

November 2012



Celebrate 28 Years with us!!!



You are Invited to the

*Annual Journey to Bethlehem
A Celebration Mass*

Saturday, December 1, 2012 at 10:30 a.m.

Celebrated by Bishop Roger Gries

Prayer, song, celebration and friendship
For persons with developmental disabilities
along with their families, friends, catechists, and advocates

at

OLA/St. Joseph Center
2346 West 14th Street, Cleveland, Ohio

Liturgy followed by a light luncheon



Sponsored by

Disability Services and Ministries

*The Secretariat for Catholic Charities Health & Human Services
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Ample parking is available

OLA/St. Joseph Center is wheelchair accessible

Please call to request Sign language interpreters, Audio Description and Enhancement

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Catholic Charities Disability Services & Ministries Newsletter
Celebrating 46 years...1966 to 2012

Holiday Giving At this season of the year, many people decide to give to charities. Please consider a holiday gift to Disability Services & Ministries. Your support will continue and strengthen our many programs. Many of the families we serve come from below the poverty level. These people will especially benefit because of your kindness.

If you would like your gift to go to a specific program, such as Camp Happiness, the Continuing Adult Education Program or the Weekend Retreat, indicate which program on the form below. Simply cut off the form and mail it to us at the address below. If you cannot afford a donation, please remember us and our ministries in your prayers.

Monthly Dances at OLA/St. Joseph Center and Rose-Mary Center Monthly Dances are a wonderful social opportunity for persons with disabilities ages 16 & over. There is wonderful music, pop/ snacks and a dance contest with fun prizes! All dancers must carry ID with them or wear a nametag with their first name and phone number on it. Keep the line shorter and come with a nametag already on!!! The group home or family must provide supervision if needed.

Upcoming Dates at OLA/St. Joseph Center: Dec. 14
2013 Dates: Jan. 11; Feb. 8; Mar. 8; Apr. 12; May 10; June 14;
No Dance in July/ August; Sept. 13; Oct. 11; Nov. 8; Dec. 13

Upcoming Dates at Rose-Mary: Nov. 16; No Dance in Dec.
2013 Dates: Jan. 25; Feb. 22; Mar. 22; Apr. 26; May 24; June 28;
July 26; Aug. 23; Sept. 27; Oct. 25; Nov. 15; No Dance Dec.

Outreach Ministry Weekend Retreats Catholic Charities Office of Disability Ministry offers a weekend retreat to adults with cognitive disabilities. Participants spend Friday evening through Sunday morning with volunteers and other adults with disabilities at the River's Edge on the west side of Cleveland. The retreats include scripture readings, praying, sharing together, liturgical dancing, and Eucharistic Liturgy. The Liturgy is celebrated on Saturday night with a visiting priest as the celebrant! Participants can also join in liturgical dancing.

Call us to learn more about this wonderful opportunity! River's Edge on Rocky River Dr. is a beautiful setting and is a great facility full of hospitality. Visit their website at www.riversedgecleveland.com

Upcoming retreat dates for 2012: Nov. 30 – Dec. 2; and for 2013: January 25-27; March 22-24; April 19-21; May 17-19.

The cost is \$120. Call 216-334-2963 to learn more! New participants will be asked to visit first and complete a registration packet.

The Continuing Adult Education Program Learn new things and meet new friends!!! Consider joining us at the Continuing Adult Education Program (CAEP), which is now in its 22nd year. Space is available. Classes meet on Saturdays from September through May at OLA/St. Joseph Center (2346 W. 14th St., Cleveland, OH – on RTA busline).

The CAEP is dedicated to meeting the continuing educational needs of adults with cognitive and other developmental disabilities ages 21 and over. Students have the opportunity to learn new things and meet new friends! Students

must provide their own transportation and tuition is \$88 a month with an additional one time material fee of \$60. Financial assistance may be available. Call to set up an appointment to visit us! Contact Marilyn Scott at 216-334-2963 or mjscott@clevelandcatholiccharities.org

Please Join Us at the Journey to Bethlehem Liturgy

If you've never attended the Journey to Bethlehem liturgy, you are really missing something special! Year after year, people who attend have commented how beautiful this liturgy is, which celebrates the talents and ministries of persons with disabilities. Some call it a homecoming.

This liturgy is a special Diocesan celebration of persons with disabilities. During the Mass, persons with disabilities assume many roles – from readers to servers to Eucharistic ministers to participants in the procession, which builds the Nativity scene. For many people, this is Christmas.

If you or someone you know would like to participate we are always looking for persons with disabilities to share their talents in this Liturgy.

There are other opportunities for volunteering. Last year, members of the International Order of the Alhambra and others, distributed the lunches that were provided after Mass. This added to the celebration.


Consider joining us this year! Bring your friends and family with and without disabilities! Remember its December 1 at 10:30am with Bishop Roger Gries at OLA/St. Joseph Center (2346 W. 14th St., Cleveland). Call 216-334-2963.

The 35th Annual Walk of Hope was a great success!

Thank you to all of our participants – walkers, volunteers and donors! So far the Walk has brought in almost \$5,000. This support is very important to keep our programs going, especially in these difficult economic times. Thank you - you made the Walk the success that it was! If you would like to see pictures from the Walk, go to our website at www.clevelandcatholiccharities.org/disability

The **Beatitudes Faith Formation Program** is designed to provide a nurturing and prayerful environment for children with special needs to be introduced to Jesus and His love. In addition, instructors attend to and assist with the preparation of the children for the Sacraments. The program is held the 2nd & 4th Saturdays of every month from 11am to 1pm. Lunch and refreshments are provided. This program is held at St. Augustine Church's Walsh Hall (2486 W. 14th St. in Cleveland's Tremont neighborhood). Call 216-781-5530 to join!

The New Faith & Light Community meets the first Friday of each month at 5:30pm at St Augustine Church (2486 W. 14th St. in Cleveland's Tremont neighborhood). Call 216-781-5530 to join!

Catholic Charities Disability Services & Ministries Website – Don't forget to check out our website at www.clevelandcatholiccharities.org/disability. Be sure to check the Additional News & Information Page, updated regularly! And search for us on Facebook too! 

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Your donation will help us to continue the programs & ministries of Catholic Charities Disability Services & Ministries

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