

2017 Catholic Charities Annual Appeal

The 2017 Catholic Charities Annual Appeal begins in each parish this weekend! Please refer to the insert in this week's bulletin which includes parish goal information and an overview of the importance of Catholic Charities in our communities. This year's appeal theme is You Did it for Me. In Matthew's gospel, Jesus states, "Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for the least among us, you did it for me." With your help, we are able to feed the hungry, take care of the sick, and welcome the stranger, just as Jesus has asked us to do. How will we respond as a community of faith?

YOU DID IT FOR ME.

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As in the past, an in-pew commitment process will take place next weekend, February 11-12. All who have not received the mailing from Bishop Thomas, or have not had a chance to respond to it, will be asked to consider making a generous pledge to support the ministries and services provided by Catholic Charities. If you have received the mailing, please respond to it. There is a box on the in-pew envelope to indicate that you have responded by mail.

We invite you to view the stories of inspiration and more information at www.catholiccommunity.org/2017Appeal.

St. Patrick's Dinner & Reverse Raffle: Saturday March 11, 2017



Corned Beef Dinner at 6:00 pm

Raffle begins at 7:00 pm

Doors open at 5:00 pm

Side Boards

Main Board Prize \$1,250.00

Ticket Cost: \$30.00 each

Ticket sales begin
this weekend
Feb. 4 & 5.

Buy early ... and
pick your lucky
number!!

St. Patrick's Dinner & Reverse Raffle Committee needs a few more volunteers, especially people willing to sell tickets after Masses, decorate the hall and set up, bring a desert, serving food and kitchen clean-up, help with side boards during the event and clean up after the event.

Want to help, but can't volunteer for any of the above? We would like to have a wine basket, a craft beer basket, a "beers of the world" basket and a Lottery Tree for a small Chinese auction. If you can donate a bottle of wine or a few interesting bottles of beer, or some Lottery Tickets, we will be collecting them, as tickets are sold, after Mass. Feel free to add any notes about the beer/wine to make it even more fun.



Please contact Jane Myden at 440-968-3474 or Diane Long at 440-298-3440 with questions or to volunteer to help.

Catholic Men's Fellowship of Northeast Ohio: Saturday, March 25th, 2017

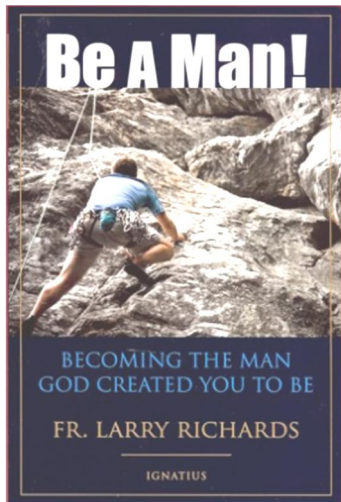
Men! HOLD THE DATE! On Saturday, March 25th, 2017, Catholic Men's Fellowship of Northeast Ohio is holding its 17th annual "Answer the Call" conference at centrally located Holiday Inn Rockside in Independence. The theme of the conference will be "What does it take to be a Catholic Man." Key speakers will be Tim Staples, Fr. Michael Denk and Elvis Grbac. See our website www.cmfneo.com and brochures are in the front area of church.



Pilgrimage to Fatima, Lourdes, and Barcelona

Our "Fatima 100th Anniversary" 10 Day Pilgrimage to the Shrines of Fatima, Lourdes and Barcelona's Sagrada Familia will be offered November 5-14, 2017. Spiritual Directors are Fr. Dan Redmond and Fr. Tom Sweany. We will be departing Cleveland Hopkins International Airport with Bus transportation to the airport round trip from both St. Mary's Chardon and St. Anselm Chesterland at the all land and air inclusive costs of \$3249.00. We will be visiting Lisbon, Fatima Portugal, Burgos Spain, Lourdes and Carcassone France, Barcelona Spain and more. Brochures and reservation forms available at St. Mary's Office, or from Catholic Tour at 1-877-627-4268 or e-mail jimadair@thecatholictour.com.

Men's Lenten Reflection Series begins Thursday February 23, 7-8 PM



Commit to making this Lent meaningful by purposefully growing closer to God

Gather with other men for prayer, a focus on Scripture and learn what Fr. Larry Richards has to share to help you become the man God created you to be. Deacon Phil will facilitate the group on **Thursdays from 7- 8:30 PM, Feb. 23 to April 6.**

Father Richards stresses that a relationship with Christ reveals the meaning of a man's life and his identity as a man. He inspires men to become the true heroes they long to be—men of authentic courage, compassion and integrity. He tells men how to focus on the right goal, how to live as a beloved son of God, of the need to acknowledge one's faults and to live according to the Holy Spirit, to be a man of true love and of wisdom, to appreciate properly the differences between men and women, to pursue holiness, and to make a difference in the world.

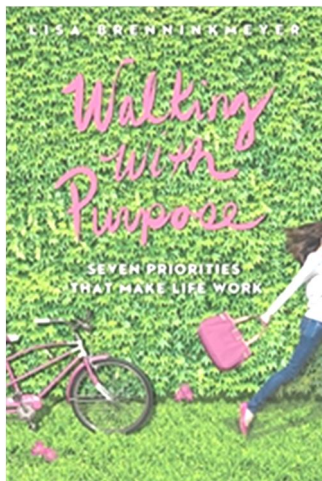
Questions? Contact Deacon Phil Kraynik at phillipkraynik@sbcglobal.net or call 440-254-4270.

 To SIGN UP to Participate in MEN'S LENTEN SERIES: COMPLETE THIS FORM AND PLACE IN BASKET IN CHURCH

NAME _____ PHONE _____

E-MAIL _____

Women's Lenten Reflection Series begins Tuesday February 21, 6:15 –7:30 PM



... and for Women the same opportunity...Commit to making this Lent meaningful by purposefully growing closer to God

Gather with other women for prayer, a focus on Scripture and purposefully growing closer to God through discussion and learning from the "Walking With Purpose" book by Lisa Brenninkmeyer. The Spiritual Life Ministry will sponsor this series on **Tuesday evenings, 6:15—7:30 PM, (during scheduled PSR sessions), February 21 through April 4.**

Does your life feel out of control? Do you feel that you are doing so many things that you are doing none of them well? Drawing from her own experience of balancing marriage, motherhood, and work inside and outside the home, Lisa helps you uncover the key to living a busy life with inner calm. What's the secret? Identifying key priorities, and doing first what matters most. With humor and wisdom, Lisa will help you stop striving and rest in God's unconditional love. God wants us to daily experience the joy and contentment that comes from knowing

we have given our all to what He considers most important—an abundant and purposeful life!

Questions? Call the Parish Office at 440-298-1327.

 To SIGN UP to Participate in WOMEN'S LENTEN SERIES: COMPLETE THIS FORM AND PLACE IN BASKET IN CHURCH or call the Parish Office.

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St. Patrick Financial Report : Assets & Liabilities as of Dec. 31, 2016 & 2015

St. Patrick's First Winter Warm-Up Chili Cook-Off: THANK YOU!!

Here's to a successful Winter Warm-up Chili Cook-off ... a few numbers. There were over one hundred attendees, 10 pots of chili, 5 pots of soup & stew, several salads and side dishes. So many deserts ... it was hard to choose.



Everyone enjoyed having time ... to just talk!!



Many thanks to all those who attended!! A big thank you to the committee who gave their time to organize a fun evening. A special thank you to the parishioners who took time to submit a crock pot of there favorite chili, soup, or stew and the many side dishes that appeared on the buffet. Not to mention the table full of great tasting desserts!!



Tasting all the chili and stew was delicious and fun!!



Thanks to all!



See you next year at our 2nd Annual Winter Warm-Up Chili Cook-Off!!