

Catechetical Convocation



"This is my body given for you"

Luke 22:19

*Archbishop John Carroll High School,
Radnor, PA*

Saturday, March 25, 2023



THE CATECHETICAL CONVOCATION

The Catechetical Convocation is an annual faith formation event cosponsored by the Office for Catechetical Formation and the Archdiocesan Association of Parish Directors, Coordinators, and Administrators of Religious Education (PD/C/ARE). What is the Catechist Convocation? In the early 1980's, a group of Parish Directors of Religious Education created a grass roots venue known as the "Catechist Showcase." Using a parish site, this event provided an annual opportunity for the most experienced and gifted volunteer catechists to share their practical insights and best practices in teaching the faith to children. In 1989, the "Catechist Showcase" was retitled the "Catechetical Forum" as professional presenters and broader topics were added. The Catechetical Forum was later named the Catechist Convocation as participants included both parish catechists and Catholic school teachers. Though the name has changed over the years, the PD/C/ARE Association keeps true to the original mission of its Catechetical Convocation:

The professional and spiritual growth of the parish catechist through a sharing of theological insights, teaching methodologies, and practical applications.

SCHEDULE

8:00 am	REGISTRATION, REFRESHMENTS, AND EXHIBITS
8:50 am	MOVE TO AUDITORIUM
9:00 am	WELCOME/OVERVIEW OF THE DAY
9:15 am	CELEBRATION OF MASS
	EXPOSITION (MOVE MONSTRANCE TO THE CHAPEL)
10:15-10:25 am	INTRODUCTION OF KEYNOTE PRESENTERS: MSGR. MAGEE AND REV. ESTRADA
10:25-11:20 am	KEYNOTES PRESENTATIONS
11:20 am	MOVE TO SESSIONS
11:30-12:15 pm	SESSION 1/LUNCH
12:25-1:10 pm	SESSION 2/LUNCH
1:20-2:05 pm	SESSION 3/LUNCH
2:15-2:45 pm	PROCESSION WITH EUCHARIST FROM CHAPEL
	REFLECTION: FR. DELACY
	BENEDICTION: FR. DELACY
	DISMISSAL

KEYNOTE PRESENTATIONS

"This is My Body Given for You" (Luke 22:19) - *English Track*

Rev. Msgr. Michael K. Magee

Dean, School of Theological Studies; Chair of Systematic Theology Department & Full Professor of Systematic Theology and Sacred Scripture.

We will consider this greatest promise ever made by God to human beings living in this world, looking at its biblical context and the reflection of the Fathers of the Church. With these in mind, we will consider how to make this promise come alive to people of today, in all of its original vividness and power.

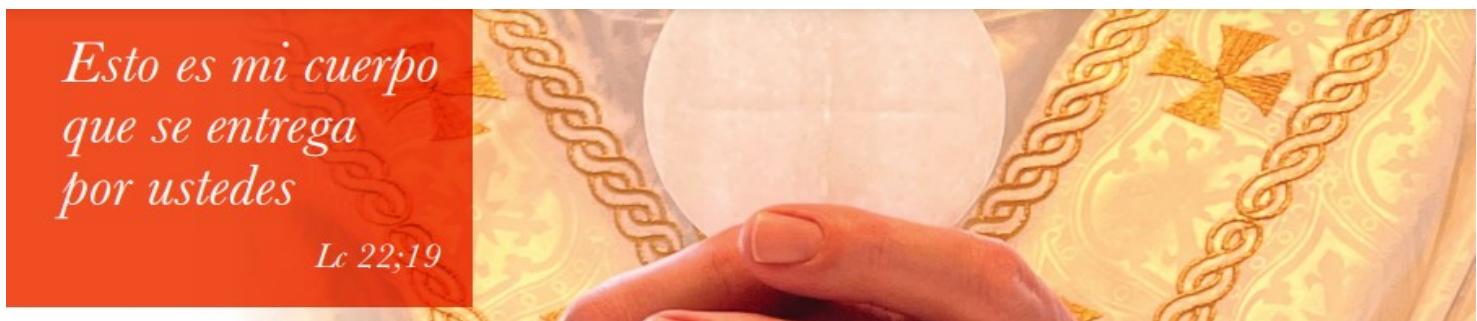


Eucaristía, presencia real de Cristo - *Presentación en español*

Reverendo Eder Estrada, FM

Pastor, Saint Joseph Parish, Coatesville

En la Eucaristía quien se nos entrega es el mismo Dios. Cristo se hace realmente presente en la sacrificio incruento de la Eucaristía. La Eucaristía, acción de gracias, es el lenguaje del amor de Dios.



SESSION 1: WORKSHOPS

A-1. Eucharist & Virtue

Sr. Margaret Rose Adams, IHM, Assistant Superintendent for Elementary Schools, Archdiocese of Philadelphia
Through the reception and adoration of the Eucharist, we grow in virtue. At this workshop, take time to reflect on the virtue needed in your personal and professional life at this time and how we can live the virtue relying on the Eucharist.

A-2. At the School of Mary: "Woman of the Eucharist"

Sr. J. Sheila Galligan IHM, Theology Professor, Immaculata University
According to John Paul II Mary can be seen as a model for "Eucharistic" discipleship. This presentation will invite us to re-read the Magnificat in a Eucharistic key: "The Eucharist has been given to us so that our life, like that of Mary's, may become completely a Magnificat." (EE 58)

A-3. O Come Let Us (little kids) Adore Him!

Marie Milano, Director of Religious Education, Stella Maris Parish
We all agree that children learn what they live. Let's make visiting our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament a part of their lives! With an open mind and an open heart this can happen...

A-4. PREP Families Eucharistic Adoration

Michele Gordon & Bill Monaghan, Director of Religious Education, St. Alphonsus Parish
The purpose of this workshop is to guide you through a praise and worship Eucharist Adoration model for your religious education program. Resources and various themes for Eucharist Adoration will be discussed.

A-5. Eucharist Formation for Confirmation Students

Alexandra LaMastra, Director of Religious Education, Mother of Divine Providence Parish
This presentation will explore how formation leaders can cultivate a love for Adoration in Confirmation Students. We regularly see that students do not have a language for prayer, and they do not know Jesus. They are not even sure that they believe in God. This is where we meet them. Better yet, this is where we allow Jesus to meet them - we need only step out of the way.

A-6. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament for Children

Sr. Marie Garman, IHM, Director of Religious Education, SS. Philip and James Parish
This presentation will explore ideas to "design your time" before the Blessed Sacrament, with suggestions for preparation, prayers, activities, music, and quiet time.

Spanish Track

A-7. Origen Teológico de la Eucaristía (Presentación en español)

Wanda Nouel, Directora Asociada, Oficina de Formación Catequética
Esta sesión se enfoca en como la cronología muestra la manera en que Dios poco a poco revela a su pueblo— desde el libro del Génesis hasta la venida de Cristo — que la Eucaristía sería la manera en que su Hijo permanecería con nosotros hasta el fin de los tiempos.

A-8. Lunch

SESSION 2: WORKSHOPS

B-1. One Body in Christ - The Works of Mercy

Louis De Angelo, Ed.D., Secretary for Catholic Education/Superintendent of Schools, Diocese of Wilmington
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B-3. Eucharistic Activities for Preparing Children for 1st Communion- Levels 2 and 3

Donna Heeney, Director of Religious Education, St. Robert Bellarmine Parish
Ways to prepare the children to have a meaningful experience in receiving Jesus for the 1st time and having parent involvement will be shared. Concrete and creative examples will be part of the presentation.

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B-5. Eucharist as a Source of Inner Healing

Rev. Christopher Walsh, Pastor, St. Cecilia Parish
As we seek a renewed appreciation of the Most Blessed Sacrament, join Fr. Chris to explore the ways we can receive spiritual, emotional, and physical healing through the Eucharist. The presentation will draw on the experience of Christians throughout the centuries but also offer practical approaches for today's Catholics.

B-6. Saints and the Eucharist

James Malinowski, Director of Religious Education, St. Pius X Parish
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C-5. Eucharistic Miracles- Analysis from a Physician

Sr. Jocelyn Edathil SIC, MD, PhD, Physician at St. Thomas Syro Malankara Church, Elizabeth, NJ
There have been a variety of scientific test performed on Eucharistic Miracles. While these scientific studies are not required for our faith, they are truly help us to appreciate our faith using the lens of the scientific and medical disciplines.

C-6. Be Near, O Lord

Susan Raffin, Director of Religious Education, Queen of the Universe Parish
The purpose of this workshop is to present some practical forms of the mystery of the Real Presence for students of levels 4 and 5 and how our students become closer to Christ with its implementation. Lesson ideas will be shared.

Spanish Track- (Presentación en español)

C-7. Jesús Eucaristía: Viviendo nuestra vida diaria en comunión

Laura Mantilla, Instructora arquidiocesana, Maternity B.V.M. Parish
Aprenderemos a ayudar a desarrollar e inculcar a nuestros niños cómo vivir agradecidos eternamente con Jesús Eucaristía con una variedad de actividades prácticas para todas las edades con canciones, juegos, meditaciones bíblicas, ilustraciones para colorear y más.

C-8. Lunch

HOW DO I REGISTER?

Registration is online. You will need a credit card.

*This year we are offering a group rate for a parish/school who are registering **four or more people**.*

Individual rate: \$45.00

Group rate: 4 or more people: \$35 / person

In order to get the group rate, please contact Kathy Pfeffer at kpfeffer@archphila.org for the code. You will need to input this code, and it will automatically calculate the registration fee.

*If you register more than one person, at the end of the first registration (thank you page) you have the option to add another person. You may add up to eight people without leaving the website. **Sessions are first come first serve.***

Registration deadline is March 10, 2023 at noon.

The link for registration is : <https://secure.acceptiva.com/?cst=EHMvdt>

A confirmation email will be sent to the payer. Please share the information with the participants.

CÓMO REGISTRARSE?

Las registraciones están en línea. Necesitarán una tarjeta de crédito.

*Este año estamos ofreciendo una tarifa grupal para una parroquia/escuela que inscriba **a cuatro o más personas**.*

Tarifa individual: \$45.00

Tarifa de grupo: 4 o más personas: \$ 35 / persona

Para obtener la tarifa de grupo, comuníquese con Kathy Pfeffer en kpfeffer@archphila.org para obtener el código. Deberá ingresar este código y calculará automáticamente la tarifa de registro.

*Si registra a más de una persona, al final del primer registro (página de agradecimiento) tiene la opción de agregar a otra persona. Puede agregar hasta ocho personas sin salir del sitio web. **Las sesiones son por orden de llegada.***

La fecha límite de inscripción es el 10 de marzo del 2023 al mediodía (12:00 PM).

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