

Sunday Announcements

The Life and Theology of St. John Henry Newman

Join Father Dominic Rankin for the next session on the life and theology of Cardinal Newman, who was a key player in 19th century England's Oxford Movement that eventually led to Newman's conversion to Catholicism.

Oct. 28th - 7:00PM, Cathedral Atrium

The Wild Goose - Discovering a Deeper Relationship with the Holy Spirit

We are pleased to announce a new adult faith formation series beginning on Tues. Oct. 15th at 10:00am in the school basement. The Wild Goose is a 14 part video series featuring Fr. Dave Pivonka, TOR, speaking on an attribute of the Holy Spirit. FREE and open to all. For more information contact Vicki Compton at 522-3342 or vcompton@cathedral.dio.org

Baby Bottle Boomerang

This weekend is the kick off for the Baby Bottle Boomerang in support of First Step Women's Center. On your way out of the church grab a bottle. Over the next few weeks fill it up with cash and checks and change and return it to the Cathedral on the weekend of Nov. 23-24. This year's Baby Bottle Boomerang campaign is raising funds to purchase a larger facility so more patients can be seen and more lives saved. Thank you for your participation!

Alpha at Cathedral – We Need You

A new Alpha will be starting at the Cathedral in January. We are looking for volunteers to help facilitate conversations in small groups and to help with hospitality (daytime set-up, welcoming guests, cooking, serving, clean-up). Alpha will be held on Monday evenings in the school hall, January-March. An Alpha night includes welcoming guests, providing a delicious meal, watching videos that introduce basic Christian understandings, and facilitating small group discussions. If you think you would enjoy being part of a team that helps introduce people to a relationship with Jesus Christ, then Alpha is for you! Team training is provided – table hosts and helpers need only a desire to love people and listen to them (not teach them). Please contact Vicki Compton if you are interested vcompton@cathedral.dio.org or 522-3342.

Cathedral First Friday Concert

Join us for the next concert on Nov. 1st at 7pm featuring the Lincoln Land String Quartet! The concert will be in the church and all are welcome!

Don't Miss Trivia Fun!

Don't miss a fun night of Trivia with friends at Cathedral! The CCCW November 2nd Trivia Night is coming up quickly. Gather a group of family & friends (10 max) and enjoy a fun night of trivia, chili, hot dogs, snacks and beverages (beer will be available), or bring your own. Doors open at 6:00, play begins at 7:00 pm. Cash prizes, silent auction & more! We look forward to the challenge of some winning teams from Cathedral! Proceeds to benefit CCCW Catholic Schools Scholarship Fund. Call 691-6333 or 494-4241 with questions or to register. Hope to see you there!

Washington Street Mission

The Washington Street Mission has made it known to Sister Francella, OP the great need for sleeping bags and suitcases on wheels. We are asking for clean, gently used sleeping bags and suitcases. There will be boxes in the atrium and foyer where these things can be placed.

Bereavement Ministry

Cathedral parish will begin hosting Grief Share, a weekly grief support group. If you, or someone you know, would like help and encouragement after the death of a spouse, child, family member, or friend, please join us beginning Thurs., Nov. 7, 1:00-3:00pm in the Cathedral School Library. For more information contact Berni Ely @ 899-6637 or jackandberni96@yahoo.com

Socktober Success!

A huge thank you for the amazing generosity of many in our parish for the donation of socks, hats, gloves and scarves for individuals in shelters this winter! Many will be more comfortable, and possibly avoid frostbite, as a result of your kindness. The baskets will be removed after the 5:15 pm Mass on October 31st.

Cathedral Council of Women Cookie Walk- Save the Date!

CCCW will have a Cookie Walk December 14 from 9:00-1:00 . Cookies can be purchased by the pound for \$6.00 and candy for \$8.00.

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Mass for the Deaf Community and Friends

Join us November 10, 12:00 pm (noon), 1412 9th St, Highland. Celebrant – Father Adam Zawadzki, O.P. Miss. For information on future Masses in American Sign Language go to: <https://www.dio.org/plasm/deaf-ministry.html>

Find Peace and Healing: Rachel's Vineyard

Pope Francis says, "God is always waiting for you." If you or someone you love is grieving the loss of a child or children to abortion, come and experience the healing mercy of Jesus Christ on our weekend retreat. To find information about the Rachel's Vineyard Retreat November 1-3 go to: www.dio.org/plasm/project-rachel.html, call 217-321-1161, or email. Scholarships are available.

Lunch and Learn Opportunity

Staab Funeral Homes is offering a complimentary Lunch and Learn on Friday, November 1 at 11am at Engrained Brewery and Restaurant. It's a great opportunity to learn about preplanning, funerals, memorials, and cremation. Seating is limited. Please call 528-6461 to reserve your spot. There is no cost or obligation to attend.

Springfield evangelists of the Mother of the Eucharist and Grace (S-MEG)

Have you ever felt a desire to console the Sacred Heart of Jesus, truly present, in the Most Holy Sacrament of the Altar, or to give much deserved tribute to the Blessed Virgin Mary, His Mother? If so, please join us, the Springfield evangelists of the Mother of the Eucharist and Grace (S-MEG), in praying the Chaplet of Divine Mercy, the Holy Rosary, and other prayers to console Our Lord and His Mother for the wounds inflicted by the lack of belief and disrespect for Jesus' real presence in the Holy Eucharist. We meet on the first Sunday of each month at St. Joseph's Home chapel (on November 3rd this month). The Home is located behind Little Flower Church, at 3306 South 6th Street in Springfield. We meet at 3:00p.m.-4:10 p.m. (Please try to be there by 2:45 p.m., so that we can start promptly at 3:00 p.m. and thus be finished by 4:10 p.m.) Please join us in our mission, as we gather before the Blessed Sacrament to offer love and tribute to Our Lord and His Blessed Mother! For further information, please call Rose at (217) 787-8826.

Planning Study Update – Please Participate!

You may be aware that we are conducting a comprehensive survey of the entire diocese. The purpose of the survey is to help gauge support for our plan to permanently fund the education of our seminarians. Bishop Thomas John Paprocki would like to thank everyone who has already participated in the study. Your thoughts are extremely valuable to him during this planning process. If you have not yet responded to a survey, you are encouraged to do so. Your input will help the diocese make an informed decision regarding its long-range plans. We hope to have all surveys completed by November 14. You may complete the survey online by going to www.dio.org/seminariancampaign, clicking on the appropriate link and entering the password: study, or by attending a regional Focus Group Meeting. Dates and locations are forthcoming.

Women Welcome to “Come and See” at Dominican Sisters’ Motherhouse

The Dominican Sisters of Springfield Illinois welcome Catholic women 18-35 for any or all of four weekend opportunities to “Come and See” how God might be calling them to consecrated religious life. 2019-2020 Come and See weekends at Sacred Heart Convent, 1237 W. Monroe St., Springfield, IL 62704, for 2019-2020 are as follows: November 1-3, 2019, Jan 31-Feb. 2, 2020, March 27-29, 2020, May 29-31, 2020. The all-expense-paid weekends (exclusive of travel) begin at 7:00 p.m. on Friday and conclude at Noon on Sunday. There is an opportunity for a longer stay during the November and January events. See details and register now at springfieldop.org/join-us/come-and-see. Direct questions to Sister Denise Glazik, OP, vocation director, at 217-787-0481 x. 6021 or dglazik@spdom.org. Begin exploring religious life now at the Dominican Sisters website: springfieldop.org. For more than 800 years, Dominicans have preached the gospel in word and deed. The Dominican Sisters of Springfield, established in 1873, are part of a worldwide Dominican family, the Order of Preachers. Today, thousands of Dominican sisters, nuns, priests, brothers, associates, and laity minister in more than 100 countries around the world. To learn more about the Dominican Sisters of Springfield visit springfieldop.org or follow us on social media @springfieldop.