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OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

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 the Diocesan Response Service Office at 216-334-2999 or via email at response_services@dioceseofcleveland.org. You are also asked to immediately inform local authorities about inappropriate behavior.

COLLECTIONS

December 2018- week of collection (12/8, 12/9)

Help religious communities. "Your generous contribution helps us to care for our retired sisters and enables our younger sisters to continue in active ministry," writes a religious sister. Your gift to today's collection for the Retirement Fund for Religious helps provide medications, nursing care, and more for thousands of senior sisters, brothers and religious order priests. It also helps ensure younger members can continue the good works of their elders. Religious communities are exceedingly grateful for this assistance and are careful stewards of each dollar received.

You are encouraged to give to those who have given a lifetime by donating to this collection today. Most importantly, please pray for God's blessing on all religious. Rest assured, they are praying for you.

CHANCERY

CATHEDRAL of ST JOHN the EVANGELIST

HELEN D. SCHUBERT CONCERTS Fall 2018

Cathedral of St John the Evangelist; 1007 Superior Ave @ E. 9th St.; Cleveland, Ohio 44114

All concerts are FREE, (*no tickets, no reservations*)

Free secure parking: Cathedral garage on Rockwell Ave @ E 9th St.

December 12 – Wednesday @ 7:00 p.m.

Daughters of St Paul Choir

Glorious Night...Christmas with the Daughters of St Paul

Known for their fresh arrangements of time-honored classics, the Daughters of St Paul communicate God's extraordinary love for every person. Well-loved carols and holiday favorites combine in a heartwarming collection of both lively and moving songs that celebrates the glory, wonder and joy of the Christmas season.

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PARISH LIFE SECRETARIAT

World Day for Immigrants, Migrants and Refugees

Our Diocese will celebrate the World Day for Immigrants, Migrants and Refugees at Our Lady of Peace Church on Sunday, 20 January 2019 at the 11:00 a.m. Mass. Bishop Martin Amos will be the main celebrant. Every year this event is a very prayerful and joyful celebration of the rich cultural diversity of our diocesan community—we come from many lands, in faith we are one people! All are welcome to join us for this celebration at Our Lady of Peace Church, 12601 Shaker Blvd., Cleveland, Ohio 44120.

Presentations on the Catholic Church and Immigration

Members of the “Welcoming the Stranger” Committee are eager to come to your parish or parish group to do a panel presentation on immigration. This topic is of great concern to all and the reality touches our brothers and sisters who have come here as migrants and refugees seeking safety and life for their families. If you are interested in scheduling a presentation, please call Sister Rita Mary Harwood, SND at 1-216-696-6525, extension 2200.

PRISON MINISTRY

The Diocesan Ministry to the Incarcerated needs your help! We have been distributing zip-lock bags filled with one of each of the following items to those who are incarcerated and indigent. These items can be purchased through the prison commissary, but many inmates do not have funds to do so. We are out of supplies! Would you help us by collecting some of these items? Thank you for your support.

- Shampoo (travel size or up to 5 oz.)
- Conditioner (travel size or up to 5 oz.)
- Soap--regular size or travel size bars
- Body wash - (travel size or up to 5 oz.)
- Lotion - (travel size or up to 5 oz.)
- Packets of tissues (Kleenex or like product that usually are in packaging of 8 or 10 and cost \$1.00 at the dollar stores.)
- white socks (completely white or may have gray toes) for men and women

At the completion of your collection, please call Paula Moscovic at 216-696-6525, ext. 3500. If someone is able to bring these items to our Cathedral Square building at 1404 East Ninth Street, Cleveland, Paula would be happy to meet your car with a cart so that you will not have to park. Abundant thanks to you for your kindness and compassion.

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LEAF MINISTRY

Family Support Groups: LEAF Ministry—Listening, Encouraging and Assisting Families of the Incarcerated. LEAF Ministry is an initiative of the Catholic Ministry to the Incarcerated. It is dedicated to serving the special needs families face when a loved one is incarcerated. So many families experience isolation, shame, guilt, and an overwhelming sense of being alone. This ministry has been formed to be of support to these families. Groups meet monthly offering an opportunity to those who come to listen and share community, network and learn from others who understand their situation, challenges, fears and emotions. All are welcome to participate irrespective of faith affiliation. Child care is provided. If you are interested in additional information please call the Parish Life Office at 800-869-6525 or 216-696-6525x 3500 or see the ministry website at www.leafministry.org.

Cuyahoga County

Parish meeting room which is on the lower level of the coach house

Communion of Saints Parish

2175 Coventry Road

Cleveland Heights, Ohio 44118

216-321-0024

Usually meets at 7:00 p.m. on the fourth Monday of the month.

Mary, Queen of Peace

4423 Pearl Road

Cleveland, Ohio 44109

216-749-2323

Meets at 7:00 p.m. on the fourth Wednesday of the month

The December meeting will be held on in the Lower Church on the **26 of December.**

St. Agnes+Our Lady of Fatima

6800 Lexington Avenue

Cleveland, Ohio 44103

216-391-1655

Please call the above number for more information

St. Ladislav

2345 Bassett Road

Westlake, Ohio 44145

440-835-2300

Meets at 7:00 p.m. on the second Wednesday of the month

Please call the above number for more information.

St. Malachi

2459 Washington Avenue

Cleveland, Ohio 44113

216-861-5343

Please call for additional information

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Geauga County

Holy Angels

18205 Chillicothe Road
Bainbridge, Ohio 44023
440-708-0000

Meets at 7:00 p.m. on **Thursday, December 20, 2018**

Lake County

St. Noel Parish

35200 Chardon Road
Willoughby, Ohio 44094
440-946-0887

Meets at 7:00 p.m. on the third Monday of the month

Lorain County

Sacred Heart Chapel (Spanish) presently meeting with St. Ladislav)

4301 Pearl Avenue
Lorain, Ohio 44055
440-277-7231

Meets at 7:00 p.m. with St. Ladislav in Westlake on the second Wednesday of the month

Medina County

N.B.: Medina Parishes Meeting – New Meeting Location

Medina County LEAF Ministry has changed their meeting location to the Medina County Jail at 555 Independence Drive, Medina, OH 44256.

Meets at 7:00 p.m. on the fourth Monday of the month.

Summit County

Coming in future

Wayne County

Coming in the future

Ashland County

Coming in the future

Other groups will be beginning as they are needed. If your parish feels there is a need in your area, please contact Sister Rita Mary. For additional information please call 216-696-6525, ext. 3500 or visit the website at www.leafministry.org.

Chaplain Services at the Prisons and Jails located in the Diocese of Cleveland

If you have a loved one incarcerated in one of the eight counties of the Diocese and would like to have a priest, deacon or one of our lay volunteer ministers visit with them, please call the Parish Life Office at 800-869-6525 or 216-696-6525 x3500. The Diocesan Ministry to the Incarcerated has a presence in the three state prisons, the county jails and the juvenile facilities located within our diocese. If you have a loved one in one of these institutions, we would be glad to have someone visit with them.

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THE GAY AND LESBIAN FAMILY MINISTRY OF THE CLEVELAND CATHOLIC DIOCESE

The Body of Christ in the Diocese of Cleveland is called to reverence each person as a unique reflection of God's presence in our midst.

Family Support Groups

Holy Spirit Parish in Avon Lake.

(440) 933-3777

Usually meets the first Sunday of each month.

Please call the parish for additional details.

St. John Vianney Parish, Mentor

(440) 943-3445

Meeting is usually on the second Sunday of each month

Please call the parish for additional details.

Parish Outreach Groups

Parish outreach groups exist to provide a place of support, affirmation and spiritual guidance to gay and lesbian Catholics.

Blessed Trinity, Cleveland (Westside)

Facilitator: Rev. Douglas Koesel (216) 671-5890

(usually meets on the second and fourth Tuesdays each month from 7:00-9:00 p.m.)

Gesu Parish, University Heights (Eastside)

(216) 932-0617 - Please call parish for details.

St. Mary Parish, Hudson Group

Our St. Mary Family Support Group will meet the fourth Thursday of every month at 7:00 p.m. in the chapel. The goal of this ministry is not to attempt to alter any person's sexual orientation; rather, it is our goal to support all persons in their quest for wholeness and holiness. This group is opened to gay and lesbian persons and their family members. Any questions, please contact Lori Joseph at ljoseph@stmaryhudson.ccf or at 330-653-8118, ext. 233. St. Mary Parish in Hudson is located at 340 N. Main Street.

INTERFAITH

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 2019 (January 18 – January 25, especially in the Sunday Liturgy Jan. 20, 2019)

Please make use of the resources for intercessions as well as information about the Week of Prayer for Christian unity found at: <https://geii.org>

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Christian Unity Program and Prayer Services:

Thursday, 24 January 2019 at 7:00 p.m. at St. Basil Church,
8700 Brecksville Rd., Brecksville, OH 44141

Friday, 25 January 2019, 1:30 p.m. Center for Pastoral Leadership,
28700 Euclid Avenue, Wickliffe, OH 44092

Dr. Daniel Olsen, Director for Interfaith Activities of the Archdiocese of Chicago,
“The Challenge of the Inter-Church Marriage for Christian Unity”

For further information please call Fr. Joseph Hilinski, Interfaith Director, at
216-696-6525 ext. 5110.

LAY ECCLESIAL MINISTRY

LAY ECCLESIAL MINISTRY INFORMATION NIGHT AND ACCEPTANCE OF APPLICATIONS

We are offering an Information Night for all those interested in the Diocesan Certification Process for Lay Ecclesial Ministers **Information Night: 16 January 2019**. This meeting will take place at the Center for Pastoral Leadership from **6:30 to 8:00 pm**. **Please RSVP to attend or if you would like additional information, please call 440-943-7670. The Office is now accepting Applications year round.**

***NEW* LAY ECCLESIAL MINISTRY “VISIT FORMATION NIGHTS”**

To learn more about the *formation piece of becoming a Certified Lay Ecclesial Minister*, please consider joining us on any of the following Friday evenings: **7 December 2018, 4 January 2019, 1 February 2019 or 1 March 2019**. These meetings are at the Center for Pastoral Leadership from 6:30 to 8:00 pm. **Please RSVP by calling (440) 943-7670.**

What is required for admission to the process for Diocesan Lay Ecclesial Ministry

Certification? A candidate for entrance to the formation program should: possess an attitude of collaboration and relate well with others; evidence leadership qualities and experience in training/motivating others; have the ability to study theology in a consistent and demanding way; make formation for ministry a priority; possess a commitment to share in the mission of the Church; have respect for the authority of the Church and a desire to work for, with and in the name of the Church. ***Do you know anyone who has these characteristics and has expressed an interest in diocesan certification?*** Please extend an invitation to them to participate in the Information Night session.

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CHARISMATIC RENEWAL

Night of Healing Prayer

Join Peter's Shadow Healing Ministry for a **Night of Healing Prayer** with Fr. Jacob Bearer on **Tuesday, 13 November**, starting at 6:00 p.m. This evening of prayer will be held at St. Gabriel Church, 9925 Johnnycake Ridge Rd., Concord 44060.

Magnificat Ministry Prayer Breakfast

Mary, Queen of Heaven and Earth Chapter of Magnificat, a women's ministry modeled after the Visitation, invites you to a **Breakfast on Saturday, 1 December 2018**, at Walsh University, Barrette Center, 2020 East Maple Street, North Canton. Join us in a special time of fellowship and sharing. Henedine Aldana will be the guest speaker.

Cost is \$18.00. Make checks payable to "Magnificat of Stark County" and send to Vicki Vasto, 8735 Glenarden Circle NW, Massillon, OH 44646. Seating is limited. Please plan on getting your reservations early. Reservations cannot be accepted after 24 November.

There will be open seating. Doors open at 8:30 a.m. with Breakfast at 9:00 a.m. There will be an optional Mass at 8:00 a.m. in Our Lady of Perpetual Help Chapel at Walsh University. For further information call Joan Spieth at 330-933-8778.

Evening of praise and worship with Eucharist Adoration and Benediction

All are welcome to attend an **evening of praise and worship with Eucharist Adoration and Benediction** at St. Thomas More Church. Come and bring a friend on the **fourth Friday** of each month, **7:00 to 8:30 p.m.** The church is located at 4170 North Amber Dr., Brooklyn 44144. Nellie Cruz Krawczynski is the music leader for the evenings, and 30 November and 28 December are the next dates for this event.

Night of Healing Prayer

Join Peter's Shadow Healing Ministry for a **Night of Healing Prayer** with Fr. Jacob Bearer on **Tuesday, 4 December** starting at 6:00 p.m. This evening of prayer will be held at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church, 1905 Portage Trail, Cuyahoga Falls 44223.

Families in Christ Jesus Community Prayer Gathering

Fr. David Woost, pastor of Divine Word Parish in Kirtland, will be speaking at the **Families in Christ Jesus Community Prayer Gathering on Thursday, 6 December 2018**, at 8:00 p.m. The Gathering will be held in SS. Robert and William School (upper hall), 367 E. 260th St. in Euclid 44132. For more information, please contact Arch and Marlyn Tunnell at 440-442-7538.

Charismatic Mass

Catholic Renewal Ministries will host a **Charismatic Mass on Friday, 18 January 2019 at 7:00 p.m.**, at St. Peter Parish, 35777 Center Ridge Rd., North Ridgeville 44039. Fr. Bob Franco will be the celebrant. Praise and worship will begin at 7:00 and the liturgy will start at 7:30. Healing prayer teams will be available after Mass for individual prayer, and there will also be a social after mass. For more information, please contact Fr. Franco at 440-327-2201 or CRM at 440-944-9445. Come and bring a friend! This will be a time to truly encounter the Lord.

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CATHOLIC CHARITIES CORPORATION

DEPARTMENT FOR MARRIAGE & FAMILY MINISTRY

Visit www.foryourmarriage.org for ideas and resources for your marriage. Also, find and like us on Facebook - www.facebook.com/clevelandmarriageandfamily and at ccdole.org/mfm

A HOLIDAY BLESSING/ From the Department for Marriage and Family Ministry Staff:

“As we light the flames of the Advent candles, may the warmth of the Christ-child’s love rekindle within your heart. As the scent of the evergreen wreath fills your lungs, may the peace of the Christ-child fill your very being. As we retell the stories of the Christ-child’s family, may you be wonderfully reminded of the stories of your family’s past, may you be lovingly engaged in the stories of your family’s present, and may you joyously await the stories of your family’s future. May God be with you and your family, in this season, and every season, and may you have a Merry and Blessed Christmas.”

SACRED STEPS TO PEACE / Catholic Divorce Recovery

The Department for Marriage and Family Ministry presents a Catholic Divorce Recovery Program entitled *Sacred Steps to Peace*. The program has a focus on spiritual healing and growth through education, discussion and reflection on Scriptures and Church teachings. A team in a support group format will guide optional small group sessions weekly, using prayer, exercises and a workbook as a pathway to divorce recovery. **Sacred Steps is taking a break from our regular meeting over the Christmas Holiday. We look forward to joining together for a special Advent Prayer Service. Have a Merry Christmas!**

Advent Prayer Service-

Date & Time: Friday, 12/14 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.

Place: St. Joseph Parish, 12700 Pearl Rd., Strongsville, OH 44136, in the Bethlehem Room.

Monthly Meetings- Third Friday of the month

Date & Time: Friday, 1/18 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.

Place: St. Joseph Parish, 12700 Pearl Rd., Strongsville, OH 44136, in the Bethlehem Room.

NFP TEACHER TRAINING INSTITUTE

The Marriage and Family Office will be hosting a Natural Family Planning Teacher Training this spring, Saturdays, February 9 and 23, March 9 and 30, and April 13. 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. at St. Augustine Manor 7903 Detroit Ave., Cleveland, Ohio. Consider sponsoring a NFP practicing couples to train as teachers. NFP Teachers can strengthen parish ministries through Pre-Cana, RCIA, Baptism Preparation, or offering Women’s health programs. A couple who practices NFP have a solid understanding of the vocation of marriage and their commitment to each other and to the Church. Please contact Kathy Patton if you would like to post the flyer in your parish. Encourage a couple to contact Kathy Patton, NFP Coordinator, at 216-334-2973 for further information or to register.

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PARISH PRE-CANA DAYS

Our website at <https://ccdocle.org/program/pre-cana> lists marriage preparation options for engaged couples who are marrying for the first time. Please visit our website if you are looking for a Pre-Cana program in the Diocese. Additionally, if you are a parish wanting to advertise your Pre-Cana on our website, please follow this link <https://ccdocle.wufoo.com/forms/precana-event-submission-form/>, or contact Katie Galicic (216) 334-2978, klgalicic@ccdocle.org. We request that you submit information for the web site a minimum of two weeks prior to when you would like to see it up and running. We appreciate your advanced planning with this!

WORLD WIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

[World Wide Marriage Encounter](#) offers weekends to bring a husband and wife closer together. Get away from the distractions of everyday life and focus on each other and how to improve your marriage. The next weekend is **January 18-20, 2019 in Highland Heights (day program only, non-residential)** and **February 15-17, 2019 in Hartville**. For more information on these weekends click at the link above, or go to www.greatmarriagesohio.org or call 330-305-9963.

RETRouvaille

Retrouvaille is a three-month program to help couples struggling in their marriages. It has three phases, starting with a weekend experience in which couples learn to re-establish communication and to gain new insights into themselves as individuals and as a couple. Post sessions are held over a period of 12 weeks to further develop and enhance the techniques learned on the weekend. A support group is available offering interaction with other couples who are striving to improve their relationship. The 2019 weekends are January 25-27, March 22-24 and September 27-29. For more information go to their website www.helpourmarriage.com for [registration](#) or email Marce & Liz Gliha at 3031@retrouvaille.org.

MISCELLANEOUS

FIRST FRIDAY CLUB OF GREATER AKRON

The First Friday Club of Akron will meet on Friday, **December 7, 2018** at **Tangier Restaurant**, 532 W. Market St., Akron 44303, and will feature John Allen, Jr., Associate Editor, Boston Globe and senior Vatican analyst for CNN, speaking on the topic, *Francis and What is Happening in the Church at This Time*.

The cost of the luncheon program is \$20.00. Doors open at 11:00 a.m.; the program begins at noon, and ends promptly at 1:00 PM. 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, December 3, 2018.

For additional information, call 330-535-7668 or visit www.firstfridayclubofgreaterakron.org.

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CATHOLIC CEMETERIES ASSOCIATION - MONTHLY GRIEF SUPPORT – 3rd
SUNDAY OF EVERY MONTH – DEC 16TH

Please join us for an hour of learning and healing along your grief journey. Our Grief Support leaders are certified as Ministers of Consolation by the National Catholic Ministry to the Bereaved, Inc. Our Catholic-based support can be supplemental to your existing support groups. We meet the 3rd Sunday of every month at 3:00 p.m., except on holidays, then we meet the 4th Sunday. **The next Support Group is Sunday, December 16th** at St. Joseph Cemetery, Avon (temporary trailer office); Holy Cross Cemetery, Akron (office); and Holy Cross Cemetery, Brook Park (office).

The topic for December will be: “*Emmanuel* - Finding God in the Midst of Grief.
God with you, God for you, and God in you.”

No registration is required; Just come and join us. For more information, visit our website <https://www.clecem.org/Information/Bereavement.aspx> or contact Rhonda at 216.930.4866 rabrams@clecem.org.