

# Theology on Tap 2005

## Joliet Diocese

Day of Week/Church	Time	Date	Speaker	Topic
<b>SUNDAY</b>				
<b>Immaculate Conception</b> Contact: Kristin Kramer <a href="mailto:kkramer@icelmhurst.org">kkramer@icelmhurst.org</a> (630) 530-3482  134 Arthur St. Elmhurst, IL 60126				
	6:30 pm.	July 10	Michael O'Keefe	<b>"The Passion in light of the Passion."</b>  Focus of the evening will be on how we understand Jesus as our Savior, particularly in light of the theology of atonement that is reflected in Mel Gibson's The Passion of the Christ and other models of salvation reflected in the Gospels
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<b>St. Scholastica</b> Contact: Jerry Christensen <a href="mailto:StSDeaconJerry@aol.com">StSDeaconJerry@aol.com</a> (630) 985-2351 ext. 370  7800 Janes Ave. Woodridge, IL 60517				
	7:00 pm.	July 10	Nancy McKnight	<b>“Meet My Friends...Spirit &amp; Grace!”</b>  How will you meet Spirit and Grace in your life? You must find space to achieve simplicity, make time for discernment, and seek integrity by living a life of witness to the Holy Spirit. Through the grace of transformation, you can experience a change of heart – your own heart - which leads to a change of heart in others. Come to hear stories and share prayer – and to meet Spirit & Grace!
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<b>Sts. Peter and Paul</b> Contact: Christine Kancewick <a href="mailto:chriskance@yahoo.com">chriskance@yahoo.com</a> (630) 718-2154  36 N. Ellsworth Naperville, IL 60540				
	7:00 pm.	July 11	Michael O'Keefe	<b>"The Passion in light of the Passion."</b>  Focus of the evening will be on how we understand Jesus as our Savior, particularly in light of the theology of atonement that is reflected in Mel Gibson's The Passion of the Christ and other models of salvation reflected in the Gospels
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<b>St. Mary Immaculate</b> Contact: Peni Heffernan <a href="mailto:stmarys_adult_formation@hotmail.com">stmarys_adult_formation@hotmail.com</a> (815) 436-2651 ext. 806  15629 Rt. 59 Plainfield, IL 60544				
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<b>St. Jude</b> Contact: Jenny Krumdrick <a href="mailto:jennymular@yahoo.com">jennymular@yahoo.com</a> (815) 463-4266  241 W. Second St. New Lenox, IL 60451				
	7:00 pm.	July 12	Fr. Gerry Riva	<b>“Let’s Go to the Movies!”</b>  The saying goes “If you want to know about a society, study their arts.” We will look at current cinema and see what it says about the world we live in. Will we be surprised!
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<b>St. Thomas the Apostle</b> Contact: Jim Melton <a href="mailto:hopedawg1@stapostle.org">hopedawg1@stapostle.org</a> (630) 355-8980 ext. 123  1500 Brookdale Naperville, IL 60563				
	7:00 pm.	July 12	Jim Warda	<b>"When You've Got It All and Still Aren't Full: What to Do When Cars, Condos and Cash Still Leave You Empty"</b>  In this hurry and worry world, it's easy to lose sight of who we are and what matters. In this interactive, fun and thought-provoking workshop, Jim guides participants on a journey back to what they believe in and where their talents touch the world. He also includes activities and questions that teach us how to see the world and ourselves as new again. Participants will leave the workshop, having connected to each other and the eternal lessons that surround us every day.
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<b>St. Petronille</b> Contact: Adele Lessmeister <a href="mailto:lessmeistera@stpetchurch.org">lessmeistera@stpetchurch.org</a> (630) 469-0404 ext. 2107  425 Prospect Glen Ellyn, IL 60137				
<b>NOTES:</b> We will provide a light supper. An RSVP is appreciated for planning, but not required.	7:00 pm.	July 13	Steve Kellmeyer	<b>“Sex and the Sacred City”</b>  If you have ever wondered how God lives in the world or what the purpose of our lives is, this talk is for you! Discover how we live out the intimate, inner life of God in our own bodies! Learn how to bring enormous joy into your own life! But best of all, discover the full, the glorious meaning of love. Whether single or married, young adult or old codger, this talk will change the way you view yourself and the world.
	7:00 pm.	July 20	Eric Scheidler	<b>“Love and Responsibility: Why the Church Has It Right on Contraception”</b>  The papal succession process earlier this year brought unprecedented international attention to the teachings and traditions of the Catholic Faith, particularly the Church's more counter-cultural teachings, like her condemnation of contraception. We learned that the Church's teaching on contraception is widely rejected by Catholics themselves, more than any other teaching. But few who reject this teaching really understand it at even the most basic level. Learn why the Church has it right on contraception, and how essential this teaching is to the destiny of mankind.
	7:00 pm.	July 27	Fr. Thomas J. Loya, STB, MA	<b>“Marriage &amp; Celibacy--the Gift of Self”</b>  We only find ourselves by making of ourselves a sincere and total gift to a beloved. To be happy, everyone must be espoused in some way. Celibacy subsists in the marriage and marriage subsists in celibacy. Come and explore two sides of the same coin of love.

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<b>St. Isaac Jogues</b> Contact: Kelly Davis <a href="mailto:Kelly@stisaacjoguescc.org">Kelly@stisaacjoguescc.org</a> (630) 655-6670  306 W. 4 <sup>th</sup> Street Hinsdale, IL 60521				
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<b>Fiat House</b> Contact: Fr. John Regan <a href="mailto:frjohnr@aol.com">frjohnr@aol.com</a> (815) 834-4004  113 N. Ottawa St. Joliet, IL 60432				
	7:00 pm.	July 13	Steve Smith	<b>“Mass Confusion ... What Was That Reading All About?”</b>  For many, the Scripture readings at Mass can sometimes be confusing- even after a great homily! Learn how to get more out of the Scriptures at Mass. Together, we'll explore the "forms" in Scripture in order to really deepen and clarify our of appreciation of Christ in the Scriptures. Ever been confused about it all? Join us for a Spirit(ed) discussion!
	7:00 pm.	July 20	Bob Frazee	<b>“Stages of Faith: How you grow into your Faith”</b>  Just as over time we grow and develop as persons, so too does our faith evolve. Based on the work of Psychologist and Theologian James Fowler this presentation will explore the ways in which Faith changes as a person works his way along the journey of life. Rather than looking at the content of our Faith this will be a personal reflection on how our faith is lived out in the things we do.
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## Speaker Biographies

### **Robert Frazee**

Bob Frazee earned his Master of Arts in Pastoral Studies at Catholic Theological Union in Chicago where he concentrated in Biblical Studies. He worked as a catechist for 16 years, has done various adult presentations, and has taught in the Diocesan Ministry Formation Program

### **Jim Healy**

A counseling psychologist, Dr. James Healy is the director of the Center for Family Ministry of the Diocese of Joliet. A popular speaker and writer, his marriage preparation and enrichment materials are used in Catholic churches throughout the United States.

### **Steve Kellemeier**

Steve is a nationally-known author and lecturer who specializes in showing how theology applies to today's headlines. He appears frequently in lecture halls and on radio stations across the country. His diverse educational background permits him to address a far wider range of topics than is typical for most speakers. He has written for publications such as: This Rock magazine, New Oxford Review, Social Justice Review, and many others. He has been a guest on: Relevant Radio, Ave Maria Radio with Al Kresta, Covenant Network with Tony Holman, and "Breaking the Da Vinci Code" on Pax TV. His work can be found at the following on-line sites: The Fifth Column, Bridegroom Press, Chronwatch, Out2.com, Catholic Educator's, Resource Center, Free Republic, Catholic Exchange, and other sites .

### **Fr. Thomas J. Loya, STB, MA**

Fr. Loya is currently the pastor of Annunciation of the Mother of God Byzantine Catholic Parish in Homer Glen, IL. He is also the host of "Light of the East" radio program and speaks about Theology of the Body each week as a regular guest on Relevant Radio's Morning Air Program. As a seminarian studying in Rome, Fr. Loya was first exposed to Pope John Paul II's monumental teaching on the human person when he attended his weekly audiences about The Theology of the Body. Fr. Loya was ordained in 1982 and later added to his Bachelor of Fine Arts by earning a Masters in Counseling and Human Services in 1993. Using his background in art, counseling, and Eastern Catholic spirituality, Fr. Loya brings the principles of The Theology of the Body deep into the lived experience of every aspect of human sexuality.

### **Fr. Burke Masters**

Fr. Masters was born December 17, 1966 in Joliet, IL. The youngest of three boys, Fr. Burke's dream in life was always to play major league baseball. He attended Providence Catholic High School in New Lenox, IL, where he actually joined the Catholic Church in 1985. He followed his baseball dream to Mississippi State University, where he played from 1987-1990. The highlight of his career was playing in the 1990 College World Series in Omaha, NE. When his baseball career didn't materialize, he obtained a Masters degree in Sports Administration from Ohio University in 1993. Then he worked for the Kane County Cougars, a minor league baseball team affiliated with the Florida Marlins, between 1993-1997. Following a call to the priesthood that would not go away, Fr. Burke attended Mundelein Seminary from 1997-2002. He was ordained a priest on June 1, 2002. He has just completed 3 years at St. Mary's parish in West Chicago, his first assignment.

**Nancy McKnight**

Nancy has served as a Junior & Senior High Youth Minister, Director of Religious Education and Confirmation Coordinator for over twelve years. She has authored and directed numerous retreats and workshops on the diocesan and parish levels. She has presented, coordinated, and/or supervised twelve major youth conferences in the Chicagoland area and New Mexico. She currently presents and facilitates workshops and retreats throughout the United States. Nancy has spoken on Justice and Peace, Women's Spirituality, Sacramental Preparation, Marriage Enrichment, and Staff and Catechist Enrichment. Nancy is certified in Youth Studies from Loyola University in Chicago. Nancy has been married to her husband, Mark, for 27 years. Together they have three adult children.

**Kevin O'Donnell**

Kevin has worked in College Campus Ministry for the last ten years and is currently the Director of Campus Ministry for the Diocese of Joliet. He has been coordinating liturgical music for more than thirteen years. He holds a BA and an MA from Lewis University and is working towards a Doctorate in Ministry at Catholic Theological Union in Chicago. Kevin lives in Lockport with his wife and two children.

**Michael O'Keefe**

Michael teaches in the area of Catholic Systematic Theology, which is the area of study which involves the fundamental doctrines of the Catholic faith, particularly our understanding of Jesus Christ, church, sacraments, and the human experience of God. He currently is at Saint Xavier University in Chicago for the past 8 years. He had a Ph.D. from Notre Dame, a MA and BA from Saint John's University in Collegeville, MN. And a M.Ed in Guidance and Counseling from the University of Idaho. He has three children, a spouse who teaches at McAuley. They attend church at Christ the King in Chicago.

**Fr. Gerry Riva**

Father Riva is pastor of St. Scholastica Church in Woodridge, IL. He has been actively involved in the area of drama as producer, director, teacher and performer on the high school level and with community groups for over 35 years.

**Eric J. Scheidler**

Eric is the communications director of the Pro-Life Action League and head of the League's marriage and family outreach. He also works with the League's Generations for Life youth outreach division. He was formerly the Vice-President of The GIFT Foundation. Eric lives with his wife April and their six children in Aurora, IL.

**Steve Smith**

Steve grew up Catholic, struggling with his faith, then committed his life to Christ. After worshipping at Willow Creek, Steve returned to his Catholic roots. While on staff at Holy Family Church in Inverness, he built E.P.I.C., a "next generation" worship community for young adults.

**Jim Warda**

Jim, author of "Where Are We Going So Fast?", has spoken and written for Chicken Soup for the Soul, the "Chicago Tribune," and "Disney" magazine. In addition, he's a leadership consultant who focuses on putting humanity and sincerity back in the business world.