

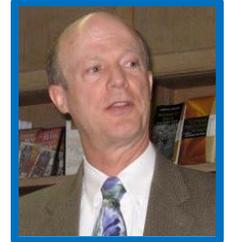
A GATHERING OF PARISH RCIA TEAMS SATURDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2014

Ascension of the Lord Parish Oakbrook Terrace, IL
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KEYNOTE ADDRESS:

To Live is to Change – Catechumenal Vision Then, Now, and to Come

We are now 40 years into the renewal of the Catechumenate in the Church after more than a millennium without any experience of it. The renewal of this way of ecclesial living is still very new. What have we gained in those forty years? What must we examine as we prepare for the first major revision of the Rite since its first promulgation twenty-six years ago? What might we look forward to as we enter the next generation of labor in this great vineyard of renewal and discipleship?



Jim Schellman is Vice President for Mission Integration at Our Lady of Lourdes Regional Medical Center in Lafayette, Louisiana. He served for fifteen years as Executive Director of the North American Forum on the Catechumenate. Jim served previously as Associate Director of the International Commission on English in the Liturgy (ICEL) and as Associate Director of the Worship Office of the Archdiocese of Cincinnati. He was one of the final editors of a number of the Church's present liturgical books in English, including the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults. A speaker and writer on evangelization, initiation, liturgy, adult formation, and marriage, Jim did graduate studies in liturgy at the University of Notre Dame.

SESSION A

A-1 Keeping the Vision for the One in Charge

This session, for Directors and Coordinators of the Initiation Process, will consider an overview of the general theology of the *Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults*. In doing so, participants will explore the guiding principles of the *Rite* that should be the basis for every parish's Catechumenate.



Dr. Jerry Galipeau is Vice President and Chief Publishing Officer at J. S. Paluch Company and its music and liturgy division, World Library Publications, located in Franklin Park, Illinois. Jerry presents keynotes and workshops throughout the United States and Canada on the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults, liturgical spirituality, ritual music, evangelization, and adult spiritual formation.

A-2 Grasping the Vision: An Overview of the Process of Initiation

This two-part session will focus on the over-all vision of the *Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults* and its guiding principles. This would be ideal for new team members as well as a solid refresher for those who already minister in the process of Initiation. Session II will specifically focus on the individual periods of the process.



Vicky Tufano is Liturgical Consultant and Senior Editor at Liturgy Training Publications. She is an author and national speaker on the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults, whose prior ministerial experience includes parish pastoral ministry and teaching. For seventeen years, Vicky was the editor of Catechumenate magazine.

A-3 Ministering to the Baptized: The Vision of the Rite

The *Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults*, especially in the National Statutes, is very clear on the need to distinguish between the baptized and the unbaptized in our parish processes: their needs are not the same; there is a distinct sacramental difference between them; where the goal for one is *initiation* (the unbaptized), the goal for the other (the baptized) is *unity!* This two-part session will explore the specific situation of preparing the baptized for reception into the full communion of the Catholic Church.



Dr. Steven R. Janco is Associate Professor and Director of the Rensselaer Program of Church Music and Liturgy at Saint Joseph's College, and serves during the year as part-time Director of Liturgy and Music at St. Eulalia Parish in Maywood, IL. Steve is a liturgical composer, author and speaker in the areas of Liturgy, Liturgical Music and the Catechumenate.

A-4 Children and the Catechumenate: What the Church (the Rite) Says

This workshop will explore the meaning of these words from the ritual (RCIA): "Since children who have reached the use of reason are considered, for purposes of Christian Initiation, to be adults (canon 852:1), their formation should follow the general pattern of the ordinary catechumenate as far as possible, with the appropriate adaptations permitted by the ritual." RCIA National Statute 18

How does the preparation of children for Christian Initiation follow the "general pattern of the ordinary catechumenate"? What are "appropriate adaptations"? What does the ritual permit? *THIS WORKSHOP WILL BE GIVEN IN SPANISH*

A-4 El Catecumenado y los Niños -¿Qué dice la Iglesia (el ritual)?

Este taller explora lo que significan estas palabras del ritual (RICA): "Puesto que para los fines de la iniciación cristiana se incluye entre los adultos a los niños que han llegado al uso de razón (canon 852.1), su formación debe seguir el plan general del catecumenado normal en cuanto sea posible, con las adaptaciones apropiadas permitidas por el ritual." RICA Estatutos Nacionales 18 ¿Cómo es que la preparación de los niños para la iniciación cristiana "sigue el plan general del catecumenado normal"? ¿Cuáles son "las adaptaciones apropiadas permitidas" por el ritual?



Father Timothy Piasecki is a priest of the Archdiocese of Chicago. He currently serves as pastor of St. Mary Church in Aurora, IL. He holds a BA in Philosophy from St. Ambrose College (Iowa) and an MA in Theology from St. John's University in Collegeville.

A-5 Resource Materials for the Catechumenate: What Should Be on Your Shelf and How to Use it.

This session will explore the various materials that are available – and those that are necessary – to a parish's Catechumenal Process. What are some of the best resources available for ministers? For catechetical sessions with catechumens and candidates? NOTE: This session will be offered in English (Eliot Kapitan) and in Spanish (Santiago Cortés-Sjöberg)



Eliot Kapitan oversees liturgy and catechumenal ministry for the Diocese of Springfield in Illinois as Director for Worship and the Catechumenate. He is also a faculty member for the diocesan Lay Ministry Formation and Deacon Formation programs. Eliot teaches, writes, and is a workshop presenter on liturgy, catechumenal ministry, and adult learning. He brings to this work both parish and diocesan experience.



Santiago Cortés-Sjöberg has 18 years of pastoral ministry, teaching, and writing experience. He is the author of two books of biblical reflections, a manual for lectors, and of over one hundred articles, in Spanish and English, on ministries, beliefs, homily helps, etc. He is currently managing editor of curricula at Loyola Press.

SESSION B

B-1 The Ritual Vision of the RCIA

For the *Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults*, the liturgical rites and rituals are not merely "nice celebrations." They are, in fact, one of the means of facilitating the very process of conversion for our catechumens. This session will examine the role and the place of the Rites that make up the catechumenal process.



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B-2 National Statute No. 6: The Role of the Liturgical Year

This session will explore the vision of the RCIA that calls us to shape and develop our Catechumenal Processes according to the Liturgical Year of the Church. This will be the lens through which we will focus on various elements that make up the Catechumenate, as well as the practicalities of how those elements take shape within the parish's process for Initiation.



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.

B-3 Keeping the Vision: What Must Remain in the Children's Catechumenate

The goal of this workshop is to identify and understand the main principles of the children's catechumenate that must remain if the initiation process is to be a true journey of conversion and not just another religious education program. The content of the discussion will include an exploration of the parents' role, the peer companions' role, the RCIA team's role and the role of the liturgical rites with children.



Rita Burns Senseman is a parish Director of Religious Education and a freelance writer who has written numerous articles and books on aspects of Christian initiation, including Anointed in the Spirit (St. Mary's Press) and A Child's Journey: The Christian Initiation of Children (TeamRCIA). She was a team member for the North American Forum on the Catechumenate and she was also an associate director of the Office of Catechetics/Religious Education in the Archdiocese of Detroit. She is a current team member for TeamRCIA and she holds an MA in theology from the University of Notre Dame.

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B-4 Baptism is Forever: The Preparation of Adult Catholics for the Sacraments of Confirmation and Holy Communion

Do the baptized follow the same path as the un-baptized? Not exactly. The goal of our pastoral care of the baptized is to equip them to live what they already have become. This workshop will address the place of conversion. We will explore four pastoral judgments: 1. Valid Baptism, 2. Marriage Issues, 3. Motivation, 4. Level of Catechesis. *THIS WORKSHOP WILL BE GIVEN IN SPANISH*

B-4 El Bautismo Es Para Siempre: -la preparación de los adultos católicos para los sacramentos de la Confirmación y la Santa Comunión.

¿Tienen que seguir los ya bautizados el mismo sendero como los no-bautizados? No tanto. El propósito de nuestra atención pastoral es prepararlos para vivir lo que ya son; discípulos de Jesucristo y miembros de su Iglesia. Este taller se dirige a la conversión en la vida de los bautizados. Exploramos la importancia de cuatro juicios pastorales: 1. El Bautismo Válido, 2. Asuntos Matrimoniales, 3. Los Motivos, 4. Su Formación Catequética.



Father Timothy Piasecki was baptized in April 1947. He was ordained a presbyter in June 1973. He currently serves as pastor of St. Mary Church in Aurora, IL. He holds a BA in Philosophy from St. Ambrose College (Iowa) and an MA in Theology from St. John's University in Collegeville.

Baptism incorporates us into Christ and forms us into God's people. This first sacrament pardons all our sins, rescues us from the power of darkness, and brings us to the dignity of adopted children, a new creation through water and the Holy Spirit. Hence we are called and are indeed the children of God.

By signing us with the gift of the Spirit, confirmation makes us more completely the image of the Lord and fills us with the Holy Spirit, so that we may bear witness to him before all the world and work to bring the Body of Christ to its fullness as soon as possible.

Finally, coming to the table of the Eucharist, we eat the flesh and drink the blood of the Son of Man so that we may have eternal life and show forth the unity of God's people. By offering ourselves with Christ, we share in the universal sacrifice, that is, the entire community of the redeemed offered to God by their High Priest, and we pray for a greater outpouring of the Holy Spirit, so that the whole human race may be brought into the unity of God's family.

Thus the three sacraments of Christian initiation closely combine to bring us, the faithful of Christ, to his full stature and to enable us to carry out the mission of the entire people of God in the Church and in the world.

-- Christian Initiation, General Introduction 2

PARISH DAY REGISTRATION FORM

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Single Registration	\$35	\$40	\$ _____	
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PARISH DAY WORKSHOPS

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 - 4 El Bautismo es Para Siempre... (Piasecki)

Thank you! We look forward to seeing you in October!

SCHEDULE AT A GLANCE

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 30

Memorial of St. Jerome, Priest and Doctor of the Church

9:00-Noon Executive Committee Meeting
2:00-9:00 Board Meeting

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 1

Memorial of St. Thérèse of the Child Jesus, Virgin, Doctor of the Church FDLC AND BCDW BUSINESS DAY

8:30 Board- Morning Prayer
9:00 Board convenes
9:30 Exhibit set up until noon
12:00 Board Adjourns
1:00 New Member Orientation
1:30 Regional Caucuses
2:30 Opening Rite and Welcome
3:00 Addresses:
Chair, Exec Director, BCDW Chair
4:00 Exhibits open; beverages
5:00 BCDW Report and Conversation
6:30 Evening Prayer
7:00 "Taste of Region" and Exhibits
8:30 Entertainment begins
10:00 Entertainment concludes

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 2

Memorial of the Holy Guardian Angels STUDY DAY, EUCHARISTIC LITURGY, BANQUET

8:30 Morning Prayer
9:00 Welcome
Explanation of Consultation Process
9:15 THE CARA REPORT (Gautier)
10:15 Q & A
10:30 Coffee Break
10:45 A PASTORAL RESPONSE (Lewinski)
11:45 Q & A
Noon Lunch/Exhibits/Regional Caucuses
1:15 Mid-Day Prayer
1:30 Table Discussion on Presentations 1 & 2
2:15 Coffee Break with Exhibitors

2:45 FDLC Business Session OR
Guest Session (Merz/Janco)
4:15 Break
4:30 Board Busses for Cathedral
5:30 Mass
6:30 Cocktails (Cathedral Center)
7:15 Banquet with McManus Award
9:30 Busses return to hotel

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 3

STUDY AND CONSULTATION DAY

7:00 Board Meeting with Breakfast
8:30 Morning Prayer
9:00 A THEOLOGICAL RESPONSE (Turner)
10:00 Interregional Table Discussion on
Presentation 3
10:15 Q & A
10:30 Coffee Break with Exhibitors
(beverages only)
11:15 Daily Mass
Noon Lunch/Exhibits/Regional Caucuses
1:30 CONSULTATION PROCESS:
BCDW & FDLC
3:00 Break
3:30 Consultation (cont'd)
4:00 Formulation of Recommendations
6:00 Conclusion, Thanks, Closing Prayer
6:30 Free evening

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 4

Memorial of St. Francis of Assisi PARISH DAY

8:00 Registration Opens
Continental Breakfast
9:00 Morning Prayer and Welcome
9:45 Keynote (Schellman)
10:30 Q & A
10:45 Break
11:00 Session A Workshops
12:30 Lunch with Exhibitors
1:45 Session B Workshops
3:15 Closing Prayer