

God Needs You

Please consider joining the Women's Board of Catholic Charities Community Services of Summit County (CCCS/SC). We invite adult women of all ages and parishes to join our group. Find out how you can help support the work of Catholic Charities here in Summit County. Make new friends and help others at the same time. The first membership meeting for the next club year will be held on **Friday, September 11, 2015 at 9:30am in Akron at Catholic Charities offices at 812 Biruta Street.** For more info, contact **Anne MacWherter at 330-342-9030.** We hope to see you on September 11.

2015 First Step Programs

The Church's teachings on marriage, divorce, and remarriage are often misunderstood. The First Step Program is offered to help everyone, especially those who have experienced divorce, learn more about Catholic teaching in these areas. The program also helps individuals navigate the path of healing and closure, of which the annulment process is an important aspect. Representatives from the Ministry to the Divorced Office of the Department for Marriage and Family Ministry will also be present to explain their ministry to those who are divorced. **The next meetings are held Tuesday, September 15, at Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish, Cuyahoga Falls, at 7pm and Tuesday, October 13, at St. Ambrose Parish, Brunswick, at 7pm.** The Diocese of Cleveland no longer requires any fees for this process. For more info and testimonials about the program from past participants, call the Tribunal at **216-696-6525/800-869-6525, x4000** or visit www.dioceseofcleveland.org/tribunal.

Tutors Needed

Seeds of Literacy, a nonprofit organization offering free, one-to-one tutoring in basic adult education and GED prep, **has a need for more tutors.** Tutor training sessions will be held **Saturdays, September 19, October 17, and November 21 from 9am-2pm** at Seeds of Literacy West (3104 W. 25th St., Cleveland, OH 44109) and **Friday, September 25 from 9:30am-2:30pm** at Seeds of Literacy East (13815 Kinsman Rd., Cleveland, OH 44120). Both sites feature secure parking and building security. **To register or for more info, contact Alexandria Marshall at 216-661-7950 or alexandriamarshall@seedsofliteracy.org, visit seedsofliteracy.org or [facebook.com/seedsofliteracy](https://www.facebook.com/seedsofliteracy).**

Back to School Dance

Our Lady of the Elms (1375 W. Exchange St., Akron, OH, 44313) is hosting a **Back to School Dance** for grades **6th through 8th Saturday, August 29 from 7-10pm.** Please join us for a night of fun! **Admission is \$3.** Call **330-836-9384** or visit www.theelms.org for more info!

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

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A "Caring and Sharing" session for those struggling with divorce, separation or widowhood will be held **Monday, August 23 from 7:30-9pm** at **Immaculate Heart of Mary's Convent Building, 1945 Portage Trail in Cuyahoga Falls.** **Marlene Maruna**, a Licensed Independent Social Worker, will facilitate this session. Open at no charge to people of all faiths. **For more info call Marlene 330-607-6284.**

Catholic Family Day

Join the Cleveland Indians for Mass and a ball game for Catholic Family Day at Progressive Field on **September 20th.** Pre-game Mass will be held at **10:15am in the Ball Park.** Tickets starting at \$16. Purchase online at <http://tinyurl.com/ov4s37x> and enter the special passcode "baseball". Please call **216-420-4162** or email jplys@indians.com with any additional questions. **It will be a fun filled day!**

Touch a life...Become a Hospice Volunteer

Hospice is a philosophy of care, not a place. We care for our patients wherever they call home. As a vital part of our team volunteers come from all walks of life, and have a variety of skills, talents and abilities. Volunteer education is held frequently throughout northern Ohio. Teen and volunteers not having patient contact attend only four hours of training while most other volunteers attend all 16 hours. **Pre-registration is required.** For more info or to register, please call **800-707-8922 x6881.**

Visit www.worldmeeting2015.org for the latest news on the **World Meeting of Families September 22-27, 2015 in Philadelphia, PA.** **The theme: Love is Our Mission: The Family Fully Alive! The August theme is Choosing Life - God made us for a reason.** His love is our life mission. This mission enables us to find our true identity. If we choose to embrace this mission, we will have a new perspective on many issues, not just the family. To live the mission of the domestic church means that Catholic families will sometimes live as minorities, with different values than their surrounding culture. Our mission of love will require courage and fortitude. **Jesus is calling, and we can respond, choosing lives of faith, hope, charity, joy, service, and mission.**

***"If you are what you should be,
then you will set the world on fire."***

Saint Catherine of Siena