

**2017 DIOCESE OF BRIDGEPORT  
MASS OF HOPE AND HEALING  
SUNDAY OCTOBER 29, 2017 2:00 PM**

The Most Rev. Frank Caggiano, together with a planning committee of Survivors of Sexual Abuse as Minors by Priests, will hold a very special Mass for anyone who has been sexually abused as a minor and for others who have been impacted. The Mass will be held on October 29, 2017 at 2:00 P.M. at St. Anthony of Padua Church located at 149 South Pine Creek Rd, Fairfield, CT. Light Refreshments will be served immediately following the Mass.

There will be two upcoming gatherings for any person who has been sexually abused as a minor to meet with the victim assistance coordinators and fellow survivors of sexual abuse.

We hope to hear from you, your input is important to us.

Tuesday November 14, 2017 6:00 PM-7:30 PM

Location: The Catholic Center, 238 Jewett Avenue, Bridgeport CT & Wednesday January 10, 2018 12:30 PM-2:00 PM

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For more information, please contact Erin Neil, L.C.S.W., Victim Assistance Coordinator Cell: (203) 650-3265 Office: (203) 416-1406 or Michael Tintrup, L.C.S.W., Victim Assistance Counselor (203) 241-0987

## FREE MEDICARE COUNSELING



In order to assure people have the most complete and cost-effective Medicare coverage, Ridgefield Social Services is once again offering free Medicare counseling sessions from October 15 through December 7, during Medicare's Open Enrollment period. Medicare Advantage and Prescription drug plans often make changes each year to costs, coverages, and network providers. It is only during Open Enrollment, covered individuals can change their coverage for the upcoming year to best meet their needs for the coming year. One-on-one sessions provide free confidential counseling, explanation of benefits and assistance to people with Medicare. Last year, Karen Gaudian, of Ridgefield Social Services, and Ridgefield's trained Medicare counselors met with over 100 local residents and were able to save them a total of \$46,500 in prescription costs.

**Call to set up an appointment today!** Covered individuals and counselors will use Medicare's website to find the most economical coverage, taking into account prescriptions, deductibles, co-payments, and expected medical care needs for 2018.

Social Services will also be hosting a number of informational programs. Those interested in learning more about Medicare can join Karen Gaudian and Medicare counselors at the Ridgefield Library Monday, November 6th at 6pm and at Founders Hall Friday, October 20<sup>th</sup> and Thursday, November 30<sup>th</sup> at 1pm.

For more information on any of our programs or to make an appointment to meet with a Medicare counselor, please call Karen Gaudian at 203.431.2754

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