



## CHICAGO ARCHDIOCESAN VOCATION ASSOCIATION May 2017 CAVA MONTHLY UPDATE

Noticed the new logo for the Archdiocese of Chicago? Beginning 2017, the Archdiocese of Chicago launched a new design for all Archdiocesan communications including its website – check it out: <https://www.archchicago.org/>

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!

### **REGISTER NOW: MAY 23 CAVA End of Ministry Year Gathering**

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScEZgGr7Ekm19RBUGiMwITUj5ex0gaieml8LYPIBaE6hU2jA/viewform> *Please make sure you click “Submit” when done.*

### **CAVA END OF YEAR SURVEY – ACTION NEEDED by May 17!**

As part of our ongoing strategic planning, your input is needed in this end of year participation survey that will help us identify various needs or challenges and also realize what we have accomplished which will hopefully encourage and motivate us anew. Click on this link to access the survey: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/YXT5Y7C>

*Please make sure you click “Done” once finished.*

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

**August 28-September 1, 2017**

**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](mailto: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 [sglumb@slw.org](mailto:sglumb@slw.org); 847-577-5972 ext. 233 (work); 601-291-6738 (cell).

## **Catholics on Call Summer Conference for Young Adults Canceled**

The August young adult conference has been canceled. If you recall, Paola Tai was reassigned to Vancouver by her Focolare community. Please pray for the CTU staff as they go through some transitions at this time.

Please note that there will still be a Partner Conference on September 21-22, 2017 at CTU.

Plans are underway for NRVC Midwest Region meeting at CTU before the September CoC Partner Conference. Stand by for more announcements!

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## **Religious Brothers Day Featured on the CAVA website in May**

In honor of Religious Brothers' Day, a webpage has been created on our CAVA website: <http://www.vocationscava.org/religious-brothers-day/> with information about this event. Br. Alan Parham, FSC and Br. Jim McDonald, CSC are also featured on that page.

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## **Evening of prayer and fellowship for Consecrated Men and Women – May 12**

The Franciscans of the Eucharist invite you to a gathering on Friday, May 12 @ 5:30 PM at Mission of Our Lady of the Angels (3800 W. Iowa, Chicago, 60651). Holy Hour with evening prayer followed by dinner. RSVP to: [sbaliga2@gmail.com](mailto:sbaliga2@gmail.com)

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## **Engaging Hispanic Young Adults Webinar Recording and PDF Materials**

If you missed the April 4 webinar, you can still access the recorded version plus materials of interest at <https://catholicextension.app.box.com/v/engagingyounghispanics>

Also to learn more about the V Encuentro (Fifth Encuentro) go to: <https://vencuentro.org/> The main goal of the V Encuentro is to discern ways in which the Church in the United States can better respond to the Hispanic/Latino presence, and to strengthen the ways in which Hispanics/Latinos respond to the call to the New Evangelization as missionary disciples serving the entire Church.

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## **RESOURCES**

**CAVA List of Useful Contacts** – <http://www.vocationscava.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/11/CAVA-Collaboration-Useful-Contacts-01.10.17.pdf>

If you have contact information for a CAVA collaborator, please email [lpammit@archchicago.org](mailto:lpammit@archchicago.org).

**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-GqO\\_La?dl=0](https://www.dropbox.com/sh/5ud79hy342tmuqj/AACsTAz9HbzLj0_n4U-GqO_La?dl=0)

**Vocation Voices** - Featured on our website this month is Fr. Harold Fisher, OMI, 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 *vocationscava.org homepage bottom section*).

**Education Day Materials will soon be available on the website.**

## World Day of Prayer for Vocations – May 7, 2017 – Links:

<http://www.worlddayofprayerforvocations.com/> | <https://nrvc.net/publication/5311/article/10038>

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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](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.

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### **Ongoing Requests and Opportunities**

#### **Help Us Help Them (Response Requested)**

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](mailto:fr.mike@cometojoseph.org)*. We are putting together an on-line landing page with resources for young people.

#### **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](mailto:vocationscava@gmail.com)

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

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### **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/>

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**CALENDAR**

(Visit our member page to get more details [www.vocationscava.org/memberslogin](http://www.vocationscava.org/memberslogin))

- May 7            World Day of Prayer for Vocations
- May 14-20      Hands-ON+Hearts-IN Service Outreach Discernment in Mississippi
- May 16            Communications Committee meeting 10 am in Frankfort followed by lunch!
- May 23            REGISTER NOW! CAVA END OF YEAR GATHERING!!! (Felicians – W. Peterson)**
- Aug 30            SAVE THE DATE! CAVA OPENING GATHERING!!! (Frankfort – St Francis Woods)**
- Oct 20 or 21    Holy Fire [www.formedcatholic.com](http://www.formedcatholic.com)
- Nov 16 – 18    NCYC <http://www.nfcym.org/ncyc1/>

*Please let Sr. Lovina know of any changes in your department or staff or CAVA membership: Email [cava@archchicago.org](mailto: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](mailto: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!

Your feedback is important. Please feel free to email [cava@archchicago.org](mailto:cava@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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