

The 2013 Catholic Charities Annual Appeal is a yearlong initiative to raise vital funds for the daily operating needs of Catholic Charities in the Diocese of Cleveland. The money raised is used to fund vital programs in Northeast Ohio for the hungry, homeless, elderly and chronically ill, children and families, and persons with disabilities. This year's theme is *We Welcome. We Serve. We Support.* As Pope Francis reminded us in his Homily for the Chrism Mass, Holy Thursday 2013: "The Lord will say this clearly: his anointing is meant for the poor, prisoners and the sick, for those who are sorrowing and alone." If you have not done so, please consider a gift to the Catholic Charities 2013 Annual Appeal, and pray for the success of this important Appeal "...so that the star of hope will shine brightly" for all of God's children.

Faith Based Service

To receive a **free copy** of **RESPONSE 2013**, (a guide of faith-based service opportunities), call **1-800-543-5046**, email <u>info@catholicvolunteernetwork.org</u>, or visit www.catholicvolunteernetwork.org.

IHM Homeschool Conference

The Immaculate Heart of Mary Cleveland Homeschool and Parent Conference will be held at St. Adalbert Parish – Keller Center, 66 Adalbert St., Berea, on Friday, June 7 (2:00pm-8:00pm) and on Saturday, June 8 (9:30am-3:30pm). Confirmed speakers include Fr. Shenan Boquet, Dr. Catherine Moran, Mr. and Mrs. Michael and Amy Kalscheur, and Mrs. Virginia Seuffert! Admission is free and pre-registration is not required. For additional information...540-636-1946, info@ihmconference.org, or www.ihmconference.org.

50th Anniversary Mass

Is this the golden year that marks when you were married? Then be sure to mark Sunday, July 28 on your calendar and plan to participate at the 2:30pm Mass at St. John The Evangelist Cathedral in Cleveland. If you were married in 1963 or are celebrating other significant anniversaries (55 or over) or have missed previous celebrations, you are welcome to register and attend the celebration. Register by June 24. Call 330-657-2631 for a form and return them to the parish office. For more info, call Jane 216-334-2978 or Ginny 216-334-2972.

Weekend Healing Retreat

Women suffering after an abortion are invited to a private healing retreat at Loyola of the Lakes in Akron, May 31-June 2. Experience the mercies of the Lord through the sacraments, prayer, and scripture. More information...The Community of Jesus, the Living Mercy at 1-800-482-4100 or Bethesda House@aol.com.

Prayer for Vocations

Father You call each one of us by name and ask us to follow You.

Bless Your Church by raising up dedicated and generous leaders from our families and friends who will serve Your people as Sisters, Priests, Brothers, Deacons, and Lay Ministers.

Inspire us as we grow to know You, and open our hearts to hear Your call.

We ask this in Jesus name

Amen.

www.usccb.org/prayer-and-worship/prayers/ prayers-for-vocations.cfm (prayer #12)

For more information on vocations, please visit www.usccb.org/beliefs-and-teachings/vocations.

First Step 2013

A First Step Program will be held June 13 at 7:00pm at St. John Vianney Parish, 7575 Bellflower Rd. Mentor, OH (440-352-8282). Open to all; no pre-registration. Offered 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. More info...216-696-6525 x4000 or www.dioceseofcleveland.org/tribunal.

Please visit <u>www.usccb.org/issues-and-action/take-action-now/capwiz/index.cfm</u> to learn how you can protect Life, Liberty, and Marriage!

Coalition with Young Adults (C-YA)

C-YA is a growing Catholic network in Cleveland, Ohio committed to serving with and for young adults in their twenties and thirties. The network is intended to bring together young adults and people from parishes, religious communities, diocesan offices and other organizations. To learn more about C-YA, or opportunities for young adults in Cleveland, Ohio, visit www.cya-cleveland.org. For additional information, please email J.P. Graulty at graulty.jp@gmail.com.

Tutors

Seeds of Literacy, (www.seedsofliteracy.org) a nonprofit organization offering free tutoring in basic adult education and GED prep, is in need of more tutors. Tutor training sessions held Saturdays, May 18 and June 29 from 9:00am-2:00pm at Seeds Resource Center 3104 W. 25th St. Cleveland, OH 44109. More info/to register...216-661-7950, or alexandriamarshall@seedsofliteracy.org.

See the Church vestibule for information on upcoming events, job openings, registration forms, prayer cards, & more...

Handel's "Messiah"

On Saturday, May 4 at 7:30pm and Sunday, May 5 at 3:30pm, G. F. Handel's "Messiah" will be performed at the E. J. Thomas Hall at the University of Akron. Messiah is perhaps the greatest musical masterpiece to have ever been written in the English language. Buy tickets at www.ticketmaster.com and EJ Thomas Performing Arts Hall 330-972-7570. Tickets are \$25, \$20 and \$15 all reserved seating. Facility fees apply. Discounts: 50% Students 15% Seniors. Entertainment Book Coupons. Group/School Discounts Available. Questions? Please call 330-434-7464 or email info@summitchoralsociety.org

Special Summer Programs

Our Diocese offers summer programs for children and adults with disabilities. They offer respite, provide life-enhancing activities for children and adults in a Catholic setting, and opportunities to meet new friends, learn new things, and have fun! For more info, or if you have a family member with a developmental disability or know someone who does, call **Dennis McNulty**, Director of Catholic Charities Disability Services, at 216-334-2962 or dmcnulty@clevelandcatholiccharities.org.

Addiction Awareness Workshop

The Samaritan Ministry of St. Malachi Parish will offer a free one-day workshop on Addiction Awareness in St. Malachi Center (behind the church), West 25th and Detroit, Saturday, June 8, from 9am-4pm. PB&J sandwiches, snacks and beverages will be provided. Donations welcome. Relevant topics will include addiction/alcoholism as a brain disease, effects of drinking/using on others, treatment options, 12-Step programs of recovery, prevention, and resources in the community. For more info/to pre-register...Judy Stowe (440-250-9959) judystowe@gmail.com or St. Malachi Rectory (216-861-5343). Brochure: www.stmalachi.org.

FREE Final Expense Workshop

Cemetery/funeral costs can become the third largest expense most families will have to pay for in their lifetime. What do you need to know so that you are not caught in a situation of overspending or leaving your loved ones with an unexpected debt? Come for a free final expense workshop Saturday, May 11 from 1-2pm at All Saints Cemetery Office 480 W. Highland Rd. Northfield, OH 44067 (registration appreciated). Those attending receive a valuable Catholic personal estate planning record book along with resources on cemetery and funeral information. Light snacks and provided. refreshments will be Please www.clevelandcatholiccemeteries.org for all dates and locations. To register, contact the Cemetery Office at 330-467-7951 or mvujas@clevelandcatholiccemeteries.org.

Philip and James

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The remains of the apostles Philip and James were interred in a sixth-century Roman church, which was dedicated on the first of May. That became their feast day, but when the calendar was revised after the Second Vatican Council, May 1 was given to St. Joseph. May 2 was already set aside for St. Athanasius. So the feast of Sts. Philip and James is now observed on May 3.

Philip came from the same town as Peter and Andrew and was among the first disciples of Jesus. Immediately Philip found Nathanael and invited him to follow Jesus (Jn 1:43–45). On one occasion, amazed at the size of the crowd listening to Jesus, Philip wondered how they would be fed (6:5). At the Last Supper, Philip asked Jesus to reveal the Father to the disciples, prompting Jesus to say that seeing him was seeing the Father (14:8–10).

James, son of Alphaeus, was one of two apostles sharing the same name. The other James was included with Peter and John in the inner circle of apostles accompanying Jesus on some important events, such as the transfiguration (Mt 17:1–2) and his prayer in Gethsemane (26:37). That one is called James the Greater, and this one is James the Lesser, usually listed ninth among the Twelve. Some people associate him with the leader of the church in Jerusalem (Acts 15:13) or the author of the New Testament letter that bears his name. The feast on May 3 simply recognizes him as an apostle.

Tradition has it that Philip died by the sword and James by stoning. The collect for their feast asks for "a share in the Passion and Resurrection" of Christ. Many Christians would prefer the resurrection to the passion. But Philip and James accepted it all.

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