

**JACKSON REGION
SOME OF THE NEW
COLLABORATIONS FOR
'05-'06**



- ** Improve communications
- 1) publish a regional calendar of events – possibly back page of FAITH Magazine
- 2) Create a regional web site
- ** High quality faith formation for adults – offer a new six-week course each year
- ** Provide booths for Catholic Information and for Jackson Catholic Charities Agency at the annual Jackson Family Fun Fest



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SPRING 2005 REGIONAL PASTORAL PLANNING MEETINGS FIND PARTICIPANTS ENTHUSIASTIC FOR NEW AND CHALLENGING COLLABORATIONS!

Facilitated by members of the Interim Diocesan Pastoral Council, the 2005 regional pastoral planning meetings were held in nine regions throughout the diocese during April and May. Included among the 117 participants were pastors, parochial vicars, vowed religious, pastoral staff persons, pastoral council chairs, and other parish leaders.

The day's agenda included a review of collaborations that already exist within the region. What is working? What needs to be improved or modified? What new initiatives have occurred since the 2004 regional planning meeting? A brain-storming session followed with the introduction of many new and exciting ideas for continuing collaboration in the coming year.

**FLINT REGIONS
SAMPLING OF OPPORTUNITIES PLANNED
FOR NEW COLLABORATIONS**

- ** Adult speaker series during Lent to be rotated between host parishes
- ** Bereavement/Grief support
- ** Young adult evening Masses and social gatherings alternating between parishes.



RESOURCES FOR THOSE WITH GLUTEN AND/OR ALCOHOL INTOLERANCE

Goal 5: Respond to the Gospel's call to social justice and outreach through education and coordinated assessment and response to the needs of our communities.

If you are a person with celiac disease or other disorders, you may be interested to read the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops' guidelines from the Committee on Liturgy. Visit <http://www.usccb.org/liturgy/innews/1103.shtml> to learn more about this issue.

PROJECT RACHEL

Goal 4.1: Clearly define present roles and create new roles in the Church to serve the pastoral and spiritual needs of people.

Rachel's Vineyard Clinical Training Day/Seminar on Post-Abortion Trauma and Healing will be held October 20, 2005 at the Diocesan Center, 228 N. Walnut, Lansing from 9:00am - 5:00pm. Contact: 877-342-2513, 517-782-4430, emergency cell phone 517-262-0466 or vgale@ccjax.org.

BEFRIENDER MINISTRY

Goal 4.2: Effectively deploy clergy to improve sacramental and pastoral ministry.

BeFriender Ministry trains lay leaders and pastoral staff from parishes to listen to others in times of transition; such as loneliness, illness or loss. The BeFriender offers pastoral care and becomes a valuable resource for those in need. If you would like to start a BeFriender Ministry in your parish, contact: Vince Gale, Outreach Ministries at 517-782-4430 or vgale@ccjax.org.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES



SUMMER SCRIPTURE DAYS

Goal 1: Form parishes into communities of faith which are inclusive, receptive and committed to spiritual and social development.

The 12th Annual Summer Scripture Days are scheduled for August 9-11 at Weber Center, Adrian. Jean Schaub, Pastoral Coordinator, St. Mary on the Lake, Manitou Beach will present "People Sharing God's Love." Brochures and registration information are available in the parish office or call: Catholic Charities at 517-342-2458.

CCMI DAY OF REFLECTION

Goal 1.1, Strategy B: Ensure every person will have a specific experience of being invited, welcomed and nurtured into the parish community.

Ministry with Persons with disAbilities will sponsor a Christians Concerned about Mental Illness (CCMI) Day of Reflection for persons with brain disorders and their friends and family. The Day of Reflection will be at St. Francis Retreat Center, DeWitt on Wednesday, June 29. \$20/person will include breakfast and lunch. Father Tom McDevitt will celebrate Mass at the Day of Reflection. The schedule will also include presentations from two social workers with experience in mental health counseling from Payee Resource Inc. of Lansing. Time: 9:30am - 3:30pm. Open to everyone! The CCMI Day Retreat is possible in part because of a Family Mini-Grant awarded from the Diocese of Lansing. Call: [Joann Davis](mailto:Joann.Davis@dioceseflansing.org) at 517-342-2497 to RSVP.

INTRODUCTION TO NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING CLASSES SCHEDULED

Goal 5, Strategy B: Offer educational tools that will assist individuals and families to integrate the principles of Catholic Social Teaching into their daily lives.

The Introduction to Natural Family Planning video-assisted program is available. Classes will be offered as follows: Saturday, June 25, 2005, 10:00am at St. Joseph Hospital Women's Health Center, Ann Arbor; Sunday, June 26, 2005, 4:30pm at St. Joseph Retreat Center in Jackson. This is a required part of marriage preparation in our diocese. The cost is \$20.00 per couple. Advanced registration is required. Call: 517-342-2587.

DEAF/HH COMMUNITY MASS SCHEDULE FOR SUMMER

Goal 6.1: Provide reverent liturgy that invites full and active participation.

Father Ken McKenna, OSFS, will celebrate Mass for Deaf and hard of hearing Catholics over the summer. Lansing area Catholics will have Mass at St. Mary Cathedral at 3:00pm, July 24, August 14 & 24. Mass at St. John the Evangelist in Fenton for Flint area Deaf Catholics will be at 10:00am, July 24, August 14 & 28. Contact: Rose Smith, Director of Catholic Deaf/HH Ministry at 517-342-2532 (TTY/V) or rsmith@dioceseflansing.org.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES



BISHOP'S COUNCIL ON ALCOHOL & OTHER DRUGS

Goal 4.2: Effectively deploy clergy to improve sacramental and pastoral ministry.

Parishes can obtain prevention materials on Alcohol and Other Drugs free of charge from the Michigan Resource Center. Call: 800-626-4636 to get a free catalogue of materials. Any other questions, contact: Vince Gale, Outreach Ministries at 517-782-4430 or vgale@ccjax.org.

ANNULMENT WORKSHOP

Goal 3.1: Create comprehensive continuing adult education and formation opportunities.

The Diocesan Tribunal, Outreach Ministries and St. Thomas the Apostle Parish, Ann Arbor, are sponsoring an Annulment Workshop on Saturday, September 17, 2005, 8:30am - 12:30pm at St. Thomas the Apostle Parish, Ann Arbor. The workshop is intended for anyone who is thinking about submitting a case to the tribunal. Eileen Jaramillo, JCL, a Tribunal Judge, will speak on marriage as a covenant, invalid marriages, and misinformation about annulments. A second presentation will discuss the specifics of presenting a case. Group discussions, question-answer sessions and a prayer service will round out the day. Call: Virginia Mikola at 734-994-9194.



EDUCATION AND CATECHESIS

CATECHETICAL SATURDAY '05

Goal 3: Provide vibrant, lifelong faith formation opportunities which enable us to live the gospel.

Saturday, October 15, 8:45am - 4:00pm at the Lansing Center. The theme is **Life Is Christ**. Keynote speaker will be Jo Rotunno with additional major speakers. Registration fee of \$49 includes continental breakfast and lunch. There is a 10% discount for 10 or more registrations from the same parish received by the registration deadline of **October 1**. Look for more than a dozen catechist formation topics and workshops on youth ministry, adult faith formation, young adult ministry, evangelization and RCIA. Registrations brochures should arrive in parishes and schools by the end of June.

JULY 7&8, BASIC TRAINING

Goal 7.4: Nurture and develop the leadership potential of youth & young adults.

... in Youth Ministry Overnight is taking place at Bethany House in Dewitt. Training begins 10:00am, Thursday and concludes at 3:00pm, Friday. Teen and adult leaders can both receive their acknowledgment of basic training in youth ministry through their participation in this event. There needs to be one adult attending with each group of high school teens. Participants should have completed ninth grade. Registration material is available through the Diocesan Youth Ministry Office. Call: 517-342-2484.

JULY 10

YOUNG ADULT PICNIC

Goal 7.1: Engage youth, college students and young adults through ministry and creative programming.

... (18-30's) is at Holy Redeemer Church in Burton, beginning at noon. Call: 517-342-2484 by **July 5th**. The office will provide hot dogs and fixins. Bring table setting, beverages and a dish to pass. Young Adult/Parish Mass will take place at 5:00pm in the football field behind the church or in the pavillion in case of rain. Tony Melendez and his band ToeJam will provide music for liturgy. A concert will follow at 7:00pm and is open to the public. A five dollar donation will be requested but not required.

NUTS & BOLTS CONFERENCE

Goal 7.2: Engage more adults in ministry with youth and young adults.

... for adult leaders in Youth & Young Adult Ministry is August 26-28 at the Weber Inn in Ann Arbor. Featured speakers include Mike Patin from Baton Rouge, LA and Joan Weber from the Center for Ministry Development. There will be four tracks of workshops:

*Basic Youth Ministry, presented by four experienced CYM's from our diocese.

*Basic Young Adult Ministry, presented by Joan Weber from CMD.

*Adolescent Catechetical workshops presented by Catechist trainers from our diocese.

*A four workshop track following up on our keynote address on "Reality Ministry", presented by Mike Patin, also our keynote.

Call: 517-342-2484. Hotel information will be included. Registration for hotel needs to be done by participant directly with the hotel.

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WASHTENAW REGION POSSIBLE NEW COLLABORATIONS



** Communication allows collaboration to work — technology is a way to provide effective communication

a) Parish web sites listing Mass times

b) E-mail list for effectively adding announcements to neighboring parish bulletins

** Annual Ann Arbor Art Fair: more parishes needed to support a Catholic presence for this popular summer event

** Six parishes have begun meeting to coordinate planning for regional Catechist formation, VIRTUS training and RCIA adapted for children



Final detailed reports from each of the ten regions will be available online soon at www.dioceseoflansing.org.



PASTORAL PLANNING



LANSING REGIONS NEW COLLABORATIONS FOR '05-'06

** Just Faith —Introduce Catholic Charities USA Social Ministry Program to other parishes

** Catholic Social Teaching series to begin in fall 2005 for St Joseph, St Johns;

St Mary, Westphalia; Most Holy Trinity, Fowler; and Holy Family, Ovid

** Cultural awareness: regional in-service to plan workshops related to Hispanic celebrations and stories



LIVINGSTON REGION

Parish representatives in the Livingston Region gathered recently to review their individual parish goals. Areas of possible regional collaboration were defined and prioritized resulting in three goals:

- 1) Regional adult formation (CAFÉ) offerings [bible study, teachings on human sexuality, Church teachings, liturgy, etc.]
- 2) Education of all groups/ages for Social Justice
- 3) Programs for young adults

LENAWEE-HILLSDALE REGION COLLABORATIVE INITIATIVES FOR '05-'06

** Technology: update parish web sites with e-mail listings for pastors and staff

** Build on this past year's focus on vocations and identify its relationship to stewardship

** Adult faith formation: form discussion groups for the timely topic: "Balance between obedience and prophecy"



FORMATION

UPCOMING EVENTS

Goal 4.4: Promote and support vocations to priesthood, diaconate, consecrated life and the call to ecclesial lay ministry.

- August 6** Prospective Seminarian Discernment Retreat
High School and up.
For reservation call: 517-342-2504
- August 7** Prospective Seminarian Information Dinner with Bishop Mengeling
Bethany House, 3:00pm
- August 9** Orientation Day for new Administrators, Priests, Pastors, Deacons and Pastoral Ministers
Diocesan Center
- August 12** Family Night for Vocations at the Lugnuts Game - 6:00pm
Reserve tickets at 517-485-4500 ext. 246
- August 20** Conversations on Ministry
Diocesan Center - Madonna Hall
9:00am - 3:00pm
Presenter: Rev. Karl Pung, new Formation Department Chairperson
- August 23** Institution to Reader - 2nd year Deacon Candidate
St. Mary Cathedral - 7:00pm
Reception in Madonna Hall following
- Sept. 14** Catholic Identity and Mission Campaign Bar-B-Q for Parish Representatives
St. Agnes, Fowlerville
Dinner at 6:00pm followed by meeting
- October 7-9** Permanent Deacons' Convocation
Boyne Mountain Resort
Presenter: Mr. Michael Fonseca of Grand Rapids Diocese
- October 10-13** Priests' Presbyteral Convocation
McGuire's Resort, Cadillac
Presenter: Msgr. John P. Zenz
Theme: "The Spiritual Level" from the "green book"
- October 25** Lay Ministers' Convocation
St. Mary Magdalen, Brighton
- November 5** Ecclesial Lay Ministers' Commissioning
St. Mary Cathedral - 10:00am

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- May 1-5** Priests' Spring Retreat
Bethany House, DeWitt
Presenter: Fr. Norbert J. Wood, O. Praem
Theme: tba

PRIESTS' SUMMER DAY **Goal 6.2: Offer opportunities for personal and communal spiritual renewal.**

A day for ongoing formation, comradery and relaxation for all our priests and seminarians is July 26, 10:00am - 10:00pm at Bethany House, DeWitt. The guest presenter this year will be Rev. J. Cletus Kiley, Executive Director, Secretariate for PLM, USCCB and one of the members of the writing committee of the "green book", "The Basic Plan for the Ongoing Formation of Priests". The Presbyterate has been studying parts of these Summer Days and Convocation the last couple years. For more information or to register for this event, please phone the Priestly Life & Ministry Office at 517-342-2510 or awoelfel@dioceseoflansing.org.

PRIESTS' ANNUAL RETREAT

Goal 6.2, Strategy A: Offer opportunities that educate and form the faithful in the call to holiness, spirituality and prayer.

Bethany House and Saint Francis Retreat Center, DeWitt are reserved for this retreat, September 25-29. The guest Retreat Master is Rev. Raniero Cantalamessa, ofm cap, the preacher to the papal household. He is the author of many articles and books including, "The Eucharist: Our Sanctification." Registration for Lansing priests were accepted until June 1. The remaining rooms are being made available to priests from the Gaylord, Grand Rapids, Kalamazoo and Saginaw Dioceses. Paid registrations are being accepted on a 1st come 1st served basis. This retreat will begin with a 6:00pm "Welcoming Banquet" on Sunday, September 25 and conclude on Thursday, September 29 after lunch.

ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEWS & CONTRACTS

Goal 3.2, Strategy B: Ensure that all program directors, catechists and pastoral workers in the religious education program are faithful witnesses to Christ and the teachings of His Church.

Principals, DREs, CYMs, Directors of Adult Education, RCIA Directors: please send in your 2004-2005 Administrative Reviews by June 30, 2005. 2005-2006 contracts should be in by September 1, 2005.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

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1) Parish Adult Education/Faith Formation Leaders – August 31, 9:30 - 11:00am, Diocesan Center, a beginning-of-the-year business meeting regarding resources and updates for Welcome Home Sunday 2005-2006 and an opportunity to caucus in interest groups. More details to follow.

2) Pastors/Pastoral Coordinators and all parish pastoral staff members – August 31, 11:15am - 3:00pm, Diocesan Center, Diocesan Inservice on the National Directory for Catechesis. Presenter: national speaker Dan Mulhall from the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops. More details to follow.

3) Pastors/Pastoral Coordinators and all parish pastoral staff members – September 15, 9:30am, St. John, Howell, Diocesan Inservice on the National Directory for Catechesis. Presenter: national speaker Dan Mulhall from the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops. More details to follow.

EDUCATION AND CATECHESIS



Goal 3.1: Create comprehensive continuing adult education and formation opportunities.

1) This might be a good time of year to consider recruiting or enhancing the membership of your parish adult education committee. Try to include young adults and seniors. Include some from marriage preparation, baptismal preparation, evangelization, and RCIA. Schedule a couple of organizational gatherings in a relaxed summer setting. Purchase copies of *Our Hearts Were Burning Within Us* as initial discussion materials to begin building a common vision and purpose. Call: [Pete Ries](#) at 517-342-2486 to discuss approaches to building/enhancing your committee.

2) If you have a parish adult education committee which would like to request the 10 clock hour training available to such groups, call Pete Ries. Your committee, or individuals on your committee who were not present for initial training are welcome to join with already scheduled training sessions. St. Mary, Durand, has scheduled this training at their parish for Wednesday evenings, 6:30 - 9:00pm July 20, August 3, 17, and 31. St. Pius X, Flint, has scheduled training for Monday evenings, 6:30 - 9:00pm, September 12 and 26, and October 10 and 24. Pre-register by calling: [Pete Ries](#) at 517-342-2486.

NEW PARISH STAFF ORIENTATION

Goal 4: Nurture ministers and leaders in the life of the spirit and the vision of the Church to use their gifts to serve the needs of all.

The annual orientation for new pastors, principals, pastoral ministers, directors of adult education, RCIA directors, evangelization chairpersons, coordinators of youth ministry, directors of religious education, priests and deacons new to ministry in the Diocese of Lansing will be held at the Diocesan Center on Tuesday, August 9, 9:00am - 3:30pm. This day is offered each year to inform participants of diocesan policy, give all in attendance the opportunity to visit diocesan central offices and give each person resource information specific to his/her unique ministry. Please alert new parish staff persons about this day and call the Department of Education and Catechesis or the Department of Formation so that we may extend a welcome and invitation.

In addition, there will be orientation for all new Catholic Schools Teachers Wednesday, August 10, 9:30am - 12:00pm at the Diocesan Center. There will be a general principals' meeting Thursday, August 11, 9:00am - 3:30pm.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

Goal 6.1: Provide reverent liturgy that invites full and active participation.

Thursday, June 30, 7:00 - 9:00pm, St. Francis Xavier, Otisville, is hosting an inservice on Children's Liturgy of the Word. If you would like to send some of your team members for this parish ministry, call: [Pete Ries](#) at 517-342-2486 so that he will have a sufficient number of handouts for the participants. Workshop will include background, approaches, and resources.

EDUCATION AND CATECHESIS

THANKS AND FAREWELL

Goal 4: Nurture ministers and leaders in the life of the Spirit and the vision of the Church to use their gifts to serve the needs of all.

The following are leaving their current places of ministry. Best wishes and thanks for all you have done in service to God's people.

Dr. Catherine Bilow, Principal, St. Peter, Eaton Rapids;
Victoria Emch, DRE, Holy Trinity Student Parish, Ypsilanti;
Chris Gordon, Gr. 6-12 DRE/CYM, St. Joseph, Adrian;
Normand Gouin, Director of Music, St. John Student Parish, East Lansing;
Helen Hillman, Principal, St. Martha, Okemos;
Dawn Klauke, Gr. 6-12 DRE/CYM, St. Elizabeth, Tecumseh;
Angie Liberato, Director of Worship and RCIA Director, St. John Student Parish, East Lansing;
Charline List, Director of Adult Education, St. Francis of Assisi, Ann Arbor;
Charles List, DRE, St. Patrick, Ann Arbor;
Lee Martens, DRE, St. Joseph, Howell;
Michael McGonigle, Principal, Holy Family, Grand Blanc;
Charles Nolan, Director of Music, St. Michael, Grand Ledge;
Ryan Ochoa, Gr. 6-12 DRE/CYM, St. Martha, Okemos;
Diana Peffers, DRE/CYM/Director of Adult Education/RCIA Director, St. John, Ypsilanti;
Sr. Paula Pilon, DRE/CYM, St. Mary, Flint;
Craig Pohl, CYM, St. Mary, Westphalia;
Anne Rivet, CYM, St. Michael, Grand Ledge;
Ellen Robbins, CYM, Holy Family, Grand Blanc;
Mary Royce, Director of Adult Education/RCIA Director/Pastoral Minister, St. Joseph, Dexter;
Pattie Scherer, Director of Worship and RCIA Director, St. Francis of Assisi, Ann Arbor;
Elaine Shegitz, DRE, St. Mary, Charlotte;
Lisa Stechschulte, Gr. 7-12 DRE/CYM, Holy Rosary, Flint;
Linda Tedrick, Director of Family Life Ministry, St. Mary, Pinckney;
Kathy Walters, Gr. 6-8 CYM, Holy Family, Grand Blanc;
Peggy Wescott, DRE, St. Robert Bellarmine, Flushing;
Shawn Willox, Gr. 7-12 DRE/CYM, St. Mary, Adrian;
Rita Zyber, Gr. 6-8 DRE/CYM, St. Francis of Assisi, Ann Arbor.

CATECHETICAL SUNDAY KITS AND PINS

Goal 3.2: Offer quality religious education programs which engage children, youth, parents and families.

Kits for this year's celebration of Catechetical Sunday, September 18, are \$16.50 mailed, \$13.65 pick-up at the Office of Catechesis. Pins, 7/8 inch in the shape of a cross with the words "Christ Life" on the cross, are available at \$3 per pin. Call: [Kimmel Burden](mailto:Kimmel.Burden@dioceseoflansing.org) at 517-342-2484.

BACKGROUND CHECK
Common Strategy 3: Assist every parish to develop a plan to improve communication.

New employees must have a criminal record background check verified before a final contract can be signed. Call: [Sr. Dorita Wotiska](mailto:Dorita.Wotiska@dioceseoflansing.org) at 517-342-2481.

CATECHIST FORMATION IDEA BOX

Goal 3.2: Offer quality religious education programs which engage children, youth, parents and families.

Set up a file on each of your catechists to collect any formation information you have. Have the credentials of your catechists evaluated by an Educational Minister in Catechist Formation or by the Office of Catechesis. Give your catechist's a copy of their evaluation sheet as a way of discussing/planning their formation activity. As you receive copies of various catechist formation program brochures, give your catechists a copy with the topics they still need checked off.

2004-2005 PARISH PROFILE

Goal 3: Provide vibrant, lifelong faith formation opportunities which enable us to live the Gospel.

The profile is being sent to you later than in the past in order to allow the program year to elapse before you fill it out. This year all diocesan data gathering instruments are being sent to parishes in one common packet the beginning of June. Deadline for materials, including the 2004-2005 Parish Profile, is July 31. For those of you not at your parish in June or July, you will need to come back to your parish, fill out the form OR make a copy of last year's report. Fill in this year's data with a red pen and ask the parish secretary to fill out and return your 2004-2005 Parish Profile by July 31.

**DIOCESAN CALENDAR
JUNE - SEPTEMBER, 2005**

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| 6/19-24 | 8:00am DYLC - Bethany House | 8/18 | 9:00am - 3:00pm Liturgical Formation Workshop for Teachers and Catechists - St. Gerard, Lansing |
| 6/29 | 8:00am Diocesan Cedar Point Day - Sandusky, OH | 8/19 | 9:00am - 3:00pm Liturgical Formation Workshop for Teachers and Catechists - Our Lady of Fatima, Michigan Center |
| 7/1 | 8:00am NPM Convention - Milwaukee, WI | 8/26-28 | 8:00am Nuts and Bolts Youth and Young Adult Ministry Conference - Weber Inn, Ann Arbor |
| 7/4 | Independence Day | 8/30 | 8:00am Family Life Advisory Board Subcommittee Meetings - Diocesan Center |
| 7/7-8 | 8:00am Basic Youth Ministry Training - Bethany House, DeWitt | 8/31 | 9:30am - 11:00am Diocesan Adult Education Inservice - Diocesan Center |
| 7/10 | 12:00 - 5:00pm Young Adult Picnic -Holy Redeemer, Burton | | 11:15am - 3:00pm Diocesan Inservice on the National Directory for Catechesis - Diocesan Center |
| | 5:00pm Outdoor Mass- [Holy Redeemer, Burton | 9/7 | 9:30am - 12:30pm CAFE (Catholic Formation and Education) Advisory Committee - Diocesan Center |
| | 7:00pm Tony Melendez Concert - Holy Redeemer, Burton | | 12:00pm - 3:00pm Christian Initiation Advisory Committee - Diocesan Center |
| 7/19 | 6:00pm Theology on Tap - Ann Arbor | | 7:00pm Confirmation - St. John, Hartland |
| 7/24-28 | 8:00am Liturgy Summer Camp - St. John Youth and Family Center, Plymouth | 9/13 | 9:30am - 1:00pm CYM Advisory Committee - Diocesan Center |
| 7/26 | 12:00 - 3:00pm Family Life Advisory Board - Diocesan Center | 9/14 | 10:00am - 3:00pm Diocesan Worship Commission - Diocesan Center |
| 8/1-4 | 8:00am FDLC & GCL Study Week - Weber Center, Adrian | 9/15 | 9:30am - 12:30pm Diocesan Inservice on the National Directory for Catechesis - St. John, Howell |
| 8/9 | 9:00am - 3:30pm Orientation for New Administrators, Priests, Deacons and Pastoral Ministers - Diocesan Center | | 1:00pm - 3:00pm DRE/CYM/Pastoral Ministers Business Meeting - St. John, Howell |
| 8/10-22 | Diocesan World Youth Day Trip - Germany | | 6:15pm Diocesan Board of Education and Catechesis - Diocesan Center |
| 8/10 | 9:30am - 12:00pm Orientation for New Catholic School Teachers - Diocesan Center | 9/17 | 7:00pm Confirmation - St. Joseph, Dexter |
| | 1:00 - 4:00pm VIRTUS - Diocesan Center | 9/18 | Catechetical Sunday, Theme: Life Is Christ |
| 8/11 | 9:00am - 3:30pm Principals' Meeting - Diocesan Center | | 10:00am Confirmation - St. Catherine Laboure, Concord |
| 8/15 | Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary - Holy Day of Obligation - USA | 9/20-25 | 8:00am National Association of Catholic Family Life Ministry Conference - Chicago, IL |
| 8/16 | 9:30am - 12:30pm Grant Writing Workshop - Diocesan Center | 9/20 | 9:30am - 12:00pm Evangelization Advisory Committee - Diocesan Center |
| 8/17 | 9:30am - 12:30pm DRE Advisory Committee - Diocesan Center | | |



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