

### **National HIV Testing Day - June 27**

National HIV Testing Day is June 27. There are an estimated 50,000 new HIV infections in the U.S. every year. Some 20-25% of those persons living with HIV/AIDS DO NOT KNOW that they are infected with the virus and could be spreading it to others. The only way to know if you have the virus is to be tested. This national day of testing is an opportunity for people nationwide to learn their HIV status.

Know your status...get tested...and encourage others to be tested! Free and confidential or anonymous testing is available in a community near you. For more information, please call (312) 948-6500 or go to [www.hivaidservicesministry.org](http://www.hivaidservicesministry.org). Please pray for those living with HIV/AIDS and those affected by it.

\*\*A suggested petition to include at the weekend Masses: God of Hope, make us one as we pray for all caregivers, educators, researchers and those who work to prevent the spread of HIV/AIDS and to find a cure...We pray.

### **Catholic Charities Lake County Services School Supply Project 2020**

Every year, Catholic Charities supports low-income families in the Lake county area by collecting and distributing donated school supplies. The project allows children of these families to be well-prepared for the upcoming school year. For children experiencing poverty, school supplies are a luxury that many go without. Each year, we strive to ensure that each child will have a backpack with the basic school supplies to start the upcoming year. We desperately need donations of backpacks and school supplies to meet the needs of the families we serve. Each donation you make helps ensure that any family seeking help from Catholic Charities can start the school year successfully! All supplies must be new and should be delivered no later than August 4 to Catholic Charities, located at 671 S. Lewis Ave. in Waukegan, between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. For more information, contact the Project Coordinator Sue Fowler, (847) 782-4126 or [sfowler@catholiccharities.net](mailto:sfowler@catholiccharities.net). Thank you for your consideration!

### **Catholic Charities Meals on Wheels Drivers Needed**

Are you interested in helping seniors in your community? Catholic Charities partners with Meals on Wheels America to provide a noontime meal for those who are homebound or unable to prepare their own food due to physical or mental difficulties. Many of our Meals-on-Wheels clients see only one person per day—our volunteers. Many of them would be unable to live independently without home-delivered meals. Volunteers are needed throughout Lake County, but the need is

greatest right now in Fox Lake, Wauconda, and Mundelein. This is a great role for a group or individual who has a few hours once a week or once a month. Substitute and seasonal volunteers are needed as well! For more information, please visit [www.volunteerbridge.com](http://www.volunteerbridge.com) or contact Sue Fowler at (847) 782-4126 or [sfowler@catholiccharities.net](mailto:sfowler@catholiccharities.net)

### **Catholic Charities Legal Assistance Department**

Catholic Charities Legal Assistance Department has attorneys and volunteer attorneys available to provide advice in numerous areas of law. If you are unsure about your legal rights or lost in the legal system, let us help you. Services include in-depth advice and possible direct representation on many issues, including landlord/tenant issues, family law, consumer and debtor rights, foreclosure, employment issues, orders of protection, power of attorney, and more. CCLA provides free to low-cost legal services to eligible low-income individuals. For help and more information, contact the legal advice line at (312) 948-6821.

### **Catholic Charities Maternity & Adoption Services**

Pregnant? There are options. What do I do? Who should I tell? It's scary. You can turn to us. Catholic Charities Maternity & Adoption Services has resources to serve teens, single women, and couples facing unplanned pregnancies. We are here to help, without pressuring you. We can talk about your options as you plan for your child's future. We can help you whether you decide to parent your child or make a plan of adoption. If you are not sure what to do, our 24-hour hotline has caring and professional counselors available to help you. Our services are free and confidential. Call 1 (800) CARE-002 or (312) 454-1717. For more information, visit [www.catholiccharities.net/adoption-services](http://www.catholiccharities.net/adoption-services).

### **Catholic Charities Volunteer Opportunities**

Are you looking for an opportunity to volunteer? Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Chicago is looking for volunteers to serve throughout our more than 150 locations helping improve the lives of the people we serve. For more information, visit us at [www.volunteerbridge.com](http://www.volunteerbridge.com), email [volunteer@catholiccharities.net](mailto:volunteer@catholiccharities.net) or call the Volunteer Relations department at (312) 655-7322.