

ACTIVITIES OF VICKI SCHIEBER AND MT ST MARY'S UNIVERSITY CMN OFFICE

Speeches/Conference Programs October – December

- Oct 26 – Washington Archdiocesan Teachers Conference – Presented morning workshops on DP training for their High School programs
- Oct 26 – Evening, head to Orlando, FL for Florida Conference of Catholic Women program
- Nov 10 – Interfaith Center for Peace and Justice, Gettysburg, PA. Presentation with Trudy Conway, Professor of Philosophy Mt. St. Mary's University.
- Nov 14 – Evening program at St. Ann Parish in Hagerstown. Presentation to Youth Ministry – Pro-life presentation on Catholic Social Teaching on the Death Penalty.
- Nov 17 – Ignatian Solidarity Conference, Hyatt Crystal City. CMN workshop on “Sanctity of All Life Through the Lens of the Death Penalty. This program will be filmed. Working with Anne Feczko, CMN volunteer. Kathie Uhler we be tabling at the conference.
- Nov 28 – All-day USCCB Summit Meeting of Catholic Leaders on DP at the Phoenix Park Hotel, DC. Will be giving the luncheon presentation.
- Nov 29 – Serving on a Panel for Community of Sant' Egidio in Washington, DC. Event is at Cathedral of St. Matthew. Was invited by MVFHR (Murder Victims' Families for Human Rights) based in Boston. On the MVFHR until 12/31/12. Karen will be serving on this panel, also.
- Dec 9 – Youth Ministry Program on Death Penalty. Will speak to members of this program based at St. Peter's parish in Libertytown, MD.

Mount St. Mary Activity

An intern has been working on a major project (120hrs for credit) on improving CMN's use of social media as a non-profit organization. The project is due for completion early in December. There is also student interest in volunteering on death penalty repeal in Maryland. As a member of the Board on MD CASE (Maryland Citizens Against State Executions) I know the state coalition is interested in having students help with the Lobby Days in Annapolis after the DP repeal bill is entered into the docket in the MD legislature next session (sometime in the mid-January to early February timeframe).

The new book, *Where Justice and Mercy Meet: Catholic Opposition to the Death Penalty* is to be published in early February. A flyer was distributed by Liturgical Press' marketing team. We will be redistributing the flyer to attendees at all our conferences/programs. Cathy Jarboe has been the CMN contact with Liturgical Press' marketing team. All royalties will go to CMN/

Maryland and Pennsylvania Efforts for 2013

In Maryland Vicki will continue the work she has been doing for over a decade in her daughter Shannon's memory. Shannon was born, raised and educated in this state. The bill is to be entered (again!) this coming legislative session. It will be the last session with Gov. Martin O'Malley in office (he is finishing his last full year of his second term) and he is a strong supporter for repeal. Please keep us in your prayers that the 2013 strategy for repeal, supported by many religious groups and other organizations/coalitions, will be a success.

Vicki is continuing her work serving on the PA Advisory Committee on Punishment, serving on the subcommittee that is reviewing the effects of the DP on murder victims' family members, as well as the families of the executed. The subcommittee report is due to the state legislature in the Fall of 2013. Statewide data on the availability of support services, their cost and sufficiency for victims of the death penalty.