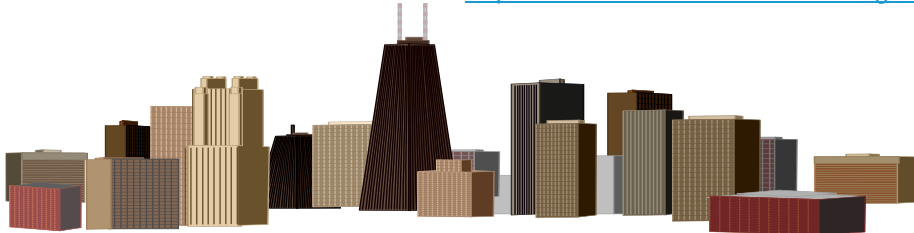




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<https://consecratedlife.archchicago.org>



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 8<sup>th</sup> of each month to: [kmcnulty@archchicago.org](mailto:kmcnulty@archchicago.org) for consideration for Update and/or OFR website publication.

### 2019 OFR Events

#### SAVE THE DATE

**January 19, 2019**  
Celebration  
of  
Consecrated Life

**April 23, 2019**  
Cardinal's Meeting with  
Leadership of Men and  
Women Religious

**June 22, 2019**  
Archdiocesan Celebration  
of Religious Jubilees\*

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#### ANNUAL COLLECTION FOR RETIRED RELIGIOUS

The annual collection, which began in 1988, will take place this year the weekend of December 8-9. The Archdiocese of Chicago has always been among the most generous with this collection. Please remember to keep those who contribute in your thoughts and prayers as promised at the time of the collection.

#### RESOURCES AVAILABLE

Religious Formation Conference: For women & men; program offerings include *ForMission*; *Life Commitment Program*; *Orientation to Formation*. The program is presented through webinars; Congress; and [www.relforcon.org](http://www.relforcon.org).

#### NRVC CONVENTION: November 1-5, 2018 in Buffalo, New York

This Convocation is the place to gather for outstanding keynote speakers, networking opportunities, and lively discussions. Come celebrate NRVC's 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary and the culture of vocations it creates. There is no better way to lead into National Vocation Awareness Week. Join participants from across the country for this time of prayer, encounter, formation and community.

To learn more: <https://www.nixmeetings.com/NRVC18>. See this year's schedule: <https://bit.ly/2w21Hqb>

*The National Religious Vocation Conference (NRVC) is a professional organization of vocation ministers that presents religious life as a viable option in the Catholic Church. NRVC promotes vocation awareness, invitation, and discernment to life as a religious sister, brother, or priest. NRVC reflects all forms of religious life and provides educational opportunities, resources and other supportive services for spiritual, professional, and personal growth.*

#### Ministry Opportunities

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

#### Mission Educator-Promoter

Maryknoll is seeking a Mission Educator – Promoter to work primarily with the Young Adult Outreach Team and *Discipulos Misioneros* (Hispanic Ministry Outreach) Team and other teams, including outreach to Teacher, Catechist, and Deacon communities, depending on applicant experience and interest. This position will be based in Chicago. <https://maryknollsociety.org/jobs/mission-educator-promoter/>

## CONGRATULATIONS

The Franciscan of the Eucharist of Chicago—Mission of Our Lady of the Angels celebrated the Final Vows of Sister Jaime Sarah Mitchell on September 22.

The Poor Handmaids of Jesus Christ celebrated the canonization of their foundress, *Katharina Kasper*. The event took place on Sunday, October 14. A Mass of Thanksgiving will be held November 4. For details, visit:

<https://www.poorhandmaids.org/index.php/latest-news/current-events/item/741-mass-of-celebration>

On Sunday, November 11 at Saint Scholastica Chapel in Chicago, the Oblation of 4 new Oblate candidates will take place as well as the enrollment of two others. Anyone who would like to attend this ceremony or would like to learn more about the event is asked to contact Sister Benita Coffey, OSB, Director of Oblates at [bcoffey@archchicago.org](mailto:bcoffey@archchicago.org) or 773-764-2413, Ext. 327.

## Volunteer Opportunities

**Bethany House of Hospitality** would like to develop a pool of volunteers who could staff the house on Friday afternoons and evenings. Perhaps you are one for whom that time could be available in response to a specific date request. Additionally, there is current need for 1) diapers and formula for a 7-month old boy as well as clothes for him and for his 3-year-old sister and 2) regular donations of food - mainly the basic staples (flour, sugar, etc.) plus bread and tortillas. If interested, please contact Patricia Crowley, OSB at 312-909-9968 or [patriciaanncrowleyosb@gmail.com](mailto:patriciaanncrowleyosb@gmail.com)

**Holy Fire—Volunteers Needed!** This annual event to help young people see themselves as witnesses of Christ and members of a young Church takes place on Friday, October 26 and Saturday, October 27 at the UIC Pavilion at 525 S. Racine Avenue, Chicago, 60607. Volunteers are especially needed on Saturday, October 27. Please consider volunteering by visiting the sign-up page: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70a0c4daeae2eabfa7-holy>. The most important responsibility of all volunteers is to make the youth feel welcome and excited to be part of the Holy Fire 2018. All volunteers for Holy Fire must be VIRTUS certified. Upon registering to volunteer, you will be contacted with more details on your assignment, responsibilities, training, event details, etc.

## Properties/Housing Available

**McKinley Park Neighborhood—near South Side:** Spacious, beautiful, recently remodeled 3-bedroom, 1.5 bath Apartment in a quiet and safe neighborhood. Very large living room with beautiful natural light and ample space/storage. Hardwood floors in living room and three good-size bedrooms. Largest bedroom has half-bath attached. Very large stainless-steel appliances. Laundry room is off kitchen. This is an amazing unit in an up and coming neighborhood. Accessible by Orange Line; #35 bus and #9 Ashland bus. Close to Pilsen and Bridgeport neighborhoods. Serious inquiries only, please! Will require a non-refundable check. \$1500/month plus possible garage parking available around the first of the year. Please call John at 708-479-3978 and leave a message with your name, phone number and mention your interest in rental property.

**Housing Needed:** Bethany House of Hospitality is interested in securing rental space accommodating 15-20 young women in the Chicago area. A former religious house or house of studies could be ideal. If you are aware of any such possible residence, please contact Peggy Geraghty, BVM at [mgeraghty@bvmcong.org](mailto:mgeraghty@bvmcong.org)

**Suites for Rent/Inter-congregational Housing:** Housing available with the Dominican Sisters of Springfield and School Sisters of St. Francis at St. Martin de Porres Convent, located at 9041 South Exchange in Chicago. Two-room suites, each with a private bath Residents additionally have access to large common areas including the kitchen, dining room, sitting rooms, laundry facilities, garage and outdoor deck. St. Martin de Porres Convent is conveniently located within walking distance of the Metra and has easy access to I 90/94, I 57 and LSD; It is a 20-minute commute to CTU; ½-hour to downtown. For more information or for a tour of the facility, please contact Sister Judine Hilbing, OP: [708-996-4624](tel:708-996-4624) (w) or [sjh@marianchs.com](mailto:sjh@marianchs.com)

**Property for Rent:** Former Scalabrini House of Theology - 5121 S. University Ave, Chicago IL. Close to CTU & U of C. 3-story plus finished basement, 20 bedrooms, chapel, large kitchen, dining room, study area, fully furnished; central AC, parking for 12 cars. Contact Fr. Giovanni Bizzotto via phone at 708-343-7646 or [sjbprovince@comcast.net](mailto:sjbprovince@comcast.net)

**Property for Lease:** The St. Alphonsus convent building in Chicago's Lakeview neighborhood will be available for lease at the end of 2018. The elevator building has 30 bedrooms and a space for chapel use. Religious community preferred. Contact Linda Yi-Condon at 312-534-2053 or [lcondon@archchicago.org](mailto:lcondon@archchicago.org) for information.

**Apartment for Rent:** Jefferson Park (near Lawrence & Austin) Owner occupied, 2nd floor unit, living room, dining room, eat-in kitchen, 3 BR, 1.5 baths, AC, carpeted and hardwood floors, freshly painted. No smoking. No pets. Street parking only. Convenient to CTA Blue Line and Metra train. Utilities not included. Present tenant, religious professional, relocated. \$1150/month. Please call Nancy Schaefer at 773-805-4499.

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**Apartment for Rent:** Vintage 3-flat in Avondale neighborhood; 2<sup>nd</sup> floor; two BR; living room, sunroom, large kitchen w/new appliances, dining room. No smoking, no pets; near CTA Blue line & St. Wenceslaus Parish. \$1150/month + gas/electric. No laundry. Call Irene at 773-774-2381 or Marcia at 773-583-9296.

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## 2018-19 Calendared Programs of Interest for Religious

### OCTOBER

- 20** **Walking in their Shoes-A pilgrimage/Walk** 9 AM at Maryville,, 1150 N. River Road in Des Plaines A 1-mile walk in solidarity with immigrant/refugee brothers and sisters; sponsored by the Cabrini Retreat Center and the AOC; no fee; all invited; register at [www.cabrinicenter.org/walk2018/](http://www.cabrinicenter.org/walk2018/) or call Sr. Cathy at 412-849-9117
- 20** **Sara Thomsen Concert and Sacred Universe Award** 7 PM at The Well Spirituality Center at 1515 West Ogden Avenue in La Grange Park, IL 60526. "In the tradition of singer-songwriters-activities Joan Baez, Holly Near, and Peter, Paul and Mary, Sara Thomsen's songs carry you inward and outward: in, to the movements deep within your soul, and out, into the humanity we all share. Find out more: <http://cts.vresp.com/c?TheWellSpiritualityC/fb93d5f5cb/0cb9e67360/c1fc4ff03>
- 21** **World Mission Sunday**
- 21** **Mystery of Evil and Suffering:** Lecture/discussion with Fr. Jeffery Grob, Judicial Vicar for the Archdiocese of Chicago. Former Chancellor, Doctor of Canon Law with expertise in the Church's Rite of Exorcism. (Fr. Grob serves as Exorcist for the AOC). *What is the relationship Between evil and suffering? Why suffer in isolation when we can share each other's burdens?* 12 Noon - 1:30 PM at St. Catherine Laboure 3535 Thornwood in Glenview 60026 847-826-4704 Refreshment Buffet. Free will offering.
- 24** ***Spirit and Soul African American Spirituality*** @ Siena Retreat Center in Racine, WI  
**Facilitator:** C. Vanessa White
- 25** **Prayer Breakfast** Nazareth Spirituality Center in Batavia, IL Time: 9 AM – 10:30 AM  
For more information contact Linda Isleib at 630-879-1296 or [www.sscm-usa.org](http://www.sscm-usa.org)
- 25** **Matthew Fox: Naming the Unnameable** "What do we mean by "God" in today's world? Do the names for God change as we mature and evolve? Don't miss this presentation and book signing with renowned theologian and author Matthew Fox. 7-9 PM at The Well Spirituality Center at 1515 West Ogden Avenue in La Grange Park, IL 60526 For more information: <http://cts.vresp.com/c?TheWellSpiritualityC/fb93d5f5cb/0cb9e67360/b3ea8ce425>
- 25** **Immigration Meeting:** Quigley Pastoral Center at 835 North Rush Street in Chicago from 9:30 AM – Noon. <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/immigrationmeetingresponseform2018>
- 25-26** **Duns Scotus Symposium:** Lifelong Formation for Franciscan Men in the U.S. Catholic Theological Union (Chicago): <https://ctu.edu/event/franciscan/>
- 25-27** **A Culture of Encounter: Mission at the Heart of Our Faith in Christ** (Quincy, MA) <https://uscatholicmission.org/a-culture-of-encounter>
- 27-28** **Women's Retreat: Spirituality and Creative Expression** with Amanda Clark Reed, CST & Janice Keenan, OSF The Portiuncula Center for Prayer (Frankfort, IL): [www.portforprayer.org](http://www.portforprayer.org)
- 27** **Life-Giving Community: Cultivating Communication, Connection, and Compassion,** Workshop to be Livestreamed Online and Providence St. Joseph Hawley Conference Center, Renton, WA 8:30 AM – 5 PM
- 28-11/2** **Silent Directed Retreat**  
Chiara Center (Springfield, IL): <http://www.chiaracenter.org>
- 30-11/2** **RCRI National Conference** in Orlando, Florida For full program and to register, please visit the website at <https://www.trcri.org/page/NC18> (Save \$50 on registration with promo code: **SAVE18**)  
The theme of the program for this year is *Pastoral Conversion: Structures in Service to Mission*

## NOVEMBER

- 2 **First Friday Women's Series** – *Community as a Path to Holiness* with Sister Marguerite Gautreau, rc. 10 AM – 12 Noon. Participants who are able to stay are invited to be the Sisters' guests for lunch. The Chicago Cenacle: <https://www.cenaclesisters.org/chicago/Retreats-Programs/>
- 2 **La Verna Day of Reflection** with Janice Keenan, OSF 9:30 AM – 3 PM Fee is \$50  
Theme is "Gratitude" [www.portforprayer.org](http://www.portforprayer.org) for more details
- 1-6 **NRVC 2018 Convocation** (Buffalo, NY)  
<https://nrvc.net/publication/8087/article/17161-register-now-for-convocation>
- 1-7 **Parliament of the World's Religions: *The Promise of Inclusion & the Power of Love*** (Toronto)  
<https://parliamentofreligions.org/parliament/2018-toronto/toronto-2018>
- 3 **Thanksgiving Food Drive and Indoor Labyrinth Walk** with Michael Jennings, Ph.D. 11 AM – 3 PM Fee is \$50 [www.portforprayer.org](http://www.portforprayer.org) for program details
- 2-4 **Women's Silent Retreat *That God May be All in All*** with Rose Hoover, rc  
The Chicago Cenacle: <https://www.cenaclesisters.org/chicago/Retreats-Programs/>
- 10 **Movie on Chicago Saint Frances Xavier (Mother) Cabrini will be broadcast on EWTN at 8 PM**  
<http://ewtn.com/multimedia/schedule.asp?servertime=201212060945>. The producers of this film worked closely with the general council on this project for the past two years.
- \*\*All events at the "Port for Prayer" (Portiuncula Prayer Center 9263 Saint Francis Road, 60423 in Frankfort, IL) can be accessed through [www.portforprayer.org](http://www.portforprayer.org) for registration and program details.*
- 12 **\*\*Gentle Yoga from the Chair/Self Care Workshop: Preparing for the Holiday Rush** with Nadine Kelly E-CYT Time: 9 AM – 12 Noon Fee: \$25
- 13 **\*\*Spirituality and Aging: Luncheon with Janice Keenan, OSF** Time: 12 Noon – 2 PM Fee: \$25
- 19 **\*\*Peace and Justice: Our Way of Life** with Peggy Quinn, OSF Time: 9 AM -12 Noon Fee: \$25
- 30 **\*\*Sacred Sounds Gong Bath** with Richard Rudis Time: 7-8 PM Fee: \$30
- 30/12-2 **\*\*Aging Conspicuously** with Michael Jennings, Ph.D. Time: 5pm Friday – 12 Noon, Sunday  
Fee: \$200

## DECEMBER

- 3 **\*\*The Stations of Christmas** with Janice Keenan, OSF Time 9 AM – 12 Noon Fee: \$25
- 5 **Prayer Breakfast** -Registration is limited. 9 AM – 10:30 AM at Nazareth Spirituality Center in Batavia, IL For more information, please call Linda Isleib at 630-879-1296 or [www.sscm-usa.org](http://www.sscm-usa.org)
- 7 **First Friday Women's Series** – *Art as a Path to Holiness*, Sr. Peggy Lane, rc. 9:30 AM – 12 Noon Participants who stay are invited to be the Sisters' guests for lunch. The Chicago Cenacle: <https://www.cenaclesisters.org/chicago/Retreats-Programs/>
- 7-9 **2018 Advent Retreat** -Registration is limited. 12/7, 7 Pm – 12/9, 2 PM at the Nazareth Spirituality Center in Batavia, IL. For more information, please call Linda Isleib at 630-879-1296 or [www.sscm-usa.org](http://www.sscm-usa.org)
- 8-9 **Annual Collection for Retired Religious** [www.retiredreligious.org](http://www.retiredreligious.org)
- 14 **\*\*La Verna Day of Reflection** with Janice Keenan, OSF Time: 9:30 AM – 3 PM Fee: \$50  
Theme: "Openness"
- 31-1/1 **New Year's Eve Overnight of Renewal** with Rev. Seamus Murphy, SJ  
The Chicago Cenacle: <https://www.cenaclesisters.org/chicago/Retreats-Programs/>