

COMMUNITY UPDATE – JUNE 26, 2024

DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR – UPCOMING EVENTS

August 10, 2024:	SSDCA Picnic, Al Lorenz Park, Mt. Morris
September 6-8, 2024:	Annual SSDCA Retreat, Notre Dame Retreat House, Canandaigua
October 1, 2024:	Continuing Formation Report due for 7/1/23-6/30/24
October 26, 2024:	Phoebe's Friends Retreat, Padre Pio Chapel, Gates
September 5-7, 2025:	Annual SSDCA Retreat, Notre Dame Retreat House, Canandaigua

Please see below some **important information** from the SSDCA leadership group regarding upcoming community events!

The **SSDCA Picnic** is scheduled for **Saturday, August 10, 2024** at **Al Lorenz Park in Mt. Morris**. Children and grandchildren are welcome, so if you can bring some games that would be appreciated; bubbles and coloring books/crayons will be provided. There are trails to a playground, and there's also "catch-and-release" fishing. **To assist with logistics in the preparation of supplies and food, kindly advise of your plans to attend and willingness to bring a dish to pass no later than July 15, 2024 by emailing Dcn Rick Rall at richard.rall@dor.org or Bernadette Rall at bernadette.rall812@gmail.com.**

The **Annual SSDCA Retreat** is scheduled for **Friday, September 6 -Sunday, September 8, 2024** at **Notre Dame Retreat House, Canandaigua**. The retreat master is Father Bob Werth from St. Frances Xavier Cabrini Parish, Rochester. There is a need for assistance in the following areas:

- Assist with registration, check-in, hospitality
- Assist with music
- Assist with liturgy (Holy Mass, Liturgy of the Hours)

It is anticipated that the Zawacki Award will be presented at the retreat. **If you can assist with this retreat, kindly advise Dcn Lon Smith by email, lon.smith@dor.org, no later than July 15, 2024.**

There is a **Phoebe's Friends retreat** scheduled for **Saturday, October 26, 2024** from 9:00am-3:00pm at the **Padre Pio Chapel, Gates**. The theme is "*Aging with Grace*," and the presenter is Dr. Angela Kristan. The retreat will include prayer, presentations, lunch, and a service project, and the cost will be \$20.00/person. Additional details will follow from Phoebe's Friends. Please reach out to Bernadette Rall (bernadette.rall812@gmail.com) or Rose Marie Lombard (rmlomb43@gmail.com) with any questions.

We are looking to update the photos in the *Deacon Directory*, many of which go back quite a way. This will give our community a chance to update photos, and it will also be a good resource for the new bishop, once he's been named and is on board, to put names with faces. And no, there has been no announcement about a new bishop! We're just thinking ahead.... Some new photos were taken at the Convocation at Notre Dame Retreat House in March, and there will be another opportunity in September at the Annual SSDCA Retreat to update photographs with those who attend, but in the meantime please feel free to submit your own photos and we'll make the additions to the *Deacon Directory* as they come in. Head shots work the best, so it would be appreciated if you would send in your photographs to me by email at edward.giblin@dor.org. At the Convocation there were some solo shots taken, so now's the chance to replace that with a couple photo. It would be nice to update as many photos of our community as possible, so please consider taking a new head shot and sending it along. Thanks for your consideration, and for being good sports at the Convocation as we began the process of collecting new photos. As a reminder, please remember to let this office know of any changes in address, telephone number(s), or email address(es) so that the *Deacon Directory* and records here are accurate. Every so often we get an email or letter returned or come across a phone number that's no longer in service.

Kindly be reminded of Bishop Matano's May 28, 2024, memorandum to clergy regarding the new ritual edition for *Holy Communion and Worship of the Eucharistic Mystery outside Mass*, noting the optional and obligatory dates for use of the new edition.

Thank you for your consideration and support of the community and thank you for your ongoing ministry at the parishes and apostolates in which you serve. Have a safe and enjoyable Summer, with time for relaxation and smooth travel if you're on the road, in the air, or on the water!