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Download a thanksgiving prayer compliments of the JPII Resources.

FROM THE DIRECTOR...

"ALWAZBZ"

I saw this personalized license plate not too long ago, and its message has stuck with me. It seems as though more and more people I talk with these days are maxed-out busy. They aren't complaining so much, but their eyes have that glazed over zombie-like look of people in need of lots of rest!

Do you feel as if you are "always busy?" If so, please take care. The weight of these uncertain times may take its toll on you. Find your refuge in the Lord! Recall that He has called you to this ministry, and He LOVES you. Place your trust in Him and His plan -- after all, it is not OUR ministry.

Recently, I was forced into some R&R time, due to major surgery. I am fine now, and I want to thank those who were praying for me. It was such an eye-opening experience to be forced to do NOTHING. I couldn't even walk at a normal pace. All I could do was watch people rush around me in their whirlwind lives.

My prayer for all of you is that it doesn't require a major illness to prompt you to slow down. My prayer is that you create quality-time with your youth, not just busy-time. My prayer for all of us is that we can model a healthy pace for our youth to follow.

May you and your families enjoy a restful and enjoyable Thanksgiving!

Chris Edmonds

AROUND THE DIOCESE

Region 1:
Nov 22 - Dodgeball hosted by Holy Name, Coffeyville
Dec 05 - Caroling and fun hosted by St. John,Iola
Jan 30-31 - Winter Lock-in hosted by St. Francis,St. Paul

Region 2:
Dec 06 - Christmas carolling and party hosted by Holy Cross, Hutchinson (3:00-7:00 pm)

Region 3:
Nov 14 - Dance at Garden Plain (7-11 pm)
Nov 15 - Youth board sings at Mt. Vernon Mass (11:00)
Dec 13 - Youth board sings at Kingman Mass (10:00 am

Dates to Remember

Dec 31
DCYB apps due

Jan 19-24
March for Life Pilgrimage

Jan 29
DCYC youth nominations due

Feb 19
All DCYC forms & payments due

Feb 20-22
TEC # 123

Mar 20-21
DCYC at Airport Hilton

click here for full calendar

Click here for 100 Tips and Ideas!

Benefit BOOK FAIR at Barnes & Noble - Nov 14

All purchases (book, Cafe', CD, DVD, audio books and gift items) made at the Bradley Fair location will count toward books for our Catholic School libraries. Entertainment provided between 10:30 am and 3:00 pm.
You must mention the bookfair at the register for

w/carolling in the afternoon)
Jan 16-17 - Leadership lock-in at Danville
Jan 31 - Volleyball league begins

Region 4:
Dec 13 - Dinner & Speaker hosted by St. Vincent dePaul, Andover

Region 5:
Dec 30 - Eve of the Eve Dance hosted by St. Mary's, Derby

"Faith, if not accompanied by actions, is dead."

James 2:17

Opportunties for youth to put their faith into action:

Souperbowl of Caring on February 7, 2010. Use the Super Bowl weekend to mobilize youth to fight hunger and poverty in your own community. Consider the Service Blitz on February 6, 2010.

Catholic Relief Services' 24-hour hunger awareness program for Catholic youth information may be found at the FoodFast website.

Help build a water well where needed by drinking only water for 2 weeks through the H2O project.

Gift others with training and animals that help them become self-reliant through the Heifer Project.

Give the gift of a smile through Operation Smile.

ADULT TRAINING AND FORMATION

Religious Studies Program at Spiritual Life Center:
Nov 14 & Dec 12 - Introduction to the Old Testament
Jan 9 & Feb 13 - Introduction to Church History
Mar 13 & Apr 10 - Introduction to Christian Spirituality

January 10 - **Orientation to Catholic Youth Ministry** 1:00-4:00 pm - presented by Christine Edmonds at the Spiritual Life Center. FREE admission. RSVPs accepted through January 4, 2010.

The Virtual Learning Community for Faith Formation (VLCFF) at University of Dayton is a growing initiative to offer adult religious education and faith formation anytime and anywhere via the internet. Classes begin Jan 10.

our schools to get credit!

DIRECT MINISTRY FOR YOUTH

- March for Life 2010 - January 19-24, 2010
- TEC #123 - February 20-22, 2010 in Wichita
- Diocesan Catholic Youth Conference - March 20-21 at the Wichita Airport Hilton

DCYC comes early in 2010!

Our annual Diocesan
Catholic Youth Conference (DCYC) will take place on
Mar 20-21, 2010
All forms and payments will be due by
Feb 12, 2010

Please begin recruiting your group now!

Thank you!

Happy and blessed Thanksgiving,

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