

# Sunday

ANNOUNCEMENTS

## AROUND THE CATHEDRAL

### **Cathedral First Friday Concert Series**

The next Cathedral First Friday Concert will be April 5th and feature the women's group, Seraphim. Seraphim, a professional women's ensemble, offers high-quality performances to local venues, including a wide variety of vocal and instrumental styles, including sacred, classical, gospel, and popular tunes. Join us April 5th at 7 PM-8 PM for great, FREE, music and fun!

### **The Fight Against Abortion Continues**

Recent extreme abortion legislation has awakened a new resolve in the faithful to fight against abortion. The Cathedral is determined to keep right to life as a priority issue. We need some volunteers to help coordinate our efforts. If you are interested in helping to co-chair a Pro-Life Committee please call the parish office or email [vcompton@cathedral.dio.org](mailto:vcompton@cathedral.dio.org). Thank you!

### **Catholic Relief Services Collection**

This week, we take up The Catholic Relief Services Collection to help Jesus in disguise. This collection helps six Catholic agencies provide relief and support to struggling communities and work for peace and reconciliation among our marginalized brothers and sisters here and around the world. Please prayerfully consider how you can support the collection. Learn more about the collection at [www.usccb.org/catholic-relief](http://www.usccb.org/catholic-relief)

### **Extra Liturgical Ministers for Lent**

We are so blessed to have three daily masses during Lent! Extra masses require additional liturgical ministers. If one of your Lenten practices is to attend daily Mass, then we could use your help as a Lector or Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion at 7:00, 12:05 or 5:15 daily Mass. Call the Cathedral office at 522-3342 or contact Vicki Compton at [vcompton@cathedral.dio.org](mailto:vcompton@cathedral.dio.org) for more information.

### **Fourth Week of Lent - Encounter Kumba**

We encounter Kumba from Sierra Leone, who, through her education, is providing hope for her family and community. How has education given you opportunities in life? How do you use your education for the common good? Visit [crsricebowl.org](http://crsricebowl.org) for more.

### **First Friday Concerts – A Evangelization Opportunity**

Our Cathedral opens the doors to visitors each month at our First Friday Concert series. Some of these guests may not have a church home. The concert is an opportunity for us to invite them to consider making Cathedral their spiritual home. A warm welcome combined with beautiful music may be the encouragement someone might need to return to the Cathedral for Mass or faith formation. If you'd like to be a greeter at one or more of the concerts, please call the parish office or email [vcompton@cathedral.dio.org](mailto:vcompton@cathedral.dio.org) to volunteer. Thank you!

### **Catholicism: The New Evangelization**

This video and discussion series, hosted by Bishop Robert Barron, explores the Church's mission within the challenges of contemporary culture. Cathedral School basement, **Tuesdays, March 5-April 9, 10:00am**

### **Pro-Life Letter Writing**

If you were not able to join us at Advocacy Day, please contact your legislators to vote NO to extreme abortion legislation being proposed in the Illinois House and Senate. Go to <https://www.ilcatholic.org/> to find your legislators and send them a message in support of life. Thanks to everyone who stopped in the atrium to make their voice heard!

### **Cathedral Bible Study Group**

The Cathedral Bible Study group invites parishioners to an upcoming eight session study entitled "The Acts of the Apostles: Good News for All People". Meetings will occur the first and third Tuesday of the month from 6:15-7:45pm in the parish meeting room. For more information contact Larry Travis at [LTravisjr@gmail.com](mailto:LTravisjr@gmail.com) or 381-4653.

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### **Give A Little...On April 6, 2019**

Springfield Catholic Charities invites you to join them for the opportunity to change lives. Give a little and get a lot of fun with an evening of dinner and delightful entertainment including a live auction and local celebrity karaoke competition. Evening begins at 6:00 pm at the Crowne Plaza. Tickets are \$75 and can be purchased by going online at [events.cc.dio.org](https://events.cc.dio.org)

### **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)

### **40 Days for Life**

"As a post-abortive woman, I can honestly say that I wish someone had been praying on the sidewalk the day of my abortion. I wanted help so badly." (Betty Parquette, Outreach Coordinator for 40 Days for Life). The 40 Days for Life campaign in our diocese will be March 6-April 14. We will be peacefully praying in front of Planned Parenthood at 601 Bruns Ln. for an end to abortion, healing for post-abortive women and men, and for the conversion of the PP workers. For 40 days, from 7am-7pm each day we need you to pray with us. Please join us by signing up for a one hour prayer slot (multiple hours welcome) to pray for the end of this holocaust on the most vulnerable. You can sign-up online at <https://40daysforlife.com/local-campaigns/springfield/>. More information can be found at <https://www.facebook.com/events/1642487179178895/>.