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CHANCERY OFFICE

Rest in Peace
Reverend Daniel Venglarik † May 3, 2007

1. CHURCH AT HOME COMBINED COLLECTION

The Church at Home Combined Collection will be taken in our parishes the weekend of **June 2-3, 2007**. This collection benefits the Catholic Campaign for Human Development, Catholic Communications Campaign, and Catholic University and Newman Apostolate. Twenty-five percent of CCHD and 50% of CCC remains in our diocese. Parishes have received promotional materials. Please be generous to this collection which takes the place of three separate collections.

2. INSTALLATION VIDEO

Copies of Bishop Murry's Installation video are still available. Please see the order form in the May *Communique*, or send orders with name, mailing address and check payable to Diocese of Youngstown to: Installation Video, 144 W. Wood Street, Youngstown, OH 44503. \$25 for the 2-set DVD; \$20 for VHS

3. PARISH FESTIVALS

Because many parishes submitted their festival information after the May *Communique* was published, an updated list is included with this issue of *Communique*. Support our parishes and have fun at the same time!

4. COMMUNIQUE SUBSCRIPTION

Enclosed is the annual subscription form for mailed copies of *Communique*. Clergy and Religious will continue to receive a complimentary mailed copy and do not need to subscribe. *Communique* is always available free of charge on our website, www.doy.org, where you can also subscribe to a free email subscription which will automatically be sent each month to the email address you provide.

5. CHILD PROTECTION POLICY

A. Webcheck (BCI) Reports - Important Notice

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.

The Chancery is holding several fingerprint reports for persons whom we are unable to identify because they did not follow this procedure. If your parish or school is missing a report please call Nancy Yuhasz at the Chancery Office, 330-744-8451.

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

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.

CANONICAL SERVICES

In-Service

Since May of 2004, the Tribunal staff has made available an ongoing, in-service for pastors, associates, deacons, religious, directors of religious education, religious education coordinators and counselors in order to prepare them in facilitating pleas for nullity for persons within the community whose marriages have broken down and who may be seeking a second union recognized by the Church. The in-service focuses on preparation of case histories, compilation of documents, witnesses and determining of the appropriate grounds of nullity.

Nine sessions have been held since the inception of the program and more than 80 registrants have had the opportunity to participate. Size of the in-service is in small groups of between 8-12 participants and generally runs approximately two hours. The in-service is offered at either the offices of the Tribunal of the Diocese of Youngstown or at a parish in the Canton area.

Currently the Tribunal is in need of several more registrants to schedule one of their in-service programs in the Canton area. The Tribunal will be contacting any remaining registrants who are on file and who have been unable to attend prior sessions. Interested parties who have not already registered or who need a "refresher" at either the Tribunal in Youngstown or the Canton area location should call the Tribunal at 330-744-8451, ext. 252 and have their names placed on the list for any future in-services.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES SERVICES

1. **CATHOLIC CHARITIES CORPORATION**

A. First Step for Change is Underway

To date, 37 parishes are participating in this year's First Step for Change campaign. This annual event, sponsored by the Diocesan Office of Pro-Life, Marriage and Family Ministry and Catholic Charities, provides refillable plastic baby bottles for participating parish families to take home, fill with spare change, and return to church the weekend of June 2-3, 2007. Funds collected are used to

provide material assistance - such as food, formula, diapers, clothing and other essential items - to those pregnant women and families with young children served by Catholic Charities. Last year, 40 parishes raised over \$30,000.

If any parishes are still interested in participating in this year's First Step for Change effort, contact Shellie Sabel at 330-744-8451, ext. 322.

B. Regional Agency's Men Who Cook Event a Success

On Friday, April 13, 2007, Catholic Charities Regional Agency hosted its 2nd Annual Men Who Cook fundraiser at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Hall, Youngstown. With so many delicious dishes to choose from it was difficult to decide on one favorite, but the guests found one in particular that captured their taste buds. Fr. Jim Korda and Fr. Tom Eisweirth defended their People's Choice championship with "Amouse Bouche," a delicious appetizer, and took the top prize for the second year in a row.

Thanks to the dedication and hard work of the chiefs, judges, co-chairs, volunteers, and planning committee, Catholic Charities was able to raise more than \$21,000 for the agency's emergency assistance program. Thank you for supporting this fun event.

2. OFFICE OF SOCIAL ACTION

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

Local *Operation Rice Bowl* monies are available for groups or organizations that provide food distribution to people in need.

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 either Brian Corbin (bcorbin@youngstowndiocese.org) or George Garchar (ggarchar@youngstowndiocese.org) at 330-744-8451.

B. Catholic Social Teaching/Immigration

If your parish, school or group would like to have a speaker on immigration and Catholic social teachings, the Office of Social Action has a 25-30 minute Power Point presentation and speakers on the ready. Contact either Brian Corbin (bcorbin@youngstowndiocese.org) or George Garchar (ggarchar@youngstowndiocese.org) at 330-744-8451.

CLERGY AND RELIGIOUS SERVICES

OFFICE OF CHURCH VOCATIONS

Priesthood Ordination

Bishop George V. Murry, S.J., will ordain to the priesthood Rev. Mr. Matthew Albright on **Saturday, June 2, 2007** at 10:30 a.m. at St. Columba Cathedral. You are cordially invited to attend. Please keep Deacon Albright in your prayers as he continues his preparation for priesthood.

DEVELOPMENT/STEWARDSHIP

1. 2007 Appeal for Catholic Charities and Church

As of May 9, \$1,593,682, or 44%, of our goal of \$3.6 million has been committed by 8,286 donors to our 2007 Appeal for Catholic Charities and Church. We are off to a great start for our 2007 Appeal. 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.

2. Mark the Date for "A Day of Reflection on Stewardship"

Presented in a day session and a repeat evening session.

Date: **September 25, 2007**
 Times/Locations: Day Session - Noon -- St. Vincent De Paul Parish in Vienna
 Evening Session - 6:00 pm -- St. Louis Parish in Louisville
 Presenter: Father Steve Dohner

Presented by the Diocesan Stewardship Commission.

3. Stewardship Bulletin Inserts

Stewardship bulletin inserts for June and July are included with this issue of *Communique*.

PASTORAL AND EDUCATIONAL SERVICES

1. OFFICE OF CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

A. Congratulations, Graduates

Congratulations to our eighth and 12th grade graduates. We wish our students they very best as they continue their journey to high school, the various universities and/or prospective careers. May the good Lord bless each and every one of them in their future endeavors.

B. High School Graduation Dates

Central Catholic High School	Thursday, May 24
John F. Kennedy High School	Thursday, May 24
Saints John & Paul High School	Friday, June 1
Cardinal Mooney High School	Saturday, June 2
St. Thomas Aquinas High School	Saturday, June 2
Ursuline High School	Saturday, June 2

C. Trumbull County Catholic Schools Endowment Fund

On May 15, the Board of Trustees of the Trumbull County Catholic Schools Endowment Fund awarded a total of \$75,000 from the Values and Vision Program to the following schools: Our Lady of Mount Carmel, St. Stephen, SS. Mary and Joseph, Notre Dame School and John F. Kennedy High School.

Since the beginning of distribution from the fund in 1991, the schools have received \$1,170,480. The present officers of the Board are: Robert Heltzel, President, Jeffrey Rossi, Vice President, David Biviano, Secretary/Treasurer.

For further information contact Dr. Michael Skube, Superintendent, Office of Catholic Schools (330) 744-8451.

D. Technology In-service

As part of administrator staff development provided through the Office of Catholic Schools, Jeff Good and Dave Benson from PBS 45/49 conducted in-service for administrators and school technology coordinators. The focus of the April meeting was on new trends in technology and their application to the classroom environment to support student learning. This in-service was a follow up to the March meeting where the same two presenters spoke on technology planning. The two presentations are part of the benefits our schools enjoy through their comprehensive membership in PBS 45/49.

E. Elementary and Secondary School Tuition Assistance in Our Diocesan Schools

2007/2008 will be the eighth academic year for tuition assistance grants from the Diocesan Scholarship Fund. When distributions for the coming year are added to the history of grants from 2000/2001, the total is well in excess of one half million dollars. Nearly 1,400 grants have been made to qualifying students. Annually, the applications submitted by families are processed through an objective third party (Private School Aid Service) to determine financial need. All applicants are then ranked according to their need by diocese and by local school. In the first round of awards the most needy applicant from each school is served. Then, after the most needy are removed from the ranked diocesan list, the awarding of grants continues from the top of the list until available funds are depleted.

One of the benefits of having all applications for assistance flow through Private School Aid Service is that their computer database allows us to know the real financial need of the applying families. The 400 applicants for tuition assistance for the 2007/2008 term documented a financial assistance need of \$320,000.00. This is the amount of money that is required to fill the gap between what a family can afford and the tuition charged. The available funds will meet less than half of that need. All of the applicants will receive less than they need and some will go unserved for a lack of assistance funds. Our local parish and school based assistance efforts aid in filling the gap. The verified information we have from Private School Aid Service identifies our limitations but it also sets assistance goals for the diocese and our individual schools.

Dr. Nicholas Wolsonovich, former Superintendent of Diocesan Schools, in memory of his wife Mary Ellen Cushwa Wolsonovich, began the Diocesan Scholarship Fund. The endowed funds, up to now, have mainly been those donated in memory of Mary Ellen. The 2007/2008 awards will be supported in part by funds generated by the Catholic School Tuition Assistance Grants portion of the recent Diocesan Capital Campaign. In their 2005 document on Catholic Schools (Renewing Our Commitment) the United States Catholic Bishops have called for Catholic Schools to be "available, accessible and affordable". The partnerships we are able to forge between the sacrifice of parents and the resources of our tuition assistance grants are critical to meeting the challenge of "affordability". We are all grateful for the generosity of those who step forward to in support of the Diocesan Scholarship Fund.

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

A. First Step for Change

The First Step for Change project concludes on **June 3**. Many thanks to participating parishes and parish organizations for a successful pro-life activity. Please see the Catholic Charities section above for assistance with returning baby bottles and procedures.

B. Life: A Gift of Married Love

Natural Family Planning Awareness Week will be celebrated **July 22-28**. Teaching couples, sponsor couples and others involved in marriage preparation ministry can access program materials online at <http://www.usccb.org/prolife/issues/nfp/> or call 866-582-0943 or contact the Office of Pro-Life, Marriage and Family at 330-744-8451.

C. “God’s Plan” Engaged Retreat Day

Diocesan-sponsored one-day marriage preparation retreat day for engaged couples will be held on **August 18** at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, Youngstown; **September 15** at St. Ambrose Parish, Garrettsville; and **October 27** at Walsh University, Canton. Ideal for engaged couples and all involved in parish marriage preparation. Advance registration required. To register, visit www.doy.org or call the Office of Pro-Life, Marriage and Family.

D. Project Rachel Post Abortion Healing

Post-abortion counseling represents a means to receive the healing grace of peace. For a confidential referral to a priest or licensed Project Rachel counselor, contact the Office of Pro-Life, Marriage and Family or call 1-800-5we-care.

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 in this issue of *Communique*.

3. OFFICE OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

A. Directory for Catechesis 2007 Updates

The Office of Religious Education distributed the 2007 Updates for the Diocesan Directory for Catechesis at the Parish Ministers Meeting held on Thursday, May 20, 2007. Pastors should receive their updates from their parish minister. If no one was able to attend from your parish, please contact the Office of Religious Education to make arrangements for pick up or delivery.

B. Parish Minister Folders Summer 2007

Parish Ministers unable to attend the May 10, 2007 meeting are advised to make arrangements to receive their materials as soon as possible. Folder contents included information from many diocesan offices and the Office of Youth and Young Adult Ministry and the Office of Religious Education. Please note the calendar items, order forms, and report forms included in the folder.

Library and Media Center Membership Enrollment new date: July 1, 2007.

Adult Faith Formation Report due July 31, 2007.

End of the Year Summary Evaluation Form for all programs and processes due July 31, 2007.

Materials for Catechetical Sunday order form to be returned in preparation for September 16, 2007.

Program Personnel Updates due September 30, 2007.

Parish Catechetical Report due October 31, 2007.

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

The required inservice for persons serving with children and youth as employees or volunteers will be held at the following locations. Please call in advance to make reservations and ensure that handouts are prepared.

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| ▶ Tuesday, June 5, 2007
Our Lady of Perpetual Help
Aurora | 7:30-9:30 pm
Karen Yash
330-562-8519 |
| ▶ Wednesday, June 6, 2007
Little Flower Parish
Middlebranch | 7:00-9:00 pm
Dave Schmidt
330-494-2759 |
| ▶ Tuesday, August 7, 2007
Diocesan Conference Room
Youngstown | 1:30-3:30 pm
Diocesan Staff
330-744-8451, ext. 302 |

D. Adult Faith Formation Opportunities

First Friday Club of Greater Youngstown

Luncheon Speaker Series, Antone's Banquet Center, 11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Thursday, June 7, 2007 "The New E-evangelization: Catholics and the Internet"
Renee LaReau

Thursday, July 12, 2007 "Welcoming the Stranger"
Sr. Toby Lardie, H.M., Program Director, Mexican-American
Cultural Center, San Antonio, Texas

Call for reservations: 330-533-1023

E. LIM Extension (LIMEX) Information Meetings

Sponsored by the Office of Religious Education, Loyola University New Orleans Institute for Ministry offers a graduate degree in religious education or pastoral studies on location in the Diocese of Youngstown (LIMEX). An undergraduate credit option is now available. For more information about this graduate ministry degree/certification program, plan to attend one of the following information meetings:

Tuesday, June 19, 2007
7:00-8:30 pm
St. James Parish Hall
50 Rosemont Road, North Jackson
330-538-2602
Barrier Free Access

Thursday, June 21, 2007
7:00-8:30 pm
Ursuline Center, Conference Room C/D
4280 Shields Road, Canfield
330-799-4941
Barrier Free Access

F. Annual Gathering for Initiation Ministers

Please mark your calendars for the inservice for those who minister in the RCIA process. "Receiving the Baptized" presented by Eliot Kapitan, Diocese of Springfield, Illinois. Brochures will be available.

Monday, August 13, 2007 9:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.
St. Michael Parish, Canfield 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

G. Parish Minister Positions

Pastors hoping to hire new or additional parish ministers in the areas of pastoral ministry, religious education or youth ministry are asked to contact Barbara Walko for assistance. Available positions are made known to qualified applicants. Initial screening, position descriptions and salary recommendations are also offered to pastors as a means to ensure diocesan guidelines are followed.

H. Tienda Relocated

Under the direction of Sr. Teresa Ann Wolf, OSB, a small tienda (store) was developed at Centro San Jose, Canton, to provide religious articles, reading materials, and Guatemalan/Latino traditional arts and crafts. These items have been relocated to the Office of Religious Education and are available during regular business hours. Persons working with newcomers and pastoral outreach may be interested to learn of the many resources, Spanish and bilingual, in the Office of Religious Education Library. Additionally, select items from SERRV International are also available for purchase.

I. Documents

The Office of Religious Education has copies of current documents of the Church as a service to parishes and individuals who may be interested in purchasing their own copies. Select titles include:

Catechism of the Catholic Church, USCCB, © 2000	\$17.00
Compendium - Catechism of the Catholic Church, USCCB, © 2006	13.50
General Directory for Catechesis, © 1997	17.00
National Directory for Catechesis, © 2005	16.00
U.S. Catholic Catechism for Adults, USCCB, © 2006	21.00

Catechetical Sunday Planning Materials

Catechetical Sunday Kit, "Encountering the Living Christ"	13.50
"Encountering the Living Christ" Catechist Certificate English/Spanish	.50
"Encountering the Living Christ" Family Prayer Cards English/Spanish	.12
"Encountering the Living Christ" Catechist Prayer Cards English/Spanish	.10

J. Scriptural Prayer for Summer Ordinary Time 2007

An order of service based on the *lectio divina* method of scriptural prayer for Sundays in Ordinary Time 2007 Year C 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 DOY website scroll, www.doy.org.

4. OFFICE OF WORSHIP

A. Notre Dame Center for Liturgy Annual Conference

"A Day for the Lord" is the theme for this year's conference to be held **June 11-13, 2007**, at the University of Notre Dame. For more information or a brochure please contact the Worship Office at 330-744-8451.

B. Christian Initiation Teams

The annual August Gathering for Parish RCIA teams will be held **Monday, August 13, 2007**. The day is entitled *Receiving the Baptized*. It will be held at St. Michael Parish, Canfield, from 9:00 a.m. until 3:30 p.m. Eliot Kapitan, director of the Worship Office in Springfield, Illinois and presenter for the North American Forum on the Catechumenate, will be this year's presenter.

This year's event is sponsored by the diocesan Offices of Religious Education and Worship in conjunction with the Christian Initiation Committee of the Diocesan Liturgical Commission. Brochures will be mailed.

5. OFFICE OF YOUTH AND YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

A. National Catholic Youth Conference (NCYC) 2007

A picnic for all NCYC participants and their families is being planned for **Saturday, June 30**. Group leaders will be contacted with information regarding time, place and directions. Encourage everyone to participate in this opportunity to meet other NCYC pilgrims from around the diocese, and to ask questions about the trip. For more information contact Faye at 330-744-8451, ext. 281, or at fabbondanza@youngstowndiocese.org.

B. Orientation Session for Parish Ministers

The Office of Religious Education and the Office of Youth and Young Adult Ministry will sponsor an orientation meeting for new parish ministers, **Tuesday, August 7, 2007** from 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. in the Diocesan Conference Room. Lunch will be provided. Please contact Sandi at 330-744-8451, ext. 302 or sgreco@youngstowndiocese.org for more information or to register.

C. Treasured Gifts from God: Child Protection Inservice

All volunteers and employees of the Diocese of Youngstown must fulfill the requirements of the Diocesan Child Protection Policy. The Office of Religious Education and the Office of Youth and Young Adult Ministry will sponsor a daytime child protection inservice on **Tuesday, August 7, 2007** from 1:30-3:30 p.m. in the Diocesan Conference Room. Please contact Sandi at 330-744-8451, ext. 302 or sgreco@youngstowndiocese.org for more information or to register.

PROGRAMS & RETREATS

1. First Friday Club of Greater Youngstown Monthly Luncheon Series

Please see listing under Office of Religious Education above.

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

July 15-22	Directed Retreat Registration due: June 28	7 pm Sun.-brkfst. Sun. Cost: \$390
July 22-29	Conference Retreat: "The Gospel of Luke, "Gospel of Consolation and Change" Registration due: July 5	7 pm Sun.-brkfst. Sun. Cost: \$360 \$230 commuter rate
July 30-Aug. 5	Directed Retreat Registration due: July 12	7 pm Mon.-brkfst. Sun. Cost: \$355

MISCELLANEOUS

St. Columba Cathedral Restoration

Plans for the restoration of St. Columba Cathedral are proceeding. This includes a planning phase during which time extensive testing of both the Cathedral interior and exterior will take place. Because this will necessitate the use of scaffolding, weddings and other celebrations are being kept to a minimum from June 25, 2007 until August 22, 2007.

The first study phase will then continue from the middle of September until the end of November. During this time, the regular parish weekday and weekend Mass and confession schedule will be maintained. However, with the exception of funerals, other events will be kept at a minimum.

The study/work phase will resume in the interior of the Cathedral on June 15, 2008, lasting until the end of November, 2008. This will allow for the celebrations of Advent, Christmas, Lent and Easter, as well as all of the many diocesan events which normally take place between late November and early June (Rite of Election, Confirmation, Chrism Mass, the Paschal Triduum, Baccalaureates, Ordination and the Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass) to take place as usual. Once we have an idea of exactly what kind of restoration is needed and exactly what that will require, we will be able to offer a more extensive schedule.

In the meantime, please know that we are keeping the weddings of non-parishioners at a minimum. The weddings of Cathedral parishioners scheduled during the study and work phases are being scheduled at neighboring parishes, thanks to the cooperation of their pastors.

IN MEMORIAM

	<u>June</u>
<i>Rev. Joseph J. Elias</i>	1/62
<i>Rev. Thomas D. O'Shaughnessy</i>	3/66
<i>Rev. Anthony Battes</i>	5/51
<i>Rev. Jeffrey Volzer</i>	6/94
<i>Rev. Gregory Scholz, OP</i>	9/46
<i>Rev. Thomas P. Gallagher</i>	11/59
<i>Rev. John A. Stefanic</i>	12/48
<i>Rev. John J. Reichert, OP</i>	13/87
<i>Rev. Vincent Scharff</i>	13/93
<i>Rev. Alphonse A. Konarski</i>	14/61
<i>Rev. Frederick J. Bertram</i>	17/56
<i>Rev. William Dillon, OP</i>	18/74
<i>Rev. John C. Welsch</i>	21/01
<i>Rev. Anthony Lang</i>	22/68
<i>Rev. Paul J. Dehnke</i>	23/73
<i>Rev. Kenneth Beznoska, MSC</i>	27/96
<i>Rev. Alexander Krupa, OFM</i>	27/02
<i>Rev. Emil S. Kalafut</i>	28/66
<i>Rev. James G. Joyce, OP</i>	28/79
<i>Rev. Henry C. Gallagher</i>	28/90
<i>Rev. Henry Post, CPPS</i>	30/67