JCU Lecture

The Institute of Catholic Studies from John Carroll University and the Teaching Cleveland Digital are cosponsoring "The Transformation of Catholic Social Welfare in Cleveland: A Case Study of Orphanages" lecture by Dr. Marian Morton, Professor Emeritus of History, John Carroll University on Thursday, February 5 at 7:30pm in the LSC Conference Room The lecture is free and open to the public. For more info, call 216-397-4558.

Lindamood-Bell Learning Centers

Lindamood-Bell Learning Centers invites you to be our guest and discover how our research-validated programs can provide solutions for reading, comprehension, and math difficulties. Learning challenges that can accompany a diagnosis of dyslexia, hyperlexia, ADHD, or autism will be discussed. We will also talk about how to bring the Magic of Learning to Northeast Ohio. Join us for an overview of learning on Thursday, February 5 at 6pm at Our Lady of the Elms Elementary School. Call 888-324-4367 or email neohio.info@lindamoodbell.com for reservations.

Finding God in Film: An Ignatian Film Series

The film series will be held at John Carroll University's Dolan Center for Science Technology (1 John Carroll Blvd., University Heights) from 5-8pm on Sunday, February 8, 15, 22. Film and discussion co-sponsored by the Ignatian Volunteer Corps Cleveland and JCU Center for Service and Social Action. 2/8/15: Calvary, discussion leader – Fr. Donald Cozzens. 2/15/15: St. Vincent, discussion leader - Maureen Hess. 2/22/15: Railway Man, discussion leader Fr. Thomas Schubeck, SJ. Light supper and discussion will follow each film. Free will offering is requested. Reservations are required. (cduer@ivcusa.org 216-407-9470). or Visit www.ivcusa.org for more information.

Prize Winners in St. Vincent de Paul Society GolfTEC Northeast Ohio Coat Drive Promotion

Thank you to all who dropped off their coats for the poor at GolfTEC Northeast Ohio's six locations in December. With your help, GolfTEC collected more than 250 coats for those in need this winter. If you are one of the lucky prize winners in the GolfTEC drawing, you can pick up your prize at the GolfTEC Cleveland West center at 26669 Brookpark Road Extension in North Olmsted. For additional information, please call 440-348-1757.

Employment for Persons with Disabilities

Know someone with a disability who wants to work? Or are you a business owner looking to hire someone with disabilities? Catholic Charities Employment and Training Services provides supported employment services that are designed to assist people with a wide range of cognitive and physical disabilities to become self-reliant and independent in the community. Services range from vocational counseling, basic computer classes, job readiness training and job development. If you are a business owner in Cuyahoga County, consider the value of hiring persons with disabilities. Persons with disabilities have many talents that could be a benefit to your business. We encourage employers who are members of our Diocese to be open to the possibilities! For more information, call 216-426-9870 x13 or email tingram@ccdocle.org.

Education Program

For over 25 years, the CAEP has provided educational and social skill building for adults with developmental disabilities. Participants enhance their skills in math, reading and history. They also work on the computer, make arts and crafts and have fun making friends, watching movies and having holiday parties! Participants also learn about their local community by going on field trips. Classes meet at OLA/St. Joseph Center (2346 W. 14th St., Cleveland, OH). Students provide their own transportation. Tuition is \$88/month with an additional one time material fee of \$60; Medicaid Waivers are accepted and financial assistance may be available. Contact Marilyn Scott at 216-334-2963 or mjscott@clevelandcatholiccharities.org to set up an appointment to see if it is the right fit for you!

Festival of Praise

All are invited to attend a Festival of Praise on Saturday, February 7, at Our Lady of Hope Church (400 Center Rd., Bedford 44146) from 6:45-9pm. This will be a special time to come together to praise and worship God through song and prayer. Call Jerry or Grace Wrobel at 330-425-2678 for more info.

PREP Relationship Skills Workshop

PREP fulfills the Pre-Cana requirement for engaged couples, and offers enrichment to married couples. Held Sunday, February 22 from 8:30am to 4:30pm at Holy Spirit Parish, 410 Lear Rd., Avon Lake 44012 (noon Mass). Register by February 13. \$95 per couple. For more info, call 216-334-2978. Online registration at http://ccdocle.org/program/prep.

Search Retreat

Search is a retreat for high school teens (ages 15-18) who are interested in experiencing the Catholic faith in a dynamic way. Search helps youth enter into a deeper relationship with Jesus Christ and develop a fuller understanding of God and His Church. weekends encourage young people to assume an active role in the Church. There are opportunities to meet new friends who are also trying to follow the way of Jesus in Search is planned, directed and today's world. facilitated by other youth! Youth of all faiths are welcomed. (It is a Catholic weekend open to all religious denominations.) Cost is \$75 per person. Next weekend held March 6-8. For Search information and registration materials online, visit http://ccdocle.org/program/search. For information, contact Jackie Vigneault, Youth & Young Adult Specialist, 330-379-3636 x15 or jvigneault@clevelandcatholiccharities.org.

Diocesan Ministry to the Incarcerated

Are you a family member or do you know of families who, because of the incarceration of a loved one, experience isolation, shame, guilt, and overwhelming sense of being alone? The Diocesan LEAF Ministry has been formed to be of support to these families. Groups meet monthly offering an opportunity to those who come to listen and share community, network and learn from others who understand their situation, challenges, fears and emotions. All are welcome to participate irrespective of faith affiliation. For more information, call one of the following parishes or visit www.leafministrv.org. No pre-registration necessary. Childcare is provided in each of these groups. If you are interested in beginning a group or want more information, call Sister Rita Mary, SND at 800-869-6525 or 216-696-6525x 2200.

LEAF East meets at **Holy Angels Parish in Bainbridge** on **Thursday, February 19** and **March 19** at **7pm**. (Call **440-708-0000**)

LEAF West a ministry of St. Ladislas Parish, Westlake and Sacred Heart Chapel, Lorain meets at St. Ladislas Parish on Wednesday, February 11 and March 11 at 7pm. This is a bi-lingual group which also provides a group for teens. (Call Paula at 216-696-6525x 3500)

LEAF Central meets for the first time at St. Agnes-Our Lady of Fatima Parish in Cleveland on Saturday February 7 at 10am. The group will determine at this meeting the dates and times for future meetings. (Call 216-391-1655)

SINGLE & PARENTING

Video series offering effective parenting strategies, encouragement, and insights for single parents. Sessions started Thursday, January 29 for 13 sessions. Subsequent sessions are the first and third Thursday of each month. Join at any time. Held at St. Joseph Parish, 12700 Pearl Road, Strongsville, OH 44136. Cost is \$25 for 13 sessions, including workbook. Register by calling 216-334-2978, or at www.ccdocle.org/events/single-parenting.

Tutors

Seeds of Literacy, a nonprofit organization offering free, one-to-one tutoring in basic adult education and GED preparation, has a need for more tutors for both our west side and new east side locations. training sessions are held Saturdays, February 21, March 21, and April 25 all from 9am to 2pm at Seeds Resource Center (3104 West 25th St., Cleveland, OH 44109). To register/more information, please contact Alexandria Marshall at 216-661-7950 or alexandriamarshall@seedsofliteracy.org, or visit www.seedsofliteracy.org or www.facebook.com/seedsofliteracy.

Prayer for Our Marriage

Heavenly Father, we that You for Your tremendous gift of the Sacrament of Marriage. Enable us to grow in our intimacy with You and with each other. Teach us the beauty of forgiveness so we may become more and more one in heart, mind and body. Strengthen our communication with each other, and help us become living signs of Your love. Help us to be examples of commitment, love and service to our families and children. Make us a sign of the unity which Jesus prays for at the Last Supper. We open ourselves to the guidance of Your Holy Spirit, Who empowers us to love in Jesus' name and walk in His footsteps. Amen.

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