

CLERGY COMMUNICATIONS

100 East Eighth Street Cincinnati, Ohio 45202

ACTION REQUIRED

OHIO & FEDERAL LABOR LAW COMBINATION POSTER

All locations, regardless of size, are required to post the Federal & State Labor Law Poster. In the past it was communicated to parishes that since the Archdiocese of Cincinnati displayed the poster, this covered the requirement for all locations. This is not the case. It is your responsibility to have this poster displayed in a public location. You can find companies that sell a combination poster. One source we have used is <u>All In One Posters</u> (1.800.273.0307). The cost is \$19.95.

MISSION DONATIONS - PREPARING FOR MCP 2019

If you have not already done so, please mail in your 2018 MCP (Missionary Co-operation Plan) collection ASAP as we are about to begin the 2019 MCP year. When you mail in the donations, **please indicate which year those funds were collected and for what purpose.** Please send all collections to: Mission Office, Archdiocese of Cincinnati, 100 E. 8th St., Cincinnati OH 45202. Questions or comments? Contact Melonise Knight at mknight@catholiccincinnati.org or 513.421.3131x2631.

RITE OF ELECTION & CALL TO CONTINUING CONVERSION

Sunday, March 10, at the Cathedral of St. Peter in Chains, Cincinnati, at 3:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.; Our Lady of the Immaculate Conception, Dayton, at 3:30 p.m. ONLY. Please note the following deadlines:

- Memo, information document, and reservation form for Candidates and Catechumens will be posted on the Office of Divine Worship and Sacraments (ODWS) website at 12:00 noon, on Monday, January 7, 2019.
- Completed reservation forms are due to the ODWS on Wednesday, February 6, 2019. Names on forms received after this date will <u>not</u> be included in the program, nor will changes to a previously submitted form if received after this date.
- Please let us know on the reservation form if there are any individuals with special needs attending the Rite of Election so we can accommodate them accordingly.

THE ADDICTION CRISIS: A CATHOLIC AND LUTHERAN RESPONSE – TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2019

Each parish from all Catholic and Lutheran churches in the 19 counties of the Archdiocese is asked to send two representatives to this educational event. Ideally one representative would be the Pastor. The scourge of addiction is so prevalent that the Gospel compels us to tackle it together. This workshop will take place at Good Shepherd Catholic Church (8815 E. Kemper Rd., Cincinnati, OH). It will be an all-day event, involving prayer, plenary sessions on the opioid/addiction crisis and the faith community's response, and regional breakout conversations

with addiction and mental health officials. <u>Register</u> through the Catholic Social Action Office or by calling 513.421.3131x2660. **The registration deadline is February 1.**

OPTIONAL

REGISTER NOW FOR THE AMAZING PARISH CONFERENCE

The <u>Amazing Parish Conference</u> is coming to Cincinnati May 13-15, 2019. This is not "program of the day" – in fact, it's not a program at all, but rather leadership skill development and tools that can transform your parish. There is no leader on earth who is so good that there isn't room for improvement! <u>Register</u> by February 15 to take advantage of the \$250 early bird discount.

SPRING RETREAT FOR PRIESTS – SAVE THE DATE

The Spring Retreat for priests has been scheduled for Monday, March 25, 2019 - Friday, March 29, 2019 at the Maria Stein Spiritual Center. Our speaker will be Father Robert Robeson, PhD of the Archdiocese of Indianapolis, former rector of Bishop Bruté College Seminary in Indianapolis. Please look for a flyer in the New Year.

NIGHT OUT FOR YOUTH/CAMPUS MINISTERS: JANUARY 26

Join Youth/Campus Ministers' Night Out for dinner at Ferrari's Little Italy Restaurant in Madeira followed by the CSO's performance of Mozart's Requiem. Dinner will feature a talk on Mozart's Requiem by Mrs. Catherine Fishlock. <u>Visit here</u> for more information.

NOVA: JANUARY 29 (PIQUA, OH) AND JANUARY 30 (CINCINNATI)

Join Fr. John Ignatius, SCJ and youth/campus ministers for a day of spiritual formation. Nova will feature a deep-dive into the life of St. Ignatius of Loyola, his rules for discernment of spirits, and the application of these rules into ministry. The day will also feature Mass, lunch, and small group discussion. Nova will count for 2 Vocare credits. <u>Visit here</u> for more information.

AWAKE RALLY FOR JR. HIGH YOUTH – FEB. 10 AT ST. MICHAEL HALL IN FT. LORAMIE

In partnership with NET Ministries, Awake, a Jr. High youth rally, seeks to accompany 6-8th graders through an event that will provide opportunities for fellowship, worship, and encounter. More information at viacatholic.com/awake.

ATTENTION PARISH TWINNING AND CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICE LEADERS

You are invited to a workshop with Dr. Kim Lamberty of CRS to learn methods for transforming mission projects from a model of dependency to a model for self-sufficiency. You may choose from one of these meetings that will take place from 6:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. on:

- Tues., Apr. 9: Versailles, St. Denis Church Basement, 14 E. Wood St.
- Wed., Apr. 10: Dayton, Holy Angels Church, 211 L St.
- Thur., Apr. 11: Cincinnati/Reading, Our Lady of the Sacred Heart, 177 Siebenthaler Ave.

For more information and to register (\$10), contact Teresa Phillips at 513.421.3131x2632 or tphillips@catholiccincinnati.org.

ATTENTION PARISH YOUTH MINISTERS

The Office of Youth Evangelization and Discipleship and the Office for Mission invite youth ministers and youth mission trip participants to gather regionally for spiritual formation/preparation in the Cincinnati area on Sunday, May 5, 2019 at St. Matthias Parish, 1050 W. Kemper Rd., from 2:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. <u>or</u> in the Dayton area on Sunday, May 19, 2019 at St. John Parish, 753 S. Hyatt St., Tipp City, from 2:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.. For more information contact Teresa Phillips at 513.421.3131x2632 or tphillips@catholiccincinnati.org.

MONTHLY YOUNG ADULT CANDLELIGHT MASS – JANUARY 10 AT 7:00 PM, ST. CECILIA PARISH, OAKLEY

All young adults in the Archdiocese are welcome to attend! Confessions start at 6:30 p.m. If you are a priest interested in celebrating one of our monthly Candlelight Masses or hearing confessions, please contact Sarah Rogers at srogers@catholiccincinnati.org.

PRO-LIFE INTERVIEW SERIES

Let your parish know about the Being Pro-Life interview series. With a new subject each month, each interview tells an engaging story on an important topic and ends by showing people how to get involved. Check out the latest here. See the Bulletin Entry section.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

MILEAGE RATE INCREASE FOR 2019

The Archbishop has approved a mileage reimbursement rate of .58 per mile for business use of your personal auto. The new rate applies to miles driven in 2019. Reimbursement for miles driven in 2018 will be at .545.

VOCATION AWARENESS EDUCATION MATERIALS STILL AVAILABLE

During National Catholic Schools week, remember that the <u>Vocation Awareness Week materials</u> are still available. Teacher code *CincyVocations513* and student code: *StFrancis513*.

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The *Index* for the 2018 Clergy Communications is posted on the website.

RECORDS FROM CLOSED CHURCHES

In the past when churches have closed, records of those churches often went to another nearby parish. This includes sacramental registers, parish histories, financials, membership records, photographs, programs, student transcripts, etc. The Archives of the Archdiocese would like to invite these parishes to transfer the closed parish and school records to the Archives. The Archives already holds the collections of many closed parishes and has cataloged them for use, which has been done both to promote their history and also by researchers. If your parish has the records of closed churches and you would like to discuss transferring them to the Archives, contact Sarah Ater at slater@catholiccincinnati.org or 513-421-3131 x3002. Thank you!

OHIO MINIMUM WAGE INCREASE

On January 1, 2019, the Ohio minimum wage will increase to \$8.55 per hour. The minimum wage increase is the result of a constitutional amendment passed by voters in November 2006. The amendment requires the Ohio minimum wage to increase on January 1 of each year by the rate of inflation. The increase is tied to the Consumer Price Index (CPI) for the prior 12 month period as of September 30, 2018. As a result of this increase, **please make sure that none of your employees are being paid less than \$8.55 an hour beginning January 1, 2019**. For questions about the minimum wage increase, contact Rob Reid [ext. 6611] or Meg Paul [ext. 2841] at 513.421.3131.

VIRTUS® FACILITATOR TRAINING SESSION SCHEDULED

The next VIRTUS® Facilitators Training Session is currently scheduled to take place January 14-15, 2019 at **Our Lady Of The Immaculate Conception Parish, Dayton**; a second class will be held February 25-26, 2019 at **St Veronica Parish in Mt. Carmel, Ohio** - east side of Cincinnati. Please register for this training session through <u>VIRTUS®</u>.

WORLD DAY OF PEACE MASSES: JANUARY 1, 2019

The Archdiocese will again celebrate two Masses on the Solemnity of Mary in commemoration of the World Day of Peace on New Year's Day. Archbishop Dennis Schnurr will preside at the Cathedral of St. Peter in Chains at 11:00 a.m. and Bishop Joseph Binzer will preside at St. Charles Borromeo (4500 Ackerman Blvd, Kettering, OH 45429) at 11:00 a.m. This is a wonderful opportunity to pray for life, dignity, creation and peace in our world! Click here for flier in English. Click here for flier in Spanish.

YOUNG ADULT OFFICE TRAVELLING TO SEEK 2019 IN INDIANAPOLIS - JAN. 3-7 This is a FOCUS conference for college students and recent graduates. Please keep us in your prayers!

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK IS QUICKLY APPROACHING!

We will be celebrating with Catholic schools across the United States during Catholic Schools Week (January 27 - February 2, 2019). The theme this year is Learn, Save, Lead, Succeed.

Catholic schools benefit all year long from the religious guidance, prayers and support parishes provide. Many parishes join in the National Catholic Schools Week celebration by devoting a Mass to Catholic education. Schools start the week by inviting parishioners and community members to parish-centered events and school open houses that feature their outstanding academic programs, religious education and service opportunities.

Catholic Schools Week Masses: We are planning two large Masses for Catholic Schools Week. Each of these Masses will include student representatives from area Catholic schools. All priests and religious are welcome to attend. The Masses are:

Cincinnati: Tuesday, January 29, 2019 at St. Peter in Chains Cathedral, Cincinnati, Bishop Binzer will celebrate. Pre-Mass procession begins at 9:40 a.m.

Dayton & Northern Region: Wednesday, January 30, 2019 at St. Luke Church, 1440 N. Fairfield Rd., Beavercreek, Ohio 45432. Archbishop Schnurr will celebrate.

Pre-Mass procession begins at 9:40 a.m.

If you are a priest and wish to concelebrate, please contact Diane Hungler at dhungler@catholiccincinnti.org or 513.421.3131x2726 by January 18, 2019.

Archbishop Schnurr's Broadcast: Archbishop Schnurr will be conducting his annual broadcast to the Catholic High Schools on Monday, January 28 at 9:30 a.m. This year, Archbishop Schnurr will be broadcasting from Elder High School. During the broadcast, Archbishop Schnurr will respond via teleconference to questions asked by students across the Archdiocese.

Daily themes for Catholic Schools Week:

Sunday – Celebrating Your Parish

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Monday – Celebrating Your Community

A central aspect of Catholic education is learning the importance of service to others. When students take part in service activities—both local and beyond—they demonstrate the values and faith they gain through their Catholic education and learn how to make the world a better place.

Tuesday – Celebrating Your Students

Schools celebrate students during National Catholic Schools Week by planning enjoyable and meaningful activities for them and recognizing their accomplishments.

Wednesday – Celebrating the Nation

On National Appreciation Day for Catholic Schools, students, families, educators and other Catholic school supporters communicate the value of Catholic education to government leaders. They share information with leaders on the significant contributions Catholic schools make to the nation and their role in preparing students to be good citizens. They pray for the nation and recognize all those who serve it.

Thursday – Celebrating Vocations

By focusing on faith, knowledge and service, Catholic schools prepare children to use their Godgiven talents to the fullest later in life. National Catholic Schools Week offers an opportunity for students to explore the many life paths that enable them to use their talents well in the service of God and others — by answering the call to a religious vocation, by nurturing a family through sacramental marriage, by volunteering in church activities and charities, and/or by pursuing a career that makes the world a better place.

Friday - Celebrating Faculty, Staff and Volunteers

On this day, schools will honor teachers and principals as well as administrators and staff who support them in their important work and thank the parents, grandparents, alumni, parishioners and school board members who provide volunteer service.

Saturday – Celebrating Families

Parents, guardians and other family members play a vital role in Catholic education. Not only do they volunteer at the school, they instill values and expectations for academic excellence in their children at home. We acknowledge the role of families in Catholic education and celebrate their contributions to the success of our schools on the last day of National Catholic Schools Week and all year long.

MARCH FOR LIFE SEND-OFF!

If you are in the Cincinnati area, see the bulletin entry and invite your parishioners to attend the send-off for our youth pilgrims to the *March for Life* in Washington, DC. The send-off takes place at Good Shepherd Parish in Cincinnati, Thursday, January 17 at 7:00 p.m.

CONTAGIOUSLY CATHOLIC SMALL GROUP WORKSHOP

Join us for a full-day workshop on **January 26 at the Transfiguration Center in West Milton** to learn practical skills in facilitating an effective evangelization small group that encourages ongoing conversion and consistently reaches new people. This workshop is for Pastoral Ministers who are interested in training others in evangelizing small groups, and for any small group facilitator interested in making their group more evangelizing. Click here for more information and to register.

GENESIS (PRE-CANA 2019)

Registration is now available online on the Marriage Preparation website. The 2019 Pre-Cana Saturdays will run from 9:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m. and include breakfast, lunch, and dinner, the opportunity for the Sacrament of Reconciliation, as well as Sunday Anticipatory Mass, and greater opportunities for fellowship and community. The new *Genesis* Retreat will follow the steps of Marriage Preparation based on the Catechumenate: the healing of human love, conversion to authentic conjugal love, openness to prayer and God's grace, and the intention to receive a Sacrament that is a true means of salvation and sanctity. Please note that the cost per couple remains the same as in 2018. For more information or to schedule a visit with you and your parish staff to discuss the new changes, please contact the Office for Marriage & Family Evangelization & Discipleship at 513.421.3131x2621 or familylife@catholiccincinnati.org.

CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL (CMA)

Materials for the 2019 Catholic Ministries Appeal (CMA) will be shipped to parishes in early January. All resources are also available at www.CatholicAppeal.info under the "Info for Parish Staff" section – the password to access this section is "cma2007."

2019 CMA – KEY APPEAL WEEKENDS Announcement Weekend – January 19/20, 2019 Commitment Weekend – February 2/3, 2019 *Please Note:* There will be a weekend in-between Announcement and Commitment Weekends to allow for Catholic Schools Week celebrations in parishes, which begin on Sunday, January 27. Questions? Contact Ryan Lopez at 513.421.3131x2882 or email rlopez@catholiccincinnati.org.

ONE FAITH, ONE HOPE, ONE LOVE CAMPAIGN

Below are links to the most recent campaign newsletter and bulletin insert for parish publications. For more information about the results and impact of the campaign, click here.

- Bulletin Insert
- 1FHL Newsletter

THE LIGHT IS ON FOR YOU – TUESDAY, MARCH 19

We will again hold the Lenten evening of reconciliation, **The Light is On for You**, Archdiocese-wide on **Tuesday, March 19, 7:00 p.m.** – **9:00 p.m.** Please watch for more information and promotional/resource materials early in the new year.

BULLETIN ENTRIES

INFORMATION FOR ALL THE FOLLOWING EVENTS IS POSTED ON THE VOCATION OFFICE WEBSITE:

January 10: CHOSEN: Holy Hour for Vocations with the Children of Mary Sisters

January 11-13: Post Graduate Discernment Retreat with the Congregation of the Holy Cross

January 30: Vocation Night at Mount St. Mary's Seminary

February 8-10: Jesu Caritas Retreat with the Nashville Dominicans

February 9-10: Discernment Retreat for Young Women with the Ann Arbor Dominicans

February 14: CHOSEN: Holy Hour for Vocations with the Children of Mary Sisters

February 15-17: Come and See Mission Trip with the Glenmary Home Missioners

February 15-17: Vocation Weekend with the Dominican Friars, Eastern Province

February 16: Called to Love Vocation Retreat with the Sisters of St. Joseph the Worker

March 7-10: Jesu Caritas Vocation Discernment Retreat with the Nashville Dominicans

March 10: Cast Your Nets at Sacred Heart in McCartvville

March 14: CHOSEN: Holy Hour for Vocations with the Children of Mary Sisters

CAREGIVER SUPPORT - We have a new Kinship caregiver group starting January at Oxford United Methodist Church. We also have a Kinship Caregiver self-care class starting January 23 at Wyandot Learning Center in Lakota. For the complete support group calendar see www.ccswoh.org/cansupport. Email Angie at ahomogle@ccswoh.org or call 513.869.4483 if you have any questions, would like to arrange an educational presentation for caregivers, or have caregivers needing support.

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NATIONAL MIGRATION WEEK EVENT - Join Catholic Charities to hear how we can build communities of Welcome. Hear from those who have been separated from families, learn what life is like as a refugee and go forth with ideas for ways you can welcome your neighbors. The event will be held **January 10, 2019** at Good Shepherd Parish (8815 E. Kemper Rd.) from 6:00 p.m.—8:00 p.m. For more information go to www.ccswoh.org or contact Spring Duncan at sduncan@ccswoh.org or 513.672.3736.

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK - Catholic Schools Week for 2019 begins on Sunday, January 27. During this week, we will celebrate the distinguished history and excellence of our Catholic schools. Our schools are planning many events in recognition of this week. Bishop Binzer will celebrate Catholic Schools Week Mass in Cincinnati on Tuesday, January 29 at St. Peter in Chains Cathedral. Representatives from all Cincinnati-area Catholic schools will be present. The Mass begins at 10:00 a.m. Archbishop Schnurr will celebrate Mass in Dayton on Wednesday, January 30 at St. Luke Church in Beavercreek. The Mass begins at 10:00 a.m. If interested in attending either mass, please contact the Catholic Schools Office at 513.421.3131x2726.

MONTHLY YOUNG ADULT CANDLELIGHT MASS, JAN. 10 - All young adults in the Archdiocese are welcome to attend. Thursday, January 10, 7:00 p.m. at St. Cecilia parish in Oakley. Confessions start at 6:30 p.m.

THE ADDICTION CRISIS: A CATHOLIC AND LUTHERAN RESPONSE, FEBRUARY 19, 2019 AT GOOD SHEPHERD PARISH - Every parish from all Catholic and Lutheran churches in the 19 counties of the Archdiocese is asked to send several representatives to this educational event. The scourge of addiction is so prevalent that the Gospel compels us to tackle it together. This workshop will take place on Tuesday, February 19 at Good Shepherd Catholic Church (8815 E. Kemper Rd., Cincinnati, OH). It will be an all-day event, involving prayer, plenary sessions on the opioid/addiction crisis and the faith community's response, and breakout conversations with addiction and mental health officials from nearly all of our counties. Register by February 1, 2019 through the Catholic Social Action Office at http://www.catholiccincinnati.org/ministries-offices/catholic-social-action/addiction-crisis-workshop/ or by calling 513.421.3131x2660.

ATTEND THE ARCHDIOCESAN SEND-OFF FOR THE MARCH FOR LIFE - Hundreds of youth attending this year's *March for Life* in Washington, DC will be gathering at Good Shepherd Parish, 8815 E. Kemper Rd., Cincinnati, 45249, on **Thur., Jan. 17, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.** for our annual Archdiocesan send-off prayer service. Please consider attending and lending your support to some of our young people witnessing to life!

HEADING TO THE MARCH FOR LIFE? - If you are participating in the March For Life in Washington D.C. on January 18, *The Catholic Telegraph* is interested in your photos. We plan to feature many photos from the March online. Please send yours via email to cteditorial@catholiccincinnati.org. Thanks!

PROJECT RACHEL - A ministry of the Archdiocese that serves anyone who has experienced the loss of a child due to abortion. Persons can engage in this ministry for healing through one-

on-one conversation with a peer, consultation with a priest (including in Spanish), support groups and retreats for mothers who lost a child, or a day of reflection for any related party (father, grandparent, friend, etc.). Go to www.catholiccincinnati.org/project-rachel or call the Project Rachel Help Line at 513.784.0531 for information. All conversations and emails are confidential. Day of Reflection: Sat., Feb. 23, 2019. Retreat: Fri.-Sun., Mar. 22-24, 2019.

BEING PRO LIFE - Each month an important respect life topic is covered in an engaging interview with someone personally affected by the issue. You can find each *Being Pro-Life* column in *The Catholic Telegraph*, but to watch the video or listen to the podcast you need to online. Past topics are still available to watch on abortion, assisted suicide and undocumented immigrants. This month's topic is post-abortion ministry. It features the story of just one of many women in our communities suffering from the guilt and shame of a past abortion, and how we can all support their healing journeys back to Christ and His Church. Invite your parishioners, family and friends to check out the link at www.catholiccincinnati.org/Being-Pro-Life.

HOW TO LIVE OUT THE MESSAGE OF CHRISTMAS IN THE NEW YEAR? - One way is to join the 9 Days for Life, a digital pilgrimage of prayer and charitable action. 9 Days for Life unites thousands of Catholics nationwide each year in prayer & action in support of the gift of life. Join us nationwide in this 9-day virtual pilgrimage from Thur., Jan. 17 – Fri., Jan. 25, 2019. Download a FREE mobile app, or sign up for daily email or text messages. For these and other ways to join this "virtual pilgrimage," visit www.9daysforlife.com!

SURVIVING DIVORCE: FEBRUARY 5 THROUGH APRIL 23 - Marriage is meant to last a lifetime. Most engaged couples approach their wedding day fully believing and intending this. Sadly, however, too many hearts and homes end up experiencing the pain of divorce. Surviving Divorce was created to bring hope and healing to those who have experienced the pain and loneliness of a broken marriage. The Petersburg Parishes are offering this 12 week video series on Tuesday evenings, February 5 through April 23 (7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.) in the Adult Room of the St. Joseph Parish Life Center (attached to the church located at 103 W Pearl St., Wapakoneta). Call 419.738.2115 to register. A \$25 fee will cover the cost of the program. If this would create a financial hardship, please mention that when registering.

PATRIARCH MEN- Do you find yourself desiring to better love your wife and children and lead them on the path of holiness? Are you looking for support and friendship among other men as you struggle to live your vocation as husband and father? Join men from around the Archdiocese of Cincinnati for the launch of PATRIARCH Cincinnati on Wednesday, January 30, 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. at The Athenaeum of Ohio. Fr. John Ignatius, founder of the Servants of Christ Jesus in Denver, CO will explain his revolutionary ministry forming husbands and fathers in the virtues of the Old Testament Patriarchs. PATRIARCH has borne abundant fruit in the lives of men in Denver and around the country. No RSVP necessary. For more information, contact the Marriage & Family Life Office at familylife@catholiccincinnati.org or 513.421.3131x2621.

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