

December 2016 CAVA UPDATE

CAVA Updates are available from the Members page – click on CAVA Updates/Newsletters or go directly to: <http://www.vocationscava.org/memberslogin/cava-newslettersupdates/> - you will need your password!

CAVA Advent Retreat/Christmas Celebration – Dec 13 **Register by DECEMBER 6!**

CLICK on the link below to REGISTER NOW

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfLvVkyYqqwHqLr5UsfeXcMGlv_jD1_1hv-zK1JXGCX0f2pw/viewform

Office for Religious Computer System Upgrade and Other Changes – Transition Time

The Pastoral Centers are currently undergoing computer system upgrade and major changes in our email and document storage systems. The system transition is causing some backlogs in our operations. I am trying my best to keep up while learning the new systems, but if there's a significant delay in my response to your requests or queries, I ask for your patience and understanding. (Sr. Lovina)

ATTN: All CAVA Members

Help Us Help Them (Response Requested by Feb. 1)

The CAVA VAPS Committee is compiling a list of good resources to help middle school kids and teens learn more about religious vocations. As we go to parishes, schools and events, we would like to leave those we encounter with a way to investigate and learn more. The idea is to keep the conversation going and allow them to explore the desire that God is placing within them to pursue their vocation. If you know of any good websites, blogs, resources, books, pamphlets, etc. on discernment or general information on religious orders or about being a sister, brother or priest, please email Fr. Mike Scherschel at fr.mike@cometojoseph.org by February 1. We'd like to put together an on-line landing page with resources that can help.

Calling for Book Recommendations, Articles and “Ministry in Action” photos
Please send in book titles (*with full information and if possible your review or description and relevance to vocation ministry*), articles, resources and photos for our CAVA Resource Bank to be used for our Newsletters and Website features.

Do you have best practices tips? Can you give a brief report about a CAVA event? Prayers? What about website links to useful resources including those in Spanish or Polish?
Email to vocationscava@gmail.com

Do you have a Vocation Event? Use “Submit an Event” Online Form!

If you have a discernment opportunity to advertise on our website and Facebook page, please fill out the online form.

1. Go to our CAVA website MEMBER PAGE (save this URL on your FAVORITES file)

<http://www.vocationscava.org/memberslogin/>

2. What's that password again? Avemarie

3. Scroll down to look for the "Submit an Event" button and fill out the online form. You can even attach a photo, pdf or other files.

OR save this URL in your FAVORITES folder:

<http://www.vocationscava.org/submit-an-event-form/>

NRVC Convocation DVD and Audio Resources

Digital audio from the 2016 NRVC Convocation have been purchased and are accessible at:

https://www.dropbox.com/sh/5ud79hy342tmuqj/AACsTAz9HbzLj0_n4U-Gq0_La?dl=0

Hands-ON+Hearts-IN – for Women’s Communities

Discernment through outreach service for single women

The 2017 dates and sign up information can be found on the Hands-ON+Hearts-IN page on the CAVA website: <http://www.vocationscava.org/hands-on-hearts/> *Please help spread the word by posting the promo ad to your websites and Facebook pages.*

Chicago’s Got Sisters – for Women’s communities

March 31-April 1, 2017 is the next Chicago’s Got Sisters weekend. [Click here](#) to download flyers and brochures to spread the word. Interested in being a part of CGS? Host the group for a meal, be on the panel, be a driver.... Complete the CGS community registration form that can be found below. For questions contact sistertheresa.sullivan@doc.org. [Spring 2017 Chicago’s Got Sisters Community Participation Form](#)

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Save the Date: April 6-7, 2017

Conference on priesthood in Religious Life offered by the Center for the Study of Consecrated Life at Catholic Theological Union. For more info visit: <http://www.ctuconsecratedlife.org/events/>

CALENDAR

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| Dec 6, 2016 | Communications Meeting (9:30 to 11:00 am) Conference Call |
| Dec 13, 2016 | CAVA Advent Reflection/Christmas Celebration |
| Jan 29, 2017 | Consecrated Life Day with Cardinal Cupich |

The CAVA Annual Calendar that shows dates for the entire CAVA organization is on the website: <http://www.vocationscava.org/memberslogin/cava-members-calendar/>

Please let Sr. Lovina know of any changes in your department or staff or CAVA membership: Email cava@archchicago.org.

Do you know of other events relevant to CAVA ministry? Please send Sr. Lovina any pertinent information and date(s) at cava@archchicago.org – thank you!

Please “LIKE” our CAVA Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/VocationsCAVA/> and please develop the habit of liking and better still, **sharing** CAVA posts to your own profile page!

Submit Your Vocation Discernment Event or Visit Opportunity

If you have an event you wish to advertise, please [click here](#).

Your feedback is important. Please feel free to email cava@archchicago.org if you have any suggestions, ideas or ways you can help to improve how things are communicated to CAVA members!
