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The deadline for the next Diocesan Memo is the tenth of this month.

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Office of the Bishop

FAITH AND VALUES APPEAL FOR CATHOLIC EDUCATION SET FOR 21 JANUARY 2007

A special second collection for the *Faith and Values Appeal* for Catholic Education will take place on January 21, 2007, the Sunday before Catholic Schools Week begins. *Faith and Values* provides funds for Diocesan Tuition Assistance, distributed to eligible children in Catholic schools of the eight counties of the Diocese of Cleveland. Scholarship grants range from \$200 to \$1,000 depending on financial need. Upon receiving his grant, Hector wrote in thanks to his donors:

The miracle you have provided us will ensure great things to come and will help relieve my mother of hardships she faces now. Because of this great gift you have bestowed, she has one less thing to worry about, and I have one less thing to worry about.

Hector and his mother are not alone in their need. Please encourage gifts to this fund which provides a quality Catholic education to families of our Diocese. Donations to Catholic Education can be made at www.cdcf.org or by contacting Karen Joyce at 216-696-6525 ext. 1910 or via email: kjoyce@dioceseofcleveland.org.

**LATIN AMERICAN
COLLECTION
FEBRUARY 3-4
2007**

The Latin America-El Salvador Collection supports our three parishes and four missionaries in El Salvador. The Collection will be taken up the weekend of February 3-4, 2007.

Your announcement and kind comments on our proud forty three years of Diocesan commitment to El Salvador will assure its continued success.

Please forward the Collection to the Diocesan Mission Office, 1404 East Ninth St., 3rd Floor, Cleveland, OH 44114-1722.

Catholic Diocese of Cleveland Foundation

**THE CATHOLIC
DIOCESE OF
CLEVELAND
FOUNDATION CAN
ASSIST WITH
COMMUNICATIONS
ABOUT
LEGISLATION
AFFECTING IRA
CONTRIBUTIONS IN
2007**

Recent legislation may affect philanthropic giving of your parishioners to the local parish and the wider Church. Before 31 December 2007, donors aged 70½ may for the first time make gifts to an entity from their Individual Retirement Accounts (IRAs). Entities include individual parishes or the larger Church of the Diocese of Cleveland.

The first quarter of 2007 includes tax season, and some parishioners would find this information timely and pertinent to their situation.

The Catholic Diocese of Cleveland Foundation can assist parish leaders and work with you and your parishioners who might find this a viable option for charitable giving. We can produce a personalized flyer for your parish or send a letter on your behalf to all your parishioners who qualify to let them know of this special philanthropic opportunity. Contact Barbara Kraig, Chief Financial Officer, at bkraig@dioceseofcleveland.org or call 216-696-6525 ext. 8070 for assistance.

**2007 CATHOLIC
CHARITIES
ANNUAL APPEAL –
WITH YOUR HELP,
WE MAKE A
DIFFERENCE!**

Catholic Charities continues to serve those who are in need in the Diocese of Cleveland. Support through the *In-Pew Parish Appeal* is significant to the overall campaign.

Important dates for the *In-Pew Parish Appeal*:

- Announcement Weekend is February 24-25, 2007
- Commitment Weekend is March 3-4, 2007
- Follow-up Weekend is March 10-11, 2007

Catholic Charities *Annual Appeal* Parish Kits will arrive in all parishes the week of February 5-9. Included in the kit are posters for you to display before the in-pew appeal, envelopes for contributions, and a parish manual of useful and pertinent information to assist your parish appeal.

Bishop Lennon will send previous donors in your parish a letter

asking for their support of the Catholic Charities *Annual Appeal*. That letter will be sent the week of February 19th.

For additional information call Celeste Cappotto of the Catholic Diocese of Cleveland Foundation at 216-696-6525, ext 1049 or email ccappotto@dioceseofcleveland.org. Thank you in advance for your support of the work of Catholic Charities here in the diocese.

Office of the Chancellor

FACULTIES FOR NON- INCARDINATED PRIESTS

All non-incardinated priests serving the Diocese of Cleveland are asked to renew their Faculties each year at the beginning of February. Please submit a written request to the Chancellor during January.

EASTER VIGIL FOR 2007

It is liturgical law of the Church that the Easter Vigil is to be celebrated “during the night.” In 2007 Easter will fall on Sunday, 8 April 2007. The determination for nightfall is one-half hour after sunset, so in **2007 the Easter Vigil may begin as early as 9 p.m., although a later start would be encouraged.**

PARISH EVENTS IN LENT

In the last few years, there seems to be an increasing number of Catholic groups seeking to be dispensed from the rule of abstinence from meat on Lenten Fridays for various events.

This should be kept in mind when preparing parish schedules of events. Please encourage all parish groups to avoid the time of Lent for major celebrations, fund raisers, etc.

PRIESTS AT ASSIGNMENTS

Diocesan Policy calls for all priests to be at their assigned places from Ash Wednesday until Easter. Exceptions to this policy should be referred to the Chancellor.

LENTEN REMINDERS “FAST AND

Ash Wednesday, 21 February 2007 and Good Friday, 6 April 2007 are days of abstinence from meat and also days of fast, that is limited to a single full meal. With regard to Good

ABSTINENCE”

Friday, the teaching of the Second Vatican Council should be recalled. “Let the paschal fast be kept sacred. Let it be celebrated everywhere on Good Friday and, where possible, prolonged throughout Holy Saturday, so that the joys of the Sunday of the Resurrection may be attained with uplifted and clear mind.” (Constitution on the Liturgy, No. 110). The law of abstinence binds all Catholics 14 years and older. The law of fasting binds all Catholics from their 18th birthday until their 59th birthday (Canons 97 and 1252).

The other Fridays of the season of Lent are days of abstinence from meat.

With regard to the obligatory days listed above, however, there is frequent question about the degree of seriousness of the matter.

The teaching of the Holy Father may be simply paraphrased: the obligation to do penance is a serious one; the obligation to observe, as a whole or “substantially,” the penitential days specified by the Church is also serious. No one should be scrupulous in this regard; failure to observe an individual day of penance is not considered serious.

People should seek to do more rather than less. Fast and abstinence on the days prescribed should be considered a minimum response to the Lord’s call to penance and conversion.

MARRIAGE: SCHEDULE AND LITURGICAL REMINDERS

Priests are reminded that there are to be no weddings or marriage validations celebrated during the Triduum. Additionally, please note that if weddings within Mass have been scheduled for Friday and Saturday after Easter the celebrant must use the Mass propers and readings for the day, i.e. solemnities within the Octave of Easter, and not those of the ritual Mass for Marriage. On these days it is permissible that one of the first two scripture readings, usually the second, may be replaced with an appropriate scripture reading from the Mass for Marriage.

**PRESERVATION
OF SACRED
ARTIFACTS-
WORKSHOP**

ARCHIVES

**PRESERVATION OF SACRED ARTIFACTS: CARE AND
HANDLING OF CULTURAL MATERIALS IN RELIGIOUS
AND SPIRITUAL INSTITUTIONS**

The Intermuseum Conservation Association is presenting a five-part lecture series for staff and volunteers on the basic care of sacred art and other materials found within sacred settings. The location is at Trinity Cathedral Commons, Conference Room AB, 2230 Euclid Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio 44115. The lectures will be on Thursdays, February 8th through Thursday, March 8th 2007 from 4:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. The cost is \$12 per lecture or \$45 for all five lectures (including parking).

Topics include:

A General Overview of Conservation of Sacred Artifacts –
February 8th

Paper Based Materials (archives, prints, photos, parchment)-
February 15th

Three-Dimensional Materials (ceremonial items, architectural
features and stained glass)—February 22nd

Painted Materials (mural, easel paintings, polychrome
sculptures)- March 1st

Textiles (vestments, wall hangings, tapestries, rugs, painted
textiles)-March 8th.

For registration contact Nicole Hayes at 216 –658-8700 or
nhayes@ica-artconservation.org. Make checks payable to
Intermuseum Conservation Association at 2915 Detroit Avenue,
Cleveland, Ohio 44113. Credit card billing is an option.

DIOCESAN PASTORAL PLANNING OFFICE

***Vibrant Parish Life –
Phase II***

As noted in his letter of November 13, Bishop Lennon will be communicating early in February with all parishes regarding the parish clusters and steps for further parish responses to these clusters. It is anticipated that any needed consultation and subsequent final approval of all clusters will be completed by April 30.

Work is underway on the resources to be provided to Cluster

Planning Teams at training sessions in May and June of 2007. Consultation regarding the ideas being considered is anticipated during the first quarter of 2007.

For responses to any questions or comments regarding the work of the Diocesan Vibrant Parish Life – Phase II Committee, please call 216-696-6525 or 800-869-6525, ext. 4210, or send an email to: aperkins@dioceseofcleveland.org

**CATHEDRAL OF
ST JOHN THE
EVANGELIST
HELEN D.
SCHUBERT
CONCERT SERIES
- WINTER 2006/07**

CATHEDRAL OF ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST

12 January – Friday @ 7:30pm

Nathaniel Dett Chorale (*Montréal Québec Canada*)

Brainerd Blyden-Taylor, *founder/director*

A Drum Major for Peace:

a celebration of the life of Reverend Dr Martin Luther King Jr

Works by: Barnwell, Brown, Dett, Demuynck, Dilworth, Hailstork, Hatfield, Henderson, Hogan.

Co-sponsored by the Diocesan Office of Ministry to African-American Catholics.

Canada's first professional choral group devoted to the performance of Afrocentric music of all styles, dedicated to sharing the vision of Nathaniel Dett, to build bridges of understanding, appreciation, and acceptance between communities of people, both Afrocentric and other, through the medium of music. Guest appearance by the R. Nathaniel Dett Choir, from the Cleveland School of the Arts, under the direction of Dr. William Woods.

23 February – Friday @ 7:30pm

Les Delices (*Cleveland Hts OH*)

Debra Nagy, *baroque oboe & director*

with: Lisa Crawford, harpsichord; Scott Metcalfe, violin;
Emily Walhout, viola da gamba

Works by: François Couperin, Marin Marais, and others

Les Delices is dedicated to stylish renderings of masterpieces and little-known works from the French Baroque. Formed in early 2006 by director, Debra Nagy, the ensemble debuted with several well-received recitals in Cleveland and is launching an Ohio tour for 2007. One of the few outstanding baroque oboists in the U.S., Debra is in demand across the country as a soloist and chamber musician and was the First Prize winner of the

2002 American Bach Soloists Young Artists Competition. She is joined by acclaimed harpsichordist Lisa Goode Crawford, violinist Scott Metcalfe, and viola da gamba virtuoso Emily Walhout.

Concerts at the Cathedral are FREE & open to the public. Free-will offering.

Free secure parking - Cathedral Garage (Rockwell & E. 9th St. SE)

Information: Greg Heislman, 216-771-6666 x5510;
gheislman@dioceseofcleveland.org

Clergy and Religious

DECEASED RELATIVE OF PRIESTS

We wish to express our sympathy to Father Robert M. Bielek on the death of his mother, Eleanor Bielek, Father C. Thomas Cleaton on the death of his father Charles Cleaton and the death of his mother Jane Cleaton and Father Robert J. Wright on the death of his father, Robert G. Wright. Please remember them in your prayers.

HIGH SCHOOL VISITS

VOCATION OFFICE FOR DIOCESAN SEMINARIES

Our Catholic High Schools are invited and encouraged to bring a group of junior/senior guys for a school day visit to Borromeo. These days have been very effective in helping them see Borromeo as a real option in their college plans. Please call Father Michael Gurnick to set up your visit (440-943-7660).

MINISTRY OF ACOLYTE

Saint Mary Seminary I Theologians will be installed to the Ministry of Acolyte on Friday, 16 February 2007. Please pray for Charles Butkowski (St. Peter, North Ridgeville), Franz Dool (St. Christopher, Rocky River), John Schneider (St. Joseph, Avon Lake), Joseph Seebauer (St. John Vianney, Mentor), Patrick Spicer (St. Joseph, Strongsville), and Christopher Zerucha (St. Adalbert, Berea). May these men find great joy in serving at the Table of the Lord.

**PRIESTHOOD
RETREAT**

The courage to ask the question. Have you ever thought that you should be a priest? Has someone in your life mentioned that you would 'make a good priest'? Have you ever asked the question of yourself? Have the courage to ask the question. Come and find out more information. Make plans to attend an overnight retreat at Saint Mary Seminary, 23-24 February 2007. For more information, please contact Father Michael Gurnick at 440-943-7660 or mgurnick@dioceseofcleveland.org

**A LIFE OF
PASSION PALM
SUNDAY RETREAT**

Borromeo Seminary is sponsoring a Palm Sunday retreat, 30 March – 01 April, 2007, for high school juniors/seniors and college age men. It will be an opportunity for them to explore their passion – the call of God in their lives. If you would like more information or know someone from your parish or school that should be invited to attend, please call Father Michael Gurnick at 440-943-7660.

OFFICE FOR RELIGIOUS

**THE WORLD DAY
OF PRAYER FOR
CONSECRATED
LIFE**

The World Day of Prayer for Consecrated Life will be celebrated this year during the weekend of 3 and 4 February 2007. This celebration is a commemoration within the Church community to focus on those persons who have dedicated their lives to Christ.

Pope John Paul II established this observance as a means of expressing gratitude to God for the gift of consecrated men and women, and to celebrate their life and mission in the Church. In mid-January, Pastors, Administrators, and Parish Life Coordinators will receive the bishop's letter of invitation to celebrate this event along with suggestions for acknowledging these men and women in the liturgy. Included in the envelope will be two posters showing men and women in formation from the Cleveland Diocese or are from Cleveland that will become Order Priests, Brothers, or Sisters. This office would be grateful if you would post these so that men and women of your parish may see that others have chosen Religious Vowed Life. For further information or more posters, please contact the Diocesan Office for Religious, 216-696-6525 or 800-869-6525 extension 2920.

Parish Life and Development

DIOCESAN CERTIFICATION CELEBRATION

PASTORAL MINISTRY

Saturday, 20 January 2007, 10:00 a.m. at the Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist with Bishop Richard Lennon presiding. All are invited to attend this Eucharistic Celebration to honor those who have completed all requirements for diocesan lay ecclesial ministry certification this past year.

INFORMATION NIGHT

Tuesday 23 January 2007, 7 p.m./ at the Center for Pastoral Leadership. The Pastoral Ministry Office will conduct an annual information night for all those seeking to know more about the Diocesan Certification Process for Lay Ecclesial Ministers. If you are interested or know anyone who might be interested in serving the Church in this capacity, please call the office for an information flyer. 440-943-7670.

SNOW DATE: 30 JANUARY 2007. Call the Pastoral Ministry Office if there is extreme weather on the 23rd 440-943-7670.

JOB CLEARINGHOUSE

Please keep in mind that the Pastoral Ministry Office serves as a clearinghouse for those who are seeking positions, as well as those who are looking for a pastoral minister for their parish. Confidentiality is maintained. Please call the office at 440-943-7670 if you would like more information.

LAY ECCLESIAL MINISTRY - 2007 CONVOCATION

Save these dates: Friday, 13 April 2007 & Saturday, 14 April 2007.

Join us in a discussion of the USCCB document *Co-Workers in the Vineyard of the Lord: a Resource for Guiding the Development of Lay Ecclesial Ministry*. The discussion will be facilitated by Dr. Ed Hahnenberg, an assistant professor of Theology at Xavier University and Sr. Amy Hoey, former coordinator of the USCCB subcommittee on lay ministry. Both Dr. Hahnenberg and Sr. Amy Hoey participated in an integral way in the development of the document. * Please note the date change due to scheduling complications. An information flyer is enclosed with this memo. Registration materials will be mailed at a later date.

**PROCURATOR
TRAINING**

Procurator Training is being sponsored jointly by the Pastoral Ministry Office, the Diaconate Office, the Office of Continuing Education and Formation of Ministers and the Tribunal of the Diocese. Procurators assist on the parish level by helping individuals progress through the annulment process. The sessions will be held on the Tuesday's of March 2007, the 6, 13, 20, and 27, from 7-9 pm at the Center for Pastoral Leadership. Registration is open to Certified Lay Ecclesial Ministers, Permanent Deacons, and those recommended to the process by their pastors. More information and a registration flyer will be available by mid-January. For more information contact the Pastoral Ministry Office, (440) 943-7670 or pastoralministry@dioceseofcleveland.org.

**CHRISTIAN UNITY
SERVICE**

INTERFAITH COMMISSION

On Friday, 19 January 2007 at Noon the Most Reverend Richard G. Lennon will inaugurate the Diocesan observance of the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity at the Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist, East Ninth and Superior, Cleveland, Ohio with a service of Word, song and prayer. Bishop John L. Hopkins, resident bishop, East Ohio Area, United Methodist Church, will preach.

Priests and deacons are invited to vest along with other Christian clergy in the sacristy at 11:30 a.m. for the procession. Lunch will be served afterwards in the Cathedral Square Plaza Building – but reservations are necessary by 15 January 2007. Please call 216, 696-6525, ext. 5110.

**WEEK OF PRAYER
FOR CHRISTIAN
UNITY, 18-25
JANUARY**

You are reminded to include intercessions for Christian unity during this time at all Eucharistic Liturgies and the Liturgy of the Hours. Also, the use of the Votive Masses for Christian Unity is recommended on days outside of memorials.

Sample Intercessions

-For the leadership of all Christian churches, that the Holy Spirit would inspire those in authority to work for the visible the unity of the Church of Christ, we pray to the Lord....

-For the pastors and churches of our neighborhood, (mention here the churches and/or ministers of the area by name) that our Christian witness might bring the blessings of peace to all, we pray to the Lord

-May the growing appreciation of the gifts of the Spirit found in

many Christian churches contribute to the unity Christ wills for his Church, we pray to the Lord.

-May the Spirit heal the memories of Christian churches from past wounds and hurts so that they might discover again their oneness in faith in Jesus Christ and in service to the world, we pray to the Lord

-May Christians witness with such love to their fellow citizens that our nation finds a renewal of hope and encouragement amidst our troubles, we pray to the Lord....

**LECTURE ON
EASTERN
ORTHODOXY AND
THE CATHOLIC
CHURCH**

A report on the Orthodox Churches and the Catholic Church will be given by Rev. Dr. Ronald G. Roberson, CSP on Tuesday afternoon, 1:30 p.m., January 23, 2007, at the Center for Pastoral Leadership, 28700 Euclid Avenue, Wickliffe, Ohio. Rev. Roberson, since 1995, has been a staff member of the Secretariat for Ecumenical and Interreligious Affairs, United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, Washington, D.C. Among his assignments, he staffs the North American Orthodox-Catholic Theological Consultation and the Dialogue with the Oriental Orthodox Churches. Since 2005, by appointment of Cardinal Kasper, he has been part of the International Dialogue between the Catholic Church and the Oriental Orthodox Churches.

The lecture is free and open to the public. Luncheon at 12:20 p.m. for clergy and pastoral ministers must be by reservation by January 12, 2007 at 216-696-6525 ext. 5110.

<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Catholic Charities</i> <i>Health and Human Services</i></p>

**FOSTER CARE
FAMILIES
NEEDED**

Catholic Charities Services Corporation is in need of foster families to care for newborn infants. The average length of time a baby stays in foster care varies from several days to several months. Foster families are reimbursed a small stipend. Catholic Charities provides training, support and home study services at no charge. For more information call 440-843-5635.

MARRIAGE AND FAMILY MINISTRY

**FAMILY
PERSPECTIVES**

Please find family gospel insights and prayers in the Family Perspectives and General Intercessions flyer for the month of February, 2007.

Our website: www.clevelandcatholiccharities.org/mfm lists pre-cana days, trainings, divorce recovery groups and more.

**COUPLE
MINISTRY
TRAINING**

Congratulations to the 17 couples from 11 parishes that completed training at St. Joseph, Avon Lake. Sponsoring parishes are reminded to commission their couples at a parish liturgy. Certificates and Commissioning resources were sent to the sponsors.

The next Couple Ministry training will begin Tuesday evening, 13 February 2007 – 20 March 2007 at St. Vincent, 164 W. Market St., Akron, OH 44303 from 7:00 - 9:30 p.m. Pastors and deacons are encouraged to recruit volunteer married couples to work with engaged couples as part of marriage preparation. This training can also serve to enrich existing Pre-Cana team members. Fee is \$125 per couple, paid by the parish. Please contact Terese at 216-334-2978 to register or request brochures. For more information, contact Rose Jacobs at 216-334-2973 or by email at rjacobs@clevelandcatholiccharities.org

**COUPLE
MINISTRY
ROSTER**

Included in an electronic file with this memorandum is an updated Diocesan Couple Ministry Roster of trained couples who work with engaged couples. This list also includes couples in remarriage available to meet with couples. The list has been recently updated. Please look over your parish information and let us know of any additional corrections by contacting Terese at 216-334-2978 or by e-mail at txhardman@clevelandcatholiccharities.org.

**FACILITATOR
TRAINING**

Facilitator Training will be conducted at Holy Martyrs, Medina on Saturday, 3 March 2007 from 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. This training will provide facilitation skills to leaders of peer support or mutual self-help groups. This is a general facilitation training. Cost: \$50 (CEU's are available). For registration please contact Terese at 216-334-2978 or online at www.clevelandcatholiccharities.org/mfm.

**MINISTRY OF
MOTHERS**

Two MOMS Networking meetings will be held on Wednesday, 31 January 2007. The morning meeting will be held at St. Basil

SHARING (MOMS)

Church, Brecksville from 10:00-11:30 a.m. and the evening meeting will be held at St. Raphael Church, Bay Village from 7:00-8:30 p.m. This will be a great opportunity for MOMS groups to exchange ideas and resources.

**MOMS
FACILITATOR
TRAINING II**

MOMS Facilitator Training II will take place on Saturday, 10 February 2007 from 9:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m. at Holy Martyrs, 3100 South Weymouth Road, Medina. The registration cost is \$40 per person (3 or more persons from same parish maximum \$120) and includes lunch, training manual and materials. Registration and payment should be mailed to the Department for Marriage & Family Ministry, 7911 Detroit Avenue, Cleveland, OH, 44102 – Attn.: Terese Hardman by 31 January 2007.

Please contact Kathy Deegan, Regional MOMS Coordinator at 440-526-9577 or e-mail her at kmdeegan@yahoo.com with any questions for either of these events.

**NATURAL FAMILY
PLANNING
TEACHER
TRAINING
INSTITUTE**

A teacher training program for certified natural family planning teachers will be offered beginning Saturday, 19 May 2007 and consisting of six monthly classroom sessions. This program is certified by the Diocesan Development Program for NFP, USCCB Committee for Pro-Life Activities. Sessions will be held at St. Augustine Manor Health Campus, 7911 Detroit Avenue, Cleveland OH 44102. Cost is \$625 per couple. Parishes, hospitals and healthcare agencies may sponsor candidates for training. Brochures are available through the Dept. for Marriage and Family Ministry, 216-334-2978 and information is available at our web site: www.clevelandcatholiccharities.org/mfm For more information, contact Rose Jacobs at 216-334-2973.

**PREP®
RELATIONSHIP
SKILLS
WORKSHOP FOR
ENGAGED AND
MARRIED
COUPLES**

A PREP® (Prevention and Relationship Enhancement Program) Skills Workshop for Engaged Couples will also be accepting married couples wishing to improve communication and other relationship skills to enhance marriage. Two new offerings for 2007: Sunday, 21 January 2007 from 8:30 - 4:30 p.m. at St. Christopher Church, 20141 Detroit Rd., Rocky River 44116 and Sunday, 4 March 2007 from 8:30 - 4:30 p.m. at Holy Martyrs Church, 3100 S. Weymouth Rd., Medina 44256. These workshops fulfill the Pre-Cana requirement for engaged couples and will be led by Michael Pavlak, Ph.D., a licensed psychologist and licensed marriage and family therapist trained in the research-

based PREP® program. Cost of the program is \$95 per couple. Please call 216-334-2978 to register or registration forms will be available online at www.clevelandcatholiccharities.org/mfm

**REMARRIAGE
PREPARATION -
NEW
PREMARITAL
INVENTORY AND
CANA II DAY**

New remarriage premarital inventory: In place of the CDEM, clergy are encouraged to have couples call the Dept. for Marriage & Family Ministry to take a special premarital inventory designed for the many varieties of remarrying couples (cost: \$25.95). Results will be used in planning the CANA II day and a couples' profile summary will be given to the preparing clergy. Contact Carol Petro 216-334-2975.

CANA II DAY

The next Cana II Day will be held on Saturday, 17 February 2007 from 9:00 a.m.- 5:00 p.m. at Holy Spirit, Avon Lake for couples where one or both have been married before. Cost is \$95. To register please contact Terese at 216-334-2978 or online www.clevelandcatholiccharities.org/mfm

**STEPFAMILY
MINISTRY
TRAINING FOR
LEADERS**

Stepfamily Ministry Training will be conducted at Holy Spirit, Avon Lake on Saturday, 3 February 2007 from 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. This training will provide education on stepfamily dynamics and also a basic understanding of the realities that couples face in remarriage. It is open to couples who want to be on the Cana II team, couple ministers preparing couples for remarriage and those who want to develop a stepfamily ministry in their parish. Cost is \$30 (includes book and lunch). To register please contact Terese at 216-334-2978 or online www.clevelandcatholiccharities.org/mfm

**STEPPARENT
ENRICHMENT
SEMINAR**

An enrichment seminar for Stepparents will be held at Holy Spirit, Avon Lake on Saturday, 24 March 2007 from 1:00 – 4:30 p.m. This workshop will provide education on some of the dynamics in stepfamilies including issues pertaining to ex-spouse, children and relationship skills. Cost: \$25. For registration contact Terese at 216-334-2978 or online www.clevelandcatholiccharities.org/mfm.

**THEOLOGY OF
THE BODY**

Christopher West, author and international lecturer, will be offering a “Theology of the Body” seminar Saturday, 20 January 2007 from 8:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. at Medina High School. The seminar is ideal for clergy, pastoral ministers, educators and any adult wanting a foundation in Pope John Paul II’s Theology of the

Body. Register early for \$25/person by calling Terese Hardman at 216-334-2978. Ongoing catechist certification hours and professional CEUs are available. Please see flyer included with this memorandum.

**WORLD
MARRIAGE DAY**

World Marriage Day will be celebrated this year on Sunday, 11 February 2006. Honor and bless the engaged and married couples in your parish. More information about World Marriage Day including sample homilies, intercessions, blessings and liturgical ideas are available at <http://wmd.wme.org/> or www.clevelandcatholiccharities.org/mfm/wmd.htm

**YOUTH & YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY
AND CYO OFFICE**

**AVENUES YOUTH
MINISTRY
TRAINING
PROGRAM:**

Training, Skills and Resources to help you offer young people your best! The program provides you with the knowledge and skills recommended by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB). Through this program you will gain:
Competence – This program offers you the tools and resources you need to be successful.

Support – Avenues workshops offer the opportunity to network and share experiences with other Coordinators of Youth Ministry.

Credentials – If you receive a Youth Ministry Specialization, you will be trained according to the U.S. Bishops' competency standards.

Training is open to anyone who works with youth, including: full-time and part-time Coordinators of Youth Ministry; PSR Teachers; DRE's; Pastoral Associates and Volunteers.

Registration forms, workshop descriptions, presenter information, Youth Ministry Specialization applications and other Avenues information are available at:

www.clevelandcatholiccharities.org/yyam-cyo For more information contact: Akron Area – Pattie Batchman 330-762-2961 pbatchman@akroncyo.org Cleveland Area – Paul Kelly, ph. (216) 334-1261 x28 or E-mail: pekelly@clevelandcatholiccharities.org.

**YOUTH MINISTRY
RESOURCES
ONLINE:**

Find a wealth of resources for youth ministry on the Youth & Young Adult Ministry and CYO Office website! Specific resources, helpful links and a listing of office resource modules to assist your parish are just a click away. Visit:

www.clevelandcatholiccharities.org/yyam-cyo/YMResour-

[Srvcs.htm](#).

**YOUTH MINISTER
COFFEE BREAK:**

This is a great opportunity for youth ministers to gather together to pray, share, ideas, and just take a “break”. Meetings are held on the first Wednesday of each month at St. Clare Church, 5659 Mayfield Road, Lyndhurst, OH 44124, from 10:00 a.m. to Noon. All youth ministers/youth leaders are welcome! Bring a friend and an idea to share! Contact persons: Jan Turcoliveri, (440) 449-4242 x129 or Georgia McCoy, (216) 334-1261 x26.

**“WILL OUR FAITH
HAVE CHILDREN?
TOGETHER WE
CAN BE SURE” –
AN EVENING OF
REFLECTION:**

On Friday, 16 February, 2007 at the St. Joseph Christian Life Center, treat yourself to an evening with other adults who minister with our Young Church. Led by adolescent catechesis author and national youth ministry trainer, Michael Theisen, we will gather for an evening of prayer, reflection, support and camaraderie! Together we can be sure that our children will have faith and that our faith will have children! For more information, contact Georgia McCoy at 216-334-1261 x26 or glmccoy@clevelandcatholiccharities.org. This event is sponsored by the Youth & Young Adult Ministry and CYO Office and the Department for Marriage & Family Ministry.

**“WILL OUR FAITH
HAVE CHILDREN?
A NATIONAL
STUDY OF YOUTH
AND RELIGION”
WORKSHOP:**

Youth Ministers, teachers, DRE’s and parents join us Saturday, 17 February 2007 at the St. Joseph Christian Life Center, for an in-depth look at the groundbreaking National Study of Youth and Religion and what it reveals about the faith of young people today, along with the practices and beliefs of both teens and their parents. Michael Theisen, adolescent catechesis author and national youth ministry trainer, will lead the workshop. For more information, contact Georgia McCoy at 216-334-1261 x26 or glmccoy@clevelandcatholiccharities.org. This event is sponsored by the Youth & Young Adult Ministry and CYO Office and the Department for Marriage & Family Ministry.

**SCOUTING COURT
OF HONOR:**

Save the date! The Diocesan Catholic Committee on Scouting will host their annual Court of Honor on 29 April 2007, 3:00 p.m., at St. Sebastian, Akron. The Most Reverend Richard G. Lennon will preside. For more information, please contact Georgia McCoy at 216 334 1261 ext. 26 or glmccoy@clevelandcatholiccharities.org.

**GIRLS RELIGIOUS
PROGRAMS MASS:**

Mark your calendars! The Cleveland Diocesan Committee for Girls Religious Programs will sponsor their annual mass on 21

October 2007, 2:30 p.m. at St. John Cathedral. The Most Reverend Richard G. Lennon will preside. For more information, please contact Georgia McCoy at 216 334 1261 ext. 26 or glmccoy@clevelandcatholiccharities.org.

**REGISTRATION
FOR THE
NATIONAL
CATHOLIC
YOUTH
CONFERENCE
(NCYC) 2007 - NOW
OPEN:**

Take your youth two hours South for a faith experience they will never forget! Lead them to the 2007 NCYC, "Discover the Way (Descubre El Camino)" 8-10 November in Columbus, OH. Open to all Catholic high school age youth and their chaperones. Space will be limited to the first 200 pilgrims who register with a \$75 deposit between Jan. 1-March 31. After that, groups/additions will be accepted on a space available basis. For registration forms or more information, contact Mark Delsander at 216-334-1261 x25, mxdelsander@clevelandcatholiccharities.org or visit: www.clevelandcyo.org.

<h2><i>Miscellaneous</i></h2>

**JOB POSTING-
PARISH
SECRETARY**

Large Roman Catholic suburban parish. Full-time; competitive salary & full benefits. Requires excellent computer, verbal & written skills; demonstrated secretarial experience; good people skills. Send resume to the Pastor, Father James J. Masek, Holy Family Church, 7367 York Road, Parma, OH 44130.