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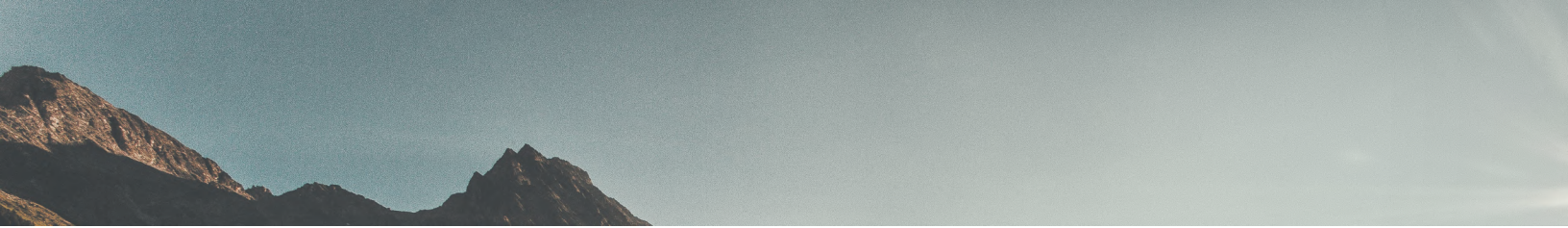


"THE LORD IS
MY SHEPHERD,
THERE IS
NOTHING I
SHALL WANT"

PSALM 23:1

888TH PRAYER MEETING

FEBRUARY 23, 2020



WHAT IS HOLDING YOU BACK

What is the gate that you have closed? Is it fear? Is it unforgiveness? What is the gate that's holding back the torrent of love and grace and mercy and joy and peace? What's holding you back from receiving all that I have for you? Name it. Claim my victory today. (Reference: an image of a floodgate, a huge wooden door... all of a sudden the door's bursting open and all of this water flooding in at a great rapid pace)

ISAIAH 43:18-21

"Remember not the former things, nor consider the things of old. Behold, I am doing a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert. The wild beasts will honor me, the jackals and the ostriches; for I give water in the wilderness, rivers in the desert, to give drink to my chosen people, the people whom I formed for myself that they might declare my praise."

COME ENCOUNTER MY LOVE

My beloved, I desire deeply to have a divine encounter with each one of you. I am a loving God. Each individual encounter with me will build to a communal encounter and strengthen this body. Yet, you are not (fully) free my people. Why do you persist in not believing that I love you? Why do you persist in believing that you are not forgiven? Yet, I am a patient God. Each one of you must continue to encounter me, to encounter my love for you, to encounter my forgiveness for you. This will not all happen today. This will take many encounters. It may be a time in prayer. It may be a sacramental time receiving the Holy Eucharist or through Confession. It may be a time of prayer with brothers and sisters. Oh my beloved, come to me. Come to me and seek this divine encounter. Do not persist in your unbelief. (Reference: Ponder what Jesus did for us, to set us free)

MY PEOPLE OF HOPE

I have called you by name. I have called you by name, my People of Hope. I have called you by the name of People of Hope. Over the years, I've seen you be a People of Hope through trials and tribulations. You have been my People of Hope and you have brought my hope to so many. So I tell you now, this is a new moment that I want to renew in you that call to be my People of Hope. As you encounter more trials and tribulations, I call you not to discouragement, but to hope. My gift is hope, not discouragement. So claim this gift. I call you by name, my People of Hope.

OTHER WORDS

In response to our genuine act of faith in worship the Lord wants to give a gift of miraculous healing over long standing generational wounds.

Do not fear Satan for I have defeated him, fear the old self who died in baptism that continues to come after you, trying to resurrect when you are alive. Be careful to confide in one another in your small groups to bring these things to the light, because there they can be worked on.

THE PEOPLE OF HOPE

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ISAIAH 43:19

IGNITE YOUTH MINISTRY

MAEVE BUGANSKI

IGNITE YOUTH MINISTRY had our largest group to date attend the Right to Life March in Washington, D.C. together. There were 17 teens accompanied by three youth leaders. We attended the March with many parishioners from St. Vincent de Paul parish on the St. Vincent's bus. It reminded me of the time I attended the March with my friends in high school and it was awesome to now be leading a group of high schoolers on this trip. Our Ignite teens were energetic and it was clear that they were all proud to be there marching for something they believed in. I was proud to be leading them.

Once we arrived in Washington D.C., we walked as a group to the Washington Monument lawn to hear President Trump address all who attended the March, some 100,000 of us! His address was followed by many vibrant Pro-Life speakers who encouraged and supported us in our fight to defend life. Then we marched together. The March is not only encouraging by its numbers but also that everyone who is there is joyful and full of life. It's a space where hundreds of thousands of strangers from all over the country come not only to march together but talk to one another and freely share life together for one day. Our group happened to bump into many friends we know: siblings, relatives and friends that live near or far. The March is truly a place where we can come together as one and fight for Life. Ignite was extremely blessed to take part in this March. We continue to pray for all the unborn and for those who cannot defend themselves.

RIGHT TO LIFE MARCH

IGNITE YOUTH MINISTRY



"IT WAS ESPECIALLY ENCOURAGING TO SEE ALL THE KIDS AROUND MY AGE WHO ARE ALSO PRO-LIFE"

We started the day off with Mass at St. Vincent's at 6:00 am, which was the earliest I had woken up in a while, but it was nice to kick the day off on the right note. This was my first time going to the Right to Life March in Washington DC and what surprised me the most was how many people there were. I've always heard that a lot of people went, but seeing it and being in the middle of everything in person was mind-blowing. It was beautiful to see just how many people in America really cared about the rights of the unborn babies, and it was especially encouraging to see all the kids around my age who are also pro-life. My favorite part was finally reaching the top of the hill and being able to look back down to see all of the people marching, and it was awesome to feel like we were really making a difference in the right direction.

-IGNITE TEEN, 10TH GRADE



**WASHINGTON, DC
JAN 24, 2020**



THE DAUGHTERS OF HOPE

have had four different events since the beginning of their 13th "season." Back in October, Michela Brooks came to share with us about her experience on pilgrimage as she walked the Camino de Santiago in Spain. It was very inspiring to hear her story and she graciously answered all our questions. We then had a Spanish buffet, including a St. James cake and our "pretend" Sangria. During this event, we were able to surprise our "fearless and fun" leader, Norma Provinsal, since her 70th Birthday and Baptismal Days were in October! A few sisters were able to honor and thank her for who she is as a Daughter of God and how she serves the Daughters of Hope. During our meal time, many sisters shared 'Norma' stories and how they have experienced her personal love for them. November brought us a time of Thanksgiving to God for all our blessings and we also got to share how grateful we were for being a part of the Daughters of Hope. We feasted on pies and hot cider and everyone

shared one of their favorite memories with the Daughters. There was lots of joy and laughter! We realized that many of the sisters once "served" on the team for the Daughters before "attending" the Daughters, which brought even more laughter.

In December we had an Italian Christmas celebration! We learned about Christmas and Advent traditions in Italy and feasted on great Italian food. We learned the phrase "Buon Natale" which means Merry Christmas in Italian. The team was able to bake cookies ahead of time and send all the ladies home with a bag of homemade Italian cookies and Norma's homemade pumpkin bread. February usually makes us think of love and we had our own celebration of love. Maria DeLuca shared about experiencing God's love in her life and we were reminded about St. Valentine and all he did for love.

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SUE MINOGUE

Diane Tomasello's "Uncle Jim," who is a professional piano player, came and entertained us with all the "oldies but goodies" songs. Some women hummed along, some sang, and there was even a little dancing going on! We had wonderful desserts and punch. We ended with a fun game of BINGO and everyone went home with a prize! We look forward to March 11th when the Daughters will be able to host an evangelistic breakfast at St. Vincent's in Stirling. Monsignor Benwell will be our guest speaker. Please pray for that. As you can see we have a wonderful time together with lots of joy and fellowship. God is good!

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We are excited to be transitioning to a new platform for both our donation processing as well as our community database. Elexio offers a variety of new features and functionality to enhance our community life so we look forward to implementing them in the future!

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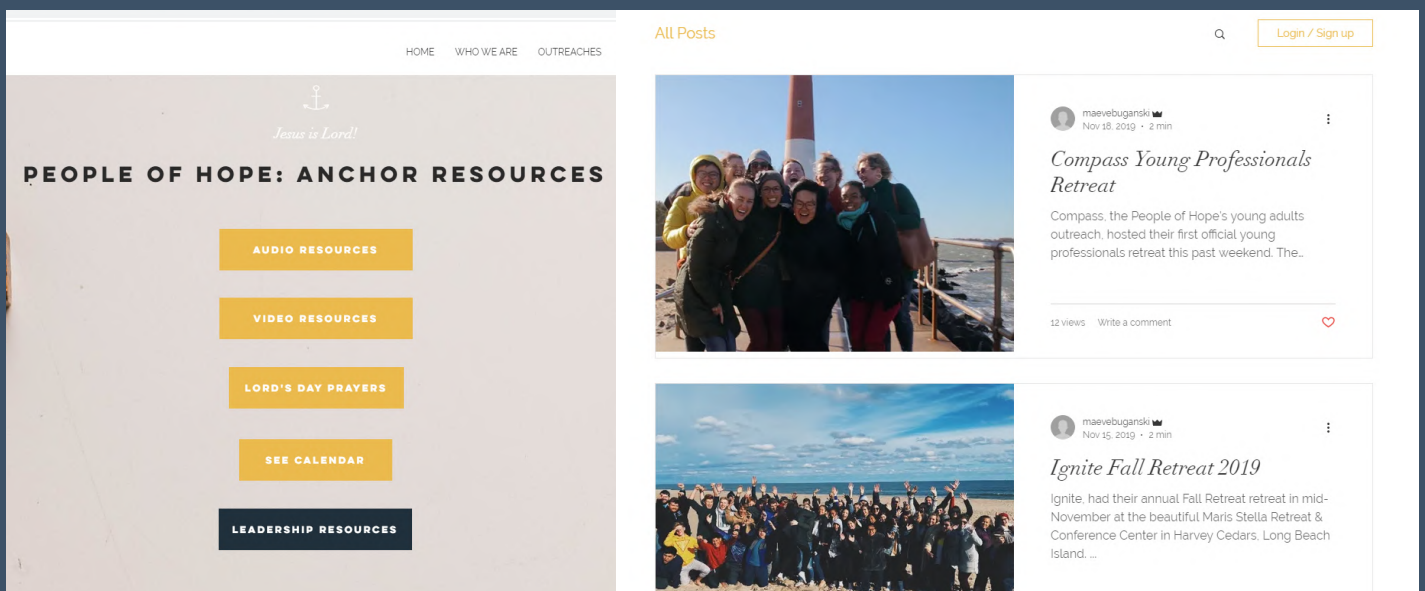
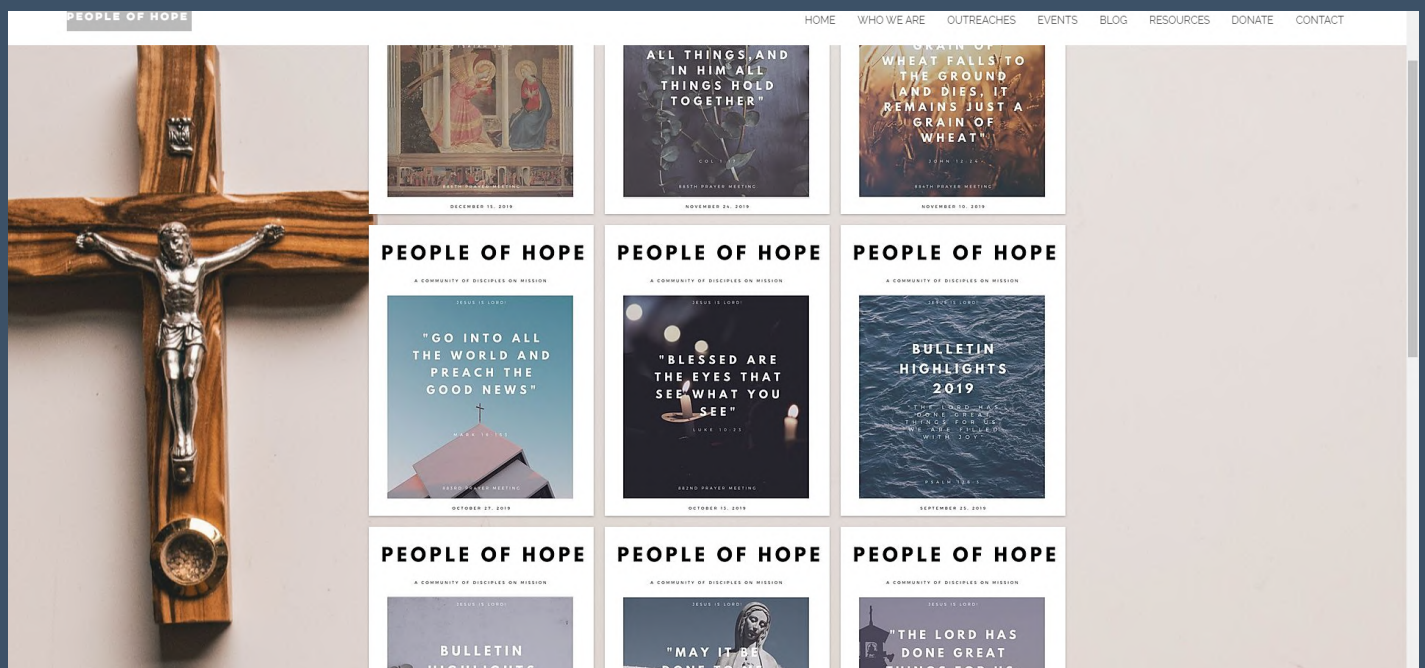
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NEW WEBSITE

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We're excited to announce we've revamped the People of Hope website! *Digital bulletins, past retreat booklets, members only resources, People of Hope blog, calendar, donation page, and more. Our goal is to be both more evangelistically minded and user-friendly. We hope this is a resource you will be proud to share with others.*



Be sure to check out www.peopleofhope.net

YES Retreat 2020

Ignite is going on the YES Retreat!

March 27-29, 2020

Michindoh Conference Center in Hillsdale, MI

For more info on how to register, email ignite@peopleofhope.net

The YES Retreat is a three day, two night, Christian high school retreat sponsored by Kairos North America. It is tailored to high school youth and guests of Sword of the Spirit affiliated communities.

Camp Hope 2020

Registration is now open to all!

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PLEASE CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR ALL THE SICK

Please continue to pray for all the sick, especially for Clara Bickel, Jack Bickel, Maria Bickel, Dick Birmingham, Genna Camiolo, John Camiolo, Peg Camiolo, Fr. Jim Carroll, Jonathan Caruso, Steve Clark, Lou Cirrotti, Mike Dalessio, Joe Fierro, Margaret Fierro, Eric Garcia, Paul Giegerich, Jr., Laura Greey, Gloria Hoffman, Joe Hoffman, Joseph McMullen, Rose Molnar, Danielle Neri, Shannon Hardy, Eleanor Benson,

Walt and Joanne Quense, Lizzie Quense, Lee Scarfone, Jack Spear, Lisa Yacone, Carol-Ann McCarthy, Peter Smith from Triumph of the Cross in MD, and Jan Munk from the Work of Christ in Lansing, MI.

Let's also pray for all those serving in the military, especially our loved ones.



IGNITE TEAM MEETING

Thursday, February 27, 2020

No teen event.

IGNITE MIDDLE

Thursday, February 27, 2020

Koinonia Academy

7:30-9pm

IGNITE NIGHT

Thursday, March 5th, 2020

Koinonia Academy

8-9:30pm

SMALL GROUPS

Thursday, March 12th, 2020

Location: TBD

8-9:30pm

IGNITE NIGHT

Thursday, March 19th, 2020

Koinonia Academy

8-9:30pm



COMPASS TEACHING NIGHT

Tuesday, March 3 - 7:30 pm

Location TBA

COMPASS SMALL GROUPS

Tuesday, March 17

Location and Time TBA

COMPASS LORD'S DAY

Saturday, March 21

Location and Time TBA

COMPASS SMALL GROUPS

Tuesday, April 7

Location and Time TBA

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UPCOMING EVENTS

ARCHDIOCESAN MEN'S DAY

Saturday, February 29th
Seton Hall University

ARCHDIOCESAN WOMEN'S DAY

Saturday, March 7
Seton Hall University

COMMUNITY PRAYER MEETING

Sunday, March 8th
2:30-4 pm
Koinonia Academy

MEN'S BREAKFAST

Saturday, March 21st
8:30am
Location TBD

COMMUNITY PRAYER MEETING & PARENT YOUTH BRIDGE MEETING

Sunday, March 22nd
2:30-4 pm
Koinonia Academy

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IN LOVING MEMORY

BETTY O'BRIEN

Born on January 29, 1924
Entered Eternal Rest on
July 21, 2019



We recently received news that our dear sister and friend, Betty O'Brien, passed away in July 2019. She was 95 years old, and was living in Georgia with her son. Betty was small in stature, but held an amazing heart of love within her. She loved Mary, Our Mother, deeply and often wore a rosary around her neck, both to be mindful of "her mom", and as a witness. Betty and her sister, Theresa, met and married brothers - Harold and Bill O'Brien. In the '80's Betty and Harold attended a Life in the Spirit Seminar in Lakewood, NJ.

Both were baptized in the spirit, whereupon their lives opened up to new graces and availabilities to serve the Lord. Betty and Harold were members of the Shore District of the POH for many years before moving north to the Koinonia Academy Campus. While at the Shore, they were married in the Catholic Church. Mary Ann Bastiaansen was Betty's "Maid of Honor" and she recalls what a graced time this was in her friendship with the O'Briens. While at the shore, Betty worked at the Pascale Insurance Agency. She and Harold lived on a boat, which was docked in a bay near Red Bank, NJ.

They entertained "many angels" as they offered lively and interesting hospitality. It was indeed a treat to go "out on the boat with Harold and Betty". Many great memories were made in their generous and holy hospitality.

Betty lived a lively youth. At age 18 she met up with Frank Sinatra in Hoboken, where he sang Happy Birthday to her. Betty was sitting next to Frank's mother, and upon his mother's direction "Frank sang to Betty". Betty loved to tell this story. In the WWII years Betty worked in the USO as a dancer, thanking and encouraging our soldiers in their service. Betty had a son and a daughter from her first marriage.

Harold and Betty furthered their "hospitality calling" by buying a large bus, which was parked on the KA campus for a number of years. Harold redesigned the interior and again they welcomed folks, driving many "wedding parties". They also drove people out to Stuebenville to attend Catholic Conferences.

Betty was a faithful and kind woman who loved Jesus and Mary with all her heart. May she rest in peace.