



Catholic Diocese of Saginaw 2018 – 2019 Events

All are Welcome!





Jesus will receive you with so much love. Be courageous, and go to confession! - Pope Francis

ABOUT THE COVER: Pope Francis hears the confessions of young people on St. Peter's Square

Pope Francis has dedicated the 15th Ordinary General Assembly of the Synod of Bishops . . . to be focused on the theme of "Young People, the Faith, and Vocational Discernment." It will be held in Rome in October, 2018. Pope Francis noted: "The theme, an expression of the pastoral care of the Church for the young, is consistent with the results of the recent Synod assemblies on the family and with the content of the post-Synodal apostolic exhortation *Amoris Laetitia*. Its aim is to accompany the young on their existential journey to maturity so that, through a process of discernment, they discover their plan for life and realize it with joy, opening up to the encounter with God and with human beings, and actively participating in the edification of the Church and of society." (Excerpted from the USCCB webpage on the 2018 Synod)

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Featured Diocesan Events in 2018-2019

Catholic Professionals' Breakfasts

Dates: Friday, November 30, 2018 (Father Bill Rutkowski)

Friday, March 1, 2019 (Dr. Dan Osborn)

Friday, April 5, 2019 (Father Bert Gohm)

Catholic professionals are invited to attend three breakfasts in the coming year that will assist them in their ability to live out their Catholic Faith in the work place and at home.

Lay Ministry Assembly

Date: Friday, November 2 – Sunday, November 4, 2018

Location: Frankenmuth Bavarian Inn Lodge



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Diocesan-wide Ministry Enrichment Day

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Time: 9:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Location: Frankenmuth Bavarian Inn Lodge



Diocese of Saginaw

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Pilgrimage to Mexico City

Dates: February 23-28, 2019

Cost: \$1,975-\$2,350 depending on occupancy

For information: Contact the Office of Hispanic Ministry at hispanicministry@dioceseofsaginaw.org or call 989.797.6646



Join the Vicar for Hispanic Ministry, Fr. Christian Tabares, on a pilgrimage to Mexico City. The pilgrimage will include a visit to the beautiful Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe, the "Patroness of the Americas."

Lenten Retreat: Jesus – the Way of Beauty

Retreat leaders: Jenny Klement (with LeAnne Osborn and Dr. Dan Osborn)

Dates: Friday, March 29 – Sunday, March 31, 2019

Location: Center for Ministry



All women and men are warmly invited to this three-day retreat which will help us grow in intimacy with Christ through an experience of music, art, literature, and the Saints. Jenny Klement is a national recording artist and retreat leader.

2018-2019 Diocesan Events

**Note: Online registration & payment for many events is now available at
WWW.SAGINAW.ORG/EVENTS**

In 2018-2019, the Diocese of Saginaw will offer a rich variety of enrichment opportunities, liturgies, workshops, training sessions, and retreats to help all those in our parishes and schools grow as disciples of the Lord and sharers of the Good News. Many of these offerings take place at the diocesan Center for Ministry located at 5802 Weiss Street in Saginaw Township. The Center for Ministry also extends hospitality to diocesan, parish, and other non-profit groups who are looking for a place to host meetings, staff days, prayer days, and other events. **To register for many of the diocesan offerings, visit saginaw.org/events or use the registration form at the end of this brochure.**

Online Enrichment Opportunities

The Diocese of Saginaw has a partnership with the University of Dayton's Virtual Learning Community for Faith Formation (VLCFF) which allows residents of the diocese to take online courses and seminars at a discount of more than 50 percent. The VLCFF offers a wide variety of offerings via the internet. The VLCFF is not only ideal for those who lead Faith Formation and Youth Ministry Programs or who teach in Catholic Schools, but it is helpful for anyone who wants to go deeper in their understanding of Sacred Scripture and the teachings of the Catholic Church. Individuals from a partnering diocese pay only \$50.00 for most courses. For information visit: vlc.udayton.edu (without typing "www" at the beginning).

Grief Recovery Series Facilitator Training

Date: **Each Thursday from August 16 – September 20, 2018**

Presenter: Lori Becker, diocesan Respect Life Coordinator

Time: 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Location: Diocesan Center Offices (Cardinal Hickey Conference Room)

To register: call 989.797.6652

Registration deadline: Thursday, August 9, 2018

For information: Call 989.797.6652



This training is for individuals who are interested in leading the Catholic Grief Recovery Series in their parish. Important characteristics of a grief facilitator are: mature faith, effective communication skills, understanding of basic group dynamics, empathy. A letter of recommendation from your pastor is required. If you would like more information or to register for the training, please contact Lori Becker at lbecker@dioceseofsaginaw.org or call 989.797.6652

VIRTUS Training Session

Date: **Wednesday, September 5, 2018**

Time: 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Location: St. Elizabeth School, Reese

For information: Contact Gabbie Marguery at 989.868.4081

VIRTUS sessions provide participants with safe environment training for the protection of youth and children. If you would like a VIRTUS session to be held in your parish or Vicariate, please contact Sr. Janet Fulgenzi at 989.797.6682 or jfulgenzi@dioceseofsaginaw.org with suggested times and dates convenient to you, and a VIRTUS session can be arranged.

VIRTUS Training Session

Date: **Thursday, September 6, 2018**

Time: 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Location: St. Gabriel Parish, Auburn

For information: Contact Stephanie McNary at 989.662.6961

For description: See Wednesday, September 5, 2018 entry

Suicide Awareness & Prevention “Safe Talk Training”

Date: **Wednesday, September 12, 2018**

Presenter: Barb Smith, Suicide Resource & Response Network Director

Time: 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Location: Center for Ministry

Cost: \$10

To register: visit saginaw.org/events or call 989.797.6646

Registration deadline: Wednesday, September 5, 2018

For information: Call 989.797.6646

Safe Talk is a half-day alertness training that prepares anyone over the age of 15, regardless of prior experience or training, to become a suicide-alert helper. Safe Talk participants will learn to; notice and respond to situations where suicide thoughts might be present, apply the TALK steps, know community resources and more. Participants will receive a certificate of completion.

2018 Bishop's Charity Golf Classic and Dinner for Seminarian Education

Date: **Wednesday, September 12, 2018** (Golf)

Thursday, September 13, 2018 (Dinner)

Locations: Swan Valley Golf Course, Saginaw (Golf, Sept. 12, 2018)

Saginaw Valley State University, Curtiss Hall (Dinner, Sept. 13, 2018)

Cost: \$100 (Golf) and \$65 (Dinner)

To register online: Visit saginaw.org/2018golf as the event draws near

(or you may contact Geri Rudolf at grudolf@dioceseofsaginaw.org or call 989.797.6679)



All are invited to join Bishop Cistone for these two fun events that celebrate vocations to the priesthood and raise funds for the education of future priests. Golfers tee off on Wednesday, September 12 with morning or afternoon golf scrambles at the Swan Valley Golf Course in Saginaw. In addition to game prizes, golf tournament awards will be given to flight winners, the top Knights of Columbus team and the top mixed team. The celebration of priestly vocations continues on the evening of Thursday, September 13 with the banquet and silent auction in Curtiss Hall on the campus of Saginaw Valley State University.

A Day of Marriage Enrichment

Date: **Saturday, September 15, 2018**

Presenter: Linda Milco

Time: 9:00 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Location: Center for Ministry

Cost: \$80 per couple (includes lunch)

To register: Contact lmilco@dioceseofsaginaw.org

Registration deadline: Tuesday, September 4, 2018



For information: Call 989.797.6660

A one-day marriage enrichment workshop that will help married couples improve and enhance their relationship. Using an online assessment tool taken prior to the workshop, the day will help couples explore their personality traits, strengthen communications skills, develop tools to reduce unhealthy conflict and reduce stress. The day utilizes large group presentations, group discussion and private couple dialogue. Each couple will receive a personalized report of their relationship. The workshop is facilitated by Linda Milco, Coordinator of Marriage and Family Ministry.

Holy Hour with Bishop Cistone

Date: **Wednesday, September 19, 2018**

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Location: St. John XXIII Parish, St. Mary Church, 151 St. Mary's Dr., Hemlock



Since January 2012, the Most Rev. Joseph R. Cistone, Bishop of Saginaw, has traveled to different churches throughout the diocese to lead Holy Hours before the Blessed Sacrament. You are warmly invited to join him in praying for the guidance of the Holy Spirit as we strive to do God's will in our local Church.

Catholic Women's Fellowship

Date: **Thursday, September 20, 2018**

Presenter: Sister Mary Rebecca Koterba, RSM, MD

Topic: Feminine Healing

Time: 6:00 p.m. – 8:15 p.m.

Location: Center for Ministry

Cost: Freewill offering

For more information: Visit: womensfellowship.org



All women from around the diocese are invited to gather at the Center for Ministry for prayer, faith formation, guest presenters, discussion, and fellowship. No registration needed...just come!

Basic Catechist Certification: Mission and Methods

Presenter: Peg McEvoy, diocesan Coordinator of Faith Formation

Date: **Saturday, September 29, 2018**

Time: 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Location: Center for Ministry

Cost: \$15 (includes lunch)

To register: Visit saginaw.org/catechesis/office-of-catechesis.html or call 989.797.6654

Registration deadline: Monday, September 17, 2018

For Information: Contact Peg McEvoy at pmcevoy@dioceseofsaginaw.org or call 989.797.6608



A Morning on the Mission of Catechesis: It is a great privilege to be a catechist, to participate in Jesus' missionary mandate. Being a catechist also spurs in us the desire to continue to grow in our faith and to deepen and broaden our own discipleship. In the morning session, we will pray together and explore Jesus' missionary mandate and what it means for us today as catechists in the parishes and Catholic schools of the Diocese of Saginaw.

An Afternoon with the Basics of Catechesis: The afternoon session covers some of the basics for catechists and explores the resources and techniques available to help launch catechists into this new adventure with Jesus and his young disciples. It is offered in conjunction with "A Morning on the Mission of Catechesis"

to satisfy the requirements for Basic Catechist Certification, or as a refresher for those already with certification. Peg McEvoy is the diocesan Coordinator of Faith Formation.

Taize Prayer for Hope and Healing after Abortion

Date: **Wednesday, October 3, 2018**

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Location: Holy Spirit Church, Shields

For information: Call 989.797.6652

The Evening of Taize Prayer for Hope and Healing is for anyone who has been affected by the loss of a child to abortion and will be held in a supportive, private and confidential environment. This service is open to all men and women, grandparents, family members, friends and siblings of all faith denominations. Individual support and resources will be available. All are welcome.

Marriage Preparation Workshop

Date: **Saturday, October 6, 2018**

Presenters: Marriage Preparation Team

Time: 9:00 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Location: Center for Ministry

Cost: \$85 (includes lunch)

To register: Contact lmilco@dioceseofsaginaw.org

Registration deadline: 10 days prior to date of workshop

For information: Call 989.797.6660

A one-day workshop for couples preparing for the Sacrament of Marriage. Topics include: marriage as a sacrament, communication, conflict resolution, marital intimacy, family of origin, marital spirituality. Workshop is conducted by a team of professionals and married couples.

Misa Hispana (Hispanic Mass)

Date: **Saturday, October 6, 2018**

Celebrant: Bishop Joseph Cistone

Time: 4:00 p.m.

Location: Cathedral of Mary of the Assumption

For information: Call 989.797.6646

This Mass celebrates the rich traditions of the Hispanic community! Bishop Cistone will preside at this Mass which will be in Spanish, with the homily in English. A reception with entertainment will follow.

Respect Life Mass & Reception

Date: **Sunday, October 7, 2018**

Presided by: Bishop Joseph Cistone

Time: 5:30 p.m.

Location: Cathedral of Mary of the Assumption

For information: Call 989.797.6652

Bishop Joseph Cistone will celebrate this special Mass which celebrates LIFE from the moment of conception to natural death. This is also an opportunity to gratefully acknowledge the efforts of those committed to the protection and respect of human life and dignity. All are welcome.

The Mass, the Laity and our Mission

Date: **Saturday, October 13, 2018**

Presenter: Father Andy Booms

Time: 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Location: Center for Ministry

Cost: \$37

To register: Visit saginaw.org/events or see registration form inside back cover or call 989.797.6607

Registration deadline: Thursday, October 4, 2018



The Eucharistic celebration is a privileged moment in our lives because the Lord speaks to us and he also becomes present in Sacrament. Join Fr. Andy Booms for an exploration of how, from the liturgy, the Church goes out to the world. Fr. Booms serves as the Pastor of St. Brigid of Kildare Parish in Midland, and is the Director of Priesthood Vocations for the Diocese of Saginaw.

Information Meeting on the Permanent Diaconate Program

Date: **Saturday, October 13, 2018**

Time: 3:00 – 4:00 p.m.

Location: Center for Ministry

Cost: None

To register: Please R.S.V.P. to Dr. Dan Osborn at 989.797.6662 or e-mail: diaconate@dioceseofsaginaw.org



If you believe God might be calling you to serve as a permanent deacon, please consider attending this information meeting to learn more about the Permanent Diaconate Program in the Diocese of Saginaw. Men sensing a call to serve as a permanent deacon are encouraged to contact Dr. Dan Osborn at 989.797.6662 or e-mail: diaconate@dioceseofsaginaw.org.

Lay Ministry Commissioning Mass

Date: **Sunday, October 14, 2018**

Time: 2:30 p.m.

Location: Cathedral of Mary of the Assumption

Bishop Cistone will preside at this annual liturgy when lay ministry candidates are commissioned and missioned—and lay ministers renew their commitments or obtain permanent status. All are welcome!



Holy Hour

Date: **Tuesday, October 16, 2018**

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Location: Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Church, 3516 E. Monroe Rd., Midland

For description: See Wednesday, September 19, 2018 entry



Divorce Recovery Facilitator Training

Dates: **October 16, 23, 30; November 6, 2018**

Presenter: Linda Milco

Location: Diocesan Center, Cardinal Hickey Conference Room

Cost: No cost

To register: contact lmilco@dioceseofsaginaw.org

Registration deadline: Tuesday, October 9, 2018

For information call: 989.797.6660



This series will train parish leaders/ministers (staff or volunteers) to conduct a Divorce Recovery series in their parish or vicariate. Pastor/parish administrator permission is needed to receive this training. Materials will be provided

“Let the Little Children Come to Me”: Remembrance Mass for the Unborn

Date: **Wednesday, October 17, 2018**

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Location: Blessed Trinity Parish, Frankenmuth

For information: Call 989.797.6652

You are invited to attend this special Mass and candle lighting ceremony, in remembrance of babies who have died in their mother’s womb. All parents and families that have suffered the pain of miscarriage and stillbirth, whether the loss was very recent or occurred many years ago, are welcome to attend.

Red Mass

Date: **Thursday, October 18, 2018**

Time: 6:00 p.m.

Location: Cathedral of Mary of the Assumption

The Red Mass is a long standing tradition in the Diocese of Saginaw, in collaboration with the St. Thomas More Society. The Mass is celebrated for the lawyers, judges and other members of the legal profession throughout the diocese.

Catholic Women’s Fellowship

Date: **Thursday, October 18, 2018**

Presenter: Sister Esther Mary Nickel, RSM, Ph.D., S.T.D.

Topic: Women at Prayer

Time: 6:00 p.m. – 8:15 p.m.

Location: Center for Ministry

Cost: Freewill offering

For more information: Visit: womensfellowship.org



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Mass with the Rite of Candidacy for the Permanent Diaconate

Date: **Saturday, October 20, 2018**

Time: 10:00 a.m.

Location: St. Frances Xavier Cabrini Church, 334 Division Street, Vassar



All are welcome to this special Mass when five men will be accepted as candidates for the Permanent Diaconate. If you believe God might be calling you to serve as a permanent deacon in the Diocese of Saginaw, please contact Dr. Dan Osborn at 989.797.6662 or e-mail: diaconate@dioceseofsaginaw.org.

Lay Ministry Assembly

Date: **Friday, November 2 – Sunday, November 4, 2018**

Location: Frankenmuth Bavarian Inn Lodge

Cost: \$145.00 (ends September 1, 2018); \$165.00 (ends October 15, 2018)

To register: Contact Pat Preston at 989.797.6654

Registration deadline: Monday, October 15, 2018



Lay ministers are invited to attend the Diocese of Saginaw's 2018 Lay Ministry Assembly which will take place at Bavarian Inn Lodge, Frankenmuth. This weekend will be a special time for lay ministers from around the diocese to connect, pray together, and receive inspiration from a variety of dynamic presentations and workshops. The keynote speaker is Joe Paprocki.

Diocesan-wide Ministry Enrichment Day

Date: **Saturday, November 3, 2018**

Time: 9:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Location: Frankenmuth Bavarian Inn Lodge

Cost: \$45.00 (includes lunch)

For registration: Contact Pat Preston at 989.797.6654

Registration deadline: Monday October 15, 2018



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November Holy Hour

Date: **Thursday, November 8, 2018**

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Location: Blessed Trinity Church, 958 E. Tuscola St., Frankenmuth

For description: See Wednesday, September 19, 2018 entry

Rachel's Vineyard Weekend Retreat

Date: **Friday, November 16 – Sunday, November 18, 2018**

Time: Call for time

Location: Call for location

A Rachel's Vineyard weekend retreat for spiritual and emotional healing after abortion will be held in Saginaw. The retreat is a confidential and emotionally safe environment for anyone affected by the loss of a child by abortion. For more information, please contact Lori at lbecker@dioceseofsaginaw.org or call 989.797.6652.

Catholic Professionals' Breakfast

Date: **Friday, November 30, 2018**

Presenter: Father Bill Rutkowski

Time: 7:30 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.

Location: Center for Ministry

Cost: \$16

To Register: Visit saginaw.org/events or call 989.797.6607

Registration deadline: Tuesday, November 20, 2018



Catholic professionals are warmly invited to join Father Bill Rutkowski as he explores the ways that Catholic professionals can strive for holiness in their own lives. A hot breakfast will be served, and there will also be time for discussion and questions. Father Rutkowski is the Vicar General of the Diocese of Saginaw and serves as sacramental minister at St. John Vianney Parish in Saginaw.

Biblical Narrative

Date: **Saturday, December 1, 2018**

Presenter: Father Bill Taylor

Location: Center for Ministry

Time: 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. (includes lunch)

Cost: \$37

To register: Visit saginaw.org/events or see registration form inside back cover or call 989.797.6607

Registration deadline: Tuesday, November 20, 2018

For information: Call 989.797.6607



This seminar looks at the literary form called Biblical narrative, which encompasses half the books in the Old Testament as well as the Acts of the Apostles in the New Testament. After reviewing characteristics of biblical narrative and basic principles regarding reading it, we will look at the Joseph narrative in the Book of Genesis, the Book of Jonah, as well as selections from the Books of Kings – to see how these characteristics work out in practice and to reap the spiritual message of these narratives. Participants are requested to read Genesis 37-50 and the Book of Jonah in preparation for this offering. Father Taylor is a senior priest of the Diocese of Saginaw and a long-time instructor in the diocese's lay ministry program.

Misa en Español (Spanish Mass)

Date: **Sunday, December 2, 2018**

Celebrant: Father Christian Tabares

Time: 5:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Location: Blessed Trinity Parish, Frankenmuth

For information: Call 989.797.6646

Please join and the community of Blessed Trinity and Fr. Christian Tabares at a Mass celebrated in Spanish. The Mass will be followed by a potluck dinner.

Novena to Our Lady of Guadalupe

Dates: **Tuesday, December 4 – Wednesday, December 12, 2018**

Time: Varies by location

Location: Parishes throughout the diocese

For information: Contact the Office of Hispanic Ministry at hispanicministry@dioceseofsaginaw.org or call 989.797.6646



December Holy Hour

Date: **Thursday, December 6, 2018**

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Location: Holy Spirit Church, 1035 N. River Rd., Saginaw

For description: See Wednesday, September 19, 2018 entry

The Psalms

Date: **Saturday, January 12, 2019**

Presenter: Father Bill Taylor

Location: Center for Ministry

Time: 9:30 a.m. – 12:00 noon (followed by optional lunch)

Cost: \$11 without lunch; \$21 with lunch

To register: Visit saginaw.org/events or see registration form inside back cover or call 989.797.6607

Registration deadline for those eating lunch: Thursday, January 3, 2019

For information: Call 989.797.6607



Join Father Bill Taylor for a lively exploration of the Psalms. Father Taylor is a senior priest of the Diocese of Saginaw and a long-time instructor in the diocese's lay ministry program.

Marriage Preparation: An Overview of Best Practices and Resources

Date: **Saturday, January 12, 2019**

Presenter: Linda Milco, diocesan Coordinator of Marriage and Family Ministry

Location: Center for Ministry

Time: 1:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. (with an optional lunch at noon)

Cost: \$11 without lunch; \$21 with lunch

To register: Visit saginaw.org/events or see registration form inside back cover or call 989.797.6607

Registration deadline for those eating lunch: Thursday, January 3, 2019

For information: Call 989.797.6607



Are you involved in the ministry of preparing couples for marriage? Join Linda Milco for an overview of best practices and helpful resources for doing "marriage prep" at the parish level. Linda has years of experience in parish work, and currently serves as the diocesan Coordinator of Marriage and Family Ministry.

March for Life

Date: **Thursday, January 17 – Sunday, January 20, 2019**

Location: Washington, DC

Cost: \$270

To register: Visit saginaw.org/youth-ministry/youth-ministry.html

Registration deadline: Friday, December 7, 2018 (or until full)

For information: Contact Pat Preston ppreston@dioceseofsaginaw.org or call 989.797.6654



Each year young people and adults travel from the Diocese of Saginaw to the annual March for Life in Washington DC. We will join hundreds of thousands of people to prayerfully march up Capitol Hill to the Supreme Court to make known our disagreement with the 1973 Roe vs. Wade court decision to legalize abortion. The group also visits national sites and attends Mass at the Basilica of the Immaculate Conception.

Women's Silent Retreat: "Go Deeper with God"

Dates: **Friday, February 1 – Sunday, February 3, 2019**

Retreat leaders: Mary Jo Kerlin, Jean Thiele, and Stacey Trapani

Time: Registration and social begin Friday at 7:00 p.m. with first session at 8:00 p.m.; concludes Sunday at 11:00 a.m.

Location: Center for Ministry

Cost: \$175 private room; \$155 semi-private room (includes four meals and two socials)

To register: Visit saginaw.org/events or see registration form inside back cover or call 989.797.6607

Registration deadline: Thursday, January 24, 2019

For information: Call 989.797.6607

Sponsored by the Center for Ministry Retreat Team

In peaceful silence, you can hear the whisper of the Holy Spirit. Maybe you are being nudged to take part in a silent retreat, where you can put aside your many roles to simply be a child of God. If so, please join us for “Go Deeper with God” – a silent retreat for women. There will be times to journal, express your creativity with art, experience praying in silence, and participate in spiritual direction.

Pilgrimage to Mexico City

Dates: **Saturday, February 23 – Thursday, 28, 2019**

Cost: \$1,975-\$2,350 depending on occupancy

For information: Contact the Office of Hispanic Ministry at hispanicministry@dioceseofsaginaw.org or call 989.797.6646



Join the Vicar for Hispanic Ministry, Fr. Christian Tabares on a pilgrimage to Mexico City. The pilgrimage will include a visit to the beautiful Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe, “The Patroness of the Americas.”

Women’s Day of Recollection: The Martha-Mary Balance of Daily Life

Date: **Saturday, February 23, 2019**

Presenter: Janene Ternes

Time: 9:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Location: Center for Ministry

Cost: \$40 (includes lunch)

To register: Visit saginaw.org/events or see registration form inside back cover or call 989.797.6607

Registration deadline: Thursday, February 14, 2019



The Martha and Mary story in Luke 10:38-42 illustrates the tension we often face between attending to God, as well as the worldly things that still must be accomplished. Join us for this day of recollection utilizing many forms of prayer, including Ignatian reflective prayer, journaling, Lectio Divina, music, and movement prayer, to clarify God’s unique plan for your own balance between prayer and service. Basic movements will be taught which can be done by anyone, regardless of age, experience or physical limitation. Janene Ternes is a spiritual director, retreat director, a supervisor for the Ignatian Spirituality program at Manresa Jesuit Retreat House, and founder of Prayer in Motion, LLC (www.prayer-in-motion.com).

Catholic Professionals' Breakfast

Date: **Friday, March 1, 2019**

Presenter: Dr. Dan Osborn

Time: 7:30 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.

Location: Center for Ministry

Cost: \$16

To Register: Visit saginaw.org/events or see registration form inside back cover or call 989.797.6607

Registration deadline: Thursday, February 21, 2019



Catholic professionals are warmly invited to join Dr. Dan Osborn for an exploration of how to overcome divisions as Catholic Christians, especially in light of the scandals that have been rocking the Church. A hot breakfast will be served, and there will also be time for discussion and questions. **Note: This same presentation was offered at the Nov. 3, 2018 Ministry Enrichment Day in Frankenmuth.** Dr. Dan Osborn serves as Director of the Center for Ministry for the Diocese of Saginaw.

Catholic Women's Fellowship

Date: **Thursday, March 7, 2019**

Presenter: Sister Yvonne Mary Loucks, RSM, Ph.D.

Topic: Humility: A Catholic, Feminine Virtue

Time: 6:00 p.m. – 8:15 p.m.

Location: Center for Ministry

Cost: Freewill offering

For more information: Visit: womensfellowship.org



All women from around the diocese are invited to gather at the Center for Ministry for prayer, faith formation, guest presenters, discussion, and fellowship. No registration needed...just come!

A Day of Marriage Enrichment

Date: **Saturday, March 9, 2019**

Time: 8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Location: Resurrection of the Lord Parish, Standish

Cost: \$ 55 per couple

To register: Contact Linda Milco at lmilco@dioceseofsaginaw.org

Registration deadline: February 25, 2019

For information: call 989.797.6660

A one-day marriage enrichment workshop that will help married couples improve and enhance their relationship. Using an online assessment tool taken prior to the workshop, the day will help couples explore their personality traits, strengthen communications skills, develop tools to reduce unhealthy conflict and reduce stress. The day utilizes large group presentations, group discussion and private couple dialogue. Each couple will receive a personalized report of their relationship. The fee of \$55 includes lunch, online assessment, and materials. The workshop is facilitated by Linda Milco, Coordinator of Marriage and Family Ministry.

Rites of Election

Dates: **Saturday, March 9, 2019** at 7:30 p.m. at Cathedral of Mary of the Assumption, Saginaw

Sunday, March 10, 2019 at 2:30 p.m. at Cathedral of Mary of the Assumption, Saginaw

All are welcome to attend one of the two Rites of Election which take place each year during the first weekend of Lent (*The Rite of Election of Catechumens and the Call to Continuing Conversion* of candidates who are preparing for Confirmation and/or Eucharist, or preparing for reception into the full communion of the Catholic Church)..

Faith Formation & Youth Ministry Leaders' Round Table

Date: **Thursday, March 14, 2019**

Presenters: Multiple

Time: 9:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. (all are also welcome to join in the diocesan staff Mass at 8:45 a.m.)

Location: Center for Ministry

Cost: \$15 (includes lunch)

To register: Visit saginaw.org/catechesis/office-of-catechesis.html as the event draws near **Registration deadline:** Thursday, March 1, 2017

For Information: Contact Peg McEvoy at pmcevoy@dioceseofsaginaw.org or 989.797.6608

This is an opportunity to gather parish faith formation leaders and youth ministers from around the diocese to share their best practices utilizing an informal round table presentation format. Participants will be able

to choose three presentations throughout the course of the event. Prayer, lunch and opportunities for fellowship will all be included in the day.

Vocations Day for 10th Grade Students

Date: **Friday, March 15, 2019**

Time: 8:00 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.

Location: Center for Ministry

Cost: Free to all who attend (lunch provided)

To register: Contact Pat Preston at ppreston@dioceseofsaginaw.org or call 989.797.6654

Registration deadline: Thursday, March 7, 2019

For more information: Contact Father Andy Booms at frandyb@gmail.com

The Diocese of Saginaw hosts an annual Vocation Day for 10th grade students. The event helps teens learn more about what a vocation to priesthood, religious life, and holy matrimony is about, and how to begin a path of listening for God's call. 10th grade students from around the diocese participate in the day's event, which is sponsored by the Vocations Office.

Lenten Mini-Retreat: The Spirituality of the Martyrs in Everyday Life

Dates: **Friday, March 15 - Saturday, March 16, 2019**

Retreat leader: Dr. Katherine Milco

Time: Check-in begins Friday at 6:30 p.m. with first session at 7:30 p.m.; concludes Saturday at 3:00 p.m.

Location: Center for Ministry

Cost: \$58 for commuters (includes Saturday lunch); \$98 for lodgers (includes private lodging, continental breakfast, and lunch on Saturday).

To register: Visit saginaw.org/events or see registration form inside back cover or call 989.797.6607

Registration deadline: Thursday, March 7, 2019

For information: Call 989.797.6607



Join Dr. Katherine Milco for a unique mini-retreat on how the spirituality of the martyrs can enrich our daily lives as Christians. Dr. Katherine Milco is a native of Saginaw who graduated from Marquette University with a triple major in Classical Languages, Theology, and Philosophy. She went on to receive her Ph.D. from the University of Chicago after completing a dissertation on the great early martyrs, Saints Perpetua and Felicity. She served as an Adjunct Instructor at Marquette from 2007 to 2017, and now teaches Religious Studies and History at UW-Milwaukee. Dr. Milco has presented on the topic of martyrs internationally, most recently in Egypt.

Diocesan Middle School Retreat Day

Date: **Saturday, March 16, 2019**

Time: TBD

Location: Sacred Heart Church, Mount Pleasant

Cost: TBD

To register: Registration forms will be posted at saginaw.org or contact Pat Preston at 989.797.6654 or formation@dioceseofsaginaw.org

Registration deadline: TBD

For information: Contact Mark Graveline at mgraveline@dioceseofsaginaw.org or call 989.797.6639

This retreat day will give middle-schoolers (grades 6 – 8) the opportunity to experience Jesus in a special way during Lent.

Marriage Preparation Workshop

Date: **Saturday, March 23, 2019**

Presenters: Marriage Preparation Team

Time: 9:00 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.

Location: Center for Ministry

Cost: \$85 (includes lunch)

To register: contact lmilco@dioceseofsaginaw.org

Registration deadline; 10 days prior to date of workshop

For information: call 989.797.6660

A one-day workshop for couples preparing for the Sacrament of Marriage. Topics include: marriage as a sacrament, communication, conflict resolution, marital intimacy, family of origin, marital spirituality. Workshop is conducted by a team of professionals and married couples.

Lenten Retreat: Jesus – the Way of Beauty

Retreat leaders: Jenny Klement (with LeAnne Osborn and Dr. Dan Osborn)

Dates: **Friday, March 29 – Sunday, March 31, 2019**

Time: Registration and social begin Friday at 6:00 p.m. with first session at 7:30 p.m.; concludes Sunday at 11:00 a.m.

Location: Center for Ministry

Cost: \$165 semi-private room; \$180 private room (includes four meals and two receptions); \$95 for commuters (includes lunch and dinner on Saturday)

To register: Visit saginaw.org/events or see registration form inside back cover or call 989.797.6607

Registration deadline: Thursday, March 21, 2019

For information: Call 989.797.6607



All women and men are invited to this three-day retreat which will help us grow in intimacy with Christ through an experience of music, art, literature, and the Saints. Jenny Klement is a Catholic recording artist who has led retreats and performed her music throughout the United States. A singer and songwriter whose music has been featured on national television, she has released two music CDs entitled "Reflection" and "Grace is Falling." She is also the creator and founder of the Mother's Prayer Companion. LeAnne Osborn has a Master's degree in theology from St. Charles Borromeo Seminary and is a trained leader in Ignatian spirituality. With his background in literature, theology and Catholic spirituality, Dr. Dan Osborn has led retreats around the globe; he serves as Director of the Center for Ministry.

Catholic Professionals' Breakfast

Date: **Friday, April 5, 2019**

Presenter: Father Bert Gohm

Time: 7:30 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.

Location: Center for Ministry

Cost: \$16

To Register: Visit saginaw.org/events or see registration form inside back cover or call 989.797.6607

Registration deadline: Thursday, March 28, 2019



Catholic professionals are warmly invited to join Fr. Bert Gohm in exploring concrete ways to grow in our ability to forgive others and receive God's forgiveness. A hot breakfast will be served, and there will also be time for discussion and questions. Fr. Gohm is a senior priest of the Diocese of Saginaw, and currently serves as a sacramental minister at St. Agnes Parish in Freeland.

2019 Saginaw Catholic Men's Conference

Date: **Saturday April 6, 2019**

Keynote speaker: Father Don Calloway, MIC

Time: 7:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Location: Holy Spirit Parish, 1035 North River Road, Shields

Cost: \$25 for advance registration; \$30 if paid at the door (lunch included); free admission for priests, Religious, and those under 21

To register: Take advantage of early registration via this link and save \$5:

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/2019-saginaw-catholic-mens-conference-tickets-45366833420>

(Early Registration and discounted pricing end on March 26, 2019. Walk-up Registration begins at 7:15 a.m. on the day of the event)

For more information: Visit www.thecatholicmen.com

Men of the diocese are invited to attend the annual men's conference, featuring Father Don Calloway, a dynamic national presenter, who is a member of the Congregation of Marian Fathers of the Immaculate Conception of the Most Blessed Virgin Mary. Presented by the Catholic Men's Fellowship of Saginaw.

Catholic Women's Fellowship

Date: **Thursday, April 11, 2019**

Presenter: Sister Mary Judith O'Brien, RSM, JD, JCD

Topic: Living Humbly in Everyday Choices

Time: 6:00 p.m. – 8:15 p.m.

Location: Center for Ministry

Cost: Freewill offering

For more information: Visit: womensfellowship.org



All women from around the diocese are invited to gather at the Center for Ministry for prayer, faith formation, guest presenters, discussion, and fellowship. No registration needed...just come!

Moved by Ancient Voices

Date: **Saturday, April 13, 2019**

Presenters: Dr. Jeffrey Lehman; Dr. Toby Long; Mr. Daniel Cannon

Time: 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Location: Center for Ministry

Cost: \$37

To Register: Visit saginaw.org/events or see registration form inside back cover or call 989.797.6607

Registration deadline: Thursday, April 4, 2019



Don't miss this chance to hear the remarkable personal testimonies of three Christians who recently came into full communion with the Catholic Church because of the impact that Scripture and the writings of Church Fathers had on their lives. They will also share reflections on some specific passages that have had a powerful influence on their journeys of faith. Dr. Jeffrey Lehman teaches at Hillsdale College; Dr. Toby Long is a medical doctor in Saginaw who previously attended seminary at Princeton, where he won an award for preaching; Mr. Daniel Cannon serves as Pastoral Administrator at the Cathedral of St. Mary of the Assumption in Saginaw.

An Evening of Enrichment for Spiritual Directors

Date: **Thursday, May 2, 2019**

Presenter: Mary Schaffner

Time: 6:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Location: Center for Ministry



Cost: \$16

To register: See Registration form inside the back page or call 989.797.6607

Registration deadline: Monday, April 30, 2019

Mary Schaffner, Associate Director of Spirituality Ministries of Our Lady of Fatima Retreat House in Indianapolis, is returning to the Diocese of Saginaw to offer another evening of enrichment for spiritual directors. She will not only share insights from her training at Creighton University (where she received a Graduate Certificate of Spiritual Direction and Silent Directed Retreats from Creighton's Christian Spirituality Program), but she will also draw from her own rich experience as a spiritual director.

The New Evangelization Summit

Presenters: Multiple

Date: **Saturday, May 4, 2019**

Time: To be announced

Locations: Multiple sites throughout the diocese (to be announced)

Cost: To be announced

To register: Visit www.newevangelization.ca as the event draws near

For information: Contact Peg McEvoy at pmcevoy@dioceseofsaginaw.org or call 989.797.6608

Please visit saginaw.org/events for updates on locations in the Diocese of Saginaw



This annual conference brings together speakers who are leaders in evangelization to provide inspiration, encouragement, practical wisdom, and resources on how Catholics can effectively evangelize. The Summit will again be held in Ottawa, Canada and live-streamed via the internet to host sites across North America, including several parishes in the Diocese of Saginaw.

An Evening of Reflection for Befrienders and Pastoral Care Ministers

Date: **Wednesday, May 8, 2019**

Time: 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

Location: Center for Ministry

Cost: \$10 per person

To register: visit Saginaw.org/events or call 989.797.6646

Registration deadline: Wednesday, May 1, 2019

For information: Call 989.797.6646

All pastoral care ministers, grief facilitators, Befrienders and all those that visit the sick and homebound are welcome to join in an evening of prayer/reflection to affirm individual gifts and enhance these vital ministries.

A Day of Grace & Gratitude

Date: **Wednesday, May 15, 2019**

Time: 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Location: Center for Ministry

Cost: No charge (includes lunch)

Registration deadline: Wednesday, May 9, 2019

For information and to register: Contact Peg McEvoy at pmcevoy@dioceseofsaginaw.org or call 989.797.6608

This is an end-of-the-program-year celebration to recognize and thank our parish faith formation leaders and youth ministers. We will gather for prayer followed by a short presentation and lunch. There is no cost to the faith formation leaders/youth ministers for this celebration.

Encountering Mary: A Virtual Pilgrimage to Fatima

Date: **Saturday, May 18, 2019**

Presenter: Father Bill Rutkowski

Location: Center for Ministry

Time: 9:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. (followed by optional lunch)

Cost: \$11 without lunch; \$21 with lunch

To register: Visit saginaw.org/events or see registration form inside back cover or call 989.797.6607

Registration deadline for those eating lunch: Thursday, May 9, 2019

For information: Call 989.797.6607



May is the month of Mary – a perfect time to join Father Bill Rutkowski in an exploration of Marian spirituality as he leads participants through a virtual pilgrimage of Fatima. Fr. Rutkowski is the Vicar General of the Diocese of Saginaw and serves as sacramental minister at St. John Vianney Parish in Saginaw.

Pastoral Care 102 Workshop “End of Life Care & Support”

Date: **Wednesday, May 22, 2019**

Time: 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Location: Center for Ministry

Cost: \$15 (includes lunch and materials)

To register: visit Saginaw.org/events or call 989.797.6646

Registration deadline: Wednesday, May 15, 2019

For information: Call 989.797.6646

Caring for individuals at the end of their lives requires a special understanding of needs, grieving and loss as well as the unique concerns of the family. Pastoral Care 102 is the second workshop in the series of Pastoral Care Training and will focus on providing spiritual care to the dying, a deeper understanding of caregiver self-care and of hospice and palliative care. A certificate of completion will be given to all those attending. All those who visit the sick, elderly and homebound are encouraged to attend.

A Walk through the History of Liturgy

Date: **Saturday, June 15, 2019**

Presenter: Sister Esther Mary Nickel, R.S.M., Ph.D., S.L.D.

Time: 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Location: Center for Ministry

Cost: \$37

To register: Visit saginaw.org/events or see registration form inside back cover or call 989.797.6607

Registration deadline: Thursday, June 6, 2019



For centuries we have taught that "as we worship, so we believe, and so we live." Join Sr. Esther Mary Nickel for an exploration of key moments in the history of Catholic liturgical celebrations of the Mass, the Sacraments and the devotional life of the Church. This seminar will help us appreciate how faith leads us to a fervent worship of God, which becomes fruitful through a greater love and concern for our neighbor. Sr. Nickel is a member of the Religious Sisters of Mercy of Alma, and holds a doctoral degree in Sacred Liturgy from the Pontifical Atheneum of St. Anselm, Rome. She previously taught at Saint John Vianney Theological Seminary in Denver, Colorado and currently serves as Associate to the Director of the Office of Liturgy in the Diocese of Saginaw.

Myers-Briggs Personality Type Workshop

Date: **Saturday, June 22, 2019**

Facilitator: Kellie Deming

Time: 8:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. (lunch is not included)

Location: Center for Ministry

Cost: \$25 (includes workshop, MBTI results, and materials)

To register: Visit saginaw.org/events or see registration form inside back cover or call 989.797.6607

For information: Contact Kellie Deming at kdeming@dioceseofsaginaw.org or call 989.797.6609



The Myers-Briggs Type Indicator is an excellent and well-developed means for understanding oneself and others. It serves as an excellent tool for understanding your own preferences as well as appreciating the differences you encounter in your interactions with others. This workshop will focus on the study of the Myers-Briggs tool with an emphasis on understanding your own profile and how it applies to your life, work and ministry. Understanding and applying the MBTI enhances your understanding, your motivations, your natural strengths, and your potential areas for growth. It will also help you understand and deal more effectively with others whose preferences and profiles differ from yours.

Youth Encounter Service (Y.E.S.)

Dates: **Sunday, June 23 – Friday, June 28, 2019**

Time: Sunday at 5:00 p.m. – Friday at 5:00 p.m.

Location: Various locations in Saginaw

Cost: \$135

To register: Registration forms will be posted after March 1, 2019 at:

www.saginaw.org/youth-ministry/youth-ministry.html

Deadline to register: Friday, May 17, 2019

For Information: Contact Pat Preston at ppreston@dioceseofsaginaw.org or call 989.797.6654



Catholic high school youth from around the diocese are invited to learn about and fight poverty, while reaching out to the people of Saginaw. Teams work together daily at residential homes and at various outreach agencies. Projects may include painting and helping with general repairs. Evenings will offer games, learning about Catholic Social Teachings, and fellowship.

Summer Youth Gathering

Date and time: TBD

Location: Sacred Heart Church, Gladwin

Cost: \$20

To register: Contact Pat Preston at ppreston@dioceseofsaginaw.org or call 989.797.6654

For information: Contact Mark Graveline at mgraveline@dioceseofsaginaw.org or 989.797.6639

Youth from across the Diocese of Saginaw and the Archdiocese of Detroit will spend a day canoeing, kayaking, and tubing down the Cedar River in Gladwin. Lunch and dinner will be provided.

Marriage Preparation Workshop

Date: **Saturday, July 20, 2019**

Presenters: Marriage Preparation Team

Time: 9:00 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.

Location: Center for Ministry

Cost: \$85 (includes lunch)

To register: Contact lmilco@dioceseofsaginaw.org

Registration deadline: 10 days prior to date of workshop

For information: Call 989.797.6660

A one-day workshop for couples preparing for the Sacrament of Marriage. Topics include: marriage as a sacrament, communication, conflict resolution, marital intimacy, family of origin, marital spirituality. Workshop is conducted by a team of professionals and married couples.

The St. John's Bible: The Art of Writing a Complete Bible by Hand

Presenter: Father José Cabrera
Date: **Monday, August 19, 2019**
Time: 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.
Location: Center for Ministry
Cost: \$11



To register: Visit saginaw.org/events or see registration form inside back cover or call 989.797.6607

Registration deadline: Thursday, August 15, 2019

For information: Call 989.797.6607

Join Father José Cabrera for an engaging exploration of the St. John's Bible – a truly unique edition of Sacred Scripture and a true masterpiece of art. The St. John's Bible is a modern English version of the Bible made with the same calligraphy techniques from 500 years ago – the age before the printing press was invented by Gutenberg. It is the most recently completed handwritten Bible in existence. Father José earned his Licentiate in Biblical Theology at the Pontifical Gregorian University. He currently serves as the pastor of All Saints Parish in Bay City.

POLICIES FOR GENERAL ENRICHMENT OPPORTUNITIES AND RETREATS

General Information

Three-day retreats usually begin with CHECK-IN and a reception between 6:00 – 7:30 p.m., unless otherwise noted. First session begins on Friday at 7:30 p.m.; retreats conclude on Sunday at 11:00 a.m.

Retreat & Enrichment Opportunities Payment Policy

Three-day retreats: Advanced registration with a \$75 non-refundable deposit is required to secure your place; balance is due at the time of the retreat.

Enrichment Opportunities, Days of Recollection and Mini-Retreats: Advanced registration **with full payment** is required to secure your place.

Note: We believe that finances should not prevent anyone from attending a retreat. If you would like to attend a retreat but cannot afford the full cost, please let us know. It would be our privilege to help you.

Retreat & Enrichment Opportunities Cancellation/Refund Policy

Cancellation notice received at least one week before the event: 80% refund (excluding non-refundable deposits); cancellation notice received less than one week before the event: no refund. If the event is canceled by the Director of the Center for Ministry, a full refund will be given.

Space is limited! Please register at least two weeks prior to a retreat or enrichment opportunity in order to avoid cancellations due to low enrollment.



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