

DIOCESAN ANNOUNCEMENTS

Letters of Good Standing and Celebrets. Priests and deacons who will need good standing letters or celebrets to celebrate Masses or other sacraments **in another diocese** should **complete and submit a “Request form for Letter of Good Standing” at least 3 weeks in advance (except for funerals).** The form can be found on the diocesan website at: <https://www.buffalodiocese.org/resources-for-clergy/> under “Chancery Forms.” Letters will not be issued unless the priest or deacon has a signed Code of Conduct and Uniform Release Authorization in his file, and is current with *Virtus* training and bulletins. For any questions, call the Chancery secretary at 716-847-5559.

Homily Helps from the Buffalo Diocese Care for Creation Committee. The Catholic Climate Covenant and the Integral Faith team provide resources for homilists and other materials that will help you integrate the rich insights of *Laudato Si’* and Christian care for creation into Sunday Mass. These include highlights from the scriptures, readings of the day, relevant quotations from *Laudato Si’*, brief commentary, illustrations and anecdotes, sample applications, sample petitions, and bulletin notes. **July 2022 Homily Helps available at:** <https://catholicclimatecovenant.org/resources/?tid=14>.

CHURCH BULLETINS

Bulletin message for weekend of June 25-26: **The final days of Appeal 2022 are here!** Our annual campaign will come to an end at 11:59 p.m. Thursday, June 30. If you have contributed or made a pledge to Appeal 2022, we thank you for supporting our mission of being a beacon of HOPE to those in need. If you have not made a donation or pledge, please do so before time runs out on Appeal 2022! Every dollar goes toward making a difference in our communities – from feeding the hungry to counseling the troubled. Please visit www.ccwny.org/donate or text GIVEHOPE22 to 44321. If you need help, please go to www.ccwny.org/services or call 716-218-1419 or the office in your area.

Bulletin message for weekend for July 2-3: **THANK YOU for your generous support of Appeal 2022!** We try to say it often, but we hope you sincerely know how grateful we are for your parish chairs’ and other Appeal volunteers’ dedication and commitment to this year’s campaign. **If it weren’t for faithful supports like you, we couldn’t be a beacon of HOPE for those in need in our communities.** Your efforts are truly life-changing for those who come through our doors – from food assistance to mental health services to education and job skills. We are humbled and thankful for your support of our work at Catholic Charities. Thank you, thank you, thank you! – *The 2022 Appeal team*

Bulletin message for July: Check to see if there are residences around you that serve survivors of trafficking. Staff in these residences help to restore the lives of survivors and can

use your support. **U.S. Catholic Sisters Against Human Trafficking** is a 501(c)(3) organization, 2039 N. Geyer Rd., St. Louis, MO 63131; sistersagainstrafficking.org.

Verifique si hay residencias a su alrededor que sirvan a sobrevivientes de la trata. El personal de estas residencias ayuda a restaurar la vida de los supervivientes y pueden necesitar su apoyo. **U.S. Catholic Sisters Against Human Trafficking** es una organización 501(c)(3), 2039 N. Geyer Rd., St. Louis, MO 63131; sistersagainstrafficking.org.

Summer Open House: Formation, Food & Fellowship on Wednesday, June 22 from 5:30-8:30 pm at St. Rose of Lima Parish, 217 Winston Rd., Buffalo. Join Deacon Tim Chriswell and St. Bernard's School of Theology and Ministry's Admissions Director, Matt Brown, for an evening of fellowship, food and learning about both lay and diaconate formation opportunities, including: what lay and diaconate formation in the Diocese of Buffalo looks like; courses for the Fall 2022 semester; financial aid and scholarship opportunities; a time for getting your questions answered. Please register online at: <https://stbernards.regfox.com/dobopenhouse>. We hope you join us!

Drive-thru Chicken BBQ Dinner on June 22 from 4 pm until sold out at Holy Mother of the Rosary, 6298 Broadway, Lancaster. Dinner includes: ½ chicken, salt potatoes, buttered corn, roll and butter. For further information, call 716-685-5766.

2022 Hilbert College Boys and Girls Summer Basketball Camp Dates Announced. Hilbert College has announced dates for its very popular Boys and Girls Summer Basketball Camps. The Boys Traditional Resident Camp (Session 1) is June 26-30. A 9 am-9 pm commuter option is available. The weeklong Boys Day Camp (Session 2) is July 11-15 from 9 am-5 pm. The Girls Resident Camp (Session 1) is July 5-9. The Girls Day Camp (Session 2) is July 18-22 from 9 am-2:50 pm. There is also a one-day Girls Elite Camp (Session 3) on Saturday, July 23. Meals are included in the cost of each camp experience. To register or to view a brochure, visit <https://www.hilbert.edu/summer-camps> and select Basketball under the Athletic Camps section. For more information on the boy's camps, contact Coach Rob deGrandpre at 716-926-8803 or rdegranpre@hilbert.edu. For more information on the girl's camps, contact Coach Nicole Bullock at 816-926-8775 or nbullock@hilbert.edu.

Summer Driver Education offered for all area high-school students at Cardinal O'Hara High School, 39 O'Hara Rd., Tonawanda. Summer sessions are Monday through Friday for 16 classes. Students must attend all 16 in-car and classroom sessions. Session 1 runs June 27-July 19; Session 2 runs July 20-August 10. For additional information and registration forms, call Cardinal O'Hara Business Office at 716-695-2600, ext. 309 or go to www.cardinalohara.com.

Chicken BBQ Dinner on July 8 from 4-7 pm at St. Leo the Great, 885 Sweet Home Rd., Amherst. Dine-in or take-out. Dinner includes: ½ chicken, salt potatoes, corn, roll and dessert. Order pre-sale online at www.stleothegreatamherst.com or in-person at the parish office (no phone orders). Proceeds to benefit the church roof project. For further information, call 716-835-8905.

Pilgrimage to Lisbon, Portugal for World Youth Days 2023 is being planned by Fr. Jozef Dudzik, Administrator of Our Lady Help of Christians, Resurrection and St. Josaphat Parishes for July 28-August 9, 2023 and is open to all young people ages 16-50. The WYD Festival will take place in Lisbon from August 1-6 featuring Pope Francis. The additional days of the

pilgrimage will be spent visiting historical places in Spain and Portugal (including Fatima). An initial trip deposit is due by July 31. For more information, contact Fr. Jozef at ksdudzik@gmail.com or call the parish office at 716-276-9288.

YouCon Rise. St. Greg's Youth & Young Adult Ministry is hosting their first teen conference this summer, open to all high school students. YouCon: Rise will take place on August 5-6 at St. Gregory the Great Parish, Williamsville with national speaker, Mark Hart. The experience will include amazing talks, powerful prayer moments, fun activities and, of course, food! Register at www.stgregsYM.org. All teens must have a parish group leader or parent present as a chaperone. For any questions or information, contact Adam Jarosz at 716-688-3578 or ajarosz@stgregs.org.

Save the Date: The Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary & Our Lady Help of Christians' Day of Prayer for the 175th Anniversary of the Diocese of Buffalo on Monday, August 15 – outdoor Mass; blessing of herbs and flowers; Latin Mass; Living Rosary for Peace; Anointing of the Sick; sale of religious items; food trucks; bake sale; basket raffle; activities for kids; and more! Our Lady Help of Christians is located at 4125 Union Rd., Cheektowaga; www.ourladyhelpofchristians.org.

Fall Eucharistic Conference – “The Eucharist, Our Source and Summit” on September 16 & 17 at St. Gregory the Great Parish, 200 St. Gregory Ct., Williamsville. We are very excited to bring back two outstanding national speakers, Dr. John Bergsma AND Dr. Scott Hahn, for this Fall Eucharistic Conference. The conference will begin Friday evening at 7 pm with a couple of sessions and then go deeper into the riches of our Catholic faith on Saturday, starting with 8 am Mass. You are welcome to bring your own lunch or choose from some options available that day. To view the schedule and purchase tickets, visit <https://stpaulcenter.com/buffalo2022/> or call 740-264-9535.

Cultural Diversity Celebration 2022 – “An Enchanted Evening with the Stars” – on Friday, October 14 at 6:30 pm at Classics V, 2425 Niagara Falls Blvd., Amherst. Ticket includes dinner, dance and cash bar. There will also be theme baskets and a 50/50 raffle. Tickets are pre-sale only; no sales at the door. For more information, contact Yoharis Montanez at 716-847-2212 or ymontanez@buffalodiocese.org.

ENCLOSURES

1. Cultural Diversity Celebration 2022 - flyer

* = Priests and Deacons only

** = Diocesan Priests only



**JOIN US ON OUR SECOND
CULTURAL DIVERSITY CELEBRATION**

"An Enchanted Evening With The Stars"

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2022
6:30 P.M.**

**CLASSICS V
2425 NIAGARA FALLS BLVD., AMHERST, NY 14228**

Tickets - \$50.00

Includes:

Dinner

Dance

Cash Bar

We will have Theme Baskets and a 50/50 Raffle

RESERVATION DEADLINE: FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 2022

NOTE: TICKETS ARE PRE-SALE ONLY

NO SALES AT THE DOOR

For more information contact Yoharis Montanez at (716) 847-2212
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