

Join us on Saturday, May 6, 2006 from 8:30am - 5:30pm, lunch included.

Please consider a free will donation to cover the expense of the retreat.

You are asked to RSVP to:

St. Francis Retreat Center, 703 East Main Street, DeWitt, Michigan 48820

Telephone: 866-669-8321

Fax: 517-669-2708



Trust in Jesus, our loving Savior, to gather the children into his arms and bless the little ones. Know that the angels and saints lead them to the place of light and peace where one day we will be brought together again.

Offered by: the Diocese of Lansing Catholic Cemeteries in collaboration with Catholic Charities.

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MY UNKNOWN CHILD MY LOSS BEYOND WORDS

This is an adult grief recovery retreat for Catholic women and men who have suffered a loss through miscarriage, still birth or neonatal death.

The grief and the suffering you experience with the loss of a newborn infant, or the loss of an eagerly anticipated child is beyond the words of comfort offered by those closest to you. It is a journey filled with many questions, many tears and few answers; a journey that challenges your faith and questions a God of Love, a journey that can last many years.



The Catholic Church and the Diocese of Lansing desire to walk part of this journey with you; to offer spiritual direction, psychological support and the empathy of two couples who have experienced the journey you now walk. Let us speak to the burden that you carry in your hearts.

If you have suffered a loss due to miscarriage, stillbirth or neonatal death, join us at Bethany House on the campus of Saint Francis Retreat Center in DeWitt, Michigan, for a very special day of reflection and counsel.

Sharing the day with you will be:

Rev. Lawrence Delaney, Director of St. Francis Retreat Center.

Rev. Douglas Osborn, a Senior Priest of the Diocese
Patricia J. LaFave, PhD, Clinical Psychologist
Cheryl Bassett, MSW, LMFT, Clinical Social Worker
Mr. and Mrs. Gary and Laura Langdon



PROJECT RACHEL

We have concluded our second Rachel's Vineyard Retreat and continue to provide referrals to competent professionals who understand the devastating effects of abortion. Retreats are expensive ...we turn no one away because we know how much the retreat is needed. If you would like to contribute to our Rachel's Vineyard Retreat Fund, send your contribution to: [Vince Gale](#), c/o Outreach Ministries, Catholic Charities, 407 S. Mechanic Street, Jackson, MI 49201.

PLEASE WELCOME . . .

Mr. Timothy Metts, who was recently appointed by the Diocese of Lansing, Department of Catholic Charities, as the Director of the Restorative Justice Ministry. Tim is a member of St. Peter Church, Eaton Rapids and is active in the music ministry. He and his wife Connie have five adult children. Tim attended Catholic schools in Lansing for twelve years and received a B.A. in Criminal Justice from Michigan State University. He retired from the Lansing Police Department in 1994 and was later appointed Chief of Police in Leslie, Michigan. Please welcome Tim as he visits your parish, school, agency or department.

RELIGIOUS ASL WEEK

This intensive program is designed for priests, deacons and seminarians; qualified working interpreters and Deaf lectors who read at Sunday liturgies. Participants will have an opportunity to learn how to convey religious concepts in American Sign Language. The instructors are among the country's best: Msgr. Glenn Nelson, Deacon Pat Graybill, Deacon Dave Sommers and Pam Sommers CI/CT. The program will be held at DeSales Center, July 23 - July 28, 2006. Total cost is \$350. Contact: Rose Smith at 517-342-2532 or mithroj@cablespeed.com.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES



CATHOLIC CHARITIES DAY

Bishop Carl F. Mengeling and the Department of Catholic Charities invite you to join in a time of prayer, fellowship and renewal at the first annual **Catholic Charities Day**. It is being held on Thursday, May 4, 2006 from 9:00am - 2:30pm in the Diocesan Center, Lansing. Bishop Mengeling will celebrate Mass followed by a talk on Pope Benedict's first encyclical, *Deus Caritas Est* (God is Love). Michael Andrews, Director of Catechesis, will speak on church organization and the history of the Church's charitable work. Father Larry Snyder, President of Catholic Charities USA, will talk about the history and work of Catholic Charities USA. The final presentation will be given by Monsignor Robert Lunsford who will talk about what makes Catholic Charities unique.

REGIONAL CAREGIVER/DISABILITY RETREAT DAY

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

Regional Parish Advocates with Persons with disabilities & Ministry with Persons with disabilities will host a retreat day at St. John the Baptist, Ypsilanti on Saturday, May 20, 2006 beginning at 2:00pm and ending with Mass at 5:00pm. RSVP by contacting: Joann Davis at 517-342-2497 or jdavis@dioceseoflansing.org.

SIGHT IMPAIRED/BLIND RETREAT

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

Father Larry Delaney will facilitate "The Way of Hope" Retreat for all persons who are sight impaired/blind from the Lansing Diocese, May 16-18, 2006 at St. Francis Retreat Center, DeWitt. Call: Ministry with Persons with disabilities at 517-342-2497.

CHRISTIANS CONCERNED ABOUT MENTAL ILLNESS (CCMI) RETREAT DAY

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

Our CCMI 2nd Annual Retreat will be held Wednesday, June 14, 2006 from 9:30am - 3:00pm at the St. Francis Retreat Center, DeWitt. Father Tom McDevitt will open with a presentation on "I Am With You Always". The National Alliance for the Mentally Ill group of Lansing, "In Our Own Voice" will have a video and panel discussion in the afternoon. Call: Ministry with Persons with disabilities at 517-342-2497.

OPERATION RICE BOWL APPLICATIONS

Operation Rice Bowl Local Grant Applications are available. If your group is involved in a food ministry or participates in a solidarity project overseas, you could be eligible for an ORB Grant. Contact: CRS Office at 517-342-2470 or vgale@dioceseoflansing.org to request an application.

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CATHOLIC CHARITIES



INTRODUCTION TO

NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING CLASSES

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.

- Sunday, April 23, 2006, 5:00pm - St. John the Evangelist, Davison
- Tuesday, April 25, 2006, 6:00pm - St. Therese Parish, Lansing
- Wednesday, May 17, 2006, 7:00pm - St. John the Evangelist, Jackson
- Thursday, May 25, 2006, 7:00pm - Holy Spirit Catholic Church, Hamburg

Pre-registration is required for all participants. Contact: NFP Program at 517-342-2587 or nfp@dioceseoflansing.org.

NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING CLASSES IN THE BILLINGS OVULATION METHOD

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.

Michelle Comstock will teach a four-part series course in the Billings Ovulation Method of Natural Family Planning, beginning April 20, 2006 in the Ann Arbor area. Another class will be offered at St. Anthony in Hillsdale on May 18 at 7:00pm, taught by Maria Ansett. Pre-registration is REQUIRED by contacting: Natural Family Planning Program at 517-342-2587 or nfp@dioceseoflansing.org.

NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING CLASSES IN THE SYMPTO-THERMAL METHOD

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.

- St. Thomas the Apostle Parish in Ann Arbor at 7:00pm, beginning April 24, by Rob & Kate Choals. Call: Mary Perrydore at 734-429-4530 to register.

Pre-registration is REQUIRED.

NFP CLASSES OFFERED IN THE DIOCESE OF LANSING

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.

Several methods of Natural Family Planning are taught, including the following: Billings Ovulation Method; Sympto-Thermal Method as taught by Couple to Couple League (CCL); Creighton Model (available at the Caritas Center for Women's Health in Ann Arbor). Contact: 517-342-2587 or nfp@dioceseoflansing.org.

WANTED: TEACHERS & FACILITATORS

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 offers a ministry opportunity for married couples who would like to learn how to teach Natural Family Planning or become facilitators for an introductory course. Contact: NFP Program at 517-342-2587 or nfp@dioceseoflansing.org.

HOT TOPICS, COOL JUDGMENTS

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

Beginning in late spring, the Office of Life Justice will assist parishes to expand their knowledge on the Church's teaching regarding topical social issues, both those that would be considered "hot-button" and those which are simply important. This spring, the first topic will be **immigration/human trafficking**. The National Bishop's Office has targeted immigration as a focus of their education work and there is an abundance of quality material for use by the laymen or clergy. The desire is to see as many parishes as possible talking about this issue and coordinating an educated response. There will be nationally known speakers available and a book recommended for parish groups to discuss as well as material from the national office.

COURAGE/ENCOURAGE

Goal 5, Strategy C: Integrate Catholic Social Teaching into all parish life: liturgy, spirituality, education, formation, social ministry and other parish activities.

Three new chapters of Courage, the official Catholic support group for persons with same-sex attraction, are being started throughout the diocese. Monsignor Robert Lunsford, former Chancellor of the diocese, has been appointed chaplain. Encourage, for parents of children with same-sex attraction, remains under the leadership of Bob and Sue Caverria. The Twelve-Step Review by Fr. Emmerich Vogt, outstanding pamphlets explaining the Catholic perspective on spiritual healing and renewal, are fundamental to the group. Contact: Rory Hoipkemier at 517-342-2465 or rhoipkemier@dioceseoflansing.org. For Courage, call: 517-351-3315 or 810-231-9199.

May 12

The Formation Department will sponsor an Ongoing Formation Day for Parish Leaders, Priests, Deacons and Lay Ministers. The presenter is **Father Robert S. Rivers, CSP**, with the theme: ***From Maintenance to Mission: Evangelization and the Revitalization of the Parish.*** Saint Agnes Church, Fowlerville is the site for this event. Daily Mass is offered at 8:15am for those who would like to attend. Saint Francis Retreat Center Bookstore will be available after Mass until the afternoon for those who wish to make purchases. The Diocesan Evangelization Committee will also have a table of resources available for parishes. Registration and refreshments will begin at 9:30am followed by prayer and the first of three separate sessions. The ladies of Saint Agnes will prepare and serve the lunch at 12:30pm and the day will conclude at 4:00pm. Registration fee/including lunch, is \$25.00. For a registration brochure, contact: Arlene at 517-342-2510 or awoelfel@dioceseoflansing.org.



May 23

The annual **Social for Senior Priests**, sponsored by the Priestly Life and Ministry Committee, will be held at Bethany House, DeWitt. The day will begin with Mass at 10:30am with Bishop Mengeling as celebrant - all priests are invited to bring their alb and stole to celebrate. At 11:30am appetizers will be served followed by lunch at 12:15pm. All priests are invited to attend. There is no fee for this event but you do need to pre-register so that proper arrangements can be made. Contact: Arlene at 517-342-2510 or awoelfel@dioceseoflansing.org.

PASTORAL PLANNING

SHARING THE WEALTH...

(Editor's Note: In each issue of *Voices Alive*, we feature an initiative that has proven effective in meeting parish objectives. The brief summary concludes with a link to the diocesan website through which readers can learn more about the program and a guide to additional information sources. The website also retains the other programs that were previously featured in this series. If you know of a program that merits inclusion here, please notify the Office of Pastoral Planning at 517-342-2502. We will take it from there.)

COME AND SEE is a process for people who are away from the church. It is facilitated by people who also have been away but have now returned to full and active participation. Led by pastoral staff ministers, ***COME AND SEE*** has been successful at St. Francis of Assisi Church in Ann Arbor for the past seven years. ***COME AND SEE*** is a two-phase process which includes several components: 1) invitation (usually through the parish bulletin), 2) a "We Miss You" evening, and 3) a six-week course.

The message conveyed from the "We Miss You" evening is two-fold: first, there is no reason why anyone cannot return to the Church; and, second, there is enough room for everyone. The six-week course is a reintroduction to Catholicism today. The process is one of **inclusion, conversion and formation**. For more detailed information and for persons to contact about the ***COME AND SEE*** process, check out "Sharing the Wealth..." on the diocesan website at www.dioceseoflansing.org.



FORMATION

UPCOMING EVENTS

May 1-5

...is the week for the priests working in the diocese to gather for their Annual Retreat at Bethany House, DeWitt. Father Norbert J. Wood, O. Praem from Silverado, CA will be the presenter with the theme: *"The Desire for God: The Priest as Man of Prayer"*. The week begins on Monday evening with a welcoming dinner at 6:00pm. The week will include presentations, quiet time, celebration of the Eucharist each day, a communal penance service and a holy hour. Cost for the week is \$300.00. Contact: Arlene in the Priestly Life and Ministry Office at 517-342-2510 or awoelfel@dioceseoflansing.org.

May 7

World Day of Prayer for Vocations and the Deacon Office has invited 53 men and their families to attend a **Discernment Day for Diaconate** that afternoon. The day will begin with Noon Mass at the Cathedral followed by lunch in Madonna Hall. After lunch the children will go to a separate room for child care and activities while the men and their wives discuss discernment, the period of Aspirancy and Candidacy and the application and screening process for Diaconate Formation. The event will conclude at 4:00pm.

FORMATION

May 23

The Priestly Life and Ministry Committee is sponsoring a **Gathering for Newly Ordained (last 5 years)** at Bethany House, DeWitt from 2:00 - 7:00pm.

Personal invitations and agenda for the time together will be sent to the 19 priests in this group. If you have questions regarding this event, contact: Father Karl Pung at 517-342-2509 or kpung@dioceseoflansing.org.

2006

May 2, 4, 10 & 23 Deacon Formation Board Interviews

Diocesan Center

5:00 - 9:00pm

June 10

Holy Hour for Vocations to the Priesthood

Saint Mary Cathedral - 10:30am

(Our Diocese does not have any Priesthood Ordinations this year.)

July 21

LUGNUTS GAME - family night for vocations

July 26

Priests' Summer Day

Saint Francis Retreat Center, DeWitt - 10:30am - 10:00pm

Facilitator/Leader: Fr. Steven C. Boguslawski, O.P.

Theme: How Can I Love My Brother, If I Do Not Know Him?

August 10

Rite of Candidacy (20 men)

7:00pm Mass in Cathedral

Reception following in Parish Hall

August 17-20 Seminarian Retreat

Bethany House, DeWitt

August 19

Conversations in Ministry

Diocesan Center

Presenter: Dr. Janet Smith

Theme: Theology of the Body

August 24

Institution to Acolyte (12 men)

7:00pm Mass in Cathedral

Reception following in Madonna Hall

Sept. 29-

October 1

Permanent Deacon Community Annual Convocation

Shanty Creek Resort & Club, Bellaire, MI

Presenter: Fr. Richard Hogan

Theme: Theology of the Body

October 2-5 28th Annual

Presbyteral Convocation

Shanty Creek Resort & Club,

Bellaire, MI

Presenter: Fr. Richard Hogan

Theme: Theology of the Body

October 27

Lay Ministry Convocation

Diocesan Center - 9:00am - 3:00pm

Presenter: Mary Dumm

October 28

Transitional Deacon Ordination

- John Linden

Queen of the Miraculous Medal,
Jackson

10:30am

November 4

Commissioning of Lay Ecclesial

Ministers

Saint Mary Cathedral

10:00am

2007

April 30 - May 4

Priests Annual Retreat

Bethany House, DeWitt

Presenter: Fr. Thomas E. Dubay,
S.M.

May 19

Permanent Deacon Ordination

Saint Mary Cathedral

10:00am

June 9

Priesthood Ordination

Saint Mary Cathedral

10:00am



MINISTRY POSITION OPENINGS

If your parish is seeking applicants for a position, or you or someone you know is interested in current openings in youth ministry, religious education, adult faith formation or RCIA, call: [Pat Rinker](mailto:Pat.Rinker@diocese.org) at 517-342-2485; [Michael Andrews](mailto:Michael.Andrews@diocese.org) at 517-342-2479; [Pete Ries](mailto:Pete.Ries@diocese.org) at 517-342-2486.

DIRECTORS OF ADULT FAITH FORMATION, RCIA DIRECTORS, DRES AND CYMS

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

For the second year in a row, you will be receiving the Annual Report of Adult Education/Faith Formation, Youth Ministry and Religious Education in May along with all the other diocesan data gathering instruments so that only one diocesan request for data is sent to parishes each year. This report will cover activity for 2005-2006. The deadline is July 31, 2006. Each of you will receive a copy of this report. You will be asked to work together to compile a single report from your parish. For those of you on 10 month contracts, begin now to collect your data. You can follow the same format from last year's report. Call: [Pete Ries](mailto:Pete.Ries@diocese.org) at 517-342-2486; [Pat Rinker](mailto:Pat.Rinker@diocese.org) at 517-342-2485; [Michael Andrews](mailto:Michael.Andrews@diocese.org) at 517-342-2479.

YOUTH TO YOUTH CATHOLIC EVANGELIZATION

Invite high school students, young adults, youth ministers, seminarians and pastors to join us for "Duc in Altum II".

Join Youth to Youth in their training! Learn to reach out; help others come to **know, recognize** and **experience** the love of God. July 24 - July 30, 2006. Registration fee: \$150.00. Call: 810-639-7175.

EDUCATION AND CATECHESIS

CAFÉ



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

Occasional bulletin inserts can be a way to provide ongoing adult education/faith formation which parishioners can do according to their own personal schedules. Resources for Christian Living (RCL) (800-822-6701) and St. Anthony Messenger Press (800-488-0488) provide a number of such resources. **Every**

Day Catholic from St. Anthony Messenger Press is a two page, one sheet monthly insert. It is professionally laid out with 4-color print. Produced for busy people, it includes 6 short sections which relate faith to daily life. Single subscriptions are \$14.00 per year. Multiple subscriptions quickly reduce that price. A parish can get 300 copies per month for one year for \$75 a month.

SPECIAL PROGRAM FOR ALL PERSONS SEPARATED AND/OR DIVORCED

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

One of the greatest mysteries of life is that both suffering and joy often come completely unforeseen. Those who marry seldom do so with the expectation that one day the marriage will end. We are confident we will be able to work out whatever differences and conflicts may arise. Yet in 1972, after ten years of marriage I found that my own marriage had come to an end.

Divorce does not happen in a courtroom. It begins long before two people decide they can't work it out or one of the partners decides to leave. A legal divorce decree does not automatically bring emotional and /or psychological divorce. We are truly divorced only when we finally let go of our marriage, mourn our loss and adjust ourselves to our new life. At the end of this process, it is most unusual for people to feel stronger and happier than ever before. What started out as the worst experience in the world transforms into a blessing of life. This occurs only when we do the work that needs to be done.

Beginning April 28, 2006, St. Mary Magdalen will sponsor a program called **Divorced and Beyond**. It is open to anyone separated from their spouse, or is in the process of obtaining a divorce or has been divorced, no matter the length of time.

The sessions will run for ten weeks from 7:00 - 8:30pm on Friday evenings in the church library. There is a \$10.00 cost for the book and journal, yet no one will be turned away. To register, call: Deacon Jim Chevalier or Sr. Maryetta at the church office at 810-229-8624.

PASTORS/PASTORAL COORDINATORS

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.

Contracts for the 2006-2007 fiscal year and job performance appraisal/administrative review forms for 2005-2006 have been sent to all principals, DREs, CYMs, Directors of Adult Faith Formation and RCIA Directors. Call: Department of Education and Catechesis for information.

EDUCATION AND CATECHESIS

DIOCESAN YOUTH LEADERSHIP CAMP (DYLC)

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

Camp is June 18-23 at Bethany House. Registration materials our out to parishes. Are you sending your youth leaders? This is an awesome formative experience for our high school leaders. Please consider sending your potential leaders. Early deadline for DYLC is March 17. Late deadline is April 7. Materials are available on our website.

OPPORTUNITY FOR BASIC YOUTH MINISTRY TRAINING

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

Basic training in youth ministry will be offered at Christ the King Parish in Ann Arbor, 4000 Ave Maria Dr. The four sessions are:

Thursday, April 20, 7:00 - 9:00pm, Vision of Youth Ministry, presented by Pat Rinker, Diocesan Director of Youth and Young Adult Ministries.

Thursday, April 27, 7:00 - 9:00pm, Church: Mission & Ministry, presented by Theresa Chartier, Coordinator for Youth Ministry, St. Thomas Church, Ann Arbor.

Thursday, May 4, 7:00 - 9:00pm, Understanding Youth Culture and Working with Small Groups, presented by Todd Gale, Coordinator of Youth & Young Adult Ministry, Queen of the Miraculous Medal and St. John's Church, Jackson.

Thursday, May 11, 7:00 - 9:00pm, Youth Ministry Planning, presented by Deacon Ron Kenney, Coordinator of Youth Ministry for St. John the Evangelist Church, Fenton.

Contact: Christ the King Church to register at 734-665-5040.

NUTS & BOLTS CONFERENCE FOR ADULTS IN YOUTH & YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

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

Once again ministry leaders who work with youth & young adults will gather for training and ministry formation. We will be at the Weber Inn in Ann Arbor, August 25-27. Our theme will be Prayer & Worship with youth & young adults. Tom Tomaszek from OCP will be our keynote. The workshop track, along the theme will be presented by Tom and Rita Thiron. Joan Weber will be there from the Center for Ministry Development to do a track on basic training in young adult ministry. There will be a catechist formation track and basic youth ministry track along with meaningful prayer, liturgy, fellowship, food and fun. This conference is for catechists, DRE's, CYM's, religion teachers in our schools, youth ministry and young adult ministry team leaders. Check with your parish for registration materials by the end of April.

YOUNG ADULT PICNIC/ FAMILY MASS & CONCERT

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

Sunday, July 9 will be our annual young adult picnic at Holy Redeemer Church in Burton.

We begin at noon. There will be volleyball, softball and plenty of field space for other activities. Bring a dish to pass and your own beverage along with table setting. We will provide hot dogs and condiments.

Following the picnic will be a family Mass with musical accompaniment from Steve Angrisano. Family concert with Steve will follow Mass.



ASSISTANCE WITH CONFIRMATION LITURGIES

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

Preparing a confirmation liturgy? Please visit the diocesan website for updated information that will aid you in the choice of texts, notes about vestment colors, advice on ritual and resources for the training of liturgical ministries. You'll also find the form that is to be submitted to the Bishop's Office two weeks in advance of the celebration.

At the home page, follow the links to the Department of Education and Catechesis, then "Office of Worship," then "Confirmation Liturgies."

If you have additional questions, please do not hesitate to call: 517-342-2480.

DIOCESAN CALENDAR APRIL - MAY 2006

4/18-21	National Catholic Educational Association Annual Conference - Atlanta, GA	4/30	DSA Sunday 9:30am Confirmation - St. Mary on the Lake, Manitou Beach
4/18-21	14th Annual National Association of Parish Catechetical Directors Conference - Atlanta, GA		10:00am Catholic Committee on Scouting - St. Joseph, Howell
4/20	1:00 - 4:00pm Diocesan Pastoral Council - St. Mary Magdalen Parish, Brighton	5/1-5	Priest's Spring Retreat - Bethany House, DeWitt
	7:00 - 9:00pm Basic Training in Youth Ministry - Christ the King Parish, Ann Arbor	5/2	7:00pm Confirmation - St. Martha, Okemos
4/22	10:00am - 1:00pm Youth Events Planning Committee - St. Paul, Owosso	5/3	7:00pm Confirmation - St. Patrick, Ann Arbor
	5:00pm Confirmation - St. Mary Student Parish, Ann Arbor	5/4	7:00pm Confirmation - St. Mary, Adrian 7:00 - 9:00pm Basic Training in Youth Ministry - Christ the King Parish, Ann Arbor
4/23-26	FDLC Region VI Spring Meeting - WeberCenter, Adrian	5/6	5:15pm Confirmation - St. Mary Star of the Sea, Jackson
4/23	Second Sunday of Easter/Divine Mercy Sunday 1:30pm Scout Awards Reception - St. Mary Cathedral Hall, Lansing 2:00pm Confirmation - Sacred Heart, Hudson 2:30pm Scout Awards Ceremony - St. Mary Cathedral, Lansing	5/7	World Day of Prayer for Vocations 11:00am Confirmation - St. Peter, Blissfield 12:00 - 4:00pm Discernment Day for Diaconate - St. Mary Cathedral and Diocesan Center
4/24	7:00pm Confirmation - St. Mary, Westphalia (Includes Cristo Rey, Lansing)	5/8	7:00pm Confirmation - St. John Vianney, Flint
4/25	12:00 - 3:00pm Family Life Advisory Board Meeting - Diocesan Center 7:00pm Confirmation - Holy Redeemer, Burton	5/9	9:30am - 1:00pm CYM Advisory Committee - Diocesan Center 7:00pm Confirmation - St. Joseph, Jackson
4/26	9:30am - 12:30pm CAFE (Catholic Adult Formation and Education) Advisory Committee - Diocesan Center 12:00 - 3:00pm Christian Initiation Advisory Committee - Diocesan Center 7:00pm Confirmation - St. Anthony, Hillsdale	5/10	9:30am - 12:30pm DRE Advisory Committee - Diocesan Center 10:00am - 3:00pm Diocesan Worship Commission - Diocesan Center 7:00pm Confirmation - St. Patrick, Brighton
4/27	7:00pm Confirmation - St. Robert, Flushing 7:00 - 9:00pm Basic Training in Youth Ministry - Christ the King Parish, Ann Arbor	5/11	5:30pm Diocesan Board of Education and Catechesis - Bethany House, DeWitt 7:00pm Confirmation - St. Augustine, Deerfield 7:00pm - 9:00pm Basic Training in Youth Ministry - Christ the King Parish, Ann Arbor
4/29	7:00pm Confirmation - St. Pius X, Flint	5/12	9:00am - 3:30pm Ongoing Formation Day - St. Agnes, Fowlerville
4/30-5/4	National Conference for Catechetical Leadership Annual Convention - Chicago, IL	5/13	7:00pm Confirmation - St. Elizabeth, Tecumseh
		5/14	6:30pm Confirmation - St. Thomas Aquinas, East Lansing

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