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OF OUR TIMES

INFORMATION FOR

THE DEAF AND HARD OF HEARING COMMUNITY

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April 30, 2010

Dear Friends:

On Saturday, April 10 I was at Boston College. I attended the all day conference called, LIVING THE JOURNEY: SPIRITUALLY FOR THE SECOND HALF OF LIFE. Over 900 people attended this special conference.

I want to share a small part of the conference. Fr. Michael Himes, an ordained priest of the diocese of Brooklyn who is a professor at Boston College. He presented a talk called Reflections on the Journey. His presentation was very good. Here is a story he presented. After quoting St. Augustine and T.S. Eliot, he quoted his mother. Fr. Himes informed the audience that he lived with his mother. After 15 years taking care of her, she was placed in a nursing home.

Fr. Himes visits his mother 6 times a week. One day when he went to visit his mother, she did not recognize him. After looking at Fr. Himes for a long time, she said, "I am sorry I do not know who you are but I know you are someone that I love very much!"

This is something to reflect on during the month of May especially on Mothers' Day. Also, May dedicated to Mary, the Mother of Jesus who is also our mother.

Sincerely,

Rev. Joseph J. Bruce, SJ

MOVIE EVENING

The second movie for April will be on Wednesday evening, May 26. The name of this movie is THE BELLS OF ST. MARY'S. The movie is about Father O'Malley (Bing Crosby) who is sent to save a Catholic school. Sr. Benedict (Ingrid Bergman) is the principal of the school and is at odds with Fr. O'Malley.

The showing will take place in the first floor chancery conference room from 6:30 to 8:30 PM. The address is One Cathedral Square; Providence, RI 02903. There is parking in the back of the chancery building. There is no charge for seeing the movies. Refreshments will be served.

BIBLE CLASS

The next Bible classes will take place in the chancery cafeteria on Monday, May 3 and 17. The address is: 1 Cathedral Square; Providence, RI 02903. The class begins at 6:30 PM and ends at 8:30 PM. If you wish to attend the class, please contact Fr. Joe Bruce via e-mail to let him know that you plan to attend the class. His e-mail address is: jbruce@dioceseofprovidence.org.

ADVISORY BOARD MEETING

The next advisory board meeting will take place in the chancery cafeteria on Wednesday, June 2. It will begin at 6:30 PM and end at 8:30 PM. The address is: 1 Cathedral Square; Providence, RI 02903. All are welcome. Please e-mail Fr. Joe Bruce at jbruce@dioceseofprovidence.org so that he can make sure there will be enough refreshments. Thank you.

CONGRATULATIONS!

Christopher Klusman is a deaf seminarian who is studying to be a priest for the archdiocese of Milwaukee. He was ordained a transitional deacon on April 24.

FATHER JOE LEAVING

Fr. Joe will be leaving the Diocese of Providence. His last work day is June 30. He will be taking a sabbatical in Ottawa, Ontario, Canada in the fall.



MASS AND CONFESSION SCHEDULE MAY 2010

Saturday, May 1 – Feast of St. Joseph the Worker 9:00 AM – 6:00 PM retreat/mission day with Sr. Carol Lareau at the Chancery; One Cathedral Square; Providence, RI 02903

Sunday, May 2 – Fifth Sunday of Easter

a) 9:00 AM INTERPRETED Mass at St. Jean's Church; 324 Main St. (route 114); Warren, RI 02885

- b) 9:30 AM **INTERPRETED** Mass at St. Michael the Archangel Church; 329 Oxford St.; Providence, RI 02904
- c) 9:15 9:45 AM **CONFESSION** with Fr. Joe Bruce at St. Charles Borromeo Church; 190 N. Main St.; Woonsocket, RI 02895
- d) 10:00 AM Mass **SIGNED and VOICED in English** by Fr. Joe Bruce at St. Charles Borromeo Church; 190 N. Main St.; Woonsocket, RI 02895. Coffee and donut social in the rectory after Mass.
- e) 11:00 AM INTERPRETED Mass at St. Rita's Church; 722 Oakland Beach Ave.; Warwick, RI 02889
- f) 4:30 PM **SIGNED** Mass at St. Dominic's Chapel at Providence College by Fr. Shawn Carey. This Mass will be voice interpreted in spoken English.

Sunday, May 2 – Sixth Sunday of Easter

- a) 8:15 8:45 AM **CONFESSION** with Fr. Joe Bruce at St. Jean's Church; 324 Main St. (route 114); Warren, RI 02885
- b) 9:00 AM Mass **SIGNED and VOICED in English** by Fr. Joe Bruce at St. Jean's Church; 324 Main St. (route 114); Warren, RI 02885 Coffee and donut social after Mass in the parish hall
- c) 9:30 AM **INTERPRETED** Mass at St. Michael the Archangel Church; 329 Oxford St.; Providence, RI 02905

Thursday, May 13 – Ascension Thursday

a) 7:00 PM Mass **SIGNED and VOICED in English** at St. Charles Borromeo Church; 190 N. Main St.; Woonsocket, RI 02895

Saturday, May 15 – Seventh Sunday of Easter

 a) 4:00 PM Mass SIGNED and VOICED in English by Fr. Joe Bruce at Our Lady of Czenstowchowa Church; 445 Washington St.; Coventry, RI 02016

Sunday, May 16 – Seventh Sunday of Easter

- a) 9:00 AM INTERPRETED Mass at St. Jean's Church 324 Main St. (route 114); Warren, RI 02885 Coffee and donut social after Mass in the parish hall
- b) 9:30 AM **INTERPRETED** Mass at St. Michael the Archangel Church; 329 Oxford St.; Providence, RI 02905
- c) 5:00 PM Mass **SIGNED and VOICED in English** by Fr. Joe Bruce at St. Lucy's Church; 909 Main St.; Middletown, RI 02842

Sunday, May 23 – Pentecost Sunday

- a) 9:00 AM INTERPRETED Mass at St. Jean's Church; 324 Main St. (route 114); Warren, RI 02885 Coffee and donut social after Mass in the parish hall
- b) 9:30 AM **INTERPRETED** Mass at St. Michael the Archangel Church; 329 Oxford St.; Providence, RI 02905
- c) 10:00 AM Mass **SIGNED and VOICED in English** at St. Bonaventure's Church; 799 799 State Rd.; Manomet, MA 02345

Sunday, May 30 – Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity

- a) 8:00 AM Mass **SIGNED and VOICED in English** by Fr. Joe Bruce at Holy Angels Church; 341 Maple Ave.; Barrington, RI 02806
- b) 9:00 AM **INTERPRETED** Mass at St. Jean's Church; 324 Main St. (route 114); Warren, RI 02885 Coffee and donut social after Mass in the parish hall
- c) 9:30 AM **INTERPRETED** Mass at St. Michael the Archangel Church; 329 Oxford St.; Providence, RI 02905

Sunday, June 6 – Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

- a) 9:00 AM INTERPRETED Mass at St. Jean's Church; 324 Main St. (route 114); Warren, RI 02885
- b) 9:30 AM INTERPRETED Mass at St. Michael the Archangel Church; 329 Oxford St.; Providence, RI 02905
- c) 9:15 9:45 AM **CONFESSIONS** with Fr. Joe Bruce at St. Charles Borromeo Church; 190 N. Main St.; Woonsocket, RI 02895
- d) 10:00 AM Mass **SIGNED and VOICED in English** by Fr Joe Bruce at St. Charles Borromeo Church; 190 N. Main St.; Woonsocket, RI 02895 Coffee and donut social after Mass in the rectory
- e) 11:30 AM INTERPRETED Mass at St. Rita's Church; 722 Oakland Beach Ave.; Warwick, RI 02889

Sunday, June 13 – Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

- a) 8:15 8:45 AM **CONFESSION** with Fr. Joe Bruce at St. Jean's Church; 324 Main St. (route 114); Warren, RI 02885
- b) 9:00 AM Mass **SIGNED and VOICED in English** by Fr Joe Bruce; 324 Main St.; Warren, RI 02885 Coffee & donut social after Mass in the parish hall
- c) 9:30 AM INTERPRETED Mass at St. Michael the Archangel Church; 329 Oxford St.; Providence, RI 02905