# MAKING ALL THINGS NEW CLUSTER NEWSLETTER – WK OF 5/18 **CLUSTER 46 UPDATES**

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THE COMMUNION CLOSET - A Collection & Distribution Center for New/Gently-used Communion Wear. Your daughter's dress or son's suit may not fit any longer, but has plenty of wear left! Consider donating it to a child who is receiving their FIRST COMMUNION next year!

When: Our Lady of Sorrows School (cafeteria)

When: Sundays, 5/24 & 5/31, 6/7 & 6/14, 12 noon - 2pm Contact: Nina Castro, a Girl Scout Gold Award applicant, at

cincastro@optonline.net for more information

Items Needed For Girls (all white) - Dresses, Veils/head wreaths, Socks/hose, Sweaters/wraps

For Boys- Suits (dark or white), Blazers (dark), Pants (dark or khaki), White Shirts & Ties, Socks (dark)

Donations should be new or clean, no obvious stains / damage

Digital Discipleship Boot Camp (DDBC) is an opportunity for YOU to gain the skills and knowledge you need to become a Digital Disciple. Check it out at http://ddbcformation.org/ If you register by June 2<sup>nd</sup>, you will receive a 20% discount off the regular registration fee for the summer program. To register / for information - 646-794-2808 james.connell@archny.org

Steubenville NYC - August 7th - August 9th - At this Conference, teens will learn what it takes to be great in this life. The goal of every Steubenville Conference is for teens to open their hearts to Jesus Christ! \$250 early bird price until 6/15 St John's University – Queens Campus, NY Contact 800-809-3902 / jpatten@lifeteen.com http://lifeteen.com/events/steubenville-nyc/

KICKBALL TOURNAMENT - SUNDAY JUNE 13<sup>TH</sup>, 10A – 4PM at St Joseph's Seminary. Sign up is required and prizes will be awarded to the winners of the tournament Please contact Carlos at carlosg289@gmail.com to sign up!

Not feeling athletic? Join the Dance and Cheer Team! Led by the Archdiocesan Dance Troupe! Email Jessica Abejar to join at themovingprayer@gmail.com and go to http://themovingprayer.com/kickball-2015 to learn the dances!

Reflection Series at the Church of St. Pius X - Real Serenity in the Real World: Is it possible? Come hear Fr Morris author of the bestselling books: The Way of Serenity; The Promise: God's Purpose and Plan for When Life Hurts; and God Wants You Happy. June 18<sup>th</sup> at 7:30pm

Couples Celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary during 2015 are invited to attend the Annual Golden Wedding Jubilee Mass June 20 or 21 at the Cathedral of St. Patrick. Register by May 19, Call Family Life Office 646-794-3188.

Pilgrimage to Bavaria, Salzburg, Vienna, & Prague - July 26 - August 5th. Cost per person: \$3,790 (\$3,165 + \$625 air taxes & fuel charges (As of 2/15, subject to change) Contact: Oscar at oscarcruz669@gmail.com / 551-556-2020

2015 St. Bernard's Carnival - Wednesday, August 12 through Saturday, August 15th from 6:00 pm -11:00 pm

ST ANTHONY'S Festa & Raffle Tickets - June 5th - 7th. To purchase a raffle ticket for the \$10,000 raffle or 50/50 call 914-837-5169 or stop by the Parish Office for a ticket.

ARCHDIOCESEN FAMILY DAY - In celebration of our faith and family values, the Archdiocese will be hosting the first Archdiocesan Family Day on Saturday, June 27, from 11:30 a.m. to 5:30 PM, at the San Silverio Shrine in Dover Plains, NY. We are anticipating a fun-filled event complete with food, games and Mass celebrated by Bishop Peter Byrne with Cardinal Timothy Dolan as homilist. Admission is \$10 per person (children under 3 are free). To learn more about or to purchase tickets - https://archnyfamilyday.eventbrite.com.

Young Adult Mass With Cardinal Dolan - Wed, June 3rd, at 7:30 pm! With music by Jackie Angel and Ike Ndolo http://www.ikendolo.com/ . Adoration with Praise and Worship and Confessions will be held from 6:30-7:30 pm. Please join our Facebook event: Young Adult Mass Main altar St. Patrick's (51st Street b/w 5th & Madison Ave.)

## PRO LIFE UPDATES & RESPECT LIFE ACTIVITIES!!!

Please visit: http://40daysforlife.com/celebration You'll hear from 40 Days for Life locations around the world reporting on lives saved from abortion, abortion centers closing and workers guitting the abortion industry!

FAMILY PILGRAMAIGE TO THE MARIAN SHRINE – Saturday May 23<sup>rd</sup> at 174 Filors Lane, Stoney Point NY. Join us for a day filled with spiritual activites. This year we are also celebrating the 200<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the birth of St John Bosco. Schedule of Events:

10AM-12PM 'Becchi House," a replica of Don Bosco's boyhood home. The relic of Don Bosco will be available for veneration

10AM Mass in Spanish at the shrine chapel

11AM Confessions at the shrine chapel

12PM Mass in English at the shrine chapel

1 PM Lunch (Everyone brings their own lunch)

2:30PM Songs and a skit about Don Bosco - at the outdoor altar

Words of gratitude to Fr. Tom Dunne, SDB, provincial, for his 6 years of leadership

3PM Rosary Procession from the outdoor altar to the rosary

3:30PM Crowning of the Statue of Mary Blessing of Mary Help of Christians and " Good Night"

A bus will leave at 8:30AM from Our Lady of the Rosary Parish, 22 Don Bosco PI, Port Chester for the Marian Shrine and returns at 5PM. \$10 per person. Reservations with Maria Sanchez (914) 565-5568.

Our pilgrimage continues in the evening with an invitation to young adults.

7PM Procession with the Blessed Sacrament begins at the shrine chapel Adoration, praise and worship continue at the Becchi House 8:30PM Celebration of the Salesian Youth Movement, including music and refreshments 10PM Candlelight Rosary

World Meeting of Families 2015 – Please visit the website at www.worldmeeting2015.org/ The Family Life & Respect

#### **ADDITIONAL NEWS!!!**

Parishioners traveling to China on Orphanage Mission: Last year we traveled to China to serve children at an orphanage in Qingyang city. We spent 6 days at the orphanage, which changed our lives forever. While we were there to feed, change, and care for the children, we were there primarily to show God's love for each little one we met. We were humbled to be able to talk, sing, and touch children, some of whom were barely held because they were thought to be "too delicate" or "too sick". We were rewarded by beautiful smiles and renewed hope that their caregivers would recognize these children for what they are – beautiful creations of our Father. In the process, too, we realized that we saw something far greater – the face of God in each child we served. It was a privilege to serve babies and children with cleft lips, cerebral palsy and hydrocephalus – some waiting to be adopted but many with little hope of finding a forever family. Scripture reminds us that "Religion that is pure and undefiled before God and the Father is this: to care for orphans and widows in their affliction and to keep oneself unstained by the world" (James 1:27)

We are returning to Qingyang, China, this October from 10/15/15-10/25/15 and we need your help. There are many ways to contribute to this cause. Monetary donations are welcome in addition to donations of baby carriers, coloring books, stickers, and developmental toys. Most importantly, we appreciate your constant prayers for our team and the children we will be serving. Please view a short film on our recent mission trip at <a href="http://youtu.be/6rtMsq64oTY">http://youtu.be/6rtMsq64oTY</a>. If you are interested in more information, please feel free to call me at (917) 723-6932.

Thank you for your kind support. With Love in Our Lord,

David Stanghellini Clare Martins Michael Simone

http://www.awaa.org/StorytellerMissions/trips.aspx

#### **CLUSTER GROUPS OPEN TO ALL!!!**

A FREE 6 – WEEK EMPLOYMENT / NETWORKING SUPPORT GROUP – IS BEING OFFERED AT THE RDC Center for Counseling & Human Development, 52 North Broadway, White Plains on , June 1<sup>st</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup> from 6:30 – 8pm. Issues related to securing a job in today's market, resume writing, using the Internet, Linkedin, Interviewing and more will be addressed. To register or for more information contact Pat Sheridan at 798-1103 or psheridan@divinecompassion.org

The St. Pius X Adult Faith Formation Program is proud to present a Catholic Bible Study Scripture Class Program! Bible Study class and RCIA sessions take place on Thursday evenings 7 – 8pm. Classes run through June 25, 2015 and are held in the Parish Pavilion lower level center.

<u>Catholic Social & Spiritual, Widow and Widowers Group -</u> We meet to honor our deceased spouses at a Mass, followed by a meeting and refreshments. St Pius Church, 91 Secor Rd, Scarsdale. Mass is at 7pm with a meeting following, on the 4th Monday of every month. For more information, call (914) 715-5817 or email: cww10583@gmail.com

<u>ST PIUS WELLNESS GROUP</u>- Group led by a licensed mental health therapist. Offers a combination of physical, mental and spiritual exercises. Transportation is available to those who need it. The groups will meet on Wednesdays in the Parish Pavilion from 2 – 3pm. Upcoming dates: June 3 & 24. Please email SaintPiusX@optonline.net

# **SCHOOL NEWS**

THE LITTLE DISCIPLES LEARNING CENTER - Applications for the 2015-2016 school year at The Little Disciple Learning Center are being accepted! Parents who are interested can call or visit the Director's Office. Office hours are from 7:30 am - 3:00 pm. Interested parents are welcome to visit The Little Disciple Learning Center during class time to view a brief part of a typical day. For further information contact Jennifer Frias at 914- 428-4727.

**TOURING TUESDAYS** - This school year, Touring Tuesdays are scheduled for March 10, April 28 and June 2. Contact Info: (646) 794-2885, Web site:www.buildboldfutures.org

GOOD COUNCIL ACADEMY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL – relocating to 2 Broadway, Valhalla (site of Holy Name of Jesus Elementary School). Doors open September 2015. Call now for a tour of our present and future site. 914-761-2243 or goodcounsel@gcaelem.net / www.goodcouncelelementary.net

# WHITE PLAINS NEWS!

Global Ambassadors "The Event – Passion for Peace" - Friday, May 22nd from 3:00 - around 6:30 pm in lower C building at White Plains High School! There will be games, ping pong, cotton candy, popcorn, live music, a DJ, and more! All proceeds go to build fresh water facilities in the Gesusu Chibwobi Primary School in Nyanza, Kenya. There will also be local organization and service-related clubs in order to teach the value of community service and raise awareness about different causes. Fun for all ages! If you have any questions

# VOLUNTEER!!!!

## KIDS KLOSET VOLUNTEER HOURS - 170 E Post Road, WP - 914-837-7616 / kidskloset@wjcs.com

Tuesday: May 26th from 10am - 1pm Wednesday: 27th from 1pm - 4pm Thursday: 21st, 28th from 10am - 1pm

- Community service - Wednesday, May 13th - 3:30-5:30pm - email space reservations required.

Hudson Valley Pet Food Pantry - Contact Susan at (914) 907-3433 or Kathy Ferri at (914) 907-3487 /

hvpetfoodpantry@aol.com Volunteers are needed to help at Pet Food Drives, Setting up Pet Food Drives, Family pick up of pet food and breakdown after Pet Food Drives. If you are interested please reach up to the contacts above.

#### **MEALS ON WHEELS**

Volunteers are needed for Harrison Meals on Wheels for an hour or two once or twice a month! Please consider joining us by volunteering to deliver meals to Harrison's homebound citizens. For more information please call Sergio Piergiovanni at 917-553-4618.

#### **FAITH SEMINARS - ALL AGES**

"The Seasons of Adult Faith Formation" The 2015 Symposium on the Future of Adult Faith Formation October 1-3, 2015 - Avon Old Farms Hotel, Avon, CT - Join us for our 2015 Symposium - "The Seasons of Adult Faith Formation" - focused on exploring the future of Adult Faith Formation. This is the second Symposium sponsored by LifelongFaith Associates. Our 2014 theme was Intergenerational Faith Formation and was sold-out with over 100 people participating from the U.S., Canada, Australia, and South Africa. The 2015 Symposium will engage the experience and wisdom of the participants to envision the future of faith formation with Young Adults, Mid-Life Adults, Mature Adults, and Older Adults. We will identify principles and practices in adult faith formation with young adults, mid-life adults, mature adults, and older adults, Explore a diversity of 21st century models of adult faith formation, Develop directions and strategies for the future of adult faith formation in congregations.

Registration fee, including five meals, is \$290. Housing costs are additional. Register today by clicking on the button below and completing the form. We will confirm your registration and send you payment information.

<u>Hope for the Summer</u> Deadline Fast Approaching, please register to sponsor a child http://www.childrenshopechest.com/to-register.html

The NY YMCA Camps provide scholarships to children who would otherwise not ever experience the joys of a summer camp. However, these children often get off the camp bus with only a small bag of extra clothes. The Children's Hope Chest has set up a "store" at which these children can choose all the supplies they need from bedding to flashlights and everything in between. Please sponsor a child or two and help us to stock the store with all they need to feel just like their peers. Each child you sponsor is approximately a \$50 commitment.

Please hold out your hand, open your heart and offer hope to a local child in need today. The Children's Hope Chest Contact Us by email www.childrenshopechest.com

# CATHOLIC NEW YORK NEWS

#### Cardinal Dismayed Over Omission of Education Tax Credit

http://cny.org/stories/Cardinal-Dismayed-Over-Omission-of-Education-Tax-Credit,12459

Displeased about the omission of the Education Tax Credit from the New York state budget, Cardinal Dolan is imploring political leaders in Albany to "please pass this legislation once and for all before the close of the legislative session."

# Men Heard Conference's Call

http://cny.org/stories/Men-Heard-Conferences-Call,12463

We don't know why it is, but programs and ministries specifically directed at the needs and concerns of men are few and far between.

#### Lent is Over. What Now?

https://cnyfootprints.wordpress.com/

My husband and I are two different creatures. Generally after a long road trip, he likes to stay in the hotel room and relax. I, on the other hand, am usually full of excitement and want to explore wherever we are right away. That's usually how I feel after the long penitential season of Lent when Easter Sunday finally arrives.

**ADL Lauds Cardinal for Advocacy in Catholic-Jewish Relations -** http://cny.org/stories/ADL-Lauds-Cardinal-for-Advocacy-in-Catholic-Jewish-Relations,12460

As Catholic and Jewish middle school students in Manhattan delighted in sharing a traditional Passover Seder, Cardinal Dolan served as distinguished guest of honor and recipient of an award from the Anti-Defamation League for being an "unambiguous champion of Jewish-Catholic relations."

### **ARCH NY NEWS**

**2015 ORDINARY SYNOD OF THE BISHOPS – THE VOCATION OF THE FAMILY IN THE CHURCH & CONTEMPORARY WORLD** – 10/4 – 25<sup>TH</sup> – PRAY AND PREPARE WITH US! In preparation for the 2015
Ordinary Synod of Bishops on the *Vocation of the Family in the Church and Contemporary World*, the world's bishops' conferences received 46 questions on the pastoral care related to families to guide their reflection and preparation for the 2015 Synod and to avoid the formulation of pastoral care based simply on the application of Catholic doctrine. These questions, provided in the Lineamenta for the 2015 Synod, are directly related to the concluding document of the 2014 Extraordinary Synod on the Family, the Relatio Synodi. Thus, the year between the 2014 and 2015 synods on the family, highlighted by the 2015 World Meeting of Families in Philadelphia, serves as a period of **prayer**, **reflection**, **and encounter with the Holy Spirit** for the entire Church. http://nyfamilylife.org/synod/

**9 DAY PILGRIMAGE TO IRELAND WITH CARDINAL DOLAN** - AUGUST 8 – 16<sup>TH</sup> - Ireland's Annual 9-day National Novena honoring Our Lady attracts thousands of pilgrims to this beautiful land and the pilgrimage town of Knock every August; the month of the Immaculate Heart of Mary. http://www.petersway.com/Arch%20NY-Knock%202015.pdf

The Sixth Annual Pilgrimage of New York - Saturday, March 21, 2015, 9:00 AM - 6:30 PM, at The Shrine of St. Frances Xavier Cabrini (701 Fort Washington Avenue New York, N.Y. 10040) Contact: Patrick Howley at 718-880-9917 / info@pofnyc.org / www.pofnyc.org

Cost: Free Details: Rain Date: Saturday, September 26, 2015 9:00 A.M:

Opening Prayer The Shrine of Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini 701 Fort Washington Avenue New York, N.Y. 10040 5:30 P.M: Pilgrim's Mass The Shrine of Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton 7 State Street New York, N.Y. 10004 Making stops at: The Church of Saint Joseph of The Holy Family The Church of Saint Joseph/ Yorkville The Church of The Holy Family The Church of Saint Joseph/ Lower East Side