

Looking Ahead



Upcoming opportunities to network, plan, promote and highlight the Prayer, Service and Sharing themes integral to a Stewardship Way of Life

February 16-17 Theological Enrichment for Adult Ministers

Spend a day or two with nationally recognized Catholic Theologian Dr. Richard Gaillardetz "*Imagining a Renewed Church for the 21st Century*" at the Radisson Convention Center in Green Bay. Special registration rates for groups sponsored by a parish. Registration information and detailed brochure available at www.gbdioc.org/pg/educationmain.tpl

Lent, 2006 Liturgical Issues and Planning Guide

Produced by the Diocesan Worship Department for any and all involved in preparation of Liturgy during Lent, Triduum, and Easter time. Collaborate with parish staff on efforts to promote prayer and worship opportunities. To obtain a copy, contact Diann, ext. 8311 or emaildwimmer@gbdioc.org.

March 1 Operation Rice Bowl

Home-based Lenten program which calls families to pray, fast, learn, and give together. At home materials include a "rice bowl" collection box, a calendar guide, and suggested activities for each day of Lent. Materials are free and available in Spanish as well. See the Catholic Relief Services web page www.catholicrelief.org/orb or contact the Diocesan Office of World Mission Services, ext. 8192, for more info on involving your parish families. Classroom materials also available for schools and religious education settings.

March 25-26 For the World's Poor Second Collection

Diocesan-wide effort to benefit Catholic Campaign for Human Development, Catholic Relief Services, and Peter's Pence. For more information, resources, or referrals, contact Brother Steve Herro, Diocesan Office of Social Concerns, ext. 8299.

April 1 Monthly Parish Meeting Prayers

The April, May, and June versions available on the diocesan web page (www.gbdioc.org) Find these downloadable, ready to use prayer services designed around stewardship themes under the Stewardship Banner or email us at PastServ@gbdioc.org and we will send you the direct link.

April 23-29 National Volunteer Week

Sponsored by the Points of Light Foundation, National Volunteer Week is about thanking one of America's most valuable assets – our volunteers – and calling the public's attention to all that they do to improve our communities. Consider honoring your parish volunteers this week as well. Check out this web site for some ideas you can adapt for parish use: <http://www.pointsoflight.org/programs/seasons/nvw/>

