



Communiqué

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CHANCERY OFFICE

1. CLERGY NOTES

Rev. Vincent Freeh, MSC	Associate pastor, St. Mary and St. Paul Parishes, Canton Effective August 1, 2006
Rev. James Sullivan, OP	Administrator, St. Dominic Parish, Youngstown Effective July 1, 2006

2. CONFIRMATION

The Confirmation schedule for October, 2006 - January, 2007 is included with this issue of *Communiqué*. The remainder of the schedule will be completed at a later date. Please keep in mind that the schedule may change upon the appointment of a new bishop.

3. CHURCH AT HOME COMBINED COLLECTION

The Church at Home Combined Collection was taken in our parishes the weekend of June 3/4, 2006. Parishes are asked to submit the proceeds of this collection as soon as possible, so that we may forward the diocesan collection to the national offices in time for the national collection dates.

4. CHILD PROTECTION POLICY

Requirements Reminders

1. Fingerprinting - In-Service - Questionnaire

All employees and volunteers who work with children must be fingerprinted by Webcheck 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. When we receive BCI reports for persons not yet in our data base we cannot identify them, and compliance cannot be credited.

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.

5. **CTNY**

Log onto the CTNY website at www.doy.org for program information and more.

A. Programming on the Ecumenical Channel

1. Honor America - Aired **July 2**, 8:30 a.m. and **July 3**, 8:30 p.m.
Patriotic music special featuring the Mormon Tabernacle Choir and Orchestra at Temple Square
2. America the Beautiful - Aired **July 9**, 8:30 a.m. and **July 10**, 8:30 p.m.
Patriotic music special featuring the Mormon Tabernacle Choir and Orchestra at Temple Square

B. Wineskins Highlights for July

Sunday Mornings: Aired WKBN 570 AM, 7:30 a.m.; WILB 1060 AM, 9:00 a.m.

- July 2:** Fr. J. James Korda, pastor of St. Rose Parish in Girard, will discuss aspects of the upcoming parish festival at St. Rose.
- July 9:** Marilyn Choppa of St. Patrick Parish in Hubbard will discuss St. Patrick's Parish festival, which she co-chairs.
- July 16:** The last three weeks in July, Fr. John-Michael Lavelle will interview various seminarians about their vocation.
- July 23:** Fran Amer, director of the Office of Worship, will share with us some information pertinent to our weekly celebration of the liturgy.
- July 30:** Lou Jacquet, editor/general manager of the Catholic Exponent, will talk about the paper.

Fr. Robert Miller will reflect on the Sunday Scriptures for the month of July; and Jeremiah Blaylock from St. Patrick Parish in Youngstown will tell us about the saints of the month.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES SERVICES

1. **CATHOLIC CHARITIES CORPORATION**

A. Catholic Charities Launches Legal Immigration Services

Catholic Charities now offers professional legal immigration services at the following three sites in the Diocese of Youngstown:

206 West Main Street
 Ravenna, OH 44266
 (second floor of Catholic Charities of Portage County's Riddle Block 9 building)

Catholic Charities of Ashtabula County
 4200 Park Avenue – 3rd Floor
 Ashtabula, OH 44004

Catholic Charities of Stark County
 3112 Cleveland Avenue NW
 Canton, OH 44709

Office hours for each location are by appointment. Individuals in need of assistance should call the direct Catholic Charities Legal Immigration Services line at 866-901-3700.

The primary goal of Catholic Charities Legal Immigration Services is to provide legal services to individuals in need of assistance with family-based immigration. A nominal fee is charged for services; however, no one will be denied assistance due to inability to pay.

The staff of Catholic Charities Legal Immigration Services includes qualified lawyers with knowledge of immigration law and bi-lingual intake specialists trained to provide assistance during the initial interview process and to serve as interpreters as needed.

If you have any questions about this new service, contact Naomi Hokky, Supervising Attorney, at 866-901-3700, or Meg Andersen, President and CEO of the Diocese of Youngstown Catholic Charities Corporation, at 330-744-8451, ext. 315.

B. First Step for Change

Parishes are asked to conclude their First Step for Change campaigns the weekend of **July 1-2, 2006**. All funds and bottles are to be returned to the nearest Catholic Charities service site by July 14. Call Shellie Sabel at 330-744-8451, ext. 322 to request a pick-up at your parish.

In order to cut down on costs for next year, please return all of the bottles issued to your parish. The more bottles we get back this year, the less we have to purchase next year.

Thank you for your cooperation and support. We are confident that the 2006 First Step for Change effort will be our most successful to date!

C. Voice of Hope Sponsorship Opportunities Now Available

Catholic Charities offers a variety of sponsorship and underwriting levels for its 2006 Voice of Hope Dinner. Parishes, schools and other Catholic institutions are asked to consider purchasing an ad in support of this year's Voice of Hope Honorees:

Mr. D. Joseph Fleming (Holy Family Parish, Poland)	-- Individual Award
Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Youngstown	-- Parish Award
St. Vincent De Paul Society, St. Patrick Parish, Leetonia	-- Institution Award

Call Shellie Sabel at 330-744-8451, ext. 322 for a copy of the "Sponsorship Opportunities" brochure or for additional information.

2. OFFICE OF SOCIAL ACTION

A. Operation Helping Hands - Catholic Charities, Archdiocese of New Orleans

For information about helping rehabilitation of storm damaged housing in New Orleans, please call Rick Walker, 330-744-8451 at Catholic Charities/DOY.

B. Operation Rice Bowl and CCHD Applications: Due August 1, 2006

Local Operation Rice Bowl monies are available for groups or organizations which provide food distribution for those in need. Applications for other than food distribution will not be considered.

Local Catholic Campaign for Human Development grant applications are also available to fund groups of low income persons engaging in social change. For an application contact Brian Corbin (bcorbin@youngstowndiocese.org) or George Garchar (ggarchar@youngstowndiocese.org) or call 330-744-8451.

C. Justice for Immigrants Campaign: Website and Up-Coming Conference at Walsh University

The US Congress and many state governments, along with the Church, continue to debate, discuss, educate and review current legislation and social policy pertaining to immigration. For updated information on current legislation, Church teachings and ministry ideas, see the USCCB website, Justice for Immigrants, at <http://www.justiceforimmigrants.org/>.

D. Up-Coming Conference at Walsh University

Hold this date! On **September 14, 2006**, the Catholic Consortium of Stark County, along with the Social Action Office of the Diocese of Youngstown and the Northeast Ohio Synod (Lutheran), will sponsor a symposium entitled "*Immigration: Should the Church be Involved.*" The evening includes dinner, musical entertainment and the migration dialogue. The cost is \$30 per person. Bishop Gerald Barnes of the Diocese of San Bernadino and Chairman of the USCCB Committee on Migration, and an immigration specialist [tba] representing the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, will provide the discussion. If you have general questions regarding immigration call the Office of Social Action at 330-744-8451. For information about this event call St. Joseph Care Center at 330-875-5562.

E. Immigration Resource Now Available for Parishes

An eye-catching and informational portable display board (app. 48" x 36") "The Stories Behind the Statistics;" a 28-minute video by the University of Notre Dame: "Dying to Live: a Migrants Journey;" and a study guide for the video are now available for use by parishes and parish-based groups. You may reserve, pick up, and return this educational resource by calling Catholic Charities of Stark County, 3112 Cleveland Avenue, N.W., Canton, 44709, 330-491-0896. These materials were produced by the Catholic Consortium of Stark County.

CLERGY AND RELIGIOUS SERVICES

1. OFFICE OF VOCATIONS

A. Priesthood Ordination

Shawn Conoboy, a diocesan seminarian in his fourth year of Theology at the Pontifical North American College in Rome, will be ordained a priest on **Saturday, July 29, 2006** at St. Columba Cathedral, Youngstown. The Ordination Mass will begin at 10:30 a.m.

B. In Need of Pictures

The Office of Vocations is in the process of building graphic files for a Vocation Website. We are looking for good quality pictures of priests, religious, seminarians, or women and men in formation showing them "in action" (e.g. praying, ministering to various needs, administering the sacraments, studying, etc.). Pictures can be in electronic or print format. Please email or send to lwehrlin@youngstowndiocese.org or Office of Vocations, 144 W. Wood St., Youngstown, OH 44503.

DEVELOPMENT/STEWARDSHIP

2006 Appeal for Catholic Charities and Church

As of June 16, \$2,334,669.95, or 65% of our goal of \$3.6 million has been committed by 18,512 donors. This Appeal is necessary to meet the current 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.

PASTORAL AND EDUCATIONAL SERVICES

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

A. Silent Prayer Vigil for Death Row Inmates

"Loved Ones of Prisoners" extends an invitation to participate in silent prayer vigils, to be held from 2:00-3:30 p.m. on **Sunday, July 16 and Sunday, July 23**. The vigils will be held across from the Ohio State Penitentiary, 878 Coitsville-Hubbard Road in Youngstown. For more information please contact Ruth Group of the organization "Loved Ones of Prisoners" at 330-793-0140. For a current list of scheduled executions in Ohio visit http://opd.ohio.gov/dp/dp_exe_schedule.htm.

B. Love, Naturally

Natural Family Planning Awareness Week is **July 23-29**. For resources and ideas for celebrating God's vision of married life and love, contact the Office of Pro-Life, Marriage and Family Ministry. Please see the enclosed insert for more information.

C. Day of Prayer and Recollection

Save this date! A Day of Prayer and Recollection for Diocesan Natural Family Planning Ministry will be held on **Saturday, September 20, 2006**. More details will follow.

D. Key Votes on Abortion and Death/Dying 2005

The National Committee for a Human Life Amendment has published a 20-page booklet that summarizes important pro-life issues debated in Congress in 2005 and lists how members of Congress voted. For a free copy of the voting records, please contact the Office of Pro-Life, Marriage and Family Ministry at 330-744-8451.

E. Pro-Life/Family Intercessions and Bulletin Messages

Recommended pro-life intercessions and bulletin announcements for parish use, prepared by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops Secretariat for Pro-Life Activities, are included with this issue of *Communique*.

2. OFFICE OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

A. Summer Formation Opportunities

- (1) Catholic Belief and Tradition **Mondays, June 12-July 31** (no session July 5)
Religious Education Certification Hours: 20 CBT

Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Parish
1200 East 21st Street, Ashtabula
Instructors: Sr. Laurie Divoky, SND; Sr. Helen Peter, SND;
Sr. Mary Agnes O'Malley, SND; Maureen Smith
Contact: Sr. Laurie Divoky, 440-998-4111

- (2) St. Dominic Parish in Youngstown is offering two adult faith formation courses this summer under the facilitation of four Dominican Brothers: Dominic Legge, Thomas Petri, Ezra Sullivan and Louis Senzig.

Catholicism 101 **Mondays, June 5-July 24** 7:00-8:30 p.m.
Unlocking the Treasures of the Bible **Thursdays, June 8-July 27** 7:00-8:30 p.m.

Location: St. Dominic Parish Center
St. Thomas Aquinas Hall

Religious Education Certification hours may be acquired by participants in the sessions.

B. RCIA Formation Opportunities

The Offices of Worship and Religious Education have planned the annual gathering for RCIA teams to be held on **Wednesday, August 23, 2006**. Please mark your calendars now and invite your team members to join you!

St. Michael the Archangel Parish, Canton OR Blessed Sacrament Parish, Warren
7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

The North American Forum on the Catechumenate and the Diocese of Toledo will be sponsoring The Initiation Experience: Beginnings Plus, **September 21-24, 2006**, in Findlay, Ohio. The early bird registration deadline is June 21, 2006. For additional information visit www.naforum.org or call 202-884-9758.

C. Catechetical Sunday: September 17, 2006 "Who Do You Say That I Am?"

The USCCB Department of Education annually provides for the celebration of Catechetical Sunday by offering a theme and a parish kit. This year's theme, "Who Do You Say That I Am?" will be featured in evangelization and catechesis efforts of the Office of Religious Education. Catechetical Sunday planning kits are available from the Office of Religious Education at \$13.50 each plus shipping, if applicable.

D. Scriptural Prayer for Ordinary Time Summer 2006

An order of service for Ordinary Time Sunday Gospels Year B Summer 2006 based on the *lectio divina* method of scriptural prayer 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 is also available on the DOY website scroll.

E. Gift Books Available

The Office of Religious Education has a number of quality gift books that may be purchased through the office. Please feel free to visit us, or phone if you're interested.

- Borchard, Therese J. and Leach, Michael. I Like Being Catholic Treasured Traditions, Rituals, and Stories. NewYork: Doubleday, 2000. Hardcover, \$18.00
- Pope John Paul II. Celebrate 2000! A Three Year Reader on Jesus, The Holy Spirit, and the Father. Ann Arbor: Servant Publications, 1996. Hardcover, \$2.00.
- Tobin, Thomas J. Without A Doubt. Steubenville:Emmaus Road Publishing Paperback, \$10.00
- Walsh, Sr. Mary Ann, RSM, ed. John Paul II: A Light for the World, Essays and Reflections on the Life of John Paul II. Washington: USCCB, 2003. Hardcover, \$30.00

F. Parish Ministers Employment

Pastors who are considering hiring additional or new parish ministers for pastoral ministry, youth ministry or religious education are asked to contact Barbara Walko for assistance. Positions available will be posted to qualified persons, and pastors will receive help in screening individuals, creation of suitable position descriptions and other services.

The recent USCCB pastoral statement, Co-Workers in the Vineyard and the National Directory for Catechesis, USCCB, 2005 underscore the importance of the parish minister in the life of the community. The National Directory for Catechesis states: "The single most critical factor in an effective parish catechetical program is the leadership of the professionally trained catechetical leader." (p. 224)

G. 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.

3. OFFICE OF WORSHIP

A. Pray for the Newly Ordained

On **Saturday, July 29, 2006**, Rev. Mr. Shawn Conoboy will be ordained a priest for the Diocese of Youngstown. Please consider including an intercession for Shawn and all our clergy that weekend:

For Father Shawn Conoboy who was ordained a priest for the Diocese of Youngstown this weekend, and for all our priests, that they may be blessed in their ministry, we pray to the Lord...

B. RCIA Teams

The annual gatherings for RCIA teams will be held on Wednesday evening, **August 23, 2006** from 7:00-9:00 p.m. at St. Michael Parish, Canton and Blessed Sacrament Parish, Warren. Brochures will be mailed in July to RCIA contact persons.

C. Leader of Prayer Formation Series

The Office of Worship will sponsor an eight-week series for the formation of Leaders of Prayer. Those taking part will be instructed in the verbal and non-verbal elements of presiding as outlined in the diocesan document, *Gathered in Steadfast Faith*. The series is open to those discerned for this ministry by their pastor. The sessions will begin on Monday, **September 11, 2006** at St. James Parish, North Jackson, from 7:00-9:15 p.m., and continue each Monday **through November 13**, with the exception of October 9. The fee for the series is \$60. Registration information will be mailed to pastors and Spiritual Life and Worship chairpersons. For more information, call the Office of Worship at 330-744-8451, ext. 304.

4. OFFICE OF YOUTH AND YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

A. Invitation for Youth Ministry Leaders

The National Association of Catholic Youth Ministry Leaders (NACYML) invites you to join the one and only professional association geared solely for Catholic Youth Ministry Leaders. NACYML, which was launched in December of 2004, would like you to be part of this 400+ member network. Membership privileges include a one-day membership gathering at NCCYM in which members learn and discuss how to do good ministry while staying healthy, a quarterly newsletter with articles that speak of the latest and best trends in youth ministry, and a "members only" website with discussion boards and more. Also, since this association is still in its infancy, members have the opportunity to shape its future. For more information, and/or to sign up, go to: www.nacyml.org.

B. 2006 Diocesan Youth Convention

Mark your calendars for the Diocesan Youth Convention, **Sunday, November 12, 2006**, at Cardinal Mooney High School in Youngstown. The theme is "Brick By Brick: Build Your Life on Christ." Encourage your youth, grades 9-12, to participate in this day which will include keynote speakers, workshops, interactive activities and Mass with Msgr. Siffrin. Look for more information in the July issue of *The COMPASS*.

PROGRAMS & RETREATS

A. *Catechism 101*

The Dominican Friars invite you to a series of evenings exploring the core principles of our faith and current issues confronting us in today's world. The evenings will be held on **Mondays, July 3, 10, 17, and 24**, from 7:00-8:30 p.m. at St. Dominic Parish Center, 77 E. Lucius Avenue, Youngstown. Topics to be discussed include: "Decisions at the End of Life," "When is War Just?" "Sex, Love, and Happiness," and "Creation, Evolution, Science and Faith." Office of Religious Education Certification Hours are available. For more information contact St. Dominic Church at 330-783-1900.

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

Aug. 6-13	Land Retreat: Continuity between Soil and Life Registration due: July 20	7 pm Sun.-brkfst. Sun Cost: \$325
Aug. 6-13	Directed Retreat Registration due: July 20	7 pm Sun.-brkfst. Sun Cost: \$355
Aug. 13-20	Art Retreat: Mandalas and Prayer Registration due: July 27	7 pm Sun.-brkfst. Sun. Cost: \$325
Aug. 13-20	Directed Retreat Registration due: July 27	7 pm Sun.-brkfst Sun. Cost: \$355

MISCELLANEOUS

A. Pilgrimages

1. Day of Prayer

Join Msgr. Michael Cariglio for

A Day of Prayer for Vocations and Religious Life
to Our Lady of Consolation Honoring Mary Assumed into Heaven in Carey, Ohio
Wednesday, August 2

departing from Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church, Youngstown at 6:00 a.m., returning at 7:00 p.m. Cost: \$28 per person.

For additional information call Linda Tedde, 744-8451, ext. 252, or Sutton's Motorcoach Tours, 330-726-2800.

2. Diocesan Pilgrimage

August 12-24, 2006
European Shrines & Footsteps of Pope John Paul II
Msgr. John Zuraw, Spiritual Director

13 day trip includes: Poland, Slovakia, Hungary, Austria & Czech Republic. Sightseeing in private air-conditioned motor coaches, services of professional tour escort, daily Mass, airport hotel transfers, tips and taxes, baggage handling. Cleveland departure \$2900, Pittsburgh departure \$2822, includes taxes and fuel surcharge. Optional travel insurance add \$139. For more information call Linda Tedde at 330-744-8451, ext. 252.

B. USCCB Notice

The Diocese of Las Cruces has advised the USCCB of concerns regarding two individuals claiming to be priests and administering sacraments. Eduardo Loya and Damasio Ruiz claim to record sacraments in churches in the Diocese of Ciudad Juarez or the Archdiocese of Chihuahua, Mexico. The Diocese of Las Cruces has reason to believe they may be traveling to other dioceses. Contact Elizabeth Grinnel, Chancellor of the Diocese of Las Cruces, 505-523-7577.

IN MEMORIAM

	<u>July</u>
<i>Rev. Joseph Palermo</i>	3/79
<i>Rev. Michael Coan</i>	4/46
<i>Rev. Paul J. Sikora</i>	5/44
<i>Rev. William E. Martin</i>	6/66
<i>Rev. Walter P. Alger, OP</i>	9/84
<i>Rev. Edward Goodwin</i>	10/47
<i>Rev. Aloysius J. Rzendarski</i>	10/78
<i>Rev. Sylvan Laszlo, OFM</i>	10/87
<i>Rev. Ignatius J. Piotrowski</i>	15/57
<i>Rev. Joseph Petsche</i>	18/44
<i>Rev. Adolph J. Bernas</i>	19/79
<i>Deacon Felipe Colon</i>	20/05
<i>Rev. Joseph C. Pino, OP</i>	21/58
<i>Rev. Anthony M. Bachowski</i>	21/87
<i>Rt. Rev. Msgr. Joseph Galganski</i>	22/92
<i>Rev. Sylvester Hartman, CPPS</i>	23/53
<i>Rev. Henry R. Lileas</i>	23/84
<i>Rev. Andrew A. Crehan</i>	24/64
<i>Rev. Sylvester Kaminski</i>	26/03
<i>Rt. Rev. Msgr. William Murphy</i>	26/67
<i>Rev. Allen M. Simpson</i>	28/68
<i>Rev. Clement Stopka, OCD</i>	28/80
<i>Rev. Lawrence Biro, OFM</i>	29/46
<i>Rev. William D. Moriarty, OP</i>	29/90
<i>Rev. Otto Brachman, CPPS</i>	30/64
<i>Rev. John F. Behan, OP</i>	30/52
<i>Rev. Fred C. Nachtigal</i>	30/05
<i>Rev. Francis A. Fox, OP</i>	31/54

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