Diocesan Events

1. Parish Offertory Workshop – Attention Pastors, Priests and Parish Offertory Committee Members: Join us next week for a Parish Offertory Workshop specifically addressing how you can manage the data collected in the commitment cards including recording it, using it for mailings, and for subsequent offertory efforts. This interactive workshop will directly enhance your ability in working with the data of the Parish Offertory Program. Jose Ramirez from St. Stanislaus Parish will conduct a live working demonstration with Excel and Word.

Who should attend next week? This training is for anyone that will be handling the data for the commitment cards and any mailings. This could be the campaign coordinators or people they have assigned to data entry, business managers, and/or parish database clerks assisting with the Offertory Program. Please plan to attend the workshop most convenient for you:

Wednesday October 24. St. Bernadette's Catholic Church, 10 am – 12 noon.

Thursday October 25. Saint Joseph's Catholic Church. 6:15 pm – 8:15 pm

- 2. Vocations to the Priesthood Dinner Do you know an adult male who might be called to the priesthood? If so, please invite him to our next discernment meeting Sunday, October 28, 2018 at 5:00 pm in the Cathedral of the Annunciation's Parish House, 425 W. Magnolia Street, Stockton. A light meal will be offered. RSVP to Fr. Cesar at: vocationsdirector@stocktondiocese.org or 209-463-1305.
- 3. Office of Religious Education Changes in the Liturgical Guidelines for Confirmation Mass. There will be 3 meetings to go over the changes for Confirmation Mass. Please make arrangements to attend one of the following meetings: October 30 @ St. Patrick's, Angels Camp; November 13 @ St. Mary's, Oakdale; November 14 @ Presentation, Stockton. All the meetings will start at 6:30 pm. Who should attend? Anyone involved in the Confirmation Liturgy such as the Pastor, DRE, Confirmation Catechist, Music Director, Sacristan, Deacon, etc. Please RSVP to Leticia at lrodriguez@stocktondiocese.org or 209-546-7621.
- 4. Respect Life Month The Life & Dignity Ministry has launched a new <u>Facebook Page</u>. Please like or follow it for the most up-to-date information about upcoming events. The theme for the week of October 13-14 was Post-Abortion Healing. See <u>Hope After Abortion</u> or <u>Rachel's Vineyard</u> for resources. Please also help us to promote upcoming opportunities for healing by sharing the information. Upcoming events include:

<u>Memorial Mass for the Unborn</u> (Bi-Lingual) - Friday, October 19, 7:30 pm at Annunciation Cathedral, Stockton.

Rachel's Vineyard Retreat-(English) -November 16-18, 2018, Danville.

5. ALL CLERGY DAY – November 5, 2018 at St. Frances of Rome's community hall in Riverbank from 10 am – 3 pm. This yearly event is for all priests, deacons, and diaconal spouses. This year's talk will feature Dr. Hosffman Ospino who will reflect on the conclusion of our V Encuentro events. For more information and to register, <u>click here.</u>

- 6. Annual Latino Leadership Youth and Young Adult Ministry Weekend November 16 18, 2018 at the Madonna of Peace. Coordinators of Hispanic Youth and Young Adult Ministry groups are invited to attend. This workshop is for Youth Leaders and Advisors of our diocese and young adults with concerns of being Missionaries disciples of other young people in their Parish and environments. Objectives of this Workshop include: Train in the methodologies of planning and execution of integral formative processes with Youth and Young Adults. For more information contact Jose Lopez at ilopez@stocktondiocese.org or at 209-466 0636.
- 7. TRIBUNAL OFFICE Marriage Tribunal Aide Specialized Training-November 3, 2018 and November 17, 2018 at St. Joseph Church, 1813 Oakdale Road, Modesto, CA 95355; 9:00 am to 3:00 pm. Two day course (Saturdays) for Marriage Tribunal Aide Specialized Training. For detailed information and registration (*due by Monday, October 15th*), please contact Tribunal Office (Becky or Pat) at 209-466-0636 or email tribunalresource@stocktondiocese.org

Informational Items

- 1. Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship As a follow-up to our two workshops held last October 1, 2018 at St Frances of Rome, a video to upload to your parish website and the written script to include in your parish bulletins for this weekend can be found here.. You may choose how to communicate this information to your parishioners, but please encourage them to view the video at home and to get out and vote. The deadline to register to vote in this November's election is October 22.
- 2. How about an inspirational tour of historic San Francisco Churches on October 20, 2018? Past reviews say this is a tour that is enjoyable for all ages and people with many different interests. This year we will tour St. Ignatius on USF, a Carmelite Monastery, St. Paul's, others to be decided later, and the novitiate for the Sisters of Missionaries of Charity. We will celebrate Mass at St. Paul's. The cost is \$45, which covers the cost of the tour bus. If we fill the bus we have money left over to donate to the Sisters. We do a faith pot luck for lunch and snacks are provided for the ride home. We will celebrate Mass at St Paul's. For information contact Jack or Marianne Karver at 209-256-0459.