

Pope Francis Wants to Gather Input From the Catholic Faithful

The Catholic bishops of the world are planning to meet in October 2018 for the 15th Ordinary General Assembly of the Synod of Bishops. The theme of this gathering is "Youth, Faith and Vocational Discernment." In preparation for this major synod on youth, Pope Francis wants to gather input from the Catholic faithful. Consequently, the Diocese of Cleveland has made available a survey questionnaire to gather information on the current state of the young in our diocese that will be included as part of the pre-synod discernment document.

The survey can be found on the diocesan website home page, www.dioceseofcleveland.org. All are invited and encouraged to participate by taking this short survey. The bishops of the United States pray that the results of this survey will help them more fully understand the experience of young people in our Church and in our country -- their hopes, dreams, fears and struggles -- so that the synod may bear fruit in offering more insight and direction to our ministry with young people.

2017 Catholic Charities Annual Appeal

YOU DID IT FOR ME. This is the final weekend of the in-pew portion of the 2017 Catholic Charities Annual Appeal. This is not a special collection; rather, the Catholic Charities Annual Appeal represents the chance for all Catholics to make a significant pledge, payable in installments, to Catholic Charities in order to support its mission of a society that stands united in its support of the "least among us." Many parishioners have received a letter from Bishop Thomas requesting their support. If you have not received this letter, please respond to the in-pew commitment process today! 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.

Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for the least among us, **you did it for me.** There is joy in giving and there is joy in serving. Over 400,000 people from every suburb and city in Northeast Ohio benefit from Catholic Charities programs and services each year. Please consider a generous gift to the Catholic Charities 2017 Annual Appeal, and please pray for the success of this important Appeal.

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

Summer Programs for Children and Adults With Disabilities

Did you know that our Diocese offers summer programs for children and adults with disabilities? There are many options! These programs are a ministry to families who have children with disabilities. The summer programs offer respite and provide life-enhancing activities in a Catholic setting. They are a great way to meet new friends, learn new things and just have fun! If you have a family member with a developmental disability or know someone who does, contact Marilyn Scott, Program Director of Catholic Charities Disability Services, for more information at 216-334-2963 or mjscott@ccdacle.org.

Painting With a Purpose Painting Parties!

Each month Birthright will be hosting 2 painting parties - one held in the cafeteria of St. Mary's in Chardon on the 3rd Wednesday of each month and one at Birthright's offices at 209 Center Street in Chardon (next to Joey's Italian Grill) on the 4th Wednesday. The cost is \$35 per person.

A portion of this price is a donation to the wonderful work Birthright does to help women in crisis pregnancies. All materials, as well as light snacks and coffee and water are provided. A great way to have fun while helping those in need! Contact Birthright at 440-286-9711 to reserve your spot.

Spend your summer with the Cougars – LEARN FROM THE BEST!

Lake Catholic summer camps are available for a variety of different activities including athletics, art, and much more.

BRAND NEW!
Several brand new camps this year!

ART
June 26 - 29

BOYS AND GIRLS SOCCER
June 19 - 22 & July 10 - 13

BOYS BASKETBALL
June 12 - 15

FOOTBALL
July 17 - 20

GIRLS BASKETBALL
June 19 - 22

LEADERSHIP CAMP
June 12 - 16

LET'S PLAY WITH CLAY CAMP
July 10, 12, 17, and 19

OUTDOOR ADVENTURE CAMP – BE A PIONEER!
June 19 - 23

SPEED, AGILITY, AND CONDITIONING CAMP
June 26 - July 19

GIRLS LACROSSE
June 26 - 29

VOLLEYBALL
July 29 - 30



Please visit www.lakecatholic.org/camps for more details and to register!