

Be doers of the word and not hearers only. - James 1:22

#### CFM National Summer 2022 Board Meeting in Omaha, Nebraska



The CFM national board of directors held their semi-annual board meeting in Omaha, Nebraska August 4-7. We want to thank Steve and Donna McCullough, Fr. Dan Kampschneider, Fr. Andy Roza and all the local CFM members at St. Vincent de Paul, as well as the members that welcomed us from St. Bernard.



After a long drought of in-person meetings we were excited to gather in person. In addition to the wonderful fellowship experienced, praying, and sharing meals together, we were able to serve together on Friday at the Holy Family Community Center providing coffee, making and serving bagged lunches, working in the community garden, sorting clothes, doing





repairs, & cleaning to assist the less fortunate. It was a fantastic experience. We also made a pilgrimage to Holy Family Shrine, visited Soaring Wings Vineyard, deliberated & collaborated on a long list of tasks & goals to reach and bless more families with the message and work of the Christian Family Movement. It was a great time together & now we are back in our home states offering the work of our hands for the tasks that God has given us. We ask God to bless all of you, our local leaders & members as you are starting your new CFM year. God called us to share in His mission & we welcome your gifts!

Please contact us at office@cfm.org or president@cfm.org

CFM received a thank you note from Holy Family Community Center:

"For some that I spoke with that day, the "Coffee & Conversation" was their highlight.... The unique experience of meeting those in such dire



situations and hearing their story is so compelling....These programs are at the Holy Family Community Center because of our mission: to support those in need through spirituality, friendship, and service.



We credit CFM's efforts to clean & maintain our historic space for our success the following day....which had visitors see our building be open to the public for a very rare time. Your members' work had this building looking the best it has been for a long time!



Making this connection with CFM was only possible because of Steve & Donna McCullough, which we are so grateful for. I hope that the Society of SVdP and CFM can continue to collaborate for years to come. Together, we make our city of Omaha a safer and kinder place to be."

To learn more about the Holy Family Community Center and their mission, please visit <u>Holy Family Community Center - HFCC Home</u> (holyfamilyomaha.org)



#### CFM in the World Wide Web

In our previous issues, we have shared with you links about us on the World Wide Web outside of CFM.org. Here is another link that will make you feel proud to be part of such an international organization with a long history of evangelization and participation in the mission of Jesus.

CFM was listed as a resource on this USCCB website. <a href="https://catholiccurrent.org/marriage-and-family/building-a-domestic-church-2/">https://catholiccurrent.org/marriage-and-family/building-a-domestic-church-2/</a>

"The family is, so to speak, the domestic church. In it, parents should, by their word and example, be the first preachers of the faith to their children. . ." (Lumen gentium, no. 11)

#### **SAVE THE DATE!**

Please join us for our 75th Anniversary Celebration, August 3-4, 2024 at the Mundelein Seminary in Illinois. All are invited, so start planning now! Bring your groups! Bring the kids! Bring people who can benefit from the fellowship, faith, and fun that CFM brings.



#### **CHEERS TO 75 YEARS OF CFM!**

You may start sharing your precious CFM photos, mementos, ideas, and comments with us. We are also looking for volunteers who will help us with putting all these digital memorabilia into short videos and promotional materials.

Please email us at: 75thAnniversary@cfm.org.



Making Friends, Making Disciples, Making a Difference

### Marriage Moments and Parenting Pointers by Susan Vogt

"Woe to the complacent..." (Amos 6: 1) Sometimes in marriage we settle into a comfortable routine — Fine. But sometimes that routine morphs into boredom. Does your marriage need a change of pace to refresh it? OR, Maybe you've had enough excitement lately and you just need to chill. Decide together.

#### HAPPY GRANDPARENTS DAY



Sept. 11 is Grandparents Day. Join with your children in telling your (or their) grandparents how much they mean to you. Grandparents are the

carriers of history. Ask them what they've learned and how the world has changed. Listen. If they are no longer living, talk with them in prayer.

For more ideas and tools for becoming better marriage partners and parents, please visit <a href="www.SusanVogt.net">www.SusanVogt.net</a>.

## Available Now to Start Your <u>CFM Year!</u> CFM Program Guide 2022

Here is this month's Sneak Peak in this program guide.

"Adolfo Nicolas, former superior general of the worldwide order, once remarked that Christians



ought to be like giraffes. They should have tall necks, so that they might have a global vision of the world, its challenges, and its sufferings. And also like giraffes, their heart ought to be big enough to pump blood up that tall neck. Someone with a wide vision of the world's struggles and a big heart to respond to them."

Jeremy Zipple, SJ, "Think Critically, Act Lovingly"

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#### **TOPICAL CATALOG/INDEX of CFM BOOKS**

If you want to search for a specific topic from previous CFM books, use this link and follow the prompts.

#### Programs Catalog - CFM-USA

Also, for your upcoming CFM group meetings, please consider using any of the articles in our ACT newsletters as part of your discussion. Which news piqued your interest? Was there something here that you'd like to know more about? What would you like to see featured in future ACT newsletters? ACT News - CFM Site