

## Registration Form

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Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Parish \_\_\_\_\_

*With the exception of Sandra Kennedy's Workshop which will be during the second session only, all others will be held during both sessions.*

### Workshop I

1st Choice \_\_\_\_\_

2nd Choice \_\_\_\_\_

### Workshop II

1st Choice \_\_\_\_\_

2nd Choice \_\_\_\_\_

**Fee is \$10 per person.**

*Please make checks payable to  
"Joliet DRE Cluster"*

*Return this form to your parish DRE by October 5th*

For information on registration please call Theresa Palicka at:  
**630-759-7588 ext 109**

St. Francis of Assisi Religious Education Office (REO)  
1501 W. Boughton Rd., Bolingbrook, IL 60490

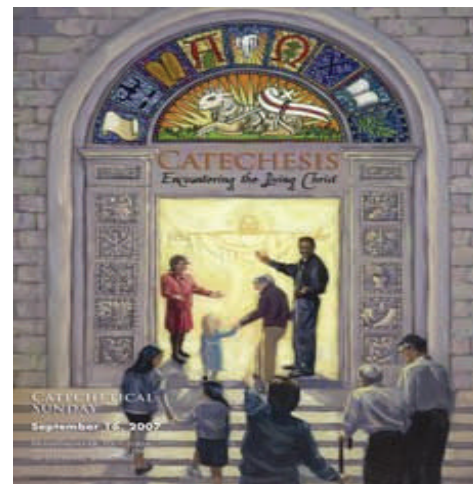
Exhibits by:

**Sadlier, Inc., Wheaton Religious,  
and On a Wing and a Prayer**

### Directions to St. Francis Parish - Bolingbrook

From I-55, exit Rt. 53 North to Boughton Rd., turn left to Palmer, turn left - Finally, turn left into the parking lot. Please enter by the east door.

# Encountering the Living Christ



**Joliet Cluster In-Service Day**  
**October 20, 2007**

**St. Francis of Assisi**  
**1501 W. Boughton Road**  
**Bolingbrook, Illinois**

## Schedule of the Day

8:00 am	Coffee and Registration
8:30 am	Welcome and Thank You to Sadlier
8:35 am	Opening Prayer
8:50 am	Welcome: Tom Quinlan
9:00 am	Keynote: Saundra Kennedy
10:00 am	Short Break
10:10 am	Workshop I
11:00 am	Short Break
11:20 am	Workshop II
12:10 pm	Box Lunch provided by Sadlier <i>Feel free to stay and visit or take one to go.</i>

## Keynote Speaker

**Saundra Kennedy** holds a B.A. in Elementary and Special Education from St. Mary's Dominican College, New Orleans; Masters of Religious Education from Loyola Univ. of the South, New Orleans; and Doctorate on Education and Religion from Columbia Univ. and Theological Seminary, New York. She has been a presenter for numerous keynotes, workshops, and conferences for Catholic school teachers, principals, superintendents, parish catechists, directors of Religious Education and diocesan directors and parents. Saundra's keynote title is "*Heralds of the Good News: Becoming the best you Can Be*". This presentation will examine the various qualities of a good catechist and what it takes to become the very best Herald you can be!

## Workshops and Speakers

1. **More Than Just Words: Helping Children to Become Pray-ers and Not Just Sayers of Prayer.**  
**Saundra Kenedy** Held during workshop II only

Helping children to develop an intimate relationship with God goes far beyond the mere teaching of traditional prayer, albeit, that is important. Bringing them to an understanding of communicating with their God and Creator is of primary essence. Various prayer forms are considered in this presentation as teachers/catechists are encouraged to develop their own understanding of prayer.

2. **Encounter Christ on the Mountain Top**  
**Dr. Jacquelynne Pokorny**

The Beatitudes offer us a blessing and a challenge. How do we live the Beatitudes in our everyday life? How can we engage those we teach in meaningful ways and encourage them to walk the path of the beatitudes?

*Jackie serves as a consultant and presenter for Sadlier as well as an RCIA catechist and parish sponsors coordinator at her parish in Algonquin. She holds an M.ED. from DePaul Univ. in counseling and guidance and a Doctor of Ministry from the Univ. of St. Mary of the Lake. With a background in the Chicago Office of Catechesis, as a teacher, Director, and RCIA leader, Jackie brings inspiration and the practical to this workshop.*

3. **Spirituality of the Catechist**  
**Sister Clarita Schmacher, OSF**

Create a space for encounters with the living Jesus in our busy lives. Various ways will be experienced and explored as how one can grow in the awareness of God's presence and unconditional love.

*Clarita Schumacher is a Joliet Franciscan Sister. Her ministerial experience includes teaching and administration in elementary education, Director of Religious Education, sacramental and pastoral work in the parish setting. Sr. Clarita is presently the Pastoral Associate at St. Philip Parish, Addison, responsible for Ministry of Care and Bereavement, and Adult Ed. In 2003-05 she participated in the Loyola Press Prayer Program.*

4. **Finding God in Every Lesson!**  
**Susan Tutaj**

Have you ever rushed through your lesson to run out of time and not have any time to pray? This hands-on workshop will give you ideas on how to move seamlessly from the key message of your lesson, story or scripture passage into prayer. Your students will look forward to your prayer opportunities and their time to be with God.

*Susan Tutaj is the Director of Religious Education at St. Petronille Parish in Glen Ellyn. She has received a B.A. in Music Education, M.A. in Religious Studies, completed the Joliet Institute of Spiritual Companionship and Loyola Press' Companions in Prayer. She has also been the Coordinator for Youth Ministry for 8 years, taught in the Catholic Schools and continues her faith journey.*

5. **Sharing the "Good News" with Teens**  
**Mark A. Buckley**

When Jesus said let the little children come, He implied our young teens as well. Mark will share some strategies and information concerning sharing the 'good news' with young teens. Emphasis will be placed on learning their favorite teaching style and meeting this demand.

*Mark A. Buckley, B.A., M.T.S., D.Min. (candidate) has over 25 years in catechetical service mostly in the Archdiocese of Chicago. Currently Director of Religious Education at Church of the Holy Spirit in Schaumburg and consultant with Willaim Sadlier Co. in catechetics. In addition to working in Chicago Mark has a number of years mission experience in Africa in catechetics.*