

# Saturday, October 20

11:00 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

## WORKSHOP DESCRIPTIONS

### **#3201 - At the Table with Jesus: Preparing Children and Families for First Eucharist**

First Eucharist preparation is an exciting time for your parish children and their families. It is a journey towards the best gift they'll ever receive in this life - Jesus himself! Come explore ways to call the entire family to the table with Jesus with ideas for large group experiences as well as family take-home materials.

Methods/Psychology - 1.25 Basic/Intermediate/Advanced/Maintenance

#### **Jennifer Christ**

Jennifer Christ works as an independent consultant in ministry throughout the Archdiocese of Milwaukee. She conducts trainings, workshops, and adult and family programs, leads retreats, and is a spiritual director.

### **#3202 -The Bible for Beginners - New Testament and Gospels**

A straightforward and non-threatening introduction to the New Testament and the Gospels, this introductory seminar presumes nothing. If this is what you feel you know about the New Testament and the Gospels, this seminar is for you. We will work together, at your pace, and present material in an understandable manner and encourage everyone's questions and comments. All you need is a Bible and if you don't have one, we'll supply one for you.

Scripture - 1.25 hours Basic

#### **Dr. Patricia Moran**

Dr. Moran has been both an educator and administrator in the Catholic School system from pre-school through the graduate level. She has served as Parish Director of Adult Faith Formation in the Dioceses of Joliet and Chicago, and presently is the Midwest Consultant for William H. Sadlier, Inc. She earned her theology degrees at Boston College and the University of St. Mary of the Lake in Chicago. Pat is sponsored by William H. Sadlier, Inc.

### **#3203 - Cast Your "Mission Net" into the Deep. . .**

Cast your mission net into the seas of the world for a catch of a lifetime. Catechetical ministers of people all levels will have the opportunity to engage in mission education that will catch you and your students in life changing experiences. Mission education materials and media for high school theology, adult faith formation, and elementary education, as well as practical ways to invite parishes, families and individuals to participate in mission activities will be presented.

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#### **Colleen Nolan, OP and Rosemary Huddleston, OP**

Sinsinawa Dominicans Rosemary Huddleston, OP, International Mission Coordinator for World Mission Ministries in the Milwaukee Archdiocese, and Colleen Nolan, OP associate for Columban Mission Education Resources in Forest Park, IL, bring their mission experience, educational background, and passion for engaging adults, youth, and children in awareness of and commitment to our global family to this workshop.

## **#3204 -The Challenge of Discipleship: Growing Identification with Jesus**

Where is the path of Christian discipleship leading us? St. Paul put it cryptically: "It is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me" (Gal. 2:20). But what does that mean? In this inspiring presentation, Tom Zanzig proposes a process by which disciples of Jesus, as they grow in their capacity to live "in Christ," also discover their own truest identity. And it is in that discovery that we find genuine joy and peace.

Theology - 1.25 hours Basic/Intermediate/Advanced/Maintenance

### **Tom Zanzig**

After devoting over 25 years to the development of youth ministry and adolescent religious education materials, Tom Zanzig is now the National Adult Faith Formation Consultant for Silver Burdett Ginn Religion. A freelance writer, trainer, retreat director and speaker in the areas of adult faith formation and spirituality, Tom founded his own consulting and publishing company, Zanzig & Associates. His adult faith formation publications: *Adult Faith Formation Strategies*, *Jesus, the Way: the Path of Christian Discipleship*, and the meditation DVD, *Jesus the Christ*, will be available for review throughout the conference at the Silver Burdett Ginn Religion exhibit. Tom's work has taken him throughout the U.S. and Canada as well as to Germany, Australia, Singapore and the Arabian Peninsula. The father of two adult children, he lives in Madison, WI with his wife, Peg. Tom is sponsored by Silver Burdett Ginn Religion.

## **#3205 - Chastity Education for Teens**

Think chastity is outdated? Think again! In this interactive presentation, Mary-Louise Kurey will discuss ways to instill the value of chastity in young people, and will share her experiences bringing this message to more than 200,000 young people in 33 states. A discussion about the choices teens are making, cultural challenges and the beautiful teachings of the Church will be presented. Various chastity education resources for religious education and school programs will be addressed.

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### **Mary Louise Kurey**

Mary-Louise Kurey serves as the Director of the Respect Life Office for the Archdiocese of Chicago. She coordinates pro-life educational, prayer and worship, pastoral care and public policy outreach for more than 360 Catholic parishes and 230 schools, as well as being the spokesperson for the Archdiocese on life issues. Her book, *Standing With Courage: Confronting Tough Decisions about Sex*, shares her experiences growing up chaste in a sex-saturated society, and inspires young people to do the same. A former Miss Wisconsin, she used her title to share her faith and empower teens to embrace chastity and healthy decisions.

## **#3206 - Co-Workers...Cast Your Nets in Brain-Friendly Ways!**

Brain-friendly teaching and learning is filled with high energy, fun-filled approaches which enable us to incorporate multiple intelligence theories and techniques. During this session, we will affirm our role as lay ministers based on *Co-Workers...A Resource for the Development of Lay Ecclesial Ministry*. We will pick up the challenge to provide intellectual, human, spiritual, and pastoral formation for ourselves as lay ministers and translate this into brain-friendly ways to "catch faith" for all ages.

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**Jean Marie Weber**

Jean Marie Weber is the Coordinator of Pastoral Formation at Cardinal Stritch University at the newly formed Saint Clare Center for Ministry Formation. She is the former Director of Certification for the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops Commission on Certification and Accreditation and former Associate Director for the Office for Schools and Child/Youth Ministries in the Archdiocese of Milwaukee. She was President of NCCL, and has presented at national conferences and meetings across the United States.

**#3207 - Christianity is Not for Wimps**

This workshop presents the key concepts related helping teens live authentic Christ-like lives. The workshop leader will walk participants through foundational principals of spiritual living in a format that can be shared with youth. Topics include the centrality of Jesus, the importance of prayer, the challenges of counter-cultural choices, the significance of communal support, and the sacraments.

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**Rev. James Lobacz**

Fr. Lobacz has been a priest of the archdiocese for over 25 years and has served as an Associate Pastor, a high school Campus Minister, the Vice-Rector of the Cathedral and as university Campus Minister. He is currently the Director of the Vocations Office. He holds Master Degrees in Divinity and Education and a Doctor of Ministry Degree.

**#3208 - CREED: TIC TAC - Thrill More Than Your Mouth**

The Creed holds our core beliefs regarding the Trinity, Incarnation and Church. Belief involves Thinking, Action and Challenge. Explore ideas for bringing the words of the creed to life and in the lives of your students.

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**Leland Nagel**

A faith filled storyteller, Leland Nagel has held a variety of positions on both the diocesan and university level. He recently began his latest role as the Executive Director of NCCL, (National Conference of Catechetical Leaders.) Lee Nagel is an educator by profession, a catechist by vocation, a teacher by trade, and an evangelist by Baptism.

**#3209 - Life on the Balance Beam: Strategies for Keeping Your Ministry and Life in Balance**

As a volunteer or paid minister involved in Lifelong Faith Formation, you probably have stress and may need help keeping your life in balance. Learn creative ways to assess your level of life-balance, of planning for balance and for keeping stress at bay. We can't guarantee no stress but we can guarantee new ways of handling it.

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**Vicki Shepp**

Vikki Shepp currently serves as the National Director of Catechetical Training and Sales for Twenty-Third Publications. Prior to that, she worked in the Office of Religious Education for the Archdiocese of Los Angeles; most recently as the Congress Coordinator and previously as the Consultant for Youth Ministry and Confirmation. She holds a Master of Arts in Humanities and a Bachelor of Arts in Liberal Studies as well as a National Certificate in Youth Ministry Studies. Vikki has presented internationally at World Youth Day in Toronto, nationally at the National Catholic Conference on Youth Ministry and throughout the country at diocesan and local conferences. Her first book, Coyote Meets Jesus from Saint Mary's Press, was published and released in the Fall 2006. Vicki is sponsored by Twenty-Third Publications.

### **#3210 - Spiritual Leaders of African Descent**

Explore the contributions made by people of faith throughout Christian History. Workshop will include those figures from biblical times as well as early church and modern day. We will highlight elements of their African Heritage that make their contributions significant.

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#### **Cynthia D. Blaze**

Cynthia holds a BA in Religious Studies from Cardinal Stritch University, a Masters Degree in Religious Studies from St. Francis Seminary, and completed the Black Catholic Studies Master Catechist Program at Xavier University in New Orleans. She has been a Pastoral Associate in Central City of Milwaukee since 1988 and a Theology Teacher at Marquette University High School since 2000.

### **#3211 - Fundamentals of Financial Products**

This workshop will introduce participants to the options that are available for someone interested in financial planning. Learn from a Catholic financial services company how to plan one's finances and take control of the future.

#### **Daniel T. Lloyd**

Daniel T. Lloyd is President of Catholic Family Life Insurance.

### **#3212 - Echar las redes al otro lado: La misio<sup>7</sup>n del Catequista Cast the Nets: The Mission of the Catechist**

La misión del Catequista: Nosotros como laicos ayudamos al Obispo a hacer el trabajo de la catequesis. En este taller se reflexionará sobre la pregunta "qué es ser una catequista.", su misión y responsabilidad.

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#### **Victor Valenzuela**

Víctor Valenzuela nace en Arizona de padres mexicanos; es bilingüe y bicultural. Es consultor nacional para recursos bilingües de la editorial William H. Sadlier, Inc. Ha presentado talleres a numerosos grupos regionales y nacionales. Ha estado en el ministerio por 20 años, incluyendo maestro de escuela, ministerio de jóvenes, entrenador de maestros y escribiendo y esarrollando nuevos materiales. Tiene un Bachillerato en Arte del Seminario San Joseph de Menlo Park, CA.