



The **Knights of Columbus of Holy Family Catholic Church** of Stow, OH are holding their **Lenten Fish Frys** each Friday during Lent: **February 12 thru March 18. Held in the Lower Church Hall of Holy Family**

Church (3179 Kent Rd., Stow). Menu items include entrees of Baked Tilapia, Fried Beer Battered Cod, Jumbo Butterfly Shrimp, Mac & Cheese and Cheese Pizza. A choice of any two side dishes are included: French Fries, Hush Puppies, Seasoned Rice, Mac & Cheese, Pierogies, Salad, Cole Slaw, or Veggie Pie. Coffee & Punch are provided along with a Roll and Butter. Also available are bottled water, soft drinks and assorted dessert items at a nominal charge. **Dinners served from 4:30pm till 7pm. Come enjoy a delicious meal and fellowship!**

Worldwide Marriage Encounter

Jesus came into the world to bring the good news, to proclaim liberty, give the recovery of sight, and free the oppressed. Are you letting Him proclaim the good news to you in your marriage? Let the Lord strengthen, renew, and rekindle your marriage sacrament by attending a **Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend** on **February 12-14 in Hudson, OH or October 14-16. Register at www.greatmarriagesohio.org or call 330-305-9963.**

Volunteers Needed!

Womankind Maternal and Prenatal Care Center in Garfield Heights is looking for **caring, compassionate volunteers to provide client support during our Monday clinics and weekday mornings/afternoons at our reception desk. No experience necessary; training provided. Call Dianna or JoAnn at 216-662-5700 (M-F, 9-4) for more information or to obtain an application. For more info about Womankind, visit www.womankindcleveland.com.**

Lecture at JCU

"**Asian American Catholics: Diversity within Diversity**" by Dr. **Jonathan Tan, Hallinan Professor of Catholic Studies, Case Western Reserve University on Thursday, February 11 at 7:30pm in the LSC Conference Room.** Sponsored by The Institute of Catholic Studies at John Carroll University. This lecture is **free and open to the public.** For more info, call **216-397-4558.**

Friendly Visitors Needed!

Ursuline Sisters residing at Regina Health Care very much need the company of others who are willing to spend a little time with them each week. Read the newspaper, take walks within the building, talk...the task is simple but the benefit and reward great. Questions? Please contact **Maggie Gibson at 440-449-1200 x409 or at volunteer@ursulinesisters.org.**

Hello Everyone,

The statistics for the Fr. Hilker Ozanam Center for January, 2016 are as follows:

Food Pantry

**Total number of people served was 1491
Total number of households served was 432
Total number of children served was 653
Total number of seniors served was 110**

Clothing Bank

**Total number of families served was 302
Articles of clothing given away: 3028
Winter coats given away: 172**

Furniture Bank

**Total number of clients served was 27
Couches given away: 15
Armchairs given away: 16
Mattresses/box springs: 20
Dressers given away: 9
Misc. given away: 65
New cribs given away: 1**

It has been a busy month in all areas. It's been fun to watch the kids come in to the Center and go into the toy and book room and leave with a toy and a few books. Their smiles make all this worthwhile. As always, thank you all.

Jim and Cathie Perusek

Be The Match® Donor Drive

St Francis De Sales, Akron will be hosting a **Be The Match® donor drive on Saturday, February 13 after the 5pm Mass and on Sunday, February 14 after the 9am and 11am Masses.** If you are **between the ages of 18-44, you could Be The Match® and potentially save someone's life that has leukemia, lymphoma, sickle cell anemia or other blood diseases.** It just takes about **15 minutes** and a swab of the inside of your mouth to be entered into the registry. **Be The Match®** is operated by the National Marrow Donor Program (NMDP) which manages the largest marrow registry in the world and connects patients with life-saving marrow donors. Critically ill patients with leukemia, lymphoma, or other blood diseases rely on a marrow transplant as their only cure. Most patients do not find a marrow match within their own family and need to use an unrelated donor that is found through a registry such as **Be The Match®** Show what it truly means to love, this Valentine's day by becoming a member of the **Be The Match®** registry.

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

“Sounds of a Bright Future”

Holy Cross Academy Catholic Schools is proud to invite you to the 2nd Annual Benefit Concert featuring the international recording artist, Ronan Tynan. Also performing are The Salvatones a vocal ensemble from NYC, Directed by Daniel Brondel, St. Patrick’s Cathedral, popular Irish vocalist, Dana Scallon will act as Mistress of Ceremonies. It is a packed musical event you won’t want to miss! Held Monday, March 7, at 7pm (doors open at 6pm) at the Zimmermann Symphony Center/Umstatt Hall (2331 17th St. NW, Canton, OH 44708). Ticket prices range from \$35-\$75. Funds raised will benefit the Be A Student’s Friend Scholarship Program & Cultural Arts Programs in the schools. For group discounts, contact Suzanne at 330-526-8366. You can purchase tickets at the Canton Symphony Box Office or call 330-452-2094. Online at www.cantonsymphony.org.

Magnificat

Mary, Queen of Heaven and Earth Chapter of Magnificat, a women’s ministry modeled after the Visitation, invites you to a Breakfast Saturday, February 27 at Walsh University, Barrette Center (2020 E. Maple St., North Canton, OH). Join us in a special time of fellowship and sharing. Cheryl Langford will be the guest speaker. Cost is \$18. Make checks payable to “Magnificat of Stark County” and send to Shirley DeOrio, 409 7th St. NW, North Canton, OH 44720. Seating is limited. Plan on getting your reservations early! Reservations cannot be accepted after February 20. Open seating. Doors open at 8:30am with breakfast at 9am. There will be an optional Mass at 8am in Our Lady of Perpetual Help Chapel at Walsh University. For more info, call Shirley DeOrio at 330-305-1146.

Visitation of Mary Invites You to Join 200 Club!

You are invited to join the Visitation of Mary Parish (formerly Annunciation) 200 Club for 2016 for only \$52 per person for the year! Every month for 8 months (February through September), two lucky people will win \$100 each. PLUS in March and again in September, there will be an additional drawing for \$500! Drawings are on the 3rd Friday of every month at the Visitation of Mary rectory. The first drawing will be February 19. Location for the special \$500 drawings TBA. Hurry! Numbers are starting to sell! For more info or to sign up, contact Jerry at 330-592-4155 or 330-535-4141 x12.

Pre-Cana Day

St. Rita Parish will have a Pre-Cana day for engaged couples Saturday, March 19. This one day marriage prep program satisfies diocesan requirements. Program is \$70 per couple. For more info, call Heidi or Drew Samuto at 440-836-3401 or stiritaprecana@gmail.com.

2015 Donation Summaries

Requests for donation summaries may be placed in the collection basket with your name, address, phone number, email, and envelope number.

2016 First Step Programs

During this Holy Year, the Jubilee of Mercy, we are called to renew our relationship with God and the Church. Taking the “first step” is always the most difficult. The First Step Program helps individuals to navigate the path of healing and closure. This program is offered to help anyone learn more about Catholic teaching regarding marriage, divorce, and remarriage. The 2016 general meetings schedule is: Tuesday, March 8 at St. Peter Parish, Lorain, at 7pm; Thursday, May 19 at St. Noel Parish, Willoughby Hills, at 7pm; Tuesday, September 13 at Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish, Cuyahoga Falls, at 7pm; Tuesday, October 18 at St. Ambrose Parish, Brunswick, at 7pm. Representatives from the Ministry to the Divorced Office of the Department for Marriage and Family Ministry will be present to explain the resources they offer to the divorced. Note that the Diocese of Cleveland no longer requires any fees for this process. For testimonials about the program from past participants and for more information visit www.dioceseofcleveland.org/tribunal or call the Tribunal at 216-696-6525/800-869-6525 x4000.

Engaged Encounter

Catholic Engaged Encounter is a comprehensive weekend of marriage preparation at St. Leonard Retreat Center, 4076 Case Rd., Avon, OH 44011. Please call Alex and Lily Fuentes at 216-849-3769 with questions. Cost is \$185 per couple. 2016 Schedule: February 12-14, May 20-22 and October 14-16. To register, please visit www.clevelandencounter.com!

Tutors Needed!

Seeds of Literacy, provides free basic education and GED preparation to adults in the Cleveland area. Volunteer tutors help students one-on-one at a variety of skill levels and subjects. Please join us for an upcoming tutor training session: Friday, February 19 from 9am-3pm (Seeds East), Saturday, March 19 from 9am-3pm (Seeds West), Friday, April 22 from 9am-3pm (Seeds East), Saturday, May 21 from 9am-3pm (Seeds West) and Wednesday, June 15 from 5pm to 8pm (Seeds West). To register or for additional information, please contact Alexandria Marshall, Volunteer Coordinator at alexandriamarshall@seedsofliteracy.org or at 216-661-7950 x15, visit seedsofliteracy.org or [facebook.com/seedsofliteracy](https://www.facebook.com/seedsofliteracy). Seeds West: 3104 West 25th St., 3rd Floor, Cleveland, OH 44109. Seeds East: 13815 Kinsman Rd. Cleveland, OH 44120

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