

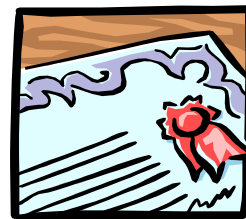
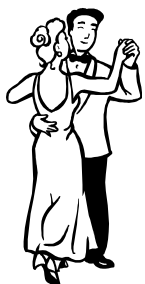
37th Annual

# **Bishop James A. McNulty**

## **Award Dinner Dance**

Friday, October 30, 2009

Hearthstone Manor, Depew



Honoring

## **Maria Picone**

Multi-Systemic Therapy & School-Based Programs Coordinator, Catholic Charities

*and*

## **Youth and Adult Leaders from parishes across the Diocese**

These parish awards are a great way to recognize those who give their time and talents to serve young people!

Your parish may choose to honor one young person and one adult (or married couple) who are committed to any form of ministry with youth, including:

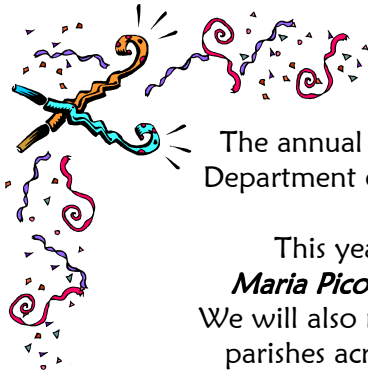
Youth group  
Religious education  
Confirmation program  
Scouting  
Coaching

Music or drama ministry  
Youth liturgical ministry  
Service and outreach  
Retreat ministry  
And more!

## **Bishop McNulty Award Dinner Dance - An Event for the Whole Group to Enjoy!**

Dinner begins at 6:30 PM,  
followed by the Awards Presentation  
& a semi-formal Dance, ending at 12 AM

Tickets are only \$25.00  
(includes a delicious buffet dinner,  
beverages, and three hours of dancing)



## A Special Celebration!

The annual Bishop McNulty Award Dinner Dance is a highlight of the Department of Youth & Young Adult Ministry year and typically attracts over 500 people.

This year, the event will be a special celebration as we honor **Maria Picone of Catholic Charities** with the Bishop McNulty Award. We will also recognize the contributions of adult and youth leaders from parishes across the diocese. ***We invite you to recognize an adult and youth from your parish and join us for this special occasion!***



### The Event . . .

- 🕒 **Friday, October 30, 2009**
- 🕒 **Hearthstone Manor** (333 Dick Road in Depew)
- 🕒 **6:30 PM - 12 AM**
- 🕒 Dress is semi-formal
- 🕒 Ticket price is **\$25.00** (includes a buffet dinner, beverages, and 3 hours of dancing)
- 🕒 Deadline for ticket purchases is **Friday, October 16, 2009.**

### Who can attend . . .

- 🕒 **young people**
- 🕒 **adults in youth ministry**
- 🕒 **priests and pastoral staff members**
- 🕒 **college students**
- 🕒 **parents and family members**
- 🕒 **other supporters from the parish**

Please invite your entire group and others from the parish to join us for this festive occasion. While this event is primarily designed for senior high youth, family members ages 12 and under may attend at a discounted price. (See ticket order form for details.)

The Department of Youth & Young Adult Ministry looks forward to sharing the evening with you!

### For more information . . .

Please contact the Department of Youth & Young Adult Ministry at **716-847-8789** or [youth@buffalodiocese.org](mailto:youth@buffalodiocese.org).

You may download and print award applications or ticket order forms from our web site at [www.dobyouth.org](http://www.dobyouth.org).

## BISHOP McNULTY DINNER DANCE RESERVATION FORM

Parish \_\_\_\_\_ City/Town \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Award Recipients \_\_\_\_\_ Complimentary Tickets \_\_\_\_\_  
 Number of Adult Attendees (over age 12) \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$25.00 each  
 Number of Child Attendees (ages 6-12) \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$16.50 each (ages 5 and under are free)

Total Number of Tickets \_\_\_\_\_  
Amount Enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Please make checks payable to "Diocese of Buffalo" 795 Main Street Buffalo, NY 14203

Send tickets to:

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_

Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_ (home) \_\_\_\_\_ (cell)

***Deadline for reservations is October 16, 2009.*** Tickets purchased are non-refundable. Cancellations accepted only until Friday, October 16, 2009. No cancellations accepted after this date.

# Recognizing Those who Make a Difference!

## The Bishop James A. McNulty Award . . .

The Bishop McNulty Award is presented each year by the Department of Youth & Young Adult Ministry to honor someone who has contributed to the lives of young people.

In 2009, the Department of Youth & Young Adult Ministry is pleased to present this award to



## Maria Picone

Maria Picone has devoted much of her life to caring for youth and their families. As a social worker with Catholic Charities of Buffalo, Maria embodies the organization's mission by bringing young people "hope for all seasons." Maria's leadership, dedication, and passion for serving youth is a blessing to our community. Her humble and creative style of servant leadership has shaped the work of Catholic Charities and left a lasting, positive impact on countless young people and their families. With her Catholic faith to guide and support her, Maria is a tireless advocate for youth who helps the wider community to be attentive to the needs and gifts of young people.

## Special Parish Awards . . .

Every parish may nominate young people and adults to receive special recognition from the Department of Youth & Young Adult Ministry. **This is an important (and easy!) way to recognize special leaders who contribute to your parish's ministry with adolescents!**

- ✧ The *Spirit Awards* are presented to young people who are enthusiastic supporters of their parish's ministry with youth.
- ✧ The *St. Christopher Awards* are presented to adults who are active with and support their parish's ministry with young people in youth groups, religious education, scouting, and countless other ministries.
- ✧ An award application is on reverse side.
- ✧ Each parish that brings a group to this event is asked to designate one youth and one adult (or married couple) to receive these awards. ***Please note that you should submit only one person (or married couple) in each category.***
- ✧ **These are one-time only awards.** If you are uncertain of previous recipients from your parish, contact Diane at the Department of Youth & Young Adult Ministry (716-847-8789 or youth@buffalodiocese.org) to check if your intended nominee has already received the award.
- ✧ Each nominee submitted will be recognized at the dinner and will receive a complimentary ticket. Nominees **MUST** be present to receive the awards.
- ✧ **As soon as nominees are selected by the parish, the nominator should inform them of this honor and invite the nominees' family and friends to attend the dinner.** The Department of Youth & Young Adult Ministry will send a letter to all recipients to extend our congratulations and confirm the award, however it is best if the initial notification comes from a parish representative (pastor, youth ministry leader, etc.).
- ✧ ***The deadline for all award nominations is Friday, October 16, 2009.***



## ST. CHRISTOPHER & SPIRIT AWARD APPLICATION

Parish \_\_\_\_\_ City/Town \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Nominator \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

### **PLEASE NOTE:**

1. Nominees MUST be present to receive the awards.
2. These are one-time-only awards. If you are uncertain of previous recipients, contact the Department of Youth & Young Adult Ministry (716-847-8789 or youth@buffalodiocese.org) to check if your potential nominee has already received the award.

**ST. CHRISTOPHER AWARD** - Presented to **one adult (or married couple)** who is active with young people with the parish's ministry with youth. (i.e. youth group, religious education, scouting, etc.)

Recipient \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_

Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Briefly describe the recipient's service to youth of the parish. Please be specific about activities, abilities and skills for which this person is being recognized. The citation will be written from the information provided.

**Please Print or Type**

**SPIRIT AWARD** - Presented to **one teenager** who is enthusiastic and active in the parish's ministry with youth. This award is designed for someone who is the "un-sung hero" and has not received recognition for his/her contributions to the group.

Recipient \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City/Town \_\_\_\_\_

Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Briefly describe the recipient's spirit, enthusiasm, dedication and support to the youth program. Please be specific with activities and participation. The citation will be written from the information provided. **Please**

**Print or Type**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parish Coordinator of Youth Ministry Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Pastor Signature

Use additional sheet if necessary

Deadline for submission – October 16, 2009