

DIRECTORY ADDITION

Fr. Ron Hodges, Jr., OSB has returned to the diocese and is now serving as the parochial vicar at Our Lady of Victory, Davenport. His contact information is: 4105 N. Division St., Davenport 52806-4741; 563-391-4245; hodgesr@diodav.org.

DIOCESAN PLANNING COMMISSION

Thank you for the great work from your parishes on Phase I of planning. Based on your recommendations and on information from the Living the Faith document the Planning Commission has put every parish in a local area planning committee. A member of the commission will be contacting each pastor/PLA to inform them which parishes are in your local area planning committee and which of the four regional meetings we would like you to attend. These four meetings are:

Sunday, February 27, 2:00-4:00 p.m.: Our Lady of Lourdes Church Gathering Space, Bettendorf

Sunday, February 27, 6:30-8:30 p.m.: St. Mary Parish Hall, Solon

Monday, February 28, 6:30-8:30 p.m.: St. Mary Parish Hall, Oskaloosa

Thursday, March 3, 6:30-8:30 p.m.: St. Alphonsus Parish Hall, Mount Pleasant

The pastor/PLA and your two lay representatives are asked to come to a regional meeting. Just a reminder that we want only two lay representatives as some parishes submitted more than two names. The local area planning committee won't be a workable group if it is too large. We did our best to avoid the dates you said you could not meet. Thanks for your fine work.

VOCATIONS OFFICE

World Day of Consecrated Life: Sunday, February 6 is *World Day for Consecrated Life*. Over the years, many men and women have chosen to live out their baptismal vocation by professing the evangelical counsels of poverty, chastity, and obedience. They do this by joining a religious congregation, a secular institute, or through private vows. We pray for these people, especially those who have responded from the Diocese of Davenport. Let us ask God to bless our Church with others who will dedicate their lives to God's service. Resources can be found on the diocesan website under vocations.

Vocations Contest: With the help of The Catholic Messenger and the Serra Club of Davenport, we're having a Vocation Promotion contest and the top two winners in each grade will play putt-putt golf and have pizza with Bishop Amos. All you have to do is write a prayer for vocations or draw a picture about vocations. The overall winners in each age division (grades 2-4, grades 5-6, grades 7-8 and high school) will have their prayer or artwork put on a prayer card that will be given out in the Diocese. Entry deadline is Friday, February 18.

Trip to Mundelein Seminary: Join other high school students around the diocese for a trip to Mundelein Seminary on March 16. More information will be sent out to pastors, principals, DREs and Youth Ministers.

Please contact Fr. Marty Goetz, goetz@davenportdiocese.org or 563-888-4255 regarding the above information.

PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN

Sessions are open to all adults in the Diocese of Davenport and are mandated for all employees and those volunteers who work on a regular basis with children. To schedule a session contact your deanery facilitator listed on the diocesan website, www.davenportdiocese.org (Offices> Protecting Children>Safe Environment>Protecting God's Children) or Virginia Trujillo, trujillo@davenportdiocese.org or 563-888-4230. Current training scheduled (as of January 31):

<u>Date</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Time</u>
2/5/11	Solon, St. Mary Church	9:00 a.m.
2/8/11	Davenport, John F. Kennedy School	6:00 p.m.
2/15/11	Keokuk Catholic Schools	6:00 p.m.

To report child abuse contact: Iowa Department of Human Services Child Abuse Hotline: 800-362-2178 and if it involves clergy or church personnel also notify Alicia Owens, Victim Assistance Coordinator, 563-349-5002, or mail to vacdav@attglobal.net or PO Box 232, Bettendorf, IA 52722-0004.

STEWARDSHIP OFFICE

Stewardship Conference: *Journey to Holiness*, The Region IX International Catholic Stewardship Conference, will be held April 1 in Kansas City, KS. The fee is \$90 per person plus accommodations. There will be a keynote address with three breakout sessions regarding a variety of topics. See the attached brochure for full details.

Servant Leadership Institute: The Servant Leadership Institute (SLI) has adopted a more flexible format. The Institute is a formational program that reflects on one Scriptural passage for each of eight sessions, as well as one section of the book, *Servant Leadership Models for Your Parish*. It can be useful for parish councils, finance councils, stewardship committees or virtually any group in a parish looking to deepen their faith and reflect on issues of leadership and followership in a parish.

The two changes in the SLI:

1. Instead of offering one start date for all participants, we are adjusting our educational approach to allow parish groups to begin the eight-session program at any date of their choosing.
2. Instead of forcing groups to conduct one session every two weeks, we will allow groups to hold the eight sessions at their own pace.

This change will allow parish groups to use the SLI as a formational opportunity for all parish leaders interested in servant leadership. For example, some parish councils are planning to use the SLI as a means of reflection and discussion on leadership during the first 20 - 30 minutes of eight parish council meetings.

In addition to these changes, the SLI will continue to be offered in the previous 16-week format for parish groups and individuals looking to participate. For more information, contact Dan Ebener at ebener@davenportdiocese.org or check out the web site at www.servantleadershipmodels.com.

FINANCE OFFICE

Since we are in a new year, it is a good time to review important tips for classifying employees. This will affect how much you pay in taxes, whether you need to withhold from your workers' paychecks and what tax documents you need to file.

The IRS has provided information on seven key issues every business should know about concerning hiring people as independent contractors versus hiring them as employees.

1. The IRS uses three characteristics to determine the relationship between businesses and workers:
 - a. Behavioral Control covers facts that show whether the business has a right to direct or control how the work is done through instructions, training or other means.
 - b. Financial Control covers facts that show whether the business has a right to direct or control the financial and business aspects of the worker's job.
 - c. Type of Relationship relates to how the workers and the business owner perceive their relationship.
2. If you have the right to control or direct not only what is to be done, but also how it is to be done, then your workers are most likely employees.
3. If you can direct or control only the result of the work done – and not the means and methods of accomplishing the result – then your workers are probably independent contractors.
4. Employers who misclassify workers as independent contractors can end up with substantial tax bills. Additionally, they can face penalties for failing to pay employment taxes and for failing to file required tax forms.
5. Workers can avoid higher tax bills and lost benefits if they know their proper status.
6. Both employers and workers can ask the IRS to make a determination on whether a specific individual is an independent contractor or an employee by filing a Form SS-8, Determination of Worker Status for Purposes of Federal Employment Taxes and Income Tax Withholding, with the IRS.
7. You can learn more about the critical determination of a worker's status as an independent contractor by calling the IRS at 800-829-3676 (800-TAX-FORM) or go to <http://www.irs.gov/pub/irs-pdf/p15.pdf>.

COMMUNICATION OFFICE

Disaster Preparedness: The [Disaster Preparedness and Response Planning Guide](#) is being revised to incorporate new information with an easier to use format. If you have any comments or suggestions for this revision, please e-mail [Dc David Montgomery, montgomery@davenportdiocese.org](mailto:David.Montgomery@davenportdiocese.org).

A list of [National Weather Service Severe Weather Spotter Training Classes](#) for the spring of 2011 is now available. Classes cover the general structure and movement of severe thunderstorms and tornados, identification of important storm features, and safety concerns. These free classes last about 2 hours and are open to the public. Pre-registration is not required unless otherwise noted in the schedule.

LITURGY OFFICE

Roman Missal Workshops: If you have not already done so, it is imperative that you send in your registration form and payment for the remaining Roman Missal workshops immediately so we can reserve a spot for you. If you cannot get the form and payment to me this week then please also e-mail me so I know they are on their way.

David Haas Concert and Workshop: St. Mary, Fairfield will host David Haas and Lori True for a celebration concert on Friday, February 18 at 7:30 p.m. Fee: free will offering. A workshop for musicians and those interested in liturgical music will be held on Saturday, the 19th. Registration begins at 8:30 a.m. with the workshops running from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Cost is \$15 which includes lunch and a free will offering will also be taken. These events are open to all interested persons.

PASTORAL SERVICES

Social Action . . .

Diocesan Immigration Office: Effective immediately clients will be seen by appointment only. This will provide uninterrupted service to clients during their appointment. To schedule an appointment or obtain information call 563-324-1911, Monday – Friday during office hours: 8:00 a.m.- 12:00 p.m. and 1:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Income Tax Help: Low and moderate income-working families may qualify for help from two federal tax benefits: Earned Income Credit (EIC) and the Child Tax Credit (CTC). This year eligible families can receive as much as \$5,666 or qualify for additional tax credits even if they did not earn enough in 2010 to owe income tax. Please encourage families to file their taxes through Volunteer Income Tax Assistance Program (VITA). This offers free tax help to low-to moderate income people who cannot prepare their own return. For current locations visit the VITA website, <http://www.irs.gov/individuals/article/0,,id=219171,00.html> or call 888-227-7669.

To locate the nearest AARP Tax-Aide site, call 1-888-227-7669 or visit www.aarp.org/aarp-foundation.

Internship for Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD): Are you Catholic? Interested in fighting poverty? Then consider being an intern for CCHD. The Catholic Campaign for Human Development:

- Provides grants for self-help projects developed by grassroots groups working to address the root causes of poverty in their communities.
- Works to increase Catholics' awareness of poverty in the U.S.
- Educates about the Catholic social tradition
- Builds bridges between poor and non-poor communities.

For more information go to: <http://www.davenportdiocese.org/socialaction/sacchd.htm> or contact Loxi Hopkins, 563-888-4212 or hopskins@davenportdiocese.org. Applications are due Feb. 28. Please distribute the attached flyer to those who may benefit from this opportunity.

Legislative Priorities: The Iowa Catholic Conference has identified education, families & children, pro-life, and social concerns for 2011. For a brochure regarding these concerns go to www.iowacatholicconference.org.

Operation Rice Bowl Materials: Just a reminder to all parishes that if you have not already done so, you can still order your free 2011 materials at 800-222-0025.

St. Vincent Home Corporation Grants must be postmarked by **March 19** for consideration at the spring board meeting. All applications must be postmarked by that date. To be consistent with its purpose, the St. Vincent Home Corporation will focus on those projects that assist children who are in the greatest need. Projects that address children in general should explain the extent to which the project also supports children who have special needs, such as poverty, family breakdown or other disadvantage. The grant application and criteria are available at <http://www.davenportdiocese.org/socialaction/sastvincenthomecorporation.htm>. Please note important changes in the criteria.

If you received a grant in the past you must also submit your progress report by March 19. New funding applications will not be considered until Progress Reports regarding previously awarded grants have been submitted. For questions or information contact Loxi Hopkins, hopkins@davenportdiocese.org or 563-888-4212.

Faith Formation . . .

Day of Reflection: February 19 is the registration deadline for *Growing in Faith Through Difficult Times* on February 26, St. Patrick Parish, Iowa City. Sr. Joyce Rupp will facilitate this day of examining “life, death and new life”. This day is open to all parish and school leaders and those seeking a day of renewal. A registration brochure is attached.

Certificate Program in Youth Ministry Studies: St. Ambrose University is offering a two-summer series, with four additional courses to be offered in the summer of 2012. Classes being offered in 2011 include:

June 9-10 (Th-Fr): Principles of Youth Ministry June 11-12 (Sa-Su): Practices of Youth Ministry

July 7-8 (Th-Fr): Foundations for Ministry Leadership July 9-10 (Sa-Su): Skills for Christian Leadership

Each class is \$180 for the first parish/school participant, \$135 each for 2 parish/school participants, and \$95 each for 3 or more parish/school participants. Books are included in the fee and housing is available upon request. For more information or to register please contact the site coordinator, Stella O’Rourke, at 563-333-6083.

Upcoming youth retreats

A Quest retreat for youth in grades 9 and 10 will be held March 26-27, at St. Mary’s in Grinnell. Click [here](#) for application. For more information, contact Crystal DeNeve at (641) 236-8838 or grinnellstmarydre@diodav.org

COR retreats for youth in grades 10, 11 and 12 will be held:

- March 11-13 at St. Joseph’s in DeWitt. For information, contact Pat Sheil at (563) 659-3514 or dewittstjosephym@diodav.org.
- March 25-27 at Holy Trinity Parish in Keota. For information, contact Connie and Jay Peilffer at 641-635-2695 or jpeifferfam@cloudburst9.com.

The Teens Encounter Christ (TEC) retreat for youth in grades 11 and 12 and college freshmen will be held Feb. 19-21 at Assumption High School in Davenport. Registration deadline is February 7. For more information, contact Pat Finan at (641) 842-5148 or finan@davenportdiocese.org.

Information for all retreats is at <http://www.davenportdiocese.org/faithform/ffyouthministrypg1.htm>. Youth can go to www.davenportyouth.org for brochures and more details.

“Peace, Love, Jesus” the Junior High Youth Rally will be Sunday, March 20 at Regina Catholic Education Center. Our keynoters will be Oddwalk Ministries, featuring Shannon Cerneka, Orin Johnson and their fabulous keytar. Information can be found at <http://www.davenportdiocese.org/faithform/ffyouthrally.htm>. Registration deadline is March 4, with March 11 being our final deadline (at an additional \$5 per registration). Please steer your youth to www.davenportyouth.org for more information (including video) about Oddwalk and our rally.

Upcoming youth events

- **Notre Dame Vision:** The ND Vision program helps young people recognize God’s call in their lives and respond to that call with courage and faith. High school students from across the nation will join together at the University of Notre Dame for five days of discernment about how they can grow and use their gifts. Our diocese is coordinating a contingent to attend June 20-24. Youth applying should have attended CLI (see below). Scholarship support will be available. For more information, go to www.vision.nd.edu or www.davenportyouth.org

- **Catholics in Action**, our annual high school youth service retreat, will be held **June 26-28** at Regina High School in Iowa City. CIA brings nearly 100 Catholic youth (incoming freshmen through graduating seniors) together for three days of service, prayer, learning and fun.
- **Christian Leadership Institute (CLI)**, to be held July 24-29 at the Ewalu Camp and Retreat Center in Strawberry Point. Students in grades 10-12 are invited to learn leadership skills in a Catholic context. For more information including a brochure and registration form go to www.davenportyouth.org. An application for scholarship assistance is also at this site.
- **2011 High School Youth Rally** will be Sunday, Oct. 23 at the Coralville Marriott. Our keynoter will be Mike Patin!
- **National Catholic Youth Conference** will be Nov. 17-19 in Indianapolis, IN. If your parish has not yet indicated interest, please contact Pat Finan at (641) 842-5148 or finan@davenportdiocese.org. We will try to accommodate late requests for participation. For more information, go to www.davenportyouth.org

Marriage Preparation Weekends:

→ The registration form was updated in January. Please refer to the diocesan website for the current copy.

February 19-20: Bettendorf, St. John Vianney (registration deadline February 11)

April 9-10: Williamsburg, St. Mary (registration deadline April 1)

June 25-26: Sigourney, St. Mary (registration deadline June 17)

August 6-7: Mt. Pleasant, St. Alphonsus (registration deadline July 29)

The registration form is on the diocesan website, www.davenportdiocese.org (Faith Formation Office> Marriage Preparation). Registration is \$125 per couple. For information about marriage preparation in our diocese or neighboring dioceses contact Barb Butterworth, 563-888-4240 or butterworth@davenportdiocese.org or IlaMae Hanisch, hanisch@davenportdiocese.org.

Ministry Formation Program (MFP): The Ministry Formation Program is a way to grow in your faith and learn how you can become more active in your parish and its ministries. Participants are welcome to register at any time for any number of courses. The remaining courses follow. An informational brochure, registration information and application are in the Faith Formation Library on the diocesan website, www.davenportdiocese.org.

MFP Year II Basic Classes, English:

Feb. 5	Moral Themes	Feb. 19	Moral Themes
March 5	Canon Law	March 19	Civil Law
April 2	Liturgical Themes	April 16	Liturgical Themes

MFP Year II Basic Classes, Spanish:

		Feb. 20	Introduccion a la Theologia
March 20	Introduccion a la Espiritualidad	April 17	Biblia Viejo Testamento
May 1	Biblia Nuevo Testamento	June 5	Introduccion a los Temas de Catequesis

Parish Life Administrator: All the following; Pastoral Associate: +; Finance Administrator: *

		Feb. 19	Parish Management II*
March 19	RCIA in the Parish+	April 16	Parish Leadership*
May 7	Sacramental Prep I+	June 4	Annulments+
July 9	Sacramental Prep II+	August 27	Parish Life*

ST. AMBROSE UNIVERSITY

Menke Scholarship: St. Ambrose University, continuing its mission of service to the Diocese of Davenport, announces the **Menke Parish Scholarship Program** for the 2011/2012 Academic Year. Each parish will once again have a \$1000.00 scholarship to be awarded to a new first year or transfer student to St. Ambrose. To qualify, the student must be a member of the parish, be nominated by his/her pastor, and meet the admissions and financial aid requirements of St. Ambrose University. The scholarship can only be used for undergraduate work. Contact the pastor/parish life administrator of your parish to receive more information.

Chair of Catholic Studies Lecture: The 2011 Chair of Catholic Studies Lecture will take place on Tuesday, March 29 at 7:00 p.m. in the 3rd floor ballroom of the Rogalski Center. Timothy Walch, Ph.D. will deliver the lecture entitled, “Praying to St. Jude: The Recent Contours of Urban Catholic Education.” The recent documentary film, “Waiting for Superman,” dramatically articulated the challenges of urban public education. In this lecture, Walch turns our attention to the Catholic school system that provides such an effective alternative to public institutions. He discusses why Catholic schools have been so successful and yet continue to struggle to survive. Timothy Walch, Ph.D., is the director of the Herbert Hoover Presidential Library in West Branch and author or editor of seventeen books including: *Urban Catholic Education: A Tale of Twelve Cities* (2010) *Parish School: American Catholic Parochial Education from Colonial Times to the Present* (1996, 2003), *Immigrant America: European Ethnicity in the United States* (1994), and *Catholicism in America: A Social History* (1989). The Reverend Andrew M. Greeley refers to *Parish School* as “the best summary review of the history of Catholic education in the last half century.”

SISTERS OF HUMILITY

The Sisters of Humility are hosting a “CHM Women of Spirit Open House” on Sunday, February 27 from 2:00-5:00 p.m. (820 West Central Park Ave., Davenport) All are invited and welcome to tour the Motherhouse, learn about their ministries, explore their history, talk with the sisters and enjoy light refreshments. If unable to attend call 563-323-9466 to schedule a tour.

SISTERS OF ST. FRANCIS, CLINTON

All events are held at The Canticle, 841-13th Avenue North, Clinton, and are open to the public. For more information, call 563-242-7611 or visit www.clintonfranciscans.com.

Blue Gold: World Water Wars: February 8, 6:30 p.m. Wars of the future will be fought over water as they are over oil today, as the source of human survival enters the global marketplace and political arena. Corporate giants, private investors, and corrupt governments vie for control of our dwindling supply, prompting protests, lawsuits, and revolutions from citizens fighting for the right to survive. Past civilizations have collapsed from poor water management. Can the human race survive? Free and open to the public.

Global Warming: How does it affect Iowa and what can we DO about it? February 13, 2:00 – 3:00 p.m. The monthly program and discussion series features local and regional “experts” on how we can work together to preserve the gift of creation and lead healthier lives. Free and open to the public.

BENET HOUSE RETREAT CENTER, ROCK ISLAND, IL

To register call 309-283-2108 or go online: retreats@smmsisters.org.

Book Club, Same Kind of Different as Me by Ron Hall and Denver Moore. This is an amazingly true story of a powerful example of healing, restorative power of forgiveness and the life changing power of unconditional love. Facilitator: Sr. Helen Carey, OSB, Meeting bi-weekly on Thursdays 9:30-11 am. Feb. 3-17, March 10, 24, 31 and April 14. Fee: \$5 per session or \$25 for the series.

Love is a Decision: Feb. 11, 6:30-9:30 pm. Rekindle your love and commitment during our annual Valentine program. Join other couples for enrichment, reflection, renewal of your marriage commitment and relaxing with a candlelight dessert. Presenters are Donna & Jeff Merideth and John & Marilyn Bustle. Fee: Free will donation. Couples may stay overnight at Benet House for an additional \$43.

Overview of the Sacraments: Feb. 19, 9 am-noon. A look at the historical, liturgical and theological meaning of our sacraments along with discussion of contemporary challenges facing the sacramental system of the Church. Presenter: Rev. Michael Schaab. Fee: \$15 plus an option to stay for lunch \$7.

Lenten Day of Prayer: Fire in the Deep – The Power of the Trinity in our Faith & Life: March 3, 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Bring your Bible to focus on the power and role of the Trinity in Faith, Scripture and Theology. We will explore the Trinity’s role as a practical healing “antidote” for today’s chronic anxiety. Mass will conclude the day. Presenter: Fr. Robert J. Miller, Redemptorist, Pastor St. Dorothy Church, Chicago; MA Divinity. Fee: \$30 (incl. lunch).

The Gospel of Matthew: March 20, 1:30 – 4:00 p.m. Spend an afternoon exploring the Gospel of Matthew and its unique perspective, exploring such issues as: When and why was this book written? Why does Matthew include four obscure women among Jesus’ ancestors? What do his statements about the Jewish law say about his unique presentation of Jesus? And, how is Matthew’s perspective important for Christian communities today? Presenter: Micah D. Kiel, Ph.D. Assistant Professor of Theology, St. Ambrose University. Fee: \$15.

SHALOM RETREAT CENTER, DUBUQUE

For more information or to register, contact Karen Knepper: 563-582-3592, kknepper@shalomretreats.org or visit www.shalomretreats.org.

Understanding the Faith Traditions of Our Brothers and Sisters (3 session series): Thursdays, Feb. 10, 24 & Mar. 10, 7:00 – 8:30 p.m. Today it seems more important than ever to strive to understand the beliefs, lifestyles and prayer of many faith traditions. To further this understanding, Shalom is offering a series of three sessions presented by a member and local leader of the respective tradition.

Feb. 10: Learning about Quakerism and Its Traditions: Presenter: Ralph Scharnau

Feb. 24: Learning about the Unitarian Universalist Fellowship and Its Traditions: Presenter: Cindy Wiese

Mar. 10: Learning about Islam and Its Traditions: Presenter: Imam (Dr.) Adib Kassas

Offering: \$10/session; \$25/series. Register by the Tuesday before each session.

Valentine Evening for Married Couples: Marriage & Romance. No, it’s not an Oxymoron! Feb. 13, 6:00–8:00 p.m. Enjoy a candlelight dinner and all the trimmings along with a program presented by Dave and Jane Heiar. Includes 5:00 pm liturgy for those who wish to attend. Offering: \$44/couple. Register by Feb. 9.

To support the ministry of your parish, school and the diocese these groups automatically receive the *Mini-Messenger*:

Deacons	Diocesan Corporate Board	Youth Ministers	Pastoral Associates
Diocesan Liturgical Commission	Parishes	Parish Lay Directors	Sisters
Priests	Principals	Diocesan Board of Education	Bookkeepers
Diocesan Pastoral Council	Seminarians	Directors/Coordinators of Faith Formation	RCIA Parish Contacts
Diocesan Planning Commission	Catholic Foundation		

Other interested persons are welcome to subscribe. If you have questions regarding your subscription contact Laurie Hoefling, hoefling@davenportdiocese.org.

Faith & Justice Internships

The Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD):

1) Provides grants to self-help projects developed by grassroots groups of empowered poor persons who are working to address the root causes of poverty in their communities.

2) Works to increase Catholics' awareness of poverty in the U.S., educate about the Catholic social tradition, and build bridges between poor and non-poor communities.

Apply at:

Hopkins@davenportdiocese.org

For Information,

contact: Loxi Hopkins,
CCHD Diocesan
Director, 563-888-4212



Catholic? Interested in fighting poverty?

Intern with the Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD).

Internship Information: applications will close February 28th

Who? Any U.S. Catholic with an interest in solidarity building, participation of the poor, and Catholic social teaching.

What? Intern will work with Quad Cities Interfaith, a CCHD funded group. Tasks will vary but may include: parish education, training and outreach; letter and article writing; research; and developing relationships with community organizations. Internships are paid at a rate of \$12.00/hour.

Where? Diocese of Davenport

When? Internships are offered during 2011/2012 school year. Participation in a June 1-3, 2011 orientation is required for all interns.

Why? To support this important ministry of the Church while building professional skills and relationships.



Journey to Holiness

From the dawning of the day
To the deepening of the night,
You surround us with a bounty
Beyond our needs, beyond our hopes.
We praise you in amazement.

Oh, Lord, your wondrous ways
Are beyond our understanding.

From the light that signals morning
To the shadows beckoning evening,
You fill our souls with holiness.

Created one in you,
All we have and all we share,
Are lifted by your love.

Oh, Lord your wondrous ways
Are beyond our imagining.

In the quiet of the morn
We kneel to you.
In the break of midday toil
We sing to you.
In the resting of the night
We dream of you.

Oh, Lord your wondrous ways
Fill us with everlasting joy.

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Registration Fee: \$90 per person
Accommodations: A limited number of private and semi-private rooms are available on a first-come, first-served basis at the Savior Pastoral Center, ranging in price from \$25 - \$50. To reserve your room, call the Archdiocese of Kansas City, Kansas at 913-647-0325 or e-mail stewdev@archkck.org.

Conference rates of \$99/night are available at the Hampton Inn, Village West, 913-328-1400 and the Holiday Inn Express, Village West, 913-328-1024. To guarantee rate, book rooms by March 14, 2011.

—Photos by Laura Rutter

Journey to Holiness



Region IX
International Catholic
Stewardship Conference

Friday, April 1, 2011

Savior Pastoral Center
12601 Parallel Parkway
Kansas City, KS 66109
913-647-0326



Attendees – Please print full names for badges

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_____ (Arch)Diocese, Parish, Religious Community or Association

_____ Contact Person

_____ Street Address / City / State / Zip

_____ E-Mail / Phone

Please complete this form and return with check for \$90 per person to:
Eric Haselhorst
Diocese of Dodge City
910 Central
Dodge City, KS 67801
Phone: 620-227-1530

Registration
Journey to Holiness
Region IX
International Catholic Stewardship Conference

God is the supreme gift giver. God's gift giving takes expression in the attitude of Jesus Christ who emptied himself out of love for our sake. Our parish is attempting to pattern our ministry after this attitude of Christ. Stewardship is the lens through which we can find practical ways to live out our discipleship.

Fr. Jim Golka was born and raised in Grand Island, the fourth of ten children. He received a Bachelor of Arts degrees in Theology and in Philosophy from Creighton University in Omaha, and a Masters of Divinity and a Masters of Arts in Sacramental Theology from St. Paul Seminary School of Divinity at the University of St. Thomas in St. Paul, Minnesota. Ordained a priest for the Diocese of Grand Island in 1994, Fr. Golka has served in parishes in Kearney, Alliance, and Scottsbluff, and is currently pastor of St. Patrick Church in North Platte. He also serves as the Director of Continuing Education of Clergy for the Diocese of Grand Island.



Father Jim Golka, Pastor,
St. Patrick Church,
Diocese of Grand Island,
Nebraska

Keynote Address:
God's Gift-Giving and our
Parish's Story of
Stewardship

CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

8:00 AM Registration & Continental Breakfast

8:30 AM Welcome — Shawn Crawford, Diocese of Salina, KS

8:45 AM Keynote Address — Father Jim Golka, Diocese of Grand Island, NE

9:45 AM Break — Please visit the parish booths

TRACK 1 — PRACTICAL STEWARDSHIP
Stewardship Committee
Jody Paulsen/Shawn Crawford
 Walk away from this session with knowledge of how to recruit, educate and develop your own committee and stewardship duties and roles within the committee and the parish.

TRACK 2 — REACHING THE FAITHFUL Youth
Sandy Rieley
 An invitation to change the world! Young adults everywhere constantly hear the call to renew the face of the earth. This is a call that demands excellence. It is a call to listen to the voice of the Spirit speaking of gratitude and responsibility. This is an invitation to Catholic stewardship. How do you address this invitation?

TRACK 3 — FORUM:
4 PILLARS OF STEWARDSHIP
Overview
 Members of St. Thomas Aquinas parish in Wichita will share their parish story of how they build upon the four pillars tied to the four marks of the Catholic Church: one, holy, catholic and apostolic.

TRACK 4 — FORMATION
Forming Our Children to Become Christian Stewards
Father John Lanzrath
 The stewardship way of life begins at a very young age and continues throughout the pilgrim journey of our faith. This presentation will focus on helpful ideas that parents and teachers can pass on to their children to form them to become Christian stewards.

11:00 AM Break — Please visit the parish booths

The Pastoral Letter
Jody Paulsen/Shawn Crawford
 The pastoral letter serves as the foundation of our growing understanding and knowledge of stewardship. Learn the importance of small group study and how it helps to map out our parish/diocesan stewardship journey.

Communicating Stewardship
Eric Haselhorst
 The Millennials, Y Generation, Gen X, Baby Boomers, and War Babies attend your parish. Learn the mechanics of these groups and how to effectively communicate with them. It is not what you say, it's what people hear.

Formation and Service
 Facilitated by Joan Bindel, stewardship director, Diocese of Des Moines

Choosing the Eternal
E. Jane Rutter
 We are made for eternity. Our hearts long to hear, "well done my good and faithful servant" when we stand face-to-face with God. Discipleship is the path to the eternal.

12:15 PM Break — Please visit the parish booths

12:30 PM Lunch

The Renewal Process
Jody Paulsen/Shawn Crawford
 What is the renewal process? How do we plan and execute it? Gain ideas to take back to your stewardship committee in order to develop and implement your parish's renewal process.

Reaching Hispanics (English)
Justo Gonzalez
 Explore ways to reach Hispanics, understand the culture and what hooks Hispanics in terms of commitment. Learn to help Hispanics grow in their understanding of their role, to own their ministry in terms of time, talent and treasure.

Hospitality and Prayer
 Facilitated by Paula Moss, vice chancellor for stewardship, Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph

Stewardship and Servant Leadership
Dan Ebener
 What is servant leadership and how does it work in a parish? Explore its practice via seven behaviors practiced by leaders and members in high-performing parishes.

2:45 PM Break — Please visit the parish booths

3:00 PM Mass — Celebrant: Archbishop Joseph F. Naumann, Archdiocese of Kansas City, Kansas (*Priests: please bring alb and stole*)

SPEAKERS



Jody Paulsen, MSW

Jody Paulsen was the assistant director of parish stewardship for the Diocese of Lincoln for the last 5 years, working closely with pastors and parishes within the diocese to educate and promote stewardship as a way of life. Along with the couple's three children, the Paulsen family recently moved to Yankton, SD where her husband Brian took over as chief of police and she decided she should go along. She is currently working as a child therapist with emotionally disturbed children. Jody holds a Bachelor's degree in social work from Nebraska Wesleyan University, and a master's degree in social work from the University of Nebraska-Omaha.



Eric Haselhorst

Eric has served as the director of stewardship for the Diocese of Dodge City for the past four years. He holds Bachelor of Science and Master of Science degrees from Kansas State University. His professional experience is in banking and education.

Shawn Crawford

Shawn Crawford is the director of stewardship and development for the Diocese of Salina and the executive director of The Catholic Community Foundation of the diocese. Shawn earned his Ph.D. in English from Oklahoma State University with a specialty in Milton and Shakespeare. Shawn has been married to his wife, Julia, for twenty-one years and has the two brightest children in the known universe.



E. Jane Rutter, CFRE

Jane Rutter has served as the director of the stewardship office for the Diocese of Jefferson City since 2001. Prior to that, she was founder and president of Grants Link, Inc., a successful grant writing and training organization. She is author of *The Self-Sustaining Nonprofit: Planning for Success* and writes the weekly column "On the Spiritual Journey" published in *The Catholic Missourian*. Jane is also a member of the board of directors of the International Catholic Stewardship Council. Raised in South America, she is fluent in Spanish.



Sandy Rieley

As director of youth ministry at Pax Christi parish in the Diocese of Colorado Springs, Sandy Rieley recruits, trains supports and evaluates teams providing ministry opportunities for youth. She is a national speaker on stewardship, training volunteers, living liturgy, prayer and resourcing. She participates in a Catholic-Jewish dialog group, serves as an ambassador for Group Publishing promoting Catholic youth ministry materials, and designs and directs retreats.



Justo Gonzalez

Justo Gonzalez has a dual role with the Diocese of Jefferson City: chaplain of Hospital Ministry and director of Hispanic Ministry. Justo has earned three Masters' degrees: Social Work from Case Western, Divinity from Illif School of Theology, and Pastoral Ministry from Christ the King Seminary. He worked with inner city gangs with violent backgrounds, served as pastor of a Methodist church for eleven years, and ran the chaplaincy program at All Children's Hospital in Tampa for five years, and Tyson Foods' in Arkansas for two.



Father John Lanzrath

A native of Wichita, Kansas, Fr. John Lanzrath earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in Mathematics and Statistics. After working as a civilian in military intelligence at Boeing Military Airplane Company, he resigned from his position to enter the seminary. He studied at Mt. St. Mary Seminary in Emmitsburg, Maryland. Ordained a priest in 1988, he has served at different parishes in the Wichita area. In Rome, he served as a spiritual director for the novices of the Missionaries of Charity with Blessed Teresa of Calcutta. Returning to the United States in 1996, he served in the Bishop's office for six years, then served six years at the Spiritual Life Center, the diocesan retreat center. In 2008, Fr. Lanzrath was named the director of stewardship for the diocese. In January of this year, he was named chancellor of the diocese.



Dan R. Ebener

Dan Ebener is a full-time professor of organizational leadership at St. Ambrose University, part-time director of stewardship for the Diocese of Davenport, and author of *Servant Leadership Models For Your Parish*. Dan has traveled to all 50 states and to about 55 countries, most of them in Latin America, Europe and Africa. He has been a speaker or workshop leader in 35 states. Most of his international travel has involved mission trips or leadership seminars. In January 2009, he taught a leadership course in Patzcuaro, Mexico. In May 2009 and 2010, he taught several leadership seminars in Croatia, Bosnia and Serbia.



GROWING IN FAITH THROUGH DIFFICULT TIMES



A day of reflection with Sr. Joyce Rupp

Saturday, February 26, 2011

St. Patrick's Parish Center, 4330 St. Patrick Drive, Iowa City, Iowa

Everyone experiences troubling situations at one time or another. Disturbances and difficulties offer an opportunity for spiritual growth. Christianity refers to this experience as the *paschal mystery*. During Lent, we deliberately reflect on this process of *life-death-new-life* because it mirrors the journey of Jesus and is at the heart of spiritual growth. How do we embrace the dying parts of this cycle that precede promised growth? How do we enter into the unknown, keep hope in times of suffering and discouragement? Who and what sustains and supports us until we emerge from the chrysalis of darkness into the birth of fuller love and deeper peace?

As Joyce Rupp facilitates this retreat she reflects on these questions. Through creative prayer, conferences, quiet reflective times and group dialogue she will encourage participants to enter into the heart of the paschal mystery with confidence, trusting they will find the peace and hope they desire as they renew their dedication to God.

Schedule

9:00 Registration (coffee, juice, pastries)
9:30 – 11:30 Joyce Rupp
11:30 – 12:30 Lunch
12:30 – 2:30 Joyce Rupp
2:30 Sending forth

Directions (new street, doesn't appear on most maps yet)

I-80 Exit 246. Go South on **Dodge Street**
Turn left (East) at stoplight onto **Scott Blvd.**
Continue on Scott Blvd through two 4-way stops.
Turn left (East) on **Lower West Branch Road** (Bickford Cottage sign)
Continue to T-intersection. You can see the Church on your left.

Registrations are limited!

Cost: \$35

Registration deadline: February 19th

For information, contact Barb Butterworth butterworthb@davenportdiocese.org (563) 324-1911

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