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To: **PASTOR / PASTORAL STAFF / BULLETIN EDITOR**
From: Chris Owens, Director
Re: Please add these announcements to your bulletins! **(English and Spanish Translation)**
Date: **Monday, June 3, 2019**

Included are new and current announcements from the Office of Family and Faith Formation. We would greatly appreciate if you could add these announcements to your bulletins and cycle them until the event date. If you have any questions, please contact the Office of Family and Faith Formation at 916-733-0177. New and updated announcements are **highlighted in yellow!**

Family & Respect Life Ministries

Event Title	Clarification about Planned Parenthood
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Recently a Catholic school in our Diocese included contact information for Planned Parenthood in a list of recommended community resources for youth. This should not have happened. While it is important for our Catholic schools, parishes and social services to make information available about outside organizations that provide assistance to people in need, we must ensure that those organizations provide only information and services that conform to our Catholic values. Planned Parenthood is not one of them. In fact it is the #1 abortion provider in the United States; every year its affiliates kill over 300,000 innocent pre-born children. For more documented facts about Planned Parenthood's involvement in the abortion industry, go to http://www.usccb.org/cs_upload/issues-and-action/human-life-and-dignity/abortion/186277_8.pdf Our Catholic schools are committed to creating a culture of life in the hearts and minds of our students.	

Lay Ministry Formation and Parish Support

Event Title	Ministry Days 2019
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SAVE THE DATE. Ministry Days 2019 is here! Be sure to mark your calendars for September 27 and 28! More information to follow.	

Event Title	Jornada Pastoral 2019
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RESERVE LA FECHA. ¡La Jornada Pastoral del 2019 está aquí! Asegúrese de marcar sus calendarios el 27 y 28 de septiembre. Más información a seguir.	

UPDATED BASIC CATECHIST CERTIFICATION PROCEDURE	
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Please note that there is an updated form for certifying basic catechists with the Diocese. In addition to the current process, the form now has a place for the parish safe environment coordinator to certify that the applicant has completed the background check and has a current Safe Haven training. NOTE, ALSO that it is the expectation that all new catechists work to obtain the catechist certification within a year after they have begun volunteering as a catechist. Once obtained, active catechists should maintain their certification through continuing formation towards the renewal of the certification. The new form can be found on the website at www.scd.org/basiccertification	

PROCEDIMIENTO DE CERTIFICACION BASICA DE CATEQUISTA ACTUALIZADO	
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Tenga en cuenta que existe un formulario actualizado para la Certificación Básica de Catequistas en la Diócesis. Además del proceso actual, el formulario ahora tiene un espacio para que el Coordinador de Ambiente Seguro Parroquial certifique que el solicitante ha completado la Verificación de Antecedentes y que además tenga la capacitación de Safe Haven actualizada. ADEMÁS, TENGA EN CUENTA, que la expectativa es que todos los nuevos catequistas reúnan los requisitos para obtener la Certificación de Catequista dentro de un año después de que hayan comenzado a ser voluntarios como catequistas. Una vez obtenido, los catequistas activos deben mantener su certificación a través de la Formación Continua hacia la Renovación de la Certificación. El nuevo formulario lo encuentra en el sitio web en www.scd.org/basiccertification	