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Disability Services & Ministries E-Newsletter

Over 50 Years of Integrating Persons with Disabilities into Church and Society
1966-2019

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July 7

Fr. Joe McNulty's
50th Anniversary Celebration

No dance in July/August

September 13

Dance at OLA/St. Joseph Center

September 14

Saturday Program begins

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Greetings!

The following is your July 2019 edition of the Disability Services & Ministries E-Newsletter. We have many exciting updates for you including congratulating a 50-year employee and welcoming a new employee!

For more information about our services check out our [website!](#) Also don't forget to follow us on Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter!

Fr. Joseph McNulty's 50th Anniversary



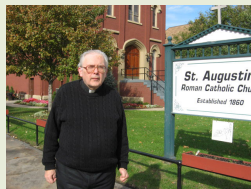
Sunday, July 7, 2019

11:00am Mass at St. Augustine Parish

Reception following

2486 W. 14th St., Cleveland

Join St. Augustine Parish and Catholic Charities Disability Services



& Ministries in congratulating and celebrating Fr. Joseph McNulty!

Fr. Joe has been serving the Diocese of Cleveland as a Catholic Priest for 50

years, and most of those years he has served as Pastor at St. Augustine Parish in Tremont! In addition, Fr. Joe has also served as the Director of Catholic Charities Disability Ministries.

Fifty years serving persons with disabilities. Fifty years serving the poor and homeless. Fifty years serving those in need. Fr. Joe deserves a grand celebration!

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Fr. Joe was ordained in June of 1969. What else was going on during the summer of '69 you ask??? Neil Armstrong walked on the Moon; the music festival Woodstock was held; the Who released "Tommy"; the Beatles "Get Back" was at #1; the July 4th storm tore through Northeast Ohio; the Cuyahoga River burned and changed our environmental practices; our former Director of Disability Services graduated from high school; and our current Director of Disability Services was born!

Congratulations Fr. Joe! We are proud of all that you have accomplished and will continue to accomplish! Thank You!!!



*Catholic Charities Office of
Disabilities Ministries and
St Augustine Parish invites you to
attend a celebration in honor of the
50th Anniversary of the Ordination
to the Priesthood of
Fr. Joseph McNulty
Sunday July 7th with a mass at
11:00 followed by a
reception in the Halls of St Augustine*

Welcome Bob Duda!

We would like to welcome Bob Duda to Catholic Charities Disability Services and Ministries! Bob is the new Program Administrator for the Office of Disability Ministries. This is a position that had been held by Sr. Corita for 40+ years and is based at St. Augustine Parish in Tremont.

Bob will oversee the many ministries in our Diocese to persons with disabilities. The mission of Disability Services and



Ministries is to offer persons with disabilities, throughout the Diocese of Cleveland, opportunities and resources to live life to their potential and to participate fully in Church and society.

Bob will work closely with Fr. Joe McNulty over the next few months to become familiar with all that Disability Ministries does with, by and for persons with disabilities. His role as Program Administrator will include working with Mary Smith and Terry Hogan as the department continues to coordinate sign language interpretation for the Deaf, special religious education & ministries for person with cognitive and other disabilities, working with the local Deaf and Blind Councils and so much more!

Bob has been a part of the St. Augustine Community for 40+ years. A fun fact about Bob: He was baptized by Fr. Joe at St. Augustine as a baby and began volunteering at St. Augustine in 1994. He is the youngest of eight children and grew up in Ohio City.

He truly grew up in this ministry and has an incredible amount of experience serving the disability community. Bob is fluent in American Sign Language and worked at Augustine Rainbow Camp for many years. He also assists at most events which take place at St. Augustine and throughout the Diocese involving Disability Ministries. In addition to all of this, he has had a full-time career as a mortician. He is a man of many talents! He is a natural fit for this role and we are excited to have him join us! If you see Bob around, make sure you congratulate him!

Camp Happiness Fun!!

Camp Happiness has just finished it's second week of great fun for both the campers and the staff! This summer we welcomed 17 brand new campers and 33 returning campers! And we have 7 new staff and 11 returning! What a great group!

The kids are enjoying getting to know each other and their counselors. They have been playing outside, swimming, going to the Zoo, the Science Center, bowling at Mahall's, going to the local park and so much more! And that is just the first two weeks!



July brings more fun and our summer Field Day on July 19 with

the International Order of the Alhambra! We are looking forward to four more weeks of exciting days!



Thank you to our Camp Happiness staff! They are providing a memorable experience for all of our campers!

Camp Happiness Match Challenge Update

We are in our final month of the Camp Happiness Match Challenge! Our challenge from the Logsdon Family Foundation was to raise \$10,000, which they would generously match. The Logsdon Family Foundation has already graciously donated their \$10,000! We are so appreciative and thank them for their support and thank you for your support as well!

We have until July 26 to raise the additional \$5,000. Will you help us!?!?



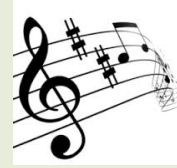
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You can donate [online](#) or send a check made payable to "Catholic Charities Disability Services" to 7911 Detroit Ave., Cleveland, OH 44102



***Next Dance Night is September 13!
Friday the 13th!***

Email [Lauren Mailey](mailto:Lauren.Mailey) or call
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Happenings Around the Diocese

Do you know something that is happening in your Parish or town for and with persons with disabilities? Let us know so we can share it with our readers!

Love and Blessings,
Marilyn Scott & Lauren Mailey
Catholic Charities Disability Services



Happy Summer!!