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Growing Disciples – Wednesday Wrap
Glorifying God – Growing in Faith
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New RCI Benziger Representative:

Gail Michels is our new representative for RCL Benziger. You can reach Gail at 866-872-3597 or at gmichels@rclbenziger.com. To view the 2015 catalog online go to www.rclbcatalog.com.

24 Hours for the Lord “God Rich in Mercy” Scheduled for March 13-14:

For a second straight year, the Holy Father has invited dioceses, parishes and communities to join with him in participating in the 24 Hours for the Lord initiative. It is an opportunity to provide an access to local parishes on March 13-14 the possibility of Confessions and Eucharistic Adoration. The day could end with the celebration of the Mass on Saturday afternoon. The theme which will guide the reflection in 2015 is *God rich in mercy* (Eph 2:4). A Pastoral Resource providing directions for the liturgy along with ideas for personal reflection and preparation for the Sacrament of Reconciliation has been edited by the Pontifical Council for Promoting the New Evangelization. Published by Catholic Book Publishing Corporation, it can be purchased online at: <http://www.catholicbookpublishing.com/products/1041> For a poster go to: http://www.novaevangelizatio.va/content/dam/nvev/images/Eventi/24ore2015/Manifesto_EN.pdf

NCYC Updates – On-Line Registration is now open:

We are happy to inform you that the on-line registration for NCYC has been tested and it is up and working. You can also find PDF documents of each item we sent you in your packet. This week we will be recording a very easy how-to video that will make on-line registration very easy. If you would like, you can begin registering immediately. Billing won't happen until the initial deposit is due with your NCYC parish commitment form that is on May 22. Sherri and I will let you know when the video is available on YouTube.

Link to NCYC page on the Diocesan Website (information and on-line registration):

<http://www.dmdiocese.org/ncyc-2015.cfm?acpreview=1&languageid=385E8678-FFDC-4169-A1B5-2D5A2F248D64>

A few people have asked questions about pizzas. This year we are not taking orders for pizza following the sessions but proposing you coordinate this with our friends at Hot Box Pizza. We were very impressed with the quality of their product and how quickly they were able to deliver to the hotel. You can find more information about them at: <http://gethotboxpizza.com/> Pricing for the pizzas in bulk are:

- 3-10 pies are \$9.99 (\$1.25 per slice)

- 11-20 pies are \$9.49
- 21-30 pies are \$8.99
- 31-40 pies are \$8.49
- 41+ pies are \$7.99

We will check to see if we can get a special code where maybe they can group all of our orders together to get larger bulk pricing.

Please be aware in your meetings that we are planning on one pizza meal as part of registration fee. This meal will be served on Friday at the hotel following a Mass with Bishop Pates. The Mass will be at the hotel following the daytime sessions and before we gather at Lucas Oil Stadium in the evening. There will be to go containers available if you and your delegation want to immediately head to Lucas Oil Stadium.

A couple of delegation leaders have asked about the hotel. We will once again be staying at the Omni Severin Hotel which is a great location. Here is a link to the hotel website: <http://www.omnihotels.com/hotels/indianapolis-severin>

Please let me know if you have any questions about NCYC. I am happy to come out and visit with your parents and teens about NCYC. Thank you for all your help.

Catholic Youth Camp 2015 (CYC) is coming soon – Camp Counselor Positions are available:

Each year close to 250 young people volunteer a week of their lives to be a camp counselor at CYC. It is one unique aspect about Catholic Youth Camp in our diocese than in any other place across the country that serves Catholic Youth.

Attached, please find two flyers that you can print and post or send as a pdf to see if young people in your parish community might want to take on this challenge. Online applications can be located at www.stmcenter.com and are due by March 1st.

Registrations are still open for most weeks of camp. If you have any questions please contact the staff at 515-309-1936.

Prayer for today:

Dear Lord, fill my mind with loving thoughts today. Grant that I may spend the hours of the day gladly working with you according to Your will.

Help me just for today and be with me in it: in the long hours of confinement, that
 I may not weary or grow slack in loving You;
 in conversations, that they may not be to me occasions of uncharitableness;
 that the day's worries and disappointments,
 that I may be patient with myself and with those around me;
 in moments of fatigue and illness, that I may be mindful of others rather than of myself;

in temptations, that I may be generous and loyal, so that when the day is over I may lay it at
Your feet, with its successes which are all Yours, and its failures, which are all my own,
and feel that life is real and peaceful and blessed, when spent with You as the Guest of my soul.

Amen