

Tri-Parish News

Feed the Hungry

The tri-parishes are sponsoring a "Stock the SSJNN Freezer" event on October 21st. We will be seeking **frozen** lasagna (either homemade or store bought), #10 size cans of vegetables, large 10 1/2-inch heavy duty paper plates, and boxes of red skinned instant mashed potatoes. The instant potatoes can be purchased from Sam's Club according to the network. This event helps the Monday meal served at St. Paul's by first saving the network the cost of buying these food supplies and secondly the lasagna can be pulled from the freezer for a meal if a cooking team cancel at the last moment. Each parish has someone to be their parish's contact person and to take responsibility for collecting the food items at their respective churches and delivering them to the SSJNN meal. Tom Hudson is responsible for Sacred Heart. Cele Chadwick is the contact person at St. Andrew's, and the contact person for St. Paul's is Kathi Iarussi. More details will be forthcoming in the parish bulletins regarding places for drop off and drop off times as we approach the October 21st date.

Tom Hudson Sacred Heart 864-1615

*Sun. Sept. 16th **Sacred Heart Knights of Columbus**
Serving: Pancakes, Scrambled Eggs, Sausage, Fresh Fruit, Juice, Coffee, Tea & Hot Cocoa. Tickets available at the door. \$5 for Adults, \$3.50 for Children 5 to 12 and Free for Children under 5.*

Alpha USA

Tues., 6:55pm - 8:30pm There's no cost,

Location: Sacred Heart Audi corner of 25th & Liberty St.

Register: call St. Ricarda Vincent at 814-456-6256.

Alpha is a series of sessions exploring the basics of the Christian faith. Typically run over eleven weeks each session looks at a different question that people can have about faith and is designed to create conversation. It's just an open informal and honest space to explore and discuss life's big questions together.

St Andrews Playgroup

Our next meetings:

**Monday, September 24th
10-11:30am**

**Monday, October 29th
10-11:30am**

For questions, please feel free to reach out to Mary Snyder at 384-7604 or Jesse Spanogle at saintjudeym@gmail.com



Middle School Pizza & Fun Club

WHEN: Fri., Oct. 12th (2nd Fri. of the month)

TIME: 6:30p.m. to 8:30p.m.

WHO: 5th thru 8th graders

WHERE: St. Andrew Parish Center

Chapel Area

We welcome parishioners & neighborhood families to socialize. Age appropriate games, cards and simple crafts. Students are expected to promote kindness, sharing and friendship along with Christian behavior while attending. Details call the St. Andrew Rectory at 454-2486.

CONFIRMATION NEWS:

Confirmation sessions begin with a
PARENT/CANDIDATE
Orientation meeting
SEPTEMBER 23, 2018 - 6:30PM
Arundel Hall

CHILD PROTECTION & CREATING SAFE ENVIRONMENTS

The diocese of Erie along with all diocese of the United States, has policies and procedures in place to address the national problem of child abuse and to aid in creating safe environments. The diocese is committed to on-going screening and training of paid or volunteer persons who have regular contact with our children and youth under the age of 18. It is also committed to the yearly in servicing and training of our children, youth and parents regarding touching safety and safe environments. Check out
<http://www.eriecd.org/protectyouth.htm>

Veterans invited to weekend retreat

The St. Francis Spirituality Center in Tiffin, Ohio, will hold an Oct. 26-28 retreat for veterans, "The Journey of a Resilient Warrior." The retreat is designed for all veterans and active duty service members to offer rest, healing insights and coping skills for everyday challenges to the larger struggles veterans face. In addition to time with retreat leaders, participants will gain further insight from St. Francis of Assisi, who was himself a prisoner of war, and from contemporary authors. Weekend leaders include a trauma therapist and a professor/Lutheran minister/Vietnam veteran. The cost is \$175 per person, which includes the program, meals and lodging, or \$135 for commuters. Full or partial scholarships will be offered, if needed. For more information, contact Sister Edna Michel, OSF, at emichel@tiffinfranciscans.org or call 419-443-1485.

Nova retreat scheduled for October

Nova, a marriage preparation retreat for those who are free to remarry in the Catholic Church, is being held Oct. 6 from 8:45 a.m. to 4 p.m. at St. Mark the Evangelist Church, 695 Smithson Ave., Erie. To register or for more information, call or email the Family Life Office at 814-824-1261 or at familylife@ErieRCD.org.



Oh my God, You know my weakness and failings, and that without Your help I can accomplish nothing for the good of souls, my own and others'. Grant me, therefore, the help of Your grace. Grant it according to my particular needs this day. Enable me to see the task You will set before me in the daily routine of my life, and help me work hard at my appointed tasks. Teach me to bear patiently all the trials of suffering or failure that may come to me today. Amen.

Happy hour, brainstorming session to jumpstart CYA

St. George Parish Catholic Young Adults (CYA) invites all young adults, ages 21 to mid-30s, to come together to spark ideas for CYA efforts. Married, single or divorced individuals are welcome. The gathering will be held on Sept. 13 from 5 to 6:30 p.m. at Firebirds Wood Fired Grill in the Millcreek Mall Complex, Erie. St. George Parish will provide appetizers. If you are not able to attend, please share your thoughts and ideas with Mike Palmer, youth minister, and Theresa Walsh, Catholic Young Adult Ministry coordinator, at CYA@stgeorgeerie.org.

The Family Life Office of the Diocese of Erie has added the 2019 marriage prep schedule to www.ErieRCD.org/familylifeoffice. Dates for **Pre-Cana, Engagement Encounter and Nova** are included. Contact the Family Life Office with questions at 814-824-1261 or at familylife@ErieRCD.org.

St. Martin Center hiring housing/foreclosure counselor

St. Martin Center, Inc., of Erie, is seeking a housing/foreclosure counselor. This full-time position provides comprehensive counseling services and market homeownership programs that embody St. Martin Center's mission. Please submit resume and cover letter to: molszewski@stmartincenter.org or mail to 1701 Parade Street, Erie, PA 16503

"Respect Life"

Catholic Charities will be holding a "diaper drive" to collect baby supplies and gently used maternity clothes. The "diaper drive" will occur during the month of October, and your support would be greatly appreciated.

We will have the donation collection box in the gathering space for the whole month of October.

