Catholic Charities 2016

Good news! The first seven months of this year have seen substantial support for the 2016 Catholic Charities Annual Appeal. As of July 31, 2016, \$11,444,667 has been pledged by 49,556 donors. This represents nearly 99% of our \$11,500,000 goal. 132 parishes have met or exceeded their parish goals with 35 parishes at 90 - 99%. Love Powers Our Mission! 80 parishioners of Mother of Sorrows Parish have pledged \$29,949 towards our parish goal of \$15,092! Because of your commitment to provide help and create hope, nearly 400,000 men, women and children throughout our diocese will have their basic needs met. Thank you. If you have not yet made your gift to the Appeal, won't you consider a generous donation today? Call Karen Joyce at 800-869-6525 x 1910 or visit www.catholiccommunity.org/ccdonate to give. To see the impact of your gift and to learn more about the men and women whose lives you have changed, go to www.catholiccommunity.org/2016Appeal.

St. Mother Teresa Celebration

All are invited to the Sorrowful Mother Shrine (4106 State Route 269, Bellevue, OH 44811) for a Special Mass honoring St. Mother Teresa on Saturday, September 10 at 4pm, followed by a procession into the woods to dedicate and bless the St. Mother Teresa Grotto. Mass will be held in the outdoor Pieta Chapel. The Sorrowful Mother Shrine consists of 120 acres of beauty and peace with a beautiful Shrine Chapel built in 1914 and an outdoor Pieta Chapel built in 1968. Newly paved walkways lead through the woods to the Stations of the Cross and numerous grottos including replicas of Our Lady of Lourdes, Fatima, Our Lady of Guadalupe, and the Sepulcher Grotto. Please come and make a day of it. A light luncheon will be served following the Dedication. The Gift Shop will be open 10am to 4pm on Saturday. Call 419-483-3435, email sorrowfulmother@yahoo.com or visit www.sorrowfulmothershrine.org for more info.

39th Annual Walk Of Hope

The 39th Annual Walk of Hope will be held Saturday, October 1, at OLA/St. Joseph Center (2346 W. 14th St. in Cleveland in the Historic Tremont neighborhood). Registration begins at 8:30am; the walk is at 9am; a raffle at 10:30am; and then a special walk around Lincoln Park at 11am. For more info, contact Marilyn Scott (216-334-2963 or mjscott@ccdocle.org) or Dennis McNulty (216-334-2962 or dmcnulty@ccdocle.org), visit www.ccdocle.org/disability or find us on Facebook. Join us Saturday, October 1! This event is for persons with or without disabilities. It is a wonderful opportunity for you to both assist in supporting the ministerial needs of persons with disabilities in our Diocese while affirming the dignity of human life!

Custodian/Maintenance Position

Part-Time Custodian/Maintenance Position: St. Hilary School in Fairlawn has an immediate opening for a full-time Custodian/Maintenance Worker. Previous custodial experience is preferred. Shift hours are 32+ hours per week during our evening shift 3pm to 10pm, Monday-Friday and occasional weekends. Please send or email resume to: Lou Camerato, St. Hilary Parish, 2750 West Market Street, Fairlawn, Ohio 44333 or lcamerato@sthilarychurch.org. If resume is not available, applicants can also complete an application for employment at the Parish Office in the Spiritual Center.

You are Invited!

Annunciation Church (Visitation of Mary Parish) presents the 8th Annual September Sensation 2016, "Make Eight Great!" Dinner, Reverse Raffle and Silent Auction on Saturday, September 10 at 6:08pm at St. George Fellowship Center (3204 Ridgewood Rd.) \$70 Donation - Open bar, 1 ticket and 1 dinner; \$100 Donation - Open bar, 2 tickets and 2 dinners; \$130 Donation - Open bar, 2 tickets and 2 dinners; GRAND PRIZE - \$2,000! Make your plans now! For more information, please call Jerry at 330-592-4155 or 330-535-4141 x12

First Friday Club of Akron

The First Friday Club of Akron will meet Friday, September 9, Tangier, 532 W. Market St., Akron, OH 44303, featuring Patrick Kelly, S.J., Ph.D., Professor Seattle University speaking on, Sports and Spirituality. Luncheon program is \$20. Doors open at 11am; begins at noon; ends promptly at 1pm. For reservations, send check to the First Friday Club of Greater Akron, 795 Russell Ave., Akron, OH 44307, call 330-535-7668, or visit www.firstfridayclubofgreaterakron.org no later than Friday, September 2.

50th Breakfast Celebration

Mary, Queen of Heaven and Earth Chapter of Magnificat, a women's ministry modeled after the Visitation, invites you to our 50th Breakfast Celebration Saturday, September 10 at Walsh University, Barrette Center, 2020 East Maple St., North Canton, OH. Join us in a special time of fellowship and sharing. Bobbi Bankovich will be the guest speaker. Cost is \$18. Make checks payable to "Magnificat of Stark County" and send to Debby Bentivegna, 5575 East Blvd. NW, Canton, OH 44718. Seating is limited. Plan on getting your reservations early! Reservations cannot be accepted after September 3rd. 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 further information, call Shirley DeOrio at 614-620-3169.

Prison Volunteer Meeting Kairos Ministry

Are you interested in a new or expanded volunteer opportunity within the prison environment? If so, mark your calendar to attend an informational morning meeting Saturday, September 10 at St. Alovsius Church at 10932 St. Clair Ave. Cleveland, OH 44108. gathering will start at 9am with breakfast followed by a presentation on the Kairos Prison Ministry Program. Currently, Kairos is serving the women at the North East Reintegration Center on East 30th St., Cleveland. We need more servant-hearted Christians from the Cleveland area to join our team of volunteers. Come learn how vou can make an impact on lives within the prison walls. There are many opportunities to serve either within the prison or outside. We also need volunteers for various men's prisons; therefore this meeting is for men and women. Kairos is an ecumenical program so you may invite your friends from other denominations. For planning purposes please RSVP by September 6. Please reply with your name, number attending and your phone number either by email at jwuerthele@neo.rr.com or by calling 330-361-7301 or 330-936-7784. "I was in prison and you came to visit me" - Matthew 25:36.

The Challenge

Are you ready for The Challenge? 16 teams will compete with all eyes on one goal - the prize money for their favorite Catholic non-profit organization. Coming soon to Living Bread Catholic Radio on AM1060. Listen 24x7 on the radio, online (www.livingbreadradio.com) or download an app for your phone.

World Wide Marriage Encounter

World Wide Marriage Encounter offers weekends to bring a husband and wife closer together. The next weekends are Oct. 8-9, at St. Paschal Baylon Parish, Highland Heights, OH; and Nov. 11-13, 2016, and Feb. 17-19, 2017, at the Clarion Inn & Conference Center, Hudson, OH. Call 330-305-9963 for more information.

A Biblical Walk with the Blessed Mother

Filmed on location in the Holy Land, Mary: A Biblical Walk with the Blessed Mother will place you in the midst of the powerful drama of Mary's earthly life, taking you through her joys and her sorrows. You will learn how she works in our lives today, drawing us ever closer to her divine Son. Seeing Mary in this way will change you forever. She will become a part of your daily life and help you to become more like Christ. Join us for the film at St. Sebastian Parish in Akron beginning September 12 at 7pm and continuing every Monday for 8 weeks. For more info or to register, call Jisel Emerson at 330-745-4462 or email paulandjisel@sbcglobal.net.

PREP - Relationship Skills Workshop

PREP fulfills the Pre-Cana requirement for engaged couples, and offers enrichment to married couples. Held at Holy Spirit Catholic Church (410 Lear Rd., Avon Lake, OH 44012) Sunday, September 18 from 8:30am to 4:30pm (Mass at Noon). Please register by September 9. \$125 per couple. For more information, call 216-334-2978. For registration forms, please visit www.ccdocle.org/program/prep.

Engaged Encounter

Catholic Engaged Encounter is a comprehensive weekend of marriage preparation held three times a year at the St. Leonard Retreat Center, 4076 Case Rd., Avon, OH 44011. Questions? Call Alex and Lily Fuentes at 216-849-3769. \$185 per couple. The next program is October 14-16. Visit www.clevelandencounter.com for more information and to register.

Friends of Camp Weekend

September 9th - 11th for ages 21 and over. Call up your old junior counselor group or cabin mates and make your way back to camp for a truly relaxing and memorable weekend. Whether you were a camper, staff member, or friend we welcome you to join us to reminisce about your camp memories. For more information and to register, visit www.campchris.org. The cost is based on individual cabin rental rates plus \$75.00 per person.

DSWC

A "Caring and Sharing" session for those struggling with divorce, separation or widowhood will be held Monday, August 22 from 7:30-9pm at Immaculate Heart of Mary's Convent Building, 1945 Portage Trail, 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, please call Marlene at 330-607-6284.

Islam and Christianity In These Trying Times

Join us as Fr. Mitch Pacwa, internationally acclaimed TV personality and author, presents a free, one-hour webinar, in partnership with Our Sunday Visitor. Fr. Pacwa's series, entitled "The Ever-Present God", will include highlights of his book on the Holy Spirit, as well as topics such as mercy, Mary, the Eucharist, faith, and others. And you will have an opportunity to ask Fr. Pacwa questions in the Q&A session! This webinar will be held Wednesday, August 17 from 11am – 12pm Eastern. Register now at www.tinyurl.com/h9p8xuz. Registering for the webcast ensures you will have access to the recording, in case you are not available for the live presentation.