

2 Weeks to Blanket Sunday

The Weekend of October 8-9 marks the 30th Annual Blanket Sunday Collection to aid the needy. This collection is sponsored by the Diocesan St. Vincent de Paul Society. **Due to lack of storage space, we will gratefully accept your donation and do the shopping for you, making your money go even farther with bulk purchases of blankets and other items needed by the homeless and disadvantaged.** So “blanket” someone for the winter and give yourself a warm feeling! **You may also donate online at www.svdpcle.org.**

Novena to St. Therese of Lisieux

Begun on Friday, September 23-October 1. Devotions are at 7pm at Our Lady of the Cedars of Mt. Lebanon, Maronite Catholic Church, (507 S. Cleveland-Massillon Rd., Fairlawn, OH 44333; Phone: 330-666-3598). Please bring or send prayer intentions. There will be a blessing with a relic of St. Therese. A Feast Day Mass held October 1 at 6pm. Guest Priest Speaker for the final day of Novena will be Fr. Matthew Hincks, Religious Order Priest from the Order of Canon's Regular of the Holy Cross. St. Therese of Lisieux, pray for us!

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@ccdoacle.org) or Dennis McNulty (216-334-2962 or dmcnulty@ccdoacle.org), visit www.ccdoacle.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!**

2016 First Step Program

During this Year of Mercy, we are called to renew our relationship with God and the Church. The First Step Program helps individuals navigate the path of healing and closure and helps anyone learn more about Catholic teaching regarding marriage, divorce, and remarriage. **Meeting held Tuesday, October 18 at St. Ambrose Parish, Brunswick. All 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. **The Diocese of Cleveland no longer requires any fees for this process.** Questions? Call 216-696-6525, 800-869-6525 x4000 or visit www.dioceseofcleveland.org/tribunal.

First Friday Club of Akron

The First Friday Club of Akron will meet Friday, October 14, at Tangier Restaurant, 532 W. Market St., Akron 44303, and will feature **Most Reverend Bishop Richard Lennon.** Luncheon program is \$20. **Doors open at 11am; program is from 12-1pm.** Reservations can be made by sending a check to the First Friday Club of Greater Akron, 795 Russell Ave., Akron, OH 44307, by calling the office, or on the website, no later than Monday, October 10. **For more info, call 330-535-7668 or visit www.firstfridayclubofgreaterakron.org.**

AM 1260 The Rock

AM 1260 The Rock, Cleveland's Catholic radio station, invites you to three days full of local programming! **The upcoming fall Spirit Drive, October 12-14, is an on air fundraiser where religious and lay apostles all come together to raise funding to keep the air waves alive with the Faith!** You can listen to AM 1260 The Rock driving to and from work or at www.am1260therock.com. We're going to also stream LIVE video feed from the studio. **Call with any questions or donations at 216-227-1260! Thank you from The Rock Team!**

Annual Asian Mass

All are invited to join the members of the Asian Catholic Community on **Sunday, October 2** for their **Annual Celebration** which is held at **St. Clarence Parish located in North Olmsted.** The theme for this year's celebration is **We Are the Mercy of God. Bishop Roger Gries will celebrate Mass at noon.** Afterwards, please join the community in the **St. Clarence Pavilion for a delicious meal of traditional Asian food (no cost) and wonderful entertainment.** The Asian community graciously extends this invitation and wants each person who comes to know that they are honored by your presence. All are welcome! **For more information, call the Parish Life Office (216-696-6525 or 800-869-6525 x3500).**

Addiction Awareness Workshop

*The Samaritan Ministry of St. Malachi Parish will again offer a free one-day workshop on addiction awareness in St. Malachi Center (behind the church), West 25th & Detroit, Cleveland, OH 44113, on Saturday, October 1 from 9am to 4pm. PB&J sandwiches, snacks and beverages will be provided. Donations welcome. Brochures are at the church doors. Relevant topics will include: addiction/alcoholism as a brain disease; effects of drinking/using on others; treatment options; 12-Step programs of recovery; resources in the community. For more information or to register, please contact **Judy Stowe at 440-250-9959 or judystowe@gmail.com, St. Malachi Rectory at 216-861-5343, or visit www.stmalachi.org/samaritan-ministry-2015.***

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

Pilgrimage to Shrine of Our Lady of Lourdes

Saturday, October 8, Faith & Light invites all people of the Diocese of Cleveland for a **one-day Pilgrimage to The National Shrine of Our Lady of Lourdes (21281 Chardon Rd. off of Euclid Ave. in Euclid, OH)**. At the heart of this Pilgrimage will be people with disabilities and their families and friends, as we all pray for a more **inclusive Church**. Bring a picnic lunch or purchase a box lunch and enjoy the beautiful grounds of the Shrine. **The Day begins at 10am and will conclude with liturgy beginning at 2:30pm. For reservations, please call Brian Daw at 216-338-4260 or email him at bdaw314@gmail.com.** Join us the spirit of Faith & Light as we cross over the threshold of the Holy Door and Celebrate this Extraordinary Jubilee Year of Mercy A flyer is included in this memo and more information on Faith and Light follows.

Faith and Light

Faith and Light is a community movement whose essential purpose is to create bonds of trust and affection between the members which are based on, and fulfilled in, Jesus. It is made up of a small group of people with disabilities, family members, friends, neighbors, fellow parishioners and with a special outreach to young people who come with so much spirited energy. For more info, visit www.faithandlight.org, www.faithandlightusaeast.org or www.faithandlightusawest.org. For a pamphlet, you may call the Parish Life office at 216-696- 6525 x3500.

Catholic Charities 2016

You can still make a gift to the Catholic Charities 2016 Appeal by calling **Karen Joyce at 800-869-6525 x1910** or at www.catholiccommunity.org/ccdonate! 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.

“Fill The Truck” Fundraiser

Autumn Cleaning? Donate your bags of clothing & cloth household items! It is that time of year to simplify and be generous to others with your no longer needed items. **Held Saturday, October 1, 2016 from 9am to Noon at Seton Catholic School Campus Parking Lot (6923 Stow Rd., Hudson) PTO-Sponsored Event in Partnership with Easter Seals.** Acceptable items include, but are not limited to the following: clothing, comforters, blankets, towels, sheets, shoes, and purses. Anything made of cloth will be accepted. All donations must be in bags. All items will be reused, resold, or recycled to benefit children and adults with disabilities.

All donations are tax-deductible. Easter Seals will provide receipts on site on October 1. Questions? Contact fritzp@setoncatholicsschool.org.

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? Please call Alex and Lily Fuentes at **216-849-3769**. Cost is **\$185 per couple**. The next program is **October 14-16**. To register, please visit www.clevelandencounter.com.

Stories From The Streets: Going Home

Before moving to Ohio in 2009, **Deacon John Green of Holy Family was the founder and director of an urban ministry in Chicago for over twenty years. Deacon Green wrote about this work in his book "Streetwalking With Jesus: Reaching Out in Justice and Mercy." Emmaus Ministries reaches out to men who have resorted to prostitution on the streets of Chicago to survive. These are men whose stories are rarely heard. Friday October 21 at 7pm in Room 1 of the Lower Church Hall at Holy Family in Stow, two staff from Emmaus will present "Stories from the Streets: Going Home."** In walking with these men, listening to them, and seeing God's mercy and redemptive power in their lives, the staff and volunteers who reach out to them have been transformed. In hearing their stories, you will also be changed. Through music, dramatic monologue, and storytelling, "Going Home" will bring you closer to the lives of these men, and to God's heart for them. Although the stories are not told in a graphic manner, the subject matter is not appropriate for children younger than high school age. **More information on the work of Emmaus can be found at www.streets.org.**

Women's Board of Catholic Charities

Please join the **Women's Board of Catholic Charities** at our next meeting on **Friday, October 14 at 9:30am at Blessed Trinity Catholic Church, 300 E. Tallmadge Ave., Akron**. Our guest speaker will be **Joe D'Angelo** from the Summit County Prosecutor's Office. His presentation will be on the legal aspects of drug addiction. Hope you can join us! **For additional information, please call Connie at 330-899-8381.**

Open House

Archbishop Hoban High School invites all interested students and their families to join us for an **Open House on Sunday, October 9 from 1pm to 3pm**. Tour the school, meet our faculty, staff, students, coaches and alumni and learn more about a Holy Cross education. Visit our new Center for Spiritual Formation and Health & Fitness Center. **For additional information, please contact Director of Admissions, Katy Karg at 330-849-2149 or at kargk@hoban.org.**

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