccincinnati.org/wp-content/uploads/2010/11/Project-Rachel-Registration-Form-Weekend-Retreat.pdf) (<http://www.catholiccincinnati.org/wp-content/uploads/2010/11/Project-Rachel-Registration-Form-Weekend-Retreat.pdf>).

## **FOCCUS TRAINING**

September 10 and 24, 2013 at St. Monica-St. George (Clifton), Cincinnati, 7:00 - 9:30 p.m.  
October 12, 2013 at St. Francis of Assisi, Centerville, 9:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.  
October 26, 2013 at St. Joseph, Wapakoneta, 9:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

The cost is \$80.00 per couple. Please call Louise Davis at 513.421.3131x2621 or [ldavis@catholiccincinnati.org](mailto:ldavis@catholiccincinnati.org) if you are interested in registering.

### **FOCCUS CHANGES COMING IN 2014!**

The USCCB has expressed its concern for the state of marriage in America. In a 2009 letter, the Bishops identified major threats to marriage including contraception, divorce and cohabitation. We at the Family and Respect Life Office share their concerns. We know engaged couples face a multitude of challenges from our increasingly secular society. With this in mind, we are happy to tell you that the FOCCUS Pre-Marriage Inventory and related resources have been reviewed, redeveloped and updated to address these societal changes. In addition to the concerns of the Bishops, insights from priests, deacons and lay FOCCUS facilitators have been included in the updated inventory. Some of the issues now being addressed are:

- Pornography
- Internet use
- Prayer in marriage
- Pets
- Children being brought into first/subsequent marriages

The new, updated binders will be available at a discounted price of \$25.00 + shipping for a period of 6 months, January 1, 2014 – June 30, 2014. Your parish must be registered with [www.foccusincusa.com](http://www.foccusincusa.com) in order to receive the discounted price. Please contact Louise Davis (FOCCUS clerk, Ext. 2621) or Bonnie Mack (FOCCUS trainer, Ext. 2623) at 513.421.3131 for further information.

### **FREE FINANCE WORKSHOP OFFERED TO NEWLY ENGAGED COUPLES**

Feel overwhelmed by debt and don't know where to start? Want to save for your future, but don't know how? Learn how to get out of debt and stay out. The workshop teachers paid off \$54,000 of debt in 13 months and have been debt free for over 3 years now. It is possible! If you want to learn how to manage your money instead of it managing you, sign up for one of the workshops listed below. You must register one week before the event, through the Family and Respect Life Office email: [farlocincinnati@catholiccincinnati.org](mailto:farlocincinnati@catholiccincinnati.org) (limit 20 couples) or call Linda at 513.421.3131x2653. These workshops are offered Saturday, September 14, 2013, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 (noon) at the Pilarczyk Center, Dayton, or Monday, September 23, 2013, 7:00 - 8:30 p.m. at St. Vivian Church, Cincinnati.

### **“MOURNING THE LOSS OF AN UNBORN CHILD OR INFANT”**

This resource brochure is now available through the Worship Office of the Archdiocese of Cincinnati. Please refer to the article under the Worship Office section for additional information.

## **MARCH FOR LIFE YOUTH RALLY AND MASS**

The March for Life Youth Rally and Mass is January 22, 2014. Our representative for ordering tickets is Mary Anne Boyd, Family and Respect Life Office (513.421.3131x2620). The requests must be made no later than **October 3, 2013**. They will then be requested of the Archdiocese of Washington, and the number of tickets received will be determined by the number of requests received by the Archdiocese of Washington. If we do not receive the number of tickets requested, they will be distributed by a Lottery as was done in previous years. For those who do not receive tickets, a list of other venues for Mass will be made available when we receive them. The venue for the tickets will coincide with the venue at which our Archbishop Dennis M. Schnurr will be present. The 2014 Youth Rally and Mass will be held at the Verizon Center and the D.C. Armory. The deadline for all permission slips and image waiver forms for all those traveling on the chartered buses organized by the Archdiocese of Cincinnati, is **December 3, 2013**. This includes students and adult chaperones. Please visit:

<http://www.catholiccincinnati.org/ministries-offices/family-life/respect-life/abortion/march-for-life/> for more details. The Family and Respect Life Office webpage will also provide a link to Eventbrite for ordering tickets.

**NOTE:** All Clergy, Seminarians, Deacons and Religious: when the links are available from the Archdiocese of Washington, we will provide you the link on our webpage for your registration for the March for Life Youth Rally and Mass.

## ***PRIESTLY FORMATION OFFICE***

### **PARISH ADMINISTRATION WORKSHOP**

Thursday, September 12, 9:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. (including Q&A with Rich Kelly and Bill Hancock) in the Pavilion Building at St. John's Parish in West Chester. FREE to priests with Archdiocesan assignment. Workshop is for pastors, (especially first-time pastors), administrators, business managers, office managers, and others with responsibility for management of temporal affairs in parishes. Presenters are members of the Parish Business Managers Association, with years of experience in parish work. *Please contact Sarah Frohmiller at 513.421.3131x2651 with questions.*

### **NEWER CLERGY OVERNIGHT**

Sunday, September 15 through Monday, September 16 at Maria Stein for classes 2010 to 2013. On Sunday, arrive by 4:00 p.m., we will use breviary for Vespers. Depart after noon lunch on Monday. RSVP by Thursday, September 5 to [sfrohmiller@catholiccincinnati.org](mailto:sfrohmiller@catholiccincinnati.org).

### **ONE-DAY CONVOCATION FOR PRIESTS**

Thursday, October 3, 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. in the Parish Center at Incarnation, Centerville. The topic is "Creating a Culture of Vocations." Regrets only to Archbishop Schnurr.

### **FALL RETREAT FOR PRIESTS**

Monday, October 14 – Friday, October 18, at the Jesuit Spiritual Center at Milford. Msgr. Frank Lane, PhD., Spiritual Director at Mount St. Mary's Seminary of the West will lead the retreat. Free to priests. *Please watch for the flyer in the mail.*

## **WORKSHOP ON GOSPEL OF MATTHEW**

Father Tim Schehr, Ph.D., Professor of Biblical Studies at Mount St. Mary's Seminary of the West. Tuesday, October 22 at the Bartlett Pastoral Center at the Athenaeum and Wednesday, October 23 at the Bainbridge Knights of Columbus Hall, Dayton; 9:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. Free to priests with Archdiocesan assignment. *Please watch for the flyer in the mail.*

## **ADVENT DAY OF REFLECTION FOR PRIESTS**

Tuesday, December 10, 2013 with Father Bertrand Buby, SM at the Transfiguration Center for Spiritual Renewal, 3505 Calumet Road, Ludlow Falls, OH 45339; 10:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. Opportunity for the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Please watch for the flyer, or call Sarah Frohmiller if you wish to register, 513.421.3131x2651. Thank you!!

## ***PRIESTS' PERSONNEL OFFICE***

### **SENIOR CLERGY LUNCHEON**

The annual Fall Senior Clergy Luncheon is scheduled for Wednesday, October 16, in the Bartlett Pastoral Center at the Athenaeum of Ohio. The luncheon begins at 11:45 a.m. More information to follow. If you have any questions, please contact Fr. Clarence Heis 513.421.3131x2656.

### **REQUEST FOR MASS ASSISTANCE**

Bridgeway Pointe, Assisted Living Facility attached to Drake Center, 151 West Galbraith Road, is looking for a priest to say Mass. They have a large population of Catholic residents and the Mass is well attended. Most of the residents are unable to drive to a local parish. They are flexible with the day and time. Please contact Melissa Homan, BS, CTRS, at 513.418.4374 or [Melissa.homan@uchealth.com](mailto:Melissa.homan@uchealth.com) if you are interested and/or for more information.

## ***WORSHIP OFFICE***

### **LITURGICAL CALENDAR CONSIDERATIONS**

*From the USCCB Newsletter  
of the Committee on Divine Worship – January 2013/February 2013*

### **ALL SOUL'S DAY 2013**

*In 2013, the Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls' Day) on November 2 falls on a Saturday. In recent weeks, the Secretariat of Divine Worship has received numerous inquiries regarding the correct Mass and Office to be used during November 1–2.*

*The Table of Liturgical Days ranks All Souls' Day at no. 3 after the Solemnity of All Saints, but ahead of Sundays in Ordinary Time (no. 6). Thus, on Friday evening, November 1, Evening Prayer II of All Saints is celebrated, though for pastoral reasons where it is the custom, it may be followed by Evening Prayer for the Dead. On Saturday, November 2, Evening Prayer may again be taken from the Office of the Dead if celebrated with the people. If, however, the Liturgy of the Hours is celebrated individually, Evening Prayer I of the 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time is used.*

*On Friday evening, Masses are that of the Solemnity of All Saints. On Saturday evening, any normally scheduled anticipated Masses should be for the 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time. (If*

*desired for pastoral reasons, a Mass of All Souls' Day outside the usual Mass schedule may be celebrated on Saturday evening.)*

*The following chart may be helpful in this regard:*

<b>Date</b>	<b>Evening Mass</b>	<b>Liturgy of the Hours</b>
Friday, Nov. 1, 2013	All Saints	MP and EP II of All Saints  (EP of the Dead optional after EP II of All Saints)
Saturday, Nov. 2, 2013	31 <sup>st</sup> Sunday in OT	MP of the Dead  Evening – <i>Individual Recitation</i> : EP I of 31 <sup>st</sup>  Sunday in OT  <i>Celebrated with the People</i> : EP of the Dead

### **SOLEMNITY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION**

*In this year of 2013, December 8 – normally the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception – falls on 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 is transferred to Monday, December 9. Such a transfer is seen as a pastoral concession to the desire of the faithful to observe a beloved Feast even though it is impeded liturgically by a higher observance. The obligation of the faithful to attend Mass remains attached to the day itself (Dec. 8), however, and so it does not transfer with the liturgical observance.*

Therefore, all Masses on Sunday should normally be that of the Second Sunday of Advent, and the observance of the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception should be reserved to Monday. However, for pastoral reasons, if a parish does not normally have a Sunday evening Mass, an anticipatory Mass for the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception could be celebrated. If a parish has a regularly scheduled Sunday evening Mass it should be for the Second Sunday of Advent.

### **EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER FOR MASSES WITH CHILDREN**

Now that school has begun, you may be interested to know that the USCCB has published an approved interim text for Eucharistic Prayers for Masses with Children. You may order them from the USCCB Publications department. The cost of the booklet with the texts is \$4.95.

### **LECTOR WORKBOOKS AND SOURCEBOOKS**

The Worship Office is taking orders for the LTP **2014 Lector Workbooks** and **Sourcebooks for Sundays and Seasons**. **NOTE:** Due to LTP's price increase for the Lector Workbooks, we needed to increase our cost to parishes this year. Fortunately, we have not increased prices since 2010 and hope this small increase is not too great a financial burden.

*A Workbook of Lectors and Gospel Readers 2014* (Lector Workbooks)

1-49 copies \$ 10.50 per copy\*

50 + copies \$ 10.00 per copy\*

*Sourcebook for Sundays and Seasons 2014* (Sourcebooks)

Single copy \$ 11.50 per copy\*

2 + copies \$ 10.50 per copy\*

\* plus shipping and handling

To see other annual publications please visit our web site: [2014 Annual Publications for order](http://www.catholiccincinnati.org/ministries-offices/worship/2012-annual-publications-for-order/)  
(<http://www.catholiccincinnati.org/ministries-offices/worship/2012-annual-publications-for-order/>).

To order publications, please contact Lisa Weber in the Worship Office of the Archdiocese at 513.421.3131x 6609 or by email at [lweber@catholiccincinnati.org](mailto:lweber@catholiccincinnati.org).

### **ANNUAL LITURGICAL CALENDAR NOTES**

The annual liturgical calendar notes are now posted on the Worship Office website. To download a copy, please go to:

<http://www.catholiccincinnati.org/wp-content/uploads/2013/08/Liturgical-Calendar-notes-2014.pdf>.

### **PASTORAL NOTES ON THE CELEBRATION OF LITURGICAL RITES FOR MOURNING THE LOSS OF AN UNBORN CHILD OR INFANT**

This new parish, hospital, and funeral home resource has been developed by the Worship Office and Family and Respect Life Office. There are two parts to the resource: pastoral notes for pastoral leaders and a brochure for parents and families who have lost an unborn child or infant shortly after birth. These circumstances are usually very difficult for the pastoral minister, particularly when trying to discern which rites of the Church are most appropriate in the various circumstances. The pastoral notes are available online ([click here](#) or <http://www.catholiccincinnati.org/wp-content/uploads/2013/08/stillborn-liturgical-rites.pdf>). The brochure can be ordered through the Worship Office by contacting Lisa Weber at 513.421.3131x6609 or email, [lweber@catholiccincinnati.org](mailto:lweber@catholiccincinnati.org). The cost of the brochures are 50 cents each.

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

#### **LAY LEADERS OF PRAYER** (*participants must be delegated by the pastor*)

**Mondays, September 9, 16, 23, 30 and October 7, 14, 2013 from 7:00 – 9:30 p.m. each evening at St. Michael Parish, Ft. Loramie**

A six evening workshop designed to train lay people to lead some of the rites of the Church when a priest or deacon is not available (i.e. Liturgy of the Hours, Funeral Vigil, Funeral outside of Mass, Rite of Committal, Liturgy of the Word [with Communion], and the Rite of Exposition. The workshop forms participants in understanding the nature of liturgical prayer; understanding the order and rubrics of the various rites; and understanding the importance of the role of the assembly at prayer and the role of the lay leader of prayer. Each of the participants will be given an opportunity to plan and lead a ritual of their choice, with others in the group observing and learning from one another. Fr. Larry Tensi, Fr. Steve Walter, Ms. Emily Besl, and Ms. Karen Kane are the presenters. There is a registration fee of \$45.00 per participant. Please email [lweber@catholiccincinnati.org](mailto:lweber@catholiccincinnati.org) for more information and registration or call our office at 513.421.3131x6609.

## **SACRAMENTAL MINISTRY FRAMEWORK INFORMATION SESSIONS**

<http://www.catholiccincinnati.org/wp-content/uploads/2013/08/Sacramental-Ministry-gathering-flyer-w-CATC.pdf>. You may also refer to the section under Christ at the Center.

## **BEREAVEMENT WORKSHOP**

Saturday, September 14, 2013 at St. Columban Parish, Loveland, 9:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Saturday, September 28, 2013 at Incarnation Parish, Centerville, 9:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Saturday, October 5, 2013 at St. Dominic Parish, Cincinnati, 9:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Co-sponsored by the Family and Life Respect Life Office, a workshop for clergy, pastoral ministers, new and existing bereavement teams, or anyone interested in starting a bereavement ministry. The workshop will focus on practical skills training for the pastoral care of the bereaved and assisting families in the preparation of the funeral rites. For more information and registration go to <http://www.catholiccincinnati.org/ministries-offices/worship/> and click on the event.

## **ADULT CANTOR WORKSHOP**

**Saturday, September 21, 2013 at All Saints Church from 9:30 a.m. – 12:00 noon**

This workshop will be of value to those who are beginning to serve in the role of cantor as well as those who have had some experience. Presenters are Ms. Mary Bellman and Mr. Anthony DiCello. For more information and registration, please go to <http://www.catholiccincinnati.org/ministries-offices/worship/> and click on the event.

## **YOUTH CANTOR WORKSHOP, GRADES 5 THRU 8**

**Saturday, October 5, 2013 at St. Michal Parish, Sharonville from 9:30 a.m. – 12:00 noon**

This workshop is designed to train young people in grades 5 - 8 the art of leading an assembly as cantor, psalmist, and leader of song. Presenter is Mr. Brian Bisig. For more information and registration, please go to <http://www.catholiccincinnati.org/ministries-offices/worship/> and click on the event.

## **50<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY**

### **OF THE CONSTITUTION ON THE SACRED LITURGY EVENTS**

**Save the Dates:** As we prepare to celebrate the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy, the Worship Office hopes to provide opportunities for the local church to reflect upon the impact of the *Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy* as we look toward the future of worship. Two upcoming events are already planned for liturgical ministers. *Watch for registration and more information on both events to be available soon!*

- **The New Evangelization And Revitalizing The Parish Through The Liturgy: Saturday, October 26, 2013 at the Athenaeum of Ohio from 9:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.**

For parish liturgical ministers and worship commission members, music ministers, permanent deacons, LPMP students and graduates and anyone interested in revitalizing parish worship! The keynote speaker is Most Reverend Christopher J. Coyne, Auxiliary Bishop of Indianapolis, plus breakout sessions will be offered in the afternoon.

- **The Role Of Music In Worship: Reflecting On The Past, Leading Us Into The Future: Friday, November 15, 2013 at Our Lady of Sorrows, Monroe from 9:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.**  
For music directors, parish musicians, and clergy. Presenter: Rev. Michael Joncas

**THE LIGHT IS ON FOR YOU! March 18, 2014, 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.**

Do not forget to mark your calendars for this evening during Lent when all parishes will open their doors to people desiring to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation through private confession. More information will be forthcoming about this Archdiocesan initiative of welcome and opportunity to experience the mercy and love of God.

**PLEASE HELP US UPDATE OUR WORSHIP COMMISSION CHAIR EMAIL LISTS SO THEY CAN GET HELPFUL EVENT INFORMATION**

Please have your Parish Worship Commission Chair member email their name, parish, and email address to [lweber@catholiccincinnati.org](mailto:lweber@catholiccincinnati.org). Thank you.

**ARE YOU RECEIVING THE WORSHIP OFFICE E-NEWS?**

If you have not signed up for the Worship Office newsletter, you can do so by visiting: <http://www.catholiccincinnati.org/ministries-offices/worship/join-our-email-newsletter/>.

**MISSION OFFICE**

**WORLD MISSION SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20, PARISH PACKETS COMING FROM NEW YORK OFFICE**

To streamline and become more efficient, the national office of the Propagation of the Faith in New York will be sending all our parishes the World Mission Sunday packets with suggestions for your bulletin, Mass and prayer, posters, a DVD, mission stories, etc. If you need more materials and information, please go to their website at [www.IAmAMissionary.org](http://www.IAmAMissionary.org). Basically these donations go to the Holy Father's Society for the Propagation of the Faith that supports our 1,150 mission dioceses. Please note that the local Mission Office will be sending some parishes additional envelopes, a business reply and a collection form to record your Mission Sunday donations to be returned to the local Mission Office. We also ask that you mail us the parishioners' Mission Sunday envelopes so they may receive the "Mission" magazine of the Propagation of the Faith. **Please send these donations and enclosed envelopes to: Archdiocese of Cincinnati, Mission Office, 100 East 8th St., Cincinnati, OH, 45202** to be properly recorded for the Society for the Propagation of the Faith.

**WORLD MISSION SUNDAY CELEBRATION**

The Archdiocese of Cincinnati Mission Office invites you to a celebration of World Mission Sunday at St. Maximilian Kolbe Parish on Sunday, October 20. Please see the flyer enclosed with this mailing.

**PLEASE MAIL IN YOUR MISSIONARY CO-OP PLAN DONATIONS TOO!**

Some of those missionary orders or dioceses who have taken up collections in our parishes through the Mission Office's Missionary Co-op Plan (MCP) are still waiting for their donations. Also, some parishes' collections from past World Mission Sundays are still missing. Please check your records and mail them to the **Archdiocese of Cincinnati, Mission Office, 100 East 8th St., Cincinnati, OH, 45202**. Also note: For recording and security reasons, please do ***not***

give you parish's MCP collection to the mission guest speaker **nor** mail your MCP collection to the mission organization, diocese or religious congregation. But send it instead to the Cincinnati Mission office, per above.

### **ATTENTION PRS/PREP PROGRAMS - HOLY BUCKETS!**

The Archdiocesan Mission Office is partnering with the Department of Educational Services this upcoming school year to (re)-introduce you to the Missionary Childhood Association (formerly the Holy Childhood Association) and to INVITE your school's participation in their Advent program: **Holy Buckets**. This is an Archdiocesan wide effort. The results will be combined and sent to the Holy Father through the MCA which is his Pontifical mission society. The MCA is a way to introduce your students to the Universality of our Church. The MCA will help students to understand that we belong to a world-wide Church and that they are called to solidarity with students around the world. The Holy Buckets program includes fund raising, but also the students are asked for "Prayers of Goodness" and "Advent Actions" all of which is put into the bucket to be shared with the Holy Father. The packet for every participating classroom would include: a letter of explanation, the leaders guide, a bucket and a self-addressed stamped envelope for the return of donations, prayers and good deeds. The program runs from November 25, 2013 through the beginning of Christmas Break with envelopes due by January 2, 2014. The results would be sent as our Archdiocese's "Gift of the Magi" to the Holy Father on January 6, 2014. Please contact Teresa Phillips at [mission@catholiccincinnati.org](mailto:mission@catholiccincinnati.org) or 513.421.3131x2632 if you are interested in participating.

### **HAVE EXTRA MASS STIPENDS?**

The Mission Office knows a number of missionaries who are very grateful for Mass stipends to help support their ministries. You may send them to the Mission Office at 100 East 8th St., Cincinnati, Ohio, 45202.

### **MISSION OFFICE HAS JOINED FACEBOOK!**

'Like' us at [www.facebook.com/missioncincinnati](http://www.facebook.com/missioncincinnati).

### **HOLY FATHER'S MISSION INTENTIONS**

**September:** Persecuted Christians. That Christians suffering persecution in many parts of the world may by their witness be prophets of Christ's love.

**October:** World Mission Day. That the celebration of World Mission Day may help all Christians realize that we are not only receivers but proclaimers of God's word.

### **THANKS FOR ALL YOUR SUPPORT OF OUR MISSION CHURCH!**

### ***OFFICE OF YOUTH & YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY (OYYAM)***

For more information and registration, visit our websites:

- Young Adult Ministry: <http://www.catholiccincinnati.org/ministries-offices/young-adult>
- Youth Ministry: <http://www.catholiccincinnati.org/ministries-offices/youth-ministry>

## **AUGUST, 2013 UPDATE: ARCHDIOCESAN YOUTH ATHLETICS INITIATIVE**

The fifth draft of the Archdiocese of Cincinnati Youth Athletics Charter is available for review here: [Charter Draft Five](http://www.catholiccincinnati.org/wp-content/uploads/2013/08/Archdiocese_Youth_Athletics_Charter_DFT5.pdf) ([http://www.catholiccincinnati.org/wp-content/uploads/2013/08/Archdiocese\\_Youth\\_Athletics\\_Charter\\_DFT5.pdf](http://www.catholiccincinnati.org/wp-content/uploads/2013/08/Archdiocese_Youth_Athletics_Charter_DFT5.pdf)).

This is the version that has been submitted for the review of the Archbishop and Archdiocesan Pastoral Council at their September 7 meeting. There is also a brief synopsis of the process to develop the document, which is especially helpful to anyone unfamiliar with these important developments:

[Charter Synopsis](http://www.catholiccincinnati.org/wp-content/uploads/2012/01/Charter-Intro_8-13.pdf) ([http://www.catholiccincinnati.org/wp-content/uploads/2012/01/Charter-Intro\\_8-13.pdf](http://www.catholiccincinnati.org/wp-content/uploads/2012/01/Charter-Intro_8-13.pdf)).

*(Important: Pastors, parish and school leaders are asked to keep their athletics leadership posted and up-to-date with developments regarding the Youth Athletics Initiative.)*

### **Planning for the fall and beyond:**

#### **SCHEDULE A NET RETREAT FOR THE WINTER OR SPRING**

Plenty of dates remain to schedule a NET retreat in the winter or spring. NET (National Evangelization Team) Ministries offers high-impact retreats for youth in grades 7 through 12. To book a NET retreat, please call Andrea Parker in our Dayton Office at 937.223.1001x5051, or for more information, please visit our website: [www.catholiccincinnati.org/ministries-offices/youth-ministry/services/net-ministries](http://www.catholiccincinnati.org/ministries-offices/youth-ministry/services/net-ministries).

#### **OCEA YOUTH MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES**

The biennial OCEA conference will bring some terrific national youth ministry talent and wisdom to Ohio. Visit: [OCEA](http://www.ohiocathconf.org/home_frameset.htm) ([http://www.ohiocathconf.org/home\\_frameset.htm](http://www.ohiocathconf.org/home_frameset.htm)).

#### ***CREDO: WHEN DID I SEE YOU?***

Will begin on Saturday morning (so as to avoid conflicts with Friday night football games) and will focus on morality and Christian living, the third pillar of the Catechism, “Life in Christ.”

**October 12 & 13 at Cincinnati Moeller High School.**

#### **THE NATIONAL CATHOLIC YOUTH CONFERENCE (NCYC)**

An extraordinary, 3-day experience for teens that includes keynotes, workshops, liturgy, prayer and worship, exhibits and special activities. With about 25,000 in attendance, it is also by far the largest Catholic youth gathering in the U.S. **November 20 – 24 in Indianapolis.** [Learn more](http://www.catholiccincinnati.org/ncyc-2013/) (<http://www.catholiccincinnati.org/ncyc-2013/>).

### **For Young Adults:**

#### ***PARRHESIA – CATHOLIC, BOLD, NOW***

This year’s Parrhesia gathering for young adults (people in their 20s and 30s) on Saturday, October 26 will happen at the Meyer Center at St. Susanna Parish in Mason, OH. Parrhesia is a magnet opportunity for young adults who wish to deepen their faith and commitment to the New Evangelization. Doors will open at 11:00 a.m., and the featured presenter will be Fr. Claude “Dusty” Burns, whose YouTube identity is “Fr. Pontifex” (he’s famous for his rapping response to the viral video “Why I Love Jesus but Hate the Church”). The program includes liturgy, a

“happy hour” social with Archbishop Schnurr afterwards, during which the Archbishop will respond to questions and engage in conversation with the young adult participants. The program will conclude around 7:00 p.m. Visit <http://boldcatholicnow.wordpress.com/> for more information.

## **DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATIONAL SERVICES**

### ***CATHOLIC SCHOOLS OFFICE***

Welcome to the 2013-2014 school year! Classes have started in most of the 113 Catholic schools of the Archdiocese. May God bless our students this year and give them strength for their journey!

### **LIGHTING THE WAY**

It has now been one year since *Lighting the Way: A Vision for Catholic Schools* was officially unveiled. We continue to work hard to implement the many initiatives of this important Vision. For more information, visit the Vision website (go to [www.catholiccincinnati.org/education](http://www.catholiccincinnati.org/education) and select “Lighting the Way”). A substantive update will be included in the October edition of the *Catholic Telegraph*. Feel free to contact the Catholic Schools Office with any questions about the Vision.

### **NEW PRINCIPALS**

We are delighted to welcome 14 new principals to our Catholic schools this year. Please welcome the following new principals: Andy Barczak (Bishop Fenwick), Peter Dunlap (Catholic Central), Terry Adkins (Queen of Peace), Dawn Pickerill (John XXIII), Matthew Himes (Mother Brunner), Kristin Penley (St. Aloysius-on-the-Ohio), Sarah Bitzer (St. Ann, Hamilton), Lizanne Ingram (St. Bernadette), Tina Connors (St. Boniface), Chrissy Buschur (St. Helen), Halsey Mabry (interim principal, St. Francis Seraph), Richard Klus (St. Lawrence), Michelle Hinton (St. James the Greater), Mark Henderson (St. Vincent Ferrer), Terrence Tyrell (St. Xavier). In addition, please welcome the following principals who have changed schools or returned to the principalship after a time away: Linda Westendorf (Corryville Catholic), Veronica Murphy (Purcell Marian), Lori Heffner (Resurrection), Nicki Brainard (St. Gabriel), Kevin Vance (St. Margaret of York), Jason Fightmaster (St. Nicholas Academy). May God bless those who lead our schools!

### ***OFFICE OF EVANGELIZATION AND CATECHESIS***

#### **CHRIST AT THE CENTER...**

Please see the infusion bulletin for Ordinary Time – September 29 – November 24, 2013, inserted with this mailing. The **Spanish** edition is also included with this mailing.

#### **CATECHETICAL LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE FALL 2013**

Wednesday, November 13, 9:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.  
Presidential Banquet Center, Kettering Ohio

Fr. Frank DeSiano, president of Paulist Evangelization Ministries will speak at the 19<sup>th</sup> annual Catechetical Leadership Conference, **Going Deeper into the Heart of Faith**. Through the lens of the Synod on the New Evangelization, Fr. DeSiano will discuss developing faith as the key to catechesis. The conference will consider the dimensions of discipleship in which we encounter Christ in our communal and family life. Priests, Deacons, Catechetical Leaders in parishes and schools, Pastoral Associates, Youth Ministers and all parish leadership are welcome. For more information and registration, please go to <http://www.catholiccincinnati.org/ministries-offices/evangelization-and-catechesis/>

## ***OFFICE OF THE NEW EVANGELIZATION***

### **NEW EVANGELIZATION WORKSHOP: PARISHES OF LOVE, JUSTICE & SERVING**

The Office of the New Evangelization, together with the Office of Social Action and Catholic Charities Southwestern Ohio, are hosting a New Evangelization Workshop on Tuesday, September 24<sup>th</sup> at St. John the Evangelist Church in West Chester. Begin the discussion on how to transform our parishes into instruments of love, justice and serving through the New Evangelization. Registration is from 8:30 - 9:00 a.m. Workshop begins at 9:00 a.m. and will conclude by 1:00 p.m. Lunch will be provided. Recommended for pastors, parish staff, volunteers, and members of Parish Evangelization, Social Action and Outreach Ministries. Presenters will include: Sean Ater (Office of the New Evangelization), Tony Steiritz (Office of Social Action) and Ted Bergh (Catholic Charities). Please register by contacting Stephanie Slack at Catholic Charities at [sslack@ccswoh.org](mailto:sslack@ccswoh.org) or 513.241.7745.

### **MATTER CONFERENCE 2013: FROM THE PARISH FEATURED IN *REBUILT*: *AWAKENING THE FAITHFUL, REACHING THE LOST, MAKING CHURCH MATTER***

A Recommended resource for the New Evangelization is the book from Ave Maria Press called “*Rebuilt: Awakening the Faithful, Reaching the Lost, Making Church Matter*” by Michael White and Tom Corcoran. Visit [RebuiltParish.com](http://RebuiltParish.com). The parish featured in the book is the Church of the Nativity. The Church of the Nativity will be hosting a unique event entitled [Matter Conference](#) on **Friday, November 8, 2013**. Matter is a unique event for pastors, parish leaders, staff and volunteer ministers, interested parishioners, anyone really who is interested in their church community. While it is offered in the context of our Catholic faith, it is also open to all our brothers and sisters in Christ. Matter is for people in the trenches who are interested in building or rebuilding healthy and growing communities of faith. The conference includes awesome keynote speakers, a dozen or more breakout sessions on an array of topics critical to successful parish life, amazing contemporary music and worship, and lots and lots of fun. The Office of the New Evangelization (ONE) plans to attend this conference and highly recommends it to parish leaders looking for a “no more business as usual” approach to the New Evangelization. If you are interested in attending this Conference please contact Sean Ater. With a group of 5 or more we will get a discount and we may arrange a carpool. The ONE would like to further network with, support, and resource both during and after the Conference as well.

# **DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY SERVICES**

## ***CATHOLIC CHARITIES OF SOUTHWESTERN OHIO***

Follow our new Twitter page for events, updates, and Weekly inspiration.

<https://twitter.com/CCSWOH>

### **NEW EVANGELIZATION WORKSHOP:**

#### ***PARISHES OF LOVE, JUSTICE & SERVING – SEPTEMBER 24***

The Office of the New Evangelization, the Office of Social Action and Catholic Charities are co-hosting a workshop on September 24 from 8:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. at St. John the Evangelist Church in West Chester. See the Office of the New Evangelization section for more information.

### **SPEAKER'S SERIES: JACK JEZREEL, JUST FAITH MINISTRIES – NOVEMBER 19**

Catholic Charities will host its first speaker's series event on Thursday, November 19 from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. Jack Jezreel, the Founder and Executive Director JustFaith Ministries, will discuss how to answer Christ's call of caring for the poor and vulnerable. Since 1989, Jezreel has presented all over the country to more than 30,000 and over 1,500 churches about creating and supporting formation processes intended to inspire commitment to social ministry. The event costs \$50 per person and will be held at St. Saviour Parish in Sycamore Township. A reception with Archbishop Dennis Schnurr will begin the evening. A reception with heavy appetizers and beverages will precede the presentations. To register, please contact Stephanie Slack at 513.241.7745 or [sslack@ccswoh.org](mailto:sslack@ccswoh.org).

### **REFUGEE SERVICES VOLUNTEERS AND DONATIONS NEEDED**

Catholic Charities is looking for individuals to serve in our Refugee Resettlement Program. The refugees are men, women and children fleeing war, poverty and persecution in third-world countries. They are brought by the U.S. Government to the United States to live in Cincinnati; and are served by the Catholic Charities Refugee Program. They are trying to start a new life and create a new home in the Cincinnati area. We need help with the following:

- Volunteers with a valid driver's license who can assist in driving people in our refugee clients to appointments.
- Volunteers to help individuals fill out SI and WIC applications.
- NEW volunteers for the English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) classes. Volunteers do not need to know a language other than English. English is the main key to establishing a beachhead for life in America. One full-time ESOL Lead Teacher aided by a corps of volunteers serves as many as 60 students a day. Volunteering can be a few hours a month, or a week, or a day, to aid in the continuation of this vital program.
- Gently used or like-new household furnishings and kitchen equipment/utensils.

For any of these opportunities to serve, please contact Norm Solomon for more information, [nsolomon@ccswoh.org](mailto:nsolomon@ccswoh.org) or 513.241.7745.

### **JOB LOSS SUPPORT GROUP – SEPTEMBER 4 AND 18**

Job seekers join others who are troubled by the stresses related to job loss. Participants can share their concerns, gain support, and get ideas for employment strategies. Individuals of all faith backgrounds are welcome to come to as many or as few support group meetings as they wish. Wednesday, September 4 and 18 from 7:30 – 9:00 p.m. at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church in the Lourdes Room (7820 Beechmont Avenue, Cincinnati 45255). Please contact Sandy Keiser for more information at [skeiser@ccswoh.org](mailto:skeiser@ccswoh.org) or 513.241.7745.

### **WORKSHOP: BETTER THAN YELLING – SEPTEMBER 26**

Want your children to listen to you the first time? Are you tired of nagging them? Learn ways to effectively communicate to your children, encouraging cooperation and positive family connections. Presentation is Thursday, September 26 from 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. at St. Antoninus Church (5425 Julmar Drive, Cincinnati 45238). Cost is \$15 per person. Please contact Sandy Keiser to register or for more information, [skeiser@ccswoh.org](mailto:skeiser@ccswoh.org) or 513.241.7745.

### **WORKSHOP:**

#### **PARTNERS IN MOTION-A RENAISSANCE IN AGING – SEPTEMBER 26**

Caregivers will gain insights and tools to communicate honestly and effectively with family members, physicians, nurses, social workers, and others who may be involved with the care of a loved one. The program will be presented at Hyde Park Health Center (3983 Rosslyn Drive) from 5:30 - 7:00 p.m. on September 26. Please contact Sarah Ostrow to register at 513.272.5573.

### **PARENTING EDUCATION CLASS**

#### **School-Age Children (6-12 years) – September 26 - November 21**

Class for at-risk parents of infants, toddlers and preschoolers (0-5 years). This 8-week program is on Thursday nights (September 26 - November 21) from 7:00 - 8:30 p.m. at the Catholic Charities office in Hamilton (1910 Fairgrove Avenue, Suite B, Hamilton 45011). Classes will help parents who are trying to learn new parenting skills. Free to Butler County residents, \$60 per person or \$80 a couple for nonresidents. Please contact Pam Mortensen to register or for more information, [pmortensen@ccswoh.org](mailto:pmortensen@ccswoh.org) or 513.863.6129x26.

### ***SOCIAL ACTION OFFICE***

#### **MASS FOR SOLIDARITY WITH MIGRANTS: SEPTEMBER 8 RESOURCES AVAILABLE FOR ALL PARISHES**

Various migrant communities in the Greater Cincinnati area will be gathering with long-time U.S. residents at Holy Family Church (814 Hawthorne Ave., Cincinnati) on the Feast of the Nativity of Mary, Sunday, September 8 at 10:00 a.m. Pastors from several of these communities will celebrate the Mass, joined by the voices of their respective choirs. All are welcome to gather in solidarity with our migrant brothers and sisters and pray with them for a comprehensive immigration reform this year that protects their families and human dignities. This Mass coincides with a national effort from the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops to offer prayers for immigration reform this particular weekend. Archbishop Dennis Schnurr is encouraging parishes throughout the Archdiocese to participate with prayers and advocacy through use of

intercessions, distribution of his most recent statement, bulletin inserts, and more. These materials may be accessed at [www.catholiccincinnati.org/socialaction](http://www.catholiccincinnati.org/socialaction). For more information, please contact the Catholic Social Action Office at 513.421.3131x2611.

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### **BEING CATHOLIC IN 2013**

Dr. Vincent Miller, the Gudorf Chair in Catholic Theology and Culture at the University of Dayton, will be the keynote speaker illustrating the theme of *Being Catholic in 2013* at the All Parish Meeting Saturday, September 14, at St. Francis of Assisi Parish, 6245 Wilmington Pike, Centerville. The morning workshop, hosted by the Weavers of Justice and the Catholic Social Action Office, will include Dr. Miller's talk, *The Catholicity of the Church – Gift and Challenge for Discipleship*, and also presentations by Mary Anne Boyd, Respect Life Coordinator for the Archdiocesan Family and Respect Life Office, and Fr. Mike Pucke, pastor of St. Julie Billiart Parish, on the *Consistent Ethic of Life in Support of All Life*; Dave Scharfenberger, Justice for Immigrants Coordinator for the CSA; Sr. Maria Stacey, SND, Director of the Archdiocesan Hispanic Ministry regional office in Dayton, on immigration; and Dr. Mark Ensalaco, Director of the Human Rights Studies Program at the University of Dayton, on human trafficking. The half-day morning workshop, which is free, begins with registration and light breakfast at 8:15 a.m. For more information, please call the Catholic Social Action regional office in Dayton, 937.224.3026. The workshop is designed to help parishioners gain a Catholic perspective on many issues that face our society.

### **SURVIVOR ADVOCATES FOR AN END TO HUMAN TRAFFICKING**

Catholic Social Services of the Miami Valley and the Catholic Social Action Office, with the support of the Weavers of Justice, will present **Theresa Flores, LSW, MSE** as the 2013 Distinguished Speaker, on **Tuesday, October 1**, at St. Luke the Evangelist Church, 1440 N. Fairfield Road, in Beavercreek. Dinner begins at 5:30 p.m. There is a suggested donation of \$10 per person with students dining for free. Pre-program music starts in the church at 6:30 p.m. The conversation with Ms. Flores, a human trafficking survivor, victims' advocate and nationally recognized presenter, is at 7:00 p.m. The presentation is **free**. As the author of *The Sacred Bath* and *The Slave across the Street*, Ms. Flores has advocated against human exploitation and has gained recognition as a special guest on the *Today Show*, MSNBC, *The 700 Club*, *Dateline* and *Nightline*. Ms. Flores was appointed to the Ohio Attorney General's Human Trafficking Commission in 2009 and has testified before the Ohio House and Senate in support of anti-human trafficking legislation, which was also supported by the Ohio Catholic bishops. Her efforts were a major part of the success of these bills being passed into laws. In January 2012, Ms. Flores received the Courage Award from Ohio Governor Kasich for her work opposing human trafficking. Ms. Flores is featured by the National Underground Railroad Freedom Center Museum in a traveling exhibit entitled, *Invisible Slavery*. Table sponsorships are currently available. Information is being mailed to pastors and parishes. In recognition of a faith community, organization or an individual's sponsorship support, **complimentary tickets** will be

sent for distribution to an organization, church community, friends, or family. Proceeds from the event will be earmarked to support the outreach programs of Catholic Social Services. If you have any questions or need additional informational materials, please contact Annie Rayburn at 1.800.300.2937 or 937.223.7217x1138 or by email at: [rayburna@cssmv.org](mailto:rayburna@cssmv.org). Information is also available from the Catholic Social Action Office in Dayton, 937.224.3026 or email [csadayton@catholiccincinnati.org](mailto:csadayton@catholiccincinnati.org).

## **CELEBRATE A**

### **NATIONAL CATHOLIC RURAL LIFE AWARD FOR BR. NICK RENNER**

All parishioners are invited to be a part of a national award presentation to Brother Nick Renner, C.P.P.S., of the Missionaries of the Precious Blood. Jim Ennis, Executive Director of the National Catholic Rural Life Conference, will present the Archbishop Edwin O'Hara Advocacy Award for Rural Ministry to Br. Nick on Sunday, October 13 at 2:00 p.m. in the Assumption Chapel at St. Charles Center, 2860 US Route 127, Carthagen, Ohio. This award is for a priest, religious or layperson who has excelled in service and advocacy to rural communities. A reception will follow the 30-minute program. For more information, please call the Catholic Social Action Office at 937.224.3026.

### **MEETING OF THE CATHOLIC RURAL LIFE CONFERENCE FOR THE SIDNEY AND ST. MARYS DEANERIES**

Catholics living on the farm or in communities around farms are invited to attend the September 9 meeting of the Catholic Rural Life Conference for the Sidney and St. Marys Deaneries. The meeting begins at 7:30 p.m. in the library at the St. Charles Center, 2860 US Route 127, Carthagen, Ohio. The group is reflecting on the U.S. bishops' document, *For I Was Hungry and You Gave Me Food*, and is talking about faith and farming issues. For more information, please call the Catholic Social Action Office, 937.224.3026, or email [csadayton@catholiccincinnati.org](mailto:csadayton@catholiccincinnati.org)

## **MISCELLANEOUS**

### **ANNUAL BLUE MASS**

Rev. Steve Angi, Chancellor of the Archdiocese of Cincinnati and police chaplain, will be the principal celebrant at the ninth annual Blue Mass to be held at 11:00 a.m. Sunday, September 22, at the Cathedral of St. Peter in Chains, 325 W. Eighth Street, in downtown Cincinnati. All are welcome. Attendees should consider coming early to the Cathedral (about 10:30 a.m.) to see area fire trucks set up with flags hung from their extended ladders, and to see officers on horseback. A blessing ceremony begins at 10:45 a.m. for the attending members of police and fire departments, and on the equipment they use in the line of duty. The equipment is located just outside the Cathedral plaza on Plum Street. Following the blessing, officers, family members and community members process into the Cathedral behind a bagpiper and color guard. At the end of the church service, names of safety personnel who have died this past year are read aloud. Fellowship and refreshments on the plaza follow the service. For more information on the Blue Mass, visit the Cathedral's website at [www.stpeterinchainscathedral.org](http://www.stpeterinchainscathedral.org).

## **ADULT SPIRITUALITY INSTITUTE AT THE ATHENAEUM OF OHIO**

The popular Adult Spirituality Institute will continue its thirteenth year with studies in the fall:

- **“The Complementarity of Ignatius and Teresa”** by Gillian Ahlgren T.W., PhD, on Mondays, September 9 through September 30 from 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon.
- **“The Reformation: Its Causes and Consequences”** by Rev. Frank Lane, MTh, MA, PhD, on Mondays, October 14 through November 4 from 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon.

All sessions will be held at the Athenaeum of Ohio/Mount St. Mary’s Seminary. Fees are nominal. For additional information please call 513.231.2223x143.

## **CINCINNATI ARTS ASSOCIATION PERFORMANCE OF *THE PRIESTS***

The Cincinnati Arts Association is offering discounted tickets to all Archdiocese of Cincinnati parishioners for the November 19, 2013 performance of *The Priests*, who are Fr. Martin O’Hagan, Fr. Eugene O’Hagan, and Fr. David Delargy, classical tenors and Catholic priests from Ireland. Visit [www.CincinnatiArts.org/promotions](http://www.CincinnatiArts.org/promotions) and use promotion code CATHOLIC for the discount.

**Please submit articles for the October *Clergy Communications* before September 23, 2013.  
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## BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENT SHEET

**REPORTING ABUSE IN THE ARCHDIOCESE OF CINCINNATI** - If you know someone who has been abused at any time by an agent of the Archdiocese of Cincinnati (priest, deacon, employee or volunteer), the Archdiocese urges you to contact Sandy Keiser, LISW, the Coordinator of Ministry to Survivors of Abuse of the Archdiocese of Cincinnati, at **513.263.6623** as well as the victim's secular legal authorities.

**REPORTING FINANCIAL MISCONDUCT** - In a spirit of good stewardship, the Archdiocese of Cincinnati has instituted a financial misconduct hotline to allow employees, volunteers, vendors and other interested parties to report what they believe to be financial misconduct at any level – parish, deanery or Archdiocese. As an additional safeguard, the hotline is administered by an independent third-party company, EthicsPoint. You may report a concern on this hotline either by calling one of EthicsPoint's trained specialists at 1.888.389.0381 or by visiting the website [www.ethicspoint.com](http://www.ethicspoint.com). There is also a link on the Archdiocesan website, [www.CatholicCincinnati.org](http://www.CatholicCincinnati.org), under Ministries and Offices > Finance Office > "To Report Financial Misconduct." (on menu on left-hand side of page) > "File a Report" (at top of page).

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**Beginning Experience Weekend at Comboni Mission Center:** Suffering the loss of a love relationship? Are you feeling hurt, lonely, left out? **Beginning Experience Cincinnati** offers a healing weekend for the divorced, separated and widowed at Comboni Mission Center, 1318 Nagel Road in Cincinnati, **October 18 - 20, 2013**. For \$175.00 (payment plan/partial scholarships available; meals included), participants make a personal inward journey in hope to begin a new life with renewed courage and joy. Grief and regrets, confusion and self-doubt...No one needs to go through it alone! For more information please visit [www.beginningexperiencecincinnati.webs.com](http://www.beginningexperiencecincinnati.webs.com) or call 513.684.1196.

### **To be printed August 31 and September 1 & 7-8, 2013**

#### ***Grandparents' Day is September 8***

The Family and Respect Life Office reminds you that **Sunday, September 8, is Grandparents' Day**. In our grandparents we have sensed and felt the thread of history and the treasure of tradition that lies within our families. May they be blessed for their hard work and faith, which are our inheritance. We pray that those who guided our early steps and called forth our talents be richly rewarded by God, our Divine Parent.

### **To be printed September 14-15 and 21-22, 2013**

The Family and Respect Life Office asks you to make note that Monday, September 23<sup>rd</sup> has been set aside as "**Family Day – A Day to Eat Dinner with Your Children.**" Join families across the country in sitting down that evening to eat together without hurry or distraction. Rediscover the sacredness of the family meal.

*Lord, it is good to be together. We thank you for the love we share as we share this meal. May it strengthen us to live in service. Amen.*

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