

The Diocese of Pensacola-Tallahassee

Bishop John Ricard Conference **Living as Missionary Disciples**

On line registration: www.ptdiocese.org then Event Registration

Saturday, September 30, 2017

9:00 A.M. - 3:30 P.M.

St. Sylvester Parish, Navarre

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

\$25 by September 25

\$30 after September 25

Parish pays for four and fifth is free

Child Care

Child Care will be available but the children must be registered by September 25.

Parents must bring food, labeled with name, for their children. Please label anything the child might bring.

DIRECTIONS TO ST. SYLVESTER CHURCH

From Pensacola: Hwy 98E; St. Sylvester Parish is on the left, approximately 1.5 miles past the zoo.

From Destin/Panama City: Hwy 98W; St. Sylvester Parish is approximately 5-6 miles past Navarre Beach Bridge on the right.

From Tallahassee and along I-10: Take I-10 toward Pensacola; take SR-87 exit, EXIT 31, toward Navarre; left onto FL-87-S; keep right at the fork; turn right onto Navarre Parkway; go right on 98W for approximately 5 miles. Parish is on the right.

Do What I Have Done



Hagan Lo que Yo
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Schedule

8:00 am	Mass: Bishop William Wack, CSC
8:00 am - 9:15 am	Registration, Exhibits, Breakfast
9:15 am - 9:30 am	Welcome
9:30 am - 10:30 am	Prayer with Bishop John Ricard, SSJ Presiding and Homilist
10:30am -- 10:45 am	Special Presentation
10:45 am - 11:00 am	Break
11:00 am - 12:00 pm	Breakout Session 1
12:00 am - 1:15 pm	Lunch/Exhibits
1:15 pm - 2:15 pm	Breakout Session 2
2:15 pm - 2:30 pm	Break
2:30 pm - 3:30 pm	Breakout Session 3/Closing Prayer

HOTEL INFORMATION

Best Western at 8697 Navarre
Parkway

850-939-9400

www.bestwestern.com/navarre

EXHIBITORS

Augustine Institute
Catholic Relief Services
Daughters of St. Paul
Our Sunday Visitor
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DIOCESE OF PENSACOLA-TALLAHASSEE

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

I wish to extend an invitation to attend the annual Bishop John Ricard Conference to be held on September 30, 2017 at St. Sylvester Parish. The theme, *Living as Missionary Disciples*, reflects the thinking of Pope Francis and follows the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops catechetical theme for this year.

Throughout this day, we will explore what it means to be missionary disciples. We hope our presenters can increase your knowledge and skills in the formation process so that the children, youth and adults of this diocese will have the opportunity, through you, to become missionary disciples as well.

Our bishop, Bishop William Wack, CSC will celebrate Mass to begin the day. The presider and homilist for the opening prayer service will be Bishop Emeritus John Ricard, SSJ.

In the breakouts, you will have the opportunity to increase your knowledge of our faith and the skills necessary to present and share our faith. Hopefully the interaction throughout the day with and through your brothers and sisters in faith will not only increase and strengthen your faith, but also expand your ministry tools.

Please do not feel that you have to be involved in a ministry to participate in this day. All of the people in our diocese are welcome to this day where we will grow as a diocese of missionary disciples.

I look forward to seeing you on September 30 at the Bishop Ricard Conference!

Sincerely yours in the Lord,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "James J. Flaherty".

Reverend Monsignor James Flaherty, J.C.L.
Diocesan Administrator

Breakout Session 1

11 am

Shari Adams

Being a Witness of Faith: Practical Ways of Sharing One's Faith Story

Catechist Credit: Spiritual Formation

This talk offers concrete and practical tips for effectively witnessing our faith journey to others. From being able to identify the narrative of your journey, to weeding out the important and less-than-important details, you will have the opportunity to walk away with a better understanding of the powerful role God has played in your life, and a better understanding of how to share that with others around you.

Shari Adams is a Licensed Mental Health Counselor and a Certified Christian counselor. She converted to Catholicism in 2011. Shari has a Master Degree in Clinical Mental Health Counseling from Franciscan University and is a member of the International Cultic Studies Association. She loves working with the RCIA program, teaching second grade religious education, and is on the board of directors for her parish's Council of Catholic Women. Shari enjoys sharing her witness.

Aline Harbison

We Are All Missionary Disciples

Catechist Credit: Spiritual Formation

“One of the great challenges facing the Church in this generation is to foster in all the faithful a sense of personal responsibility for the church's mission, and to enable them to fulfill that responsibility as missionary disciples, as a leaven of the gospel in our world” (Pope Francis). This presentation will explore how we can face this challenge now and respond with the love and joy of the Gospel. What difference might it make in our lives if we truly understood ourselves to be missionary disciples?

Aline Harbison is a mother of three with almost thirty years of experience working in Catholic Schools, parishes and dioceses. She earned a Master's Degree in Theological Studies from the University of Dallas in 1999. She is currently the Associate Director of Catechetical Leadership in the Archdiocese of New Orleans and the coordinator of the Gulf Coast Faith Formation Conference. Previously she served as the Director of Religious Education and Evangelization at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church in Belle Chasse, Louisiana. She has taught in Catholic High School and at Holy Cross University in New Orleans.

Reverend Kevin McQuone

Taking Liturgical Ministries from Maintenance to Mission

Catechist Credit: Methods

The celebration of the Eucharist in the local parish is the place of encounter with God and neighbor for many guests and parishioners alike. This presentation will discuss how weekend liturgical ministries must go from task-based to mission,; engaging and encouraging both parishioners and guests/visitors to go forth sharing the Joy of the Gospel with new ardor, new methods and new expression witnessing the New Evangelization.

Father Kevin McQuone grew up in Tallahassee and began discerning the priesthood while attending Florida State University. After ordination in 2010, Father Kevin spent three years at St. Dominic Parish in Panama City and three years at St. Paul Parish in Pensacola. He is currently the parish administrator at St. John Catholic Church and School in Panama City.

David Rizzo

Sacramental Preparation for Children with Special Needs

Catechist Credit: Methods

This session will focus on the challenges and obstacles to Sacramental Preparation for children with disabilities and creative solutions for catechists.

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Christie Snyder and Camille Valle
Catechesis of the Good Shepherd: Forming Disciples with our Little Ones
Catechist Credit: Methods

This presentation will be describing what Catechesis of the Good Shepherd looks like in a Level I atrium for children 3-5 years old. Learn how the Montessori teaching method is incorporated in the atrium. See how children's work with the materials helps them become disciples.

Christie Snyder has been a part of St. Dominic Parish in Panama City her entire life. This is her ninth year teaching at a local middle school and her fourth year teaching religious education at St. Dominic Parish, Panama City. Christie has been blessed with the opportunity to be formed as a leader for the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd program this past year and cannot wait to see the impact we will have on the children's lives.

Camille Valle has been a member of St. Dominic Parish for 15 years. This is her fourth year teaching at a local elementary school and her fourth year teaching religious education at St. Dominic Parish, Panama City. Camille has been blessed with the opportunity to be formed as a leader for the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd program this past year and cannot wait to see the impact we will have on the children's lives.

Deacon Michael Theobald and Deacon Tim Warner
"Okay, I did this Bible Study. Now what do I do with it?"
Catechist Credit: Spiritual Formation

As missionary disciples, we are called to not only be hearers of the Word, but also doers of the Word (James 1:22). Deacon Mike and Deacon Tim will explore the many ways we can move from studying sacred scripture in the classroom to sharing the Good News in the world in ways that are easy, exciting, and faith affirming.

Deacon Mike Theobald has been married to Rachel for 30 years and they have a grown son and daughter, and three of the cutest grandchildren in the world. Deacon Mike is assigned to St. Dominic Catholic Church, Panama City where he is involved in evangelization, adult faith formation, and serves on the Guiding Coalition of Catholic Charities "Caring for Our Community" Program.

Deacon Tim Warner has been married to his wife, Kerry, for 35 years and they have two daughters, Kathleen and Peggy. Deacon Tim is assigned to St. John the Evangelist Parish in Panama City, where he is involved with RCIA, ESOL, and marriage enrichment ministries.

Crystal Warren
Being a Missionary Right Where I Am
Catechist Credit: Spiritual Formation

Many think being a missionary requires one to go to faraway land, but being a missionary begins right where you are. Come discover how you can create a missionary heart and follow the mission of Pope Francis and Jesus ...right where you are!

Crystal Warren is a full-time youth minister at St. Rose of Lima Parish, Milton. Having been in ministry for over twenty years with the diocese, Crystal has helped youth and adults discover their love for missionary work while serving others. "I AM Third" is her motto in placing God first, others second, and herself third.

Eri Rodriguez, Jose Alvarado, Maria Velásquez, Pedro Ulloa-Canizalez
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Breakout Session 2

1:15 pm

Tom Baroco

Music in the Liturgy -- Forming Disciples

Catechist Credit: Methods

The Liturgical Life of the Church exists to support and strengthen our call to missionary discipleship. How does our leadership and implementation of music ministry help direct our liturgies to that goal? Explore a practical model of pastoral leadership that can build ministries, emphasize discipleship, and serve as an effective illustration of that discipleship throughout our liturgies. While the resources, tips, and stories will come from the realm of Music Ministry, the servant-leadership and growth-mindset approaches and strategies could be applied to pastoral leadership, in general.

Tom Baroco is the Director of Music Ministry at the Cathedral of the Sacred Heart in Pensacola. He has served as a director in parish music ministry for over 20 years. Tom is an instructor in the BFA in Musical Theatre program at the University of West Florida, where he is resident Music Director and Collaborative Pianist. Tom believes that creating effective, authentic liturgical ministries is the product of strong servant-leadership and developmental, growth-mindset environments.

Tanya Cenac

Children Helping Children: Forming Missionary Disciples for Schools and Parishes

Catechist Credit: Methods

This workshop will address and animate how to help children live out their baptismal call to be missionary disciples in schools and parishes through the Missionary Childhood Association. Practical ways will be given, demonstrated, and practiced that will help get children excited about being a missionary to those around them and to their brothers and sisters in the Mission Church.

Tanya Cenac is the Associate Director for the *Missionary Childhood Association* of the Archdiocese of New Orleans. She received her Bachelor of Arts in Theology while playing Division I Basketball at Creighton University in Omaha, Nebraska, and her Masters in Theology at Franciscan University of Steubenville, Ohio. Tanya has 8 years of teaching experience in elementary, secondary, and collegiate levels, even serving as Fellowship of Catholic University Students (FOCUS) campus missionary. Tanya has led or participated in Mission trips to Belize, Bolivia, France, Honduras, India, Italy, Mexico, Nicaragua, Portugal, and Spain.

Reverend Thomas Dillon

RCIA: Forming Disciples

Catechist Credit: RCIA/Sacraments

This session will look at the ways in which the RCIA process can be a catalyst for transitioning participants into discipleship-oriented ministries. We will look at and address the philosophy and theology of discipleship in general, based upon the Virgin Mary as the model of perfect discipleship. Once a working definition and model of discipleship has been defined and addressed, this breakout sessions will look at the practical ways in which the RCIA process can lead RCIA participants into a greater awareness of their identity as disciples and how they can use their gifts and charisms in the context of parish ministry.

Father Tom Dillon is a priest of the Diocese of Pensacola-Tallahassee. He received a BA in Philosophy and Theology from the University of Steubenville in 2005 and studied at St. Vincent de Paul Seminary graduating with a Master of Divinity degree in 2011. He is currently assigned as the parochial vicar of Good Shepherd Catholic Church in Tallahassee, Florida.

Reverend Dustin Feddon

Walking with Jesus with a Mission

Catechist Credit: Spiritual Formation

This presentation will focus on the ancient practice of walking with God. Those who walked with God in Scripture are often described as the ‘friends of God.’ What did this mean for our ancestors and what does this mean for us today? We will ask why discipleship isn’t ultimately a program or agenda but is most fundamentally a relationship with a mission to serve.

Father Dustin Feddon is a priest serving at St. Theresa Catholic Church in Sunny Hills. Originally, from Birmingham, AL, Father Dustin studied religion and philosophy at Florida State University where he received his doctorate in Religion before entering Saint Vincent de Paul Seminary for the Pensacola-Tallahassee diocese. Father Dustin also serves the incarcerated in the diocese.

Monsignor James Flaherty
The Foundations of Missionary Disciples

Catechist Credit: Doctrine

This breakout will examine the foundational documents of our Church with regard to missionary disciples.

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Panel: Victoria Betz, Larry Blameuser, Vivi Iglesias, and Ellen Pepler

Putting Faith in Action

Catechist Credit: Methods

This presentation will be a panel moderated by Deacon Ray Aguado offering ways to be disciples by putting our faith into action in our parish, neighborhood, country and world.

Deacon Ray Aguado was ordained to the permanent diaconate on June 1, 2013. He has been married to Linda for 35 years. They have two adult children who are married and one grandchild. Deacon Ray serves at St. Ann Parish in Gulf Breeze, as well as, our Lady of the Assumption on Pensacola Beach. He is the director of the Diocesan Office of Advocacy and Justice.

Victoria Betz is married with several children. She is the director of the Fort Walton Center for Women. Victoria brings the pro-life and public works perspective to this panel.

Larry Blameuser is married, retired USAF pilot and Hospice nurse. His involvement in ministry includes choir, Middle School Religious Education instructor, RCIA facilitator, Niceville Catholic Outreach volunteer and Knights of Columbus.

Vivi Iglesia is the Relationship Manager for United States Southeast Region of Catholic Relief Services. Vivi brings the national and international perspective to this panel.

Ellen Pepler is married and a member of St. Paul Parish, Pensacola, She has volunteered with Catholic Charities and Meals on Wheels. Ellen is currently president of the St. Paul Conference of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul. She has found both challenge and inspiration in the special charism of the Society which integrates evangelization and charity.

David Rizzo

Ways for Parishes to Welcome and Include People with Disabilities and Their Families

Catechist Credit: Methods

This session will explore how parishes can provide a welcoming atmosphere for people with special needs and their families.

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Jose Alvarado Apóstol laico misionero de El Salvador del Movimiento Eclesial Apóstoles de la Palabra. Casado. Es coordinador del movimiento en la Parroquia de St John Newman en Atlanta, Locutor de Radio La Bonita y Radio Kerigma. Evangeliza en el área de Alabama

Breakout Session 3

2:30 pm

Ann Marie Asbjornsen and Clancy O'Connell
Capturing the Heart and the Imagination of the 3rd-5th Grade Students for Jesus
Catechist Credit: Methods

This session will focus on activities for students in grades 3-5 to help capture their attention and impact their daily Christian Catholic life. Activities and personal experiences will be shared with participants.

Ann Marie Asbjornsen is a Cradle Catholic grandmother of seven, mother of two and married to a wonderful man for 48 years. Born and raised in Pensacola to God-centered parents, she attended Catholic School. When her children started school, she became involved with both St. John the Evangelist and Little Flower Schools in the capacities of Health Care Coordinator, Scout leader, refreshment provider and PTA, interacting with children K-12 throughout that time. Following that, Ann worked for 18 years at the National Naval Aviation Museum as the Assistant Operations Manager for Visitor Attractions. Since her retirement in 2014, Ann enjoys life while volunteering some of her time at the Mother Theresa Mission Clothing Closet, Little Flower Ladies Sodality and co-teaching 4th grade religious education at Little Flower Parish.

Clancy O'Donnell was raised in Pensacola and married to Larry O'Donnell for 45 years. She has three grown children and one grandson. Clancy attended Pensacola Catholic High, Sacred Heart College and UAB. Her faith formation was started with her grandmother who lived in Atmore, AL. As her children grew and attended St. Juliana Catholic School in West Palm Beach, she was involved in school and parish activities, scouts and lecturing. When Clancy and her husband moved back to Pensacola she volunteered at Little Flower Church where she now serves as Eucharistic minister, lector and fourth grade religious education catechist.

Reverend Luke Farabaugh
Missionary Disciples in the Early Church
Catechist Credit: Doctrine

This presentation will explore how the original followers of Jesus understood the concept of living as a disciple.

Father Farabaugh is a native of Pensacola. He graduated from FSU with a degree in economics and through FSU campus ministry (CSU) found renewal of faith. Father attended St. Vincent de Paul Seminary and graduated in 2017 with a Masters in Theology. He was ordained a priest for the diocese in June 2017 and is currently the Parochial Vicar at St. Dominic Parish in Panama City. Father loves sports!

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The Foundations of Missionary Disciples (Lay Ministry Formation only)
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This breakout for those in the Lay Ministry Formation Program will examine the foundational documents of our Church with regard to missionary disciples.

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Reverend James Grebe
Millennials as Disciples in the Church
Catechist Credit: Spiritual Formation

A panel of millennials will discuss how they view the church and their place in the church. Listen as they describe what it means to them to be missionary disciples and how they believe the church can assist them on their journey of faith.

Father Grebe is originally from Atlanta, Georgia. He graduated from Florida State University and entered the seminary for the Diocese of Pensacola-Tallahassee. Father was ordained in 2012 and served as Parochial Vicar at St. Ann Parish in Gulf Breeze and Blessed Sacrament Parish in Tallahassee. He is currently the Parochial Vicar at Nativity of Our Lord Parish in Pensacola where he is also the director of Catholic Campus Ministry for the University of West Florida. Born in 1985 he is the beginning of the millennial generation.

Stephanie McNeill

Empowering Missionary Disciples: Facilitating Small Group Fellowship at All Ages and Stages

Catechist Credit: Methods

"Come and see." With these words, Jesus initiated the formation of his first disciples. Today's parishes and Christian communities offer similar formation opportunities in small faith-sharing groups. This session will offer basic techniques for Breaking Open the Word and facilitating small group fellowship for all ages and stages of parish life.

Stephanie DeCoste McNeill, MPS, volunteers as an adult faith formation catechist for St. Ann and Our Lady of the Assumption Catholic Communities in Gulf Breeze. She holds a bachelor's degree in fine arts from the University of Maryland, College Park; a master's degree in pastoral studies from Loyola University in New Orleans; as well as advanced studies in special education from Columbia University and bioethics from Georgetown University. Stef volunteers with the Pensacola Little Theater Props Guild and satisfies her book lust in local fiction and non-fiction book groups.

Denise Pressley

Discipleship: The Mission of Our Lives

Catechist Credit: Spiritual Formation

What does it really mean to be a disciple? Once a catechist understands the many aspects of Jesus' teachings on discipleship, it becomes a way of life - a mission. This session discusses the joys and challenges catechists encounter in the classroom and in society when living and sharing our call to discipleship - the mission of our lives.

Denise Pressley currently serves as Director of Formation for Children and Adults at St. Anastasia Parish in St. Augustine. She started out in ministry as a second grade teacher at St. Mary Catholic School in Ft. Walton Beach. Following her 9 years as an educator, she served 9 years at St. Peter Parish in Mary Esther, one year at the diocese of Pensacola-Tallahassee, and four years as a DRE in Ft. Worth Texas. Denise holds a Bachelor Degree in Education from the University of West Florida and a Master in Pastoral Studies from Loyola University, New Orleans. She enjoys spending time with her grandchildren, reading and exercising.

Katinka Ritz

Mary, the First Disciple and Mother of Evangelization

Catechist Credit: Doctrine

In this session, we will explore Mary's role in evangelization as model (and so much more!) with some Scripture, some theology, and even a bit of fun. As Pope Francis reminded us in *Evangelii Gaudium*, "without her we could never truly understand the spirit of the new evangelization."

Katinka Ritz has been ministering as a mother for five years and as a Director of Religious Education, Adults Faith Formation, and High School Youth Ministry at St. Mary Parish in Pensacola for eleven years. She holds a BA in Theology from Belmont Abbey College, NC and a MA in Systematic Theology from St. John's University, MN

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Pedro Ulloa-Canizalez: Apóstol laico misionero de México, Coordinador Regional Diocesano del Movimiento Eclesial Apóstoles de la Palabra de la Diócesis de Atlanta. Lleva 8 años en su trabajo como apóstol y tiene a su cargo 10 parroquias en Atlanta y 1 en Savannah, GA. Casado con dos hijas.