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2017- 2018

CALENDAR OF EVENTS
CALENDARIO DE EVENTOS

EVENTS IN THIS BOOK ARE FREE TO
ALL PARISHIONERS, UNLESS
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EVANGELIZATION AND PARISH VITALITY

FULLY WELCOMING, FULLY CATHOLIC - IMMIGRANT/MIGRANT	Sunday, September 17, 2017 5:00 pm - 8:00 pm	Saint Xavier University, Chicago	7
RCIA IN PARISH GROUPINGS - BEST PRACTICES	Monday, September 18, 2017 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm	St. Francis of Assisi Parish, Orland Park	8
FULLY WELCOMING, FULLY CATHOLIC - MODERN FAMILIES	Sunday, October 22, 2017 5:00 pm - 8:00 pm	Saint Xavier University, Chicago	12
4 C'S OF COLLABORATION FOR PARISH STAFF	Tuesday, November 14, 2017 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm	St. Francis of Assisi Parish, Orland Park	14
4 C'S OF COLLABORATION FOR PARISH VOLUNTEERS	Tuesday, November 14, 2017 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm	Our Lady of the Woods, Orland Park	14
4 C'S OF COLLABORATION FOR PARISH STAFF	Wednesday, November 15, 2017 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm	St. Bernadette Parish, Evergreen Park	14
4 C'S OF COLLABORATION FOR PARISH VOLUNTEERS	Wednesday, November 15, 2017 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm	St. Germaine Parish, Oak Lawn	14
FOUR MARKS OF A VIBRANT CHURCH - HOPE, GIFTEDNESS, AWARENESS, AND RELATIONSHIP	Wednesday, January 24, 2018 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm	Incarnation Parish, Palos Heights	15
FULLY WELCOMING, FULLY CATHOLIC - WOMEN	Sunday, February 18, 2018 5:00 pm - 8:00 pm	Saint Xavier University, Chicago	16
FOUR MARKS OF A VIBRANT CHURCH - HOPE, GIFTEDNESS, AWARENESS, AND RELATIONSHIP	Thursday, March 8, 2018 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm	St. Francis of Assisi Parish, Orland Park	18
FULLY WELCOMING, FULLY CATHOLIC - LGBTQ	Sunday, April 15, 2018 5:00 pm - 8:00 pm	Saint Xavier University, Chicago	21

LIFELONG FORMATION

RCIA FOR CHILDREN: PRACTICAL STEPS FOR IMPLEMENTATION	Monday, September 25, 2017 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm	St. Francis of Assisi Parish, Orland Park	9
SUPERCHARGE YOUR SPIRITUAL LIFE	Saturday, October 7, 2017 10:00 am - 11:30 am	St. Damian Parish, Oak Forest	9
WANT TO GET CLOSE TO GOD? TAKE REALLY, REALLY GOOD RISKS	Thursday, November 9, 2017 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm	Saint Xavier University, Chicago	13
WHY GO TO CHURCH?	Saturday, November 11, 2017 10:00 am - 11:30 am	St. Damian Parish, Oak Forest	14
HONORING OUR PRECIOUS GIFT - PREPARING TO EMBRACE CHALLENGE	Wednesday, February 21, 2018 11:00 am - 1:00 pm	Franciscan Village, Lemont	17
RUNNING THE PASCHAL MYSTERY MARATHON	Monday, February 26, 2018 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm	Our Lady of the Ridge Parish, Chicago Ridge	17
EVENING OF REFLECTION WITH "OUTSIDE DA BOX" MINISTRY'S ERIC GROTH	Thursday, March 15, 2018 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm	Saint Xavier University, Chicago	19
MENTAL HEALTH DISORDERS AND TREATMENT FOR CHILDREN AND ADOLESCENTS	Monday, April 9, 2018 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm	St. Terrence Parish, Alsip	20
GLEANING WISDOM FROM THE JOURNEY - SPIRITUALITY IN OUR RETIREMENT YEARS	Wednesday, April 25, 2018 11:00 am - 1:00 pm	Franciscan Village, Lemont	22

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JUSTICE AND HUMAN CONCERNS

BEREAVEMENT, MINISTRY OF COMPASSION AND CONSOLATION	Saturdays, September 23 & 30, 2017 9:00 am - 3:30 pm	St. Patricia Parish, Hickory Hills	8
MINISTER OF CARE TRAINING	Tuesdays, October 10, 17 & 24, 2017 9:00 am - 12:00 pm	St. Francis of Assisi Parish, Orland Park	10
JESUS IN DISTRESSING DISGUISE	Monday, October 16, 2017 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm	St. John Fisher Parish, Chicago	11
MINISTER OF CARE TRAINING	Saturdays, March 3 & 10, 2018 9:00 am - 2:30 pm	St. Germaine Parish, Oak Lawn	18
CARE FOR THE CAREGIVER	Wednesday, March 14, 2018 5:00 pm - 8:00 pm	Franciscan Village, Lemont	19
MORNING OF REFLECTION FOR MINISTERS OF CARE	Saturday, March 24, 2018 9:00 am - 12:00 pm	St. Gerald Parish, Oak Lawn	19
MENTAL HEALTH DISORDERS AND TREATMENT FOR CHILDREN AND ADOLESCENTS	Monday, April 9, 2018 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm	St. Terrence Parish, Alsip	20

FORMACIÓN EN ESPAÑOL

ENTRENAMIENTO INICIAL PARA MINISTROS EXTRAORDINARIOS DE COMUNIÓN	Los Jueves, 12, 19 Y 26 de Octubre, 2017 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm	San Benito Parroquia, Blue Island	11
ENTRENAMIENTO INICIAL PARA MINISTROS EXTRAORDINARIOS DE COMUNIÓN	Los Sábados, 21 Y 28 de Octubre, 2017 9:00 am - 2:30 pm	Santo Toribio Parroquia, Chicago	11
ENTRENAMIENTO PARA LECTORES	Los Jueves, 9 y 16 de Noviembre 2017 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm	Sta. Maria Estrella del Mar Parroquia, Chicago	13
LA FUENTE DE LA ORACION	Sábado, 11 de Noviembre, 2017 9:00 am - 1:00 pm	Sta. Rita de Cascia, Chicago	13
APRENDIENDO EL DISCIPULADO A TRAVES DE JESUS	Sábado, 17 de Febrero 2018 9:00 am - 1:00 pm	San Miguel Parroquia, Orland Park	16
ENTRENAMIENTO PARA LECTORES	Martes, el 27 y Miércoles, el 28 de Febrero, 2018 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm	Sto. Toribio Parroquia, Chicago	17
FORMACIÓN PARA MINISTROS DE LA COMUNIÓN A LOS ENFERMOS	Los Lunes, 12 y 19, y Los Miércoles, 14 y 21 de Marzo, 2018 6:30 pm - 9:30 pm	Santa Rita de Cascia Parroquia, Chicago	18
ENTRENAMIENTO INICIAL PARA MINISTROS EXTRAORDINARIOS DE COMUNIÓN	Los Miércoles, 11, 18 y 25 de Abril y el 2 de Mayo, 2018 7:00 pm - 9:30 pm	Santa Clara de Montefalco Parroquia, Chicago	20

'Renueva mi Iglesia' : 1. Traemos a las personas a Cristo. 2. Nos apoyamos mutuamente para conocer a Cristo de una manera más profunda. 3. Encontramos a Cristo y recibimos su alimento a través de la oración y la adoración. 4. Construimos lazos entre nosotros para sostener nuestra vida en Cristo. 5. Transformamos las vidas de otros a través del servicio como discípulos misioneros de Cristo. 6. Respondemos al llamado a la santidad, caminando juntos con Cristo. 7. Asumimos la responsabilidad de administrar y dirigir la parroquia como buenos administradores de los dones que Cristo nos ha confiado.

PRAYER, LITURGY AND WORSHIP

PROCLAIMING THE WORD OF GOD: TRAINING FOR NEW AND VETERAN LECTORS	Wednesdays, August 23 & 30, 2017 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm	St. Julie Billiart Parish, Tinley Park	7
INITIAL TRAINING FOR EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST	Mondays, September 11 & 18, 2017 7:00pm - 9:15 pm	St. Julie Billiart Parish, Tinley Park	7
INITIAL TRAINING FOR EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST	Wednesdays, September 20 & 27, 2017 7:00 pm - 9:15 pm	St. Lawrence O'Toole Parish, Matteson	8
WHAT IN GOD'S NAME ARE WE DOING? (EXPLORATION OF ARTS AND ENVIRONMENT)	Wednesday, September 27, 2017 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm	St. Julie Billiart Parish, Tinley Park	9
SIGNS AND SYMBOLS OF INITIATION	Thursday, September 28, 2017 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm	St. Francis of Assisi Parish, Orland Park	9
INITIAL TRAINING FOR EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST	Monday & Wednesday, October 9 & 11, 2017 7:00 pm - 9:15 pm	St. John Fisher Parish, Chicago	10
EVENING OF REFLECTION FOR LECTORS	Tuesday, October 10, 2017 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm	St. Daniel the Prophet Parish, Chicago	10
HAIL HOLY QUEEN: REFLECTIONS ON THE JOYFUL MYSTERIES	Wednesday, October 25, 2017 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm	Franciscan Village, Lemont	12
WHY GO TO CHURCH?	Saturday, November 11, 2017 10:00 am - 11:30 am	St. Damian Parish, Oak Forest	14
EVENING OF REFLECTION FOR EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST	Tuesday, November 14, 2017 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm	St. Daniel the Prophet Parish, Chicago	15
PRESENTING THE SIGNS AND SYMBOLS OF OUR FAITH	Wednesday, February 7, 2018 10:30 am - 12:00 pm	St. Mary Star of the Sea Parish, Chicago	15
INITIAL TRAINING FOR EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST	Thursdays, February 8 & 15, 2018 7:00 pm - 9:15 pm	St. Symphorosa Parish, Chicago	16
DAY OF REFLECTION FOR THOSE APPROACHING FULL INITIATION INTO THE CATHOLIC CHURCH (RCIA RETREAT)	Saturday, March 24, 2018 9:00 am - 2:30 pm	St. Francis of Assisi Parish, Orland Park	20
INITIAL TRAINING FOR EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST	Mondays, April 16 & 23, 2018 7:30 pm - 9:45 pm	Ss. Cyril and Methodius Parish, Lemont	21
PROCLAIMING THE WORD OF GOD: TRAINING FOR NEW AND VETERAN LECTORS	Wednesday, May 16 & 23, 2018 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm	St. Albert the Great Parish, Burbank	22



Oct. 20 & 21, 2017

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*Registration at least one week prior to the
scheduled program is encouraged. For more
accurate room information, please call host parish
the week of the event. Some workshops require a
minimum number of participants in order to
be conducted.*



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**SEVEN PRIORITIES OF CARDINAL BLASÉ CUPICH
AND THE ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO'S**

RENEW MY CHURCH

**AS THE ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO MOVES THROUGH ITS RENEWAL AND
TRANSFORMATION PROCESS, CARDINAL CUPICH INVITES ALL CATHOLICS TO
CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING PRIORITIES IN THEIR PARISH:**

#1 - We bring people to Christ.

(Evangelization: invite people new to the faith; form intentional disciples)

#2 - We support each other in knowing Christ more deeply.

(Formation: lifelong faith formation and catechesis)

#3 - We encounter Christ and receive nourishment through prayer and worship.

(Worship: well prepared liturgy and sacraments)

#4 - We build bonds among each other to sustain our life in Christ.

(Fellowship/Hospitality: inclusive, harmonious, diverse)

#5 - We transform the lives of others through service as Christ's missionary disciples.

(Dignity & Solidarity: parish is missionary; beacon of faith, justice, and peace)

#6 - We respond to the call to holiness by journeying together with Christ.

(Discipleship: people grow in mature faith)

#7 - We take responsibility for administration and leadership of the parish as good stewards.

(Pastoral Leadership: stewardship)

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LEARNING ABOUT OUR
IMMIGRANT AND MIGRANT
NEIGHBORS

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2017

LEARNING ABOUT OUR
DIVORCED, UNMARRIED, AND
BLENDED FAMILY NEIGHBORS

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2017

THE EVOLUTION OF WOMEN'S
ROLES IN THE CHURCH

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 2018

LEARNING ABOUT OUR
LGBTQ NEIGHBORS

SUNDAY, APRIL 15, 2018

ALL PRESENTATIONS WILL BE HELD AT
SAINT XAVIER UNIVERSITY

5:30 PM RECEPTION IN THE BUTLER ROOM

6:00 PM SPEAKER/PRESENTATION IN THE BUTLER ROOM

8:00 PM MASS IN THE McDONOUGH CHAPEL

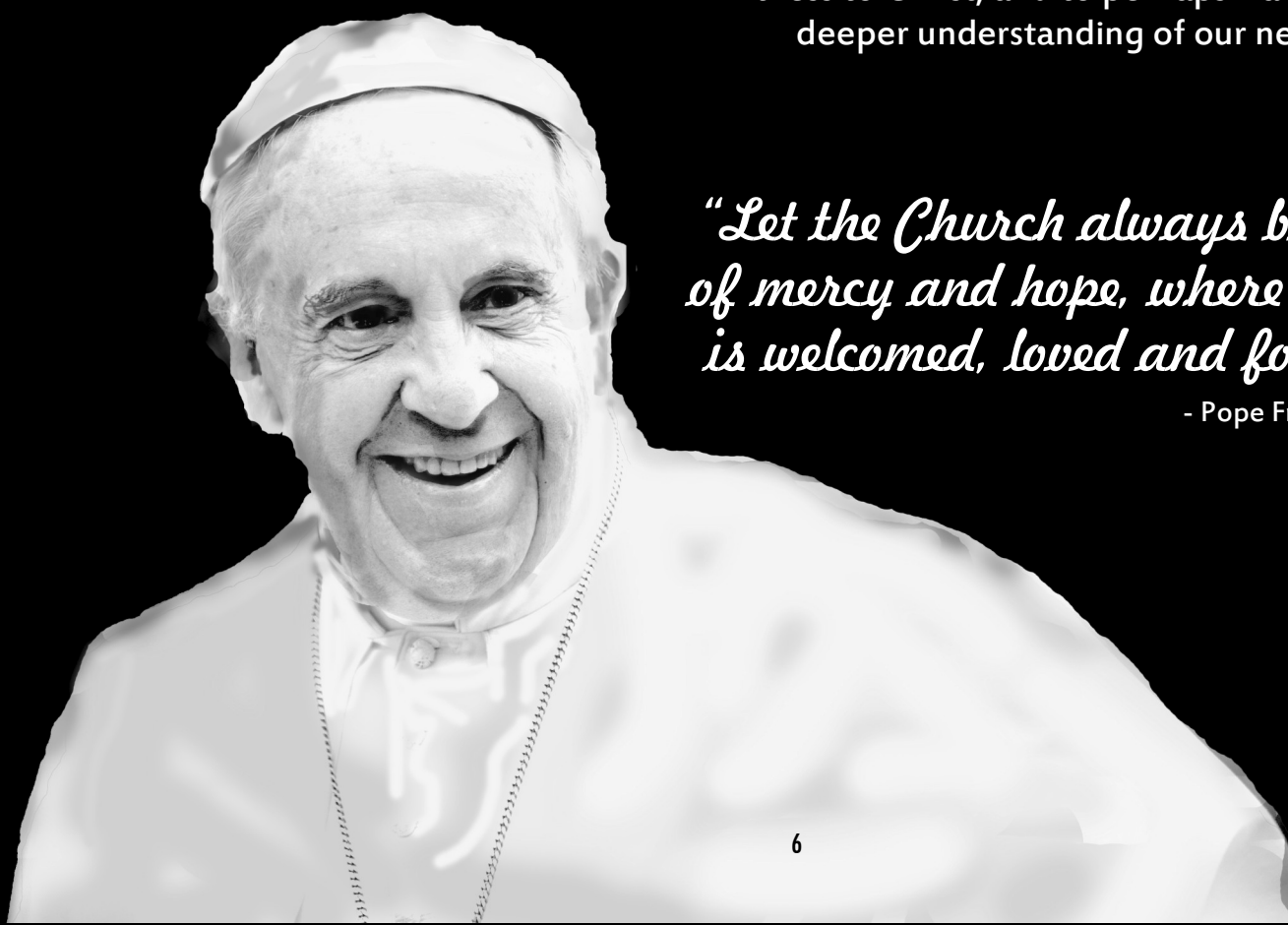
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This four-part series seeks to identify those who might not feel fully welcome in the Catholic Church today: the immigrant/migrant population, 'modern' families, women, and the LGBTQ community. We gather, not to solve any problems, but as people of faith - to listen, to bear witness to Christ, and to perhaps walk away with a deeper understanding of our neighbors.

"Let the Church always be a place of mercy and hope, where everyone is welcomed, loved and forgiven."

- Pope Francis -



PROCLAIMING THE WORD OF GOD: TRAINING FOR NEW AND VETERAN LECTORS

WEDNESDAYS, AUGUST 23 & 30, 2017

7:00 PM - 9:00 PM

ST. JULIE BILLIART PARISH
7399 W. 159TH STREET
TINLEY PARK, IL 60477
708-429-6767

This two part workshop focuses on the theology of The Word, the history of the Mass, liturgical language, proclamation skills and the gifts required for liturgical ministry.



Robbie Anderson has over twenty years in ministry that includes family and adult faith formation, youth ministry and ministry training. She is a Lay Ecclesial Minister for the Archdiocese of Chicago and received a Master of Arts in Pastoral Studies from Loyola in 2005. Robbie loves liturgy and has trained adults and teens as lectors and extraordinary ministers of communion.

INITIAL TRAINING FOR EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST

MONDAYS, SEPTEMBER 11 & 18, 2017

7:00 PM - 9:15 PM

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TINLEY PARK, IL 60477
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FULLY WELCOMING, FULLY CATHOLIC: A FOUR-PART SERIES ON BEING THE CHURCH IN THE NEW MILLENNIUM LEARNING ABOUT OUR IMMIGRANT AND MIGRANT NEIGHBORS

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2017

(FOR MORE INFORMATION ON THIS SERIES SEE PAGE 3)

5:30 PM RECEPTION IN THE BUTLER ROOM

6:00 PM SPEAKER/PRESENTATION IN THE BUTLER ROOM

8:00 PM MASS IN THE McDONOUGH CHAPEL

SAINT XAVIER UNIVERSITY
3700 WEST 103RD STREET
CHICAGO, IL 60655
(773) 298-3440

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Fr. Gary Graf is a priest of the Archdiocese of Chicago. He now serves as pastor of St. Procopius Parish. Prior to St. Procopius, he was pastor of St. Gall Parish in Chicago, and at Holy Family Parish in Waukegan. Fr. Gary loves working with Spanish-speaking communities, young adults, and those who are in greatest need. As a young priest, Fr. Gary worked in small villages in Mexico.

RCIA IN PARISH GROUPINGS: BEST PRACTICES TO CONSIDER

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2017

7:00 PM - 9:00 PM

ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI PARISH
15050 S. WOLF ROAD,
ORLAND PARK, IL
(708) 460-0042

A shared RCIA program in Renew My Church sounds simple – and yet has many considerations. Bring your RCIA team members and review the RCIA foundational principles and discuss best practices, especially for implementation in multi-parish settings. If you are interested in information on multi-parish RCIA, but not available for this workshop please contact Sr. Gael at St. Francis of Assisi Parish.



Sr. Gael Gensler is presently the pastoral associate at St. Francis of Assisi parish. She has been involved in parish ministry for over twenty-five years. She currently co-ordinates the ministry of care for the parish.

INITIAL TRAINING FOR EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST

WEDNESDAYS, SEPTEMBER 20 & 27, 2017

7:00 PM - 9:00 PM

ST. LAWRENCE O'TOOLE PARISH
4101 SAINT LAWRENCE AVE,
MATTESON, ILLINOIS 60443
(708) 748-6090

Through prayer, reflection and praxis, participants will explore what it means to be an Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist in the 21st Century. In Session One there will be a brief overview of the history and theology of the Eucharist. We will also explore the development of the role of the laity in the liturgical life of the Church. Participants will be encouraged to share their experiences of Eucharist and worship with one another. Session Two will address the call to ministry and what it means to be a Minister of the Eucharist in the Church of today's world.



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BEREAVEMENT: MINISTRY OF COMPASSION AND CONSOLATION

SATURDAYS, SEPTEMBER 23 & 30, 2017

9:00 AM - 3:30 PM

ST. PATRICIA PARISH
9000 S. 86TH AVENUE,
HICKORY HILLS, IL 60457
(708) 598-8200

"The Church calls each member of Christ's body-priest, deacon, and layperson to participate in the ministry of consolation: to care for the dying, to pray for the dead, and to comfort those who mourn." OCF#8

The Ministry of Consolation and Compassion is just that: praying for the dead and comforting those who mourn, one of the Spiritual Works of Mercy.

Depending on the needs of the family, the Minister of Consolation and Compassion, under the guidance and supervision of their Pastor and on behalf of the parish:

- Prays for members of the parish community who have died and for their families.
- Meets with the bereaved family to offer support and guidance as they plan the funeral liturgy.
- Visits the family and friends of the deceased at the wake to offer support and prayer on behalf of their parish community.
- Serves as a greeter, lector or Eucharistic Minister at the funeral liturgy if needed or requested by the family.

NOTE: This formation requires ministers to participate in 12 hours of comprehensive training. Potential Ministers must attend the two Saturday sessions in order to receive a Certificate of Completion which will be submitted to their respective parish. Registration is required prior to the start of the formation. The parish pastor must also sign the registration form acknowledging the participant's attendance.



Evangelina (Eva) Bustamante, M.S., has a B.A. in Sociology and Political Science from Lewis University, Romeoville, IL and has completed her MST (Masters of Science in Thanatology) from Marian University in Fond du Lac, WI. Currently, Eva works as the Coordinator in the Ministry of Consolation and Compassion (originally known as the Bereavement Ministry) for the Catholic Cemeteries of the Archdiocese of Chicago. As such, she has worked with about 50 Archdiocesan parishes in training over 400 parish volunteers under the guidance of their pastor. They are people dedicated in assisting those who have lost a loved one to death. The Ministers of Consolation meet with families to plan the funeral liturgy, select the readings and hymns and companion the bereaved in their loss, one of the Corporal Works of Mercy.

RCIA FOR CHILDREN: PRACTICAL STEPS FOR IMPLEMENTATION

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2017

1:00 PM - 3:00 PM

ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI PARISH
15050 S. WOLF ROAD,
ORLAND PARK, IL
(708) 460-0042

This workshop will review the RCIA for children, its foundational principles and discuss best practices. Discussion will also include the questions and concerns of the participants as well as its implementation.



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WHAT IN GOD'S NAME ARE WE DOING?

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2017

7:00 PM - 9:00 PM

ST. JULIE BILLIART PARISH
7399 W. 159TH STREET
TINLEY PARK, IL 60477
708-429-6767

An exploration of Art and Environment for Catholic Liturgy, this workshop will address the ministry of the portable environment for worship spaces. It will explore the what and the why of A & E, the role and purpose of the ministry and will include visual examples for those responsible for liturgical environment.



***Rev. J. Philip Horrigan** is the former director of the Department of Art and Architecture in the Office for Divine Worship of the Archdiocese of Chicago. He is a liturgical design consultant and is on the adjunct faculty for the Word and Worship Department of Catholic Theological Union.*

SIGNS AND SYMBOLS OF INITIATION

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2017

7:00 PM - 9:00 PM

ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI PARISH
15050 S. WOLF ROAD,
ORLAND PARK, IL
(708) 460-0042

The richness of experiencing the Sacraments of Initiation is dependent on an understanding of the deep sacred meaning found in the signs and symbols of these Rites. This workshop examines the ways in which the Sacraments of Initiation affect and influence one's daily Christian life, tracing the origins of the Sacraments, and analyzing their signs and symbols.



***Michael Ruzicki** serves as Editor and Liturgical Training Consultant for Liturgy Training Publications (LTP) and the Director of Music for Notre Dame de Chicago Parish. In addition to presenting workshops (topics: liturgy, music, catechesis, RCIA, and evangelization) at various regional and national conferences, Michael oversees the development and execution of LTP's Ministry Enrichment Gatherings and Virtual Workshops. He is a graduate of The Catholic University of America and the Washington Theological Union in Washington, DC.*

SUPERCARGE YOUR SPIRITUAL LIFE

SATURDAY OCTOBER 7, 2017

10:00 AM - 11:30 AM

ST. DAMIAN PARISH
5250 155TH STREET
OAK FOREST, IL 60452
(708) 687-1370

Every so often things need to reboot, recharge or reinvigorate. Our relationships need this too. Jesus invites you to a robust Spiritual Life! Come and learn how zest and zeal can fill your Spiritual Life.



***Fr. Joe Noonan** is a cradle Catholic and was baptized at Our Lady of the Ridge in Chicago Ridge. Spiritually, Fr. Joe lapsed in the active participation of the Catholic faith while in college. He returned to a regular practice after a powerful experience of God's loving presence while on a pilgrimage to Medjugorje in Bosnia-Herzegovina in 1986. In Medjugorje, his eyes became open to the reality of Jesus Christ and the beauty of his presence in the Eucharist and Reconciliation. Afterwards, Fr. Joe began growing in our faith. In March of 1990, on a return trip to Medjugorje, Fr. Joe felt a strong and clear call to the priesthood and entered Mundelein Seminary. He was ordained a priest for the Archdiocese of Chicago by Cardinal Bernardin on May 20, 1995. Fr. Joe has served as the associate pastor at St. Francis Borgia Church in Chicago and the Vocation Director of the Archdiocese of Chicago. He is currently the pastor of St. Damian in Oak Forest.*

INITIAL TRAINING FOR EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST

MONDAY & WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 9 & 11, 2017

7:00 PM - 9:15 PM

ST. JOHN FISHER PARISH
10235 S. FAIRFIELD AVE.
CHICAGO, IL 60655
(773) 445-6565

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EVENING OF REFLECTION FOR LECTORS (PROCLAIMERS OF THE WORD)

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 10, 2017

7:00 PM - 8:30 PM

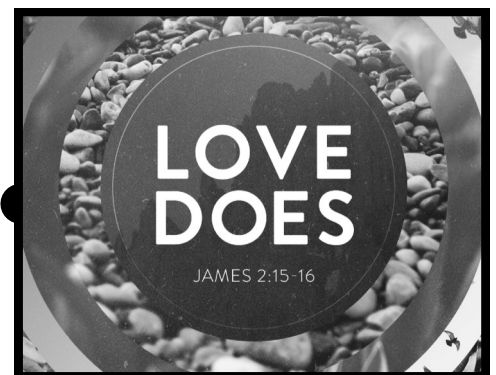
ST. DANIEL THE PROPHET PARISH
5300 S. NATOMA
CHICAGO, IL 60638
(773) 586-1223

Before she or he speaks, a Lector is first a friend of God, a disciple of Jesus, a Spirit-filled believer. The ministry of proclamation blesses us with the privilege of spending time with God's word, who is Christ himself! During this time of reflection and renewal, we will explore the spirituality of the proclaimer and companion one another on the journey of discipleship.



Nancy Marcheschi, MPS and **Graziano Marcheschi, MA, D.Min.**, are nationally known leaders in the areas of Spirituality and Proclamation of the Word. Their numerous workshops and publications are valued resources both for lectors and for those who form and train them. They have authored 9 Volumes of *Workbook for Lectors and Gospel Readers*. Among their many publications is the popular *Catholic Bible Personal Study Edition*, for which Graziano was a major contributor.

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MINISTER OF CARE TRAINING

TUESDAYS, OCTOBER 10, 17, AND 24, 2017

9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI PARISH (GREAT ROOM, USE CHURCH ENTRANCE)
15050 S. WOLF ROAD
ORLAND PARK, IL
708-460-0042

Participation in these two sessions meets the Office for Divine Worship, Archdiocese of Chicago, requirements to be eligible for mandating as a parish Minister of Care, ministering to the sick and homebound members of the parish. Participants must be approved and sent by a member of their parish Pastoral Team. Preparation includes such topics as spirituality of ministry, ministry to the aged, the experience of suffering, dying and death, pastoral listening skills, prayer and Eucharist, and the theological and practical dimensions of ministry. This seminar provides fresh theology and insights into the pastoral practice of the Ministry of Care.



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ENTRENAMIENTO INICIAL PARA MINISTROS EXTRAORDINARIOS DE COMUNIÓN

LOS JUEVES, 12, 19 Y 26 DE OCTUBRE, 2017

6:30 PM - 8:30 PM

SAN BENITO PARROQUIA

2336 YORK STREET

BLUE ISLAND, IL 60406

EN EL SÓTANO DE LA IGLESIA

(708) 385-8510

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- Práctica de la manera adecuada de distribuir la comunión en la comunidad local.
- Tiempo para la oración y la reflexión en conjunto.



Ernesto Vargas Nació en Trujillo, Perú. Parte de sus estudios son Filosofía, Misionología y Contabilidad. Es graduado con una maestría en Teología. Tiene formación en Guía Pastoral-Espiritual. Su ministerio pastoral empezó con pastoral juvenil y Comunidades de Base, y ministerio Pastoral y Carcelario. En actualidad es Director de Educación Religiosa en la parroquia de San Benito (Blue Island). En su ministerio ha sido testigo de la presente y siempre cambiante lucha entre la insaciable necesidad de estar con Dios y el arduo desafío de ser un discípulo de Jesús. El piensa que Nuestras parroquias necesitan de estos testigos, especialmente de aquellos que son Ministros Extraordinarios de la Comunión.

JESUS IN DISTRESSING DISGUISE

MONDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2017

7:00 PM - 9:00 PM

ST. JOHN FISHER PARISH

10234 S. WASHTENAW AVE.

CHICAGO, IL 60655

(773) 445-6565

Twenty-five years ago, John created the character of Ray. Portraying a homeless man, John has spoken to more than two million people across the country. John's master storytelling conveys lessons around prejudice and bullying along with moments of faith, charity and heroic generosity. People of all ages will experience the social gospel and will be challenged to reflect on how they love and serve others.



John Donahue-Grossman is a gifted and passionate storyteller who has spoken to more than 2 million people across the country. He has served in ministry for 30 years as a high school theology teacher, development director, parish youth minister, and retreat master. In 2004, John was recognized for his work against intolerance and injustice by Rosa Parks, co-chair for the National Campaign for Tolerance, with his name engraved on the Wall of Tolerance in Montgomery, Alabama. In 2011, the Joliet Diocese awarded him the Bishop Sartain Award for his portrayal of a homeless man, focused on human dignity. John is currently the Director of Retreats at La Salle Manor Retreat Center in Plano, Illinois. He lives in Big Rock, Illinois with his wife of 29 years and they have 3 adult children.

ENTRENAMIENTO INICIAL PARA MINISTROS EXTRAORDINARIOS DE COMUNIÓN

LOS SÁBADOS, 21 Y 28 DE OCTUBRE, 2017

9:00 AM - 2:30 PM

SANTO TORIBIO PARROQUIA

5646 S. KARLOV

CHICAGO, IL 60629

EN EL SÓTANO DE LA IGLESIA

(773) 434-9600

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FULLY WELCOMING, FULLY CATHOLIC: A FOUR-PART SERIES ON BEING THE CHURCH IN THE NEW MILLENNIUM LEARNING ABOUT OUR DIVORCED, UNMARRIED, AND BLENDED FAMILY NEIGHBORS

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2017

(FOR MORE INFORMATION ON THIS SERIES SEE PAGE 3)

5:30 PM RECEPTION IN THE BUTLER ROOM

6:00 PM SPEAKER/PRESENTATION IN THE BUTLER ROOM

8:00 PM MASS IN THE McDONOUGH CHAPEL

SAINT XAVIER UNIVERSITY
3700 WEST 103RD STREET
CHICAGO, IL 60655
(773) 298-3440

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Jeanne Lassandrello is commissioned as a Lay Ecclesial Minister in the Archdiocese of Chicago. She served as Pastoral Associate and Director of Religious Education at St Christopher Parish in Midlothian for 8 years. She is currently the Pastoral Associate and Director of Religious Education at St Germaine Parish in Oak Lawn. Jeanne earned a Master of Arts Degree in Pastoral Ministry at Catholic Theological Union, and is presently a candidate for the Doctorate of Ministry from the University of St Mary of the Lake.



HAIL, HOLY QUEEN... MOTHER... VIRGIN... LADY... DISCIPLE...

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2017

1:00 PM - 2:30 PM

FRANCISCAN VILLAGE
1270 VILLAGE DRIVE
LEMONT, IL 60439
(630) 243-3438

In our tradition, October is dedicated to the Most Holy Rosary – a prayer recited in honor of our Blessed Mother. From the beginning, Mary has had a firm hold on the Catholic imagination. We know she is Mother of Jesus, Mother of God, and Our Mother. We give her endless titles. But did her life in any way resemble ours? Using the lens of the Joyful Mysteries of the Rosary and through lecture, storytelling, conversation, and drama, we will explore the life and heart of the sometimes enigmatic woman who was known simply as 'Mary of Nazareth.'

(NOTE: Appetizers and sweets will be available to participants, courtesy of Franciscan Village. Thus, registration is required for this event.)



Graziano Marcheschi is an author, educator, lecturer, and storyteller who speaks frequently at national gatherings on ministry and catechesis. **Nancy Marcheschi** is also a writer, teacher, performer, and choreographer who leads prayer through the performing arts at conferences and prayer gatherings both locally and nationally. Their daughter, **Amanda Marcheschi**, studied ballet, tap, and character at Jerry Barrington School of Dance starting at age three. Amanda is now an accomplished actress who, in addition to her many other achievements, can currently be seen as Emergency Room Nurse Dina on the TV drama, *Chicago Med*.

ENTRENAMIENTO PARA LECTORES

LOS JUEVES, 9 Y 16 DE NOVIEMBRE 2017

7:00 PM - 9:00 PM

SANTA MARIA ESTRELLA DEL MAR PARROQUIA
6435 S. KILBOURN AVE
CHICAGO, IL 60629
(EN LA IGLESIA)
(773) 434-9600

Curso de 2 semanas para Lectores. Este Curso les presenta clara y sistemáticamente la identidad del Lectorado como Ministerio Litúrgico, propuestas de la Instrucción General para el Misal Romano y algunas técnicas para la proclamación de la palabra. Durante este taller se repasarán los siguientes temas:

- La Espiritualidad del Ministro y la llamada al Ministerio
- El Ministerio del Lectorado en el Equipo Litúrgico
- Propuestas de la Instrucción General para el Misal Romano [IGMR]
- Algunas Herramientas Prácticas para el Ministro Lector
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WANNA GET CLOSE TO GOD? TAKE REALLY, REALLY, REALLY GOOD RISKS!

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2017

6:30 PM - 8:30 PM

SAINT XAVIER UNIVERSITY - McDONOUGH CHAPEL
3700 W. 103RD STREET
CHICAGO, IL 60655
(844) 462-6132

Alfred Adler once said that; 'Perhaps our greatest danger is that we take too many precautions.' Amen to that! They do not call them LEAPS of Faith for nothing! Upon being asked, most adults can not remember the last risk they took that was not imposed on them. No wonder God Remains merely an idea for so many of us! Falling In Love again and again and again; Speaking truth to Power; Letting go of . . . and Holding fast to Dreams; Hosting all the ordinary and extraordinary Sufferings that come our way; Believing that we are Loved by the author of Love --- Each of these are pathways in to the experience of God, and each of them are rife with Risk. Please join us as we contemplate the Soul of risk, recommit ourselves to taking Really, Really, Really Good Risks -- and enter once again in to the Mystery of God.



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LA FUENTE DE LA ORACION

SÁBADO, 11 DE NOVIEMBRE, 2017

9:00 AM - 1:00 PM

STA. RITA DE CASCIA PARROQUIA
6243 S. FAIRFIELD AVE.
CHICAGO, IL 60629
(EN LA CAPILLA QUE ESTÁ UBICADA EN LA IGLESIA)
(773) 434-9600

Las cuatro fuentes más eficaces para tener una vida de oración poderosa y transformadora:

- La Palabra de Dios
- La Liturgia de la Iglesia
- Las Virtudes Teológicas
- La Espiritualidad de Hoy

"En cambio, el que beba de agua que yo quiero darle, nunca más volverá a tener sed. Porque el agua que yo quiero darle se convertirá en su interior en un manantial que conduce a la vida eterna (Jn 4:14)".



Diácono David Andrade fue ordenado como diácono de la Arquidiócesis de Chicago en 2010 para la Parroquia de Santa Rita de Cascia y todavía sirve en Santa Rita. Él es involucrado en muchos ministerios, incluyendo Pastoral Migratoria y Pastoral Familiar (Matrimonios). David y su esposa María han sido casados por 38 años y tienen 4 hijos.

WHY GO TO CHURCH?

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 2017

10:00 AM - 11:30 AM

ST. DAMIAN PARISH
5250 155TH STREET
OAK FOREST, IL 60452
(708) 687-1370

This talk gives ten common reasons why people choose to not go to Church. It also explains the beauty of worshipping together as a community and why it is fundamental to the Catholic experience of prayer and worship.



Fr. Michael Trail is a priest for the Archdiocese of Chicago ordained by Cardinal Blase Cupich in May 2016. Currently, he serves as associate pastor of St. Damian Catholic Church in Oak Forest, Illinois. A native of Detroit, Michigan, Fr. Trail attended Loyola University Chicago for undergrad obtaining a bachelors in Philosophy in 2012. He earned a Masters of Divinity from The University of St. Mary of the Lake/Mundelein Seminary in 2016. Fr. Trail is an avid reader and enjoys exploring the great city of Chicago.

THE FOUR C'S OF COLLABORATIVE MINISTRY

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2017

1:00 PM - 3:00 PM - ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI

(THIS PRESENTATION IS GEARED TOWARD PARISH STAFF)

ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI PARISH
15050 S. WOLF RD.,
ORLAND PARK, IL 60467
(708) 460-0042

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2017

7:00 PM - 9:00 PM - OUR LADY OF THE WOODS

(THIS PRESENTATION IS GEARED TOWARD PARISH VOLUNTEER LEADERSHIP)

OUR LADY OF THE WOODS PARISH
10731 W. 131ST. ST.
ORLAND PARK, IL 60462
(708) 361-4754

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2017

1:00 PM - 3:00 PM - ST. BERNADETTE

(THIS PRESENTATION IS GEARED TOWARD PARISH STAFF)

ST. BERNADETTE PARISH
9349 S. FRANCISCO
EVERGREEN PARK, IL 60805
(708) 422-8995

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2017

7:00 PM - 9:00 PM - ST. GERMAINE

(THIS PRESENTATION IS GEARED TOWARD PARISH VOLUNTEER LEADERSHIP)

ST. GERMAINE PARISH
98TH ST. AT KOLIN AVE.
OAK LAWN, IL 60453
(708) 636-5060

To help us move forward into Renew My Church, this workshop will present and strengthen our understanding of the "Four C's of Collaboration: Clarification, Conviction, Commitment, and Capacity/Capability." How do we commit to a new way of ministering that identifies and uses the gifts and skills of every baptized member of our parish and grouping? Obstacles will inevitably arise along the way, so how can we practically work through them and discover our true capacity and capability for practicing a new way of being the Church of Chicago? The 1-3 PM sessions will be geared toward pastors and their staffs. The evening sessions will be for any in parish leadership who want to learn why it is important to be collaborative - and best practices on how to do it.



Brother Loughlan Sofield literally wrote the book on collaboration, "Collaborative Ministry: Skills and Guidelines." He is currently Director of the Missionary Servants of the Most Holy Trinity's Senior Ministry house. He has served as Director of the Missionary Servant Center for Collaborative Ministry; Director of the Washington Archdiocesan Consultation and Counseling Center; and Assistant Director of the Center for Religion and Psychiatry in Washington D.C. Loughlan has worked in almost 300 dioceses on six continents and was Senior Editor of Human Development magazine for over 30 yrs. He has authored numerous articles and books on ministry and collaboration. His most recent include Principled Ministry; Facing Forgiveness; Collaboration: Uniting Our Gifts in Ministry; and Building Community: Christian, Caring, Vital. During the last few years, much of his time has been spent conducting programs of clergy education and consultation for dioceses. He is a former member of the Advisory Board of the NCCB Committee on Laity, Family, Women and Youth.

Let's work together...



EVENING OF REFLECTION FOR EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2017

7:00 PM - 8:30 PM

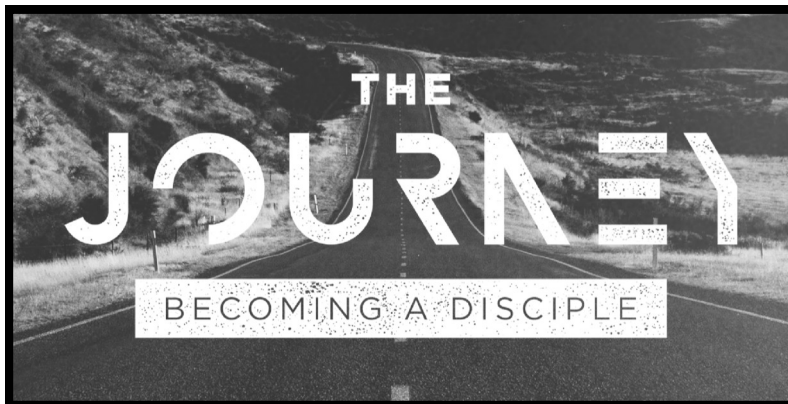
ST. DANIEL THE PROPHET PARISH
5300 S. NATOMA
CHICAGO, IL 60638
(773) 586-1223

Those privileged to hold the host or proffer the cup and speak the words, "The Body... the Blood... of Christ" are especially blessed. More than the rest of us, they know the truth of St. Augustine's adage. "Receive what you are, become what you receive." That mandate to "become" rests first with those of us who share the sacred elements of Christ's body and blood. Spend an evening of reflection and renewal the sacred mystery and your special role as disciple, servant, and witness.



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FOUR CHARACTERISTICS OF A VIBRANT CHURCH

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 24, 2018

(OFFERED A SECOND TIME ON THURSDAY, MARCH 8, 2018)

7:00 PM - 9:00 PM

INCARNATION PARISH
5705 W. 127TH STREET
PALOS HEIGHTS, IL
(708) 388-4004

What factors mark a "vibrant parish"? There are about as many answers to that question as there are Catholic parishes! And most of the answers view the parish through a unique lens – Finances in the black? October count? Number of Baptisms and Weddings? Is that true vibrancy? Sr. Gael and Kathy will spend an evening viewing "parish vibrancy" through the lens of what our Catholic faith has to offer the modern world – Hope, Giftedness, Awareness, and Relationship. Come and be inspired to discuss ways your parish can be more alive and vibrant in Christ.



Sr. Gael Gensler is presently the pastoral associate at St. Francis of Assisi Parish. She has been involved in parish ministry for over twenty-five years. She currently co-ordinates the ministry of care for the parish.

Kathy McNicholas is a pastoral associate and director of religious education at Incarnation Parish. Her passion is adult faith formation.



PRESENTING THE SIGNS AND SYMBOLS OF OUR FAITH

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2018

10:30 AM - 12:00 PM

ST. MARY STAR OF THE SEA PARISH
6435 S. KILBOURN AVE.
CHICAGO, IL
(773) 767-1246

In this presentation, participants will experience the signs and symbols we use in our Catholic faith celebrations. They will also learn how to present this opportunity to their own faith communities. Registration is required; lunch will be provided.



Terry Navarro has been involved in ministry at St. Mary Star of the Sea parish for over 30 years, first as a school teacher and for the past 15 years as the Pastoral associate and Director of Religious Education. She earned her undergraduate degree in Early Childhood Education from St. Xavier University and her graduate degree in Pastor Studies from Loyola University. Terry and her husband Al have been married over 40 years and have 5 married children and 8 grandchildren.

D. Todd Williamson is the Director of the Office for Divine Worship of the Archdiocese of Chicago. He is a speaker, author and liturgist whose ministerial experience includes teaching and parish pastoral ministry. His most recent publication, *Great is the Mystery*, the Formational Power of Liturgy, is published by Liturgy Training Publications.



INITIAL TRAINING FOR EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST

THURSDAYS, FEBRUARY 8 & FEBRUARY 15, 2018

7:00 PM - 9:15 PM

ST. SYMPHOROSA SCHOOL HALL
6125 S. AUSTIN AVE.
CHICAGO, IL 60638
(773) 767-1523

Through prayer, reflection and praxis, participants will explore what it means to be an Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist in the 21st Century. In Session One there will be a brief overview of the history and theology of the Eucharist. We will also explore the development of the role of the laity in the liturgical life of the Church. Participants will be encouraged to share their experiences of Eucharist and worship with one another. Session Two will address the call to ministry and what it means to be a Minister of the Eucharist in the Church of today's world.



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APRENDIENDO EL DISCIPULADO A TRAVES DE JESUS

SÁBADO, 17 DE FEBRERO 2018

9:00 AM - 1:00 PM

SAN MIGUEL PARROQUIA
14327 HIGHLAND AVE.
ORLAND PARK, IL 60462
(773) 434-9600

La urgencia del discipulado aumenta cuando nosotros entendemos el terrible daño que la Iglesia está sufriendo por la ausencia de la verdad de Dios en la vida de su pueblo.

"Lo que has oído de mi presencia de muchos testigos, confíalo a personas fieles, que a su vez sean aptos para enseñar a otros (2 Tim 2:2)".



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FULLY WELCOMING, FULLY CATHOLIC: A FOUR-PART SERIES ON BEING THE CHURCH IN THE NEW MILLENNIUM THE EVOLUTION OF WOMEN'S ROLES IN THE CHURCH

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 2018

(FOR MORE INFORMATION ON THIS SERIES SEE PAGE 3)

5:30 PM RECEPTION IN THE BUTLER ROOM

6:00 PM SPEAKER/PRESENTATION IN THE BUTLER ROOM

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SAINT XAVIER UNIVERSITY
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CHICAGO, IL 60655
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Dr. Avis Clendenen is Professor Emerita of Religious Studies at Saint Xavier University in Chicago where she serves as Special Assistant to the President. Avis gives days of reflection and retreats that integrate the arts and technology, exploring the intersections of Christian spirituality and depth psychology. She has a long history with the emerging roles of women in the Catholic Church.

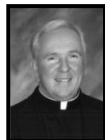
HONORING OUR PRECIOUS GIFT -- PREPARING TO EMBRACE LIFE'S GREATEST CHALLENGE

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2018

11:00 AM - 1:00 PM

FRANCISCAN VILLAGE
1270 VILLAGE DRIVE
LEMONT, IL 60439
(630) 243-3438

God has blessed each of us with the most precious gift of life. We gratefully embrace this gift and seek to live our lives to the fullest. Thus, it is very human to struggle with the ultimate challenge – acceptance of one's earthly mortality and the eventual transition into eternal life. In this workshop, we will share and examine stories of transition and discuss the need for an individual's Advance Directives for Health Care within the context of our Catholic faith. We will look at the forms currently in use in the state of Illinois which are used to honor one's final wishes for care in the last stages of life. (NOTE: Because Franciscan Village will serve a complimentary lunch as part of our time together, registration is required for this event.)



Father Marc Pasciak has served as a priest of the Archdiocese of Chicago for over 40 years. Fr. Marc has a D. Min. from the University of St. Mary of the Lake and he has shared his knowledge and experience not only in his priestly assignments, but also in the Parish Missions and Days of Recollection that he has facilitated. Fr. Marc is widely known as a long-time writer of the column, "Breaking Open the Word," which for many years was published in the Chicago Archdiocesan newspaper. He is currently the pastor of St. Patricia Parish in Hickory Hills.

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RUNNING THE PASCHAL MYSTERY MARATHON

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 2018

6:30 PM - 8:30 PM

OUR LADY OF THE RIDGE PARISH - CHURCH
10810 OXFORD AVE.
CHICAGO RIDGE, IL 60415
(708) 425-3800

What if the Paschal Mystery isn't something that Jesus went through a couple thousand years ago, but something that we're all invited to live every day? Using the metaphor of a marathon and his prodigious skill as a storyteller, Terry Nelson-Johnson challenges us to run our own Paschal Mystery, teaching us to look at life through the lenses of Holy Thursday, Good Friday, Holy Saturday, and Easter.



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ENTRENAMIENTO PARA LECTORES

MARTES, EL 27 Y MIÉRCOLES, EL 28 DE FEBRERO, 2018

7:00 PM - 9:00 PM

STO. TORIBIO PARROQUIA
5646 S. KARLOV
CHICAGO, IL 60629
EN EL SÓTANO DE LA IGLESIA
773-434-9600

Curso de 2 días para Lectores. Este Curso les presenta clara y sistemáticamente la identidad del Lectorado como Ministerio Litúrgico, propuestas de la Instrucción General para el Misal Romano y algunas técnicas para la proclamación de la palabra. Durante este taller se repasarán los siguientes temas:

- La Espiritualidad del Ministro y la llamada al Ministerio
- El Ministerio del Lectorado en el Equipo Litúrgico
- Propuestas de la Instrucción General para el Misal Romano [IGMR]
- Algunas Herramientas Prácticas para el Ministro Lector
- Tiempo para la oración y la reflexión en conjunto.



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MINISTER OF CARE TRAINING

SATURDAYS, MARCH 3 & 10, 2018

9:00 AM - 2:30 PM

ST. GERMAINE PARISH CENTER
9711 S. KOLIN
OAK LAWN, IL 60453
(708) 636-5060

Participation in these two sessions meets the Office for Divine Worship, Archdiocese of Chicago, requirements to be eligible for mandating as a parish Minister of Care, ministering to the sick and homebound members of the parish. Participants must be approved and sent by a member of their parish Pastoral Team. Preparation includes such topics as spirituality of ministry, ministry to the aged, the experience of suffering, dying and death, pastoral listening skills, prayer and Eucharist, and the theological and practical dimensions of ministry. This seminar provides fresh theology and insights into the pastoral practice of the Ministry of Care (Bring a bagged lunch).



Jeanne Lassandrello is commissioned as a Lay Ecclesial Minister in the Archdiocese of Chicago. She served as Pastoral Associate and Director of Religious Education at St Christopher Parish in Midlothian for 8 years. She is currently the Pastoral Associate and Director of Religious Education at St Germaine Parish in Oak Lawn. Jeanne earned a Master of Arts Degree in Pastoral Ministry at Catholic Theological Union, and is presently a candidate for the Doctorate of Ministry from the University of St Mary of the Lake.

4 CHARACTERISTICS OF A VIBRANT CHURCH

THURSDAY, MARCH 8, 2018

(OFFERED A SECOND TIME ON WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 24, 2018)

7:00 PM - 9:00 PM

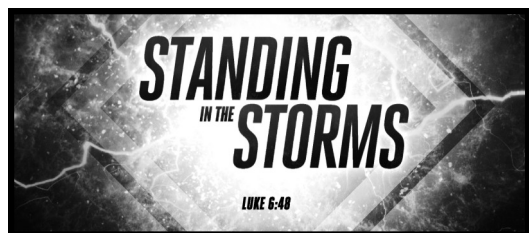
ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI PARISH (GREAT ROOM, USE CHURCH ENTRANCE)
15050 S. WOLF ROAD
ORLAND PARK, IL
708-460-0042

What factors mark a "vibrant parish"? There are about as many answers to that question as there are Catholic parishes! And most of the answers view the parish through a unique lens – Finances in the black? October count? Number of Baptisms and Weddings? Is that true vibrancy? Sr. Gael and Kathy will spend an evening viewing "parish vibrancy" through the lens of what our Catholic faith has to offer the modern world – Hope, Giftedness, Awareness, and Relationship. Come and be inspired to discuss ways your parish can be more alive and vibrant in Christ.



Sr. Gael Gensler is presently the pastoral associate at St. Francis of Assisi parish. She has been involved in parish ministry for over twenty-five years. She currently co-ordinates the ministry of care for the parish.

Kathy McNicholas is a pastoral associate and director of religious education at Incarnation Parish. Her passion is adult faith formation.



FORMACIÓN PARA MINISTROS DE LA COMUNIÓN A LOS ENFERMOS

LOS LUNES, 12 Y 19, Y LOS MIÉRCOLES, 14 Y 21 DE MARZO, 2018

6:30 PM - 9:30 PM

SANTA RITA DE CASCIA PARROQUIA
6243 S. FAIRFIELD AVE.
CHICAGO, IL 60629
(773) 434-9600

En este curso de reflexión trataremos de ver el acompañamiento al enfermo, la posición de la Iglesia Católica y las implicaciones como Ministros de los Enfermos.

Se hablara y reflexionara sobre los siguientes temas:

- La Espiritualidad del ministro y Llamada al Ministerio
- La Teología del Sufrimiento
- La Experiencia del Sufrimiento
- La Habilidad de Escuchar Pastoralmente
- La Practicidad del Ministerio



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CARE FOR THE CAREGIVER

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 14, 2018

5:00 PM - 8:00 PM

FRANCISCAN VILLAGE
1270 VILLAGE DRIVE
LEMONT, IL 60439
(630) 243-3438

Being a caregiver for a loved one can be a very rewarding personal experience. On the other hand, exhaustion, worry, inadequate resources, and continuous care demands are enormously stressful. Only when we first help ourselves can we effectively help others. Caring for yourself is one of the most important, and one of the most often forgotten, things you can do as a caregiver. This "time out" for the caregiver will offer a brief respite -- time of prayer, reflection, relaxation, and an opportunity to get in touch with one's own soul -- for those who care for others.

(NOTE: Because Franciscan Village will serve complimentary dinner as part of our time together, registration is required for this event.)



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EVENING OF REFLECTION WITH ERIC GROTH OF OUTSIDE DA BOX MINISTRY

THURSDAY, MARCH 15, 2018

6:30 PM - 8:30 PM

SAINT XAVIER UNIVERSITY - McDONOUGH CHAPEL
3700 W. 103RD STREET
CHICAGO, IL 60655
(844) 462-6132

Join us for an Evening of Reflection with Eric Groth - President/CEO of ODB Films and Executive Producer of Full of Grace and the soon-to-be-released film on the Apostle Paul. Eric will share stories from production, scenes from the film, and reflections on the life of Paul and the beautiful reality that none of us are beyond the reach of God's amazing grace.



Eric Groth is president and executive producer of Outside da Box. He has a BA in Christian education and an MA in counseling. Eric has served as a director of high school campus ministries and coordinator of evangelization programs for Cultivation Ministries. Outside da Box, founded in 2005, is an award-winning not-for-profit Catholic video production ministry that helps foster an encounter with Christ through the production and distribution of artfully made, spiritually rich films. Over the past eleven years, Outside da Box has produced 150 short films, including the 48-film Video Catechism series for teens. ODB released its first feature film, Full of Grace, in January 2016, and is currently producing one on the Apostle Paul. Eric has been married to his wife Becky for 26 years. The two of them have spent the last twenty years raising their eight children.



MORNING OF REFLECTION FOR MINISTERS OF CARE

SATURDAY MARCH 24, 2018

9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

ST. GERALD IN ARNOLD HALL
9310 S. 55TH COURT
OAK LAWN, IL 60453
708-422-0234 EXT 32

Those who minister to the sick and dying need time to care for themselves as well. Promoted by our Late Cardinal George, this Apostolate of Suffering Workshop will explore the sanctity and value of redemptive suffering through prayer, advocacy and education, with a specific focus on illness, the physically challenged, and end of life care.

As Pope Francis has written, "The Cross of Christ invites us all to allow ourselves to be smitten by His love, teaching us always to look upon others with mercy and tenderness, especially those who suffer, who are in need of help, who need a word or concrete action; the cross invites us to step outside ourselves to meet them and to meet them and to extend a hand to them."



Sr. Jane Schlosser is a Sister of Mercy whose ministerial experience includes: Teaching, Religious Education, Liturgical Work, Sacramental Work, Pastoral Work, and Retreat Work. She has also done pastoral work in the parish setting and been director of formation for her community. She holds a Bachelor's degree in Sociology, a Master's in Religious Education, a certificate in Spiritual Direction and a Doctorate in Ministry.

RCIA RETREAT

SATURDAY, MARCH 24, 2018

9:30 AM - 2:30 PM

ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI PARISH
15050 S. WOLF ROAD
ORLAND PARK, IL 60467
(708) 460-0042

PLEASE GO TO THE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION BUILDING LOCATED PAST THE CHURCH AND UP THE HILL.

This is a day of reflection for all RCIA candidates and RCIA teams who are interested in connecting with the larger Church in preparation for the reception of sacraments at the Easter Vigil.



Fr. Mark Walter has been a priest of the Archdiocese of Chicago since 1988 and is currently the Pastor of Saint Linus Parish and Chaplain of Brother Rice High School. He is also on the Southwest board for Catholic Charities and has given many days of reflection, retreats and parish missions. Fr. Mark appreciates and enjoys the deep connection between the Holy Scripture and the life of the Catholic Christian. He has also been a regular contributor to the Vicariate V ministry programs for the past five years and highly values their significance.



MENTAL HEALTH DISORDERS - TREATMENT FOR CHILDREN AND ADOLESCENTS

MONDAY, APRIL 9, 2018

6:30 PM - 8:30 PM

ST. TERRENCE PARISH - RE BUILDING
4300 W. 119TH PLACE
ALSIP, IL 60803
(708) 597-0970

Shelley will be talking about various mental health issues ranging from ADHD, anxiety, bipolar disorder, autism, depression, self injury, OCD, developmental delays, parenting skills, and the different types of therapies that are offered for children and adolescents. There will be an open Q & A at the end of the presentation.



Shelley Skas is a licensed clinical professional counselor who works in a private practice in Orland Park, Illinois. Shelley is also the President of the Healing Center at Silver Lake Gardens located in Orland Park and the Healing Center for Behavioral Health in New Lenox, Illinois. She specializes in mental health and behavioral treatment for children and adolescents. The Healing Center is a multidisciplinary practice that offers mental health counseling, behavioral therapy, occupational therapy and applied behavioral analysis therapy (ABA). Shelley is also the founder of Coping Together, a 501 (c)(3) that provides mental health services to adults with developmental disabilities. Coping Together currently services adults at 7 locations across Illinois.

When not working Shelley enjoys spending time with her husband and two children. She is a co-leader to her daughter's Girl Scout troop and enjoys taking piano lessons with her son.

ENTRENAMIENTO INICIAL PARA MINISTROS EXTRAORDINARIOS DE COMUNIÓN

LOS MIÉRCOLES, 11, 18 Y 25 DE ABRIL Y EL 2 DE MAYO, 2018

7:00 PM - 9:30 PM

SANTA CLARA DE MONTEFALCO PARROQUIA
5443 S. WASHTENAW AVE.
CHICAGO, IL 60632
(773) 434-9600

Este curso lleva a cabo la preparación de los Ministros de Comunión en la Misa. Cubrirá los siguientes temas recomendados por la Oficina del Culto Divino de la Arquidiócesis de Chicago:

- Teología de la Eucaristía como es celebrada en la tradición de la Iglesia Católica.
- Catequesis histórica sobre la evolución de la práctica y devoción de la Eucaristía
- Asistencia para que los ministros tengan una buena espiritualidad sobre la Eucaristía.
- Una exploración de cómo el bautismo nos llama a ser un pueblo de servicio.
- Práctica de la manera adecuada de distribuir la comunión en la comunidad local.
- Tiempo para la oración y la reflexión en conjunto.



Diácono David Andrade fue ordenado como diácono de la Arquidiócesis de Chicago en 2010 para la Parroquia de Santa Rita de Cascia y todavía sirve en Santa Rita. Él es involucrado en muchos ministerios, incluyendo Pastoral Migratoria y Pastoral Familiar (Matrimonios). David y su esposa María han sido casados por 38 años y tienen 4 hijos.

FULLY WELCOMING, FULLY CATHOLIC: A FOUR-PART SERIES ON BEING THE CHURCH IN THE NEW MILLENNIUM LEARNING ABOUT OUR LGBTQ NEIGHBORS

SUNDAY, APRIL 15, 2018

(FOR MORE INFORMATION ON THIS SERIES SEE PAGE 3)

5:30 PM RECEPTION IN THE BUTLER ROOM

6:00 PM SPEAKER/PRESENTATION IN THE BUTLER ROOM

8:00 PM MASS IN THE McDONOUGH CHAPEL

SAINT XAVIER UNIVERSITY
3700 WEST 103RD STREET
CHICAGO, IL 60655
(773) 298-3440

Pope Francis has famously said, "This is the mission of the Church: to heal the wounds of the heart, to open doors, to free people, to say that God is good, God forgives all, God is the Father, God is affectionate, God always waits for us."

If we as Catholics are to invite first, and accompany second, how do we begin a conversation on a more "radical" way of being welcoming? If all our neighbors, the whole of our larger community is now our mission territory, how do we begin to listen to people's real lives and struggles, with both authenticity and Christ-like compassion? How might we invite others to a deeper relationship with Christ, while remaining true to our faith Tradition?

This four-part series seeks to identify those who might not feel fully welcome in the Catholic Church today: the immigrant/migrant population, 'modern' families, women, and the LGBTQ community. We gather, not to solve any problems, but as people of faith - to listen, to bear witness to Christ, and to perhaps walk away with a deeper understanding of our neighbors.



Father Louis John Cameli was born in Chicago Heights. He pursued his studies in theology at the Gregorian University in Rome where he received his licentiate in theology in 1970 and a doctorate in theology with a specialization in spirituality in 1975. He was ordained in Rome, December, 1969. Beginning in 1975, Father Cameli was on the faculty of Mundelein Seminary of the University of Saint Mary of the Lake, Mundelein, Illinois. In November, 1996, Cardinal Bernardin appointed Father Cameli as director of ongoing formation of priests in the Archdiocese of Chicago and director of the Cardinal Stritch Retreat House. In 2009, Cardinal Francis George appointed Father Cameli his delegate for Christian Formation and Mission with residence at Holy Name Cathedral, Chicago. He continues as Cardinal Blase Cupich's delegate for formation and mission.

He has published many books, including: "Bread of Life: Exploring the Presence of the Eucharist in Our Lives," "Catholic Teaching on Homosexuality: New Paths to Understanding," and "Rejoicing in Mercy: A Prayer Commentary on Luke's Gospel." His topics center on theology and spirituality. Father Cameli has also served as a retreat director for priests' retreats and as a presenter for priests' convocations in the United States, Canada, and New Zealand.

Let go...Let God.



INITIAL TRAINING FOR EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST

MONDAYS APRIL 16 & 23, 2018

7:30 PM - 9:45 PM

SS. CYRIL AND METHODIUS
608 SOBIESKI STREET
LEMONT, IL 60439
(630)257-2776

Through prayer, reflection and praxis, participants will explore what it means to be an Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist in the 21st Century. In Session One there will be a brief overview of the history and theology of the Eucharist. We will also explore the development of the role of the laity in the liturgical life of the Church. Participants will be encouraged to share their experiences of Eucharist and worship with one another. Session Two will address the call to ministry and what it means to be a Minister of the Eucharist in the Church of today's world.



Dr. Mary Amore holds a Doctor of Ministry Degree in Liturgy and a Master of Arts in Pastoral Studies from Catholic Theological Union. Dr Amore is the author of *Primary Symbols of Worship* and *the Call to Participation*, as well as numerous articles on ministry and Spirituality. Mary is highly sought after presenter of workshops, parish missions, and retreats. Married and the mother of two young adults, Mary is the Executive Director of Mayslake Ministries in Lombard.

CLEANING WISDOM FROM THE JOURNEY - SPIRITUALITY IN OUR RETIREMENT YEARS

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 25, 2018

11:00 AM - 1:00 PM

FRANCISCAN VILLAGE
1270 VILLAGE DRIVE
LEMONT, IL 60439
(630) 243-3438

No matter how many degrees we have been awarded or what kind of education we have received, there are some things that only the experience of life can teach us. Those "life discoveries" include discovering our relationship with our God. The ups and downs, the trials and joys of life help form and shape our connection with the Almighty. What can we learn from our life's journey that maintains, even enhances, our spiritual life in our later years? Father Kurt and Marge will invite participants to explore spirituality in the later years of life through both formal presentation and an interactive sharing of faith stories and experiences.

(NOTE: Because Franciscan Village will serve a complimentary lunch as part of our time together, registration is required for this event.)



Father Kurt Boras, ordained in 1986, is currently the pastor of historic St. Patrick Parish in Lemont. Father Boras has done study in the field of counseling and clinical psychology and has used that experience as associate dean of formation and director of psychological services at Mundelein Seminary. He has a special love for ministering to those in their senior years as well as to those who care for them.

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PROCLAIMING THE WORD OF GOD: TRAINING FOR NEW AND VETERAN LECTORS

WEDNESDAY, MAY 16, 2018 - ST. ALBERT'S ROOM

WEDNESDAY, MAY 23, 2018 - CHURCH

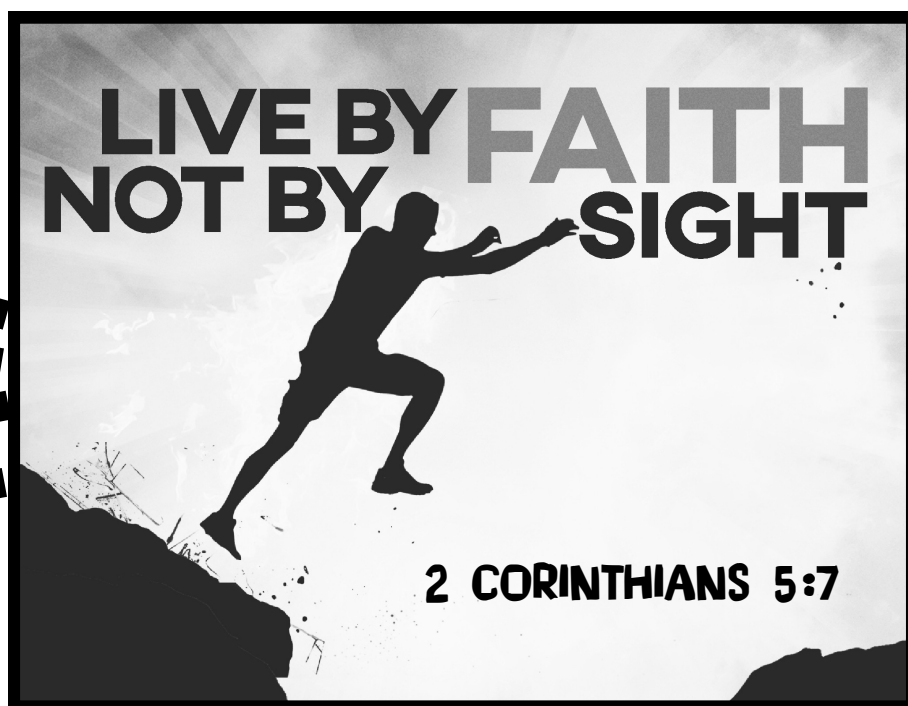
7:00 PM - 9:00 PM

ST. ALBERT THE GREAT PARISH
5555 W. STATE RD.
BURBANK, IL 60459
708-423-0321

This two part workshop focuses on the theology of The Word, the history of the Mass, liturgical language, proclamation skills and the gifts required for liturgical ministry.



Pat Chuchla is a currently Pastoral Associate/Lay Ecclesial Minister at St. Michael Parish in Orland Park. She earned a Bachelors' degree in Pastoral Ministry, Masters' degree in Leadership for Family Ministry & Faith Formation, and Certifications in Liturgy and Pastoral Care. Pat has served as Director of Worship, Baptism, and Marriage Ministries for three large parishes over the last 27 years.



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# OF PEOPLE	DATE	TITLE OF EVENT	LOCATION
	AUG. 23 & 30	PROCLAIMING THE WORD OF GOD: TRAINING FOR NEW AND VETERAN LECTORS	St. Julie Billiard Parish
	SEPT. 11 & 18	INITIAL TRAINING FOR EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS	St. Julie Billiard Parish
	SEPT. 17	LEARNING ABOUT OUR IMMIGRANT AND MIGRANT NEIGHBORS	Saint Xavier University
	SEPT. 18	RCIA IN PARISH GROUPINGS: BEST PRACTICES TO CONSIDER	St. Francis Of Assisi Parish
	SEPT. 20 & 27	INITIAL TRAINING FOR EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS IN VICARIATE VI	St. Lawrence O'Toole Parish
	SEPT. 23 & 30	BEREAVEMENT: MINISTRY OF COMPASSION AND CONSOLATION	St. Patricia Parish
	SEPT. 25	RCIA FOR CHILDREN: PRACTICAL STEPS FOR IMPLEMENTATION	St. Francis Of Assisi Parish
	SEPT. 27	WHAT IN GOD'S NAME ARE WE DOING?	St. Julie Billiard Parish
	SEPT. 28	SIGNS AND SYMBOLS OF INITIATION	St. Francis Of Assisi Parish
	OCT. 7	SUPERCHARGE YOUR SPIRITUAL LIFE	St. Damian Parish
	OCT. 9 & 11	INITIAL TRAINING FOR EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS	St. John Fisher Parish
	OCT. 10	EVENING OF REFLECTION FOR LECTORS (PROCLAIMERS OF THE WORD)	St. Daniel The Prophet Parish
	OCT. 10, 17 & 24	MINISTER OF CARE TRAINING	St. Francis of Assisi Parish
	12, 19 Y 26 DE OCTUBRE	ENTRENAMIENTO INICIAL PARA MINISTROS EXTRAORDINARIOS DE COMUNIÓN	San Benito
	OCT. 16	JESUS IN DISTRESSING DISGUISE	St. John Fisher Parish
	21 Y 28 DE OCTUBRE	ENTRENAMIENTO INICIAL PARA MINISTROS EXTRAORDINARIOS DE COMUNIÓN	Santo Toribio
	OCT. 22	LEARNING ABOUT OUR DIVORCED, UNMARRIED, AND BLENDED FAMILY NEIGHBORS	Saint Xavier University
	OCT. 25	HOLY QUEEN... MOTHER... VIRGIN... LADY... DISCIPLE...	Franciscan Village
	9 Y 16 DE NOVIEMBRE	ENTRENAMIENTO PARA LECTORES	St. Mary Star of the Sea
	NOV. 9	WANNA GET CLOSE TO GOD? TAKE REALLY, REALLY GOOD RISKS!	Saint Xavier University
	NOV. 11	WHY GO TO CHURCH?	St. Damian Parish
	11 DE NOVIEMBRE	LA FUENTE DE LA ORACION	Sta. Rita de Cascia
	NOV. 14	EVENING OF REFLECTION FOR EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST	St. Daniel The Prophet Parish
	NOV. 14	THE FOUR C'S OF COLLABORATIVE MINISTRY	St. Francis of Assisi Parish
	NOV. 14	THE FOUR C'S OF COLLABORATIVE MINISTRY	Our Lady of the Woods Parish

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Questions? Contact: Kathy McNicholas at 708-388-4004 / FAX: 708-597-2452 / E-mail: kmcnicholas@incarnationcatholic.com

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	NOV. 15	THE FOUR C'S OF COLLABORATIVE MINISTRY	St. Bernadette Parish
	NOV. 15	THE FOUR C'S OF COLLABORATIVE MINISTRY	St. Germaine Parish
	JAN. 24	FOUR CHARACTERISTICS OF A VIBRANT PARISH	Incarnation Parish
	FEB. 7	PRESENTING THE SIGNS AND SYMBOLS OF OUR FAITH	St. Mary Star Of The Sea Parish
	FEB. 8 & 15	INITIAL TRAINING FOR EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS	St. Symphorosa School Hall
	17 DE FEBRERO	APRENDIENDO EL DISCIPULADO A TRAVES DE JESUS	St. Michael Parish
	FEB. 18	THE EVOLUTION OF WOMEN'S ROLES IN THE CHURCH	Saint Xavier University
	FEB. 21	HONORING OUR PRECIOUS GIFT -- PREPARING TO EMBRACE LIFE'S GREATEST CHALLENGE	Franciscan Village
	FEB. 26	RUNNING THE PASCHAL MYSTERY MARATHON	SXU - McDonough Chapel
	27 Y 28 DE FEBRERO	ENTRENAMIENTO PARA LECTORES	Sto. Toribio
	MARCH 3 & 10	MINISTER OF CARE TRAINING	St. Germaine Parish Center
	MARCH 8	4 CHARACTERISTICS OF A VIBRANT PARISH	St. Francis of Assisi Parish
	12, 14, 19 Y 21 DE MARZO	FORMACIÓN PARA MINISTROS DE LA COMUNIÓN A LOS ENFERMOS	Santa Rita de Cascia
	MARCH 14	CARE FOR THE CAREGIVER	Franciscan Village
	MARCH 15	EVENING OF REFLECTION WITH ERIC GROTH	SXU - McDonough Chapel
	MARCH 24	MORNING OF REFLECTION FOR MINISTERS OF CARE	St. Gerald - Arnold Hall
	MARCH 24	RCIA RETREAT	St. Francis of Assisi Parish
	APRIL 9	MENTAL HEALTH DISORDERS - TREATMENT FOR CHILDREN AND ADOLESCENTS	SXU - McDonough Chapel
	11, 18, Y 25 DE ABRIL 2 DE MAYO	ENTRENAMIENTO INICIAL PARA MINISTROS EXTRAORDINARIOS DE COMUNIÓN	Santa Clara de Montefalco
	APRIL 15	LEARNING ABOUT OUR LGBTQ NEIGHBORS	Saint Xavier University
	APRIL 16 & 23	INITIAL TRAINING FOR EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS	SS. Cyril and Methodius
	APRIL 25	GLEANING WISDOM FROM THE JOURNEY - SPIRITUALITY IN OUR RETIREMENT YEARS	Franciscan Village
	MAY 16 & 23	PROCLAIMING THE WORD OF GOD: TRAINING FOR NEW AND VETERAN LECTORS	St. Albert the Great Parish

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LA MISIÓN DE LA COMISIÓN MINISTERIAL DEL VICARIATO V

ES LA RESPONSABILIDAD DE TODOS LOS LÍDERES ECLESIALES DESIGNADOS EN EL VICARIATO Y EN LAS COMUNIDADES LOCALES DE FE PARA DESARROLLAR MINISTERIOS, PARA PROPORCIONAR UNA FORMACIÓN EFECTIVA DE TODOS LOS QUE SIRVEN, Y PARA PROPORCIONAR EL DESARROLLO CONTINUO, SUPERVISIÓN Y EVALUACIÓN DE TODOS LOS QUE SIRVEN.

LA MISIÓN DE LA COMISIÓN MINISTERIAL DEL VICARIATO V ES SERVIR COMO UN RECURSO PARA LOS LÍDERES DESIGNADOS DE LAS PARROQUIAS. DESPUÉS DE LA CONSULTA REGULAR CON ELLOS, LA COMISIÓN DESARROLLA Y OFRECE PROGRAMAS DE ENTRENAMIENTO, ENRIQUECIMIENTO Y DESARROLLO PARA LOS MINISTROS DE LAS PARROQUIAS DEL VICARIATO A LO SOLICITADO Y NECESITADO POR LOS LÍDERES DESIGNADOS.

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JLASSANDRELLO@STGERMAINE.COM

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VICARIATE V

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MINISTRY COMMISSION MISSION STATEMENT

IT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF ALL DESIGNATED ECCLESIAL LEADERS IN THE VICARIATE AND IN THE LOCAL FAITH COMMUNITIES TO DEVELOP MINISTRIES, TO PROVIDE EFFECTIVE TRAINING OF ALL WHO MINISTER, AND TO PROVIDE FOR CONTINUING DEVELOPMENT, SUPERVISION AND EVALUATION OF ALL WHO MINISTER.

THE MISSION OF THE MINISTRY COMMISSION OF VICARIATE V IS TO SERVE AS A RESOURCE TO THESE DESIGNATED ECCLESIAL PARISH LEADERS.

AFTER REGULAR CONSULTATION WITH THEM, THE COMMISSION DEVELOPS AND PROVIDES PROGRAMS OF TRAINING, ENRICHMENT AND DEVELOPMENT FOR THE VICARIATE PARISH MINISTERS AS REQUESTED AND NEEDED BY TH DESIGNATED LEADERS.

THE COMMISSION IS ALSO COMMITTED TO WORKING AS AN INSTRUMENT FOR COMMUNICATION AND NETWORKING SUPPORT FOR OTHER VICARIATES AND ARCHDIOCESAN FORMATION ENTITIES.

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