

FAITH FORMATION NEWS

Diocese of Pensacola-Tallahassee

Office of Faith Formation Newsletter

June/July 2017

Welcome Bishop Elect William Wack!

Plan on participating in his ordination as bishop
on Tuesday, August 22 at 2 pm
Bay Front Convention Center in Pensacola.

Ticket required for entrance.
Tickets acquired through your parish

Calling all young adults and those who know, live, or work with young adults

To involve young people in preparations for the Synod of Bishops on youth in 2018, the Vatican has released an online questionnaire to better understand the lives, attitudes and concerns of **16- to 29-year-olds around the world**. The questionnaire can be found on the synod's official site: youth.synod2018.va/content/synod2018/it.html and is open to any young person, regardless of faith or religious belief. or opinions from this age group regarding life, attitudes and concerns about our world. Please follow this link to read the news story and to fill out the survey! In keeping with the October 2018 synod on "Young people, faith and vocational discernment", the diocesan young adult ministry has developed two surveys so that we can better meet the needs of the young adults in our diocese.

If you are a young adult between 18 and 39, please complete the survey found at <https://form.jotform.us/71016057908152>

If you are a person who lives with, works with, or know young adults, please complete this survey. <https://form.jotform.us/71094762308155>

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, RCIA coordinators, Family Life ministers, Youth ministers, Catechetical leaders, Music ministry, Hispanic ministry, Catechists and all adults interested in growing in faith.

Mass with Bishop Wack

Opening Prayer with Bishop Ricard as presider and homilist

Three Breakout Sessions

Continental Breakfast and Lunch

Exhibitors

Breakout Topics Include

- ◆ Being a Witness of Faith: Practical Ways of Sharing One's Faith Story
- ◆ Effective Discipleship
- ◆ Ways for Parishes to Welcome and include People with disabilities
- ◆ Faith Formation with Special Needs Children/ Youth
- ◆ Being a Missionary Right Where I AM
- ◆ Overview of Foundational Documents
- ◆ How to Facilitate Faith Sharing Groups
- ◆ Children Helping Children: Forming Missionary Disciples
- ◆ Methods for grades 3-5
- ◆ Catechesis of the Good Shepherd
- ◆ Discipleship in the New Testament
- ◆ Catechists as Witnesses
- ◆ RCIA: Forming Disciples
- ◆ Mary: The First Disciple
- ◆ Music Ministry and Discipleship
- ◆ Putting Faith in Action Panel
- ◆ We Are All Missionary Disciples
- ◆ Adult Faith Formation
- ◆ Listening Session with Millennials

**Faith Formation and 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

On-line registration available July 1

Cost \$15 per person

Sponsored in part by Sadlier Publishers and a Grant
from Catholic Foundation of Northwest Florida

**Celebrating Conversion
RCIA as a Response to Conversion**

Saturday, August 5, 2017
9 am to 2:15 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

Registration available on line on July 1

First 70 are free

\$15 for others

This workshop is made possible in part by a Forum
Legacy Grant, which honors the work of the North
American Forum on the Catechumenate.

Thanks for Catechetical Leadership

Darlene Rizzo, Corpus Christi Parish
Sr. Nancy Walsh, St. John Parish, PNS
Monique Murray, St. Rita Parish
Deacon Alvin Bedneau, St. Eugene Parish
Julie Lutz, St. Paul Parish
Lisa Sherwin, Holy Name of Jesus Parish

Welcome to Catechetical Leadership

Begonia Quepons, Corpus Christi Parish
Alejandra Duda, St. John Parish, PNS
Maria Solares, St. Eugene Parish
Heather Mallalieu, St. Rita
Abbie Kane, St. Paul
Pia Elsesser, Holy Name of Jesus

**2017 Catechetical Sunday
September 17th
or when your parish can best
celebrate!**

The Committee on Evangelization and
Catechesis is pleased to announce that the
theme for Catechetical Sunday 2017 is:
"**Living as Missionary Disciples**". Find
articles, clip art, prayer cards, customizable
catechist certificates, Commissioning ser-
vice, and promotional information at
[http://www.usccb.org/beliefs-and-
teachings/how-we-teach/catechesis/
catechetical-sunday/index.cfm](http://www.usccb.org/beliefs-and-teachings/how-we-teach/catechesis/catechetical-sunday/index.cfm)

*Be sure to include: catechists, youth ministry
teams, RCIA teams, Adult Faith Formation
teams and Catholic School teachers!*

**Apostleship of Prayer
July Intention**

Lapsed Catholics

That our brothers and sisters who have strayed from
the faith, through our prayer and witness to the Gos-
pel, may rediscover the merciful closeness of the
Lord and the beauty of the Christian life.

New in the Library

The Mountain and the Valley of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton by Betty Ann McNei,

Rebuilt by Michael White and Tom Corcorn from Ave Maria Press

Between Heaven and Earth by James Martin, SJ from Harper One

Vatican II: The Crisis and the Promise by Alan Schreck from Servant Books

A 12 Step Approach to the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius by Jin Harbaugh, SJ from Sheed and Ward

40 Days for Life by David Bereit and Shawn Carney from Cappella Books

The Life of Faustina Kowalska by Sr. Sophia Michalenko from Servant Books

Divine Mercy in My Soul — Diary of St. Maria Faustina Kowalska from Marian Press

Busy Lives and Restless Souls by Becky Eldredge from Loyola Press

Evangelization and Catechesis by Daniella Zsupan-Jerome from Twenty-Third Publications

Interculturalism and Catechesis by Hoffman Ospino from Twenty-Third Publications

Engaging the Parking Lot Parent by Sr. Patricia McCormack IHM from Twenty-Third Publications

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.

New Catechist Formation Program Coming

Watch for a new program beginning in the fall.

Level I will be from the Echoes of Faith either on line or DVDs

Level II and III will be mainly available on the Diocesan website with one hour sessions on a topic consisting of video to watch, readings to do and reflection / discussion questions to hand in.

Summer Programs for Children

[Here](#) is the link on the website for the Summer Programs 2017.



**Fortnight
for Freedom
2017**

**Freedom for Mission
June 21 – July 4**

Fortnight for Freedom has released various resources including a [memo for diocesan directors](#), [daily homily helps](#), [Sunday homily notes](#), guide for [how to talk about religious freedom](#), [passages from scripture](#), and Fortnight for Freedom [talking points](#).

For more resources and information about Fortnight for Freedom visit fortnightforfreedom.com

Protection and Prevention through Respect: Creating Safe Environments

Thanks for all that is done to create Safe Environments for our children and youth.

Please be sure that all who are with the children/youth are in compliance!

As you plan of 2017-2018: Remember that you may need to have more than one session in order to have 100% participation which is our goal.

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

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

There is a Catechist Formation workshop scheduled for June 24-30, 2018

Young Adult Ministry

For more information or to get a group started in Panama City
Contact Sister Margaret

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

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

Social Activities

Pensacola Catholic Young Adults

Facebook: Pensacola Catholic Young Adults

Encounter: First Thursday

Women Study Group — Saturday mornings

Discipleship on Draft — July 19

Mass and Brunch — July 23

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Dates to Remember

August 5	RCIA Workshop
August 12	Special Needs Workshop
August 22	Ordination of Bishop elect Wack
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 13	Emerald Coast Walk for Life
January 26-29	Diocesan Youth Conference
January 31	Red Mass
February 4	Black History Month Mass
February 11	Jubilee Mass Pensacola
February 14	Ash Wednesday
February 18	Jubilee Mass Tallahassee 11:45 am Mass
February 18	Rite of Election Tallahassee 3 pm
February 23-25	Catholic Renewal Conference
February 25	Rite of Election Place Pensacola 3 pm
March 10	Middle School Retreat
March 17-18	Retreat for Women sponsored by Women Study Groups
April 1	Easter
April 6-8	High School Camp Out
April 13-15	Marriage Retreat
June 24-30	Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Catechist Formation