

**REGULAR EVENTS
SPONSORED BY MINISTRY
WITH PERSONS WITH
DISABILITIES:**

- [Three Regional Caregiver and Persons with disAbilities Retreats](#) offered in spring
- Annual Mass & Lunch with the bishop (typically in fall)
- Annual Christmas Celebration
- [Two one-day retreats and one three-day retreat for persons who are sight-impaired or blind](#)
- Monthly meetings for [Christians Concerned about Mental Illness](#) (CCMI)
- Annual Mass & Social for CCMI members (usually in fall)



Above: The gang's all here - Person's who are sight-impaired or blind on the Annual Retreat, Spring 2004, at the St. Francis Retreat Center in DeWitt.

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MINISTRY WITH PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

“Disabled people are living icons of the Crucified Son. They reveal the mysterious beauty of the One who emptied Himself for our sake and made Himself obedient unto death. They show us, over and above all appearances, that the ultimate foundation of human existence is Jesus Christ.” - Pope John Paul II, [On the Occasion of the International Symposium on the Dignity and Rights of the Disabled Person](#), 5 January 2004 (Vatican).

The Diocese of Lansing, as far back as the 1960's, has shown interest in the spiritual well-being of persons with disAbilities, and this ministry continues to address the issues of accessibility in the Church. We work with all parishes in the Diocese to ensure accessible buildings, minds, and most importantly, hearts!

As we move forward, we rely on established guidelines for this ministry. The [US Bishops Pastoral Statement on People with Disabilities](#) in 1978 states our goal: the continued “working with persons with disAbilities to help them enjoy their full baptismal rights as members of the Church. Our interaction with this community can and should be an affirmation of our faith. There can be no separate Church for people with disAbilities. We are one flock that serves a single Shepherd.”

In answer to the call to minister to this special population, we have many opportunities for persons with disAbilities to grow in their faith life. Our events offered throughout the year are open to all persons with disAbilities, their families, friends and caregivers. Specific programs are in place for persons who have mental illness, those who are sight-impaired or blind and persons with developmental or other disAbilities. We are striving for presence at the parish level and offer assistance as needed by the following means:

- Sacramental preparation assistance
- Addressing disAbility issues with parishioners
- Networking with Parish Advocates in each parish
- Accessibility issues



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PRISONER PEN PAL MINISTRY

Goal 5, Strategy E: Increase awareness of social justice and outreach by direct involvement in services to the poor and vulnerable.

Each month dozens of our diocesan Pen Pals send and receive letters from prisoners through this ministry. They learn first hand about the challenges of serving time in prison. Our pen pals also offer hope, encouragement and the good news of Christ to those prisoners with whom they correspond.

Contact: Angela Fowler at

517-342-2494 or

afowler@dioceseoflansing.org.



SCHEDULED MASSES IN AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE

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

Mass for the Deaf community in American Sign Language with Father Mike Depcik, chaplain, has the following upcoming liturgical schedule.

Flint Area: 10:00am, St. John the Evangelist Chapel, Fenton
Sunday, March 20 and every Sunday in April

Ann Arbor Area: 6:30pm, St. Francis of Assisi, Ann Arbor
Saturday evenings, April 9 & 23

Lansing Area: 4:00pm, St. Mary Cathedral, Lansing
Sundays March 20 and April 10 & 17

For more information, contact:
Rose Smith, Director of Catholic Deaf/HH Ministry at 517-342-2532

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rsmith@dioceseoflansing.org.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES



MINISTRY WITH PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

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Above: Persons with disAbilities at Mass & lunch with Bishop Mengeling and the Living Nativity at the Annual Christmas Celebration.

Our ministry has helped facilitate [Rainbow Homes](#), a non-profit Christian-based supported living environment in the Holt area. Service to adult persons with developmental disAbilities has been available for the past six years and there is a waiting list for new residents hoping to live at Rainbow Homes.

Ministry with Persons with disAbilities focuses on the ABILITY, not the lack of ability. We know from the US Census and other statistics that 1 in 5 persons will be diagnosed with a disAbility (either permanent or temporary) in their lifetime. Ministry with Persons with disAbilities is a direct response to VOICES Alive in the following ways:

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

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

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.

CAREGIVER RETREAT FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES IN ANN ARBOR

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

A Caregiver Retreat for Persons with disAbilities and their families will take place on Saturday, April 23, at St. Francis of Assisi Parish in Ann Arbor. Two retreats are held at the same time, one for caregivers and one for persons with disAbilities. The retreat will begin at 2:00pm and end with the Vigil Mass at 5:00pm. Call: [Joann Davis](#) at 517-342-2500 to register or for more information.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES



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 recently completed Introduction to Natural Family Planning video-assisted program is now available for engaged and married couples in all regions of the diocese.

The Introduction classes will be offered in April as follows:

7:00pm, Wednesday, April 13, 2005, St. Mary Parish, Charlotte

7:00pm, Thursday, April 21, 2005, St. John Vianney Parish, Flint

10:00am, Saturday, April 23, 2005, St. Joseph Hospital, Women's Health Center, Ann Arbor

5:00pm, Sunday, April 24, 2005, St. Joseph Retreat Center, Jackson

The Introduction course is a required part of marriage preparation in our diocese. The cost is \$20.00 per couple and advanced registration is required. If you would like to schedule the Introduction at your parish and have at least 3 couples ready to take the course, contact: [Rita Michaels](#) for more information or to register at 517-342-2587.



MOTHER/DAUGHTER TEA & FASHION SHOW

Goal 7.1, Strategy A: Develop ways to evangelize youth, college students and young adults that will sustain them in the Church.

Attention all young ladies - teens, pre-teens, young adult women and their mothers! You are invited to God's Plan for Growing Up Tea & Fashion Show sponsored by the Diocese of Lansing NFP Program. This event promotes the dignity of women and the virtue of modesty. Colleen Hammond, nationally-known TV and radio talk show host, will emcee the event. Her book *Dressing with Dignity* has already sold out its first printing! Join us Sunday, April 10, at St. Mary Parish in Charlotte for the following lineup:

2:00-4:00pm - Program for 10-12 year old girls and their mothers

4:00-6:00pm - Tea & Fashion Show for women and girls of all ages

6:00-9:00pm - Program for girls ages 13-18 and their mothers

The program for the older girls will include information about sensitive topics such as STDs, abortion and contraception in a tactful, faithful, Catholic perspective. The cost for this event is \$20/family. Registration is highly recommended. Contact: NFP Program at 517-342-2587 or nfp@dioceseoflansing.org.

BILLINGS OVULATION 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 Natural Family Planning Program is pleased to announce the following classes scheduled in the Billings Ovulation Method:

10:00am, Saturday, April 2, 2005

St. John the Evangelist, Fenton

(continues April 16, 30 & May 28)

10:00am, Saturday, April 9, 2005

Caritas Center for Women's Health, Ann Arbor

(continues April 23, May & June 4)

ADVANCED REGISTRATION

IS REQUIRED. The class fee is

\$50 per couple which includes all

materials, course instruction and

individual chart reviews. Call: [NFP](#)

[Program](#) at 517-342-2587.

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE FOR DEAF/HH CATHOLICS

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

Catholics who are Deaf/HH and are native users of ASL are invited and encouraged to attend liturgical celebrations at St. John the Evangelist Parish in Fenton during Holy Week. Father Michael Depcik will celebrate the Holy Week liturgy as scheduled:

Palm Sunday Mass, Sunday,
March 20, 10:00am

Mass of the Lord's Supper,
Thursday, March 24, 6:00pm

Easter Sunday, March 27, 10:00am

Contact: Catholic Deaf/HH Ministry
at 517-342-2532 or Rose Smith at
rsmith@dioceseoflansing.org.

CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

Goal 5, Strategy A: Make the needs and independence of the poor and vulnerable a priority.

The Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD) Poster Art Contest is underway! All students in grades K-12 are encouraged to participate in the annual CCHD Poster Art Contest. Entries must be postmarked by Friday, April 1, 2005. Diocesan CCHD Grant Applications are now available and must be postmarked by April 15, 2005. CCHD funds community organizing and economic development projects. CCHD does not fund direct service projects. Call: [Vince Gale](mailto:Vince.Gale@diocese.org) at 517-342-2470.



CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES

Goal 5, Strategy E: Increase awareness of social justice and outreach by direct involvement in services to the poor and vulnerable.

Operation Rice Bowl is currently in progress. If your parish is doing something special with ORB, let us know! ORB challenges us to *pray* with our families and communities; *fast* in solidarity with the hungry; *learn* about our family in the developing world; and *give* to those in need. Appropriate for all ages.

Diocesan Operation Rice Bowl Grant Applications are now available and must be postmarked by Friday, June 3, 2005. ORB funds food security programs and global solidarity education efforts. Call: [Vince Gale](mailto:Vince.Gale@diocese.org) at 517-342-2470.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES



CATHOLIC SOCIAL SERVICES OF LANSING/ST. VINCENT HOME FOR CHILDREN

Goal 5, Strategy A: Make the needs and independence of the poor and vulnerable a priority.

Catholic Social Services of Lansing/St. Vincent Home, Inc. (CSS/SVH) has provided help and created hope for children, families, and seniors in need for well over 50 years. Providing a continuum of services through 15 programs, CSS/SVH seeks to provide professional, compassionate support for the poor and vulnerable. Through our vision, "With Faith in God and love for all, we aspire to create a healthier community," we take individuals who are at-risk to safety with the goal of helping them thrive. CSS/SVH serves approximately 8,000 individuals of all faiths annually. Programs include: St. Vincent Home for Children, Foster Care, Intensive Foster Care, Adoption, Parent Aid, SHIELD Program, Family Counseling Center, Ballentine Stepping Stones, Foster Grandparent Program, Senior Companion Program, Capital Area Interfaith Respite Program, International and Refugee Program which includes - the Reception/Placement/Health Program, the Employment Program, and the Legal Immigration Program.

In 2004, fund-raising to complete Phase I & II of "Building Hope" a Capital Campaign to build a new St. Vincent Home for Children was completed. Through the generosity of the community, individuals, churches, the Lansing Catholic Diocese, businesses, foundations and government, approximately \$4 million was secured to pay for this project. Thirty-six children moved into their new home May 14, 2004. This year, CSS/SVH is launching Phase III of "Building Hope" a Capital Campaign to renovate the original St. Vincent Home into a program service building. This will consolidate all of our programs from five other sites. Ballentine Stepping Stones, a 16-unit apartment building containing our two-year transitional housing program for homeless women with children will not move into the renovation. In this age of decreased funding from governmental sources and increased demand for services, we have been faced with the challenge to remain relevant and responsive to the needs of the poor and vulnerable. Our mission demands that the church and society recognize the needs of the poor and that we effectively and efficiently respond to those needs. The opportunity to establish a campus setting for the delivery of our core services has to a great extent answered that question. For more information, contact: [CSS/SVH](mailto:CSS@svh.org) at 517-272-1524.

CHRISTIANS CONCERNED ABOUT MENTAL ILLNESS MEETINGS

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

Christians Concerned about Mental Illness (CCMI) meetings will be Tuesday, March 22 and Tuesday, April 26. Meetings take place from noon - 1:00pm at the Diocesan Center in Lansing, typically on the 4th Tuesday of the month. Join us for a time of sharing, prayer and fellowship. Contact: [Joann Davis](mailto:Joann.Davis@diocese.org) at 517-342-2497.

FORMATION

2005 FORMATION DEPARTMENT EVENTS OFFERED

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

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

- March 12 Deacon Community Lenten Day of Prayer and Reflection
St. John Vianney, Flint
Presenter: Fr. Douglas Osborn
Theme: The Eucharist and the Deacon
- April 5 Day of Prayer for Priests
St. Francis Retreat Center, DeWitt - 10:00am - 3:00pm
Presenter: Fr. William Sneck, S.J.
Theme: "Spiritual Direction & Discernment"
- May 14 Permanent Deacon Ordination
St. Mary Cathedral - 10:00am

Change of Location.....

**June 11 Ordination to Priesthood
St. Thomas Aquinas, East Lansing - 10:30am**

- Sept. 26-29 Priests' Retreat
Bethany House, DeWitt
Presenter: Rev. Raniero Cantalamessa, ofm cap, the preacher to the papal household, will be the guest presenter. He is the author of the book, "*The Eucharist: Our Sanctification.*"
- October 7-9 Permanent Deacons' Convocation
Boyne Mountain Resort
Presenter: tba
- October 10-13 Priests' Presbyteral Convocation
McGuire's Resort, Cadillac
Presenter: Msgr. John P. Zenz
Theme: "The Spiritual Level" from the "green book"

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

MINISTRY FORMATION 2005 SUMMER CLASSES

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

RST 320 Sacramental Theology
RST 301 Theological Inquiry
May 21
May 21 and 28
June 4, 18
June 25
July 2, 16, 30
July 9, 23
August 13
Lansing Diocesan Center
8:30am - 3:30pm
Rev. David Buersmeyer
Lansing Diocesan Center
Rev. Matthew Fedewa
March 4 deadline

TO BE ORDAINED

June 11, 2005 at 10:30am, St. Thomas Aquinas, East Lansing
Deacon Charles Canoy, Sacred Heart Major Seminary, Detroit
Home Parish: Christ the King, Ann Arbor

Deacon Jeffrey Poll, Mundelein Seminary, Mundelein, Illinois
Home Parish: St. Elizabeth, Tecumseh

Deacon Michael O'Brien, Mundelein Seminary, Mundelein, Illinois
Home Parish: St. John the Baptist, Ypsilanti

Deacon Steven Mattson, Mundelein Seminary, Mundelein, Illinois
Home Parish: St. Peter, Eaton Rapids

Deacon Gordon Reigle, Mundelein Seminary, Mundelein, Illinois
Home Parish: Queen of the Miraculous Medal, Jackson

DIRECTORS OF ADULT EDUCATION, DRES AND CYMS

Common Strategy 1: Make stewardship a priority and commitment for the diocese, regions and parishes.

You will not be receiving this month as you have in past years the Annual Report of Adult Education/Faith Formation, Youth Ministry, and Religious Education. The report covering 2004-2005 is being combined with other diocesan data gathering instruments so that only one diocesan request for data is sent to parishes each year. This form will be mailed in May and the deadline for its return will be July 31, 2005. Each of you will receive a copy of this report, however, you will be asked to work with your pastor and bookkeeper to compile a single report from your parish. For those of you on 10 month contracts, this may necessitate a return to your office during June and July. If you have any questions, call: [Pete Ries](tel:517-342-2486) at 517-342-2486 or [Pat Rinker](tel:517-342-2485) at 517-342-2485.

FINAL DEADLINE FOR DIOCESAN LEADERSHIP CAMP

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

... is April 8. Every parish who takes youth leadership in parish ministry seriously needs to send high school youth to this leadership formation experience. It is held at Bethany House June 19-24. For twenty years we have been forming youth leaders; many have gone on to full time ministry in the church as well as bringing Christ into every aspect of their lives. Contact: [Pat Rinker](tel:517-342-2485) at 517-342-2485.

EDUCATION AND CATECHESIS



WORKBOOK/KIT FOR DEVELOPING A PARISH PASTORAL PLAN FOR ADULT EDUCATION/FAITH FORMATION

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

This 20 page workbook collects a recipe of worksheets and questions for a parish adult education/faith formation committee to work through. It considers all the opportunities for adult faith formation already going on in parish life, three different approaches to adult faith formation, leadership, marketing, and soliciting the support of pastoral leadership. Where do you want your parish adult faith formation effort to be one year from now? Three years from now? Systematic use of this workbook will allow a parish to build its pastoral plan based on what they think is doable and reasonable in the near future. To receive a copy, call: [Pete Ries](tel:517-342-2486) at 517-342-2486.

CATECHETICAL SATURDAY '05

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

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

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

This diocesan conference for those who do faith formation with adults, teens, and children will be held on Saturday, October 15, at the Lansing Center. Registration fee (which includes continental breakfast and lunch) is \$49 per person, with a 10% discount for 10 or more people from the same parish. It will be \$54 per person after the deadline of October 1. Remember to include this item in your budget preparation process.

RCIA DIRECTORS AND DIRECTORS OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR TEENS AND CHILDREN

Goal 3, Strategy D: Provide alternative schedules and models for religious formation of youth.

A gathering of those who work with the Christian Initiation of Teens and Children and those who are interested in this ministry will be held at St. Francis of Assisi, Ann Arbor, on Monday, May 9, at 10:30am. The gathering will include some input and much conversation regarding the issues and challenges of doing initiation with teens and children. For further information and to pre-register, call: [Pattie Scherer](tel:734-821-2122) at 734-821-2122.

MINISTRY POSITIONS

Goal 4.1: Establish a diocesan human resource office to attract, support and retain professional ministers at all levels throughout the diocese.

If your parish is seeking applicants for a position, or you or someone you know is interested in current openings in youth ministry, young adult ministry, adult education/faith formation, RCIA, religious education, or pastoral ministry, call: [Pat Rinker](tel:517-342-2485) at 517-342-2485, [Pete Ries](tel:517-342-2486) at 517-342-2486 or [Nancy Joseph](tel:517-342-2512) at 517-342-2512.

EDUCATION AND CATECHESIS

NUTS & BOLTS YOUTH & YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY CONFERENCE

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

Registration material will be mailed in April. The event is August 26-28. Featured speakers are Mike Patin from Louisiana and Joan Weber from the Center for Ministry Development. Joan will be presenting a track for basic training in young adult ministry. Mike will lead a keynote and four workshops reflecting on ministry for the lay ecclesial minister in today's world. There will also be a basic youth ministry track and an adolescent catechetical track. Mark the event on your calendar and plan on registering your adult leaders in ministry with youth and young adults.

DIOCESAN WORLD YOUTH DAY GROUP

Goal 7.1, Strategy A: Develop ways to evangelize youth, college students and young adults that will sustain them in the church.

... has available spaces for up to 8 people. Our trip departs August 10 and arrives back home from Germany, August 22. It includes days in the diocese, a pre World Youth Day event where we are hosted by families in Germany, special events and relationship building in a host diocese. Following this is the World Youth Day events and a concluding Mass with our Pope on Sunday, August 21. If you have a group from your parish that wishes to join the diocesan group, contact: [Mary Lou Hahn-Setta](#), St. Mary's, Chelsea at 734-475-3250

JULY 7 & 8 BASIC TRAINING RETREAT OVERNIGHT

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

... will be held at Bethany House again this year. This is a two day basic training in youth ministry for youth and adult leaders. Participants must have completed the ninth grade as well as those who minister with adults in your parish. Registration material was sent in March. This is the third summer we have offered this program which doubled in size from year one to year two. If you have questions contact: [Pat Rinker](#) at 517-342-2485.

CATECHIST FORMATION IDEA BOX

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

Has internship received the attention you intended for it in the beginning of the year? Did your people have the opportunity to observe other catechists? Were they themselves observed? Did you have some sort of debriefing/discussion after these observations? A good way to conclude the internship is to have a year-end reflection with each new catechist to review the year and talk about the future. Doing it well takes a significant amount of time but results can be quite dramatic. Refer to pg. 72-75 of the Diocesan Catechist Formation Handbook.

PARISH BASED TRAINING FOR EVANGELIZATION

Goal 2, Strategy B: Design and implement a systematic plan for evangelization.

If your parish is about to recruit members for its evangelization team or if you already have a team, consider a 4 clock hour training program. Usually conducted in two 2-clock hour sessions, the first gives an overview of evangelization and how it is causing some major shifts in how we view Church membership and parish life. The second leads the parish evangelization committee through the 3 pastoral goals of evangelization as set forth by the United States bishops and helps committee members strategize ways they can be done. To explore this possibility or set up dates to bring training to your parish, call: [Pete Ries](#) at 517-342-2846 .

DRES, CYMS, PRINCIPALS

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

This is the first notice that the 2004-2005 Annual Report of Catechist Formation has appeared in your mailbox this month. You might want to plan some time in your calendar for updating your catechist files in order to have information ready when it is time to fill out the Annual Report. If you have catechists who have not yet had their credentials evaluated or catechists who need to have their credentials re-evaluated by an Educational Minister, plan to have that done so you will be able to fill out the Annual Report and send it in by May 12.

DIOCESAN CALENDAR

MARCH-MAY, 2005

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| 3/19 | 8:00am St. Joseph, husband of the BVM (Solemnity)
10:00am Diocesan Catholic Committee on Scouting - St. Joseph, Howell | 4/19 | 7:00pm St. Joseph, St. Paul Confirmation - St. Paul, Owosso |
| 3/22 | 12:00pm CCMI Meeting - Diocesan Center | 4/23 | 10:00am Youth Events Planning Committee - St. Joseph, Adrian
2:00pm Caregiver Retreat - St. Francis of Assisi, Ann Arbor |
| 3/24 | 10:30am Chrism Mass - St. Mary Cathedral
7:00pm Holy Thursday - Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper - St. Mary Cathedral | 4/24 | 4:30pm Confirmation - St. Pius X, Flint
12:00pm Confirmation Sacred Heart Chapel, Jackson |
| 3/25 | 8:00am Central Services Closed - Good Friday
12:05pm Good Friday of the Lord's Passion Services - St. Mary Cathedral | 4/25 | 7:00pm Confirmation - St. Mary, Westphalia
7:00pm Diocesan Young Adult Council - Diocesan Center |
| 3/26 | 7:00pm The Resurrection of the Lord: The Vigil in the Holy Night of Easter - St. Mary Cathedral | 4/26 | 12:00pm CCMI Meeting - Diocesan Center |
| 3/27 | Easter Sunday | 4/27 | 7:00pm Confirmation - St. John Student Parish, East Lansing |
| 3/28 | Central Services Closed - Easter Monday | 4/28 | 7:00pm Confirmation - St. Robert, Flushing |
| 3/29-4/1 | 13th Annual NPCD National Convention - Philadelphia
NCEA Annual Convention Philadelphia | 4/30 | 10:00am St. Agnes, St. Luke St. Mary, Christ the King, All Saints, Sacred Heart Confirmation - St. Luke, Flint |
| 3/30-4/1 | 13th Annual NPCD National Convention - Philadelphia
NCEA Annual Convention Philadelphia | 5/1 | 2:00pm Confirmation - St. John the Evangelist, Davison |
| 4/2 | 10:00am Confirmation - SS. Cornelius & Cyprian, Leslie | 5/3 | 7:00pm Confirmation - Cristo Rey, Lansing |
| 4/4 | 7:00pm Confirmation - Blessed Sacrament, Burton | 5/4 | 7:00pm Confirmation - St. Mary, Manchester |
| 4/5 | 10:00am Day of Prayer for Priests - St. Francis Retreat Cntr., DeWitt
2:30pm Diocesan Scout Awards Ceremony - St. Mary Cathedral
7:00pm Flint Regional Young Adult Ministry Leadership Mtg. - tba | 5/5 | 5:30pm Board of Education & Catechesis - SFRC, DeWitt
7:00pm Confirmation - St. Martha, Okemos |
| 4/18 | 7:00pm Confirmation - Siena Heights Student Chapel, Adrian | 5/7 | 4:30pm St. Matthew, St. Michael Confirmation - St. Matthew, Flint |
| | | 5/8 | Solemnity of the Ascension
11:00am Confirmation - Christ the King, Ann Arbor |
| | | 5/10 | 9:30am CYM Advisory Committee - Diocesan Center |



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