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CHANCERY OFFICE

Our Bishop George V. Murry, S.J., has been elected Secretary of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops at their recent fall meeting. Congratulations, Bishop Murry!

A. CONFIRMATION

Schedule for December

Wednesday, Dec. 12, 7:00 p.m.

St. Robert, Cortland and St. Joseph, Warren
(at St. Robert)

B. CHILD PROTECTION POLICY

1. Compliance Audit

Our diocese completed the USCCB Compliance Audit during the week of October 22. Bishop Murry recently received notice stating: "Based on the analysis of the results of the 2007 Full Audit of the Diocese of Youngstown, you have been found to be in compliance with the *Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People*."

2. Webcheck

a. Holiday/Renovation Closings

The Webcheck site at the Office of Catholic Schools will be closed December 24-26.

The Webcheck site at Walsh University will be closed from December 10 through New Year's Day due to office renovations and holidays.

b. New Location

Please note that the Webcheck site at St. Mary Parish in Orwell has been moved. The new location is St. Patrick Parish in Kent. Please call for an appointment at 330-677-4453. Please keep this number for future reference.

c. Procedure

When using Webcheck somewhere other than the three diocesan sites, employees and volunteers must ask the operator to send the report to their own location of service (parish, school, institution). Catholic school teachers' reports must be sent to the Office of Catholic Schools.

d. Timeframe for Results

We have received notice from the Ohio BCI & I that due to increased demand for background check services, most results will be take up to three weeks to complete, rather than the previous 48 hour timeframe. Please keep this in mind when planning to be fingerprinted for employment or volunteer service.

3. Requirements Reminders

a. Fingerprinting - In-Service - Questionnaire - Standards

All employees and volunteers who work with children must be fingerprinted for a background check and participate in an in-service program. All employees and volunteers must sign the Background Questionnaire and Applicant's Certification, and the new Standards acknowledgement, whether or not they work with children.

b. 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, and consequently non-compliance for the diocese.

Please remember that the only way compliance is entered into the diocesan data base is from information sent in from parishes, schools and institutions. You must tell us!

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.

4. Reporting Abuse

If you or someone you know has been abused at any time by a priest, deacon, employee or volunteer of the diocese, please contact Nancy Yuhasz, Victim Assistance Coordinator, at 330-744-8451, ext. 235, as well as the secular legal authorities.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES SERVICES

A. CATHOLIC CHARITIES CORPORATION

1. Date set for Stark County's ADVENT-ure Place

Catholic Charities of Stark County will be hosting its annual ADVENT-ure Place event on **Saturday, December 8, 2007** at St. Thomas Aquinas High School from 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. The purpose of ADVENT-ure Place is to help young children ages 3-10 understand the true meaning of Christmas. The St. Thomas Aquinas Key Club will be coordinating activities, which include re-enacting the Nativity Story and selecting and wrapping small items for the children's family members to be given at Christmas. Refreshments will also be served. Please call Heather Sturznickel at 330-491-0896, ext. 204 to make your reservation.

2. Help needed for "Last Minute" Christmas project

Catholic Charities of Stark County will be providing last minute Christmas assistance from **December 10-21** for needy families who were unable to sign up for any other type of local assistance. Donations of gift cards to local grocery stores or discount stores would be most appreciated. Persons, families, parishes or other groups interested in helping can call Barb Richman or Sister Edwardine Baznik at 330-491-0896.

3. Men Who Cook Event planned to benefit Catholic Charities of Portage County

Mark your calendar for an evening of fun! Catholic Charities of Portage County will hold its first annual Men Who Cook event on **Saturday, February 2, 2008** at Immaculate Conception Parish Hall, Ravenna. The fundraiser will have a Mardi Gras theme, and will showcase the cooking talents of several local men in the community. For more information contact Debbie Feke, Executive Director of Catholic Charities of Portage County, at 330-297-7745.

4. Thank you for supporting Catholic Charities of Stark County's Men Who Cook Event

Sister Edwardine and the staff at Catholic Charities of Stark County wish to thank the nearly 300 people who participated in the Agency's 3rd Annual Men Who Cook event on Saturday, November 3, 2007 at Walsh University. The event raised about \$18,000 for the Agency's First Step program, which provides material assistance and case management services to pregnant women and families with young children.

B. OFFICE OF SOCIAL ACTION

1. Christmas Shopping

Wonder how you can make an impact on global justice? Consider using your purchasing power during Christmas to give a gift that is simultaneously beautiful, good for you, and an act of justice. Some items are available in the diocesan Media Library hallway display, or visit www.crsfairtrade.org for ideas and shopping for that special gift.

2. Volunteer Opportunity for Priest

For several years we have had a monthly ministry at the Mahoning County Justice Center. If the parish that you serve is in Youngstown and you would be willing to commit to a few hours (3-4) a month to provide the Sacrament of Reconciliation and to celebrate Eucharist, please contact Rick Walker, Office of Social Action, (330) 744-8451, ext. 327.

We would like to expand this ministry opportunity in the county jail system and open it for other lay volunteers for bible study, Communion Services, and simply being present to a prisoner who might not have family in this area.

If a parish has lay religion educators, Eucharistic Ministers or Leaders of Prayer who are available during business hours during the week and willing to commit at least bi-weekly, please contact Rick Walker.

3. Catholic Social Teaching and Public Policy

As a reminder, much information about current issues from the perspective of Catholic social principles may be found at the following websites: <http://doy.org>, <http://www.ohiocathconf.org>, <http://www.catholiccharitiesusa.org>, and <http://www.usccb.org>.

4. CRS Disasters Fund Continues to Need Donations

The recent flooding in the State of Tabasco, Mexico as well as several Caribbean islands, has required Catholic Relief Services to continue its mission for the United States Catholic Church by providing emergency aid to nations around the world that have had catastrophic events. CRS is the international emergency service arm of the U.S. Bishops. Your donations may be made for this fund to: *Catholic Charities/CRS Fund*, 144 West Wood Street, Youngstown, Ohio 44503. If you have a particular disaster you would like to help, please indicate this in the memo line of your check. For further information please call Catholic Charities at (330) 744-8451 or visit our website at: <http://www.catholiccharitiesyoungstown.org>.

CLERGY AND RELIGIOUS SERVICES

A. OFFICE OF CONTINUING EDUCATION OF PRIESTS

1. Fr. Ron Witherup Programs

Plan to attend the upcoming programs with Fr. Ron Witherup, SS, that will be held at the Ursuline Center. Fr. Witherup is the author of the book Matthew - God With Us. The program on **Monday, December 3, 2007, 7:00-8:30 p.m.**, will feature *An evening with Fr. Ron Witherup, SS*, and is open to everyone. **Tuesday, December 4, 2007**, from 12:00-4:00 p.m. is *A Priests'/Deacons' Afternoon of Reflection with Fr. Ron Withrup, SS*. The book is available at the event or by ordering through the Office of Continuing Education of Priests at 330-744-8451, ext. 237.

2. NOCERCC

Information for NOCERCC-Region VI, *Forum for Pastoral Leadership, January 7-10, 2008*, has been made available. The Prophetic Spirituality of Jesus will be held at Weber's Inn, Ann Arbor, Michigan.

3. Priests Anniversary Celebration

Please mark your calendar for **May 5, 2008**, for the Priests Anniversary Celebration at St. Christine Parish. Details will follow in the months ahead.

B. OFFICE OF CHURCH VOCATIONS

Candidacy

Congratulations to Brian Cline, a seminarian studying for the Diocese of Youngstown, who was admitted to Candidacy for Holy Orders on Monday, November 26, 2007, at St. Vincent Seminary, Latrobe, Pennsylvania.

Jon-Paul Bevak and Robert Lanterman, seminarians studying for the Diocese of Youngstown, will be admitted to Candidacy for Holy Orders on Saturday, December 8, 2007, at Mt. St. Mary Seminary, Cincinnati, Ohio.

C. OFFICE OF VOWED RELIGIOUS

1. Retirement Fund for Religious

On behalf of the 37,000 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

2. World Day of Consecrated Life

Please mark your calendars. On **Sunday, February 3, 2008**, Bishop George V. Murry, S.J., will celebrate the gift of religious life at St. Columba Cathedral at the 10:30 a.m. liturgy. All religious who have or are currently living and/or working in the diocese are encouraged to attend. Parish representatives will also join in the celebration.

DEVELOPMENT/STEWARDSHIP

A. 2007 Appeal for Catholic Charities and Church

As of November 12, \$3,194,795, or 89% of our goal of \$3.6 million has been committed by 26,121 donors to our 2007 Appeal for Catholic Charities and Church. The Appeal provides the funds necessary to meet the needs of those served by Catholic Charities. It will also provide funds for much needed diocesan ministries and offer rebates to parishes that surpass Appeal parish goals.

Please pray for the success of our Appeal for Catholic Charities and Church.

B. Stewardship Bulletin Inserts

Stewardship bulletin inserts for December and January are included with this issue of *Communique*.

ECUMENISM

Ohio Ministries Convocation

The 2008 Ohio Ministries Convocation will be held **January 28-29** at the University Plaza Hotel in Columbus. The Convocation includes a variety of workshops, and plenary presentations by Dr. Jeremiah A. Wright, Jr., pastor of Trinity United Church of Christ in Chicago; Rev. Dr. Katharine Rhodes Henderson, Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.); and Rev. Dr. Bernice Powell Jackson, President of the North American region of the World Council of Churches. Online registration at: www.ohcouncil.chs.org or contact the Ohio Council of Churches at 614-885-9590.

PASTORAL AND EDUCATIONAL SERVICES

A. OFFICE OF CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

1. Catholic Schools Week

Catholic Schools Week begins on **Sunday, January 27 and ends Saturday, February 2**. The theme for this year is: *Catholic Schools Light the Way*. Catholic Schools Week kicks off registration for the 2008-2009 school year for our Catholic schools. Students and staff also spend time each day celebrating the week in a special way.

2. Principals Retreat

Catholic School Administrators and staff at the Diocesan Office of Catholic Schools attended a two day retreat at Sawmill on October 25th and 26th. Mr. Dan Mulhall was the keynote speaker and facilitator for the two days. Mr. Mulhall is the Assistant Secretary for Catechesis/Inculturation for the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops. Mr. Mulhall's presentations, "The Vision of the Catholic School: Understanding the Catholic Schools through the Lens of Catholic Church Documents," "The Role of the Catholic School: Effective Vehicles for Christian Formation," and "Forging Catholic Identity in the 21st Century."

The administrators had the opportunity to network and discuss topics relating to education and Catholic schools such as the significant role of the Catholic School with students, parents, teachers, support staff and principals. Other discussions focused on culture, enculturation, acculturation, and assimilation in our Catholic Schools.

Administrators were asked to make a list of various items discussed during the presentation. The information will be used for further discussion when the administrators meet in the future.

B. OFFICE OF PRO-LIFE, MARRIAGE AND FAMILY MINISTRY

1. Our Lady of Guadalupe

A vigil Mass in English and Spanish for the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe will be celebrated on **December 11, 2007**, at 7:00 p.m. at St. Columba Cathedral in Youngstown. Bishop Murry will be the main celebrant for the Mass in honor of the Patroness of the Americas and of the unborn.

2. Help for Hurting Marriages

Do you feel like you are in a hopeless marriage? Retrouvaille (pronounced 're-tro-vi' meaning "rediscovery") can help you two put the pieces back together in your marriage. The next Retrouvaille weekend program will be held on **January 11, 2008**, in Beachwood, Ohio. For more information or registration call 1-800-470-2230 or visit www.HelpOurMarriage.com

3. Mass for Life

Bishop Murry will celebrate the tenth annual diocesan Mass for Life sponsored by the Human Life Guild at 12:00 noon on **Saturday January 19, 2008**, at St. Dominic Parish in Youngstown. Prior to Mass, a prayer vigil for peace and life will be held from 9:30-10:30 a.m. across from 4025 Market Street in Youngstown. Following Mass, Knights of Columbus will host a free spaghetti luncheon at the St. Dominic Parish Center. All are welcome.

4. March for Life

The March for Life in Washington, DC, will take place on **Tuesday, January 22, 2008**. Plan now to join thousands in peaceful prayer for life. Reservations are being accepted on a first-come, first-served basis for a diocesan bus trip with an overnight stay at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, attendance at the vigil Mass for Life, Youth Rally and Youth Mass, and the March for Life. Limited seating is available, To reserve a seat, contact the Office of Pro-Life, Marriage and Family at 330-744-8451.

5. Marriage Preparation Retreats for Engaged Couples

"God's Plan for a Joy-Filled Marriage" is a one-day retreat sponsored by the Office of Pro-Life, Marriage and Family for couples preparing for marriage in the Diocese of Youngstown. This retreat day is offered as an optional supplement to parish pre-marriage programs. Married couples are also welcome to attend this day of enrichment. Upcoming retreat dates are **Saturday, January 26, 2008**, at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church in Youngstown and **Saturday, February 23, 2008**, at St. Michael the Archangel Church in Canton. Registration is required; please contact the Office of Pro-Life, Marriage and Family or visit www.doy.org for a complete schedule of retreat dates through June 2008.

6. Bulletin Briefs

Pro-Life/pro-family/NFP bulletin briefs from the USCCB Pro-Life Secretariat for December are included with this issue of *Communique*.

C. OFFICE OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

1. Work of Human Hands Exhibit

The Office of Religious Education invites you to the Work of Human Hands Exhibit. Shop this exhibit for fair trade gifts, coffee, housewares, jewelry and more, handmade by artisans or grown by farmers

living in developing regions around the world. The sale is part of the Work of Human Hands Program, a partnership between Catholic Relief Services and A Greater Gift, a non-profit program of SERV International, an alternative trade and development organization. Every purchase helps the producers maintain steady work and a sustainable income so they can provide for their families. The exhibit is located in the Office of Religious Education. It will be open **until December 21**, Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Enjoy shopping and change the world at the same time.

2. First Friday Club of Youngstown

Luncheon Speaker Series Antone's Banquet Center
11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m Call for reservations: 330-533-1023

Thursday, December 6, 2007 "Handing on the Faith: What's Our Role?"
Bill Heubsch, author, Whole Community Catechesis

Thursday, January 3, 2008 "Catechesis and Youth Culture"
Jerry Goebel, Director of OneFamily
Outreach, Walla Walls, Washington

3. Winter Warm Up

Plan to register for the Winter Warm Up: The Challenge of Evangelization, on **January 26**, 9:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. at Blessed Sacrament Church, Warren. Ken Doran, National Consultation for William H. Sadlier, Inc., will be the keynote presenter. The day also includes workshops for catechists, Catholic school teachers, RCIA teams, evangelization teams, and other parish ministers. Registration fee of \$7.00 per person/\$50.00 per parish includes lunch. For more information contact Terry Supancic, 330-372-2215.

4. Personnel Reports and Program Reports Requested

Parish leaders responsible for the ministries of adult faith formation, young adult ministry, confirmation, adolescent and elementary catechesis have been provided with Personnel Reports for completion. Due September 30, these reports are used to update the diocesan masterfile. Persons new to ministry whose names are not submitted to the office will not be notified of diocesan events and enrichment opportunities. If you have not yet returned your completed personnel reports, please do so as soon as possible.

The catechetical program report for providing information for faith formation for grades preschool through grade 12 are requested by October 30, 2007. These reports are essential to the mission of the Office of Religious Education in assessing trends in enrollment, faith formation processes available throughout the diocese and resource use. Additionally, accurate statistical information is necessary to provide a diocesan profile for our own use, and to participate in state and national data collection instruments. Please return completed report forms as soon as possible.

5. Required Child Protection In-Service

All persons working or volunteering with children and adolescents are required to participate in an in-service for compliance with The Diocese of Youngstown Child Protection Policy. "Treasured Gifts from God: Protecting Our Children" provides an overview of the policy expectations, the signs and symptoms of child abuse and neglect and familiarity with the responsibilities to create and maintain safe environments for children and youth.

Administrators who would like to provide the in-service locally must complete the Program Prospectus Form (F-2.3 in the Directory for Catechesis) and send it to the Office of Religious Education at least four weeks before the program date.

6. Spanish, Latino Resources for Ministry

Ministry with Immigrants, Migrants

Parish ministers working with newcomers and other areas of pastoral outreach may be interested to know the Office of Religious Education has a growing collection of Spanish, Latino, and bilingual resources for use in a variety of settings and age groups. Videos and DVDs, Bibles, Church documents, and pamphlets on the sacraments, Scripture and other popular topics are available to borrow or purchase.

Approved textbooks for use in catechetical settings for grades K – 8 in Spanish are also available. Small religious articles including rosaries, crosses and craft items may be purchased. Arrangements can be made for acquiring other special products should parishes request assistance – just let us know!

7. Gift Books Available

The Office of Religious Education has a few copies of several beautiful hardcover resources available now. They would make wonderful Christmas gifts. Titles include:

Celebrate 2000: Reflections on Jesus, the Holy Spirit and the Father, John Paul II	\$ 2.00
John Paul II: A Light for the World	\$30.00
I Like Being Catholic	\$18.00

Quantities are limited. Order yours today!

8. Adult Faith Formation Opportunities

The Office of Religious Education will prepare a brochure for Adult Faith Formation opportunities scheduled in the Lent and Easter Season 2008. Pastors and parish ministers planning a course and able to invite adults from nearby parishes may contact Barbara Walko for the course to be included in the brochure. Thank you for your generosity of time and talent.

9. Scriptural Prayer for Advent and Christmas 2007

An order of service based on the *lectio divina* method of scriptural prayer for the Sunday Gospels of Advent and Christmas 2007 Year B is available upon request from the Office of Religious Education. You are invited to use it for personal prayer or to copy for parish ministry groups. A copy ready version of this prayer is also available on the Diocesan web site scroll, www.doy.org.

10. New Initiative from the Center of Concern

To help Christians and Catholics be authentic Citizen Disciples in the upcoming national elections, the Center of Concern offers analyses of and educational tools for the major issues. All materials are available free of charge at www.coc.org/election2008 and www.educationforjustice.org. Current and future postings include the issues of the common good, immigration, international relations, jobs and outsourcing, poverty, Iraq and security, health care, and climate change. Founded in 1971 at the initiative of the Society of Jesus and the United States Catholic Conference, the Center of Concern is an independent organization engaged in social analysis, theological reflection, research, education and policy advocacy.

11. New Web Address for the Library On-Line Catalog

Access WebCollection Plus at www.doylib.org. Check out books, CDs, DVDs, and videos for your ministries or for personal enrichment. Reserve Advent and Christmas resources so that your selection is available for a specific date. Browse the Library and enjoy all of the Library services conveniently accessible from your home or office. Bookmark www.doylib.org and visit often.

D. OFFICE OF WORSHIP

1. Liturgy Day

Saturday, February 2, 2008
St. Charles Parish, Boardman

Bishop George V. Murry, S.J., will be the Keynote Speaker. His topic will be: Liturgy after Vatican II: The On-Going Reform. Brochures will be mailed in late December.

2. Resources for the Upcoming Liturgical Year

The annual publications of Liturgy Training Publications are available for purchase through the Office of Worship, 330-744-8451, ext. 304. Please see the November *Communique* for details.

3. Calendar Advisory

Saturday, December 8, 2007 – Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception – the obligation to participate in the celebration of the Eucharist is maintained even though this holy day falls on a Saturday.

4. Time for the Easter Vigil

The Easter Vigil will be **March 22, 2008**. Sunset that evening will be 7:37 p.m. in the Diocese of Youngstown with the end of civil twilight at 8:05 p.m. 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.

E. OFFICE OF YOUTH AND YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

1. National Catholic Youth Conference

Many thanks to all who prayed for and supported our diocesan delegation to the National Catholic Youth Conference in Columbus. Our 206 participants and visiting clergy had an uplifting, challenging and faith-filled experience with a group of nearly 20,000 teens and adult leaders from across the nation. If your parish participated in NCCYC, ask the young people about their trip and how they will continue to “Discover the Way.” Group leaders will soon receive information on the December 9th Reunion.

2. Youth Ministers Gathering

Join youth ministers from around the diocese for a relaxing evening of prayer, networking and fun at the 4th Annual Youth Ministers Epiphany Party at Cindee Case’s home in Canfield on **Thursday, January 3, 2008** from 6:30-9:30 p.m. Spouses are welcome, and all are invited to participate in the optional White Elephant gift exchange. Please RSVP to Cindee, ccase@youngstowndiocese.org or 330-744-8451, ext. 280 by Thursday, December 20th to receive the address and directions, and sign-up to bring your favorite hors d’oeuvre or dessert to share.

3. Reminder-Parish Youth Ministry Reports

Parishes who have not yet sent in their 2007 Parish Youth Ministry Reports are asked to do so before the end of the year so that the office can complete a summary report. If you need a form, contact Rachel in the OY&YAM, rflasco@youngstowndiocese.org or 330-744-8451, ext. 279.

4. Stark County Young Adults

Parishes in Stark County are working together with the Knights of Columbus on a collaborative Young Adult Ministry (ages 18-30), called TGIF, To Gather in Faith, which will kick off on **Friday, January 11**, 6:00-8:00 p.m. at the K of C Hall, 601 Cleveland Avenue, N., with Resolution for 2008: "Resolve to be Involved: Make Church an even bigger priority in your life." The event will include music, food, and fellowship as well as a presentation and discussion led by Cindee Case, Director of Youth & Young Adult Ministry. For more information please contact Bonnie Buzenski at 330-494-2759 or email bbuzenski@littleflowerparish.com.

5. Diocesan Mass for Young Adults

Bishop George V. Murry, S.J. will celebrate Mass with young adults of the diocese at 7:00 p.m. on **Wednesday, February 27, 2008** at St. Charles Parish in Boardman. A social will follow. All Catholics in their 20s and 30s are invited to join in the celebration. For copies of the flyer or for further information, please contact Cindee, ccase@youngstowndiocese.org or 330-744-8451, ext. 280.

PROGRAMS & RETREATS

Villa Maria Retreat Center, Villa Maria, PA (724-964-8920, ext. 3331)

Dec. 1 & 2, 8 & 9	Crèche Display Free will offering	1-5 pm
Dec. 4	Coffee & Contemplation "A Winter Reflection" Registration required	9:30-11:30 am Cost: \$7; \$15 w/lunch

MISCELLANEOUS

1. Our Lady of Guadalupe Mass

On **Tuesday, December 11**, Bishop George V. Murry, S.J., will celebrate a 7:00 p.m. Vigil Mass in honor of Our Lady of Guadalupe, Patroness of the Americas, at St. Columba Cathedral, located on the corner of Wood and Elm Streets in Youngstown. The Mass will be celebrated bilingually in Spanish and English, with a Mexican Mariachi band providing the music. Those attending are welcome to bring roses to present to the image of Our Lady of Guadalupe. Mass will be followed by a reception in St. Columba Hall, during which the Mariachi band will continue to provide entertainment. This event is sponsored by Santa Rosa de Lima Parish.

2. Sacrament of Reconciliation

St. Dominic Church, 77 E. Lucius Avenue in Youngstown, will provide opportunities for the Sacrament of Reconciliation during Advent on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 11:15 a.m.-11:45 a.m.

3. Youth 2000

Young people ages 13-30 are invited to a Youth 2000 Retreat, **February 15-17** at Queen of Heaven Parish in Green, Ohio. The challenging message of World Youth Day 2000 in Rome is being spread throughout the United States by an initiative called Youth 2000, responding to the call of Popes Benedict XVI and John Paul II to enable young people to live and proclaim the Gospel. This is an opportunity to gather with other young people for an uplifting weekend of prayer, adoration, singing and learning about our Catholic Faith. For more information call 330-499-1064. Registration forms are available at www.protectus.com/retreat.pdf.

4. USCCB Advisories

a. The Archdiocese of Newark had advised its concerns regarding Fr. Richard Mieliwocki, a priest of the Archdiocese on administrative leave from ministry since 1994, and barred from the exercise of priestly duties, wearing clerical garb or presenting himself as a priest in good standing. The Archdiocese is concerned that Fr. Mieliwocki might present himself at other dioceses, parishes, or schools seeking employment or a volunteer position. Contact the Vicar General at doranj@rcan.org or 937-497-4002.

b. The Diocese of Fairbanks has advised its concerns regarding Fr. Vincent Chimezie, SMMM, a missionary priest from Nigeria, who until recently was in ministry there. Fr Chimezie left the state and requested to be relieved of his assignments and responsibilities. The diocese advises caution in dealing with him. Further info: Bp. Donald Kettler, 907-374-9520.

IN MEMORIAM

	<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. Matthew Herttna</i>	13/06
<i>Rev. George R. Bobal</i>	14/51
<i>Rev. Cyril 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

