Memo

Date: January 11, 2021

To: Priests, deacons, religious brothers and sisters, principals and

parish staff

From: Andy Lichtenwalner, Director, Office of Formation and Discipleship

Re: OFD *Now* – Responding to dementia, Word of God Sunday & other

updates

Blessed New Year. Below are updates from the Office of Formation and Discipleship (OFD):

- Senior Adult Ministry Networking Call (January 21, 10 a.m.): Please join us for a special session, "We Are Because God Sustains Us in God's Memory": A Pastoral Response to Dementia, co-presented by Maggie Rousseau, M.Ed., Director of Disabilities Ministry and Mary Cohen, MPH, Associate Director of Senior Adult Ministry. All ministry leaders are invited. Zoom meeting info is available here.
- January 24 is the Third Sunday of Ordinary Time and is also **Sunday of the Word of God**. Please see these <u>resources from the USCCB</u> and consider ways to promote reverencing, reading and praying with Sacred Scripture. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact OFD staff.
- **Families Forming Disciples**: The January and February sessions of our family faith formation program are available in English and Spanish on the <u>website</u>. This material remains free for any parishes to utilize and adapt.
- **Check-in calls** for parish catechetical leaders and other ministry leaders continue each month, as well as check-in calls specifically for youth ministry leaders. Please check the <u>OFD calendar</u> for dates, times and call-in info for upcoming calls.

For more updates, check <u>archatl.com/ofdnow</u> and consider signing up for one or more of our <u>newsletters</u>. God bless you and thank you for all that you do.