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OFFICE OF ARCHBISHOP THOMAS WENSKI

Requiescat in pace:

† Estrella Estévez, mother of Most Rev. Felipe Estévez, Bishop of St. Augustine, passed away on Jan. 27, 2015 in St. Petersburg, FL.

Save the Date - Clergy Lenten Day of Recollection:

Dear Bishop/Monsignor/Father,

Join Archbishop Thomas G. Wenski and the clergy of the Archdiocese of Miami for a Lenten Day of Recollection on Friday, March 13, 2015. The day begins at 10 a.m., and includes two conferences led by Father Paul Check, Executive Director of Courage International.

After the conference there will be an opportunity for the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

All conferences will be held in St. Anthony's Chapel at St. Thomas University. Lunch will be provided in Convocation Hall.

Theme of the Talks for the Clergy Lenten Day of Recollection:

"The glory of God is man fully alive." –St. Irenaeus of Lyons

The crisis of our post-modern period is fundamentally a crisis of anthropology. The world doesn't reject the Church's teachings because of what we say about God (it doesn't even pretend to be interested), it rejects our teachings because of what we say about man. The contemporary debates regarding marriage, homosexuality, the family, abortion and even what a just society should look like are debates about the meaning of man. Since Jesus is the human face of God and the divine face of man, Christianity proposes a distinctive understanding of the human person. Father Check will reflect on how a correct Christian anthropology can re-energize pastoral care in our day.

Please email worshipoffice@theadom.org if you plan to attend, as this will help us coordinate lunch.

NEW Procedures for the Holy Oils at the Chrism Mass:

Please do not bring your parish oil stocks as in the previous years as oil stocks will be provided.

During the Priest luncheon following the Chrism Mass in the Cathedral Center the oils will be available for pick up. This year it will not be necessary for you to bring your oil stock to be filled, rather a box with Holy Oils will be provided. Each parish will receive one each: Oil of the Sick, Oil of Catechumens and Sacred Chrism. A suggested donation of \$100 is appreciated. Please make checks payable: Cathedral of Saint Mary. If during the year you discover that you need additional oils, please contact the Cathedral Office to procure additional oil stocks.

Thank you very much for your cooperation and assistance.

OFFICE OF THE VICAR GENERAL

Alert/Warning:

Please be advised that Fr. Rafael de Jesús Pavón Zamora from the Diocese of León, Nicaragua is not allowed to visit or celebrate Mass in any parish in the Archdiocese of Miami; he is also not permitted to raise funds. Should he present himself for any ministry please call the Chancellor's Office 305-762-1220.

OFFICE OF VOCATIONS

Vocation Awareness Weekend: March 20 - 22, 2015

Please consider including the following bulletin announcement – Ongoing until the weekend March 14-15th:

More and more young men are seeking a profound relationship with Jesus Christ and are considering the possibility that they may be called by God to embrace a vocation to the diocesan priesthood.

Vocation Awareness Weekend is a retreat for men ages 17-35 who are seeking more information about the priesthood and seminary life. It is held on the grounds of St. John Vianney College Seminary in Miami and consists of numerous workshops, liturgies, and social events with the seminarians. Participants will have ample time to ask questions, gain an understanding of seminary life and prayerfully consider God's call.

The next Vocations Awareness Weekend will be held the weekend of March 20-22, 2015. If you would like to attend, please contact your parish priest or the Vocation Director, Father David Zirilli at vocations@theadom.org or by calling 305-762-1137. You may also find a [registration form](#) on our website at www.miamiarch.org/vocations. Come and join us!

OFFICE OF COMMUNICATIONS

Upcoming events:

Symposium: "Passing from this Life to the Next" – Practical Helps and Pastoral Considerations for the Catholic

Saturday, February 21, 2015, 9am to 4pm

Church of the Little Flower, Comber Hall

Join us for an excellent experience of adult continuing education, and receive guidance, resources, and practical information in a one-day seminar designed to address end-of-life-issues; hospital and medical matters; assisted living facilities; living will and legal involvements; Catholic funeral arrangements; hospice care; spiritual reflections; and all other issues and requirements that face all of us at an unavoidable and critical time in life. Several "keynote" addresses are scheduled to also take place by experts in these fields. The entire event is free of charge.

All are welcome. Mark your calendars. Bring a loved one.

Keynote Addresses: Rev. Dr. Earl Fernandes, STD, Dean, Atheneum of Ohio; Msgr. Michel G. Caruthers, Pastor, St. Augustine Church; Fr. Michael W. Davis, Pastor, C.O.T.L.F.; John C. Strickroot, Fowler White Burnett, Attorney at Law; Mary Jo Frick, Executive Director, Catholic Cemeteries; and someone representing Catholic Hospice. For more information contact Mr. Mark Landia at mlandia@cotlf.org or 305-446-9950 ext. 308.

OFFICE OF COMMUNICATIONS (CONTINUED)

Citizenship Workshops:

Archdiocese of Miami's Catholic Legal Services, along with a coalition of legal service providers and volunteers, have teamed up with The New Americans Campaign to provide assistance to any legal residents that are looking to apply for U.S. citizenship.

Eligible legal permanent residents (LPRs) can become U.S. citizens by completing naturalization applications on one of two dates:

Saturday, Feb. 21, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at South Dade High School's auditorium, 28401 SW 167th Ave., Homestead, FL 33030. Parking is free and available at the South Dade High School parking lot.

Saturday, March 7, from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. at Hialeah High School, 251 E 47th St. Hialeah FL 33013.

The legal services will be completely free. However, there is a USCIS \$680 application fee. USCIS may waive the \$680 fee if the applicant receive food stamps, Medicaid or SSI.

To register, applicants must visit www.citizenshipflorida.org and select "Applicant Registration."

Good Friday Collection:

Christians around the world are united in a special way during Lent, Holy Week and Easter.

Our hearts, minds and prayers are also especially aware of the Holy Land. Our parish, once a year on Good Friday, is called on to support Christians in the Holy Land. Many Christians in the Holy Land depend on the collection for their lives.

As a pontifical collection requested by Pope Francis, the annual Good Friday Collection offers a direct link for parishioners to be witnesses of peace and to help protect the Holy Places. When you donate on Good Friday, you are supporting Christians in the Holy Land.

Franciscans and others in the Holy Land are housing and feeding the poor, providing religious formation and education, maintaining shrines and parishes, and conducting pastoral ministry. For more information, visit www.MyFranciscan.org/good-friday

The Good Friday Collection is requested by the Holy Father. Please be as generous as your abundance allows.

Reconciliation Weekend 2015:

During the season of Lent we encourage and welcome you to come to the Sacrament of Reconciliation during Reconciliation Weekend, Friday, March 27 from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. and Saturday, March 28 from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the listed parishes below.

The posters and bookmarks for each parish to promote Reconciliation Weekend will soon be available for pick-up. Please contact the Communications Department at (305)762-1045 to schedule pick-up by your parish member/volunteer.

OFFICE OF COMMUNICATIONS (CONTINUED)



Reconciliation Weekend

ARCHDIOCESE OF MIAMI

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parishes listed below.**

**Friday, March 27 7:00 p.m.—9:00 p.m.
Saturday, March 28 9:00 a.m.—3:30 p.m.**

Northeast Broward:

St. Anthony, 901 N.E. 2 Street, Ft. Lauderdale
St. Paul the Apostle, 2700 N.E. 36 Street, Lighthouse Point
St. Elizabeth of Hungary, 3331 NE 10 Terrace, Pompano Beach
St. Pius X, 2511 N. Ocean Blvd. (A1A), Ft. Lauderdale

Northwest Broward:

St. Andrew, 9950 N.W. 29 Street, Coral Springs
San Isidro, 2310 Martin Luther King Boulevard, Pompano Beach
St. Malachy, 6200 N. University Dr., Tamarac

South Broward:

Little Flower, 1805 Pierce Street, Hollywood
St. Bartholomew, 8005 Miramar Parkway, Miramar
St. Mark, 5601 S. Flamingo Road, Southwest Ranches
St. Stephen, 2000 South State Road 7, Miramar

Northeast Dade:

St. Mary Cathedral, 7525 N.W. 2 Avenue, Miami
Notre Dame d'Haiti, 110 N.E. 62 Street, Miami
St. Rose of Lima, 415 N.E. 105 Street, Miami Shores
St. Lawrence, 2200 N.E. 191 Street, N. Miami Beach
St. Joseph, 8670 Byron Avenue, Miami Beach

West Dade:

Good Shepherd, 14187 S.W. 72 Street, Miami
St. Agatha, 1111 S.W. 107 Avenue, Miami
St. Augustine, 1400 Miller Road, Coral Gables
St. Dominic, 5909 N.W. 7 Street, Miami

East Dade:

Gesu, 118 N.E. 2 Street, Miami
St. Patrick, 3716 Garden Avenue, Miami Beach
St. Michael the Archangel, 2987 W. Flagler Street, Miami
St. John Bosco, 1349 W. Flagler Street, Miami
Shrine of Our Lady of Charity, 3609 S. Miami Avenue, Miami

Northwest Dade:

Immaculate Conception, 4497 W. 1 Avenue, Hialeah
Our Lady of the Lakes, 15801 N.W. 67 Avenue, Miami Lakes
St. John the Apostle, 475 E. 4 Street, Hialeah
St. Monica, 3490 N.W. 191 Street, Carol City

South Dade:

Our Lady of Lourdes, 11291 S.W. 142 Avenue, Miami
Sacred Heart, 106 S.E. First Drive, Homestead
St. Louis, 7270 S.W. 120 Street, Pinecrest
Epiphany, 8235 S.W. 57 Avenue, Miami

Monroe:

St. Mary Star of the Sea, 1010 Windsor Lane, Key West
San Pablo, 550-122 Street Ocean, Marathon
San Pedro, 89500 Overseas Highway, Tavernier

For more information, visit www.miamiarch.org

OFFICE OF YOUTH AND YOUNG ADULTS MINISTRY

World Youth Day:

Registration for World Youth Day was extended until February 27th, but spots are filling up quickly. Please visit our [WYD webpage](#) to watch the informational webinar and read more about the itinerary and costs. If you have any questions, please contact Rosemarie Banich at 305-762-1189.

Regional Gatherings for Youth Ministers:

The Office of Youth and Young Adult Ministry is hosting quarterly gatherings for all those who work in Youth and Young Adult Ministry. These are opportunities to meet with your fellow youth workers, share resources, ask questions of each other, and grow together in your work in this very important ministry. Their gatherings are from 6:30 - 8 p.m. Please invite all those who work and volunteer with youth and young adults from your parish.

The remaining dates are:

West Dade	Feb. 10 at St. Timothy Church
East Dade	Feb. 12 at St. Hugh Church
North West Broward	Feb. 19 at St. Bonaventure Church

Lent Evening of Reflection:

On Tuesday, Feb. 24, Archbishop Wenski will lead an evening of reflection for youth and young adult ministry leaders at the Pastoral Center. The evening begins at 6:30 p.m. with light refreshments and fellowship, followed by Archbishop Wenski's reflection, and time for individual prayer, Adoration and the sacrament of Reconciliation.

For more information on any of these activities, please contact Rosemarie Banich at 305-762-1189 or rbanich@theadom.org.

Follow us on Facebook:

Please find and follow our Facebook page for daily updates and information on youth and young adult ministry events around the archdiocese: <https://www.facebook.com/youthandyoungadultadom>.

Upcoming Events: Vocational Workshop

Vocational Division of Hispanic Young Adult Ministry invite all young adult between the ages of 18 and 35 to our vocational workshop, we will provide tools for discernment to priesthood, religious life and marriage.

Where: St. Raymond Church 3475 SW 17th St, Miami, FL 33145

When: Feb. 28 from 8 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Several congregations and religious orders, seminarians and priests of the Archdiocese of Miami will be with us.

For more information contact Gioconda Fallas or Emilio Marbot at 786-571-5307 or vocacional-pjh@gmail.com

OFFICE OF CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

Florida Tax Credit Scholarship Program:

WHAT IS THE FLORIDA TAX CREDIT SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM?

The Florida Tax Credit Scholarship Program, established in 2003, encourages private, voluntary contributions to fund school scholarships for poor children in Florida. The scholarships are funded through business income tax credits, not state budget dollars, and do not impact the amount of money going to Florida's public schools.



- More than two-thirds of scholarship students are black or Hispanic
- More than half live in homes with a single parent

A lawsuit filed by the Florida Education Association and Florida School Boards Association seeks to uproot 68,000 low-income students from their schools – places of learning where children who were once among the poorest academic performers are now thriving. Their newfound success is a result of the Florida Tax Credit Scholarship Program, now under legal attack.

STUDENT SUCCESS

Research shows that students who choose the Tax Credit Scholarship tested at the lowest levels when in the schools they leave behind. But, once in the program their test scores reflect the same reading and math gains as students of all income levels nationally.

SAVES TAXPAYER DOLLARS

The program also offers significant savings for Florida taxpayers. Five independent and state agencies have reported that the scholarship, which costs about 60 cents on the dollar, saves taxpayers money that can be used to enhance traditional public schools. The State Revenue Estimating Conference projected 2012-13 savings at nearly \$58 million.

PARENTAL CHOICE

Tax Credit Scholarships are just like magnet schools, career academies and other choice programs operated by school districts themselves, and empower parents to find the school that best matches their child's individual needs. Their existence does not represent competition or criticism of other publicly funded schools. This lawsuit will strip parents of a viable, affordable option for a better education for their children.

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OFFICE OF MARRIAGE AND FAMILY LIFE

Back by Popular Demand: Date Night

Save the date for our next date night on Saturday, March 14th at 6:30 p.m. Join us for another night of enrichment for our married couples. We will have a new guest speaker and topic. More details coming soon.

Be sure to keep checking our Facebook page www.facebook.com/miamifamilylife for latest updates.

Next Fully Engaged Webinar Trainings:

Following are the next Fully Engaged webinar training dates.

New Facilitators:

- ◆ March 21—10 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Facilitators already trained in FOCCUS:

- ◆ March 21—10 a.m. - 1p.m. (may stay until 5pm, though that afternoon part is optional)
- ◆ April 14—7:30 - 9:30 p.m.
- ◆ May 5—7:30 - 9:30 p.m.

What New Facilitators will experience: The first half of the training is an overview of the Fully Engaged program, specifically how to use the materials with explanations of the various discussion areas unique to the program. The second half of the webinar contains interactive and collaborative discussions on how to address special areas of concern in more depth.

What Experienced Facilitators will experience: This training will include basic instructions on use of the materials, and will highlight the areas unique to this pre-marital inventory tool. You are also welcome to join in for the second half of the full day webinar March 21, which contains interactive and collaborative discussions on how to address special areas of concern in more depth, though that part is optional.

Cost/ Materials: While there is no fee for the webinar training, a full set of materials are required for each individual or couple participating in the training (Facilitator's Guide, Couple's Workbook, Inventory Booklet and handouts are \$39.50 plus shipping). Please allow extra time for materials shipment.

Registration: For more information or to pre-register for any of the trainings, contact Kristin at fe@gw.stcdio.org or (320) 252-4721 and copy mvargas@theadom.org.

Registration deadline is one week prior to the training date.

Next Live Training: Fall 2015

Spanish Trainings: Due to some unforeseen delays at Fully Engaged, the live Spanish training has been tentatively scheduled for August 2015. Stay tuned.

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Spanish: www.facebook.com/somosfamiliamiami