

Sunday Announcements

Habitat – Catholic Build Update

Thank you for your donations last weekend for the Habitat house we are building with other Catholic parishes and groups for Kimeka Robinson and family. We will continue to collect donations over the next several weeks so please be as generous as you are able.

There are a few other ways you can support the Habitat build through some local business partners. During the month of August, as part of our ongoing partnership with Robert's Seafood Market, for every pound of Wild Gulf Shrimp you buy, \$1 will be donated to Habitat for Humanity of Sangamon County and then Robert's will match that donation! Perfect for end of summer BBQs! Check them out on Facebook for future Habitat promotions.

You are also invited to shop at the Original Pease's or Pease's at Bunn Gourmet Monday, August 26th through Sunday, September 1st and help Habitat win the Pease's Charity Challenge. They will be donating 5% of net sales to Habitat that week and if we have the highest sales week of all, they will donate an additional \$1000! Enjoy a sweet treat while supporting Habitat!

Volunteers Needed Sept. 19th!

Cathedral is hosting Chris Stefanick, world-renowned Catholic speaker and evangelist from Real Life Catholic on Sept 19th for his REBOOT Parish Event. We are anticipating 300-400 people the night-of, which is a great crowd! In order to extend Cathedral's great hospitality, and as the motherchurch of the Diocese, we want to staff plenty of volunteers the night-of to provide:

Line hospitality (those individuals waiting to get tickets and will-call), Door hospitality (to check tickets and provide a warm welcome), Ushers (will help people find seating and work with the group hospitality rows), Ticket sales/Will-call tables, Books/Resource distribution table, Intermission Hospitality.

More info on Chris and the event here: <https://spicathedral.org/reboot/> If you are interested and able to volunteer, please confirm your participation with Katie Price at kprice@cathedral.dio.org. Please attend the **Volunteer Training night on Sept. 5th at 7PM**. If you would like to volunteer and can not attend that evening, please let Katie know and she will coordinate another time to discuss.

Resources Have Arrived

Internationally Acclaimed Speaker & Author
Chris Stefanick's REBOOT Event

Sept. 19th 7 PM to 9:30 PM at Cathedral.

When you come to REBOOT, you will experience transformation, hospitality, and formation all in one evening! We have numerous resources and books just shipped to the Cathedral! Your ticket price covers these books AND Chris Stefanick's presentation- it is priceless for healing and forming your marriage, parenting, or faith journey!

Holy Hour for Parents Whose Children Are Away from the Faith

Parents, grandparents, aunts and uncles, join us at the Cathedral for Eucharistic Adoration and prayer for our children who are no longer practicing their Catholic faith. All are welcome!

Tuesday, August 27th - 7:00PM

Cathedral First Friday Concert

Join us for the next Cathedral First Friday Concert which will be September 6, 2019 at 7PM for the theme Gospel Favorites. Featured artist include: Debbie Ross, singing; Mark Gifford, piano; Roger Holmes, drums; Rhett Bradley, bass. The concert is free and open to the public. This concert will be in the Atrium.

Coffee With Clergy

Join us for coffee and the opportunity to ask Father House any questions you might have regarding the faith.

Tuesday, August 27th – 10:00-11:30am, Cathedral School basement

Oremus: A Guide to Catholic Prayer

If you missed our series on Tuesday mornings, St. Joseph the Worker in Chatham is starting Oremus, a video-based 8 week course with Fr. Mark Toups. The course teaches the essentials of an effective and fruitful prayer life. To sign up call the parish at 483-3772.

Thursdays, beginning August 22nd 12:15 (8 weeks).

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Divorced and Separated Koinonia

A retreat experience specifically for separated and divorced Catholics. The weekend is not a seminar, not a social gathering, nor is it counseling. It is time to retreat, to reflect and to heal. Contact Carlos Tejeda at 698-8500 X132 or ctejada@dio.org for more information.

October 4th -6th, Villa Maria Retreat Center on Lake Springfield

Springfield Right To Life Dinner

The annual Right to Life fundraising banquet will be held on Monday, September 23 at 6:00pm at the Crowne Plaza. Please RSVP by September 12 to srtlbanquet@gmail.com or by calling 523-2700.

Annual Respect Life Mass, Rosary Walk and Luncheon

September 7, 2019. Mass starts at 9:00am and the luncheon ends about 1:00 pm. Dr Pat Castle, President and Founder of Life Runners will be guest speaker for the luncheon. Come and pray for an end to abortion. More information can be found at: <https://www.dio.org/plasm/events.html>

Suicide Prevention

Our Lady of the Snows presentation – “The QPR (Suicide Prevention) Class.” September 11, 6:00 – 7:00 pm. Candlelight Vigil, 7:30 pm. For more information go to: <https://snows.org/events-2/>

Diocesan Black Catholic Commission

Applications are being accepted from people interested in serving on the Diocesan Black Catholic Commission. To obtain an application contact Donna at 217-698-8500, ext 161.

Koinonia

Koinonia of Springfield will be having a retreat weekend September 20-23 2019, at the Villa Maria on Lake Springfield. The retreat offers a time to relax, reflect and grown in your faith. The retreat begins at dinner on Friday and concludes after lunch on Sunday. Cost is \$125, which includes lodging, all meals and retreat materials. Applications available online at <https://www.sacredheartvirgen.com/koinonia> For more information contact Contact Georgene Jones-217-965-4494 or fsp1985@royell.net

Annual Trivia Night

The Pregnancy Care Center of Springfield, Inc. invites you to attend its 3rd Annual Trivia Night on Saturday, September 7th, 2019 at the St. John's Hospital Prairie Heart Institute: Dove Conference Center. Doors open at 6:00 p.m. and Trivia will begin at 7:00 p.m. This year's theme is “Pop Culture” and tickets are \$20 per person or \$160 for a table of 8. Register by calling the Center at 525-5630 or online at www.mygiving.com/app/giving/pregnancycare

Diocesan Council of Catholic Women Convention

Save the date for the 91st annual Springfield Diocesan Council of Catholic Women Convention to be held at St. Boniface Parish, Edwardsville, on Wed. Sept 25th. This event is hosted by the Alton Deanery. The convention will include morning refreshments, speakers, Mass celebrated by Most Reverend Bishop Thomas John Paprocki, luncheon raffles, 50/50 drawing and auction baskets.

Called to serve? Come and See

All men discerning a vocation to the diaconate are invited to a weekend experience at the Villa Maria Catholic Retreat and Conference Center, Friday September 13, (4:00 p.m.) to Saturday, September 14 (2:00 p.m.) at no cost. During the weekend, you will meet the men and wives currently in formation, proctor classroom lecture, and join in meals and social time. Wives of men discerning a vocation are invited and strongly encouraged to attend. To register, contact Teresa Gwardys at tgwardys@dio.org at the Office for the Diaconate.

Information Session

All men discerning a vocation to the diaconate are invited to a no cost informational session on October 13, 2019 from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. in the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception Atrium. Requirements, formation experience, and application information will be presented. Wives of men discerning a vocation are invited and strongly encouraged to attend. To register for this event please contact Teresa Gwardys at tgwardys@dio.org

Legal Clinic

Attorneys from the Immigration Project are available to answer immigration questions. Consultants are available on August 30th at the Catholic Charities office, 120 S. 11th St, in Springfield. To schedule an appointment, email Immigration Project at or call 309-829-8703.