

**Lunch & Lecture Series Presents:  
Successful Parenting**

Join us for FREE parenting workshops and lunch.

Topics will include:

- Stress Management
- Budgeting
- Positive Discipline
- First Aid & Safety
- Nutrition and Meal Planning

Workshops will be held on Tuesdays, December 4 and 11, January 8, 15, 22, and 29, and February 5 and 12 from 12pm to 1:30pm at Catholic Charities of Summit County, Blessed Trinity Site (300 E. Tallmadge Ave. Akron, OH 44310). The lunch and lecture series is free and open to the public. To register or for more information, please contact Maureen Capellas, Manager of Youth and Family Services at 330-475-0091 ext. 232 or [mcapellas@clevelandcatholiccharities.org](mailto:mcapellas@clevelandcatholiccharities.org).

**Prayer Group**

*St. Padre Pio's Prayer Group (Spiritual Director: Abbot C. Schwartz, O.S.B.) will meet at Assumption Church, Sunday, December 9, 2012, 9183 Broadview Rd., Broadview Hts., OH 44147 at 3pm for Mass, Mercy Chaplet, Rosary, and veneration of St. Pio's relic. A potluck meal will follow. A new schedule of meetings will be sent in 2013.*

**Faith Based Service**

Would you like to make a difference in your community, the country, or the world, serve those in need, and work for social justice? **RESPONSE 2013**, the most comprehensive guide of faith-based service opportunities, is now available. Volunteers serve full-time for periods of one week to one year or more across the United States and in more than 100 countries worldwide. Summer and school break opportunities also available. **Positions available for all.** Contact the Catholic Volunteer Network to receive your free copy/copies of **RESPONSE 2013** at 1-800-543-5046 (toll-free), [info@catholicvolunteernetwork.org](mailto:info@catholicvolunteernetwork.org), or [www.catholicvolunteernetwork.org](http://www.catholicvolunteernetwork.org).

**Local News on Line**

"Your Community News" is a place where residents of Township and Peninsula have shared information for over 25 years. Please visit [www.ycn-online.net](http://www.ycn-online.net).

See the Church vestibule for information on upcoming events, job openings, registration forms, prayer cards, & more...

**Remarriage & Stepfamily Preparation**

*The Cana II Process addresses the unique issues of remarriage and stepfamilies. The preparation includes a Saturday, and three additional evening sessions for stepparents of children under 18. Held Saturday, January 26, 2013 from 8:30am-6pm (5pm Mass) and Thursdays, January 31, February 7 and 14, 2013 from 6:30pm-9pm at Holy Spirit Parish, 410 Lear Rd., Avon Lake, OH, 44012. The cost is \$125 (deadline is January 18, 2013). For a registration form, call Jane at 216-334-2978 or visit [www.clevelandcatholiccharities.org/mfm](http://www.clevelandcatholiccharities.org/mfm). Please call Carol Petro at 216-334-2975 with questions.*

**Regina Health Center**

Regina Health Center, 5232 Broadview Road, Richfield, Ohio, provides quality health care for those seeking a God-centered environment. Currently, there are Assisted Living units available. Assisted Living Respite Care is available as well. For more information, please call Sr. Margaret Taylor, SIW, (330-659-4161).

**Bags of Love**

The Women's Board of Catholic Charities Community Services of Summit County (CCCS/SC) is having its Annual Christmas "Bags of Love" collection for the agency's families in need. The Women's Board is accepting donations until December 7 of household and personal items such as: laundry detergent, soap, dish detergent, toothpaste/brushes/floss, shampoo/conditioner, paper products, and diapers. These may be dropped off for the Bags of Love at Catholic Charities, 812 Biruta St., Akron, OH 44307. If you prefer to give a monetary donation, make checks payable to: Women's Board of CCCS/SC. Mail checks to: Anne MacWherter, 34 Lake Forest Dr., Hudson, OH 44236. The Women's Board of CCCS/SC thanks you!

**SINGLE & PARENTING**

Single & Parenting is a series of video seminars that teach effective parenting strategies, encouragement and insights on how to find hope as you parent alone. Held the first Friday of each month at St. Joseph Church, 12700 Pearl Rd., Strongsville, OH 44136 from 6:30-8pm. Cost is \$25 for 13 weeks. New attendees welcome! More information... [www.clevelandcatholiccharities.org/mfm](http://www.clevelandcatholiccharities.org/mfm) or call Jane at 216-334-2978.

## **Grief Support**

In Scripture, Jesus comforts those who mourn, **“Come to me, all of you who are tired from carrying heavy loads. I will give you rest...”** (Matthew 11:28-29). The Anthony Funeral Homes wish to announce the addition of **Sr. Mary Kay Cmolik, OSF** to their staff. Recently certified by the National Catholic Ministry to the Bereaved through the Diocese of Cleveland, **Sister is available for grief support through groups and individual conversations.** These opportunities are available to all who mourn the loss of a beloved. For additional information, please call the Anthony Funeral Homes at 330-724-1781.

## **First Step Program 2013**

Do you want to deepen your knowledge of the Church’s teaching on marriage, learn about ministry to the divorced/separated in the Diocese of Cleveland, hear the true facts about the annulment process and how to submit a case, and discover a path to healing after divorce? The **First Step Programs** are scheduled around the Diocese, **open to anyone, with no pre-registration.** The next sessions are on **Tuesday, February 5, 2013 at 7pm at St. John Bosco Parish (6480 Pearl Rd., Parma Hts., OH 44130 440-886-3500)** and on **Tuesday, April 9, 2013 at 7pm at St. Peter Parish (3655 Oberlin Ave., Lorain, OH 44053 440-282-9103)** This program is offered as a way to reach out to those whose marriage, for whatever reasons or circumstances, is not valid in the Church, and find a way to re-establish full communion in the sacramental life of the Church. **More information...216-696-6525, ext. 4000, or [www.dioceseofcleveland.org/tribunal](http://www.dioceseofcleveland.org/tribunal).**

## **Hall of Honor Nominations Due**

**Nominations for the 2013 Catholic Charities Summit County Hall of Honor are now being accepted through January 15, 2013.** The Hall of Honor recognizes individuals who have given exceptional leadership and service for a minimum of 10 years to either CYO and Community Services, Catholic Social Services, or Catholic Charities Community Services of Summit County. Only 107 inductees have been recognized since the hall was created in 1969. **For a full explanation and nomination form...330-762-2961 x232 or [www.ccs Summit County.org](http://www.ccs Summit County.org).**

## **1060 AM**

**WILB at 1060 AM – *Living Bread Radio*,** is available to be heard in most parts of the Diocese. Broadcasting each day from **sunrise to sunset...** 1060 broadcasts Catholic teaching and preaching along with the **Mass and many devotions.** Remember to tune in **1060 AM...WILB...**

Stay current with *Pope's Intentions* online at [www.facebook.com/group.php?gid=15363235132](http://www.facebook.com/group.php?gid=15363235132) and [www.twitter.com/#!/aposprayer](http://www.twitter.com/#!/aposprayer)

## **Catholic Connection**

*Over 20 member organizations working together* to serve people across Northeast Ohio offer programs, services and resources for individuals, groups and communities. We can connect you with services to meet your educational, financial, healthcare, and senior care needs. **Call 216-377-4358 or 1-866-821-6634 today to get connected.**

## **Prayer for Occupations**

**We pray for those in personal care and service occupations, that they may persevere in hope, trusting in God’s faithfulness to them as they search for ways to give deeper meaning to their lives and the lives of those for whom they provide services.**  
**Amen.**

## **Choose Life!**

**Most Americans assume that sex selection abortions are a problem only in Eastern cultures. Yet, recent videos taken inside Planned Parenthood clinics indicate the organization has no problem aborting unwanted female babies. The idea that a child can be aborted because she is a girl gives new meaning to the phrase, “abortion on demand.”**

*-Choose Life Newsletter, Summer 2012*



***We Pray...***  
***For women who have had abortions, that they may turn to a loving God for healing and forgiveness.***  
***Amen.***