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Memo

Date: October 4, 2021

To: Priests, deacons, parish bulletin editors, respect life ministers

From: Maggie Rousseau, Director, Disabilities Ministry

Re: Mental Illness Awareness Week October 3-9, 2021

October 3-9, 2021 is Mental Illness Awareness Week.

Two informative webinars are being offered in both English and Spanish by the National Catholic Partnership on Disability:

Tuesday, October 5, at 2 p.m.
Stigma: A mark of disgrace?
https://www.facebook.com/events/668794647857125?acontext=%7B%22event_action_history%22%3A[%7B%22extra_data%22%3A%22%22%2C%22mechanism%22%3A%22surface%22%2C%22surface%22%3A%22permalink%22%7D%2C%7B%22extra_data%22%3A%22%22%2C%22mechanism%22%3A%22surface%22%2C%22surface%22%3A%22edit_dialog%22%7D%2C%7B%22extra_data%22%3A%22%22%2C%22mechanism%22%3A%22your_upcoming_events_unit%22%2C%22surface%22%3A%22bookmark%22%7D]%2C%22ref_notif_type%22%3Anull%7D

Spanish at 3 p.m.
https://www.facebook.com/NCPDenEspanol/photos/gm.228006309352865/396212782130227

Tuesday, October 12, 4:30-5 p.m.
Together for Mental Health: Awareness and Action for a Culture of Acceptance
Register at: https://ncpd.org/togethermentalhealth

For more information on promoting the meaningful participation of persons with disabilities in the church and society, consider checking out the resources at the National Catholic Partnership on Disability website found at ncpd.org.

For Priests and Deacons:

For a related homily, please see: [A Homily about Mental Illness | NCPD - National Catholic Partnership on Disability](#)

YOUTH MENTAL HEALTH FIRST AID (YMHFA) available in Spanish

The Disabilities Ministry in collaboration with Georgia State University received a grant to provide Youth Mental Health First Aid in Spanish for families, parish staff and community partners living in Gwinnett County. To host a training, please contact me at mrousseau@archatl.com.