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**Chicago's Got Sisters Spring 2016**

The next **Chicago's Got Sisters** is **April 15-16**. If your community would like to participate, please complete the attached community registration form by Friday, Feb 5 and email it to Sr. Michelle Vincent Fisher.

Forms can be e-mailed to: [sorellamichele@aol.com](mailto:sorellamichele@aol.com) or may be faxed to: [847-803-1941](tel:847-803-1941).

Secondly, we need everybody's help in spreading the word. Please share attached flyer and bulletin insert with your discerners, parishes, young adult groups, colleges. In addition to the above attachments, you can go to the CAVA website and look for the Chicago's Got Sisters section <http://www.vocationscava.org/vocation-awareness-events/> to download the brochure.

If you have any questions contact Sr. Michelle or myself. Good news, there are already two people signed up! - Sr. Theresa Sullivan, D.C.

**World Youth Day Chicago 2016 – Get involved and/or Donate!**

WYD Chicago is July 30-31 (starts 5:00 p.m. Saturday through midday Sunday ending with Mass and dinner) at Our Lady of Guadalupe Shrine. Registration is coming soon for participants and Exhibitors. In the meantime, get into the action by getting involved with planning and participating or supporting through monetary and in-kind donations. Please read the attached letter from Darius Villalobos, Director of Young Adult Ministry.

**Catholics on Call 2016 Online Retreat**

This year's **Online Retreat 2016** features some reflections by Steve Bevans, SVD. We invite you to reflect on the Holy Spirit, that Spirit of gentleness and restlessness Who moves over the waters of our sometimes messy and chaotic lives, stirring up the thirsts of the world and calling us to join, as Christians, to help slake those thirsts. <http://www.catholicsoncall.org/online-retreat-2016-world%E2%80%99s-thirsts-and-our-response>

**CHA -Hear Us Heal Us Campaign**

Share a prayer, Use a Shared Prayer – a very handy resource!

Visit <https://www.chausa.org/prayers/hear-us-heal-us> and see attached PDF for details and how to participate.

**Year of Consecrated Life Closing Liturgy January 24, 2016**

Roughly 500 consecrated men and women gathered at the Holy Name Cathedral this past Sunday to celebrate with Archbishop Blase Cupich the closing of the Year of Consecrated Life in Chicago. (The

international closing celebration is February 2). This event takes the place of the annual Celebration of Consecrated Life Day. More details will be posted on the Office for Religious website at a later date. A video feature of the event will be released through the Office for Radio and TV and an article will be included in the Catholic New World.

**SAVE the DATE: April 1, 2016 Archbishop Meeting with Leadership**

This year, Brother Paul Bednarczyck, C.S.C. will be the presenter in the morning session of the meeting. A request for the Leadership teams of communities to invite community vocation ministers will be made. Please save this date on your calendar so you know that an invitation with details from your leadership to attend this meeting is coming soon!

**Save the Date: April 7, 2016**

The Lay Ecclesial Ministry Office will be offering a workshop that will include topics on mental health. As a courtesy and in collaboration with CAVA, our members are invited to this workshop. A minimal fee will be asked to cover the meal. This will be held at Quigley Center. Details to follow.

**Upcoming Events**

Here I Am Lord Conference March 3-6, 2016

<http://www.stpatrickparish.org/get-connected/youth-ministry/here-i-am-lord/religious-community-information/>

**Submit Your Community Discernment Opportunities**

Suzanne Petrouski (Communications Committee Chair) and Saul Garcia (CAVA Webmaster) are happy to post your events. WE are currently developing an online form, but in the meantime, please email them to [VocationsCAVA@gmail.com](mailto:VocationsCAVA@gmail.com)

**Submit your In-Kind Service Hours/Donation**

Online Form:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1JcNslcm11CYUnbO8heNb21JcXA2cSGkmvU846pvzEm8/viewform>

If you need the Excel Form, go to: <http://www.vocationscava.org/membersonly/toolkit-for-cava-members/>

(You'll need the password).

***Send Sr. Lovina any special events going on with you or your community: [cava@archchicago.org](mailto:cava@archchicago.org)***

May Christ's peace be with you!