

In Your Charity

Please keep in you prayers, Mrs. Anna Kreidler, mother of The Reverend Rodney A. Kreidler, Pastor, Saint Edward Parish, Ashland, Ohio; Laura Drohan, niece of Bryan Drohan. May Anna, Laura and all who have died live forever in the joy of the Resurrection. May their family and friends be consoled. Amen.

Discover Life Transforming Power

St. Hilary Charismatic Prayer Group invites all to participate in a **Life in the Spirit Seminar** on **Friday, 29 September**, 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. and **Saturday, 30 September**, 8:00 a.m. to 7:45 p.m. The seminar will be held at St. Hilary Church, 2750 West Market St., Fairlawn 44333. For information and registration, please call Kathleen Considine at 330-864-6682 or Sue Crookston at 330-730-7988. You can also register by emailing Rosanne at LISSAkron@gmail.com. Please RSVP by 22 September. Friday snack and Saturday meals are included. A love offering is appreciated.

Free Addiction Awareness Workshop

The Samaritan Ministry of St. Malachi Parish will again offer a **FREE one-day ADDICTION AWARENESS WORKSHOP** in St. Malachi Center (behind the church), West 25th & Detroit, Cleveland, OH 44113, on Saturday, September 30, 2017, from 9 AM to 4 PM. Relevant topics will include: *the current opiate epidemic; addiction/alcoholism as a brain disease; effects of drinking/using on others; treatment options; 12-Step programs of recovery; resources in the community.* For information/to register: visit us at www.stmalachi.org/samaritan-ministry-2017 or contact Judy Stowe at judystowe@gmail.com or 440-250-9959 or St. Malachi Rectory 216-861-5343.

Volunteers Needed

Catholic Charities Community Services of Summit County is in need of volunteers to assist at our **Tuesday Dinner at Visitation of Mary Parish, Akron.** Volunteers assist with meal prep and in serving hot meats to those in need. Please consider volunteering today. **Complete an application at <http://ccdocle.org/volunteer> or call 330-762-2961 x209 for more information.**

55th Annual BBQ and Boutique

The Sisters of Notre Dame invite you to attend their **55th Annual BBQ and Boutique**, "Gather Together" to be held on **September 17 and September 24 from 12:00 to 5:00 pm.** Enjoy barbecued chicken or ribs, chips, apple pie, coleslaw or applesauce and beverages. Shop for sisters' handmade items in the Boutique. Tickets available at the door, \$13/chicken, \$16/ribs. Held in the **Notre Dame-Cathedral Latin Gymnasium, 13000 Auburn Rd, Chardon OH, south of Mayfield Road (Rt. 322).** **Rain or shine.** Take out dinners available. Handicapped accessible.

Lecture Series

Announcing the first lecture of the Institute of Catholic Studies 2017-2018 Lecture Series: *"From Jew to Jesuit: Giovanni Battista Eliano, S.J. and Religious Change in the Sixteenth-Century Mediterranean."* Presented by Dr. Robert J. Clines, Assistant Professor, Western Carolina University and John Carroll University Graduate. Please join us on Thursday, September 28, 2017 at 7:30 p.m., in the Lombardo Student Center at John Carroll University. This Lecture is free and open to the public and sponsored by the Institute of Catholic Studies at John Carroll University. For additional information, please call 216-397-4558."

Sacred Steps to Peace for Teens

This program for teens whose families have experienced a divorce, is open to anyone from the ages of 12-17. The purpose of this program is to help teens deal with the effects of divorce, as well as having time together socially. **The group meets every 3rd Friday of the month from 7-8:30pm at St. Joseph Parish, (12700 Pearl Rd., Strongsville, OH 44136) in the Holy Family Center, Room 1.** The facilitators are **Carol Petro**, MSW from the Marriage and Family Office, **Deacon Bob Lester** of St. Joseph Parish, and **Deacon Bob Sabol** of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish in Columbia Station. Participants are welcome to join at any time. **For more information, Please contact Deacon Bob at 440-238-5555 x110.**

Pope Francis asks Youth

The Catholic bishops of the world are planning to meet in October 2018 for the 15th Ordinary General Assembly of the Synod of Bishops. The theme of this gathering is “Youth, Faith and Vocational Discernment.” In preparation for this major synod on youth, Pope Francis wants to gather input from the Catholic faithful. Consequently, the Diocese of Cleveland has made available a survey questionnaire to gather information on the current state of the young in our diocese that will be included as part of the pre-synod discernment document. The survey can be found on the diocesan website home page, www.dioceseofcleveland.org. All are invited and encouraged to participate by taking this short survey. The bishops of the United States pray that the results of this survey will help them more fully understand the experience of young people in our Church and in our country -- their hopes, dreams, fears and struggles -- so that the synod may bear fruit in offering more insight and direction to our ministry with young people.

Protecting God’s Children

The Diocese of Cleveland’s “Protecting God’s Children” program is a continuing effort to instruct and inform everyone about the protection of children from sexual abuse. To report any past or present **suspected inappropriate behavior** toward children by priests, deacons, religious lay ecclesial ministers, or personnel associated with the Church, please contact **Diocesan Response Service at 216-334-2999** or response_services@dioceseofcleveland.org. You are also asked to immediately inform the local authorities about inappropriate behavior.

Our Lady of the Elms

Our Lady of the Elms will hold a Girls Night Out event featuring a feature a Selfie Scavenger Hunt and a bonfire with s’mores on Saturday, September 30, from 6 to 8 p.m. Girls in grades 6-12 are invited to join in the fun at the Elms Athletic Complex located at 3360 Ira Road in Bath. Registration is required online at <http://www.theelms.org/fest/>. Please contact Melanie Drouin at mdrouin@theelms.org or 330.703.2622 with any questions.

Blessed Are The Peacemakers: Re-imagining a World of Active Nonviolence

September 30, 2017 from 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

Dolan Center at John Carroll University

Sponsored by the Diocesan Social Action Office and Co-Sponsors: Peace Justice & Human Rights Program—John Carroll University; Congregations of Religious Leaders; Office of Ministry to African American Catholics—Diocese of Cleveland; John Carroll University; Justice, Peace and Integrity of Creation-Cleveland; Ursuline College; Ursuline Sisters. This symposium is inspired by the April 2016 Non-violence and Just Peace Conference held at the Vatican to initiate a global conversation in response to the growing violence in our world. The focus of symposium is on creative solutions to peace building and active non-violence with opportunities for education and dialogue rooted in the Catholic Peace Tradition. This day is for anyone wanting to engage and bring a creative understanding towards Catholic Social Teaching and building peace in our communities and the world. The keynote speaker is Marie Dennis, co-president of Pax Christi International and the key organizer of the 2016 Vatican Conference. She will speak on Integrating Gospel Nonviolence into the Life and Mission of the Church. Workshops will be held on racial injustice, building authentic community, nuclear disarmament and Just War tradition, climate change and migration and refugee concerns. More information can be found at <http://ccdacle.org/events/blessed-peacemakers-re-imagining-world-active-non-violence> including links to register. Cost is \$20 (early registration) and students are free. There is a separate Friday evening speaker reception at 7:00 p.m.

LEAF Ministry

Know someone who because of the incarceration of a loved one, experiences isolation, shame, guilt, and an overwhelming sense of being alone? The LEAF Ministry has been formed to be of support to families. Groups meet monthly offering an opportunity to listen and share community, network and learn from others who understand their situation, challenges, fears and emotions. All faiths are welcome! No registration necessary. **If interested in beginning a group, call Sr. Rita Mary, SND at 800-869-6525 or 216- 696-6525 x2200. For more information/locations/schedules, please call 216-696-6525 ext. 3500 or go to our website www.leafministry.org.**

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