

2015 ANNUAL APPEAL

If you have not given to the Catholic Charities Annual Appeal and would like to, there are still three convenient ways to give.

Please complete an envelope and drop it in the collection basket at Mass, call 800-869-6525 x1049 to pledge over the phone, or donate online at www.catholicommunity.org/ccdonate. Thank you for your kindness and generosity! There is joy in giving and there is joy in serving. Over 399,000 people from every suburb and city in Northeast Ohio benefit from Catholic Charities programs and services each year. For stories of inspiration and more information, please visit catholiccommunity.org/2015Appeal.

Prolife Rosary and Mass

Knights of Columbus, Fr. Maruskin Council, #10936, invites everyone to join us for a special Mass and prolife Rosary on Wednesday, March 25, The Feast of the Annunciation. This is dedicated as "The Day of the Unborn Child" throughout our country. Council Chaplain, Father John Terzano, will be the celebrant. Mass begins at 7:00pm followed by Rosary.

Hungering for a Healthy Harvest

CRS Rice Bowl brings our Lenten journey back to Africa this week, to the Democratic Republic of Congo. We join our fasting in solidarity with people who go hungry, and we remember in prayer the importance of building a community that is willing to support those most in need.

Home Visit Help Needed

The Ozanam Center is in need of people to make home visits to assess clients for furniture needs. These visits only take a few minutes to do when the client is available. All visits are done with a minimum of two people. Please pray about this and if you can help, contact Jim or Cathie Perusek at 330-467-5762.

Young Adults

Visit the Coalition with Young Adults website at www.cyacleveland.org for a list of young adult groups around NE Ohio, a Google calendar, and much more! You can also join the Northeast Ohio Catholic Young Adults Meetup Group at www.meetup.com/Northeast-Ohio-Catholic-Young-Adults. Questions? Contact Jennifer Sullivan at 330-217-1064 or groundsforfaith@yahoo.com.

2015 First Step Program

The Church's teachings on marriage, divorce, and remarriage are often misunderstood. This program is offered to help everyone, especially those who have experienced divorce, learn more about Catholic teaching in these areas. Representatives from the Ministry to the Divorced Office of the Department for Marriage and Family Ministry will also be present to explain their ministry to those who are divorced. The First Step Program helps individuals to navigate the path of healing and closure, of which the annulment process is an important aspect. Call 216-696-6525/800-869-6525, x4000 or visit www.dioceseofcleveland.org/tribunal for testimonials about the program from past participants and for more info. General meetings will be held Thursday, March 26 at St. Peter Parish, Lorain, at 7pm; Tuesday, May 12 at St. Gabriel Parish, Concord, at 7pm; Tuesday, September 15 at Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish, Cuyahoga Falls, at 7pm; and Tuesday, October 13 at St. Ambrose Parish, Brunswick, at 7pm.

Employment for Persons with Disabilities

Know someone with a disability who wants to work? Catholic Charities Employment and Training Services provides supported employment services that are designed to assist people with a wide range of cognitive and physical disabilities to become self-reliant and independent in the community. Services range from vocational counseling, basic computer classes, job readiness training and job development. If you are a business owner in Cuyahoga County, consider the value of hiring persons with disabilities. Persons with disabilities have many talents that could be a benefit to your business. We encourage employers who are members of our Diocese to be open to the possibilities! For more information, call 216-426-9870 x13 or email tingram@ccdocle.org.

Volunteers Needed

Community Pregnancy Center, a Catholic Christian outreach to those experiencing an unplanned pregnancy, is continuing its Extreme Makeover! Construction is ready to begin and we are looking for volunteers to help with some of the interior reconstruction of our new facility. If you have construction experience, we'd love to have you join us ~ if you don't have, we need you, too! Please email your interest to our project volunteer coordinator, Mark Smith, at smithme2300@gmail.com, including your contact information and any specific skill sets (carpentry, dry wall, painting, general labor) ~ help us fuel the hope for brighter futures and stronger families!

1060 AM

WILB at 1060 AM – Living Bread Radio, is available to be heard in most parts of the Diocese. Broadcasting each day from sunrise to sunset...1060 broadcasts Catholic teaching and preaching along with the Mass and many devotions. Tune in to 1060 AM...WILB!

Living Bread Radio Pledge Drive

Living Bread Radio's annual Pledge Drive is scheduled for March 24, 25, 26. Special programming includes some of the best Catholic speakers, apologists and radio show hosts. Living Bread Radio is 100% listener supported; please help keep Catholic Radio on the air in Northeast Ohio at AM1060 for Cleveland, Akron and Canton and at 89.5FM for Youngstown and Boardman. For more info call Molly at 888-966-2903.

Magnificat Breakfast

Mary, Queen of Heaven and Earth Chapter of Magnificat, a women's ministry modeled after the Visitation, invites you to a Breakfast Saturday, May 9 at Walsh University, Barrette Center, 2020 East Maple St., North Canton, OH. Join us in a special time of fellowship and sharing. Cindy Welker will be the guest speaker. Doors open at 8:30am with Breakfast at 9am. Cost is \$18. Make checks payable to "Magnificat of Stark County" and send to Andrea Singarella, 1531 Radford NE, North Canton, OH 44720. Seating is limited. Plan on getting your reservations No reservations will be accepted after early! Saturday, May 2. For more info, call Shirley DeOrio at 330-305-1146. There will be an optional Mass at 8:00am in Our Lady of Perpetual Help Chapel at Walsh University.

The Eagle Eye Summer Institutes

What does it mean to be human? What is the greatness to which we are called? Explore the answers to these questions and discover the intense joy of knowing Christ. The Eagle Eye Summer Institutes invite you to live an experience beyond the normal Catholic retreat and provide the opportunity to ask deep questions, have fun, and meet other young Catholics who are looking for a new depth and intensity in their faith. To register for The Eagle Eye Summer Institute for Teens, held June, 20-28 at Our Lady of Consolations in Carey, OH, contact Beth Gillen at bethy20078@aol.com, or for The Eagle Eye Summer Institute for Young Adults held June 6-14 at Our Lady of the Holy Spirit Center in Cincinnati. OH, contact Regina Ramsey ramsey.regina@gmail.com. For more information, visit www.eagleeyeministries.org/programs/summer-institutes.

Mass for Newly Received Catholics

Bishop Richard G. Lennon will celebrate a special Mass for those who have gone through the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults receiving the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist and for those candidates who have been received into the full communion of the Catholic Church, since last Easter. This Mass will be held at the Cathodral of St. John the Evangelist, Saturday, April 11, at 4:30pm.

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 for both our west side and new east side locations. A tutor training session will be held Saturday, April 25 from 9am to 2pm at Seeds Resource Center (3104 West 25th St., Cleveland, OH 44109). To register or for more info, contact Alexandria Marshall (216-661-7950 or alexandriamarshall@seedsofliteracy.org), visit seedsofliteracy.org or facebook.com/seedsofliteracy.

Our Lady of the Elms

Our Lady of the Elms is hosting 7th Grade Visitation on Friday, April 24, from 9am-1pm. When young women experience their peers as leaders, scholars, athletes, and artists, traditional gender boundaries disintegrate and new realities become possible. We provide a single-gender educational environment that promotes positive selfesteem. An Elms graduate is a life-long learner, a spiritual seeker, an advocate of justice, and a community leader. Come spend the day with us and learn more about all the has offer! register, Elms to To visit www.theelms.org/7th-grade-visitation.

First Friday Club of Akron

The First Friday Club of Akron will meet on Friday, April 10, 2015 at Quaker Station, 135 South Broadway, Akron, 44304, and will feature Rev. George Smiga, S.T.D. speaking on the topic "Families of the Bible and Our Own Families: Finding God in the Irregularities of Life." Rev Smiga is Professor of Sacred Scripture, St. Mary Seminary and Graduate School of Theology, Wickliffe and Pastor of St. Noel Church, Willoughby Hills. The luncheon program is \$15. Doors open at 11am; program begins at noon, and ends promptly at 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 the Monday prior to the program. For more information, please call 330-535-7668 or visit www.firstfridayclubofgreaterakron.org.