

**\*\*New Announcements\*\***

***UPCOMING RETREAT FOR WOMEN WHO ARE GRIEVING AFTER ABORTION—APRIL 28, 2018***

“Let the Church always be a place of mercy and hope, where everyone is welcomed, loved, and forgiven.” -Pope Francis. Any woman grieving after an experience with abortion is welcome to attend a retreat day for spiritual and emotional healing on **April 28, 2018** from 9am-5pm. This retreat offer a confidential and emotionally safe environment for those struggling after abortion. To find out more information or register, please visit [www.project-rachel.net](http://www.project-rachel.net) or contact [projectrachel@archbalt.org](mailto:projectrachel@archbalt.org), (410) 625-8491. Registration cost is \$20; scholarships are available.

***INTRODUCTION TO THE PRACTICE OF SPIRITUAL DIRECTION PROGRAM***

Have you ever considered serving as a spiritual director? The Bon Secours Retreat & Conference Center is proud to offer the 2<sup>nd</sup> group of the “Introduction to the Practice of Spiritual Direction” program, beginning with the first week on **May 20-25**. This program offers three one-week sessions over the course of a year and provides an introduction and overview of this special ministry in the Christian tradition. It is led by Kathleen Hope Brown, D.Min, and Sr. Bernadette Claps, CBS with guest lecturers. For more information, please visit <https://rccbousecours.com/event/introduction-practice-spiritual-direction/> or call 410-442-3120. There is also a commuter option available. Please visit <https://rccbousecours.com/event/introduction-practice-spiritual-direction-commuter-option-2/> for this day option.

**\*\*Previous Announcements\*\***

***INTERFAITH PRAYER SERVICE FOR 50<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF ASSASSINATION OF MARTIN LUTHER KING***

Join Archbishop Lori and fellow Catholics and people of all faiths for a special ecumenical and interfaith prayer service on Thursday, **April 12** at 7pm at the Cathedral of Mary Our Queen in North Baltimore to commemorate the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the assassination of Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. All are welcome. No tickets required. For more information, visit [archbalt.org](http://archbalt.org).

***MARK D. PACIONE FOUNDATION 5K RUN AND WALK***

The Mark D. Pacione Foundation will sponsor a 5K Run and Walk on **April 14, 2018** at DeJon Vineyard in Hydes, Maryland. The event starts at 9:30 and the wine tasting begins at 12 noon. Come for a day of racing, walking, a kid’s event, and a complimentary wine tasting to wrap up the day. Proceeds will fund grants provided by the Foundation to support youth ministry in Baltimore and around the country. Just minutes from the Towson area, DeJon Vineyard is a beautiful hidden gem with gorgeous grounds for running or walking. Not so much a runner or walker? Register as a silent hero to get access for the day, an “On Your Mark” t-shirt and the wine-tasting. Every run needs a group to cheer. The inaugural “On Your Mark” is open to those of all ages. Wine tasting is limited to those 21 and over. For more information or to register, visit <https://pacionefoundation.com/run/>.

***VALLIMAR JANSEN TO LEAD THE ST. JOHN, LONG GREEN VALLEY PARISH MISSION THIS SPRING***

Please join us as we welcome ValLimar Jansen, musician, story teller, catechist and inspirational speaker to St. John the Evangelist on **April 15<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup>** 2018 at 7 p.m. each night. Cost of the mission is \$10 pp per night or \$25 for all three nights. We also are offering a family deal for \$30 per family per night or \$75 for all three nights. Please contact Colleen Sisolak for more information and to reserve tickets: [youthministry@sjehydes.org](mailto:youthministry@sjehydes.org) or 410-592-6206 x 108.

***TEACHING THE COMPATIBILITY OF SCIENCE AND RELIGION***

Catholic high school teachers and parish catechists are invited to a professional development day titled "Science and Religion: The Myth of Conflict" on Thursday, **April 19**. The Science & Religion Initiative at the University of Notre Dame's McGrath Institute for Church Life will conduct this "Institute Day" of talks and discussions, offering a Notre Dame certificate to qualified participants from the diocese. Keynote speaker is Dr. Stephen Barr, president of the Society of Catholic Scientists; other experts in science and religion education will offer insights for exploring the religion-science relationship with others. Location: Saint John's Catholic Prep, 3989 Buckeystown Pike, Buckeystown, MD. Registration is free before April 9. Visit [the website](#), contact [scire-ini@nd.edu](mailto:scire-ini@nd.edu) or phone 574-631-1379.

### ***CARDINAL CUP 5K RUN AND FAMILY FUN 1-MILE WALK***

Mother Seton Academy and the School of the Cathedral of Mary Our Queen invite everyone to participate in or support the 24th Annual Cardinal Cup 5K Run and Family Fun 1-Mile Walk.

The event will take place on **April 21, 2018** at the School of the Cathedral, 111 Amberly Way, Baltimore, MD 21210. Each year, the School of the Cathedral hosts the Cardinal Cup run and walk to support Mother Seton Academy; 100 percent of the sponsorship donations goes directly to the school. With more than 500 participants, our last event was a great success! Not only did the event raise much-needed funds for Mother Seton Academy, but it also created a sense of shared community and fellowship for everyone involved. [Sign up here!](#)

### ***INDIVIDUAL UNBOUND MINISTRY PRAYER***

Do you long for freedom but feel unable to receive it? Do past sins, hurts, or memories weigh you down? On **Saturday April 21<sup>st</sup>, 2018** there will be trained teams available to provide individual prayer using the Unbound Model of prayer at Resurrection-St. Paul School in Ellicott City. Unbound Prayer is based on five scriptural keys that help you unlock those areas of your life where you want to receive greater freedom & spiritual growth. If you would like to schedule an appointment or want more information, please contact Dan Gahagan by April 16<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at [unboundministrymaryland@gmail.com](mailto:unboundministrymaryland@gmail.com). We ask that you read at least the first 7 chapters of the book *Unbound*, by Neal Lozano prior to receiving prayer. (available at [www.Amazon.com](http://www.Amazon.com) OR [www.heartofthefather.com](http://www.heartofthefather.com).)

### ***TICKETS ARE NOW AVAILABLE FOR THE APRIL 22, 2018 CONCERT FEATURING EMMET CAHILL FROM CELTIC THUNDER***

Concert time is 4:00pm (meet and greet VIP reception is 2:30pm) General admission is \$30. There are also special tickets that include a special in person meet and greet VIP reception with Emmet for an hour prior to the concert as well as preferred up front seating, these tickets are \$50 and include light refreshments. If you would like to purchase tickets you can go to: <https://emmetcahilltours.ticketleap.com/emmet-cahill-live-in-towson-md/> or if you prefer you can purchase tickets directly from the parish and are available at the rectory (410-668-7935).

### ***IHM 2017-18 CONCERT SERIES***

Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish will hold the following concerts in 2018:; **April 22**, Emmet Cahill, Irish Tenor—from "Celtic Thunder"; **May 6**, The Baltimore Mandolin Orchestra and Tamara Volskaya's Russian Trio. All concerts are free and open to the public. A freewill offering will be received. The April 22 concert will be a ticketed event, open to the public. For more information, visit [www.immaculateheartofmary.com](http://www.immaculateheartofmary.com).

### ***MOTHER MARY LANGE RECOMMITMENT***

There will be a Recommitment Ceremony on **April 28, 2018** for everyone supportive of the cause of Servant of God, Mary Lange, OSP. This is an opportunity to unite our prayers for the canonization of Mother Lange. All are welcome at the Motherhouse for this important occasion. Location: Our Lady of

Mount Providence Chapel, 701 Gun Road, Baltimore, Maryland 21227. Time: 2:00 PM. Reception will follow the ceremony. Please contact the Motherhouse at 410-242-8500 or visit the website at [www.motherlange.org](http://www.motherlange.org) for more information.

### ***SINGLE AGAIN CONFERENCE***

The Single Again Conference will take place Saturday, **April 28** at Our Lady of the Fields Church, Millersville. The Conference is a day of prayer, workshops and fellowship for separated, divorced, bereaved and remarried. More information at [facebook.com/singleagainministry](https://facebook.com/singleagainministry).

### ***ARCHDIOCESE FOR THE MILITARY SERVICES 24<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL MEMORIAL MASS***

Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, 4<sup>th</sup> Street & Michigan Avenue, NE Washington, D.C. 20017-1566. **Sunday, 20 May 2018**, 4:30 pm honoring the men and women of the Armed Forces. Principal Celebrant and Homilist. The Most Reverend Timothy P. Broglio, J.C.D., Archbishop. Parking is limited. Carpooling advised. Military personnel are encouraged to be in uniform. Dress: Civilian-Business Attire Military-Service Dress. To request seating or to obtain additional information, please visit: <https://www.milarch.org/memorial-mass/laity-registration/>

### ***HAITI MISSION TRIP FOR VOLUNTEERS AGES 16-20***

The Missions Office of the Archdiocese is once again sponsoring a trip to Haiti to serve the poor in our partner diocese of Gonaives. We are looking for volunteers between the ages of 16-20 to participate in this trip. The trip will take place **July 1-7, 2018** and those who are interested can download an application and more information at [www.archbalt.org/missions](http://www.archbalt.org/missions). The application must be completed and received by April 12, 2018. Email [missions@archbalt.org](mailto:missions@archbalt.org) or call 410-547-5498 with questions!

### ***ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI PARISH, BALTIMORE, 90<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION TOUR OF IRELAND***

Join St. Francis of Assisi Pastor, Msgr. William F. Burke, on a tour of Ireland from **October 8-19, 2018**. Log on to [www.patrickscustomtours.com](http://www.patrickscustomtours.com) and click "SFA 90th Year Celebration Tour" for more information and to sign up. You may also call 443-742-9021.

### ***REFLECTIONS OF ITALY TOUR, OCTOBER 10-19, 2018***

Join us as we revel in the magic of Italy on this tour that explores the cities of Rome, Florence, Siena, Venice, Assisi, Perugia and Milan. A special trip is planned to Vatican City where we will tour the Vatican Museums and St. Peter's Basilica. Contact Donna Binney @ 240-437-3661 or [dbinney@smppschurch](mailto:dbinney@smppschurch) for more information.

### ***BE AN AMERICA'S 1ST CATHEDRAL TOUR GUIDE: AN OUTSTANDING VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY***

The Basilica/Cathedral of the Assumption has a rich 200+ year history in the Catholic Church in the United States. Thousands of visitors have experienced the subdued yet powerful sacredness of this Benjamin Latrobe designed cathedral, America's First Cathedral. Since the restoration and reopening in 2006, America's First Cathedral tour guides have selflessly contributed to sharing that amazing story with thousands of visitors. Today, our tour guides continue to be that welcoming and knowledgeable presence representing America's First Cathedral, greeting the thousands of visitors, pilgrims and school tours. So that this important service may continue, the Basilica/Cathedral is in need of additional volunteer tour guides interested in learning and sharing this message of Catholic and American history, Catholic faith and timeless architecture. Training, shadowing and copies of valuable historical documentation, will be offered to all qualified volunteers. If you are interested or require additional information, please contact the parish office at: 410-727-3564x220, or email [bob.reier@archbalt.org](mailto:bob.reier@archbalt.org).

### **BABY, MATERNITY CLOTHES NEEDED**

Mary's Home in Maryland, which assists women in crisis pregnancies who wish to carry their babies to term, has a client family with an urgent need for clothing and toddler boy diapers. The following are needed: boys and girls size 5 clothes, girls size 6 pants and tops size 6/small for kids, size large maternity clothing and size 8-8.5 women's shoes. Those wishing to help may contact the center at [www.maryshomemaryland.org](http://www.maryshomemaryland.org).

### **HEALTH INSURANCE OR MEDICAID QUESTIONS**

Seton Center, Inc. continues to offer healthcare enrollments at their site, 16840 South Seton Avenue, Emmitsburg MD each Wednesday from 9:30 AM to 4 PM through their partnership with HEALTHCARE ACCESS MARYLAND. Have you experienced a change in your household, recently moved, or just want to know about possible coverage options? If so, a certified staff member is available to assist you in applying for health coverage, and you may be eligible for free or reduced coverage options. Medicaid enrollments and renewals are available year-round. They can also help to understand coverages and provide information on accessing care. For more information or to make an appointment, please call 410-500-4710 or visit [www.hcamaryland.org](http://www.hcamaryland.org).

### **SURVIVING DIVORCE**

The Divorce Recovery Ministry at St. Michael Catholic Church in Poplar Springs is offering an 11-week course, "Surviving Divorce," on Mondays at 7 p.m., facilitated by Irene Cochran. It is a DVD and discussion support group for the separated and divorced designed by Rose Sweet, author. It is not too late to sign up. Find peace, power, and passion; true healing in the fullness of faith. More information is available by emailing [stmhealinghearts@gmail.com](mailto:stmhealinghearts@gmail.com) or through facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/CatholicDivorceRecovery/posts/2043851159168001>.

### **IS YOUR MARRIAGE GOING DOWN THE RIGHT ROAD...OR IS IT A LITTLE OFF TRACK?**

The holidays can be a very stressful time for many couples. Looking for a better way? Retrouvaille can help and offers hope for a better relationship. Retrouvaille can help you learn the tools of healthy communication, build intimacy and heal. For confidential information about or to register for an upcoming program, please visit: [www.HelpOurMarriage.com](http://www.HelpOurMarriage.com), call (443) 400-7017, or email: [3015@retrouvaille.org](mailto:3015@retrouvaille.org)

### **ARCHDIOCESAN PRAYER MINISTRY ON FACEBOOK**

Visit the Archdiocesan Prayer Ministry's new Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/prayersarchbalt](http://www.facebook.com/prayersarchbalt). This page provides encouragement, comfort, and resources to help you in your time of need. Check us out and "Like" us on Facebook. You can still request prayer or sign up to be part of the prayer team at <http://www.archbalt.org/ministries/prayer-ministry/index.cfm>.

### **RADIO MASS & LOCAL CATHOLIC RADIO PROGRAM**

Listen to the Radio Mass of Baltimore on Sundays live at 9:03am and 6:03pm WCBM 680 AM. Following each airing of the Radio Mass is a locally-produced Catholic radio program, *Catholic Baltimore*, which features interviews and information relevant for Catholics in the Archdiocese of Baltimore. For more information, visit [www.archbalt.org](http://www.archbalt.org).

### **TALK WITH YOUR LOVED ONES ON END-OF-LIFE ISSUES**

Illness and death – whether our own or that of a loved one – are issues many of us avoid thinking and talking about until they are immediately confronting us. Too often we are unprepared for the questions that arise, and find ourselves making difficult decisions in the midst of a crisis, without the benefit of time and reflection. Maryland's bishops have released a pastoral letter, *Comfort and Consolation*, on

care for the sick and dying to encourage Catholics to take that time now, before facing a crisis, so that when illness and death inevitably come, we can face them with the comfort and peace of understanding our faith, and knowing our Lord is there to embrace us in our hour of need. Visit the Maryland Catholic Conference at [www.md cathcon.org/comfort](http://www.md cathcon.org/comfort) for downloading copies or to order.

### ***LEGION OF MARY***

The Legion of Mary of the Archdiocese of Baltimore is presently working in 20 parishes throughout the Archdiocese. This organization is a wonderful means of channeling the vital apostolic work of the laity in your parish. Their work includes visits to nursing homes, hospitals and hospices, visiting new parishioners and the newly baptized. They evangelize by reaching out to people at festivals and events in the Baltimore area as well as at the train station and on the streets of Baltimore. They serve in their parishes in Faith Formation and evangelization efforts. If you are interested in starting a Legion of Mary group in your parish, please contact Dianne Van Pelt at [Vanpelt5@comcast.net](mailto:Vanpelt5@comcast.net).

### ***MINISTRY FOR SEPARATED/DIVORCED***

It takes a long time and a lot of work to heal the pain that comes with the breakup of a relationship. Now there is a safe place where you can be around people who truly understand how you are feeling. **REBUILDING** is a Christian-based support group for separated and divorced people sponsored by St. Bernadette Parish. Our completed five sessions have been a resounding success and participant reviews have been very positive. Our current session is on-going running **every Wednesday from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm** in the Parish Conference Room at 801 Stevenson Rd, Severn, MD 21144. If you or someone you know is dealing with the pain of separation or divorce join us to experience how the Holy Spirit uses this group to lift you up and equip you to move into a new beginning. **REBUILDING** is a 13-week program and participants can join at any time since each session is standalone. There is a one-time fee of \$15 for materials. For additional information call Andrea Montrose at [410-969-2782](tel:410-969-2782) or email us at [rebuildingsevern@gmail.com](mailto:rebuildingsevern@gmail.com).

### ***ARCHDIOCESE OF BALTIMORE MOBILE APP***

The Archdiocese of Baltimore has developed a mobile version of its website and an App for Apple and Android mobile device users, to make it easier for Catholics to stay connected to their local Church, including parishes and schools, while on the go. For more information, visit [www.archbalt.org](http://www.archbalt.org) or download the app from the app store.

### ***ARE YOU A CATHOLIC PHYSICIAN, HEALTHCARE PROFESSIONAL, OR MEDICAL STUDENT?***

The Catholic Medical Association (CMA) helps doctors and health care professionals grow in faith, maintain ethical integrity, and provide excellent health care in accordance with the teachings of the Church. The CMA offers professional, spiritual, and moral support through local chapters and annual national conferences featuring world-class speakers and CME credits. Be part of the New Evangelization and join the CMA to help build a culture of life in health care and to provide a voice for Catholic medical and ethical principles in society. Visit [www.cathmed.org](http://www.cathmed.org) to learn more about the CMA and the benefits of membership.

### ***LEGAL ADVICE PROGRAM***

The University of Maryland, Francis King Carey School of Law will be staffing its "Just Advice" program over the next few months. This program allows anyone, for the cash fee of \$10, to discuss an issue of concern with a lawyer. Possible issues can involve family law, insurance issues, possible expungement, employment issues or consumer concerns. Appointments are encouraged and a variety of dates are

available. Please visit <http://www.law.umaryland.edu/programs/clinic/initiatives/justadvice/index.html> for a list of dates and locations.

**PREGNANT, NEED HELP?** Call Gabriel Network at 1-800-ANGEL OK or visit [www.gabrielnetwork.org](http://www.gabrielnetwork.org)?

**SUFFERING POST-ABORTION STRESS?** Call Rachel's Vineyard Baltimore at 410-625-8491

**DONATION RESOURCE CENTER**—Audrey Rogers, Donation Coordinator (processing donations and pick-ups) The Resource Exchange, A ministry project of St. Vincent de Paul Church, 410-657-5874, [resource-exchange@stvchurch.org](mailto:resource-exchange@stvchurch.org).

**ENCOURAGE SUPPORT GROUP—Baltimore Area**

In offering support to parents dealing with concerns that present themselves when a son or daughter informs them of a homosexual orientation, our Catholic Bishops state: "You need not face this painful time alone, without human assistance or God's grace. The Church can be an instrument of both help and healing." Those confronting these issues for the first time as well as those who may be journeying through them are welcome. Confidentiality is respected. The group meets on the fourth Monday of each month. Father Raymond Harris is the EnCourage Spiritual Director. For contact information and directions call Pat at 410-302-4641.

**ENCOURAGE SUPPORT GROUP—Western Maryland Area**

In offering support to parents dealing with concerns that present themselves when a son or daughter informs them of a homosexual orientation, our Catholic Bishops state: "You need not face this painful time alone, without human assistance or God's grace. The Church can be an instrument of both help and healing." Those confronting these issues for the first time as well as those who may be journeying through them are welcome. Confidentiality is respected. The group meets on the fourth Wednesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. in the Parish Center of St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church, 67 Liberty St., Berkeley Springs, WV 25411 (corner of Liberty and Washington Streets).

**COURAGE MINISTRY CONTACT INFORMATION**

*Courage* is a ministry to people with same-sex attractions who are looking for support to live chaste lives according to the teachings of the Church. To learn more about Courage in Baltimore, visit <https://www.archbalt.org/courage/> or email [courage@archbalt.org](mailto:courage@archbalt.org).

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