



# Communique'

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## CHANCERY

### 1. CONFIRMATION

#### A. December Schedule

Wednesday, Dec. 14

St. Robert, Cortland & St. Joseph, Warren

Msgr. Siffrin

### 2. CHILD PROTECTION POLICY

#### A. Requirements

##### 1. Fingerprinting and In-Service

All employees and volunteers who work with children must be fingerprinted and participate in an in-service program. All employees and volunteers must sign the background questionnaire whether or not they work with children.

##### 2. Compliance Checklist

The Checklist must be updated and sent to the Chancery as employees and volunteers complete the requirements. Failure to complete the requirements, and/or failure to update the Checklist, results in non-compliance for the employee or volunteer.

##### 3. Webchecks at Other Locations

If using a Webcheck site other than the three diocesan sites, please call the Chancery at 330-744-8451, ext. 235, with name and location of service to ensure that your BCI report is forwarded to the proper location.

For more information or questions on any of our Child Protection Policy procedures, contact Nancy Yuhasz at the Chancery Office, 330-744-8451, ext. 235.

### 3. CTNY

Log onto the CTNY website at [www.doy.org](http://www.doy.org) for program information and more.

#### A. Programming on the Ecumenical Channel

##### 1. Lessons and Carols from St. Columba Cathedral

December 2 at 1:00 p.m.  
 December 9 at 9:00 p.m.  
 December 15 at 8:00 p.m.

##### 2. Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary Masses

LIVE from Rome: Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Mass on the Occasion of the 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Conclusion of Vatican II  
 Airs Live December 8, 2005 at 4:00 a.m. and encores December 8 at 9:00 p.m.

LIVE from Washington D.C.: Solemn Mass of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary from the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception  
 Airs December 8, 2005 at 12:00 noon.

##### 3. Live Holiday Masses

Solemn Mass at Midnight with Pope Benedict XVI from St. Peter's Square  
 Airs LIVE December 24 at 6:00 p.m. and encores December 25 at 8:00 a.m.

Choral Meditations and Solemn Mass of Christmas Eve from the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington D.C. LIVE  
 Airs December 24 at 10:00 pm.

Solemn Mass of Christmas Day from EWTN  
 Airs live December 25 at 1:00 a.m. and encores at 12:00 noon.

The Pope's Christmas Message to the World "Urbi et Orbi" from St. Peter's Square  
 Airs Live December 25 at 6:00 a.m. and encores at 10:00 p.m.

##### 4. The Christophers Holiday Programs - Tuesdays 8:30 pm

December 6: Martin the Cobbler  
 December 13: Michael the Visitor  
 December 20: The First Christmas  
 December 27: The Chime

#### B. Wineskins Highlights for December

Sunday Mornings: Airs WKBN 570 AM 7:30 a.m. and WILB 1060 AM 9:30 a.m.

December 4: Sr. Regina Zeleznik, SND, Director of Pastoral Outreach, will tell us about her new Pastoral Outreach Ministry in Columbiana County.

December 11: Eileen Novotny, Pastoral Associate at St. Paul Parish in Salem, will reflect on some of the themes of the vocation and mission of Catholic lay people today.

December 18: Judy Magielski, Director of Religious Education at St. Charles Parish in Boardman, will inform us about the opportunities for a variety of learning activities in Adult Faith Formation in our parishes.

December 25: Msgr. Lewis Gaetano, Director of the Graduate Program in Theology at Walsh University, reflects on authentic Christology that frees us from all barriers and allows us to realize Jesus as the visible sign of Divine Grace.

Deacon Terry Coulter from St. Jude Parish in Columbiana will share his thoughts on the Scripture readings for December. The music is taken from the CDs "Christmas Favorites" sung by the Daughters of St. Paul, and "Gentle Night" sung by Fr. John Foley. Mr. John Rozzo, Principal of St. Joseph School in Austintown, will tell us about some newly canonized Saints in the Saint Segment.

## **CATHOLIC CHARITIES SERVICES**

### **1. CATHOLIC CHARITIES CORPORATION**

#### **A. Catholic Charities Christmas Programs**

Contact the Catholic Charities Agency nearest you to learn about opportunities to help others in your community this Christmas season.

Catholic Charities of Ashtabula County:	440-992-2121
Catholic Charities Regional Agency:	330-420-0845 (Columbiana County)
	330-744-3320 (Mahoning County)
	330-393-4254 (Trumbull County)
Catholic Charities of Portage County:	330-297-7745
Catholic Charities of Stark County:	330-491-0896

#### **B. Catholic Charities 2004 Annual Report is Here**

Glimpse a snapshot of all the good work Catholic Charities is doing in the Diocese of Youngstown by obtaining a copy of the 2004 Catholic Charities Annual Report. Contact Rachel Hrbolich at 330-744-8451, ext. 328, for more information.

#### **C. Thank You for Supporting the Voice of Hope Dinner**

Catholic Charities wishes to thank the 306 people who attended the 2005 Voice of Hope Dinner. Seventeen diocesan parishes were represented at this year's event, along with several Catholic institutions. Over \$11,000 was raised to help the Catholic Charities Agencies provide emergency assistance to families.

### **2. OFFICE OF SOCIAL ACTION**

#### **A. Hurricane Katrina Relief Fund and Possible Parish Partnership Program**

Thank you for your assistance in helping Catholic Charities respond to the many needs affecting people impacted by Hurricane Katrina. Donors in our diocese have contributed well over \$450,000.00. THANK YOU.

The hurricanes that devastated the Gulf Coast region over the last several weeks have taken an enormous physical toll. As the rebuilding process begins, countless parishes across the U.S. have been contacting church agencies with one question: How can we help? The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops Task Force has called upon the Catholic Church Extension Society to coordinate a Parish Partnership Program to assist the parishes in the Gulf Coast dioceses that were affected by Hurricanes Katrina and Rita. This program will provide a clearinghouse or central point of contact for connecting these Gulf Coast parishes with parishes across the country that wish to help in the long process of recovery and rebuilding.

Parishes that would like to help are asked to “partner” according to their interests: whether it is through a one-time gift or with the establishment of an immediate and long-term relationship of spiritual and material assistance. Here is an opportunity for the Catholic Community to extend a helping hand to our sisters and brothers on their road to recovery. The damage is massive and the needs are extensive; therefore, we hope to respond to this need with generosity and support.

If you would like more information or would like to participate, please contact Brian R. Corbin at Catholic Charities, 330-744-8451 ext. 320, or by email at [bcorbin@youngstowndiocese.org](mailto:bcorbin@youngstowndiocese.org).

## B. Christmas Gifts with Justice: Catholic Relief Services

*Coffee and Chocolate and Crafts -- Include all three in your Fair Trade gift sale*

CRS now offers you three ways for you to put your values into action through the choices you make every day as a consumer: the Work of Human Hands Program, the Fair Trade Coffee Program, and the Fair Trade Chocolate Program. And you can support all three when you purchase a Fair Trade gift.

Work of Human Hands is our Fair Trade handcraft program, but the catalog also contains Fair Trade coffee grown by CRS-supported farmers in Nicaragua, and the same Divine-brand Fair Trade chocolate we promote through our Chocolate Program.

Visit <http://www.crsfairtrade.org/> to order gifts and treats.

# CLERGY AND RELIGIOUS SERVICES

## 1. OFFICE OF CONTINUING EDUCATION OF PRIESTS

### Upcoming Opportunities

Reminders of upcoming opportunities to gather in prayer, reflection and fellowship with your fellow priests:

The 2006 Regional Forum for Pastoral Leadership Conference at Weber’s Inn, Michigan, begins **Monday, January 2, 2006 and concludes Thursday, January 5**. This year’s program will help you to understand your own leadership role in both facilitating and leading change. Registration and fee must be returned by December 2, 2005 to: Rev. Msgr. Michael C. LeFevre, Archdiocese of Detroit, Cathedral Place, 9844 Woodward, Detroit, Michigan 48202-1319.

2006 Winter Institute for Priests *Lead others to Christ* - **January 15-26, 2006**, San Pedro Catholic Retreat and Conference Center, Winter Park, Florida. Further information can be obtained by calling Kim Mailley in the Institute office at 973-761-9739 or email [nifcf@shu.edu](mailto:nifcf@shu.edu).

Mark your calendars now for our 2006 Priests' Anniversary Celebration - **Monday, May 22, 2006**. The event this year will be held at Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish in Austintown. Invitations will be sent as the date draws nearer.

## 2. OFFICE OF VOCATIONS

### A. Candidacy

Congratulations to Matthew Albright who was admitted to Candidacy for Holy Orders on Monday, October 31, 2005 at St. Vincent Archabbey Basilica, Latrobe, Pennsylvania.

## B. Vocation Awareness Week

Vocation Awareness Week is **January 9-13, 2006**. Resources will be mailed in December so that you can adequately plan for the week.

## C. Discernment Session for Men Considering Priesthood

**Saturday, December 3, 2005** - Walsh University -- 9:00 a.m. Mass, 9:30 a.m. discussion

If you know of someone interested in attending, or if you would like additional information, please contact the Vocation Office at 330-744-8451, ext. 368.

## D. Intercessions

Recommended intercessions for the month of December are included with this issue of *Communique*.

## 3. OFFICE OF VOWED RELIGIOUS

### A. Retirement Fund for Religious

On behalf of the 38,000 retired religious nationwide, thank you to all who participated in the Retirement Fund for Religious Appeal. Special thanks to pastors who graciously conducted the appeal in your parishes, to the Religious presenters who spoke with conviction and genuine concern, and to all who listened and generously responded to this pressing need in the Church. May God abundantly bless each of you. – The RFR Committee

### B. Religious Books Available

Sister Mary Michael Baksi, VSC, has several religious books available free of charge for anyone interested in building up their library. Some of the titles are:

*Journeys of Courage, Sparks of the Divine, Seeking His Mind, Images of Jesus, Sometimes I Haven't Got a Prayer, Grace Notes, Illuminated Life, Walking With God in a Fragile World, When the Trees Say Nothing, Eternal Seasons, One Day He Beckoned, Abundant Treasures, What Are We To Do?, Precious As Silver, Riding the Dragon, Lost In Wonder, The Easter God, The Dorothy Day Book, Rest Your Dreams on a Little Twig.*

If you are interested in obtaining some or all of these books, kindly contact Sister Mary Michael at (330) 788-5082.

## DEVELOPMENT/STEWARDSHIP

### 1. *Today's Sacrifice . . . Tomorrow's Church* Capital Campaign

As of November 11, \$25,445,538 or 75% of our goal of \$34,000,000 has been committed to our historic *Today's Sacrifice . . . Tomorrow's Church Campaign*. These figures include the achieved targets due the Capital Campaign from the 10 parishes that conducted Piggyback Campaigns: St. Barbara, Massillon; Little Flower, North Canton; St. Michael, Canfield; St. Christine, Youngstown; Sts. Peter and Paul, Youngstown, St. Paul, New Middletown, St. Paul, North Canton, Mother of Sorrows, Ashtabula; St. Charles, Boardman and St. Peter of the Fields in Rootstown.

May our Lord bless those who make sacrifices in support of this historic campaign for the Church in the Diocese of Youngstown. May He also bless all who will be served today and in the future through its success.

Please keep the *Today's Sacrifice . . . Tomorrow's Church* Capital Campaign in your prayers.

## 2. Stewardship Bulletin Inserts

Suggested stewardship bulletin inserts for December/January are included with this issue of *Communique*.

### PASTORAL AND EDUCATIONAL SERVICES

#### 1. OFFICE OF PRO-LIFE, MARRIAGE AND FAMILY MINISTRY

##### A. Eighth Annual Mass for Life

Msgr. Robert Siffrin will celebrate the eighth annual Mass for Life sponsored by the Human Life Guild at 12:00 noon on **Saturday, January 21, 2006** at St. Dominic Parish in Youngstown. Prior to Mass, a prayer vigil will be held from 9:30-10:30 a.m. across from 4025 Market Street, Youngstown. Following Mass, the Knights of Columbus will host a free spaghetti luncheon at the St. Dominic Parish Center. All are welcome.

##### B. March for Life

The annual March for Life in Washington DC will take place on **Monday, January 23, 2006**. Plan now to join thousands in our nation's capital to raise awareness of the lack of protection in law for the unborn. For local bus trip information contact the Office of Pro-Life, Marriage and Family at 330-744-8451.

##### C. U.S. Bishops National Pastoral Initiative on Marriage

Thank you to parishes and sponsor couples for participating in diocesan-wide "Focus on Marriage" groups. Your input will help the bishops shape their pastoral letter, centerpiece of the multi-year effort to strengthen parish-based marriage ministry.

##### D. New Pamphlet Available - Post Abortion Referral Information

For parishes, campus ministry, parish organizations. This new pamphlet provides confidential local referral information for those suffering after abortion. A must for parish bulletin racks. Provided at no charge through the Office of Pro-Life, Marriage and Family.

##### E. Pro-Life Intercessions and Bulletin Briefs

Intercessions and bulletin messages from the USCCB Pro-Life Secretariat for the month of December are included with this issue of *Communique*.

#### 2. OFFICE OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

##### A. "Life is Christ" Ordinary Time/Advent Christian Formation Series

There are two courses offered in preparation and observation of Advent. Please contact the parish for additional information.

###### 1. The Gospel of Mark

Examining Our True Priorities During Advent  
Instructor: Reverend Larry Frient  
Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish, Niles

**Thursdays, December 1-22, 2005**  
7:00 – 9:00 p.m.

This course for adults is designed to help us examine our priorities during the busy and hectic season of Advent. The commercial world lures us to focus on so many things. We decide to make a commitment to study what God's Word tells us during this busy season. How might we apply the Lord's lessons to everyday life? Please bring your Bible.

## 2. Reading the Good Word in Advent

Instructors: Reverend Gregory Fedor and  
Sister Mary Agnes O'Malley SND  
St. Mary Parish, Orwell  
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**November 22 – December 20, 2005**  
Tuesdays, 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.  
Registration fee: \$15.00, Discount fee \$12.00  
10 hours - general

Using the Sunday readings for Advent and Christmas, the participants will explore the message of Mark and the prophets in forming the Christian community for Christ's coming. Please bring your Bible.

## B. National Directory for Catechesis, USCCB, 2005

Mr. Dan Mulhall, Assistant Secretary for Catechesis and Inculturation, USCCB, will be in the Diocese of Youngstown to provide an in-service for the implementation of the new National Directory for Catechesis. Brochures will be available closer to the event.

Location: Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Parish, Youngstown  
**February 22, 2006** 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.  
**February 23, 2006** 9:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Please mark your calendars now and plan to attend with your parish staff. As with the General Directory for Catechesis, the National Directory for Catechesis lays the foundational principle that catechesis is an ecclesial activity in which all Church ministries participate. Copies of the document are available for \$16.00 from the Office of Religious Education.

## C. Becoming a Church of Lifelong Learners

Mark your calendar for *Becoming a Church of Lifelong Learners*, scheduled for **March 22, 2006**. John Roberto from the Center for Ministry Development will present this one-day conference from 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. on the Generations of Faith project. He will report the findings of the Lilly endowment grant research study he and his staff just completed and present the development of Generations of Faith theory and practice over the past five years. Location to be announced at a later date and registration materials will be available closer to the event.

## D. Treasured Gifts from God: Child Protection In-service Kit

The Office of Religious Education Library now has an in-service kit for use in parishes, schools and other institutions with adults to fulfill the in-service requirement for compliance with the Diocese of Youngstown Child Protection Policy. The required in-service is a two hour session with video assistance and handouts. To obtain the Child Protection In-service Kit, please complete the Program Prospectus Approval Form (F-2.3 in the Directory for Catechesis) and send it to the Office of Religious Education. You may also refer any questions regarding initial in-service and ongoing formation to the office staff.

## E. Library and Media Center Online

The Office of Religious Education Library and Media Center collection, now online, is virtually accessible! The online catalog <http://doylelib.doyweb.org> provides a user-friendly search menu with Title, Author, Keyword, and Power Search options. We invite and welcome all parishioners to visit the library in person or online and explore this "buried treasure" of the diocese.

We hope that you will inform members of your parish of the collection and encourage them to borrow and enjoy the resources available. Please use the following guidelines when promoting the Library in the parish bulletin or by other means:

- Patrons will need to provide identifying information including name, address, phone number, and parish.
- Library materials will be mailed to their home address with return postage included in the packaging.
- Patrons will be invoiced for shipping costs (unless the parish is enrolled in the membership plan).
- Patrons are responsible to return or renew all materials (books, CDs, videos, magazines, etc.) before the date due. Renewal requests may be made by phone or Email.
- Patrons are responsible to pay overdue fines, not the parish or school.
- Patrons are responsible for replacement costs if materials are lost or damaged.

Parish ministry leaders may copy the Library brochure, or just the back page including the circulation policies, for distribution or to insert in your parish bulletin.

### **3. OFFICE OF WORSHIP**

#### **A. Resources for the New Liturgical Year**

The annual publications of Liturgical Training Publications continue to be available for purchase through the Office of Worship, 330-744-8451, ext 304. See the November *Communique* for details.

#### **B. Liturgy Day**

The annual Liturgy Day sponsored by the Office of Worship will be held:

**Saturday, February 4, 2006**  
St. Charles Parish, Boardman  
8:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

The Reverend Lawrence Mick will be the keynote speaker. Brochures will be mailed after Christmas.

#### **C. Time for the Easter Vigil**

The Easter Vigil will be April 15, 2006. Sunset that evening will be 8:02 p.m. in the Diocese of Youngstown. The Sacramentary reminds us that "The entire celebration of the Easter Vigil takes place at night. It should not begin before nightfall. . ." In the Diocese of Youngstown the Vigil should not begin before 8:00 p.m. Starting at 8:30 p.m. or later will ensure complete darkness.

### **4. OFFICE OF YOUTH AND YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY**

#### **Youth Ministers' Gathering: An Epiphany Party for Youth Ministers**

**Thursday, January 5, 2005**  
6:30-9:30 p.m. at the home of Cindee Case in Canfield

Come enjoy a relaxing evening as we celebrate the Gifts of the Magi through our gifts of laughter, support, and fellowship! Spouses, fiancés, boyfriends and girlfriends welcome.

Please bring:

- Refreshments to share: a dessert (last name A-H), a beverage (last name I-P) or hors d'oeuvre (last name Q-Z)
- Items to be sent to soldiers overseas (personal care items, gum, hand wipes, etc.)
- A "white elephant" gift if you want to participate in the gift exchange.

Please RSVP to the Office of Youth and Young Adult Ministry (OY&YAM), 330-744-8451 or email [ccase@youngstowndiocese.org](mailto:ccase@youngstowndiocese.org) by Wednesday, January 4, and receive the address for the party!

## PROGRAMS & RETREATS

### 1. AIDS Ministry – Prayer Support Group

For persons challenged by HIV/AIDS, their families, friends or those grieving their loved ones. The Ursulines of Youngstown invite those feeling the impact of HIV/AIDS to join them for a meal and socialization on Saturday, **December 17**, from 12:00 to 3:00 p.m. at the Ursuline Center, 4280 Shields Road, Canfield. Reservations are not necessary. Call Sister Kathleen Minchin, 330-792-7636 or Father Frank Zanni, 330-394-2461, for more information.

### 2. Villa Maria Retreat Center, Villa Maria, PA (724-964-8920, ext. 3358)

January 3	Morning Prayer: Coffee & Contemplation A Reflection on John Paul II Registration due: December 10	9:30-11:30 am Sugg. offering: \$2-3
January 14	Workshop Day: REIKI III Registration due: December 29	9 am-5 pm Cost: \$255
January 24	Scripture Study Day Gospel of Mark during Ordinary Time and Lent Registration due: January 9	10 am-2 pm Cost: \$20/session; \$95 full series

IN MEMORIAM
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	<u>December</u>
<i>Rev. William Shipe</i>	1/04
<i>Rev. Joseph R. Lucas</i>	2/95
<i>Rev. William J. McLaughlin, OP</i>	3/58
<i>Deacon George Mastrovich</i>	4/03
<i>Rt. Rev. Msgr. Gordon G. Gutman</i>	6/98
<i>Rev. A. Patrick Dempster</i>	7/97
<i>Rev. Clement Falter, CPPS</i>	8/42
<i>Rev. Valentine Fleckenstein, CPPS</i>	10/61
<i>Rev. John J. Pallante</i>	10/71
<i>Rev. Richard Reis</i>	12/98
<i>Rev. Bartley J. Kennedy</i>	13/91
<i>Rev. George R. Bobal</i>	14/51
<i>Rev. Cyrill M. Stolarik</i>	14/90
<i>Rt. Rev. Msgr. Andrew A. Prokop</i>	15/95
<i>Rev. Paul Hill, MSC</i>	16/02
<i>Rev. William J. Keefe</i>	17/45
<i>Rt. Rev. Msgr. James Eischen</i>	17/53
<i>Rev. J. Robert Coleman</i>	17/86
<i>Rt. Rev. Msgr. Alfred J. Heinrich</i>	18/64
<i>Rev. Theodore T. Coward</i>	18/87
<i>Rev. Francis J. Palm</i>	19/54
<i>Rev. Robert J. Novotny</i>	19/92
<i>Rt. Rev. Msgr. Anthony P. Boeff</i>	20/73
<i>Rev. Robert Brengartner</i>	21/99
<i>Rev. Joseph Raible, CPPS</i>	22/96
<i>Rev. Austin W. Scully</i>	25/53
<i>Rev. Ernest Smith</i>	26/53
<i>Rev. Edgar R. Landy, OP</i>	27/47
<i>Rev. Joseph R. Bennett</i>	27/85
<i>Rt. Rev. Msgr. John H. Lenz</i>	28/59
<i>Rt. Rev. Msgr. John L. Bardon</i>	29/70
<i>Rev. Edward J. Dierker</i>	29/91
<i>Rev. Maron Abi-Nader</i>	29/96
<i>Rev. Gabriel Takacs, OFM</i>	30/73
<i>Rev. Daniel Higgins, sP</i>	30/82
<i>Rev. Albert Klein</i>	30/01
<i>Rev. William J. Fitzgerald</i>	31/85
<i>Rev. William Ellis, MSC</i>	31/95

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