



# The Retreat House News

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September, October, November, December  
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Fellowship of Christian Athletes Choose The Spiritual Center of Maria Stein for 2015 Summer Camp

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## Healing Mass

### Schedule

All Masses begin at

7:00 p.m. in the Chapel

September 9, 7:00

October 14, 7:00

November 11, 7:00

December (no Mass)

**F**or over 60 years the Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA) organization and its leaders have been working to see the world impacted for Jesus Christ through the influence of coaches and athletes. The FCA organization was built on the principal that if an athlete can use their notoriety to sell things like shoes, clothing, food, and drinks why couldn't they endorse God. The mission of FCA is "To present to coaches and athletes, and all whom they influence, the challenge and adventure of receiving Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord, serving Him in their relationships and in the fellowship of the church."



Andy Lynch, a local sportscaster for TV44, has joined together with FCA to encourage athletes to get involved. Andy is organizing a FCA Sports Camp in the summer of 2015 in our area to introduce FCA to middle school students (6<sup>th</sup> -8<sup>th</sup> grade). The Spiritual Center of Maria Stein has been lucky enough to be chosen as the venue for this great event!

We (SC) recently sat down with Andy to discuss details of the FCA Sports Camp:

**SC: When will the FCA "Sports Camp" take place and how do people sign up?**

**Andy:** The camp will be an overnight camp June 16-18. We will have information and registration info available on our website [www.fcacamps.org](http://www.fcacamps.org) in January.

Those interested can go there to register.

**SC: What will athletes be learning at camp?**

**Andy:** This camp will give kids something to look forward to. They will grow in these few days emotionally, physically and most importantly they will grow in their faith. They will become better leaders and teammates through the many activities we do at camp. Anyone who participates in any sport can attend.

**SC: Do you have to practice a certain faith to attend your camp?**

**Andy:** No, our camp is non-denominational. We just want kids to share their faith whatever it is. In fact, we want kids who are *unsure* of their faith to attend to hopefully bring them closer to God.

**SC: Do you need volunteers to help with the camp and why did you pick the SC?**

**Andy:** Yes! We will need volunteers. You can be a sports person or not, but we are looking for good people who are strong in their faith. And, probably the one thing that drew me in the most to the SC is that it is a place to spend time with God in nature. Your grounds and outdoor facilities are amazing! It is so beautiful!

Please continue to stay connected with the us through Facebook, Twitter and our website for more information on this and other events.

***Events Listing: September, October, November, December 2014***

Tuesdays, September 2 & 16, "Piecemakers Craft Group 9:00 a.m.– 3:00 p.m.

Sunday September 7, "Ascent" High School Kick Off 5:00 p.m.– 9:00 p.m. See page 3 for more information.

Sunday, September 7, "Rosary, Evening Prayer, and Benediction" starting at 5:45 p.m.

Sunday, September 7, "Theology on Tap Midwest Ohio" 7:00 p.m.-8:30 p.m. See page 3 for more information.

Tuesday, September 9, "Healing Liturgy" 7:00 p.m. will take place in the Chapel.

Saturday, September 13, "Pre-Cana" 8:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

Sunday September 21, "IHOP- Intense Hour of Praise" 7:00p.m. See page 3 for more information.

Sunday, Oct. 5, "Rosary, Evening Prayer, and Benediction & Annual Patron Meeting" starting at 5:45 p.m.

Sunday, October 5, "Theology on Tap Midwest Ohio" 7:00 p.m.-8:30 p.m.

Tuesdays, October 7 & 21, "Piecemakers Craft Group" 9:00 a.m.– 3:00 p.m.

Tuesday, October 14, "Healing Liturgy" 7:00 p.m. will take place in the Chapel.

Friday, October 17— Sunday, October 19, "Art Prayer Retreat". See page 4 for more info.

Sunday, October 19, "IHOP- Intense Hour of Praise" 7:00p.m.

Sunday, November 2, "Rosary, Evening Prayer, and Benediction" starting at 5:45 p.m.

Sunday, November 2, "Theology on Tap Midwest Ohio" 7:00 p.m.-8:30 p.m.

Tuesdays, November 4 & 18, "Piecemakers Craft Group" 9:00 a.m.– 3:00 p.m.

Thursday, November 6, "Fall Day of Reflection" 10:00 a.m.– 3:00 p.m. with Fr. Naseman & Fr. Dugal. See page 4 for more info.

Tuesday, November 11, "Healing Liturgy" 7:00 p.m. will take place in the Chapel.

Sunday, November 16, "IHOP- Intense Hour of Praise" 7:00p.m.

Friday, November 21, "Prayer, Wine, and Canvas" 6:00 p.m.– 9:00 p.m. see page 5 for more information.

Saturday, November 22, "Prayer, Cookies, and Canvas" 1:00-3:00 p.m. see page 5 for more information.

Tuesdays, December 2 & 16, "Piecemakers Craft Group" 9:00a.m.– 3:00p.m.

Saturday, December 6, "Pre-Cana" 8:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

Sunday, December 7, "Prayer and Benediction" 5:45 p.m. will take place in the Chapel

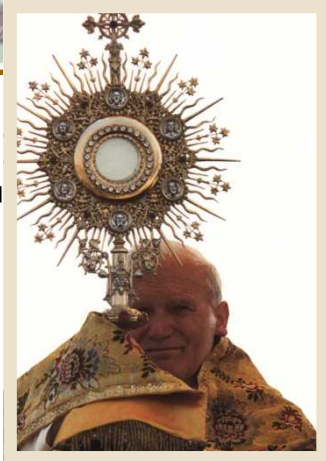
Monday, December 8, "National Night of Prayer for Life" 9:00p.m.– 1:00 a.m. will take place in the Chapel

Sunday, December 21, "IHOP- Intense Hour of Praise" 7:00p.m.





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## High School Kick-Off Event

Join us for a night of fun, fellowship, Guest Speaker *Dan DeMatte*, Sunday Mass with *Fr. Schmitmeyer*, and dinner!

**Sept. 7, 2014 5p.m.-9p.m.**

**\$5.00/person**

Contact your local youth minister for more information or to register for this event. Contact Robin Goettmoeller with questions at 419-925-7625.

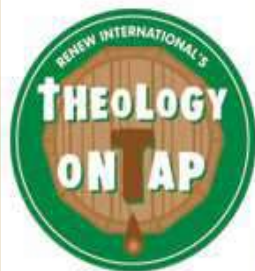
## Intense

Hour of Praise is a night of prayer with Eucharistic Exposition, music, reflections, Reconciliation and fellowship. For one hour a month, join us to worship our Creator in the Most Blessed Sacrament. With silence, music, and reflections helping to guide you in prayer, and priests available for Reconciliation and Benediction, it's a night to grow in community with Christ at the center!

**Sundays, Sept. 21, Oct. 19, (no Nov. IHop) & Dec. 21 7:00 p.m.**

**Bring the entire family or come alone for some quiet time with God. All are welcome!**

Sponsored by Northern Network of Youth Ministers



**Thirsting for More?** "Theology on Tap Midwest Ohio" is a lecture and discussion series for people in their 20's and 30's, single or married. It is sponsored by the Archdiocese of Cincinnati and local parishes. The 2014 local fall series will be meeting at the Spiritual Center of Maria Stein for drinks and lively discussion about things that matter to you and the Catholic faith. Bring your own drinks and make new friends through faith-filled and thought provoking conversation in a casual, relaxed atmosphere. All young adults are welcome!

If you have any questions please contact Samantha Kremer at 419-953-3286, or email at samkremer@hotmail.com. There is no cost for this series.

"Theology on Tap Midwest Ohio" Fall Series will take place the first Sunday of September, October, and November. For those interested, the rosary will be prayed in the Chapel at 5:45 p.m., Evening Prayer and Benediction begins at 6:00, and Theology on Tap will begin at 7:00 p.m. in the Fireside Lounge.

## 2014 Fall Series

**September 7: Steve Pulskamp, Holy Redeemer Youth Ministry**

**October 5: Ryan Lopez, NET Ministries**

**November 2: Kevin Schulze, Ft. Loramie, Newport Youth Minister**



## *Fall Day of Reflection with Fr. Naseman & Fr. Dugal*

*“Be Grateful for the Ordinary”*

*Thursday, November 6*      *10:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m.*

*\$15.00 donation per person includes the retreat and lunch.*

*Please let us know you are attending by November 3*

*By calling 419-925-7625*

*or emailing: [office@spiritualcenter.net](mailto:office@spiritualcenter.net)*

Father James Dugal and Father Al Naseman are both retired Precious Blood Priests. We are grateful for all the time and talent they offer at their retreats. Join them for a day of prayer, great talks on gratitude & Mass.



## Art Prayer Retreat: *Holy Cards*

*Friday, October 17 (7:30 p.m.) — Sunday, October 19 (1:00 p.m.)*

*\$195 donation per person*

*Register by calling 419-925-7625 no later than October 13*

Holy Cards have long been a part of the wisdom of our Catholic tradition as we have honored those saints who have added much to our faith lives. This weekend retreat is a chance to explore the holiness in your own life through the making of collage cards. All supplies will be provided and no art talent is required. This retreat will be led by Dr. Jane Steinhauser, licensed counselor, and certified spiritual director.

*December 8, 2014 9:00 p.m. until 1:00 a.m.*

## National Night of Prayer for Life

The National Night of Prayer for Life will be held on Monday, Dec. 8 from 9 p.m. until 1 a.m., Dec. 9th at the Spiritual Center of Maria Stein Chapel. Father Timothy Ralston will officiate and will offer confession during those hours. Each hour of Eucharistic Adoration will be opened with a hymn and prayers including the rosary. All 20 decades of the rosary will be recited and the Divine Mercy chaplet will be sung. The National Night of Prayer for Life will once again unite with approximately 600 to 700 parishes & chapels in an effort to end abortion through Eucharistic Adoration and prayers of reparation. The “hour of Unity” is from 12 midnight to 1:00 a.m. EST so that all the parishes in the four time zones can be linked in prayer across the continent at the last hour. Participants may come for all or part of the event. For more information go to [www.nationalnightofprayerforlife.org](http://www.nationalnightofprayerforlife.org)



Love to paint? Or would you like to try painting?

Join us for our first ever Prayer, Wine & Canvas event!

Friday, November 21 6:00-9:00 p.m.

Please arrive 30 minutes before event begins

Cost: \$35 per person (includes all materials for painting)

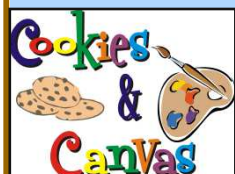


"Strong in the Storms" Phil. 4:6

Register deadline: Wednesday, November 19 at 3:00 p.m.

Must be 21 years of age to attend. Drinks & snacks available for additional donation.

Participants will spend time learning how to paint the art shown above (or below depending on which session you attend). There will be scripture and time for prayer, as well as time for creativity, food, friends, and fun!



PLUS... Bring your kids for Prayer, Cookies & Canvas event!

Saturday, November 22 1:00-3:00 p.m.

Please arrive at least 15-30 minutes before event begins.

Cost: \$20 per person (includes all materials for painting)

Register deadline: Thursday, November 20 at 3:00 p.m.

Cookies & light refreshments will be provided. Ages 7 & up.

Note: Registration for both events is limited to fifty-five participants.



## A Message from the Board of Directors...

Phillip 4: 4-7

Rejoice in the Lord always!!

I will say it again: Rejoice! Let your gentleness be evident to all. The Lord is near. Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

St. Paul tells us that we should Rejoice in the Lord always. In other words we shouldn't let the struggles and trials of everyday life get us down or depressed. He even goes as far as telling us that we shouldn't be worrying. Why? Because we worship a God who hears our prayers and answers them. But the big question is; are we taking the time to bring our struggles and trials before God in prayer? If not, we need to ask ourselves why not. It is only when we experience God's answering our prayer that we have that knowing in our hearts that God really does care about us. It is through this knowing that our hearts are filled with peace.

Here at the Retreat House we continue to rejoice and are thankful for all of your prayers; and not only your prayers, but also your financial support as we continue to experience the love that God has for us. May the Lord continue to bless you; for all your prayers and generosity. Deacon Jerry Buschur, Board President

# The Spiritual Center of Maria Stein

On the south side of our property, you may have noticed that a fence has been installed with cutouts of teddy bears on it. This fence is a memorial fence for young people that attend a bereavement camp offered by State of the Heart Hospice each summer called *Camp BEARable*. To learn more about Camp Bearable visit [www.stateoftheheartcare.org/camp-bearable](http://www.stateoftheheartcare.org/camp-bearable)



The *Camp BEARable* fence  
will be dedicated at  
The Spiritual Center of Maria Stein  
**Sunday, September 28**  
at 2:00

in the afternoon.



Visit our website at [www.spiritualcenter.net](http://www.spiritualcenter.net)

Call to register for retreats at 419-925-7625

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