

FAITH FORMATION NEWS



Diocese of Pensacola-Tallahassee

Office of Faith Formation Newsletter

March 2021



Lay Formation Institute Vision

To offer quality spiritual, intellectual and human formation to lay people so that they are equipped to live out their vocation in the world.

Format

Virtual Learning

14 Saturday workshops which will be available via livestream and as a recording.

Online theology courses through Dayton's VLCCF program

In Person

Opening one day guided reflection

Weekend long closing retreat

Real World Application

Through the Called and Gifted discernment process, participants will identify their spiritual charism and take steps to implement it on a practical level

Virtual information gathering

Tuesday, April 13

9:30 am and 6:30 pm

For more information: and link for gathering
850-435-3523 or
layformation@ptdiocese.org

Year of St. Joseph

The USCCB has composed this novena to be prayed yearly on March 10-18, the nine days that precede the Solemnity of Saint Joseph on March 19. Each day of the novena will be accompanied by a reflection video from the bishops of the Committee on Divine Worship.

[Year of St. Joseph Resources from USCCB](#)

[Prayer to St. Joseph after the Rosary](#)

[Consecration to St. Joseph](#)

Additional Resources

[Vatican News—Plenary Indulgence for year of St. Joseph](#)

[Catholic Link—All The Resources You Need For The Year of St. Joseph](#)

[The Fathers of Mercy—The Year of St. Joseph: Some Basic Facts](#)

[Sadlier—St. Joseph Activity](#)

[Our Sunday Visitor—The Year of St. Joseph](#)

[RCL Benziger—Remembering Saint Joseph](#)

March Apostleship of Prayer Sacrament of Reconciliation

Let us pray that we may experience the sacrament of reconciliation with renewed depth, to taste the forgiveness and infinite mercy of God.

And let us pray that God may give his Church merciful priests and not torturers.

Parish Catechetical Leader Meetings

Tuesday, March 16 9:30 am and 6:30 pm

RCIA adapted for Children/Youth
Summer Programs
Catechist Formation Topics and Dates
Safe Environment
Planning for Next Year
Concerns and Needs

Articles to read and link for meeting
will come in an email

Adult Faith Formation

The diocese has become a partnering diocese with the University of Dayton Virtual Learning Community for Faith Formation. This means that any adult in the diocese can take one of the online courses for \$50.00.

For more information:
<https://vlcff.udayton.edu/>
or contact Sister Margaret

Protection and Prevention through Respect: Creating Safe Environments

**Remember to rotate the three topics:
Good Touch/Bad Touch and Relationships,
Internet Safety
Bullying**

Remember our goal is 100% participation.

If you have not had the session with the children/youth please set and dates and complete by March 30.

*If you need help with setting up your session,
contact Sister Margaret.*

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Young Adult Ministry

A team of young adults is planning activities and events for young adults across the diocese..

If you would like to join the team, contact Sister Margaret at kuntzm@ptdiocese.org or 850-435-3523

A Virtual Evening with Bishop Wack

March 23 at 6:30 pm CT (7³⁰ ET)

Encountering the Other: Creating Life Giving Community

Register here: [A Virtual Evening with Bishop Bill](#)
for the link to join this event

Young Adult Reflection Morning

Saturday, May 15

More info to come

A Retreat Day with Fellowship on September 25

For more information click here:

[PT DIOCESE Young Adult Groups](#)

Groups of Young Adults have activities in various parts of the diocese. Check out these Facebook groups

Tallahassee

Young Adults of Good Shepherd Parish
Frassati Society of Tallahassee, FL

Niceville/Fort Walton Beach

Emerald Coast Catholic Young Adults
Veritas

Pensacola

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

*If interested in beginning an atrium, contact
Sr. Margaret*

Catechist Formation:

Level II Week Two: July 11– 17 at:
Good Shepherd Parish, Tallahassee

Level I Week Two: June 13-19 at:
St. Ann Parish, Gulf Breeze

Level I Week One: June 24-30 at:
Holy Name of Jesus Parish, Niceville

Click here for [Registration forms](#)

Parent pages can be found on our diocesan website:
ptdiocese.org/catechesis-of-the-good-shepherd

Click here for [Additional parent resources](#)

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd USA



The New *Directory for Catechesis*

In July of 2020 the Pontifical Council for the Promotion of the new Evangelization published the

Directory for Catechesis for the universal Church

To begin to explore this document and its implications for our diocese Sister Margaret Kuntz, ASCJ, Director of the Office of Faith Formation, is hosting a series of virtual gatherings during March and April.

Mondays at 1 pm CT (2 pm ET)

March 8, 15, 22 and April 5, 12, 19

Thursdays at 6:30 pm CT (7:30 pm ET)

March 11, 18, 25, and April 8, 15, 22

Join any session from PC, Mac, Linux, iOS or Android:

<https://meetings.ringcentral.com/j/1465007781>

Or iPhone one-tap : +1(469)4450100,,1492484524# (US South)

Or Telephone: +1(469)4450100 (US South)

**Sessions will be held twice a week for 30-45 minutes
exploring two chapters a week.**

You do not need to read the document to participate
and
you do not have to join a session each week!

Join when you can!