

FAITH FORMATION NEWS

Diocese of Pensacola-Tallahassee

Office of Faith Formation Newsletter

April 2017

April Is Abuse Prevention Month

Child Abuse Prevention Month Resources

CAPM Home Page:

<http://www.usccb.org/issues-and-action/child-and-youth-protection/child-abuse-prevention-month.cfm>

All Resources:

<http://www.usccb.org/issues-and-action/child-and-youth-protection/resources/child-abuse-prevention-month-resources.cfm>

Resource Booklet:

<http://www.usccb.org/issues-and-action/child-and-youth-protection/resources/upload/CAPM-2017-Resource-Booklet.pdf>



PROMISE
to Protect
Pledge
to **HEAL**

United States Conference of Catholic Bishops

**Protection and Prevention through Respect:
Creating Safe Environments**

Remember that you may need to have more than one session in order to have 100% participation which is our goal.

Forms are due by April 15th

Statistics from the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops

2,400,627 adults trained

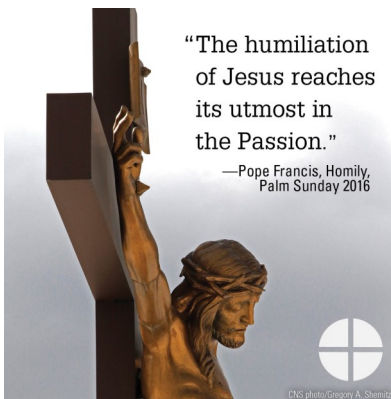
4,484,609 children trained

195 U.S. diocese/eparchies have a victim assistance coordinator to obtain assistance and provide support for those abused

2,390,956 background checks for clerics, employers and volunteers

100% of diocese/eparchies Require allegations of sex abuse be reported to public authorities

*May our celebration of Holy Week
bring us to the joy of the Resurrection!*



"The humiliation of Jesus reaches its utmost in the Passion."

—Pope Francis, Homily, Palm Sunday 2016

Palm Sunday Procession

Join the faithful in procession from and to St. Ann Parish, as they sing and pray the stations of the cross walking along Hwy. 98 through downtown Gulf Breeze. Procession will start at 1 pm.



Serving Special Needs Children/Youth

Saturday, August 12, 2017

from 9:00 am to 2:30 pm

St. Joseph the Worker Parish, Chipley

Presenter:

Charlene Katra

Associate Director of the Office of Evangelization
and Catechesis for the Archdiocese of Galveston-
Houston

For:

All Parish Catechetical Leaders, Catechists
Youth Ministers and Teams

2017 Catechetical Sunday Theme

The Committee on Evangelization and Catechesis is pleased to announce that the theme for Catechetical Sunday 2017 is: "**Living as Missionary Disciples**"

The new 2017 Catechetical Sunday site complete with articles, clip art, prayer cards, customizable catechist certificates, Commissioning service, and promotional information will be posted on the [Catechetical Sunday website](#) in April.

Celebrating RCIA as a Response to Conversion

Saturday, August 5, 2017 from 9 am to 2:30 pm

St. Joseph the Worker Parish, Chipley

Presenters;

Father Michael Flynn, Sister Margaret Kuntz, Monsignor
Flaherty

For:

Parish RCIA Coordinators and Teams
for both Adults and Children/Youth

Sessions for

those new to RCIA, those experienced,
those working with children/youth

Topics will include:

National Statutes for the Catechumenate and their
relationship to the rites

Relationship between rites and call to conversion
RCIA as taking place within the community of the faithful

Free Webinars

Ave Maria Press

Professional Development
Webinars for Parish Ministers

[Becoming Confident Catholics: 5 Confidence Boosters to Share with Wobbly, Wounded, and Weakened Catholics](#)

Presented by: [Pat Gohn](#), author of *All In*

Date: April 4, 2017

Time: 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM EDT

[Faith Formation for the Generations & Seasons of Adulthood](#)

Presented by John Roberto of Life-long Faith Associates

Date: May 2, 2017

Time: 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM EDT

Sadlier

Teaching for Discipleship: The Call, The Challenge, The Difference

Presenter: Mike Carotta

Tuesday, April 11 3 pm CDT

<http://www.sadlier.com/religion/resources/lifelong-learning-webinars>

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

This summer Good Shepherd Parish is looking to host the first part of Level 1 Formation for *Catechesis of the Good Shepherd* June 4 through 10.

If you want more information or are interested in participating in the Level 1 Formation for *Catechesis of the Good Shepherd*, contact Sr. Margaret.

New in the Library

Saint Peter: Flawed, Forgiven, and Faithful
by Stephen Binz
from Loyola Press

Catholicism and Life: Commandments and Sacraments
by Edward Hayes, Paul Hayes and James Drummey
from C.R. Publications
and Leader's Manual

Catholicism and Reason: The Creed and Apologetics
by Edward Hayes, Paul Hayes and James Drummey
from C.R. Publications
and Leader's Manual

Catholicism and Society: Marriage, Family, and Social Issues
by Edward Hayes, Paul Hayes and James Drummey
from C.R. Publications and Leader's Manual
and Leaders Guide

The Catechesis of the Good Shepherd in a Parish Setting
By Tina Lillig
from Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Publications

The Religious Potential of the Child 6 to 12 Years Old
by Sofic Cavallette
from Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Publications

Listening to God with Children
by Gianna Gobbi
from Treehaus Communications, Inc.

Loyola Institute for Ministry

Catholic Education/Formation: From and For Faith

June 5-7 at Loyola University New Orleans

Led by Thomas Groome

Internationally acclaimed author and
professor of Theology

and Religious Education, Boston College

Deadline to Register is June 1, 2017

\$150 cost for all participants

Cost includes daily breakfast, lunch on campus

Monday & Tuesday, and closing lunch on
Wednesday

<http://www.loyno.edu/lplc/catholic-educational-leaders>

Catechist Certification

If your catechists participate in webinars or in programs including Bible Studies from Ascension Press and the Catholicism Series in your parish please have them complete the Non-Diocesan Sponsor Forms and forward them to Sister Margaret. Credit toward Certification will be given.

Save the Date! Bishop Ricard Conference Saturday, September 30 at St. Sylvester Parish

Living as Missionary Disciples

For all in ministry in our parishes and diocese including parish pastoral and finance councils, AFF leaders, RCLA coordinators, Family Life ministers, Youth ministers, Catechetical leaders, Music ministry, Hispanic ministry, Catechists and all adults interested in growing in faith.

Apostleship of Prayer April Intention For Young People.

That young people may respond
Generously to their vocations
and seriously consider offering themselves
to God in the priesthood or consecrated life.

Urgent Intention Landslide Victims

Victims of the landslide in Colombia
and peace in
the Democratic Republic of Congo,
Venezuela, and Paraguay.

Prayer for a New Bishop

Heavenly Father,
You have blessed our diocese
time and again
with good and holy bishops
who have led us ever closer to you.

Aware of your profound love for us,
we ask you to bless us once again.

Send us a good and holy man
to become our next bishop.

Inspire us, the clergy, religious
and the laity of the diocese
to work generously with him
so that we might
grow together in your love
and continue the good work
you have begun in us for the sake of all.

We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ,
your son, who lives and reigns
with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God forever and ever.
Amen

Dates to Remember

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| August 5 | RCIA Workshop |
| August 12 | Special Needs Workshop |
| September 16 | Women Study Group Reflection Morning |
| September 30 | Bishop Ricard Conference |
| October 14-15 | Retreat for Women |
| November 4 | Retreat for Youth Ministers and Teams
and Parish Catechetical Leaders |
| January 11-13 | Gulf Coast Faith Formation Conference |
| January 26-29 | Diocesan Youth Conference |
| February 18 | Rite of Election Place to be determined |
| February 25 | Rite of Election Place to be determined |
| February 23-25 | Catholic Renewal Conference |
| March 10 | Middle School Retreat |
| April 6-8 | High School Camp Out |
| April 13-15 | Marriage Retreat |

Young Adult Retreat Day

Encountering Christ

Holy Name of Jesus Parish,
Niceville

Saturday, June 10

Watch Emerald Coast Catholic
Young Adults for details

Frassati Society of Tallahassee, FL

Facebook: Frassati Society of Tallahassee
Tuesday nights: Men and Women Groups
Thursdays: Rosary
Monthly Mass and Brunch
Third Thursday: Thursday Night Theology

Pensacola Catholic Young Adults

Facebook: Pensacola Catholic Young Adults
Encounter: First Thursday

Emerald Coast Catholic Young Adult (Mary Esther/Fort Walton Beach/Niceville)

Facebook:

Emerald Coast Catholic Young Adult Ministry
Faith Sharing: First Wednesday at St. Mary Parish
Dinner is Served and Adoration: Second Tuesday
Discipleship on Draft: Third Mondays
Coffee and Jesus on Saturday mornings

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