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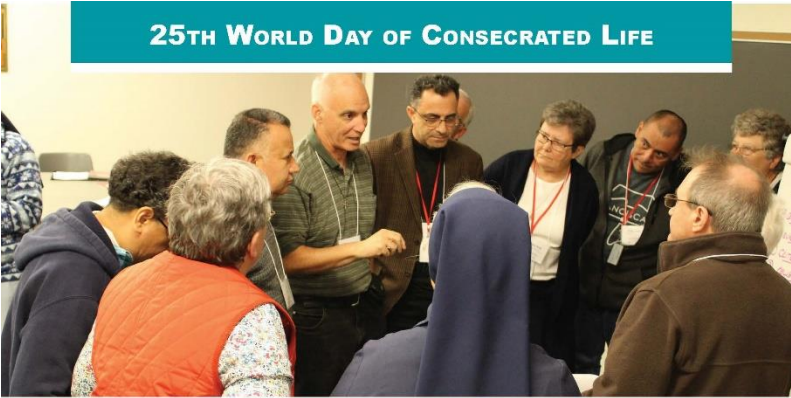


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Note: Information about housing, employment and events pertinent to religious should be sent by the 23rd of each month to kmcnulty@archchicago.org for consideration for the OFR Newsletter and/or website publication.

Happy New Year!



CONSECRATED LIFE THROUGH THE LENS OF FRATELLI TUTTI

PRAYER | PANEL | DISCUSSION

SAVE THE DATE
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 2
6:00-7:00PM CENTRAL
ONLINE

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25th World Day for Consecrated Life Through the Lens of Fratelli Tutti

Tutti: February 2 @ 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm Central Time

Celebrate World Day of Consecrated Life, Feb. 2, 6-7 p.m. by joining a reflection on consecrated life by newer members, in light of the Gospel call presented in Fratelli Tutti. This online gathering will include prayer, listening, and small group conversation. The gathering is co-sponsored by the Conference of Major Superiors of Men (CMSM), Leadership Conference of Women Religious (LCWR), National

Religious Vocations Conference (NRVC), Religious Brothers Conference (RBC), and Religious Formation Conference (RFC). Free, but [register in advance here](#) for the Zoom link. See speakers below.



Sr. Celia Ashton, OCD
Carmelite Sisters of
Baltimore



Br. Joseph Bach, OSF
Franciscan Brothers
of Brooklyn



Rev. Steve Dos Santos,
CPPS, Missionaries
of the Precious Blood



Sr. Leslie Keener, CDP
Congregation of Divine
Providence, Melbourne, KY



Br. Chris Patiño, FSC
De La Salle Christian
Brothers



Sr. Nicole Trahan, FMI,
Marianist Sisters, Daughters
of Mary Immaculate

RESOURCES, EVENTS and OPPORTUNITIES

The Archdiocese continues to offer online Mass.

Visit: <https://radiotv.archchicago.org/television/broadcast-masses>

Archdiocese of Chicago Radio Programs – WNDZ Indiana AM 750

The Office for Radio and TV has a list of shows airing everyday live from 8:00 to 9:00 a.m.
Go to: <https://radiotv.archchicago.org/radio> for schedules:

Black Catholic Initiative | Built on the Rock | Catholic Chicago Week in Review
Catholic Chicago | Catholic Conference Hour | Catholic Schools Today | Dare to Love
Diakonia: A Call to Service | Focus on the Liturgy | Fully Alive | Lifelong Journey
On the Way | Mission Matters Live | Chicago Católico | Voice of Charity

“**Dare to Love**,” a vocation awareness show hosted by Sr. Lovina Pammit, OSF featured Sister Maria Cimperman, RSCJ on January 7 - **Sr. Maria Cimperman, RSCJ: An Introduction**
Our guest today is Sr. Maria Cimperman, RSCJ (Religious Society of the Sacred Heart - <https://rscj.org/>), who is a faculty member at the Catholic Theological Union (CTU) in Chicago and founding director of the Center for the Study of Consecrated Life (CSCL) at CTU. The goal of the Center is to dynamically engage in research and dialogue on contemporary issues in consecrated life today. For more information, visit: <https://ctu.edu/cscl/> In this half-hour glimpse, Sr. Maria talks about her journey that brought her from Slovenia, to Cleveland, Ohio, through her travels abroad, and currently to Chicago and the experiences that led her to her current ministry. She wrote a book called “Religious Life for Our World: Creating Communities of Hope” and co-edited with Roger Schroeder, SVD, the book, “Engaging Our Diversity: Interculturality and Consecrated Life Today,” that features various presenters on intercultural topics. Both books are available from [Orbis Books](#) and [Amazon](#).

The February 4 Dare to Love show will feature Sister Anita Baird, DHM with returning guest Sr. Maria Cimperman. Visit <https://radiotv.archchicago.org/radio/dare-to-love> for past shows. To listen live, tune in at 8:00 a.m. to WNDZ Indiana, AM 750 on your radio or go to the website.

Fratelli Tutti: A Conversation with Michael Cardinal Czerny, SJ

January 21, 2021 @ 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm – Free – For male religious

CMSM members and your communities are invited to join Michael Cardinal Czerny, SJ, Undersecretary for the Dicastery for Promoting Integral Human Development, for an online discussion, **Fratelli Tutti: To see what really matters.**

Cardinal Czerny will discuss Pope Francis’ new encyclical, Fratelli Tutti, with a particular focus on the document in the context of religious life. This landmark encyclical focuses on the urgent need for a culture of mutual respect and fraternity globally in language of community that resonates with and suggests a connection to religious life. This special event for **male religious** will be the first in a series of online discussions exploring Fratelli Tutti’s application to our ministries and community life of religious. **CMSM members: Register here**

The dicastery has set up a [Fratelli Tutti website here](#) to study the document more closely. Visit this site for details: **Fratelli Tutti: A Conversation with Michael Cardinal Czerny, SJ – Conference of Major Superiors of Men (cmsm.org)**

RAICES y ALAS 2021 - September 22-26, 2021 – Save the Dates

<https://ncchm-us.org/2020/03/01/raices-y-alas-2021/>

The National Catholic Council for Hispanic Ministry will convene the RAICES y ALAS 2021 – National Catholic Congress in Hispanic Ministry on Sept. 22-26, 2021 in Washington, DC. NCCHM is working in Pastoral de Conjunto with the USCCB's Secretariat for Hispanic Affairs, the V Encuentro, national organizations and leaders to create the program for the national congress, which is expected to gather over 500 national Hispanic ministry leaders. Among other areas, the congress will be focused primarily on the Priority Areas that emerged from the V Encuentro and recommend actions steps and plans that will be presented to the V Encuentro leadership and bishops as part of the national pastoral planning for Hispanic ministry.



Save the date!

RFC Congress | Nov 4-7, 2021

Click here for more information

Religious Formation Conference ForMission Cohort Class Submission Due Feb. 2

The Conference's extended deadline to apply to this year's new ForMission cohort is coming up fast on **Tuesday, February 2**. To access application materials, please [click here](#).

The new cohort will convene for a day-long virtual orientation session on *Sunday, March 21st*. The day will be facilitated by **Dr. Ann Letourneau, CSJ**. Additionally, the group will be offered other opportunities to engage with the content and each other prior to the group's first gathering in May/June.

ForMission is a two-year, non-residential program intended for women and men formation ministers currently accompanying new members at any stage of initial formation, preparing to become a formation minister, or serving in elected leadership or another role that actively supports formation ministry. For more information about program, click on the graphic below.



SOAR (Support Our Aging Religious) COVID-19 Rapid Response Grant

Religious communities in need due to the Covid-19 pandemic may want to investigate the possibility of a grant through Soar. According to Sister Kathleen Lunsmann, the President of SOAR, these grants will focus specifically on congregations with an immediate need that a rapid response grant is likely to address or mitigate; and communities with an average age of 70 or older. Send the contact information of the religious congregation to Sister Kathleen Lunsmann, IHM, 3025 4th Street NE, Suite 14, Washington, DC 20017 Tel. 202.529.7633 | email info@soar-usa.org

12-Hour Online Prayer Marathon – Premieres March 24, 2021 – Save the Date

Let us pray together! The Chicago Archdiocesan Vocation Association (CAVA) www.vocationscava.org is offering a 12-hour prayer marathon featuring various prayer formats hour by hour from 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. witnessing to our common practice of praying as a community. This project also seeks to provide a model of collaboration among members of CAVA representing various congregations and the beauty of our diversity as pray-ers. We ask for your prayers as we work on this project. Schedule, participant list and links will be announced closer to the date.

EMPLOYMENT – POSITIONS OPEN

Codirectors for the Intercongregational Collaborative Novitiate for the Religious Formation Conference

The RFC is happy to announce that it is opening a search for two Codirectors for the soon-to-open Intercongregational Collaborative Novitiate. With the assistance of a grant from the Hilton Foundation, the Conference has concentrated its efforts in two major projects: the formation of an intercongregational novitiate and the development of an online searchable database of formation resources. Through the efforts of a committee of well-experienced formators, leaders, newer religious, and other skilled members, the Intercongregational Collaborative Novitiate will open in Chicago in August 2021. For this pioneering initiative in the area of initial formation, RFC is seeking two experienced religious formators who are able to work collaboratively and flexibly with each other and with the Board. Those interested are encouraged to submit a letter of interest, a current resume, and names of three references (none will be contacted without prior consent of the applicant) to the Conference at rhc@relforcon.org. The search will continue until the positions are filled but preference will be given to applications received by January 15. A job description is available upon request and questions can be directed to edauwer@relforcon.org.

Applications to the Intercongregational Collaborative Novitiate Now Open

An email with detailed information has been sent to those who expressed interest in participating in the program. If you would like to be included in this email, please contact edauwer@relforcon.org.

RETREATS and OTHER OFFERINGS

Mayslake Ministries

6-part Online Lenten Series (\$60.00): Holy Spirit Healing Workshop presented by Lori Pacer

Monday and Thursday evenings from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. | Feb. 22 & 25, Mar 1, 4, 8, & 11
Register online at www.mayslakeministries.org or call 630-852-9000

Our Lady of the Prairie Retreat

Call 563-336-8414 or visit theprairieretreat.org for more information and to register

Jan 19 Zoom: Ecumenical Prayer Service
Feb 9 Zoom: Circle of Life: Winter
Feb 10 Zoom: Come to the Quiet
Feb 18 Let God be God
Feb 24 Zoom: Lenten Nights with Barb
Feb 26-28 Grief Retreat: Healing from Loss

Mar 3, 10, 17 Zoom: Lenten Nights with Barb
Mar 5-6 Men Encounter Christ in Prayer
Mar 13 Spring Equinox: Act of Power
Mar 19-20 Pause and Refresh
Mar 24 The Heart of Forgiveness
Mar 30 No Fear, No Fail Yeast Bread Making

Portiuncula Center for Prayer [Programs & Retreats – PORTIUNCULA Center for Prayer \(portforprayer.org\)](http://portforprayer.org)

Feb 3 – Group Spiritual Direction (in person)
Feb 20 - Paula D'Arcy: Stirring the Waters via Zoom
Feb 22 - Pathway to Easter Joy (in person)
Feb 26 - Healing Vibrations with Crystal Singing Bowls via Zoom
Mar 1 - Acceptance in the Time of Pandemic via Zoom
Mar 12 - Private Retreat (on Campus)
Mar 15 - Emotions + Resilience = Resilience (in person)
Mar 19 - Dr. Robert Wicks: Riding the Dragon via Zoom
Mar 30 - Guided Meditation via Zoom

Redemptorist Retreat Center

Preached Retreats for Women and Men: <https://www.redemptoristretreat.org/preached-retreats>
February 5 & 13 | March 19-21, 2021 | March 26-28, 2021

Siena Retreat Center [Contact \(262\) 898-2580 | arrangements@racinedominicans.org](mailto:arrangements@racinedominicans.org)

Jan 27, Feb 24, Mar 24 – Online Series with Paula D'Arcy. 3:00 to 4:00 p.m. central. \$24 each session

Feb 17 - Lenten Retreat | | 7:00 pm [Click here for more Info](#)

Nothing is more important than coming home to our deepest Self, for here we come into alignment with the Spirit of the Living God. This is the call of Lent. 2-week virtual retreat.

LIST OF VENUES

For a list of retreat centers, visit our website:

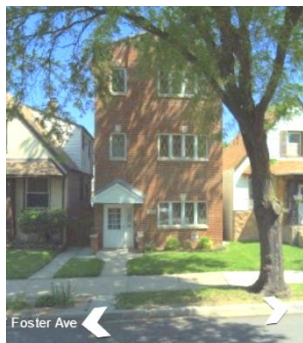
<https://consecratedlife.archchicago.org/resources/retreat-resources>.

PROPERTIES/HOUSING AVAILABLE

Oak Park—St. Catherine of Siena/St. Lucy Parish **Apartment for Rent.** 28 N. Austin Boulevard. Newly renovated apartment includes 2 bedrooms with living room, dining room, kitchen, mud room and parking. \$1,400 per month includes utilities: gas, electricity, and water. Religious Preferred. Conveniently located to PACE and CTA Bus stops. One block to Blue Line and Green Line trains.

Rectory Suite: 2 suites for priests or brothers only. Rent is \$850 per month including utilities, heated garage, and stair lift. Contact: Fr. George Omwando at 708.386.8077.

Oak Park--Apartment for Rent: 2-bedroom, 1 bath apartment. A 1200 square foot apartment within unit full washer and dryer. Rent is \$1600/month for an extended lease. Contact Patricia Knabe at 708.204.6650 or ob2knabe@gmail.com.



Apartment available at 2148 West Foster Avenue, Chicago. This is an SSND-owned building with a furnished three-bedroom apartment on the third floor. The location is near bus routes, elevated train, expressways, Churches, stores, etc. Separate indoor entrance via 32 carpeted stairs with a double railing. Carpeted with 3 bedrooms, a large living room with skylights, a full bath, a second bath with a shower off the rear bedroom, large kitchen with a tiled floor and appliance, separate heating, hot water, central air conditioning and washer and dryer. A small back porch off the kitchen provides stairs to the rear yard and the parking area where there is space behind the building to park one car. Street parking. No attic or basement; limited storage. Equipped with a security system. Interested Sisters should contact Sr. Jane Forni, SSND, at jforni@amssnd.org or 443-519-8167.

Bridgeport—Apartment for Rent: Clean 1-bedroom on the 2nd floor. Non-smoking building; no animals. Central heat, air conditioning, laundry at 2950 S. Keeley Street, Chicago, IL 60608. Contact Alice Mesec at 630.243.7390 or 630.301.0034 (cell).

Irving Park/Kilbourn Park—Home for Rent: 3 bed, 2 bath bungalow. Hardwood floors and full basement with 2 car garage. Freshly painted and maintained. Seeking a long-term rental, as previous tenants were there for ten years. 4150 W. Melrose Avenue. Call or text Nick at 630.776.3909. Rent: \$2,100 per month.

Brookfield 2-bedroom apartment available February 1. Women religious in other apartments. 2nd flr, laundry on premises, \$950, heat included. Contact Bill at 708. 248.2275.



House for Rent - 5045 South Ellis Avenue
Call for details - 847-412-1617 or 847-412-1621 |

This classic, traditional house in the historic Kenwood neighborhood welcomes you with an inviting front porch. The three-story, 13 room house has eight bedrooms, 5 ½ bathrooms and a sitting room and elegant vintage features. A sunny screened porch overlooks a tranquil backyard. The wonderful outdoor space is a restful haven in the midst of the city.

House for Rent: St Mary of the Lake Parish, 4216 N. Sheridan Rd. Chicago.
Delightful 4 bedroom / 2-bathroom home situated on 2 floors + finished basement | parking available | close to CTA bus stops and Red Line transit (Irving Park). Contact Pastor Manuel Dorantes 773 280 7700

Jefferson Park—House for Sale (Possible rental): 5240 N. Ludlam Avenue, 60630. 3 bed/1 bath; oak floors and maple kitchen with a great layout. 2.5 car garage with a yard and 6-foot fence on all sides. House has light streaming in from the east which creates a peculiar ambience. Basement has a space which was another apartment in past years. The house does need some cosmetic work, mainly floor which need sanding and an exterior paint job. Some work is also needed on the 3rd bedroom and basement apartment. Some new windows will be needed for next winter. The current occupant has lived in this residence for 25 years and the home is dedicated to Our Lady. As is: \$230,000. Contact Julie at jmccreevy099@gmail.com.

SOCIAL JUSTICE ACTION

Bethany House of Hospitality – Opportunity to Help

Bethany House of Hospitality offers housing and support services to young immigrant women as they journey to independence. Since October 2017 Bethany House of Hospitality has housed more than 49 women and 9 children from Central America, Africa, and the Middle East. The average length of stay has been 6 months. Visit <http://bethanyhouseofhospitality.com/how-you-can-participate/> to donate or get involved.

Mission of Our Lady of the Angels – Opportunity to Help

Click on the link to visit the website : [Mission of Our Lady of the Angels \(missionola.com\)](http://missionola.com)

Laudato Si' Gardens Initiative

Do you see a need for green space and environmental education in your neighborhood? Climate change is an existential threat to God's creation. Your Catholic community can step up and take action today with your parish's own Laudato Si' Garden! Find out if Laudato Si' Gardens are perfect for your community by taking [this survey](#) (ctrl+click on the live link). Start your journey towards Laudato Si' today.



Monthly Homicide Vigil

All are welcome to join Chicago Catholic Sisters for monthly homicide vigils to unite together, name those lost to violence, and pray for the end to violence in our city. The vigils are held on the last Saturday of each month at the site of a homicide. The purpose of the homicide prayer vigil is to serve as a public witness to the sacredness of life when it has been lost through homicides. Follow "Chicago Homicide Vigils" on Facebook: www.facebook.com/ChicagoHomicideVigils/