

DID YOU KNOW? L.Sabian?

Safe Environment training is taking place in all dioceses of the United States. Over 2 million clergy, employees, and volunteers have been trained to prevent and respond to the abuse of children.

La capacitación para establecer un Ambiente Seguro se esta realizando en todas las diócesis en los Estados Unidos. Mas de 2 millones de clérigos, empleados, y voluntarios han sido capacitados para prevenir y para responder a! abuso de menores. Ponganse en contacto con su coordinador local para averiguar como pueden participar.

BINGO AT

ST. MARY'S HIGH SCHOOL

The next monthly Bingo games at St. Mary's High School will be Thursday, May 18. Doors open at 5:30 pm, Bingo starts at 6:30 pm. Food available for purchase. Must be over 21 to play. Bingo packet is \$20 (10 game sheets with 4 cards per sheet.) Questions: igiannini@saintmaryshighschool.org or call Jennifer Giannini at 209-957-3340, ext. 121.



DENIM AND PEARLS

Catholic Charities is hosting a Wine & Food Event on Saturday, May 6 from 6:00–9:00 pm at

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the Cathedral of the Annunciation gym. Tickets are \$45 in advance or \$50 at the door or call 444-5928. Proceeds to benefit individuals, families, and children in need.

GREAT MARIAN PROCESSION – Saturday, May 13

Honoring 100 years at Fatima. The Great Marian Procession begins at St. Mary Cemetery in Sacramento at 8:00 am. At 11:00 am, Mary's Crowning and Solemn Mass at the East Lawn Memorial Park. For more information, visit www.BringMary.com.

TROUBLED MARRIAGE?

Retrouvaille can help. Many couples are in misery and hurting and want to get their marriage back, but don't know how to do it. Retrouvaille is a Christian-based program that will give participants communication tools necessary to get back in touch with each other. Visit their website for more information at www.retroca.com or learn more about Retrouvaille at www.helpourmarriage.com.



HOSPICE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Patients who are nearing end of life have a variety of needs that can be filled by volunteers. Some patients have little or no support and are in need of companionship. Volunteer visits can include reading, journaling, helping with hobbies and relieving family members and friends. Have you ever considered becoming a hospice volunteer? Volunteers must be at least 18 and have not suffered a close personal loss in the last 12 months. The commitment is usually 1 – 2 hours per week. Thorough training will be provided to help volunteers feel comfortable with their assignments. There are patients in Stockton who are awaiting volunteer assistance. If you want to volunteer or get more information, contact Laurie Herbert at Gentiva Hospice at 925-737-0203.

PRAY FOR OUR GRADUATES

Students will be graduating from our eleven diocesan elementary schools and two high schools this May and June. Pray that the foundation of faith they have received in their families and from their schools will sustain them in the next steps of their journey. If you are interested in supporting Catholic education for students who need financial assistance, please consider donating to SEEDS and help build the dream of a wonderful education for our children. www.stocktondiocese.org/SEEDS



CONGRATULATIONS

... to all our graduates from the pre-school and school, and to the newly baptized and confirmed, and those who received their first communion. Please keep them in your prayers.

SUMMER IS ALMOST HERE

Many of our programs are starting to wind down for the year, but this is the time of year that the Festival Committee begins planning our annual Fall Festival. If there are any crafters, knitters, crochet-ers, sew-ers, or green thumb gardeners, please keep the Festival in mind during the long summer months. The Country Store booth depends on hand-made items to stock its shelves. If you would like to volunteer to help plan the Festival, please call the parish office and leave your name and phone number.

