

Registration Form
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Name _____
Address _____
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Parish _____

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

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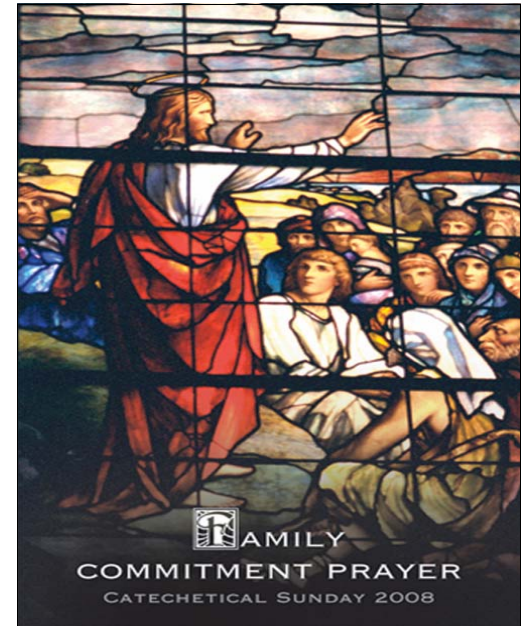
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Exhibits by: Sadlier, Inc., and On a Wing and a Prayer

Directions to Pastoral Center

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The Word of God in the Life and Mission of the Church



Joliet Cluster In-Service Day November 1, 2008

St. Charles Borromeo
Pastoral Center
402 S Independence Blvd.

| Schedule | |
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| 8:00 am | Mass |
| 8:45 am | Coffee and Registration |
| 9:15 am | Welcome and Thank you to Sadlier |
| 9:30 am | Keynote: |
| 10:40 am | Workshop I |
| 11:30 am | Short Break |
| 11:40 am | Workshop II |

Keynote Speaker

Where In the World Is the Word of God?

Kathleen Hendricks (1 hour "Being")

In the course of a day, many of us find ourselves encased in noise. Something is either turned on, plugged in, or surround-sounding us on an almost constant basis. When do we tune out some of this ambient noise in order to hear the Word of God? What does it sound like? How do we cultivate the art of listening that will allow this Word to resonate deep within our hearts? As we come together for this day of catechetical enrichment, we begin with these questions in order to attune ourselves to God's Word each day, no matter what is going on around us.

Kathleen Hendricks is a contributing writer to many of the Sadlier's programs. She has worked in religious education and pastoral ministry for over 25 years in Alaska, Colorado, and British Columbia, Canada. She was also Director of Religious Education for the Diocese of Colorado Springs. Kathy has served on a number of national boards and was advisor to the U. S. Bishops' Committee on Women in the Church and Society. Kathy holds a B.S. in elementary education from Univ. of Colorado and M.A in adult community development from Regis Univ., Denver

Workshops and Speakers

1 Connect Word, Life and Sacrament Through Liturgical Celebration

Dr. Jacquelynne Pokorny (1/2 hour "Knowing", 1/2 hour "Doing")

Focusing on the liturgical year of the Church, we will look at how the Word, symbol and ritual come together to connect the Sacred Stories of Scripture with life. The workshop will give us an opportunity to share practical, age appropriate activities that help our young people make this connection at Mass and in ritual prayer during a catechetical session.

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.

2 St. Paul and Praying with Teens.

Mark A. Buckley (1 hour "Doing")

Our program will look at the person of St. Paul. This will include praying with teens and practical methods to use to engage teens in praying. Not teaching them a prayer, but enabling them to lead classroom prayer during the year. St. Paul is the special apostle to the gentiles and most of us are today's gentiles. Since Paul is talking to us, what you can use in your classrooms this fall to ask students to get into the person of St. Paul. Imagine St. Paul as a teen today and try to use his vision in missions with teens.

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.

3 Including All God's Children

Cindi Birse-Swanson (1 hour "Doing")

Our Christian/Catholic teaching is clear. Jesus wants all of us to be at His Table. All we have to do is read His words and we know all children are meant to be part of the religious formation process, at the same time at the same place. In this break out session, Cindi Birse-Swanson will review various tools teachers can use to make the class accessible to students with disabilities. Often the modification will be at your fingertips, THE PARENTS! Other times, your own imagination and flexibility will lead you. It almost never needs more money to bring in a child with a disability. Come with an open mind, and an open heart and the recognition that the face of Jesus is in all children, and we all loose when they are not present.

Cindi Birse-Swanson advocates for people with developmental disabilities across Illinois. She is director of disabilities and family outreach at Holy Spirit Catholic Community where she supports children with disabilities in the regular religious education program. She has hosted series of speakers for families impacted by disabilities on such topics as Social Security, guardianship, Educational rights to name a few. Cindi has a masters degree in social work and is a certified school social worker. She has her own disability and works daily to engage in a quality filled life

4 The Sacramental Dimension of Life: By Our Children We are Taught

Dr. Pat Moran (1/2 "Knowing", 1/2 hour "Doing")

The principle of sacramentality is that fundamental Catholic notion that all reality is potentially and in fact the bearer of God's presence and the instrument of divine action on our behalf. Children possess a profound sense of God as present and available in their everyday lives and through the ordinary "stuff" of each moment. As we endeavor to guide and form our youth, how best can we nurture their natural attraction to this mystery and deepen their understanding of our Christian sacraments in the life of the Church. Together we will explore very practical ways to integrate theology of sacrament and daily sacramental living.

Pat is a popular presenter on educational and catechetical topics. She has a passion for the ministry of teaching, recognizing the critical role the laity bring to the mission and ministry of the Church today and for the future.