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Spirituality in Action

January 2019



January 2nd Spiritual Outreach Call



We invite you to call in to the first Spiritual Outreach Call of 2019 on Wednesday, January 2nd at 11 AM ET. Msgr. John Strykowski will discuss, "Baptism - What It Really Means - A Refresher". [Click here](#) for the dial-in instructions. Members are encouraged to call in for their monthly "dose" of spiritual encouragement. Can't join us live? All of our Spiritual Outreach Calls are recorded and uploaded to [the website](#).

Boston



Pilgrimage for Life



There is still time to register for the 2019 Pilgrimage for Life in Washington D.C! All

Little Sisters of the Poor in Somerville for morning liturgy in the Chapel and lunch with the residents. December's gathering had over 40 Boston Area members, residents, friends, and Little Sisters of the Poor in attendance. [Click here](#) for a recap of this local event.



More than 70 people attended the Boston Area's Advent Mass and Dinner at St. John's Seminary, celebrated by Cardinal Seán O'Malley, OFM Cap., Archbishop of Boston, and Fr. Stephen Salocks, interim rector of Saint John's Seminary. Jack MacKinnon, KM, was awarded the Bishop Fitzpatrick Award for his leadership on behalf of the Order of Malta and service to the Church. [Click here](#) to read more about this Mass and Dinner.

Michigan



Members of the Michigan Area and friends joined together at the All Saints Soup Kitchen and Food Pantry in Detroit for a Christmas celebration. [Click here](#) to see more photos from this local event.

Annual March for Life in Washington D.C. from January 17-18, 2019. Please [click here](#) for more information regarding the Order of Events and online registration. Those who are unable to attend but still wish to participate can make a donation to the 2019 Pilgrimage for Life by [clicking here](#).

Winter Retreat



The next Spiritual Retreat will be February 1-3, 2019 at the Bethany Retreat Center in Lutz, Florida, with retreat master, Msgr. Stuart Swetland, S.T.D. Msgr. Swetland will be speaking on the theme of "[Praying with the Gospel of Saint Luke](#)." All members are encouraged to attend; candidates in their year of formation and new members who have not been on an Association's three-day retreat are particularly encouraged to attend. Please [click here](#) to register online.

Upcoming



The Naples Area had 34 attendees at their December First Friday Mass and Dinner. Members welcomed first-time visitor, Les Wagner, a candidate from the Federal Association, as well as three of the Area's newest members, invested in October: Maria Joyce, Steve Orr and Ken Peach. They also thanked Chris and Tom Kroeger who led Lee County members in packing 15 reentry backpacks for victims of human trafficking. [Click here](#) to read more.

Northeast Florida



Members of the Northeast Florida Area gathered together for their Annual Mass and Dinner at the Marywood Retreat Center. This celebration began with a private Mass in the Chapel of the Diocese of St. Augustine's Marywood Retreat Center on the banks of the St. John's River. Mass was offered by Bishop Emeritus John Snyder, with Area Chaplain Msgr. Mike Morgan, and newly

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Northern Indiana



The [Northern Indiana Area](#) celebrated a Requiem Mass on All Souls Day for its deceased members, and the deceased members of their families. Mass was offered in the Extraordinary form, wearing vestments (circa 1860) donated for the occasion.

Southeast Florida



On Monday, December 3rd, members of the [Southeast Florida Area](#) joined together to prepare and serve lunch to the homeless at St. Ann Place, a homeless outreach center for men and women in West Palm Beach, Florida.

Upstate New York

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Forward



On Monday, December 3rd, Father Daniel Tuite, ChD, offered Holy Mass at Saint Martin de Porres Church in Poughkeepsie for recently deceased Knights and Dames of the Order. Following Mass, Father Tuite participated in a meeting with lower Hudson Valley region members of the [Upstate New York Area](#) and provided a Reflection for Advent for all members in attendance.

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