Fall Business Meetings for the following dates and locations. Please note: These meetings are intended to hand out Catechist Resources and Catechist Enrichment for all catechists, deacons, parents, and anyone who works with children.

- If you wish to attend these meetings, please bring a copy of the Catechist Resource of the day to share with other engaged couples with time alone together to discuss strengths and weaknesses, desires, ambitions, goals, attitudes about marriage, the future of their family, and give a copy to all catechetical leaders and catechists in your area.

The Office for Evangelization and Faith Formation is proud to bring you these meetings as a way for catechists to prepare all the catechists, assistants, and parish catechetical leaders with ideas that catechists can implement today, right now. Order today at www.marriagepreparation.com or www.engagedencounter.org, or www.nccf.org. To register, or for more information, please contact George & Pat Ziringer (724-335-4966). The meetings will take place:

Evenings or Saturday mornings at the Catholic Charities’ main office between husband and wife.

Natural Family Planning information please contact George & Pat Ziringer (724-335-4966).

The next weekend in Greensburg is February 2-4, 2018. For more information on registration, speakers, and sponsors will be The Office for Evangelization and Faith Formation.

Advertising the Opioid Crisis: Lesson Plans Released by the Office for Evangelization and Faith Formation

Addressing the opioid epidemic that killed more than 300 people in Allegheny County is a problem that requires a local response from the Catholic Church. The Office for Evangelization and Faith Formation is grateful to work closely with the Catholic Charities of the Greensburg region in the fight against the opioid crisis.

This November the Office for Evangelization and Faith Formation seeks to equip catechists to address the opioid crisis in the Diocese of Greensburg. lesson plans will be released to help catechists teach about the effects of the opioid epidemic on individuals, families, and society. The lesson plans will be available for catechists who attend the Fall Business Meetings or a Catechetical Enrichment Day.

The Office for Evangelization and Faith Formation is proud to bring catechists a more comprehensive and in-depth approach to teaching about addiction. The lesson plans will be a key resource for catechists who are working with students, middle school students, or high school students.

When you order the lesson plans you will receive the following resources and benefits:

- Catechetical Leader Magazine - An annual national subscription included in membership.
- Student Magazine - An annual national subscription included in membership.
- Catechetical Leader Social Media - Updates from the frontiers of catechetical ministry.
- Catechist’s Corner - A monthly newsletter.
- Sponsorgrams - Discounted rates for magazine subscriptions for catechetics.
- National Catechetical Conference - Discounts on annual conference fee and registration.
- Catechetical Credit - Catechetical Leader Magazine, Catechist’s Corner, Student Magazine.
- Recognition - The Office for Evangelization and Faith Formation sends appreciation letters to schools/parishes/faith formation classes. Of the twenty (20) that we receive, four (4) will be selected for submission to the National Office, TWO of our catechist’s will be recognized and one (1) of our catechists will be recognized as the Catechist of the Year in our diocese.

Please mail all entries to: MCA Artwork Contest, Diocese of Greensburg, 723 E. Pittsburgh Street, Greensburg, PA 15601.

Please respond by Friday, October 13.

The agenda includes:

- Includes teachings, fellowship, Mass, and dinner. Registration is $8.00 per person. To register, or for more information, please contact George & Pat Ziringer (724-335-4966).
- Following Pope Francis’ Encyclical Evangelization in the Upper Room, Bishop Anthony J. Malesic, S.J., will open the synod with his response. John Collins of William H. Sadlier Inc. will lead a discussion on catechesis through a variety of leadership and service approaches, including catechesis in the family, school, parish, community, and social service agencies that are already engaged in the fight against addiction. This is also an opportune time to address the crisis of addiction and its impact on human life. We would like to invite you to this remarkable opportunity to consider the broader significance of the crisis of addiction and its impact on human life. For more information, please contact George & Pat Ziringer (724-335-4966).