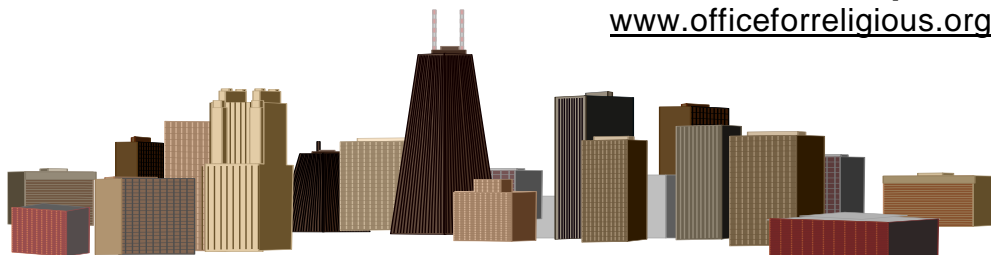




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OFFICE FOR RELIGIOUS



NOVEMBER 2017 Update  
[www.officeforreligious.org](http://www.officeforreligious.org)



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. The Office also actively promotes a culture of vocations in the Archdiocese through the Coordinator of Religious Vocation Ministries and the activities of the Chicago Area Vocation Association (CAVA).

NOTE: Information about housing, employment and events pertinent to religious should be sent by the 10<sup>th</sup> of each month to: [kmcnulty@archchicago.org](mailto:kmcnulty@archchicago.org) for consideration for Update and/or OFR website publication.

**2017-18 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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***Share the Journey***

On September 27, Pope Francis launched the worldwide, two-year *Share the Journey* campaign calling on Catholics and the faithful to 'encounter' migrants and refugees in an effort to break down barriers of fear and suspicion and build bridges of understanding and hospitality. Catholic Charities USA, Catholic Relief Services and the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops are part of a global network participating in the campaign. Together they have launched a "Share the Journey" website in support of the global campaign, and migrants and refugees around the world. The website <https://www.sharejourney.org> offers ways in which you can participate in the call to prayer, reflection and action. We encourage you to do so.

**AHLMA**

As previously announced, AREHU (Hispanic Religious Association in the United States) was renamed AHLMA (**A**sociación de **H**ermanas **L**atinas **M**isioneras en **A**merica). AHLMA's mission is to serve the Latina Sisters who have been sent as missionaries to or minister in the Church of the United States. Follow this link for their 2017 Annual Report and vision for the future:  
(Eng): <http://files.constantcontact.com/fbb57c6b401/04e81afd-a73a-470b-9b53-a84118a7605c.pdf>  
(Sp): <http://files.constantcontact.com/fbb57c6b401/5722c639-a03c-4d47-881f-bcc42507ba5d.pdf>

***A BLESSED AND HAPPY THANKSGIVING TO ALL!***



## Chicago Area Sisters Honored

Congratulations to Sr. Paulanne Held, OSF, who received the Catholic Charities *Heart of Charity* Award. "Sister's devotion to those in need can be felt throughout the North Suburban area and is often the undercurrent that drives many to make a difference in the lives of others by sharing their time and treasure." Sister is a member of Our Lady of Perpetual Help parish and coordinates the *Needy Family Fund*.

The Fatima Prayer Community Foundation celebrated its 35<sup>th</sup> Anniversary and honored Sr. Joseline Valdes, OSF on her 60<sup>th</sup> Jubilee for "almost single handedly establishing" the Foundation in 1982.

Holy Angels Parish celebrated Sr. Helen Strueder, OSF for her 60 years as a School Sister of St. Francis and her more than 55 years of service to the African American community.

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### Ministry Opportunities

For all Archdiocesan opportunities, visit: <http://legacy.archchicago.org/Employment/>

**Executive Director – Leadership Conference of Women Religious:** The LCWR Executive Director provides leadership and direction for the hopes and dreams of the conference including the implementation of the LCWR Call for 2015 – 2022, and is immediately accountable to the LCWR Presidency. Executive experience, a collaborative leadership style and excellent relational skills are essential to the role.

For further information, visit: <https://lcwr.org/media/news/lcwr-executive-director-position-search>

**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](mailto: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](mailto: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@hssc.us](mailto:Communications@hssc.us)

**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/>

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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](mailto:amayer@tallerdejose.org) or 773-523-8320 or visit [www.tallerdejose.org](http://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 [sjglumb@slw.org](mailto:sjglumb@slw.org) or call 847-577-5972 or visit <http://www.vocationscava.org/hands-on-hearts/>

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### Properties Available

**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](mailto:sjbprovince@comcast.net)

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**Healing Earth:** The Ministry Department at Loyola University, Chicago has published a free, electronic text book entitled *Healing Earth*. The text blends environmental science and the need to protect the planet with spirituality and ethical ideas about just stewardship. It is available online: <http://healingearth.ijep.net/> (English) and <http://healingearth.ijep.net/es> (Spanish)

## Calendared Programs of Interest for Religious

- **Religious Life for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century: Creating Communities of Hope on a Global Scale**  
Fall Lecture Series with Maria Cimperman, RSCJ, PhD  
Mondays through December 4 (7-8pm) at Catholic Theological Union (Chicago): [http://www.ctu.edu/lecturefall\\_2017](http://www.ctu.edu/lecturefall_2017)
- **The Theological Vision of Paul** with Rev. Donald Senior, CP  
Wednesdays through December 7 (7-8pm) at 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>

### NOVEMBER 2017

- 18 **Personal Calling and Social Conscience** with John Neafsey  
9:30-3:30pm at Siena Retreat Center (Racine, WI)  
<http://www.sienaretreatcenter.org/events/personal-calling-and-social-conscience-day-reflection-john-neafsey>
- 18 **On Your MARK...Get Set...Go!** With Sallie Latkovich, CSJ  
9am- Noon at The Well (LaGrange Park, IL): <https://csjthewell.org/courses/on-your-mark-get-set-go/>
- 21 **Legacy Trusts** - Webcast with Amy Hereford, CSJ  
<http://mailchi.mp/f0bceb180767/webcast-congregational-legacy-trusts-3232817?e=db0a303cbc>
- 22 **Annual Interfaith Thanksgiving Prayer Service**  
Noon -1pm at First United Methodist Church (77 W. Washington – Chicago, IL)
- 29 **Reworking the Law: Youth Engagement in Juvenile Justice** with Emily Buss  
6:30-8pm at The Br. David Darst Ctr. (Chicago): <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/reworking-the-law-emily-buss-on-youth-engagement-in-juvenile-justice-tickets-39459397119?aff=ehomesaved>

### DECEMBER 2017

- 1-3 **Men's Retreat: Christmas in the View of St. Francis** with Fr. Michael Schaab  
Our Lady of the Prairie Retreat (Wheatland, IA): <http://www.chmiowa.org/news-and-events/calendar/event/87>
- 1-3 **Eucharistic Spirituality Retreat: The Greatest Sign of His Merciful Love** with Fr. Jim White, CSSR  
Redemptorist Retreat Center (Oconomowoc, WI): [www.redemptoristretreat.org](http://www.redemptoristretreat.org)
- 7 **The World Will Be Saved by Beauty: Reflections from Dorothy Day's Granddaughter**  
7pm at Dominican University Siena Center (River Forest): <http://events.dom.edu/world-saved-by-beauty>
- 7 **Walking with Mary** with Gina Sannasardo  
7-8:30pm at Mayslake Ministries (Downers Grove, IL)  
<http://www.mayslakeministries.org/events/38/walking-with-mary-advent-tea/>
- 8-10 **Life's Necessary Losses: Grieving Soulfully Opening to Transformation**  
Silent Weekend Retreat for Men and Women presented by Jennifer Christ  
Redemptorist Retreat Center (Oconomowoc, WI): [www.redemptoristretreat.org](http://www.redemptoristretreat.org)
- 9 **Seeing Haloes** with Jack Shea and Kathy Sherman, CSJ  
9am – Noon at The Well (LaGrange Park, IL): <https://csjthewell.org/courses/seeing-haloes/>
- 15 **12<sup>th</sup> Annual Posada Seeking Immigration Reform**  
7am start at 101 W. Congress: [www.catholicsandimmigrants.org](http://www.catholicsandimmigrants.org)
- 17 **Advent Retreat: Prepare Ye the Way of the Lord**  
2-4:30pm at St. Scholastica Monastery (Chicago): <https://www.osbchicago.org/programs>
- 18 **The Shock of Advent** with Pat Bergen, CSJ  
7-8:30pm at The Well (LaGrange Park, IL): <https://csjthewell.org/courses/the-shock-of-advent-2/>
- 19 **WOMEN RELIGIOUS: Drury Lane Production of 42<sup>nd</sup> Street**  
Annual luncheon and matinee performance hosted by the DeSantis Family  
(A formal invitation with further details will be forthcoming.)

### JANUARY 2018

- 5-7 **The Spiritual Exercises: Who Am I? Where Am I Going? How Do I Get There?**  
Men's Silent Retreat presented by Fr. Doug Leonhardt, SJ in partnership with Mayslake Ministries  
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/>



**JAN. 14**    **March for Life Chicago 2018**  
2-4pm at Federal Plaza (50 W. Adams): <http://www.marchforlife-chicago.org/>

**FEBRUARY 2018**

- 3**    **Institute on Religious Life *Inaugural Gala***  
4pm Mass, Reception, Dinner & Entertainment  
University of St. Mary of the Lake (Mundelein, IL) Info at 847-573-8975 or <http://religiouslife.com/>
- 28**    **Chicago Faith Congress**  
Loyola University (Lakeshore campus): <https://pvm.archchicago.org/events/chicago-faith-congress>

**MARCH 2018**

- 9-11**    **Silent Lenten Retreat: *Our Life Journey with the Saints*** with Fr. Robert Flack, SJ  
Cenacle Retreat and Conference Center (Chicago): <https://www.cenaclesisters.org/chicago/Retreats-Programs/>
- 12-15**    ***Imagining Justice: A Learning Lab for Leaders and Justice Providers*** (Sponsored by LCWR)  
Redemptorist Renewal Center (Tucson, AZ)  
<https://lcrw.org/social-justice/ImaginingJustice2018>
- 22-23**    **Lenten Reflections** with Fr. James Martin, SJ  
7pm at Holy Name cathedral (Chicago)
- 23-25**    ***From Promise to Resurrection: Walking with Jesus Through His Passion***  
Men's Silent Retreat Presented by Fr. David Shields in partnership with Mayslake Ministries  
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 2017-18 programs in the Midwest:**

- **Bellarmino 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](http://www.redemptoristretreat.org)
- **Religious Law and Consultation Webinars:** <http://www.ahereford.org/registration>
- **Shem Center for Interfaith Spirituality:** [www.shemcenter.org](http://www.shemcenter.org)
- **Siena Center:** <http://www.racinedominicans.org/retreats.cfm>
- **Sinsinawa Mound Center:** [www.sinsinawa.org/moundcenter](http://www.sinsinawa.org/moundcenter)
- **Tau Center:** <http://www.taucenter.org/spirituality-programs/current-programs>
- **The Well Spirituality Center:** <http://www.csjthewell.org/>



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.

**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](mailto: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!**