

ARE YOU INTERESTED in learning more about the Catholic faith, or know someone who might be interested? For anyone not baptized, or baptized in another faith tradition, we invite you to join us on *Tuesday, Sept 29 at 7pm* in the Parish Center for the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults **Information night**. Call Linda at 633-3637 for more information.



Question of the Week

Gospel: Mark 9:30-37

Adults: Everything we do is an extension of our discipleship, and whoever we receive, we welcome and serve as Jesus would. Who can you reach out to this week that you normally would not? Try it and share with someone.

Children: Be a friend to someone new this week and tell your family about it.

Coming Events & News in Our Parish

RIVER VALLEY PAPER COMPANY BONUS WEEK!! Bring all your paper to the bin during this Bonus Week of *Sept 20-26* and we'll receive an additional \$5/ton! Accepted items are newspapers, catalogs, magazines, office paper, mail, phone books, flattened card board, brown paper bags, hard and soft-bound books. Unacceptable items are any plastics, styrofoam, glass, metal, trash, aluminum. We have been instructed by River Valley not to put plastic bags in the bin, so PLEASE do not bring your paper products in plastic bags. Tie them up, put them in brown paper bags, or dump them loose into the bin. (The ONLY plastic that is allowed is small plastic bags filled with paper shreadings.)

RED CROSS BLOODMOBILE – *Monday, Sept 21, from 1:00-7:00 pm* in Finnerty Hall. People with type O blood are called universal donors since their blood can be transfused to types. If you are at least 17 yrs old, are at least 110 lbs based on height, and are in generally good health, “O” how they need you, but all types are needed.



THE NEXT SPONSI DINNER will be *Tuesday, Sept 22 at 6:00 pm* in Finnerty Hall. It will be catered by DiFeo's with a menu consisting of Italian Chicken, Pasta & meatballs, Green Beans, Salad, Bread, and Pie! Entertainment will follow with the Harmonica Band. If you haven't already been called by a Committee member, you may call Reuben & Nancy DiSalvatore at 630-3955 ASAP. See you there!

CATHOLIC COMMUNICATION COLLECTION – Next week, there will be an envelope in your packet for the Catholic Communication Campaign. Your financial help communicates the Gospel through Catholic social media activities and enriches our faith through podcasts, television, radio, and print media. **Half of all proceeds remain in our diocese** to support local needs. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

ANNUAL PARISH RUMMAGE SALE - *Saturday, Oct 3, 8:00 am–2:00 pm*, with the Parish Presale on Friday, Oct 2, 7:00 – 9:00 pm.



You tax deductible donations will be accepted **Tuesday Sept 29, Wednesday Sept 30, or Thursday Oct 1 from 9:00 am – 9:00 pm each day**. Pick-up is available. Please call ahead to schedule. Send your “treasures packing”. For information, pick up, or to volunteer, please call Mary Beth Van Winkle at 633-1928 or Martha Booth at 867-9175.

AKRON LIFE CHAIN – To kick off October Respect Life Month, more than 1,450 cities across America will conduct Life Chains to remind their communities of the need to protect the sanctity of human life from conception through natural death. In Akron, Our Lady of Victory will join other local parishes of all denominations on **Saturday, Oct 3 from 11:00 am – 12:30 pm** in a peaceful vigil with silent prayers and holding pro-life signs for the mothers and their unborn children and against abortion. OLV will stand on South Main St. between the Akron Civic Theater and Lock 3. Right to Life Team members will assist parishioners to sign up, and answer questions next weekend. Signs will be distributed to all participants in the OLV parking lot at 10:15 am Saturday. Please go to www.rtolofneo.com for more details.



“BLESSED ARE THOSE WHO MOURN...” A 7-week Bereavement Support Series is being offered here at Our Lady of Victory, beginning *Tuesday evenings, Oct 8 - Nov 19, from 7-9 pm*. The evenings will provide understanding and support to those who mourn; many common issues surrounding grief and healing will be discussed. It is open to anyone in need of healing and support. Bring a friend and join us for this insightful and faith-filled experience. For more info or to register, please call the Parish Office at 633-3672. *PLEASE NOTE THAT WE WILL ALSO BE STARTING an afternoon Grief Support Group on the *3rd Friday of each month, beginning Oct 16, at 1pm in the Parish Center*. More details will follow on this support group.

2015 CATHOLIC CHARITIES ANNUAL APPEAL – Our Lady of Victory has reached 85% of our goal! If you have not sent in your pledge, please do so soon. Thank you for your generosity!

Youth Doings...

ST VINCENT-ST MARY HIGH SCHOOL invites all families to their Open House on *Sunday, Sept 27, from 11:00 am–1:00 pm*. STVM students will provide guided tours of their academic facilities. Faculty and Coaches will be available to answer questions. Performances by their band, Cheerleaders, and Irish Dancers will begin at 12 Noon. Register at www.stvm.com.

CONGRATULATIONS to the following 200 Club winner(s) for the weekend of *Sept 13, 2015*:

#21 – JOHN & DONNA BROWN - \$25.00

Diocesan News

EXALT (XLT!) – *An intense experience of prayer, adoration and worship*: Located in Sacred Heart Chapel on the campus of the Center for Pastoral Leadership, Wickliffe, the XLT Program offers an evening of Eucharistic Adoration with praise and worship from 7-9:30 pm. These evenings present a pertinent topic of faith to youth and young adults, fostering an awareness of the priestly and religious vocations, offering a way to meet seminarians and religious who also attend. Upcoming 2015-2016 XLT! *Dates are Oct 22, Jan 28, Feb 25, Apr 28*. Call 440-943-7630 for details.

FIRST STEP PROGRAM – The Diocesan Tribunal is offering a session on *Tuesday, Oct 13*, at St Ambrose Parish in Brunswick, to help individuals navigate the path of healing and closure, as they deepen their knowledge of the Church's teaching on marriage, and hear the true facts about the annulment process and how to submit a case. The general meeting begins at 7:00 pm. For more information, call the Tribunal at 800-869-6525 x 4000, or visit them at www.dioceseofcleveland.org/tribunal.