



## The Beacon.Com - Marianist Family Retreat Center E-Newsletter

**January 2012**

*(Be sure to visit our web site at [www.capemaymarianists.org](http://www.capemaymarianists.org) for a complete schedule, retreat photos and application)*

To find out more of what is happening in the greater Marianist Family – click here [www.marianist.com/foi](http://www.marianist.com/foi) for Marianist Family Online - the Province E-Newsletter.

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Dear Friends,

Well, we are off to a good start in 2012! This past weekend, close to 50 young people & volunteer staff gathered for our annual College-Age Retreat. This year's theme was "*An Inconvenient Faith.*" The presentations, prayer services and rituals were all very well done and the young people truly entered into the spirit of the retreat. [To see photos click here.](#)

As we continue to discern God's call in our ministry we ask that you continue to find your way to help sustain us. Whether you are a regular volunteer, retreat leader, participant, or someone who prays and supports us from a distance – all are needed to keep our shared ministry healthy!

We look forward to seeing you all here in 2012!

## *Speaking about seeing you here in 2012...*



young adults.

The cost for the weekend is \$120.

### **Join us for the Young Adult Retreat (ages 22-35) February 18-20**

This year's retreat will be led by Fr. "Teddy" Tedesco! If you have ever been on retreat with Teddy then you know how great he is! Fr. Teddy is a wonderful storyteller and full of life and good humor. He uses these gifts to guide retreatants in examining their spiritual life and deepening their relationship with God. He has led retreats here in the past and is definitely a favorite among the



### ***Summer Family Retreat Applications can be post marked February 1\*\****

**\*\*Note:** Applications received from 1<sup>st</sup> time or 2<sup>nd</sup> time families prior to April 1 will be given first priority. After April 1 ANY FAMILY (even if you have been here multiple years) will be placed in available weeks.

[Click here for an online version of the brochure.](#)



### **Heart of Winter Youth Retreat – February 3-5**

If you have received a *Heart of Winter* invitation we ask that you send in your application and deposit to be a part of this experience. The weekend will consist of presentations, prayer services, and Eucharist along with a hands-on service project. Please call if you have any questions! 609-884-3829

## Solar Panel Update



**Total Energy produced:** 46.2 Megawatt hours – this is enough electricity to power 46,000 average U.S. homes for an hour or 5 homes for a whole year!



**Gasoline displaced:** 3,364 gallons



**Trees replaced:** 4,003

## Special Marianist Event



**You are invited to bring in the New Year with Fr. Chaminade...**

What better way to bring in the New Year than to celebrate the close of the Chaminade year with other Marianists?

After the busyness of the Christmas season, the day will be a quiet day of prayer and reflection, looking at the gifts Fr. Chaminade has given us. There will be time for personal reflection and some time for sharing with others.

Lunch will be served.

**When:** Saturday, January 21, 2012

**Where:** The Marianist Center, 1341 N Delaware Ave, Suite 301, Philadelphia, PA

**Time:** 10:30am – 3:30pm

**Arrival at 10 am, Opening Prayer 10:30**

**Suggested offering:** \$10 per person

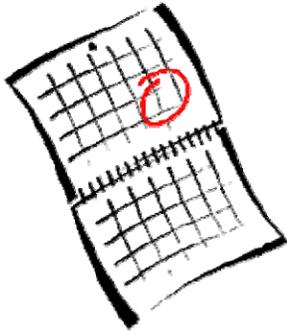
**R.S.V.P by January 16 to:** Carol Weiss at [cweiss8418@aol.com](mailto:cweiss8418@aol.com) or 917-364-6862

**“My confidence in the Lord has never been shaken”** ~*Blessed William Joseph Chaminade*

## ***Other Upcoming Retreats & Important Dates***

To print an application please [click here](#).

***\*\*Financial Aid is available – please do not let the cost of a retreat be the obstacle that prevents you from joining us...\*\****



### **2012 Retreat Dates:**

Young Adult Retreat – February 10-12  
Women's Spirituality – March 16-18  
Easter Triduum Retreat – April 5-8  
Widow-Widowers Retreat – April 13-15  
Gift of Days Retreat – April 17-19 (mid-week)

### **Other Important Dates:**

February 1 – Earliest postmark date for Summer Family Retreat applications\*\*.  
February 1 – Earliest postmark date for Spring High School Teen Retreat applications.

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***Check out [www.capemaymarianists.org](http://www.capemaymarianists.org) for a full listing of our 2012 Retreat Offerings!***

### ***Marriage Moments and Parenting Pointers***

*Contributed by Susan Vogt, [www.SusanVogt.net](http://www.SusanVogt.net)*

#### ***On Marriage...***

**Not all injustices are black or white. Often there's a lot of gray when trying to figure out who is right in an argument. Before digging in your heels and insisting on having your way, try to get in your spouse's skin and see how the problem looks through his/her eyes.**

#### ***On Parenting...***

**"Then Simeon blessed them and said to Jesus' mother, Mary, 'This child is destined for the falling and the rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be opposed.'" (Luke 2:34) What fears do you have for your child?**

Blessings to All!

The Marianists  
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