



CHICAGO ARCHDIOCESAN VOCATION ASSOCIATION June 2017 CAVA MONTHLY 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!

Membership Interviews

To assess the unique situations among CAVA members several CAVA Advisory Board members will be phoning you during the next few weeks before our July 26 meeting. This interview process is part of the ongoing efforts to support membership and optimize CAVA operations. We ask for your openness and appreciate your time and patience!

End of Year Happenings

About 29 people came together for CAVA's end of year gathering on May 23. The 2016-2017 ministry year was reviewed and a group process yielded a list of priorities for CAVA 2017-2018 ministry year. We celebrated those celebrating jubilees, welcomed incoming members, and said farewell and sent off those who are transitioning into new ventures.

We thank Sr. Marie Mason and Sr. Theresa Sullivan for their various leadership roles for CAVA including serving on the Advisory Board. We also thank Fr. Francis Bitterman and wish him the best as he transitions as a new pastor as of July 1. Fr. Tim Monahan will be coming to CASA Jesus July 1 as the new Vocation Director for the archdiocese.

Fr. Mike Scherschel will also begin his ministry as a new pastor July 1 and he will continue to serve on the Advisory Board this coming year. As his replacement at St. Joseph College, we are gaining another member – Fr. Mark Augustine, especially for VAPS committee.

Reminder that registration for 2017-2018 Ministry year is July 1

Just a quick reminder that our new ministry year begins July 1. Registration will open at that time. Details will be on the next monthly update.

Vocation Voices - Featured on our website this month is Sr. Theresa Sullivan, DOC. You can find the link at the bottom of our website home page or go directly to: <http://www.vocationscava.org/vocation-voices/> or see [www.vocationscava.org/homepage/bottom section](http://www.vocationscava.org/homepage/bottom-section)).

Upcoming Dates

June 12, 2017
Communications
Committee

[Conference Call Meeting](#)

*ACE Discernment Day
July 23, 2017*

*July 26, 2017 – Board
Meeting*

Aug 30, 2017

CAVA OPENING GATHERING
(Franciscan Sisters of the
Sacred Heart, Frankfort, IL)

Sep 21-22, 2017
Catholics on Call

[Partner Conference \(CTU\)](#)

Chicago's Got Sisters
Oct 13-14, 2017

Oct 20 | Oct 21
Holy Fire

www.formedcatholic.com

Nov 16 – 18
NCYC

www.nfcym.org/ncyc1/

ATTN: Women CAVA Members
Companions for Hands-ON+Hearts-IN NEEDED!

August 28-September 1, 2017 and September 18-22, 2017
For the whole week or part of the time

Where: Holly Springs, Mississippi (Lodging at Sacred Heart Southern Missions volunteer house)

Program Description: Visit <http://www.vocationscava.org/hands-on-hearts/>

For more details, contact: Sr. Sharon Glumb, SLW sglumb@slw.org; 847-577-5972 ext. 233 (work); 601-291-6738 (cell).

Hands-ON+Hearts-IN is a vocation discernment program initiated by the Sisters of the Living Word in collaboration with the Chicago Archdiocesan Vocation Association (CAVA) and Sacred Heart Southern Missions.

Plan ahead to participate in 2018. Those dates are May 7-11, 2018, May 21-25, 2018, August 20-24 and September 10-14, 2018. Travel days are the Sunday before and Saturday following. If you can come for the whole week or even part of the week contact Sr. Sharon Glumb, SLW

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Safe Environment – Protecting God’s Children

CAVA members are considered volunteers in the Archdiocese of Chicago. To make sure you are compliant to the policies of the Archdiocese, please visit the Office for the Protection of Children and Youth (OPCY) http://legacy.archchicago.org/departments/o_protection/ComplianceGuidelinesChartFall2016English.pdf

Mail or email Sr. Lovina a copy of your Virtus certificate, CANTS form and signed Code of Conduct. Outside Chicago, please send a certificate equivalent to the Virtus Protecting God’s Children certificate.

Website and VAPS Materials Needed

Please email Lpammit@archchicago.org if you can contribute the following:

- Lesson plans and presentation materials or links to materials for use in classroom and parish presentations
- Articles for discernment, discernment helps, advice/answers to FAQs (frequently asked questions from discerners)
- Prayers for discerners to use or for school and parish visits
- Book recommendations (title, author, link where to buy, ISBN number, etc.) and review if possible.
- Ministry in action – photo of you and CAVA members in action with caption and article on the event
- Video links to vocation stories

If you know of a youth or young adult event in which CAVA members can participate or be present, please email Lpammit@archchicago.org.

Do you have a Vocation Event? Click on this “[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. How to access this link the “long” way:

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/>

Please let Sr. Lovina know of any changes in your department or staff or CAVA membership:

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

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

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