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Our Staff

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Greetings!

Welcome to the November/December edition of the Disability Services & Ministries E-Newsletter.

Remember to check our [website](#) for more information and be sure to click on "[News & Events](#)" for more upcoming events. And don't forget to "Like" us on Facebook and "Follow" us on Twitter.

Journey to Bethlehem - December 5, 2015

Our 31st annual Journey to Bethlehem celebration will be on Saturday, Dec. 5, 2015. This is a beautiful Mass which is held each year at the beginning of the Christmas Season, celebrated by Bishop Roger Gries! Many parts of the Mass are done by persons with disabilities - the readings, the offertory and Eucharistic Ministers.



Share this [flyer](#) with others so they don't miss out on this beautiful celebration.

Mass will be held on Dec. 5 at OLA/St. Joseph Center (2346 W. 14th St., Cleveland, OH 44113) at 11:00am. There will be a light lunch following Mass.

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Join us for this beautiful celebration to begin the Christmas Season.

St. Elizabeth of Hungary Mission & Values Award

Congratulations to our Program Director, Marilyn Scott!



Marilyn's hard work and dedicated service was recognized on Friday, Nov. 20, at the annual St. Elizabeth of Hungary Mass. Marilyn received the Mission & Values Award. We are so proud of

Marilyn.

The Mission & Values Award goes to an employee that exemplifies the mission & values of Catholic Charities.



We all know that this award is

WELL DESERVED! For more pictures check out [Catholic Charities - Diocese of Cleveland Facebook](#) page.

Update on Marilyn Scott, Program Director

We would like to give you an update on our Program Director, Marilyn Scott. As you know, Marilyn was diagnosed in April with stage II breast cancer. She has finished her chemo treatments and had a very successful surgery. She was told that all cancer is gone!! Great news! Marilyn would like to express her gratitude for all of your prayers and comments throughout this.

She will continue with radiation after Thanksgiving and will also continue another targeted treatment through May of 2016.

She had been working at home but is now back in the office and is doing well. Please continue to keep Marilyn in your prayers! Also, please feel free to reach out to Marilyn by card or [email](#). I know she'd appreciate it! You can send your

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cards to: Disability Services / Marilyn Scott, 7911 Detroit Ave, Cleveland, OH 44102!

2nd District Police honor Catholic Charities with Award

We were honored to receive a "Certificate of Appreciation" for "Outstanding Involvement and Dedication to the citizens of the Second District". This is from the Second District



Community Relations Department and was presented on November 18, to Dennis McNulty, Director of Disability Services.

Robert Shores, Citizen Co-Chairperson, says: "Thank you so very much for being such wonderful community



partners! God bless you all! Frank Scialabba (center with the big smile) and the guys from the St. Augustine Hunger Center are the unsung heroes of the event. They did the set up and take

down of everything in the hall, and we greatly appreciate them!"

Christmas Dance!! Friday, Dec. 11



Have you been looking for something fun to do on a Friday evening? Do you like dancing to music? Do you like meeting new friends?

The monthly dances at OLA/St. Joseph Center may be just the thing you are looking for!! Come and try it out...you will not regret it!

We have a fun DJ, who also happens to be the Director of Disability Services - Dennis McNulty! In October, two of our volunteers dressed up as Dennis and Marilyn (Program Director). We think they looked great!!



The dances are for adults ages 16 and over with disabilities. The cost is only \$3 and you get a pop and a bag of chips, in addition to two hours of entertainment! We also have a dance contest where you can win different prizes each month! It is held the 2nd Friday of the month from 7-9pm at OLA/St. Joseph Center, 2346 W. 14th St., Cleveland, OH 44113 - in Tremont!

Check out our [flyer](#) for 2016 Dates!



DID YOU KNOW??? **Respite Program** **Catholic Charities Summit**

Did you know that Catholic Charities in Summit Co. offers weekends of respite for adults with developmental disabilities? These weekends include community outings, arts & crafts, campfires, s'mores and more!!! The next weekend of respite is Dec. 11-13. Weekends can be paid by Waiver, Family Support Services or private pay. If you are interested in learning more about these exciting weekends, call Catholic Charities in Summit at (330) 762-2961 or visit their [website](#)

**We wish you and your family a
very Blessed Christmas and a
Happy New Year!**



Sincerely,

Dennis McNulty & Marilyn Scott
Catholic Charities Disability Services