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OFFICE FOR RELIGIOUS



April 2017 Update
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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.

Upcoming OFR Events

May 2, 2017

Cardinal's Meeting with
Leadership of Religious
Communities of Men and
Women

St. Giles Parish
1025 Columbian Ave.
Oak Park, IL

May 27, 2017

Archdiocesan Celebration
of Religious Jubilees

St. Monica Parish
11:00am Mass
(Luncheon follows)

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Good Friday Walk for Peace

Cardinal Cupich invites all people of good will, including civic, education and religious leaders from across the city to join him for a Walk for Peace through Englewood on Good Friday, April 14. The walk will begin at 10:30 a.m. at St. Benedict the African Church, at the corner of 66th Street and Stewart Avenue. For more information: www.archchicago.org/peace-walk

Renew My Church Update: April 28, 2017

You are invited to preview and give your feedback on a presentation which will be used to provide information about the RMC initiative in the months ahead throughout the Archdiocese. The presentation will be held from 1-3pm at the Cardinal Meyer Center (3525 S. Lake Park Ave.) **RSVP by April 21 to S. Kathy McNulty: 312-534-8333** or kmcnulty@archchicago.org

Retirement Fund for Religious Collection Update

Due to the extraordinary generosity of parishoners across the Archdiocese, \$1,064,203.37 was sent to NRRO at the end of March for distribution in 2017. Many thanks for your assistance and prayerful support of this annual collection, which has been extended to 2026 by the USCCB. Please continue to remember our benefactors in your prayers.

LCWR Partners with GHR Foundation for Transitional Services

Women's religious communities interested in seeking assistance (without cost) for issues related to smaller membership, building use, safety features for an aging population, etc. should contact LCWR's Director of Transitional Services, Mary Hughes, OP at mhughesop@amityop.org or mhughes@lcwr.org or 914-738-0306. (NB: Both LCWR and CMSWR members are eligible.)

Immigration Resources

Archdiocese of Chicago: <https://pvm.archchicago.org/human-dignity-solidarity/get-involved/resources-for-migrants-and-refugees>

Heartland Alliance's National Immigrant Justice Center (NIJC): <http://www.immigrantjustice.org>

Ministry Opportunities

LCWR Associate Director of Business and Finance: Job description and application instructions available at: <https://lcwr.org/media/news/lcwr-seeks-associate-director-business-and-finance>. Application deadline May 22.

Spiritual Direction Certificate Program: Applications are now being accepted for the September 2017-May 2018 program at the Claret Center in Hyde Park. For information: <http://www.claretcenter.org/spiritual-direction-internship%e2%80%a8/> or Irma Cruz at 773-643-6259.

Volunteer Opportunities

Taller de José is looking for religious women and men 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

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. Available now: Third flr (10 rooms) and large basement meeting room; available May 1st: First flr (4 offices); convenient location. Contact: Joe Augelli, Business Mgr at 708-344-0757(w), 708-344-5906 (fax) or parish@shsparish.org

Property for Rent: St. Mary of the Lake Parish seeks occupants for its former convent and Amate House residence at 4220 N. Sheridan Rd., Chicago. 2 floors plus chapel, kitchen and dining room; 16-18 bedrooms could be used for offices and/or housing for religious or social service agency. Interested parties should contact Fr. Jim Kastigar at 773-472-3711.

Property for Rent: Bungalow on Catholic Charities-St. Casimir Campus Chicago-Marquette Park: 4BR, 2 bath; furnished; freshly painted with new carpeting. Full kitchen; washer and dryer; wired for phone and data. Full basement; attic space. Detached 2-car garage. Access to chapel w/daily Mass. Perfect setting for community living. 24-hour property security surveillance. Close to CTA bus lines and Midway airport. Contact: Tony Ferro at 773-349-8018.

Apartment for Rent: Spacious 3-BR, completely furnished 2nd floor apartment at 9021 S. Blackstone; 5 minutes from St. Ailbe Church and convenient to CTA; fully equipped kitchen; ideal for spiritual professionals seeking a home-away-from-home. Monthly rent: \$1800 + deposit. For further information contact Bertha Starks: 773-374-4225 or berthastarks@sbcglobal.net

Apartment for Rent: 2BR, 2nd flr. apartment at 4613 Grove Ave. in Brookfield, IL; freshly painted with new carpeting in clean and well-maintained building. Owners + 2 women religious live in building. Month-to-month lease: \$860 monthly rent. For further information contact Mary Tomlinson, SP: 708-905-5110 or mtomlin@msn.com

Calendared Programs of Interest for Religious

For additional events and information: <http://www.officeforreligious.org/calendar-2/>

- **Prevent Secondary Stress, Practice Self Care** featuring Dr. Robert Wicks and Stephen Dynako
April 20, 2017 Spirituality and Health Care Conference
Chiara Center (Springfield, IL): www.chiaracenter.org
- **Walking the Labyrinth Accompanied by Singing Bowls**
April 20, 2017 (6:30-8pm) at The Port (Frankfort, IL): <https://www.portforprayer.org>
- **2017 Institute on Religious Life (IRL) National Meeting**
April 21-23, 2017 at Conference Center of the University of St. Mary of the Lake (Mundelein, IL)
For information: 847-573-8975 or IRLstaff@ReligiousLife.com
- **Assisi Within:** Guided Retreat
April 23-29, 2017 at St. Francis Spirituality Center (Tiffin, OH): <http://franciscanretreats.org/guided-retreat-assisi-within/>
- **Works of Mercy in Our Daily Lives** with Fr. Pawel Komperda
April 30, 2017 (Noon-1:30pm) at St. Catherine Laboure Parish (Glenview, IL)

- ***The Holy Outlaw*** - Special Screening of 1970 public television documentary
[In commemoration of the one-year anniversary of the death of Fr. Daniel Berrigan, SJ]
April 30, 2017 (4-7pm) at Br. David Darst Center for Justice and Peace - 2834 S. Normal - Chicago
<http://southsideprojections.org/2017/01/the-holy-outlaw-with-panel-discussion-apr-30/>
- ***The Sultan and the Saint*** – Chicago Movie Premiere
April 30, 2017 (3-6pm) at McAnich Arts Center – College of DuPage (Glen Ellyn, IL)
- **May 1 Religious Brothers Day 2017** Resource: <http://www.yearforconsecratedlife.com/>
- ***The Things That Make for Peace: Contemplation and Peacemaking*** with Margaret Mayce, OP
May 5-7, 2017 at Siena Center (Racine, WI)
http://www.racinedominicans.org/pro/responsive/tools/includes/events/event_view.cfm?categoryid=&detailid=104526&event_type=main&eventid=2171017&memberid=1085
- ***Spirituality of Nature*** Day of Reflection (9:30am-3pm)
Sacred Sounds Gong Bath with Richard Rudis (7-8pm)
May 5, 2017 at The Port (Frankfort, IL): <https://www.portforprayer.org>
- ***Religious Communal Living as an Intercultural Journey*** with Pio Estepa, SVD
Sponsored by Religious Formation Conference
May 6, 2017 (9am-4pm) at Mercy Center (St. Louis, MO)
<https://events.r20.constantcontact.com/register/eventReg?oeidk=a07edq4en7rde79d10e&oseq=&c=&ch=>
- ***Blessed and Broken: Immigration and the Eucharist*** with Rev. Daniel Groody, CSC,PhD
Sponsored by Sisters and Brothers of Immigrants (SBI)
May 6, 2017 (8:30am-Noon) at Regina Dominican High School (Wilmette, IL)
To register: Dorothy Pagosa, SSJTOSF at 312-641-1250 x113
- ***12 Step Reflection on Steps 2 and 3*** with Maureen Fagan, OSF
May 6, 2017 (9:30am-Noon) at The Port (Frankfort, IL): <https://www.portforprayer.org>
- ***Mary: Pondering All These Things***
May 8, 2017 (9:30am-Noon) at The Port (Frankfort, IL): <https://www.portforprayer.org>
- ***Embracing the Sacred Feminine*** with Isa Gucciardi, PhD
May 11, 2017 (1-3:30pm) at Our Lady of the Prairie Retreat (Wheatland, IA)
<http://www.chmiowa.org/news-and-events/calendar/event/38>
- **Prayers and Dinner – A Celebration of Consecrated Life**
Hosted by the Franciscans of the Eucharist
Friday, May 12th at 5:30pm (RSVP by May 5th to olamission@gmail.com with number attending)
- ***The Path of Service and the Nature of Suffering*** with Isa Gucciardi, PhD
May 12-13, 2017 at Our Lady of the Prairie Retreat (Wheatland, IA)
<http://www.chmiowa.org/news-and-events/calendar/event/39>
- ***Crossing the Borders of Diversity: Interpersonal Skills and Challenges*** with Luisa Saffiotti, PhD
Sponsored by Religious Formation Conference
May 13, 2017 (9am-4pm EST) at Mother Boniface Spirituality Center (Philadelphia, PA)
<https://events.r20.constantcontact.com/register/eventReg?oeidk=a07edq4oio4efa82b76&oseq=&c=&ch=>
- ***Come to the Quiet*** with Pat Shea
May 16, 2017 (9:30am-3:30pm) at Our Lady of the Prairie Retreat (Wheatland, IA)
<http://www.chmiowa.org/news-and-events/calendar/event/40>
- ***Finding Inner Peace and Empowerment in Difficult Times***
May 22, 2017 (9:30am-Noon) at The Port (Frankfort, IL): <https://www.portforprayer.org>
- ***JusticeCraft 2017: Knowledge and Skills for Justice Ministry***
Sponsored by Holy Cross Int'l Justice Office and Sisters of the Holy Cross
June 4-11, 2017 at St. Mary's (Notre Dame, IN) <http://www.holycrossjustice.org/justicecraft/Pages/default.aspx>
- **Summer Institute at CTU:** <http://www.ctu.edu/summer-institute>
June 5-9; June 12-16; June 19-23

- ***Mystics and Prophets of a New Narrative*** with Matthew Fox and Theodore Richards
June 9-10, 2017 at The Well (LaGrange, IL): <http://www.csjthewell.org/>
- **USML Summer Scripture Seminar - *Revelation: A Book of Hope in Troubled Times***
June 25-30, 2017 at University of St. Mary of the Lake (Mundelein, IL) www.summerscripture.org
- **U.S. Convocation of Consecrated Virgins**
July 7-11, 2017 at Pallottine Renewal Center (Florissant, MO)
- **National Information Conference on the Vocation of Consecrated Virginity**
July 25-28, 2017 at Cenacle Retreat and Conference Center (Chicago, IL)
- **Religious Brothers Conference 2017 - *Brothers: Ministers at the Margins***
July 17-20, 2017 at Mater Dolorosa Retreat Center (Sierra Madre, CA): <http://www.todaysbrother.com>
- **Clergy and Religious Summer English Institute**
July 17-August 4, 2017 (apply by June 1, 2017) at La Roche College – Pittsburgh, PA:
<https://www.laroche.edu/clergy/>
- ***Critical Skills for Pastoral Leadership: Enhancing Management through Practical Wisdom***
August 14-18, 2017 at Catholic Theological Union (Chicago, IL): www.ctu.edu/skills-for-leadership

SUMMER 2017 RETREAT OPPORTUNITIES

- **Redemptorist Retreat Center:** Preached Silent Retreats for Women Religious and Associates
June 5-10: *Humble and Empty Before the Word of God* with Fr. Allan Weinert, CSsR
June 19-24; July 11-16; July 24-31: *The Way of the Disciple* with Fr. Gregory Schmitt, CSsR:
www.redemptoristretreat.org
- **St. Francis Spirituality Center** (Tiffin, OH)
Contemplative Exploration into Evolutionary Christianity Conference Retreat with Sr. Nancy Sylvester, IHM
June 11-16, 2017: <http://franciscanretreats.org/upcoming-conference-retreat-in-may/>
- **Springfield Dominican Motherhouse**
June 18-24: *Gifts of the Universe: Promise and Hope* preached retreat by Sharon Zayac, OP
Contact: Kathleen Cour OP at kcour@spdom.org
- **Bellarmino Retreat Center:** Individually Directed Retreats: June 19-26 and July 14-22, 2017
<http://jesuitretreat.org/wp-content/uploads/2010/10/PHOTOS-and-BIOS-SUMMER-STAFF-2017.pdf>
- **Cardinal Stritch Retreat House:** Silent Directed Retreats
July 16-22, 2017: www.cardinalstritchretreat.org or jcumings@cardinalstritchretreat.org
- **The Port:** <https://www.portforprayer.org>
June 21-25, 2017: *Women's Summer Retreat* with Janice Keenan, OSF, Norma Janssen, OSF, Lisa Lager
July 15-22, 2017: *The Art and Heart of a Spiritual Life* with Albert Hasse, OFM
July 26-30, 2017: Silent Directed Retreat: *Holding the Silence*
- **Chiara Center:** Directed Retreat June 25-30, 2017: www.chiaracenter.org
- **Chicago Cenacle Retreat Center:** Individually Directed Retreats (open scheduling)
<http://www.cenaclesisters.org/chicago/Spiritual-Direction/>

Alleluia! Jesus is Risen!

May your Easter season reflect the glory of the Resurrection