Religious Freedom Week 2021
Solidarity in Freedom
June 22-29

“Solidarity means much more than engaging in sporadic acts of generosity. It means thinking and acting in terms of community.” (Fratelli tutti, 116).

Religious freedom allows the Church, and all religious communities, to live out their faith in public and to serve the good of all. Beginning June 22, the feast of Sts. Thomas More and John Fisher, the USCCB invites Catholics to pray, reflect, and act to promote religious freedom.

https://www.usccb.org/committees/religious-liberty/

Enkindling the Flame of Faith Parenting Conference
Saturday, November 13
St. Paul Catholic Church, Pensacola

Keynote Presenters
Tom Quinlan
Director of Ministry for St. Joseph Education Center in the Diocese of Des Moines

Dr. MaryRuth Hackett
Author at Blessed Is She, PhD in Educational Psychology

David Dawson
Director of Marriage and Family Life Archdiocese of new Orleans

Breakouts by age groups of children/youth

Session for Leaders
Friday, November 12

Catechetical Sunday
September 19
More information to follow

Saturday, October 2
This conference will be hybrid: In-person and virtual.

Keynote Presenter in English and Spanish
Bishop Felipe J. Estévez
Bishop of Diocese of St. Augustine

Breakout Session in English and Spanish, Eucharistic Adoration and Mass.

https://www.ptdiocese.org/growingandliving

Watch for registration in August.
Adult Confirmation

Bishop Wack will celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation for adults baptized Catholic

Sunday, October 17 at 2 pm
Cathedral of the Sacred Heart, Pensacola

Sunday, November 7 at 2 pm
Blessed Sacrament Parish, Tallahassee

Information will be sent to parishes by June 15.

Or contact Sister Margaret Kuntz
850-435-3523

RCIA

Online Formation for Parish Teams and anyone involved in this ministry

Tuesdays in June
6:30 – 8:00 pm CT/7:30 – 9:00 pm ET

June 1 Principles of the RCIA
June 8 RCIA is More Than Just Catechesis
June 15 Seek the Living God: Five Questions for Conversion
June 22 Your Parish Is the Curriculum
June 29 The Awe-Inspiring Rites of the RCIA

Presented by

There is no cost. This is through a grant from: The Catholic Foundation of Northwest Florida

To register and receive the needed information go to:
Team RCIA

Register and attend the sessions that you can!

Lay Formation Institute

The Lay Formation Institute vision is to offer quality spiritual, intellectual and human formation to lay people so that they are equipped to live out their vocation in the world.

This program is geared to make you a more effective disciple of Jesus right where God has place you in the world.

The curriculum is focused on sanctifying the cultural spaces outside the usual reach of the institutional Church.

Those who are passionate about bringing the presence of Christ to their families, neighborhoods, social circles, workplace and local community are ideal candidates for this program.

A new cohort will begin in August of 2021.

If you are interested click below:
Lay Formation Institute for more information or contact 850-435-3523 or layformation@ptdiocee.org

Deadline to apply is June 1

Catechist Days

Virtual Morning for Catechists
Saturday, October 16

January/February 2022
Date to be Determined

Catechetical Leader Formation

Through grant money that following is being offered free to the Parish Catechetical Leaders and Youth Ministers and Teams from Lifelong Faith Associates

These are live virtual sessions from 6:30 – 8 pm CT

August 3 Designing Hybrid Faith Formation
August 17 Designing Children and Family Faith Formation
August 31 Designing Adolescent & Emerging Adult Faith Formation
September 14 Integrating Webinar
September 28 Building Community and Relationships
October 12 Formation for Christian Living in a New World

All you have to do to register is fill out this simple form online
June Apostleship of Prayer
The beauty of marriage
Let us pray for young people who are preparing for marriage with the support of a Christian community: may they grow in love, with generosity, faithfulness and patience.

Parish Catechetical Leaders
Thanks to the following for their years of service.
Dee Lopez
Good Shepherd Parish, Tallahassee
Sandra Bernard
St. Jude Parish, Pensacola
Welcome to: Leadership:
Diana Grosh to Good Shepherd Parish

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd
These Parishes/Schools have or are starting an atrium:
Blessed Sacrament, Tallahassee
Cathedral of the Sacred Heart, Pensacola
Good Shepherd, Tallahassee
Holy Name of Jesus, Niceville
Immaculate Conception, Perry
Little Flower School, Pensacola
Nativity of Our Lord, Pensacola
St. Ann, Gulf Breeze
St. Dominic, Panama City
St. John, Panama City
St. Mary, Fort Walton Beach
St. Paul, Pensacola
St. Rita, Parish and Preschool, Santa Rosa Beach
St. Rose of Lima, Milton
Assistances Days are being planned for August/September
If interested, contact Sister. Margaret
For more information:
Sister Margaret Kuntz at 850-435-3523 or kuntzm@ptdiocese.org

Young Adult Ministry Around the Diocese
Days are being planned for September/November
If interested in helping to plan contact Sister Margaret Kuntz at: kuntzm@ptdiocese.org or 850-435-3523

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Facebook: Tallahassee Catholic Young Adults
Mass and dinner
Saturday discussion of readings

Pensacola Young Adults
Escambia/Santa Rosa Counties
Facebook: Pensacola Catholic Young Adults
Discipleship on Draft on 4th Wednesday
Bible Study on Second Wednesday
Service at various times

Young Adults
Niceville/Fort Walton/Crestview/
Okaloosa and Walton Counties
Facebook Emerald Coast Catholic Young Adult Ministry
Discipleship on Draft is third Monday of the Month
Small Group Study is Mondays
Rosary is Tuesday mornings

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How to register and how to get credit toward Catechist Certification will follow.

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Diocesan Catechist Certification

The General Directory for Catechesis states: “Diocesan pastoral programs must give absolute priority to the formation of lay catechists.

Level I uses the Echoes of Faith DVDs which can be obtained from the Diocesan Library. Level II is on-line at:
www.ptdiocese.orgfaithformation/catechistcorner.
All forms for reporting to obtain credit are there.

Level II and Level III are designed so that a catechist can complete a topic totally on-line in about one hour.

For information or assistance, contact Sister Margaret at 850-435-3523 kuntzm@ptdiocese.org.

Protection and Prevention through Respect: Creating Safe Environments

In planning for next year, please schedule your safe environment session(s) early in the year.
Remember to rotate the three topics:
Good Touch/Bad Touch and Relationships
Internet Safety
Bullying

Please check that all who minister with children/youth and vulnerable adults are in compliance.

Looking Ahead

Dates to Remember

June 1    RCIA Formation
June 5    Ordination
June 8    RCIA Formation
June 13-19 Catechesis of Good Shepherd Level I Week II
June 15   RCIA Formation
June 22   RCIA Formation
June 24-30 Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Level I Week I
June 29   RCIA Formation
July 11-17 Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Level II Week II
August 14 Lay Formation Day
September 11 Lay Formation Day
September 19 Catechetical Sunday
September 25 Young Adult Day
October 2  Growing and Living Conference
October 9  Lay Formation Day
October 16 Catechist Day
October 17 Adult Confirmation, Pensacola
November 6 Lay Formation Day
November 7 Adult Confirmation, Tallahassee
November 13 Parenting Conference
January 8  Lay Formation Day
January 30 Black History Mass at St. Mary
February 1-3 Catholic Days at the Capitol
February 12 Lay Formation Day
March 6    Rite of Election place TBD
March 13   Rite of Election place TBD
March 19   Lay Formation Day
April 9    Lay Formation Day