

ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO



OFFICE FOR RELIGIOUS



The Mission of the Office for Religious is to assist the Archbishop in his ministry to religious and other consecrated persons who live and serve in the Archdiocese of Chicago. The Office provides pastoral services to them as well as being a vehicle for communication and administrative support. We work to connect the diversity of charisms of consecrated life with the needs of the Archdiocese.

NOTE: Information about housing, employment and programs pertinent to religious should be sent by the 10th of each month to: kmcnulty@archchicago.org for consideration for publication in this newsletter and/or the OFR website.

2018 OFR Events

December 9-10, 2017
Retirement Fund
for Religious Collection

February 3, 2018
Celebration

of Consecrated Life

Queen of All Saints Parish Chicago, IL

May 10, 2018

Cardinal's Meeting with Leadership of Religious

> St. Giles Parish Oak Park, IL

May 26, 2018

Archdiocesan Celebration of Religious Jubilees

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Covenant Renewal Service

Cardinal Cupich and Bishop Wayne Miller of the Metropolitan Chicago Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America will lead an ecumenical prayer service on, **October 31st at 7 pm** at Holy Name Cathedral, renewing the covenant between the two local churches that was originally signed in 1989. All are invited to attend this historic occasion of recommitment to common prayer and witness for unity as Christians.

To register, or for more information, visit: http://www.renewingcovenant.com/

Religious Formation Conference 2017 Congress Grace in the Now: The Gospel of Encounter

Have you registered yet? Congress 2017 meets **November 16-18, 2017** in Milwaukee at the Hilton Milwaukee City Center. RFC serves religious institutes of women and men with programs and services for those in the ministry of initial and lifelong formation, and general congregational membership. For information: https://www.relforcon.org/congress-2017

Survey of Justice & Peace Initiatives/Ministries

As we prepare for the celebration of Consecrated Life Day Feb. 3, 2018, we would like to know the ways congregations are responding to Pope Francis' urgent call to accompany God's most vulnerable people at this time in our Church and society and what new ministry invitations are emerging. Also, what kinds of collaborative efforts has your congregation been involved in this past year or is hoping to become

involved with in the near future? Please assist us by completing and submitting the online form that you'll find here: http://www.officeforreligious.org/call-and-response-survey/. For further information click here.

Ministry Opportunities

Further details for the positions listed below can be found on the OFR website at: http://www.officeforreligious.org/ministries-volunteer-opportunities/
For additional opportunities, visit: http://legacy.archchicago.org/Employment/

Communications Coordinator: The Sisters of the Living Word seek a part-time (16 hours/week) communications coordinator, responsible for communications in outreach to the SLW community, constituents and the public. Please send cover letter and resume to Margaret Mei, Director of Mission Advancement: mmei@slw.org

Hospital Chaplaincy: The Archdiocese of Chicago is seeking religious priests interested in hospital ministry. Please contact Fr. William Grogan, Vicar for Hospital and Health Affairs, at 312-534-8339 or wpmgrogan@gmail.com

Pastoral Associate: Holy Spirit Catholic Community in Naperville is looking for a Religious to assist the pastor with the overall care and management of the parish. Please submit resume and cover letter to: Communications@hscc.us

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Volunteer Opportunities

Taller de José is looking for women and men religious to serve as volunteer compañeras/os to people who have difficulty finding their way in a complex social system. Compañeras/os listen to clients to assess the services they need and accompany them in the process of finding resources. Volunteers must be proficient in Spanish, have availability during the weekdays, and be physically able to accompany clients via public transportation. Located in Little Village, this is a wonderful ministry experience for people in formation, "retired" religious or anyone who is interested in accompaniment ministry with immigrants. Sponsored by the Congregation of the Sisters of St. Joseph. For more information contact Anna Mayer at amayer@tallerdejose.org or 773-523-8320 or visit www.tallerdejose.org

HandsON+HeartsIN – Volunteer Outreach Program for single Catholic Women age 18 to 40: This program provides single, Catholic women discerners a mission trip experience to Mississippi with religious women companions. 2018 dates: May 7-11; May 21-25; Aug 20-24; Sept 10-14. To sign up as companion or for more details please contact Sr. Sharon Glumb at sqlumb@slw.org or call 847-577-5972 or visit http://www.vocationscava.org/hands-on-hearts/

JOIN CAVA! – The Chicago Archdiocesan Vocation Association (CAVA) invites communities to join in promoting a vocation culture. Click here for more information: http://www.vocationscava.org/join-us/



Please consider sharing your gifts on behalf of the Retirement Fund for Religious Collection on **December 9-10, 2017**. We need you to be the face of this appeal.

You can...

- Share your concern for the care of aging religious;
- Convey your gratitude to the many Catholics who have expressed their appreciation for religious through their on-going generosity.

How we need your help:

- Ask your pastor if you can speak at masses or contact Judith Zonsius, OSB at 312-534-8234 or rfr@archchicago.org to find a parish. (Is there a special parish in the Archdiocese that plays a significant role in your congregation's history? Consider asking to speak at that parish.)
- Encourage parishioners, however they are able, to participate in the Retirement Fund for Religious;
- Publicize the collection on your community's social media platforms;
- Pray for our generous benefactors and the success of the collection.

Why we need your help:

 Say thank you on behalf of the Retirement Fund for Religious! Since the inception of the Fund in 1988, the people of the Archdiocese of Chicago have continually expressed their gratitude through their giving. We don't take their generosity for granted.

Campaign materials, including speaker resources, social media toolkit, print materials and more may be found at: http://retiredreligious.org/materials/

Thank you for YOUR generosity!

Properties Available

Office/Meeting Space: Approx. 3,000 sq. ft. available for lease at Sacred Heart Church in Melrose Park; can be separated into 3 areas. Third flr (10 rooms), large basement meeting room, first flr (4 offices); convenient location. Contact: Joe Augelli, Business Mgr at 708-344-0757 or parish@shsparish.org

Property for Rent: Former Scalabrini House of Theology at 5121 S. University Ave, Chicago IL. Close to Catholic Theological Union and Univ. of Chicago. Three story plus finished basement, about 20 bedrooms, chapel, large kitchen, dining room and study area, central air, parking for 12 cars – fully furnished. Ideal housing for religious or social service organization. Contact Fr. Luiz Kendzierski, cs via phone at 708-343-7646 or email sjbprovince@comcast.net

Reminder: As we approach a new liturgical year, don't forget to order annual liturgical aids for your chapels. Pauline Books and Media have Ordos, calendars, lector workbooks, Mass records and more, available. To order: https://drive.google.com/file/d/0B1sCltPyhvuCOWNWUjNPT096UzQ/view

Address change: As of October 6, the Institute on Religious Life has moved its office from Libertyville to the campus of the University of St. Mary of the Lake Seminary campus in Mundelein, IL. The new IRL mailing address is: Univerity of St. Mary of the Lake - Prist Center - 1000 E. Maple Ave. - Mundelein, IL 60060.

Calendared Programs of Interest for Religious

- Religious Life for the 21st Century: Creating Communities of Hope on a Global Scale
 Fall Lecture Series with Maria Cimperman, RSCJ, PhD
 Mondays through December 4 (7-8pm)
 Catholic Theological Union (Chicago): http://www.ctu.edu/lecturefall 2017
- The Theological Vision of Paul with Rev. Donald Senior, CP
 Wednesdays through December 7 (7-8pm)
 Catholic Theological Union (Chicago, IL): http://www.ctu.edu/academics/event/2017-fall-lecture-series-theological-vision-paul-rev-don-senior-cp-introduction-and?date=2017-09-06
- To Redeem the Soul of America: Martin Luther King's Vision and Its Challenge to American Catholics
 October 24, 2017 (7pm)
 Dominican University Siena Center (River Forest): http://events.dom.edu/mlks-vision
- Martin Luther, The Reformation, and Why They Still Matter with Brad S. Gregory
 October 24, 2017 (6:30pm Reception; 7pm lecture)
 DePaul University: Schmitt Academic Center 161 (Lincoln Park Campus)
 http://events.depaul.edu/event/martin_luther_the_reformation_and_why_they_still_matter#.WdOddGaWyM8
- Conscious Aging- Making Room for the Spirit as We Age facilitated by Jim Briggs
 October 27-29, 2017
 Siena Retreat Center (Racine, WI): http://www.sienaretreatcenter.org/events/conscious-aging
- Mary's Women Fall Tea: Undoing the Everyday Knots of Our Lives with Mary Undoer of Knots
 Presented by Lauren Nelson (Mayslake Ministries)
 October 28, 2017 (12-2pm)

Double Tree Hotel (Downers Grove): http://www.mayslakeministries.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/09/Undoer-of-Knots-Fall-2017.pdf

- Women's Retreat: Autumn Delights facilitated by Janice Keenan, OSF, Karen Tlusty-Rissman and Cecily Hunt October 28-29, 2017
 The Port (Frankfort, IL): http://www.portforprayer.org/events/categories/programs-retreats/
- First Friday Women's Series: Contemplatives for Our Times
 November 3, 2017 (10am-Noon)
 Cenacle Retreat and Conference Center (Chicago): https://www.cenaclesisters.org/chicago/Retreats-Programs/
- Women's Silent Retreat: Encountering Jesus Today with Fr. Edward Schmidt, SJ November 3-5, 2017
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- Tolton: From Slave to Priest Premiere
 November 5, 2017 (4pm)
 Du Sable Museum of African American History (Chicago): https://www.stlukeproductions.com/events/tolton/2017-11-05-160000
- Seven Sacred Pauses: Living Mindfully Through the Hours with Macrina Wiederkehr, OSB & Velma Frye November 10-12, 2017
 Siena Retreat Center: http://www.sienaretreatcenter.org/events/%E2%80%9Cseven-sacred-pauses-living-mindfully-through-hours

 The Truth of Human Nature: Christian Anthropology lecture/discussion with Fr. Matthew Bozovsky November 12, 2017 (Noon-1:30pm)

St. Catherine Laboure Parish (Glenview, IL)

Faith, Spirituality and Caregiving by Rev. Myles Sheehan, SJ, MD

November 14, 2017 (7pm)

Dominican University Siena Center (River Forest): http://events.dom.edu/faith-spirituality-caregiving

Personal Calling and Social Conscience with John Neafsey

November 18, 2017 (9:30-3:30pm)

Siena Retreat Center: http://www.sienaretreatcenter.org/events/personal-calling-and-social-conscience-day-reflection-john-neafsey

Annual Interfaith Thanksgiving Prayer Service

November 22, 2017 (12-1pm) First United Methodist Church 77 W. Washington (Chicago IL)

The World Will Be Saved by Beauty: Reflections from Dorothy Day's Granddaughter

December 7, 2017 (7pm)

Dominican University Siena Center (River Forest): http://events.dom.edu/world-saved-by-beauty

• WOMEN RELIGIOUS: Drury Lane Production of 42nd Street (Annual event hosted by the DeSantis Family)
December 19, 2017 Luncheon and Matinee performance

(A formal invitation with further details will be sent to Religious Institutes in the Archdiocese at a later date.)

• Men's Silent Retreat - The Spiritual Exercises: Who Am I? Where Am I Going? How Do I Get There?

Presented by Fr. Doug Leonhardt, SJ in partnership with Mayslake Ministries January 5-7, 2018

Bellarmine Jesuit Retreat House (Barrington, IL):

http://www.mayslakeministries.org/events/36/the-spiritual-exercises-who-am-i-where-am-i-going-how-do-i-get-there-mens-winter-silent-retreat/

Silent Lenten Retreat: Our Life Journey with the Saints with Fr. Robert Flack, SJ

March 9-11, 2018

Cenacle Retreat and Conference Center (Chicago): https://www.cenaclesisters.org/chicago/Retreats-Programs/

Imagining Justice: A Learning Lab for Leaders and Justice Providers (Sponsored by LCWR)

March 12-15, 2018

Redemptorist Renewal Center (Tucson, AZ)

https://lcwr.org/social-justice/ImaginingJustice2018

• Men's Silent Retreat - From Promise to Resurrection: Walking with Jesus Through His Passion

Presented by Fr. David Shields in partnership with Mayslake Ministries

March 23-25, 2018

Bellarmine Jesuit Retreat House (Barrington, IL):

http://www.mayslakeministries.org/events/37/from-promise-to-resurrection-walking-with-jesus-through-his-passion/

Check websites for complete listing of Fall/Winter 2017 Programs in the Midwest:

- Bellarmine Jesuit Retreat House: http://jesuitretreat.org/pages/22
- Br. David Darst Center for Justice & Peace/Spirituality and Education: http://darstcenter.org
- Cenacle Retreat and Conference Center: https://www.cenaclesisters.org/chicago/Retreats-Programs/
- Mayslake Ministries: http://www.mayslakeministries.org
- Our Lady of the Prairie Retreat: http://www.chmiowa.org/retreat
- Portiuncula Center for Prayer: http://www.portforprayer.org/events/categories/programs-retreats/
- Redemptorist Retreat Center: www.redemptoristretreat.org
- Religious Law and Consultation Webinars: http://www.ahereford.org/registration
- Shem Center for Interfaith Spirituality: www.shemcenter.org
- Siena Center: http://www.racinedominicans.org/retreats.cfm
- Sinsinawa Mound Center: www.sinsinawa.org/moundcenter
- Tau Center: http://www.taucenter.org/spirituality-programs/current-programs
- The Well Spirituality Center: http://www.csjthewell.org/