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## **ACTION REQUIRED**

### **SAVE THE DATE FOR THE ONE-DAY CONVOCATION FOR PRIESTS**

The convocation will be Thursday, October 18, 2018 at Incarnation Parish, Centerville.

### **CATHOLIC MEDICAL ASSOCIATION NOW ESTABLISHED IN GREATER CINCINNATI**

Much effort has been spent on establishing a local guild in the Cincinnati area of the Catholic Medical Association (CMA). The “Invitation to Catholic Physicians...” that follows will provide background to you as a pastor, but is primarily meant to be placed in your parish bulletin so as to recruit physicians and other health care professionals to this worthy organization. Please run the “invitation” in your bulletin for 4-6 weeks in order to assure a wider awareness amongst your parish community of health care professionals. If you would be so kind, you might also make this an announcement at the end of Mass and provide a personal invitation to the physicians and others you know in the parish or other circles. The CMA is being established with the Archbishop’s blessing and Fr. Ryan Ruiz is the AOC liaison with the CMA.

*(Bulletin Announcement)* **AN INVITATION TO CATHOLIC PHYSICIANS AND HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONALS** - The Catholic Medical Association (CMA) is a national, physician-led community of healthcare professionals that informs, organizes, and inspires its members, in steadfast fidelity to the teachings of the Catholic Church, to uphold the principles of the Catholic faith in the science and practice of medicine. The CMA does this through its national organization and annual conference, as well as local guilds. We are happy to announce the formation of the Greater Cincinnati Guild of the CMA designed to provide support, education, and fellowship for Catholic physicians and healthcare professionals in the area. To become involved, or for more information on upcoming meetings and events, please email Dr. Elmer Wahl at [ewahl103@gmail.com](mailto:ewahl103@gmail.com) or visit [cathmed.org](http://cathmed.org).

### **HEADS UP – PLEASE HOLD SPACE IN YOUR SEPTEMBER 23 BULLETIN**

The official relics of St. Padre Pio will be displayed for veneration at the Cathedral of St. Peter in Chains on Wednesday, October 3, 8:00 a.m. – 6:30 p.m. followed by Mass at 7:00 p.m. celebrated by Archbishop Dennis Schnurr. We will be forwarding bulletin insert artwork and bulletin entry copy publicizing this event in early September. **Please plan to include these in your bulletin of Sunday, September 23** (coincidentally the Feast of St. Padre Pio).

### **VOCATION POSTER**

The Office for Consecrated Life and the Vocation Office is working on the 2018-2019 Vocation Poster. Pastors received an email on July 11 asking for information on a daughter or son of the parish who is currently in formation in a Consecrated Life Community. Information is needed by

August 15. We do not want to miss anyone! Please respond to Sr. Marilyn Kerber, SNDdeN at [mkerber@catholiccincinnati.org](mailto:mkerber@catholiccincinnati.org) or at 513.421.3131x2865.

### **ANDREW DINNER DATES**

The dates for the Andrew Dinners for the fall are scheduled as follows:

- October 10 at Holy Rosary Parish, St. Mary's, OH.
- October 16 at St. Margaret of York, Loveland.
- October 25 in Dayton at a location to be determined.

**Please mark your calendars and invite young men to join you** for this opportunity to learn about seminary life and the discernment of the priestly vocation.

### **BE AWARE! PHISHING SCAM ALERT**

The Central Offices have been informed by several parishes that someone has been impersonating the local pastors and asking their staff to wire money. Please be aware this is a scam! Some important information to know follows:

- While the "name" on the sender's email address may match that of your pastor, the actual email address will be different than the pastor's church email address.
- Any email message that asks for money, in any form (including gift cards, banking information, etc.) should be verified by contacting the perceived "sender" directly, in person or by phone, before responding via email.
- Scammers sometimes try to initially engage the recipient with an email (without asking for the above information), trying to get them to reply.
- These scammers continue to target religious organizations because their methods work (people send them money without asking questions).

### **2019 LECTOR WORKBOOKS, SOURCEBOOKS, OTHER ANNUAL PUBLICATIONS**

The Office for Divine Worship and Sacraments is taking orders for LTP's *Workbook for Lectors*, *Sourcebook for Sundays and Seasons*, and other annual publications. Liturgical Press' *2019 Living Liturgy* is available as well. No phone orders please. For more info and to place an order, please [click here](#).

## **OPTIONAL**

### **WEEKEND HELP AND OTHER OPPORTUNITIES TO SPEAK ON VOCATIONS**

Fr. Schmitmeyer is looking for opportunities to preach on vocations at weekend Masses, as well as any other opportunities to meet with young people to talk about vocations. If you are looking for a speaker for your school, youth group, religious ed program, or young adult group, please contact [Fr. Schmitmeyer](#).

### **SEEKING HOST PARISHES FOR STATEWIDE ADORATION FOR VOCATIONS**

If you would like to have your parish join in praying a holy hour for vocations on Wednesday, November 7, please contact [Wayne Topp](#) to let us know what time during that day your parish holy hour will take place.

## **STILL REQUESTING PERMISSION FOR PRAYER APOSTOLATE**

Please let us know if you would like us to include your name and photo in the Spiritual Motherhood of Priests materials sent to parishes. Contact [Wayne Topp](#).

## **TEACHER/CATECHIST NATIONAL VOCATION AWARENESS WEEK MATERIALS**

Once again, we have purchased access for all teachers and students of the Archdiocese to “Vocation Lesson Plans”. The teacher access code is: **CinciVocations513** and the student access code is: **StFrancis513** (both codes are case sensitive). A sample packet will be coming to all parishes in September.

## **PROJECT RACHEL TRAINING FOR PRIESTS**

There were over 4,600 abortions in the counties of the Archdiocese in 2016 alone. Behind every abortion is a woman in need of healing. Mark your calendars for one of our two training days, specifically offered for priests: **Wednesday, September 12, 2018 at St. Johns in West Chester** (with Fr. Jeff Kemper) or **Thursday, September 20, 2018 at St. Peter, Huber Heights** (with Fr. Chris Worland). Both trainings are **10:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.** (doors open at 10:00 a.m.). Hear testimony from post-abortive women, clergy actively involved in Project Rachel and a professional counselor. Learn about the Project Rachel ministry here in the Archdiocese of Cincinnati, and how you can better reach out to post-abortive women at your parish. For more information, [click here](#).

## **PARISH ADMINISTRATION WORKSHOP**

The Parish Administration Workshop will be held **Thursday, September 27 at St. Mary of the Assumption Church, Springboro**. Please block this date now. The presenters will be the staff of the Central Offices. Look for a flyer in late August.

## **FALL RETREAT FOR PRIESTS AT MARIA STEIN**

The Fall Retreat for Priests will be held on October 8-12, 2018 at the Maria Stein Spiritual Center. Fr. John Bullock, LC will be our speaker. (This retreat will be at Maria Stein because of the difficulty in finding a Cincinnati venue where there is sufficient privacy for the priests.)

## **GOSPEL WORKSHOP**

This year’s Gospel workshop on the Gospel of Luke has been scheduled for **Wednesday, November 7, 2018 in Cincinnati** and **Thursday, November 8, 2018** in Dayton. Registration starts at 9:00 a.m., the workshop is from 9:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. The presenter will be Father Pablo Gadenz. More information will become available.

## **NATIONAL NOVENA FOR THE LEGAL PROTECTION OF HUMAN LIFE**

Please ask your parishioners to join in a nationwide Novena for the Legal Protection of Human Life each Friday August 3-September 28. Participants sign up at [www.usccb.org/pray](http://www.usccb.org/pray) to receive weekly email or text reminders to pray and fast, along with little-known facts about *Roe v. Wade* to share with others. We realize that this notice is coming to you late; however, parishioners can join in at an point during the Novena. Please see the sample bulletin entry on page 8.

## **PETER’S PENCE COLLECTION RESOURCE MATERIALS**

This will be the last chance to change the amount of resource materials you would like to receive for the Peter’s Pence collection, which was held the last weekend in June. Please contact Lisa Weber at [lweber@catholiccincinnati.org](mailto:lweber@catholiccincinnati.org) with your updated request. If you have additional questions, please feel free to contact Lisa at 513.421.3131x2842.

## **WHITE PRIVILEGE DIALOGUE EVENT**

All are invited to join us for “Is White Privilege Real? A Person to Person Conversation on Race” on August 11, 10:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. at the Northwest Branch Dayton Library, 2410 Philadelphia Drive. It will include viewing part of Tim Wise’s documentary “White Like Me” and sharing personal experiences. Reserve your spot by Wednesday, August 7 by email: [csadayton@CatholicCincinnati.org](mailto:csadayton@CatholicCincinnati.org) or phone: 937.224.3026x5015.

## **MARCC 50<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY LUNCHEON**

Fifty years ago, the Archdiocese of Cincinnati was one of the founding members of the Metropolitan Area Religious Coalition of Cincinnati. Today, we continue to celebrate our work with fourteen other religious communities to make life better for people in the region. Join us for our anniversary celebration on October 3 at 11:30 a.m. at Xavier University Cintas Center as we reflect upon incredible history and envision the future.

## **MUSICIANS’ EVENINGS OF RENEWAL**

For parish ministers of music, including directors, choirs, cantors, and instrumentalists: August 27 in Cincinnati or August 30 in Kettering; for more info [click here](#).

## **NOVA: SEPTEMBER 10 IN CINCINNATI, SEPTEMBER 11 IN PIQUA FOR YOUTH/CAMPUS MINISTERS AND VOLUNTEERS**

Formation retreat for youth/campus ministers and volunteers. Guest Speaker: Dr. Andrew Sodergren. Dr. Sodergren serves as a psychologist at Ruah Woods. He is trained in child, adult, marital/family, and group therapies. His talk for NOVA is entitled: Psychology, Youth Evangelization, and the Call to Love. [Learn more](#).

## **40 DAYS FOR LIFE FALL 2018 CAMPAIGN: SEPTEMBER 26 - NOVEMBER 4**

Invite your parishioners to sign up for times or learn more about your nearest location [here](#).

## **2018-2019 ENCOUNTER SCHEDULE**

This event, open to high schoolers, seeks to gather groups of disciples from across the Archdiocese for an evening of worship, a powerful testimony, Eucharistic Adoration, Confession, and accompaniment. Dates: September 16 (Dayton), October 6 (Cincinnati), December 2 (Dayton), March 3 (Dayton), March 9 (Cincinnati). Visit [here](#) for more information.

## **2018-2019 AWAKE RALLY SCHEDULE**

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. Dates: November 10 (Cincinnati), November 17 (Dayton), February 10 (Ft. Loramie), March 2 (Cincinnati), March 16 (Dayton). Visit [here](#) for more information.

## **RENEWAL: DECEMBER 19, ST. MARY OF THE ASSUMPTION, SPRINGBORO**

Renewal is a day retreat for youth ministers, campus ministers, and volunteers. Fr. Dave Pivonka will give talks on the Holy Spirit. Mass will be celebrated by Archbishop Dennis Schnurr. Renewal is a chance to rest in the Lord through silent prayer, talks, Mass, Adoration, Confession, and fellowship. Visit [here](#) for more information.

## **ONE FAITH, ONE HOPE, ONE LOVE CAMPAIGN UPDATE**

The One Faith, One Hope, One Love capital campaign has surpassed \$100 million in collections! Please gratefully share this good news with your parishioners, including how their generosity is being put to use, via this [bulletin announcement](#). Thank you.

## **FOR YOUR INFORMATION**

### **PRIESTS' PERSONNEL BOARD**

Recently, Father David Sunberg was elected to represent ordination years 1980-1994. Father Ray Larger's term ended and we thank him for his service. The current members of the Board, the ordination years represented, and the dates of expiration of the term of office are:

Father Michael Savino	Retired priests	Term expires August 31, 2021
Father Terence Hamilton	1964-1979	Term expires August 31, 2019
Father David Sunberg	1980-1994	Term expires August 31, 2022
Father James Weber	1995-2008	Term expires August 31, 2021
Father David Endres	2009-2018	Term expires August 31, 2021

### **TERMINATION/UNEMPLOYMENT WORKSHEET**

The Human Resources Department is pleased to announce that we have combined the Termination/Discharge Worksheet and Unemployment Information Worksheet into one document, the [Termination/Unemployment Worksheet](#). The worksheet should be completed and sent to [Rob Reid](#) and [Laurie](#) at T&W for any separation of employment.

### **HR TRAINING**

If you would like to ensure proper procedures are followed, have questions or would like to learn more about HR topics, Rob Reid and Meg Paul are available to come to your parish to speak on such topics, including but not limited to:

- FMLA Compliance
- Policies and Procedures
- Harassment and Discrimination
- Termination
- HR tips for new Business Managers
- HR Best Practices

You can contact Rob Reid at 513.421.3131x6611, [rreid@catholiccincinnati.org](mailto:rreid@catholiccincinnati.org) or Meg Paul at 513.421.3131x2841, [mpaul@catholiccincinnati.org](mailto:mpaul@catholiccincinnati.org) in the Department of Human Resources.

## **2018 GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY MASSES**

August 4, 2018, 4:30 p.m., St. Peter in Chains Cathedral, Cincinnati, Archbishop Dennis M. Schnurr, Celebrant; August 4, 2018, 4:30 p.m., Our Lady of the Immaculate Conception, Dayton, Bishop Joseph R. Binzer, Celebrant. All couples celebrating their 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary in 2018 and their families are invited to attend.

## **RCIA FITNESS CAMP - FOR COORDINATORS AND TEAM MEMBERS**

The dates are August 17 and 18, 2018. For more information, [click here](#).

## **SPANISH TRAINING FOR MARRIAGE PREPARATION LEADERS: AUGUST 24-25**

Jake Samour, a native of El Salvador, and Director of the Marriage & Family Life Office for the Diocese of Wichita, will conduct *God's Plan for a Joy-Filled Marriage* training, entirely in Spanish, Aug. 24-25 at St. Susanna-Mason. Pastors, please identify any Spanish speaking married couples in your parish who are, or could become, involved in Marriage Preparation Ministry and invite them to this training. For more information, please contact Dan Thimons (English) 513.421.3131x2621 or Karla Eysoldt (Spanish) 513.448.8994.

## **RCIA WORKSHOP, CONDITION CRITICAL, PART II – SEPTEMBER 8, 2018**

For more information, [click here](#).

## **NEW RESOURCE IS HERE!**

*This Holy and Living Sacrifice: A Formation Resource for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion* (EMsHC) is now available to [order online](#).

## **EVENINGS OF RENEWAL FOR EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION**

We hope that at least one parish in each deanery will host an AOC Evening/Day of Reflection for Eucharist Ministers of Holy Communion. If interested in hosting a session, please email [msellers@catholiccincinnati.org](mailto:msellers@catholiccincinnati.org). Dates, locations, and more information will be posted online in August, and linked in the September edition of Clergy Communications.

## **2019 LITURGICAL CALENDAR NOTES**

The 2019 liturgical calendar is posted on the Office of Divine Worship and Sacraments website. For more information, [click here](#).

## **DEEPENING SPIRITS: EXPLORING PERSONAL SPIRITUAL FORMATION**

This program provides a comprehensive overview of the dynamics of the spiritual journey. The 18-session program is designed for those who desire to deepen their own spiritual lives as well as possibly discerning a call to a spiritual direction ministry. Meetings: Thursdays, 6:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m., October 2 - December 4, 2018 and January 8 - March 5, 2019. Cost: \$375 per semester. Registration deadline: September 15, 2018. More information is available [here](#).

## **SPIRITUAL DIRECTION PROGRAM**

This 18-session program provides participants with comprehensive training in the ministry of spiritual direction. Open to those who have discerned a call to direction training, have experience in receiving direction, and have completed Spiritual Formation. Equivalent training will be



considered; personal interview may be required. Meetings: Tuesdays, 6:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m., October 4 - December 6, 2018 and January 8 - March 7, 2019. An additional hour a week will be expected outside of class in both giving and receiving direction throughout the semester. Cost: \$375 per semester. Register by September 1, 2018. More information is available [here](#).

### **GIVING TUESDAY INITIATIVE**

Giving Tuesday is a day of giving that happens the Tuesday following Thanksgiving, November 27. The Stewardship Department has teamed up with “*I Give Catholic*” (#iGiveCatholic), a national organization, for this Catholic day of giving. Each parish, school, and organization of the Archdiocese will be able to participate to raise funds for their specific needs.

We’ll make the fundraising easy! We’ll provide:

- The website for your parish/school/ministry
- All the graphics you will need for your social media pages
- Text for posting on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.
- Timelines on when to do what
- Ongoing support

More information about this effort can be found [here](#). Have questions? Contact Ryan Lopez at 513. 421.3131x2882 or email [rlopez@catholiccincinnati.org](mailto:rlopez@catholiccincinnati.org).

## **BULLETIN ENTRIES**

### **INFORMATION FOR EACH OF THE FOLLOWING EVENTS IS POSTED ON THE VOCATION OFFICE WEBSITE:**

**August 9:** Meet the New Dominican Novices and Vocation Director

**August 10-12:** Come and See Weekend with Glenmary Home Missioners

**August 18:** Graced Retreat for Girls (grades 6-12) at All Saints Parish in Guilford, IN

**August 24-26:** Called to Love Discernment Retreat with Sister of St. Joseph the Worker

**August 31-September 3:** Come and See Weekend with the Trappist Monks of Gethsemane, KY

**September 21-23:** Discernment Weekend with Dominican Friars

**September 28-30:** Mission Trek Discernment Weekend with Glenmary Sisters

**September 28-30:** Come and See Weekend with Glenmary Home Missioners

**October 10, 16, 25:** Andrew Dinners

**October 11:** CHOSEN: Monthly Holy Hour for Vocations at Our Lady of the Holy Spirit Center

**November 16-18:** Diocesan Discernment Retreat at the Our Lady of the Holy Spirit Center

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**CAREGIVER SUPPORT** - Please see [www.ccswoh.org/cansupport](http://www.ccswoh.org/cansupport) for our support group calendar and presentation locations. Call 513.869.4483 if you have any questions or have caregivers needing help.

**SOLVING POVERTY TO SOLVE HUNGER** - In *Big Hunger*, author Andrew Fisher argues that many anti-hunger advocates miss an essential element of the problem: economic inequality driven by low wages. Encouragingly, *Big Hunger* sets forth a vision for what we can do to address poverty and solve hunger. Join Catholic Charities and other experts for Andy's presentation and panel discussion starting at 5:30 pm, Thursday, September 6 at Xavier University's Cintas Center.

**HOW TO SHARE THE JOURNEY WITH REFUGEES AND MIGRANTS** - Catholic Charities Southwestern Ohio is sponsoring the traveling art exhibit "Columbus Crossing Borders" and film documentary "Breathe Free" at the National Underground Railroad Freedom Center through August 19. For information, go to: <http://www.freedomcenter.org/visit/exhibits/columbuscrossingbordersproject> .

Join Catholic Charities and other experts for an informative panel discussion at 1:30 p.m., Saturday, August 4 at the Freedom Center. For more information on the panel discussion, go to: <http://freedomcenter.org/content/how-share-journey-refugees-and-migrants>.

**ST. MARTIN DEANERY FARM MASS: SEPTEMBER 7** - All are invited to join Archbishop Dennis Schnurr for the St. Martin Deanery Catholic Rural Life's Farm Mass on Friday, September 7 at 7:00 p.m. The Mass will take place on the farm of Tim and Diana Fischer at 9372 Sisterville Rd., Hamersville, Ohio 45130. St. Mary in Bethel is the host parish. Bring a chair!

**SALT AND LIGHT: A TRANSFORMATIVE JOURNEY INTO CATHOLIC SOCIAL TEACHING** - The Archdiocese of Cincinnati's Catholic Social Action Office will present a five-part series, "Salt and Light: A Transformative Journey into Catholic Social Teaching", beginning **Thursday, September 13, 2018, 6:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.** at St. Charles Center, 2860 US Route 127, Celina, Ohio 45822. The series continues on **September 20, 27** and **October 4, 11**. Cost is \$25 which includes light refreshments, materials, and admission to the Archdiocese's "Distinguished Speaker" musical event starring Kevin Heider at the Maria Stein Shrine, 2291 St. Johns Rd, Maria Stein, Ohio 45860 on September 20. Registration for the Salt and Light series is requested by **August 30**. The first 10 people receive free registration. A flyer and registration is available at <http://www.stmarysdeanery.com/we-are-salt-and-light>. Questions? Contact Tom Kueterman at 419.925.5022 or [smdeanery@bright.net](mailto:smdeanery@bright.net).



**2018 DISTINGUISHED SPEAKER** - Join us for the 2018 Distinguished Speaker event featuring Kevin Heider. There are two opportunities: **Tuesday, September 18 at 7:00 p.m.** at Incarnation Parish Center, 45 Williamsburg Lane, Centerville, OH 45449, and **Thursday, September 20 at 7:00 p.m.** at the Maria Stein Shrine of the Holy Relics, 2291 St. Johns Rd., Maria Stein, OH 45860. Kevin Heider's versatile indie-folk/rock sound is coupled with a lyrical form that explores— from the heights to the depths — what it means to be human. Kevin will be sharing how he puts his faith into action through his music and invite us to find our own ways to live out our faith. Sponsored by Catholic Social Services of the Miami Valley and the Catholic Social Action Office of the Archdiocese of Cincinnati, with support from the Weavers of Justice and Fields of Justice. Your \$5.00 registration fee includes a dessert reception following the presentation. To register, go to:

<https://cssmv.ejoinme.org/MyEvents/2018DistinguishedSpeakerSeries/Registration/tabid/966409/Default.aspx>

**DIVINE LITURGY AND EDUCATIONAL EVENT ON INTERNATIONAL RELIGIOUS PERSECUTION** - On the Feast of the Exaltation of the Cross, Friday, September 14 at 7:00 p.m. at St. Anthony of Padua Maronite Catholic Church (2530 Victory Pkwy., Cincinnati, OH 45206), the Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre and the One Church of Mercy Committee are hosting a Divine Liturgy followed by an educational gathering concerning international religious freedom, focused especially on Christian persecution. For more information, contact the Archdiocesan Catholic Social Action Office at [csa@catholiccincinnati.org](mailto:csa@catholiccincinnati.org).

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**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](http://www.catholiccincinnati.org/project-rachel) or call the Project Rachel Help Line at 513.784.0531 for information. All conversations and emails are confidential. Retreat: October 19-21, 2018. Day of Reflection: November 17.

**STAND FIRM FOR LIFE! 40 DAYS FOR LIFE FALL 2018 CAMPAIGN** - The 40 Days for Life Fall Campaign takes place **September 26 – November 4**. The campaign draws attention to the evil of abortion through prayer, fasting, constant vigil and community outreach, with the goal of turning hearts and minds from a culture of death to a culture of life. All ages, young and old, are welcome to join in this concert of prayer for protections for, and renewed understanding of, the beautiful gift of human life, plus hope and healing for those suffering from past decisions or actions. For directions and/or other information, please go to <https://40daysforlife.com>, and then browse on locations to find the site nearest you.

**PRAYER/REFLECTION** - Good and gracious God, Source of all Life, all of creation is charged with your Divine Energy. Ignite your Spark within us, that we may know ourselves as truly human and holy, irrevocably part of the Web of Life. (Excerpted from a prayer by Michelle Balek, OSF.)

**TOB PROGRAMS FOR YOUTH AND ADULTS AT RUAH WOODS** - Ruah Woods offers life-changing courses helping youth and adults alike understand God's plan for their lives and how to live their vocation to love through the lens of Saint John Paul II's Theology of the Body. Sign up today for *Introduction to Theology of the Body*, or join us for our TOB for Teens class(es) – both starting in September: <https://www.ruahwoods.org/learning/>.

**RUAH WOODS PSYCHOLOGICAL SERVICES: NOW ACCEPTING NEW PATIENTS** - Ruah Woods Psychological Services (RWPS) serves God's people by integrating Catholic faith with the best of psychological science. RWPS has recently welcomed two outstanding practitioners, Dr. Joe Molitor and Dr. Michael Murphy, who are accepting new patients immediately. If you know someone in need of healing, or would like more information, please visit [www.RWpsych.org](http://www.RWpsych.org) or call 513.407.8878.

**SING WITH THE ATHENAEUM CHORALE** - Are you interested in singing the great works of the Church in a beautiful space? Then consider joining the Athenaeum Chorale, a liturgical choral group that sings in the Seminary Chapel of St. Gregory the Great at the Athenaeum of Ohio. The Chorale season includes two Solemn Vespers liturgies and culminates in the beloved Advent Lessons & Carols ceremony in December, which always attracts a large crowd from the Cincinnati area and beyond. The Chorale itself is made up of diocesan church musicians, seminarians from Mount St. Mary's, and other exceptional singers from the Cincinnati area. Singing with the Chorale is a wonderful way to connect with fellow musicians and to participate in the rich liturgical life at the Athenaeum of Ohio.

Auditions will be held for all voice parts from August 1 through September 2. All singers over 18 years of age are welcome to audition. For more information, or to schedule an audition, contact Dr. Mary Catherine Levri, Music Director of the Athenaeum Chorale, at [mlevri@athenaeum.edu](mailto:mlevri@athenaeum.edu) or 513.233.6138. All auditions will be held by appointment at the Athenaeum of Ohio, 6616 Beechmont Ave.

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