

# Sunday

ANNOUNCEMENTS

## AROUND THE CATHEDRAL

### **March First Friday Concert- March 1st**

Join us for the next First Friday Concert at 7PM at the Cathedral on March 1st. We will be joined by Brad Cardella, Cathedral Oboist, and Kara Mernaugh, Cathedral Soprano for an evening of musical excitement! The concert is open to all and is FREE! We are blessed to have these artists present for our First Friday series and thankful to the Staab Family for their contributions to the series. Bring your friends and enjoy an evening of beauty in our Cathedral.

### **The Writings of Flannery O'Connor**

Georgia native Flannery O'Connor (1925-1964) is considered by many to be "one of America's greatest fiction writers and one of the strongest apologists for Roman Catholicism in the twentieth century." Join Father Stock for a look at her life and writings. Cathedral Atrium, Tuesdays February 12th, 19th, & 26th, 7:00pm

### **Pivotal Players**

Pivotal Players series is only halfway through. You still have time to enjoy learning about some of the major figures in our Catholic faith as presented by Bishop Robert Barron. Come to the Cathedral school basement on Tuesday mornings at 10:00 for coffee, video and conversation. All are welcome! Feb 5 - Blessed John Henry Newman, Feb 12 - G.K. Chesterton, Feb 19 - Michelangelo

### **Parish Nurse Blood Pressure Checks**

Barb Kopec will be filling in for Adrienne Andrews as parish nurse while Adrienne cares for her mother. Barb will be in the atrium to check blood pressure on Sunday, Feb 24, before and after the 7:00am Mass.

### **Trauma Informed Care Conversation**

Trauma Informed Care Conversation was cancelled last week due to the polar vortex. Mark your calendars for Tuesday, March 12, 7:00pm in the Cathedral atrium to participate in the continuing conversation about how the Cathedral parish can better care for our neighbors.

### **CCCW Blessing Bags**

Last February, thanks to the generosity of Cathedral parishioners, the CCCW was able to provide Blessing bags to more than 80 people - and they were greatly appreciated. We ask your help once again in providing items for Blessing Bags:

- Travel size toiletries and lotions, or those provided when staying at a hotel
- Combs
- Tissue packets
- Emery boards
- Tooth brushes and small tubes of toothpaste.

Shaving items and mouthwash cannot be accepted. These items will be assembled into birthday gift bags for residents of Aperia Care on Martin Luther King Drive and the parishioners that Sister Francella ministers too and visits. These items can be deposited in the marked basket in the Atrium. Thanks in advance for your generosity!

### **Alpha Volunteers**

Alpha is up and running! Please pray for our guests to encounter Jesus in a powerful way as they explore the basics of Christianity and please keep the team members in prayer as they accompany our guests. We are still in need of some games for the children who come with their parents to Alpha. Board games like Trouble or Chutes and ladders as well as decks of cards or any other games your family has outgrown and you are willing to pass on would be greatly appreciated. Drop off in the atrium or parish office. Thank you!

### **Servers Schedule**

*Feb. 23rd 4:00 PM Vigil*

Servers: E. Swift & I. Staab

*Feb. 24th 10:00AM*

Servers: A. Southern, T. Southern & T. Copelin

*Feb. 24th 5:00PM*

Servers: Z. Jamieson & J. Simpson

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### **Attention Young Adults!**

The Forge is a Springfield based young adult Catholic ministry. All young adults are welcome!

More information: @Theforge on Facebook, <https://the-forge-online.com/>Email contact: Andrew Hansen: [andrewhansen1@yahoo.com](mailto:andrewhansen1@yahoo.com)

### **9th Annual Hockey with Bishop Paprocki**

Catholic Charities invites you to a fun night of faith, fellowship and fun with Bishop Thomas John Paprocki. February 20, 2019 at 7:00PM the "Holy Goalie" takes the ice in the 9th Annual Hockey with Bishop Paprocki benefiting Catholic Charities Legal Services. Following the game you can rent skates for \$2, or bring your own, and hit the ice with Bishop Paprocki. The evening will wrap up by 9:00PM. Tickets are \$5 for children and \$7 for adults. Tickets can be purchased online or at the door. <https://cc.dio.org/tickets/12-11>

### **Sounds of Swing- St. Thomas Parish Center**

Swing into Spring with the Sound of Swing Dinner and Dance at St. Thomas Parish Center, 306 W. Jourdan St. Newton, IL 62448 on Sat. March 23rd. The doors open at 5:30PM and the band begins at 7:00PM. The cost is \$20 per person. Reservations needed, please call St. Thomas School at 618-783-3517. All proceeds go to the St. Thomas School Music Program.

### **St. John's Hospital Hospice Program**

St. John's Hospital Hospice Program provide comprehensive care for people who are terminally ill as well as their families and loved ones. Becoming a hospice volunteer creates a way for you to make a tremendous impact on your community by giving families your help when they tend to need it most. If you are looking for a fulfilling, rewarding experience, and a feeling of community spirit, then this is the place for you. volunteer duties include a variety of services based on the needs and strengths of each volunteer. For more information about St. John's Hospice Volunteer Services, contact Cassie Delaney at (217) 685-0702 or email her at [Cassandra.Delaney@hshs.org](mailto:Cassandra.Delaney@hshs.org).

### **Switchback in Concert**

St. Joseph the Worker in Chatham will be hosting a Cabin Concert on February 23rd , featuring the duo SWITCHBACK, seen on PBS and known for their energetic combination of Americana, Rock and Celtic style ([waygoodmusic.com](http://waygoodmusic.com)). Please join us for delicious hors d'oeuvres beginning at 5:45 pm with the music starting at 7:00 pm. Attendees are welcome to bring their own wine and beer. Tickets will be \$20 and can be reserved in advance by calling the parish office at 217-483-3772 or via email at [SJWactivities@gmail.com](mailto:SJWactivities@gmail.com). Please reserve tickets by February 20th.