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# OFFICE OF ARCHBISHOP THOMAS WENSKI

Archbishop Thomas Wenski has made the following appointments:

#### Effective Jan. 1, 2020:

• Father Sukhun Koo, parochial administrator, St. Paul Chung Ha Sang Korean Mission, West Park.

## Effective Feb. 1, 2020:

• Father Matthew Gomez, associate director of vocations while continuing his present assignment at St. John Neumann Parish.

### Effective Feb. 9, 2020:

• Father Hubert Zasada, Society of Christ Fathers, to parochial vicar, Our Lady of Czestochowa Polish Mission, Pompano Beach.

## Request for Financial Assistance for a parish in Southeastern Africa

"St. Mary's Parish in the Diocese of Karonga, Malawi, South Eastern Africa is in dire need of vestments and vessels for liturgical celebrations. In December 2009, the area experienced a series of earthquakes which destroyed many houses, four lives lost, and many people injured. The parish church was also destroyed, including some property like vestments and vessels. With financial assistance from Propanda Fide, Church in Need, Missio Aachen, Diocese of Des Moines in USA and Sisters of St. Peter Claver, the parish community along with Fr. Joseph Sikwese, Pastor of St. Mary's Parish, have constructed a new Church which was dedicated on October 6, 2018. However, the main challenge is that the parish does not have vestments and vessels for the celebration of the Eucharist among other liturgical celebrations. At the moment, they use borrowed vessels and vestments for resident priests. The parish community strongly believes that the parish needs to have its own vessels and vestments and will be grateful for any financial assistance." For more information contact Fr. Joseph Sikwese, Pastor of St. Mary's Parish by email jsikwese@karongadiocese.org.

## OFFICE OF THE CHANCELLOR FOR ADMINISTRATION

Bishop/Monsignors/Fathers:

This serves as a reminder that the **2020 March Mass Attendance Census** will begin Sat.-Sun., March 7-8, and conclude Sat.-Sun., March 28-29. **Please remember to count the number of penitents during these four weekends**.

The deadline to return the count electronically is **Monday**, **April 20**, **2020**. We are extending one extra week due to the Easter Sunday weekend. Thank you for your cooperation in this project. Thank you, in advance, for timely reporting – by electronic upload – of the data. If your staff person responsible for uploading data is not familiar with the process, they may contact Mayra Rossell in the Chancellors' office at 305-762-1220 or mrossell@theadom.org

# OFFICE OF VOCATIONS

## Vocations Awareness Weekend – March 13-15, 2020

(Please include in parish bulletins)

Lord, let me know clearly the work which you are calling me to do in life, and grant me every grace I need to answer your call with courage, love and lasting dedication to your will.

If you feel God may be calling you to the diocesan priesthood, then Come & See! The next discernment retreat for men ages 17-35 will be March 13 – 15, 2020 at the seminary in Miami. You may find more information and registration online at <u>www.miamiarch.org/vocations</u> on the Vocations Awareness Weekend tab or contact your parish priest or the Vocation Director, Fr. Elvis González at 305-762-1137.

# **OFFICE OF BLACK CATHOLIC MINISTRY**

### Revival 2020: Anchored in Hope - Feb. 16-19

Four evenings of praise and worship, engaging prayer, unity in Christ, generous hospitality and inspiring sermons by Fr. Charles and Fr. Chester Smith, SVD. The Smiths are identical twins ordained in 1988 and are the first black twins to become Roman Catholic priests in the United States. They are members of the Society of the Divine Word Religious Order and the Bowman-Francis Ministry Project that serves the Black Catholic Diaspora. They work for the spiritual development and betterment of health and elevated quality of life for all people of African descent. Revival services are scheduled for:

## OFFICE OF BLACK CATHOLIC MINISTRY (CONTINUED)

- Sun., Feb. 16: Holy Redeemer Catholic Church, 1301 NW 71 St., Miami. 3:30pm Complimentary Dinner; 4:45pm - Praise and Worship; 5 pm - Revival Service
- Mon., Feb. 17: St. Helen's Catholic Church, 3033 NW 33 Ave., Ft. Lauderdale. 5:30pm Complimentary supper; 6:45pm Praise and Worship; 7 pm Revival service
- Tues., Feb. 18: St. Philip Neri Catholic Church, 15700 NW 20 Ave. Road, Miami Gardens. 5:30 pm Complimentary supper; 6:45 pm Praise and Worship; 7 pm Revival service
- Wed., Feb. 19: Youth and Young Adult Night: Visitation Catholic Church, 100 NE 191 St., Miami.
  4:30pm Complimentary Refreshments; 5:45pm Praise and Worship; 6 pm -Revival Service

For more information, contact Katrenia Reeves-Jackman, Director of the Office of Black Catholic Ministry, at 305-762-1120, 305-915-9039 or <u>blackcatholicministry@theadom.org</u>

## OFFICE OF MARRIAGE AND FAMILY LIFE

**Transformed in Love** is a marriage preparation program which uses a house-building metaphor to illustrate the concepts of establishing and nurturing marriage and family life. It includes many topics that contribute to building a marriage for a lifetime. Participants may choose from the following sessions; couples must attend both days of their selected session to receive their certificate. Dates:

- Sat., Feb. 29 and Sun., March 1 from 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. in English at St. Mark Church, 5601
  S. Flamingo Rd., Southwest Ranches. Register at: https://conta.cc/2QH3fNl
- Sat., April 25 and Sun., April 26 from 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. in English at Archdiocese of Miami (Pastoral Center), 9401 Biscayne Blvd., Miami Shores. Register at: <u>https://conta.cc/2QHhzFl</u>
- Sat., June 6 and Sun., June 7, 2020 from 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. in Spanish at San Isidro Church, 2310 Martin Luther King Blvd., Pompano Beach. Register at: <a href="https://conta.cc/32rzuUN">https://conta.cc/32rzuUN</a>
- Sat., July 11 and Sun., July 12 from 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. <u>in English at Church of the Little</u> Flower, 2711 Indian Mound Trail, Coral Gables. Register at: <u>https://conta.cc/2K5pOsT</u>

# OFFICE OF MARRIAGE AND FAMILY LIFE (CONTINUED)

**Natural Family Planning (NFP):** Learn Natural Family Planning (NFP) and help build communication skills and enhance intimacy in your marriage. NFP is now normative for all couples seeking the Sacrament of Marriage in the Archdiocese of Miami. You can find more information at <a href="https://www.miamiarch.org/familylife">www.miamiarch.org/familylife</a>

- Creighton Method of NFP, taught locally and to couples on an individual basis by Sarah McKeown in English (218-368-8505, <u>smfertilitycare@gmail.com</u>) or Guadalupe Carral, in Spanish or English (713-203-2375, <u>lupitacrms@gmail.com</u>).
- Couple to Couple League (Sympto-Thermal Method of NFP): Couples may attend a three-part series (once a month for three months) of introductory classes offered by the Couple to Couple League to learn more about this medically safe, morally acceptable and highly effective method, both for postponing and achieving pregnancy. To register for any class— on-site, self-paced, or virtual visit: <u>http://register.ccli.org</u> Next series of on-site classes:
  - Epiphany Church, Miami: April 4, May 2, and June 6, 2020 at 7 p.m. Contact Carlos and Lucy Moas: 305-284-9549, <u>Immsalas@gmail.com</u>

## OFFICE OF COMMUNICATIONS

### **United States Census 2020**

The Archdiocese of Miami is working with the U.S. Census Bureau and the Miami-Dade Census Task Force to ensure that everyone in our community gets counted. Census forms will begin arriving in people's homes the first week of March and we would like your assistance in informing parishioners of the importance of being counted.

All census responses are confidential. There are very strict laws protecting the privacy of everyone who participates in the Census and everyone can participate, regardless of their immigration status.

A direct link to the Census home page, Parish and School resource link is available on the Archdiocese of Miami website <u>www.miamiarch.org</u>.

**Pastors, please note:** "The 2020 Census includes people who live or stay in group quarters, such as college or university residence halls, nursing/skilled-nursing facilities, group homes, residential treatment centers, workers' group living quarters, and correctional facilities." This includes all those living in rectories.

## **OFFICE OF COMMUNICATIONS** (CONTINUED)

"A Census Bureau worker will contact you between February 3, 2020 and March 6, 2020 to conduct a telephone or in-person interview to:

- Verify the group quarters' name, address information, contact name, phone number, and business email address.
- Collect an expected population count on April 1, 2020.
- Allow facility managers to choose a method of enumeration from those available to their group quarters, such as: in-person interview, drop off/pick up of questionnaire, paper response data collection, and electronic response data transfer (eResponse).
- Schedule an enumeration appointment."

You can read more about group quarters count in the <u>U.S. Census 2020 Letter to Facility Managers</u>.

#### Open Wide the Doors to Christ: Be Not Afraid! - May 15-17, 2020

The IV International Congress of the Servant of the Pierced Hearts of Jesus and Mary will take place in May 2020 at the Doubletree by Hilton Miami Airport Convention Center, 711 NW 72 Ave. Event will feature 14 invited speakers, and a relic of the blood of St. John Paul II. Cost is \$50 per person for all three days. For more information, visit: <u>www.corazones.org</u>, <u>www.piercedhearts.org</u>, call 305-444-7437 or email <u>siervas@corazones.org</u>

#### "Is My Email in Your Spam?"

There are multiple reasons why some important emails end-up in your spam folder, but the most common reasons have to do with the fact that:

- 1) Webmail providers (i.e. AOL, Gmail, Yahoo, etc.) investigate how many emails are opened and how many are deleted without being opened. This helps webmail providers decide which emails to filter into the spam folder.
- 2) You have low mailbox usage. Webmail providers look at the ratio of active to inactive email accounts. An inactive email account is an account that has not been used for a long time or is rarely used. If an email is sent to an email address that appears to be abandoned, that is a red flag to spam filters. It is advised to clean-up your email list periodically.
- 3) Unfortunately, some e-mail services view valid group e-mails as if they are SPAM.
- 4) Periodically, view the mail in your SPAM and JUNK folders before deleting.

## OFFICE OF COMMUNICATIONS (CONTINUED)

In order to move important emails from the SPAM/JUNK folder to the INBOX folder, the user must **left-click and hold** the desired email in the SPAM /JUNK folder and drag it to the INBOX folder. This will allow you to open it in your INBOX and respond accordingly.

In order to prevent important emails from going into your SPAM /JUNK folder in the future, the user should **right-click** on the desired email in the SPAM /JUNK folder and select from whatever options the e-mail software provides. Usually there will be an option to mark the sender's address so that it will not be captured in the SPAM filter in the future. Selecting "Do not block this sender" or an equivalent option will assure that the sender's mail will arrive in the INBOX in the future.

The domain of the Archdiocese of Miami Pastoral Center is @theadom.org. If have not been receiving mail from the ADOM Pastoral Center, you might wish to make @theadom.org a safe sender.

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