



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

February 2012

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

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Marianist Family – click here www.marianist.com/foi for
Marianist Family Online - the Province E-Newsletter.

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“Put your confidence in God and act.”

Blessed William Joseph Chaminade



Dear Friends,

Over the past several years Erin and I have participated in the ***Retreat for Young Married Couples*** – yes I am still young (ish) – and we have found it to be so important to our marriage. To take this one weekend a year to deeply focus on the Sacrament that is our marriage has truly been a blessing. The couples who present this weekend are so well prepared and truly guide the young couples to see the sanctity of their marriage and how God is part of who we are as a couple. I

would strongly encourage all of you young married couples out there to consider this gift to yourselves. This year's retreat will be the weekend of March 30 – April 1 - [To see more details and for an application click here.](#)



**Join us for the Young Adult Retreat (ages 22-35)
February 10-12 SPOTS STILL REMAIN
OPEN!**

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 young adults. The cost for the weekend is \$120.

[Click here for an application](#)



***We are now accepting Summer
Family Retreat Applications!***

****Note:** Applications received from 1st time or 2nd 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.](#)



Volunteer Forms are due back by Feb 18...

Please send back your volunteer forms as soon as you are able. Email afucci@capemaymarianists.org if you need a new one.

Interested in volunteering?

If you are **16 years of age or older**** you are eligible to be considered for a volunteer position at the Center. If you are **15 years of age**** you may be eligible, provided that your parent(s) or legal guardian(s) are present at the retreat for which you are volunteering.

****Sorry, there will be no exceptions****



CLEANING WEEKEND 'THANK YOU!'

Just a quick note to say 'Thank You' to all of you who participated in our annual Cleaning Weekend. This weekend is always so nice to be a part of – folks who love this ministry and these houses coming together to take care of them. I am always awed by how much gets done on these weekends and of course how nice the houses look afterward!



Women's Spirituality Retreat

March 16-18

Join with other women of faith in a creative exploration of your own story and stories of women in faith. Come alone, or with a relative or friend. A team of Marianist women has prepared this weekend of rest and renewal. Eucharist, other prayer experiences, socials and fun are included. The cost for this weekend is \$125.

[Click here for an application](#)

Marianist Young Adult Service/Learning Retreat Day



Join Young Adults (18-35) in the Marianist Traditions Of Friendship, Service, and Tending the Earth at the:

Center for Environmental Transformation

A Ministry of Sacred Heart Church

Camden, New Jersey

Saturday, March 24th

9am – 5pm

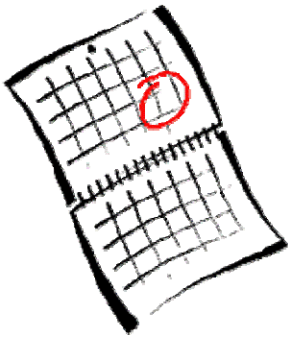
\$20 per person, includes lunch

To register or for more information, contact: Pati Krasensky at 215-634-4116
patikras@hotmail.com or Colleen O'Grady at 616-283-8530

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

[A Retreat for Young Married Couples](#) – March 30 – April 1

[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 for a full listing of 2012 Retreat Offerings!

Marriage Moments and Parenting Pointers

Contributed by Susan Vogt, www.SusanVogt.net

On Marriage...

Feb. 12: (World Marriage Day) Renew your vows today or on Valentine's Day. "I _____, take you, _____, to be my wife/husband. I promise to be true to you in good times and in bad, in sickness and in health. I will love you and honor you all the days of my life."

On Parenting...

February 22 is Ash Wednesday. Talk with your kids about whether there is something the whole family might give up or DO for Lent. For example: omit desserts, TV, or videos except on Sunday; eat dinner together more, give each other one sincere compliment a day...

Blessings to All!
The Marianists
Cape May Point