

ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO

# OFFICE FOR RELIGIOUS

# JUNE-JULY 2018 Update

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 Archbiccese 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 Archbiccese. The Office also actively promotes a culture of vocations in the Archbiccese 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: <u>kmcnulty@archchicago.org</u> for consideration for Update and/or OFR website publication.

# 2019 OFR Events

## SAVE THE DATE

January 19, 2019 Cardinal's 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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# Archdiocese of Chicago Office for Religious Names New Coordinator for the Retirement Fund for Religious

Beginning August 16<sup>th</sup>, Brother Michael Segvich, CFC will begin assuming the role of Coordinator for the Retirement Fund for Religious, replacing Sister Judith Zonsius, OSB who has moved on to St. Gertrude's Parish as Office Manager.

Please join us in a warm welcome and gratitude and promise of prayer to both of them as they begin their new ministries in the Archdiocese.

# Together: A Collaborative for Theological Education, Formation and Community

*Together* is a cohort-based, residential program of theology study for newly professed women and men (brothers) religious. Sisters and Brothers currently in formation who have completed their canonical novitiate are invited to apply for the Fall program. Visit <u>www.together-formation.com</u> for further information.

*Giving Voice* Leadership Initiative Scholarships for Catholic Sisters Launched in May 2018, the scholarship is meant to strengthen the mission of *Giving Voice* in three areas: Leadership Skills Development, Relationship and Bridge-Building, and Language Skills. Applicants must be under the age

of 50 at the time of submission, and belong to a canonical Catholic community of women religious based in or with a connection in the United States.

*Giving Voice* cultivates venues for younger sisters to gather for prayer, relationship-building, support, leadership development, retreats, friendship, formation experiences, and ministry connections. To that end, we intend to multiply the fruits of the scholarships by asking awardees to bring their new knowledge and gifts back to the *Giving Voice* community, as outlined further in our application.

Scholarships are available for up to **\$5,000**. Applications will be accepted on a rolling basis. Funds will be available until June 2019 or until funds are depleted. Learn more at <u>giving-voice.org/leadership-initiatives-scholarship</u>

**Sistine Chapel Choir Tour** The Pope's Choir will perform locally at Arie Crown Theater in Chicago on Saturday, July 21, 2018. Tickets are available at SistineChapelChoirTour.com or Ticketmaster.com. The evening will include a special performance by The Choir of Our Lady of Mount Carmel.

# National Catholic Sisters Project – Archdiocese of Chicago

If you are interested in receiving funding for an event you wish to implement as part of the National Catholic Sisters Project (NCSP), please send your proposal to Sr. Lovina at <u>Lpammit@archchicago.org</u>. The event or initiative may include promotion of your own congregation or in collaboration with other communities to encourage young women to consider becoming a Sister. For example, Chicago's Got Sisters and Online Discernment are collaborative programs that CAVA (Chicago Archdiocesan Vocation Assoc.) implements. These are already being subsidized by NCSP. Go to <u>http://www.nationalcatholicsistersweek.org/get-involved.php</u> for ideas and for the curriculum.

SAVE THE DATE: September 15, 2018 at Catholic Theological Union from 8:15am-1:00pm Unaccompanied Immigrant Children: Responding with Love, Mercy, and Justice

Keynote Address by Oscar Chacon. Cost: \$15 with early registration; \$20 at the door. For more information, contact Sr. Dorothy Pagosa, SSJ-TOSF: <u>dpagosa@aol.com</u> (Sponsored by Sisters and Brothers of Immigrants and Catholic Theological Union's Oscar Romero Scholars Program)

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

**Executive Director:** *Wisconsin Religious Collaborative* seeks a member of a religious congregation with leadership experience or leadership experience with religious congregations to serve in this newly formed collaborative. Contact Maureen Gallagher for full job description and application: mgallagher@TheReidGroup.biz or 264-646-4209.

**Pastoral Care Services Minister:** The School Sisters of St. Francis in Milwaukee, WI, seek a full-time (40 hrs) Pastoral Care Services Minister for sister residents, family members and staff at Sacred Heart and St. Joseph Convent. Responsibilities include planning, managing, and developing programs and services. Requirements: BA in Theology, Pastoral Studies or related field with a minimum 3 years' experience; one (1) unit of Clinical Pastoral Education (CPE) preferred. To apply, contact Regina Sloan-Harmon at <a href="mailto:rsloan-harmon@sssf.org">rsloan-harmon@sssf.org</a> or 414-385-5229.

**US Catholic Mission Association** is seeking women and men, especially priests, to serve as USCMA Representatives to parishes and dioceses around the country for this year's Mission Cooperative Program. For further information, contact Nichole Petty: <a href="mailto:associate@uscatholicmission.org">associate@uscatholicmission.org</a>

# 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

**Taller de José** in Little Village is looking for volunteer compañeras/os to assist people who have difficulty finding their way in a complex social system. Volunteers must be proficient in Spanish, have availability during the weekdays, and be physically able to accompany clients via public transportation. For more information contact Anna Mayer at amayer@tallerdejose.org or 773-523-8320 or visit <u>www.tallerdejose.org</u>

**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: Aug 21-25; Sept 9-13. To sign up as companion or for more details please contact Sr. Sharon Glumb at sglumb@slw.org or call 847-577-5972 or visit <a href="http://www.vocationscava.org/hands-on-hearts/">http://www.vocationscava.org/hands-on-hearts/</a>

#### **Properties/Housing Available**

**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 <u>mgeraghty@bvmcong.org</u>

**Inter-congregational Housing:** Housing available with the Dominican Sisters of Springfield and School Sisters of St. Francis at St. Martin de Porres Convent, Chicago. 2-room suites with private baths. Spacious common areas include an upper-level deck. 2-car garage is attached to the building; add'I reserved parking on the property. Conveniently located within walking distance of the Metra; access to I 90/94, Rte 57 and LSD; 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 (w) or sjh@marianchs.com **Property for Rent:** Former Scalabrini House of Theology - 5121 S. University Ave, Chicago IL. Close to CTU & UofC. 3-story plus finished basement, 20 bedrooms, chapel, large kitchen, dining room, study area, fully furnished; central AC, parking for 12 cars. Contact Fr. Luiz Kendzierski via phone at 708-343-7646 or <u>sibprovince@comcast.net</u>

**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 <a href="https://www.condon.org">condon@archchicago.org</a> 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.

**Apartment for Rent:** 2950 S. Keeley; 1st flr; one BR; clean & quiet none smoking building; no pets. Contact Alice Mesec: 630-301-0034 or <u>alice.mesec@yahoo.com</u>

**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 773-583-9296.

## **Resources Available**

Sisters and Brothers of Immigrants and Priests for Justice for Immigrants encourage all to become involved in this important issue of our time. Visit <u>http://www.sistersandbrothersofimmigrants.com/</u> and http://www.catholicsandimmigrants.org/ministries/priests-for-justice-for-immigrants/ for additional information.

*Illinois Women Religious Against Human Trafficking* provide numerous resources for raising awareness of this issue, its consequences, and possible responses to address its effects. To access materials, free of charge, visit: <u>www.stophumantraffickingil.org</u> or email <u>skyenme@att.net</u>

See I Am Making Something New: Pastoral-Canonical Guidebook for New Institutes, Diocesan Hermits and Consecrated Virgins and New Forms of Consecrated Life explores the various ways in which the Life of the Spirit is stirring anew in the Church today in new religious institutes and societies, in diocesan hermits and consecrated virgins, in the new forms of consecrated life, and in the ecclesial movements that bring life and vitality to the Church today, and in fact, may give rise to new institutes. Author Sister Amy Hereford, CSJ is an attorney/canonist with extensive experience in consulting, writing and speaking on various topics of religious life. Link: <a href="http://a.co/brfFZyi">http://a.co/brfFZyi</a>

# **Renew My Church Prayer Intentions**

Please pray for our new parishes and their pastors as they begin the work of making disciples, building community and inspiring witness as new faith communities:

- Our Lady of the Lakes (St. Bede and St. Peter), led by Fr. George Koeune
- Divine Mercy (Sacred Heart and St. Philip the Apostle), led by Fr. Steve Lanza
- San Jose Sanhez del Rio (Maternity B.V.M., St. Francis of Assisi and St. Philomena), led by Fr. Gary Graf
- Mary, Mother of Mercy (Queen of the Universe and St. Adrian), led by Fr. Jose Murcia Abellan
- St. Ailbe, St. Felicitas and St. Joachim, led by Fr. Paul Whittington, O.P.

# 2018 Calendared Programs of Interest for Religious

- JULY
  - 6-10 2018 United States Convocation of Consecrated Virgins Contact Emily Byers for further registration information: <u>Emily.claire.byers@gmail.com</u>
  - 11-13 *Envisioning the Future of Catholic Religious Archives: A Working Conference* Boston College: <u>http://cara-news.blogspot.com/2017/06/envisioning-future-of-catholic\_19.html</u> For further information, contact Michael Burns: <u>michael.burns.7@bc.edu</u>
  - 14-20 Franciscan Retreat (open to all): Spread Great Tablecloths: Hospitality as an Evangelical Option The Portiuncula Center for Prayer (Frankfort, IL): <u>www.portforprayer.org</u>
  - **16-24** Life Commitment Program (for those discerning or preparing for perpetual profession of vows) Marillac Center (Leavenworth, KS): <u>www.relforcon.org</u>

- 20-23 Religious Brothers Conference Assembly Bolger Center (Potomac, MD): <u>https://www.nixmeetings.com/RBC18</u>
- 21 Single Catholic Women 17-35 Liturgy and Luncheon for Vocational Discernment Little Sisters of the Poor (2325 N. Lakewood, Chicago): <u>vcchicago@littlesistersofthepoor.org</u>

### AUGUST

1-5 Silent Directed Retreat: Shape of Soul, Movement of Heart

The Portiuncula Center for Prayer (Frankfort, IL): www.portforprayer.org

- **10-12** *The Three Paths Retreat* with Norma Roberts Chiara Center (Springfield, IL): <u>http://www.chiaracenter.org</u>
- **11** *Messages of Fatima* with Fr. Jim Presta at St. Catherine Laboure Parish (Glenview) 8am–1pm includes Mass, Rosary, Presentation, Exposition and Benediction
- 13-17
   Critical Skills for Pastoral Leadership

   Catholic Theological Union (Chicago): <a href="http://ctu.edu/skills-for-leadership/">http://ctu.edu/skills-for-leadership/</a>

   Register by July 13\*
- **18** Anniversary of Shrine to the Immaculate Heart of Mary at St. Catherine Laboure Parish (Glenview) 11am Mass followed by neighborhood procession

# 29 CAVA Opening Gathering

#### SEPTEMBER

15 Unaccompanied Immigrant Children: Responding with Love, Mercy, and Justice Catholic Theological Union (8:15am-1:00pm) For more information, contact Sr. Dorothy Pagosa, SSJ-TOSF: dpagosa@aol.com

## **OCTOBER**

## 5-12 Silent Directed Retreat: Shape of Soul, Movement of Heart

The Portiuncula Center for Prayer (Frankfort, IL): <u>www.portforprayer.org</u> *Touched by the Holy* Conference Retreat with Sr. Clare D'Auria, OFM Chiara Center (Springfield, IL): <u>http://www.chiaracenter.org</u>

- **12-14 Orientation to Formation** at Catholic Theological Union (Chicago, IL): <u>www.relforcon.org</u> (for those preparing for, currently serving, and/or overseeing the formation process)
- **25-26 Duns Scotus Symposium:** Lifelong Formation for Franciscan Men in the U.S. Catholic Theoligical Union (Chicago): <u>https://ctu.edu/event/franciscan/</u>
- 25-27 A Culture of Encounter: *Mission at the Heart of Our Faith in Christ* (Quincy, MA) <u>https://uscatholicmission.org/a-culture-of-encounter</u>

### 28-11/2 Fall Directed Retreat

Chiara Center (Springfield, IL): http://www.chiaracenter.org

#### **NOVEMBER**

- 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

#### FALL 2018 PROGRAMS

- Spiritual Director Formation & Professional Certification Program: Mayslake Ministries (Darien, IL) <u>http://www.mayslakeministries.org/sacred-presence/</u>
- Spiritual Direction Certificate Program: Claret Center (Chicago, IL): <u>http://www.claretcenter.org/spiritual-direction-internship%e2%80%a8/</u>
- In Search of the Beloved 8 Week Fall series (Sept. 11-Oct. 30) sponsored by Mayslake Ministries Tuesdays (7-9pm) at Sacred Heart Monastery (Lisle, IL): <u>https://www.mayslakeministries.org/events/50/in-</u> search-of-the-beloved-a-new-8-week-journey-towards-a-deeper-prayer-life/
- Institute of Pastoral Studies (Loyola University Chicago): <u>www.luc.edu/ips</u>