



## Young Adult Newsletter October 2025

### Coming events:

#### **Beloved of God Young Adult Retreat – Saturday October 18<sup>th</sup>, 8:15am to 1:00pm –St Joan of Arc Catholic Church, Lisle IL (flyer below)**

- Excited to host speakers - Fr. Thomas Loya and Sr. Molly Bernadette Spiering!
- Mass, Confession, Praise and Adoration, and Fellowship
- Time - 8:15am (Mass) – 1:00pm including refreshments.
- Location: St Joan of Arc, 820 Division St., Lisle IL
- Partnered event with Rooted SJA Young Adults, Given Institute (Marriane Tan), and the Diocese of Joliet.
- Cost is \$15 on-line or \$20 at the door.
- Register on QR Code below or <https://yam.divineimage.net>

#### **Theology on Tap featuring Chris Padgett – Thursday November 6<sup>th</sup> 6:30pm – 9:00pm, at the Pub at Coal Ben, Benedictine University, Lisle IL (flyer below)**

- Chris Padgett is a popular speaker, musician, and author who has traveled around the world for over two decades giving concerts, talks, parish missions, and retreats to all ages about the love and forgiveness of Jesus Christ.
- Known for his zany sense of humor and his love for books, Chris is a “very zealous” convert to Catholicism.
- Time – 6:30pm – 9:00pm including drinks and appetizers (free).
- Location: The Pub at Coal Ben at Benedictine University, 5580 College Rd, IL

#### **Catholic Sports Intermediate 5V5 Basketball League - Sundays at Notre Dame Parish: 64 Norfolk Ave, Clarendon Hills, IL 60514**

- Sundays -1:00 - 5:00 PM
- EARLY Registration ENDS September 28, \$700 per Team - \$90 Free Agent, \$100 Captain Deposit Available in Early Registration.
- REGULAR Registration ENDS October 12, \$800 per Team - \$110 Free Agent
- LATE Registration AFTER October 12, \$900 per Team - \$110 Free Agent
- Email: [info@catholicsports.net](mailto:info@catholicsports.net) with questions.
- Register: <https://catholicsports.net/chicago-sports>

#### **Registration for Samuel Group is open! Main location: Saint Margaret Mary Catholic Church 1450 Green Trails Drive, Naperville, IL - (flyer below/attached)**

- Samuel Group is designed for single or dating young adults between the ages of 21 to 35 years old.
- The community is comprised of students and young professionals who are committed to a regular spiritual life and open to God and His prompting
- Monthly Sessions:

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- Time - 12:00pm - 4:00pm - Starts with Mass at 11 and includes lunch
  - Sunday, October 26
  - Sunday, November 23
  - Sunday, January 25
  - Sunday, February 22
  - Sunday, March 22 - Full Day Retreat (9:00 AM-5:00 PM @ Mount Assisi Academy)
  - Sunday, April 19
- Cost for the program is \$75 and includes all printed materials, books, lunches, and retreat fees. Scholarships are available
- Registration  
link: <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSduOxrQ5uBAtcv74xxC5Fi1qUq-o0EzCWU0JGybpWFF7RN4yw/viewform>

### **Evangelization 101 – First Tuesday of Every Month beginning in October with Bishop Dennis Spies Kick-off night - October 7<sup>th</sup> (flyers below)**

- "Evangelizing is in fact the grace and vocation proper to the Church, her deepest identity. She exists in order to evangelize, that is to say, in order to preach and teach, to be the channel of the gift of grace, to reconcile sinners with God." Evangelii Nuntiandi, 14 (1975)
- After a recent conversation with Auxiliary Bishop Dennis Spies, we talked through an idea that would allow for committed disciples of Christ to come and practice sharing their faith.
- Please join us on the first Tuesday of the Month at the Blanchette Catholic Center in Crest Hill at 7 PM.
- We will gather for fellowship, practice listening to and giving testimonies about our faith, and have time for prayer ministry, allowing the Holy Spirit to empower us live out the mission of the Church.
- Registration Link: [https://forms.office.com/pages/responsepage.aspx?id=o6RE-5\\_1SU2EXQaSblAGqmlXtoPvCURJtYTo1F8QzVVUQTVQUDk2RTVBS1RGSjl3R1BHttVQRzdNRS4u&route=shorturl](https://forms.office.com/pages/responsepage.aspx?id=o6RE-5_1SU2EXQaSblAGqmlXtoPvCURJtYTo1F8QzVVUQTVQUDk2RTVBS1RGSjl3R1BHttVQRzdNRS4u&route=shorturl)
- Information or questions: Alex Buldak, [abuldak@dioceseofjoliet.org](mailto:abuldak@dioceseofjoliet.org)

**Please check out the Venite Website** for active Young Adult events and meet-ups

- <https://community.tenthhour.life/>

Thank you and God Bless, Jim