OFFICE CLOSING
The Catholic Messenger and Diocesan offices will be closed at Noon on Wednesday, Nov. 26-Friday, Nov. 28.

COMMUNICATION OFFICE
Included in this issue are three attachments: Directory of Chancery Services by department and the other by index/topic. The third attachment is a directory of phone numbers and email addresses for Chancery and Catholic Messenger staff.

SAFE ENVIRONMENT
Change of Email Address: Effective November 3, 2014 the email address for Alicia Owens, the diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator will be vac@diodav.org. This replaces the old address of vacdav@attglobal.net.

SOCIAL ACTION OFFICE
Catholic Campaign for Human Development Collection: This year’s collection will be held November 22 and 23. The diocese retains 25% of the proceeds to fight poverty within our own diocese. Promotional materials were mailed to parishes so please use the insert for your parish bulletin the weekend of November 15-16 and display the poster. If your parish materials didn’t arrive; you need more materials or have questions contact Loxi Hopkins, hopkins@davenportdiocese.org or 563-488-4212.

How has God Called You? DVD Available: We recently sat down with young adults we work with in the Social Action Office. We posed to them the question, “How has God Called You?” We find their answers inspiring! Their understanding of Catholic Social Teaching and being true to one’s calling may be informative for people of all ages: youth, young adults and for those who have been involved in social ministry for many years. We look forward to hearing comments on the project and ways you intend to share the video, and any subsequent feedback from your audiences. To view please go to http://www.davenportdiocese.org/socialaction/index.htm. To request a copy contact Esmeralda Guerrero, 563-888-4210 or guerrero@davenportdiocese.org.

Diocesan Immigration Office: The office is now able to offer its services for clients desiring Inadmissibility Waivers. Also, to accommodate clients throughout the diocese site visits can be scheduled for Fairfield, Oskaloosa, Washington, Ottumwa, and Burlington. Site visits are the first Tuesday of the month. To schedule an appointment for one of the sites or in the diocesan office contact Marisol Franco, Administrative Assistant, 563-324-1911 or franco@davenportdiocese.org. Please distribute the attached brochure to those who might benefit.

Diocesan Volunteer Program Grant: The Social Action Department recently re-launched the Diocesan Volunteer Program (DVP). The primary focus of the volunteer program grant is to assist in providing support to individuals for short-term mission work and to support new and existing global projects and partnerships within the Diocese of Davenport. People interested in applying please visit our website to obtain a copy of the grant criteria and application: http://www.davenportdiocese.org/socialaction/sadovolunteerprogram.htm.

Project Rachel understands the emotional pain that follows an abortion; provides free referrals for confidential and caring counseling and reconciliation by trained professionals and can help get you on the road to spiritual recovery. You may contact Project Rachel staff by calling the local Helpline: 563-888-4107 or email, projectrachel@diodav.org. Calls answered personally Monday, Wednesday & Friday 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Voice messaging available all other times. All calls returned promptly and discreetly. Brochures are available by contacting Esmeralda Guerrero, guerrero@davenportdiocese.org.
The 2015 Iowa Institute for Social Action will be held Jan. 18-19 at Saints John and Paul Parish in Altoona. The keynote speaker will be Dr. Carolyn Y. Woo, president and CEO of Catholic Relief Services (CRS). See the attached flyer for more information. We are looking at ways to get as many from our diocese to the Institute as possible. If you have an interest in attending, please contact Esmeralda Guerrero at guerrero@davenportdiocese.org, 563-888-4210.

Social Ministry Gathering February 7-10: This annual national gathering of social action/social justice workers is an opportunity to meet and work with all the major Church organizations (USCCB, CRS, CCUSA and others) and visit with our elected representatives on Capitol Hill. To register go to http://www.usccb.org/about/justice-peace-and-human-development/catholic-social-ministry-gathering/.

Rice Bowl Collections starts Ash Wednesday, February 18: Now is the time place your order for your free CRS Rice Bowl 2015 materials. Materials will be shipped in early January. Place your order by calling 800-222-0025 or by sending back the postcard that was mailed to your parish. Last year a Rice Bowl Breakfast was hosted by St. Patrick Parish in Iowa City as a way for parishes to share their Rice Bowl plans and accomplishments, as well as hearing directly from CRS representatives about CRS activities world-wide that are funded in part by the Rice Bowl Collection. If you have any questions about the collection or are interested in hosting a breakfast please contact Loxi Hopkins, 563-888-4212 or hopkins@davenportdiocese.org.

Fair Trade Catalog: The new SERRV Fall 2014 catalog is now available. For a chance to buy fair trade handcrafts and gourmet food items from disadvantaged producers around the world, go to https://www.serrv.org/ and click on the image next to Our Catalog.

FAITH FORMATION

Diocesan Catholic Youth Conference takes place November 22-23 at St. Ambrose University in Davenport. Registration deadline was October 31 but the late registration deadline is November 14. DCYC is for all high school students and their adult leaders. Be sure your parish is represented at this first-ever event! For complete information and registration materials, visit the DCYC webpage or http://www.davenportdiocese.org/faithform/DCYC.htm.

Become A Partner – Invest In Our Youth: On Sunday morning of DCYC, participants will attempt to package 16,000 meals to feed the hungry in Davenport, Central America and Africa through Kids Against Hunger. The cost for food and shipping of each meal is $0.25, so $4,000 is needed to complete this Corporal Work of Mercy. Our teens are doing the work; can you help supply the funds? A $10 donation provides 40 meals; $25 provides 100 meals; $50 provides 200 meals! Become a partner in this effort and indicate your donation by completing the online form or go to https://adobeformscentral.com/?f=9RHKwmgfWV%2Axlmk-3iWSsg. You can then make your donation online or mail in your check. All donations are due by November 14 and are tax deductible.

MINISTRY FORMATION PROGRAM

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DVD Format Schedule:
The order of courses is as stated above; however each group will determine its monthly meeting time. Check with your facilitator about your schedule.

An application form and additional program information may be found on the diocesan website, www.davenportdiocese.org (Chancery-Faith Formation-Lay Ministry-MFP Forms). For information regarding the courses or the Ministry Formation Program contact Marianne Agnoli, agnolim@davenportdiocese.org, 563-888-4242.
FOCCUS 4th Edition Pre-Marriage Inventory Training Workshops: November 21 & 22 at St. Patrick Church, Iowa City. Participants may select from the following training options: 1) 4th Edition Updates for Current Facilitators, 2) Training for new FOCCUS Facilitators and 3) Instruction for FOCCUS Trainer Certification. See the attached registration form for more details.

Marriage Encounter Weekend: November 14-16 at Our Lady of Victory Church, Davenport. This weekend is designed to strengthen a couple’s unity and to help them discover God’s plan for their marriage. Please see the attached brochure for more information.

Marriage and Parenting Resource: Attached is the November issue of “Marriage Moments and Parenting Pointers.” These may be used in parish bulletins or as links on parish websites.

Marriage Preparation: The Diocese of Davenport offers several marriage preparation program formats. One-Weekend and One-day

• January 31, 2015: Bettendorf, St. John Vianney, registration deadline is January 23 (space is limited)
• February 28, 2015: Bettendorf, St. John Vianney, registration deadline is February 20 (space is limited)
• April 25-26, 2015: Williamsburg, St. Mary, registration deadline is April 17
• August 8-9, 2015: Mt. Pleasant, St. Alphonsus, registration deadline is July 31

The fee is $125 per couple. The registration form and more information can be found on the diocesan website at http://www.davenportdiocese.org/faithform/Marriage%20and%20Family.htm. If you have questions contact Barb Butterworth, 563-888-4240, butterworthb@davenportdiocese.org.

Online: Go to http://www.marriageministries.com/courses/catholic-marriage-prep-class/.

PROTECTING GOD’S CHILDREN
To report child abuse contact: Iowa Department of Human Services Child Abuse Hotline: 800-362-2178 and if it involves clergy or church personnel also notify Alicia Owens, Victim Assistance Coordinator: 563-349-5002, vac@diodav.org or PO Box 232, Bettendorf, IA 52722-0004.

OUR LADY OF THE PRAIRIE RETREAT, WHEATLAND
To register contact: 563-336-8414 or olpretreat@gmail.com. All programs include a delicious homemade meal prepared with local and organic ingredients. To learn more about Our Lady of the Prairie Retreat visit www.chmiowa.org

Taize’ Vigil Service: Sun, November 2 | 5pm
Taize’ is an ecumenical movement, drawing Christians of all denominations together in unified and compassionate prayer. Friends of The Prairie and churches of all faith traditions in the area are invited to participate. Supper following. Free will offering.

New Life in the Holy Spirit: Wed, November 5 | 10am – noon
Mini-Retreat with Father Bill Kneemiller
Mass at 10am, program, lunch following. Fee: $8 for lunch
(Come early, stay late!)

Be Still and Know: 12 Step Retreat: Sat, November 8 | 9:00am – 4pm
Jean Simpson, LISW
Focus of this retreat is Step #11: Sought through prayer and meditation to improve our conscious contact with God as we understood God, praying only for knowledge of God’s will for us and the power to carry that out. Fee $25
The Autumn Time of Life: Wed, November 12 | 9:30am – 3:30pm
Mary Bea Snyder, CHM
Through the story, *A Time for Leaving*, participants will engage in reflection and shared conversation. This day is designed for persons approaching retirement, the struggles with letting go, the search for who I am now (identity), and the anticipation of closer relationships with family, friends, and God. Participants: Age 65+. Fee: $25

Come to the Quiet – Truly Blessed and Duly Grateful: Thurs, November 13 | 9:30am – 3:30pm
Savor solitude, and recall that which makes you grateful. Enjoy a scrumptious Fall meal. Fee: $20

The Life, Thought and Spirituality of Teilhard De Chardin: November 14-15 | Fri, 5pm – Sat, 4pm
Judith Cauley, CSJ
Teilhard, a spiritual pilgrim, priest and paleontologist, invites us to love the world as “the divine milieu.” Recognizing him as a prophet and mystic can help us answer for ourselves: Why are so many seekers embracing Teilhard’s new mysticism as a relevant spirituality for the 21st century? Let’s enjoy a “taste of Teilhard” together. Time will be given for input, contemplation and sharing during our journey of the heart. Fee: $75

Weaving Prayers and Baskets: Wed, November 19 | 9:00am – 4:00pm
Kathleen Storms, SSND
Learn simple basket weaving in the context of prayer and meditation. Fee: $30

SISTERS OF ST. FRANCIS, CLINTON
For more information call 563-242-7611 or visit www.clintonfranciscans.com.

Film Screening: *A Place at the Table*, November 13, 6:30 p.m., The Canticle, Clinton. The Franciscan Peace Center’s ongoing Social Justice Film Fest continues with a film that examines the issue of hunger in America through the lens of three people struggling with food insecurity. Ultimately, this film shows us how hunger poses serious economic, social and cultural implications for our nation, and that it could be solved, if the American public decides that making healthy food available and affordable is in the best interest of us all. The event is free and open to the public. See above for contact information.

BENET HOUSE RETREAT CENTER/ST. MARY MONASTERY, ROCK ISLAND, IL
Events held at Benet House Retreat Center or Sr. Mary Monastery, 2200 88th Avenue West, Rock Island, IL 61201-7649. To register, contact Sr. Jackie Walsh at 309-283-2108 or retreats@smmsisters.org.

Sunday Brunch at the Monastery: First Sunday of each month; Lauds 9:30 am; Mass 10:30 am; Brunch 11:30 am. Single, Catholic women 18-50 years of age are invited to join Sr. Stefanie at St. Mary Monastery for liturgy, brunch and conversation about life as a Catholic Sister. Brunch will be served in the Sisters’ dining room overlooking the lake. You will have the opportunity to be with other women who are exploring religious life. Guests are invited to stay longer and use campus amenities for further prayer and reflection. There is no cost; you are our guest! For information contact Sr. Stefanie MacDonald, OSB (309) 283-2300.

Patience: Why So Difficult and So Important? Thurs., Nov. 20, 7-9 p.m. We live in a very impatient culture, yet a 6th Century Saint said patience is “greater than signs and wonders.” Many of us recognize impatience in ourselves and others, and wonder what impatience can tell us about our walk with God. Presenter: Sr. Helen Carey, OSB, PhD, former college professor and hospital chaplain. Fee: $15.

Pizza and Prayer: Interested in learning more about religious life and the Sisters of St. Benedict? Single Catholic women 18-50 years old are welcome to join us for pizza and prayer. Last Wednesday of each month through June 24. There is no cost; you are our guest! For information contact Sr. Stefanie MacDonald, OSB (309) 283-2300 or vocation@smmsisters.org.

EAGLES’ WINGS COUNSELING AND RETREAT CENTERS, DAVENPORT
To register, for questions or information about obtaining a spiritual director, or Christian counseling contact Marcia Moore, marcia@eagleswings.ws or 563-324-7263, http://www.eagleswings.ws. Located at 5816 Telegraph Rd., Davenport.

Healing Mass: November 11, 1 p.m. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at 12:30. Reconciliation and prayer available after Mass.
Eagles’ Wings is available for your private or small group retreat for a day or overnight. We also offer Spiritual Direction and counseling from a Christian perspective. Please call or email for more information: 563-324-7263 or marcia@eagleswings.ws.

**SHALOM SPIRITUALITY CENTER, DUBUQUE**
To register call 563-582-3592 or send check payable to Shalom Spirituality Center with your contact information to: 1001 Davis St., Dubuque, IA 52001. www.shalomretreats.org, info@shalomretreats.org

*Grieving the Loss of a Loved One: How Can Life Go On?*
Tuesday, Nov. 4, 7:00 – 8:30pm
Facilitator/Sharer: Mary Potter Kenyon
If you are grieving the loss of someone dear to you, we invite you to join us for an evening of supportive sharing. Author and presenter Mary Potter Kenyon intimately knows what it is to face grief. In the space of three years she lost a mother, a husband and a grandson. Mary will speak of finding hope and healing in the midst of the darkness of loss, and share excerpts from her newly-released book, *Refined by Fire: A Journey of Grief and Grace.* After the presentation, those present will be invited to share, in small groups, as much as they wish of their own stories. The evening will close with a brief prayer service. Free will offering. *Register by Nov. 3.*

*Canticle of Creation*
Monday, Nov. 10, 6:30 – 8:30 p.m.
Shalom, for 25 years, has provided a Franciscan space for quiet and prayer. We will present meditative slides on the Canticle of Creation by St. Francis of Assisi.
Free will offering. *To register call Shalom at 563-582-3592 by Nov. 6.*

*Making Time for Advent: A Retreat for Busy People*
Friday, Nov. 21, 5:30 p.m. - Sunday, Nov. 23, 2:00 p.m.
Presenters: Trisha Day and Mary Merkel-Hess
Advent is a time for listening in our hearts but we may be too busy to be attentive. Weekend will focus on practical suggestions for slowing down and applying contemplative values and practices to everyday life. We will explore the Advent themes of light and darkness through the visual sculptures on display.
Offering: $175, includes overnights, meals and snacks. $50 deposit reserves your space. *Registration deadline: Nov. 17.*

*Advent Retreat Day: In Quest of the Jewish Mary*
Saturday, Dec. 6, 9:00am - 3:00pm
Presenter: Mary Christine Athans, BVM, Ph.D
In her quest for the Jewish Mary, Mary Christine Athans, BVM draws on the latest in historical research, theological and spiritual reflection, the fruits of post-Vatican II Jewish-Christian dialogue, and the insights of feminist theology. Using the method of Ignatian contemplation, she offers meditations integrating Hebrew prayers which might have been extant in the first century in order to rediscover the Jewish Mary - a woman of enormous courage, strength and prayers.
Mary Christine Athans, B.V.M., is Professor of Church History at the Saint Paul Seminary School of Divinity of the University of St. Thomas, St. Paul, MN and adjunct faculty at Loyola University Chicago and Catholic Theological Union. She is the author and editor of books and articles on American Catholicism and Jewish-Christian relations. Offering: $50. Register by Dec. 1.

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Other interested persons are welcome to subscribe. If you have questions regarding your subscription contact Laurie Hoefling, hoefling@davenportdiocese.org.
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  - Workers Compensation: Char Maaske, Nancy Karn

Liturgy: Deacon Frank Agnoli
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www.davenportdiocese.org
Dr. Carolyn Y. Woo, president and CEO of Catholic Relief Services (CRS), will be the keynote speaker for the 20th Iowa Institute for Social Action. Catholic Relief Services is the overseas development agency of the Catholic community in the United States. Representing CRS, Dr. Woo was featured in Foreign Policy as one of the 500 Most Powerful People on the Planet and one of only 33 in the category of “a force for good.”

The title of Dr. Woo’s keynote address will be “Care for Neighbors Integral to Worship, Faith and Witness.” This will establish the message that worship, faith and witness compel a follower of Christ to serve our neighbors. Dr. Woo will also give examples of how CRS lifts up the dignity of the last, least, and left-behind to fashion sustainable solutions that take people out of poverty. “It makes the point that faith and charity require our best efforts as exemplified in excellence and innovation,” says Dr. Woo.

In addition to the keynote address, there will be a variety of breakout sessions to prepare leaders to advocate for the social concerns of the Catholic Church, including topics such as payday lending, poverty, environment issues, pro-life and immigration. More details and registration information will follow in the coming weeks.
Activities/Actividades

- Help immigrants to obtain legal documentation
  Ayudámos a los inmigrantes a legalizarse
- Refer immigrants to other community services
  Recomendámos a los inmigrantes a otros servicios comunitarios
- Develop education and outreach programs
  Desarrollámos programas educativos
- Nurture a community spirit to welcome our newcomers
  Alimentámos el espíritu comunitario a recibir al nuevo inmigrante

Vision Statement/Declaración Visual

Strengthening our community by welcoming newcomers
Fortaleciendo nuestra comunidad recibiendo a los nuevos inmigrantes.

Mission Statement/Nuestra Misión

To empower immigrants to become more self-sufficient through counseling, education and advocacy
Animámos a inmigrantes a ser más autosuficientes mediante consejería, educación y abogacía

January 2013

Lawlogix Immigration Case Management Software for Immigration Office operations was provided by a generous grant from the Riverboat Development Authority.
Mary Ellen Chamberlin, President.
What is an Immigrant?
Qué es un Inmigrante?

An immigrant is a person who migrates voluntarily to another country.

Un inmigrante es una persona que emigra voluntariamente a otro país.

In the U.S. an immigrant may be eligible for legal status that can be issued by U.S Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS).

En los Estados Unidos un inmigrante puede ser elegible para su estado legal por medio de los servicios de inmigración y Ciudadanía en Estados Unidos.

Examples:

- Work permits
- Legal residence
- Citizenship

Ejemplos:

- Permisos de trabajo
- Residencia legal
- Ciudadanía

Cost/Costo

Because we offer assistance only for family reunification we are able to charge less than an attorney.

Porque ofrecemos asistencia para la reunificación familiar cobramos menos que un abogado.
What is Marriage Encounter?

*Marriage Encounter* is a Christian movement open to couples of all faiths. It is designed to strengthen a couple’s unity and to help them discover God's plan for their marriage.

This is a private weekend devoted to renewing your marriage relationship. It is a time to become reacquainted. A time to learn, talk, and listen to self and spouse.

This weekend allows time and opportunity to share more deeply with each other: weaknesses and strengths, attitudes toward each other and family, hurts, ambitions, disappointments, desires, and joys. The living presence of God can be discovered in your marriage.

Who is it for?

The *Marriage Encounter* is for all marriages:

- Those with good dialogue--to deepen it.
- Those with poor dialogue--to improve it.
- Those with no dialogue--who are willing to be open to this particular method as a means of restoring or reawakening their love and communication.

There is no age limit. Newly married couples and couples married over 50 years have attended *Marriage Encounter* weekends.

The History and Growth

*Marriage Encounter* was developed in the mid 1950's in Spain by Fr. Gabriel Calvo and couples with whom he worked. It came to the United States in 1966 and has spread rapidly. It is now offered in many cities and towns across the United States.

What about the Diocese of Davenport?

The first Encounter Weekend was in April of 1970. There have been weekends held in many different locations every year since then. Our Lady of Victory has hosted *Marriage Encounter* Weekends since 1995.

Dates, Time, and Cost

The *Marriage Encounter Weekend* is at Our Lady of Victory, Davenport, in the Parish Center on **Nov 14, 15 & 16, 2014**. The cost for the weekend is $95 per couple.

**Schedule:**

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* Ending times are approximate.

**Meals provided:**

- Saturday - Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
- Sunday - Breakfast, Lunch

At night, couples are encouraged to spend the weekend away from home if possible, or if not, to be alone in their own home. Couples do not sleep at Our Lady of Victory facilities.

What Happens at an Encounter?

*Marriage Encounter* is presented by a team of married couples and a spiritual leader to a group of married couples. The method of *Marriage Encounter* is developed through the following process:

First...a **PRESENTATION** by the team. There are 12 different talks relating to the various aspects of marriage.

Second...**PERSONAL REFLECTION.** Each person is given time to privately reflect and write responses to the talks.

Third...**COUPLE DIALOGUE.** Each couple is given private time to exchange their reflections and then dialogue in an effort to better understand each other.

The primary responsibility of the team is to set the atmosphere for the attending couples. Actually each spouse gives the encounter to the other.

**This is Marriage Encounter:**

"We have fallen in love again and feel closer than we ever had before," says one husband.

"I gained a greater realization of our need for dialogue... a deeper assurance of my husband's love for me... and insights into the spiritual depth of my husband," says a wife.
**Register Now:**
Although registrations can be accepted through the week before the event, you’re encouraged to return this form by November 1, 2014 so that the Marriage Encounter team can adequately prepare for the correct number of couples in attendance. Please mail to:

Joe and Tracy Ripslinger  
1517 W. 48th St.  
Davenport, IA 52806  
with your $95 check payable to:  
**Marriage Encounter**

**Financial assistance can be arranged if a couple may have difficulty paying the $95 fee. Feel free to contact the Ripslingers at:**  
Ph: (563) 940-7092 or (563) 388-0355.

**Note:**
Your reservation will be confirmed by mail or email and further information will be provided at that time. Please contact the Ripslingers at (563) 940-7092 or (563) 388-0355 if you have any special dietary/health needs or if you have any other questions.

**MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND RETREAT**

**November 14–16, 2014**

**Our Lady of Victory Catholic Church**  
4105 North Division Street  
Davenport, IA 52806

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**Marriage Encounter Registration**

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For further information on the Marriage Encounter Program, view the National Marriage Encounter Web Page: [www.marriage-encounter.org](http://www.marriage-encounter.org)
4th Edition Pre-Marriage Inventory Training Workshops

November 21 & 22, 2014
Friday 8 a.m. – 4 p.m. & Saturday 8 a.m.- 12:30 p.m.
St. Patrick’s Catholic Church
4330 St. Patrick’s Drive, Iowa City, IA 52240

Participants may select from the following training options:

- 4th Edition Updates for Current Facilitators
- Training for new FOCCUS Facilitators
- Instruction for FOCCUS Trainer Certification

In addition to providing resources that help couples discuss issues important to establishing a healthy foundation for a life-long marriage, the FOCCUS© Fourth Edition Pre-Marriage Inventory addresses critical areas of evangelization and formation while drawing upon today’s research regarding the needs of interfaith couples, cohabitating couples, couples previously married and couples entering marriage with children.

Deacon Mike Conzett, a National FOCCUS© Trainer will present Fourth Edition updates, certify new FOCCUS© Facilitators and/or present Trainer training for experienced Facilitators who wish to apply for Trainer Certification. Please note: to take part in Trainer Certification on Saturday one must already be a certified facilitator or attend the appropriate Facilitator Training on Friday.

* A Fourth Edition Facilitator Manual is required for all training sessions. Current Facilitators may use their own manuals as long as they are the Fourth Edition; couples may share a manual.

Please indicate if you need a manual and include payment with your registration fee.

For Questions: Contact Marianne Agnoli at agnolim@davenportdiocese.org or 563-888-4242.

Please complete the Registration Form and return it with payment by November 7, 2014.

Make checks payable to Diocese of Davenport and return to: Diocese of Davenport,
Attn: Barbara Butterworth, 780 W. Central Park Ave., Davenport, IA 52804-1901

Name(s): ________________________________  Parish: ____________________________
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___ 4th Edition Update Only (Fri. a.m. only)  $75 ($125 couple) + $50 /manual*
___ New Facilitator Training (Fri. all day)  $150 ($250 couple) + $50 /manual*
___ Trainer Certification (Sat. a.m.)  An additional $50 ($75 couple)

Friday Box Lunch (select one)  Turkey  Ham  Beef  Tuna  Egg Salad  Veggie

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MARRIAGE MOMENTS

597. Nov. 3: (All Soul's Day is Nov. 2) Do you know much about your spouse's deceased relatives? Spend some time remembering and telling stories about the holy people in each other's past. They may not have been perfect, but they are still family.

598. Nov. 10: What does your spouse do that makes you laugh? Often it's the silly idiosyncrasies or foibles that can be special precious moments between you.

599. Nov. 17: "When one finds a worthy wife, her value is far beyond pearls." (Proverbs 31:10) Describe the value of your wife in poetic terms today. Go ahead try it! If you are the wife, try filling in the blank: When one finds a worthy husband, his value is far beyond ________.

600. Nov. 24: "For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, a stranger and you welcomed me, naked and you clothed me, ill and you cared for me, in prison and you visited me." (Mt 25:35-36) Which of these works of mercy do you already do? As a couple?

601. Dec. 1: (Advent begins Nov.30.)"Be watchful! Be alert! You do not know when the time will come." (Mk 13:33) Death is not a welcome thought for anyone, but sad as it is, all of us will face death eventually. Are there any endearing words you want to say to your beloved? Don't wait.

PARENTING POINTERS

597. Nov.7: People are more important than buildings. Yet buildings shelter us. We gather in religious buildings to remind us of our faith and to worship together. Take a tour of a church with your child. Explain the artwork, symbols, holy objects, etc.

598. Nov. 14: As the season changes, so do people. Children grow. People die. We drop old habits and learn new ones. Discuss in your family one bad habit each of you would like to get rid of.

599. Nov. 21: (Thanksgiving is next week.) For most families Thanksgiving is a time to reconnect. It's also a time when in-laws often mix. Your children benefit from a healthy extended family. Seek to know at least one extended family member better next Thanksgiving weekend. Don't fight. Bite your tongue if you must. Can you find anything positive to say about a black sheep in your family? Do it for the sake of your child.

600. Nov. 28: As we get ready to start a new liturgical year with Advent, discuss with your family one new habit each of you would like to develop between now and Christmas. Let lighting a candle on your Advent wreath be a time to remind you of your resolve to begin again to be a better person.