

National Vocation Awareness Week will be celebrated in our country on **January 13-19, 2013**. *Please ask Our Lord for more dedicated, holy priests, deacons and consecrated men and women.* May they be inspired by Jesus Christ, supported by our faith community, and respond generously to God's gift of a vocation.

Prayer for Vocations

*God, the source of
creation and love,
You invite each of
us to serve you through the life
which is your gift.
May your grace
encourage men and women to heights
of holiness through service to the church
as priests, sisters, brothers, and lay ministers.*

*Make me an
instrument to encourage others
to give of themselves and
challenge me to do the same.*

Amen.

www.usccb.org/prayer-and-worship/prayers/prayers-for-vocations.cfm

AT ST. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL

Bishop Richard Lennon will present a *Year of Faith Lecture Series*, consisting of two sessions each month on different Second Vatican Council Documents through November. The sessions will begin immediately following the 12:00pm Mass at the Cathedral on Wednesdays, and will last 20 to 30 minutes. In January, the Bishop will speak on the document on Divine Revelation. The second lecture is **Wednesday, January 23**. This series is in concert with Pope Benedict's request that there be opportunities for the Faithful to deepen their appreciation and knowledge of Church teachings. Please consider taking advantage of this opportunity so that each of us may better *"live our relationship with Jesus Christ."*

Pre-Cana Program for Engaged Couples

St. Rita Parish will be holding a **Pre-Cana Day** on **Saturday, March 9**. This is a one-day marriage preparation program. Attending this program satisfies Diocesan requirements. **Prior registration required; Cost is \$70 per couple.** For more info or to register, contact Yvette or Paul Bell at stiritaprecana@gmail.com or 330-405-6445. Call early to guarantee a place.

Lost to be Found

Items left after Mass at Mother of Sorrows are waiting to come back to their owners. Please check the church vestibule for last gloves, scarves, and other things you may have left and they are waiting for you!

A Time for Resolutions

Come attend the **Mission** at **St. Barnabas Parish (9451 Brandywine Road, Northfield, Ohio)** on **January 13th-16th, from 7:00pm to 8:15pm**. The theme will be **"Our Faith Journey in God's Love"**. The missionaries will be **Father Paul Bryan** and **Sister Mary Sninsky**. For additional information, please call **St. Barnabas Parish** at **330-467-7959** or see the flyer in the Church vestibule.

Cleveland March For Life 2013

Come attend the **Cleveland March for Life** at **12:00pm** on **Saturday, January 19**, from **Public Square** to **The Halle Building**. Join area clergy and politicians as we March and Pray For Life (only 1/2 mile)! Dress warmly and bring the family. **Meet on the Southwest Quadrant of Public Square (faces Tower City Main Entrance)** Lunch in the Halle Building Food Court. Signs provided. **Pastor Kevin Folger**, Sr. Pastor of Cleveland Baptist Church, and **Rev. Fr. Doug Brown**, Pastor of Our Lady Queen of Peace Church will be on Public Square to pray to end abortion. Music provided by **The Sunrise**, a **Contemporary Christian Acoustic and Electric Rock Band**. Ample Parking at the Halle Building or Tower City. (If you park at Tower City there is Free Metro transport from the Halle Building back to Tower City).

The **Indoor Program** is from **12:30-3:00pm** at the **Halle Building Food Court (1228 Euclid Ave., Cleveland, OH 44115)**. Join us for Prayers, Inspiration, Lunch and Exhibition. **Most Reverend Bishop Roger Gries, Aux. Bishop of Cleveland Catholic Diocese** will open the **indoor program with prayers**. Key Note Speaker will be **Brian Kemper**, president and founder of Stand True Ministries. He will be joined by **Dave Yost**, Ohio Auditor of State, and **John Coats**, Executive Director of Ohio Right to Life. **Please visit [www.clevelandrighttolife.org/M4Life13/March For Life 2013.html](http://www.clevelandrighttolife.org/M4Life13/MarchForLife2013.html)** or call **216-661-3000 ext. 11** for additional information or to purchase lunch tickets.

ENGAGED ENCOUNTER WEEKENDS

Engaged Encounter is a marriage preparation weekend. Next weekend held **January 25-27, 2013 and May 17-19, 2013** at **St. Leonard Retreat Center** in **Avon, OH**. Reservations/more info...www.clevelandencounter.com or **216-556-0424**. **"A wedding is a day – A marriage is a lifetime"** – take the time to prepare well.

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

Catholic Singles

St. Ladislav Church in Westlake is hosting a speed dating event for all **Catholic singles (ages 25-45) Saturday, February 9th at 7:30pm**. Come for a fun evening, and meet others who share your faith and values. **\$20.00 per person in advance and \$35.00 at the door**. All proceeds benefit the WAY Youth Group. To register or for additional information, ClevelandCatholicSpeedDating@gmail.com or **Amanda at 440-835-2300 (Parish Office)**.

200 Club

Visitation of Mary Parish invites you to join their **200 Club** with the **first drawing being February 15, 2013**. For a **yearly donation of only \$52**, you could be **one of two \$100 winners every month for eight months**, plus be an **additional \$500 winner in March, 2013 and September, 2013!** Your ticket(s) must be purchased **before February 15 or you will not qualify to be a winner**. All 200 tickets must be sold! Ticket sales not limited to Visitation of Mary parishioners. **More info/to register...330-376-9227 or 330-535-4141, ext 12 (Jerry)**.

First Step 2013

The **First Step Programs** are **open to anyone with no pre-registration**. They are 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. Held on **Tuesday, February 5, at 7pm at St. John Bosco Parish (6480 Pearl Rd., Parma Hts., OH 44130 440-886-3500)** and on **Tuesday, April 9 at 7pm at St. Peter Parish (3655 Oberlin Ave., Lorain, OH 44053 440-282-9103)**. For additional information, please call **216-696-6525 ext. 4000**, visit www.dioceseofcleveland.org/tribunal, or see flyers and pamphlets on the Church vestibule.

NFP

The next "Why Natural Family Planning?" session will be held January 28, at 7:00pm at Holy Family, Stow in the Lower Church Hall, Rm. 1. You will learn the latest data regarding the health risks of hormonal contraception, the benefits and myths of Natural Family Planning (this is not the rhythm method), the results of a contraceptive mentality since the 1960's, and a brief overview of a Natural Family Planning class: a safe, healthy, effective means of family planning which strengthens marriages. The most common reaction mentioned after the presentation is "Why have we never heard this before?" Open to anyone, and will help you make an informed decision regarding the benefits of Natural Family Planning. Contact Leo & Toni Doty (akdoty@kent.edu or 330-689-0632).

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DIOCESAN THEOLOGY ON TAP

On **Thursday, February 21**, young adults are invited to attend the next **Theology on Tap** with **speaker, Megan Wilson-Reitz**. **Social begins at 6:00pm**. **Lecture begins at 7:00pm**. **Location TBA**. Admission is **\$5**. Complimentary appetizers and cash bar--happy hour until 7:00pm. Please RSVP to Lynette (**216-334-1261 x10** or theotap-cle@hotmail.com) by **February 18th**. Walk-ins are welcome. Theology on Tap is a discussion series for Catholic young adults and their friends, married and single, in their 20s and 30s. For additional information, please visit www.clevelandcatholiccharities.org/yvam-cvo/theology_on_tap.htm. Sponsored by Catholic Charities Youth & Young Adult Ministry Office.

CANA II

The **Cana II** Process addresses the unique issues of marriage 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. Please call **Carol Petro at 216-334-2975** with questions.

THE SMART STEPFAMILY

Come for a **multi session video guide** to healthy stepfamilies for step-parents by national expert **Ron Deal** on **Mondays, January 28, February 11, March 25, April 15, 29, and May 6** at **St. Martin of Tours, 1800 Station Rd., Valley City, OH 44280** from **6:00-8:30pm**. Cost is **\$20 for 7 weeks and includes workbook**. New attendees are welcome! Contact **Colene Conley at 330-483-3808**.

Tutors

Seeds of Literacy, a nonprofit Organization offering free, one-to-one tutoring in basic adult education and GED preparation, **has an urgent need for more tutors**. Tutor training sessions are held on **Saturdays, January 19th, February 23rd, March 23rd, April 20th, May 18th, and June 29th** all from **9am to 2pm** at **Seeds Resource Center 3104 West 25th Street** (corner of West 25th and Clark Avenue) **Cleveland, Ohio 44109**. To register or for additional information, please contact **Alexandria Marshall at 216-661-7950** or alexandriamarshall@seedsofliteracy.org, visit www.seedsofliteracy.org or Facebook.