

Caring Women Needed

Consider joining the Women's Board of Catholic Charities Community Services of Summit County as we strive to make the lives of those less fortunate just a little bit easier. Meet and work with caring women from many different parishes in Summit County. We meet on the second Friday of each month in Akron. The next meeting will be held Friday, September 13. More information: 330-819-7776 or scraig759@yahoo.com.

There is Hope

Retrouvaille ("hope for troubled marriages") is a weekend and six follow-up sessions for couples struggling in their marriage. Held September 27-29 at the Doubletree Hotel in Beachwood, OH. To register... helpourmarriage.org, 330-665-3506, or Cleveland@retrouvaille.org.

For the latest news, Catholic teaching, and practical helps for couples, visit www.ForYourMarriage.org.

20's and 30's

Saturday, September 28, from 10:00am-1:00pm, young adults (20's & 30's) are invited to volunteer at a Catholic Charities Housing site. Volunteer for some yard work or interior cleaning at Nativity Manor, a senior housing complex in Lorain. Meet other young adults and spend a few hours providing TLC for this facility. To volunteer or for more info...216-228-9516 or 2006vaic@gmail.com.

Catholic Family Day

Catholic Family Day will be held Sunday, September 22 at Progressive Field. Come for Mass and a ball game. Pre-game Mass begins at 10:15am in the ballpark. Tickets are starting at \$14. Purchase at www.indians.com/catholicday and enter the special offer code "catholic" or see registration forms in the Church vestibule. 216-420-4162 or jplys@indians.com.



Expect more from us. We do.

Crossroads Hospice is looking for volunteers who will provide patient care visits in facilities and homes, assist with office work, bereavement, scrapbooking, picture and videotaping, art, pet, and music therapy, Life Journal, Veteran Recognitions, etc. For free orientation, training and ongoing educational programs, please call 216-654-9300 or visit www.crossroadshospice.com. We need you in Lake, Geauga, Cuyahoga, Lorain, and Ashtabula Counties.

Bereavement Ministry

St. Barnabas Catholic Parish will be holding an 8 week bereavement session beginning on Thursday, September 12 from 7:00-9:00pm and continuing each Thursday thereafter until November 2. All meetings will be held in the Rectory Room 1 (RR1). Mark your calendars! If you have any questions, call Fr. Ed at 330-467-7959.

Engaged Encounter Weekend

Next Engaged Encounter marriage preparation weekend held September 27-29 at St. Leonard Retreat Center in Avon, OH. For reservations...216-253-9530 or www.clevelandencounter.com. "A wedding is a day – A marriage is a lifetime" – take the time to prepare well.

Help defend Life, Liberty, and Marriage by praying and taking action at [www.usccb.org/issues-and-action/index.cfm!](http://www.usccb.org/issues-and-action/index.cfm)

VISITATION OF MARY'S 5TH ANNUAL
"SEPTEMBER SENSATION"
IS SEPTEMBER 21ST

You are invited to attend Visitation of Mary (formerly Annunciation) Parish's 5th Annual "September Sensation" – reverse raffle, dinner, & silent auction – on Saturday, September 21, 2013 at St. Georges Fellowship Center, 3204 Ridgewood Road in Fairlawn. Beginning at 6 p.m. with complimentary hors'd oeuvres, you will enjoy an elegant evening of dining and "bonne chance" including sideboards, 50/50 Split the Pot, "Nunzi" bingo and grab bags. A delicious buffet dinner by Joe Catalano and an open bar will be enjoyed by all. Grand prize is \$2,000!

Prices are: \$70 for 1 ticket & 1 dinner
\$100 for 1 ticket & 2 dinners
\$130 for 2 tickets & 2 dinners

Hurry! Tickets are beginning to sell! For tickets or info, call 330.376.9227 or 330.535.4141, ext. 12.

FESTIVAL OF PRAISE

Catholic Renewal Ministries invites all to attend a Festival of Praise on Saturday, September 28 at St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception Church (300 Union St., Bedford, 44146) from 7:00-9:15pm. This will be a special time to come together to praise and worship God through song and prayer. Call 330-425-2678 for more information.

CATHOLIC COMMUNITY CONNECTION

Do you need to be connected? Catholic Community Connection can help! 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 216-377-4360 today!

Please check the vestibule for more information on upcoming events, registration forms, prayer cards, and notices.

FIRST FRIDAY CLUB OF GREATER AKRON

On **September 6** at **Martin University Center (105 Fir Hill, Akron, 44304)**, the First Friday Club of greater Akron, will feature **Thomas Acker, S.J., Ph.D.**, speaking on the topic: **“What Makes Us Human?”**. Luncheon program is **\$15. Doors open at 11:15am; the program begins at noon, and ends promptly at 1:00pm.** Prepaid reservations can be made by sending a check to the First Friday Club of Greater Akron, 795 Russell Ave., Akron, OH 44307 **no later than the Tuesday prior to the program.** For more info... call **330-535-7668** or www.firstfridayclubofgreaterakron.org.

FIRST FRIDAY CLUB OF CLEVELAND

Please come and invite a friend, relative, or colleague to a First Friday Club program. The Club **meets at The Cleveland City Club, 850 Euclid Ave. in downtown Cleveland on the Thursday before the first Friday of the month.** **\$20 per person**, cash or check accepted. **Validated parking in the garage next door is available for \$3.** For the schedule of speakers, visit www.firstfridayclubcleveland.org. For more information... **440-390-0172** or ffcfcleveland@sbcglobal.net. Upcoming dates: **September 5** (Jeffrey Abood, KHS on “Christians in the Holy Land: Who They Are, Why They Are Leaving and How We Can Help”), **October 3** (Rachel Benda, founder of Bethesda – The House of Mercy on “Building the Culture of Life with Mercy”), **October 31** (Fr. Gary Yanus, Judicial Vicar on “Neither Riches nor Glory: The Saints – Servants of the Kingdom”), and **December, 5** (Most Reverend Richard G. Lennon Bishop of Cleveland)

PRAYERS REQUESTED

Whether or not you are attending NCYC (National Catholic Youth Conference), you can be part of our pilgrims’ prayer experience! **We welcome and invite all to submit a prayer, favorite scripture, poem, song, etc.** for our young pilgrims’ **“Rock Out Prayer Journal”**. For additional information, visit www.clevelandcatholiccharities.org/yvam-cvo/NCYC/ncvc2013_home.htm. Thoughts and prayers will be posted together in the journals offering love and support from our amazing Diocese of Cleveland community. NCYC Contact: Jackie Vigneault, **330-379-3636** x15 or jvigneault@clevelandcatholiccharities.org.

DSWC

The **Divorced, Separated and Widowed Catholics of Akron** is sponsoring a talk by **Tess Flannery** of Catholic Charities - Akron on their programs offered to our community. If you wish, feel free to bring a new, unwrapped toy for their Christmas toy collection. **Held Monday, September 9 at 7:30pm at Immaculate Heart of Mary Convent Building, 1945 Portage Trail, Cuyahoga Falls. Open at no cost to single people of all faiths. Refreshments at 7:15pm.** For more information, call **Denny at 330-285-9824** or **Sharon at 330-612-3635.**

LEADERSHIP FOR A NEW DAY (LFND)

Attention Men and Women in your 20's and 30's. Do you want to integrate mission and values in the workplace? **Applications are now being accepted for the first cohort of Leadership for a New Day participants!** LFND is an interactive leadership formation. Participants come from a variety of settings: faith-based, public, private, and non-profits agencies. **You will meet great people and be paired with professional mentors.** There are **only 20 slots**, which will be filled on a rolling basis. **To learn more, or download an application, visit www.sites.google.com/site/lfndcle/home or find us on [Twitter@LFNDCLE](https://twitter.com/LFNDCLE) or at facebook.com/LFNDCLE.**

National Catholic Collegiate Conference

Young adults ages 18 to 25, take your faith to the next level! Back by popular demand, **the 2013 National Catholic Collegiate Conference (NCCC) will be held in Indianapolis November 21-23.** Today’s college-aged and post-graduate young adults live in a secular world that battles their sacred beliefs. NCCC affirms your place in the world, presents a unique faith experience, and empowers you for the road ahead. NCCC is three days of inspiring keynotes, engaging workshops, dynamic prayer and worship, exceptional music and entertainment, networking, and gaining a deeper awareness of what it means to be a Catholic young adult today. Registration is Open! **For more information, visit www.ntlccc.org.**

36TH ANNUAL WALK OF HOPE

Held **Saturday, October 5**, at **OLA/St. Joseph Center (2346 W. 14th St., Cleveland in the Historic Tremont neighborhood).** **Registration begins at 8:30am; Walk at 9:00am; Raffle at 10:30am; Special Walk around Lincoln Park at 11:00am.** Come support the ministerial needs of persons with disabilities and affirm the dignity of human life. Please contact **Marilyn Scott at 216-334-2963** or mjscott@clevelandcatholiccharities.org, **Dennis McNulty at 216-334-2962** or dmcnulty@clevelandcatholiccharities.org, visit www.clevelandcatholiccharities.org/disability, or find us on Facebook for more information.

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