

World Day for Consecrated Life

Today is World Day for Consecrated Life. May we recognize and give thanks for those who have consecrated their lives to God and the Church through the vows of **poverty, chastity, and obedience**. The consecrated life is one way that women and men live out their baptismal commitment as followers of Jesus. **Pray that God continues to bless individuals with a vocation to the Consecrated Life.**

2012 Donation Summaries

Requests for donation summaries may be placed in the collection basket with your name, address, phone number, email, and envelope number. May God reward your generosity many times over!

First Step 2013

The First Step Programs are open to anyone with no pre-registration. They are offered as a way to reach out to those whose marriage, for whatever reasons or circumstances, is not valid in the Church, and find a way to re-establish full communion in the sacramental life of the Church. Held Tuesday, February 5, at 7pm at St. John Bosco Parish (6480 Pearl Rd., Parma Hts., OH 44130 440-886-3500) and Tuesday, April 9 at 7pm at St. Peter Parish (3655 Oberlin Ave., Lorain, OH 44053 440-282-9103). For more info...216-696-6525 ext. 4000, www.dioceseofcleveland.org/tribunal, or see flyers.

DSWC

The Divorced, Separated & Widowed Catholics of Akron is sponsoring a talk by Deacon William Yoho on his recent deployment to Afghanistan on Monday, February 11 at 7:30pm at Immaculate Heart of Mary, Convent Building, 1945 Portage Trail, Cuyahoga Falls. Open at no cost to single people of all faiths. Refreshments at 7:15pm. More info...Frank (330-801-0527) or Sharon (330-612-3635).

“Answer the Call”

Saturday, February 23, Catholic Men’s Fellowship of Northeast Ohio is holding their annual “Answer the Call” conference at Villa Angela-St. Joseph High School in Cleveland, OH. Key speakers include Fr. Rick Wendell, a well known national speaker from Milwaukee, and Catholic Evangelist, Sean Forrest, a frequent guest on EWTN. We will, again offer special break-out sessions for high school and college students. We urge grandfathers and fathers to attend with their grandsons and sons. Discounted prices are available through advance registration for students. Conference begins at 8:00am and concludes with 4:00pm Mass (celebrated by Bishop Richard Lennon). Registration includes breakfast, lunch, and all conference programs. To register or for more info...1-877-208-5585 or www.cmfneo.com.

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An Evening of Confession

All Catholic Churches
Wednesday, February 20th...5-8pm



To learn more about “An Evening of Confession”
Please visit www.welcomecatholics.com.

Open Registration

St. Barnabas School will be offering open registration for Kindergarten Thursday, February 7 from 6:30-7:30 in the School Office. Your child **Must** be 5 years old by September 30 to be eligible for Kindergarten. You will need to bring a copy of your child’s birth certificate, baptism certificate, a current utility bill to show proof of residence, legal custody papers if applicable to your child, and one check, payable to St. Barnabas School, in the amount of \$155. (All fees are non-refundable).

THE SMART STEPFAMILY

Come for a multi session video guide to healthy stepfamilies for step-parents by national expert Ron Deal on Mondays, February 11, March 25, April 15, 29, and May 6 at St. Martin of Tours, 1800 Station Rd., Valley City, OH 44280 from 6:00-8:30pm. Cost is \$20 for 7 weeks and includes workbook. New attendees welcome! Call Colene Conley (330-483-3808).

Young Adults in the City

Come and volunteer with other young adults (ages 20-30) on Saturday, February 23. We’ll meet at Ozanam Center at St. Philomena Church in East Cleveland. They’ll be distributing clothing and/or emergency food supplies to the area residents, and could use your help from 10:00am–1:00pm. To register, call Laura (216-228-9516) or email to 2006yaic@gmail.com. This event sponsored by the Catholic Charities Youth & Young Adult Ministry and CYO Office in the Diocese of Cleveland.

Marriage Retreat

Give your spouse the precious gift of your time, affection, and full attention this Valentine’s Day! Attend a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend at the Cambria Suites Hotel in Green, OH, on February 15-17, 2013. For more information or to register...330-305-9963, WorldwideME@sbcglobal.net, or www.WWME.org.

PREP® Relationship Skills Workshop

PREP® (Prevention and Relationship Enhancement Program) for Engaged and Married Couples will be held Saturday, February 24 from 8:30am–4:30pm (includes Mass) at Sacred Heart Parish, 272 Broad St., Wadsworth, 44281. Fulfills the Pre-Cana requirement. \$95 per couple. More info/to register...216-334-2978. or www.clevelandcatholiccharities.org/mfm/PREP.htm.

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**. Tutor training sessions are held **Saturdays, February 23, March 23, April 20, May 18, and June 29** all from **9am to 2pm** at **Seeds Resource Center 3104 West 25th St.** (corner of West 25th and Clark Ave.) **Cleveland, OH 44109**. To register/more info, contact **Alexandria Marshall at 216-661-7950** or alexandriamarshall@seedsofliteracy.org, or visit www.seedsofliteracy.org or Facebook.

DIOCESAN THEOLOGY ON TAP

On **Thursday, February 21**, young adults are invited to attend the next **Theology on Tap** with speaker, **Megan Wilson-Reitz**. Social begins at **6:00pm**. Lecture begins at **7:00pm**. Location **TBA**. Admission is **\$5**. Complimentary appetizers and cash bar--happy hour until 7:00pm. Please RSVP to Lynette (**216-334-1261 x10** or theotap-cle@hotmail.com) by **February 18**. Walk-ins are welcome. Theology on Tap is a discussion series for Catholic young adults and their friends, married and single, in their 20s and 30s. For more information, please visit www.clevelandcatholiccharities.org/vyam-cvo/theology_on_tap.htm. Sponsored by Catholic Charities Youth & Young Adult Ministry Office.

Televised Sunday Mass

A televised Sunday Mass is now airing on ABC Family from 6:30am to 7:00am each Sunday morning. The Sunday Mass is produced by the Passionist Fathers and Brothers out of New York City and is available nationally on local affiliates. More info...www.TheSundayMass.org or call 1-800-843-6277. Remember that the TV Mass is not intended to be a substitute for healthy persons who are able to attend Mass at their parish.

Catholics and Jews

Come hear **Fr. John Pawlikowski** speak on the **relation of Catholic Church and the Jewish People** on **February 28th at 7:00pm** at the **Center for Pastoral Leadership, (28700 Euclid Ave. Wickliffe, OH 44092)**. Free and open to Catholic and Jewish communities. **For more info, call Fr. Joseph Hilinski (440-943-7475)**.

Pre-Cana Program for Engaged Couples

St. Rita Parish will be holding a **Pre-Cana Day** on **Saturday, March 9**. This is a one-day marriage preparation program. Attending this program satisfies Diocesan requirements. **Prior registration required; Cost is \$70 per couple**. For more info or to register, contact **Yvette or Paul Bell** at stiritaprecana@gmail.com or **330-405-6445**. Call early to guarantee a place.

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Bringing America Back to Life

*The 2013 "Bringing America Back to Life Symposium & Exhibition" will be held March 8-9 at the Embassy Suites in Rockside Independence, OH! The event is from 8:00am to 9:00pm (7:00am registration) on both days! Tickets begin at only \$25 per day; discounts for groups available! Don't miss this opportunity! For additional information or to register, please call 440-281-1502 or visit www.BringingAmericaBackToLife.org. Some of the many speakers will include **Star Parker** (founder and president of CURE), **Lila Rose** (president of Live Action), **Kristan Hawkins** (president of Students for Life), **Tony Zarrella** (local media celebrity) and, **Shari Rigby** (actress from "October Baby")!*

200 Club

Visitation of Mary Parish invites you to join their new **200 Club** with the **first drawing being February 15th**. For a **yearly donation of \$52.00**, you could be **one of two \$100.00 winners every month for eight months**, plus be an **additional \$500.00 winner in March and September!** **Your ticket(s) must be purchased before February 15th or you will not qualify to be a winner**. All tickets must be sold! Ticket sales not limited to Visitation of Mary parishioners. **Call 330-376-9227 or 330-535-4141, ext. 12 (Jerry) for more information.**

Strengthen your marriage with the online Catholic Couple Checkup to identify your couple strengths and growth areas. Then learn simple ways to improve your couple communication. Low cost and easy to use! Go to www.clevelandcatholiccharities.org/mfm/couplecheckup.htm. Visit www.ForYourMarriage.org for the latest news, Catholic teaching and practical helps. Perfect for engaged and married couples, parents and young adults.

Touch a Life...Become a Hospice Volunteer

Hospice is 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. Opportunities to serve are diverse. **Please join us at our next series of volunteer classes held at Hospice of Western Reserve, 150 Springside Drive, A-100, Fairlawn, Ohio 44333, on Saturdays, March 2nd (8:30am-12:30pm) and March 9th and 16th (8:30am-4:30pm)**. Teen and nonclinical volunteers require attendance at the first class and 4 hours of self study, while clinical volunteers must attend all the classes and 4 hours of self study. Pre-registration is required. **For more information or to register, call Mary McGowan at 800-707-8922 ext. 6881.**