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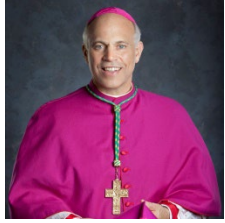
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## MOST REVEREND SALVATORE CORDILEONE, ARCHBISHOP OF SAN FRANCISCO

### English and Spanish Keynote



Salvatore J. Cordileone was born in San Diego on June 5, 1956, to Leon and Mary Cordileone, who raised their family in Blessed Sacrament Parish. Salvatore was the second son and the third of their four children.

On March 23, 2009, Pope Benedict XVI appointed Bishop Cordileone as the fourth Bishop of Oakland. His Mass of Installation was celebrated on May 5, 2009, at the Cathedral of Christ the Light, Oakland. Three years later, on July 27, 2012, he was appointed the Archbishop of San Francisco and was installed on October 4, 2012, the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi, at the Cathedral of St. Mary of the Assumption.

As the new Metropolitan Archbishop of the Province of San Francisco, Archbishop Cordileone received the pallium from Pope Francis in Rome on June 29, 2013.

Archbishop Cordileone is a member of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) Committee on Laity, Marriage, Family Life and Youth and of its Committee for Canonical Affairs and Church Governance. He currently serves as well on the USCCB Ad Hoc Committee Against Racism, Subcommittee on the Catechism, and Eucharistic Revival Bishops' Advisory Group. In addition, the archbishop serves on a number of boards to support Church efforts beyond the USCCB, including the Catholic Benefits Association/Catholic Insurance Company, Cross Catholic Outreach Board of Directors, the Courage Apostolate Episcopal Board, the Governing Board of the International Theological Institute in Trumau, Austria, and is a founding member of the Episcopal Advisory Board of the Catholic Healthcare Leaders Association. The archbishop also serves as the Prior of the American Delegation of the Sacred Military Constantinian Order of Saint George.

Archbishop Cordileone's avocations include a life-long interest in jazz music. He also enjoys swimming, hiking and badminton, as well as spectator sports, especially professional baseball, and football.

Salvatore J. Cordileone nació en San Diego el 5 de junio de 1956, hijo de Leon y Mary Cordileone, quienes criaron a su familia en la Parroquia del Santísimo Sacramento. Salvatore fue el segundo hijo y el tercero de sus cuatro hijos.

El 23 de marzo de 2009, el Papa Benedicto XVI nombró al obispo Cordileone como el cuarto obispo de Oakland. Su Misa de Instalación se celebró el 5 de mayo de 2009 en la Catedral de Cristo la Luz, Oakland. Tres años después, el 27 de julio de 2012, fue nombrado Arzobispo de San Francisco y fue instalado el 4 de octubre de 2012, fiesta de San Francisco de Asís, en la Catedral de Santa María de la Asunción.

Como nuevo Arzobispo Metropolitano de la Provincia de San Francisco, el Arzobispo Cordileone recibió el palio de manos del Papa Francisco en Roma el 29 de junio de 2013.

El Arzobispo Cordileone es miembro del Comité de Laicos, Matrimonio, Vida Familiar y Juventud de la Conferencia de Obispos Católicos de los Estados Unidos (USCCB) y de su Comité de Asuntos Canónicos y Gobernanza de la Iglesia. Actualmente también se desempeña en el Comité Ad Hoc Contra el Racismo de la USCCB, el Subcomité sobre el Catecismo y el Grupo Asesor de Obispos del Renacimiento Eucarístico. Además, el arzobispo es miembro de varias juntas para apoyar los esfuerzos de la Iglesia más allá de la USCCB, incluida la Asociación de Beneficios Católicos/Compañía de Seguros Católicos, la Junta Directiva de Cross Catholic Outreach, la Junta Episcopal del Apostolado del Valor, la Junta de Gobierno del Instituto Teológico Internacional en Trumau, Austria, y es miembro fundador del Consejo Asesor Episcopal de la Asociación Católica de Líderes de la Salud. El arzobispo también se desempeña como Prior de la Delegación Estadounidense de la Sagrada Orden Militar Constantiniana de San Jorge.

Las vocaciones del arzobispo Cordileone incluyen un interés de por vida en la música jazz. También le gusta la natación, el senderismo y el bádminton, así como los deportes para espectadores, especialmente el béisbol profesional y el fútbol.

### KEYNOTE

**K-01 TALITHA KOUM CALLS US TO BE EVANGELISTS FOR THE EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL**

**K-02 TALITHA KOUM NOS LLAMA A SER EVANGELISTAS DEL RENACIMIENTO EUCARÍSTICO**

## FR. ALEJANDRO BAEZ, SJ

Spanish



Fr. Alejandro Báez, S.J. es un Jesuita de la Provincia de Oeaste de Estados Unidos. Se graduó y título de licenciatura en Filosofía y diplomado en Ciencias de la Religión y Psicología del Seminario menor del San Juan en Camarillo, CA. Alejandro termino una maestría en Educación Musical en la Universidad de Nueva York, donde se concentro en la interpretación vocal, coral y dirección instrumental. Él tiene una licencia de enseñanza en el Estado de Nueva York y California. Alejandro también ha desarrollado su formación musical en el Conservatorio de Musica de San Francisco, la Escuela Julliard de Música y en el Westminster Choir College de la Universidad Rider, Loyola Marymount University, Fordham University y la Universidad de Nueva York. En los últimos años, Alejandro ha estado cantando con la Sociedad Coral de Nueva York, Coro Maestro de Nueva York, Coro de la Universidad de Nueva York, Nueva, Coro de la Universidad de Fodham, el Coro de San Ignacio Coro en Manhattan, NY. En sus presentaciones corales el han cantado en el Carnegie Hall, Avery Fisher Hall, Skirball Center, y Alice Tully Hall de Nueva York. Alejandro enseño en la Escuela Secundaria Jesuita en Sacramento y Verbum Dei en Watts, CA. En ambas escuelas preparatorias Alejandro enseñó Justicia Social, Etica, Teología Moral, Antiguo y Nuevo Testamento, Liturgia, coros, talleres de canto y entretando volleyball. Las principales áreas de interés y experiencia de Alejandro son en la enseñanza de la escuela secundaria (sobre todo con los jóvenes menores de recursos), el ministerio litúrgico y música Hispana, la música y la espiritualidad, bienestar autentico y completo del cuerpo y alma, deportes y el autocuidado. Fue ordenado diácono en Octubre 21, 2017 y sacerdote el Junio 9th 2018. Actualmente el Padre Alejandro trabaja como director de coros y orquesta en la Escuela Preparatoria de Bellarmine and Tacoma WA. El Padre Alejandro es actualmente el Administrador Parroquial de la Iglesia de Santa Inés en San Francisco, CA. y es estudiando de doctorado en la Unión Teológica Católica en Chicago. Su pasión es enseñar liturgia, espiritualidad ignaciana, música pastoral y dar dirección espiritual.

## WORKSHOPS

### **A-31 ENSAYO LITÚRGICO MUSICAL: EFICAZ, ORACIÓN, & AMENO: EL QUE HACER Y QUE NO HACER, COMO PREPARA UN REPERTORIO LITÚRGICO**

¿Han escuchado que ensayar con un coro hispano/latino puede ser caos? ¿Que es una hora social, más que ensayo musical? Frecuentemente, la apertura de los miembros a cantar y contribuir a la liturgia es inspiradora, sin embargo su habilidad musical y falta de disciplina crea un gran reto para cualquier director de música. ¿Cómo ensayar la música efectivamente y a la misma vez, mantener un ambiente de oración y diversión? En este taller, les mostraré cómo preparar el repertorio para la Misa dominical en tan solo una hora y siete minutos. Trabajaremos con la música que se utiliza comúnmente en nuestras comunidades y compartiré técnicas que les ayudarán a llevar a cabo ensayos productivos, efectivos, alegres y llenos de oración para su coro.

### **D-31 “CONSEJOS PRÁCTICOS PARA VIVIR PLENAMENTE, BALANCEADA Y ALEGREMENTE TU MINISTERIO SIN DESCUIDAR TU VIDA PERSONAL”**

¿Puede ver cuidado personal en el ministerio pastoral? ¿Qué puedes hacer para cuidarte a ti mismo y a la misma vez lidiar con el trabajo que se presenta todos los días y a cualquier hora? Los ministros parroquiales tienen que buscar tiempo para cuidarse a si mismo! ¿Sientes que el ministerio pastoral te está agotando? ¿Buscas encontrar alegría y propósito en tu ministerio actual o descubrir uno nuevo donde Dios te esté llamando? Además, ¿deseas hallar un equilibrio en tu vida, especialmente si te sientes agotado o extremadamente cansado? ¿Quieres aprender a decir “no”? Si? En este taller, aprenderás a cuidar tu bienestar personal mientras sigues sirviendo en el ministerio. Exploraremos cómo lidiar con las demandas diarias que surgen a cualquier hora y, al mismo tiempo, encontrar tiempo para cuidarte a ti mismo. No podemos servir al Pueblo de Dios con lo mejor de nosotros si no atendemos nuestras propias necesidades físicas, mentales y espirituales. Discutiremos los desafíos que enfrentan los ministros y te proporcionaremos ideas concretas para lograr un equilibrio saludable en tu vida ministerial. Abordaremos prácticas para priorizar, manejar tu tiempo, incorporar el ejercicio físico, la oración y establecer metas y límites. Estas prácticas están inspiradas en la Espiritualidad Ignaciana y la Sagrada Escritura.

Este taller te brindará herramientas valiosas para encontrar el equilibrio en tu vida y descubrir cómo ser un ministro más efectivo y alegre en tu servicio al Pueblo de Dios.

## SR. NONA BARAIRO, SFCC

English



Sr. Nona belongs to the community of the Sisters for Christian Community and a Master Catechists for the Archdiocese of San Francisco. Sister holds a Master of Arts in Pastoral Liturgy at Santa Clara University and Theology Studies at Regina Mundi in Rome

She held the Director of Faith Formation position at St. Augustine Parish in South San Francisco for 31 years. She is renowned choir director, pilgrimage leader and national workshop speaker.

### WORKSHOPS

#### B-01 THE PILGRIMAGE OF THE HEART: A PILGRIMAGE OF TRANSFORMATION

Whether or not each of us eventually chooses to embark on a pilgrimage to some holy places at some point in our life, we are all called to set out on an inner kind of pilgrimage — the pilgrimage of the heart. We are called, in the words of St. Jerome, “to live for Jerusalem,” to follow Christ on a journey of growth and transformation.

In the New Testament, the early Christians were called “followers of The Way” because of Jesus’ compelling invitation to them to take to the road, to make all of their lives a continuous pilgrimage of conversion, of transformation. The journey of Abraham, of Moses, of the early Christians, of Jesus’ disciples, of the medieval pilgrims were not simply about traveling across physical space toward a holy ground. Theirs were all inner journeys of transformation.

The essence of pilgrimage, then, is the journey within. The essential pilgrimage is not one of the feet, but one of the heart.

“Talitha Koum,” ... “My child, get up”... Jesus is extending His hands to set you on a journey. Will you come?

#### C-01 GO THE ‘LITTLE WAY’

We are all called to holiness. St. Therese of Lisieux’s Little Way is a simple approach to the spiritual life that seeks to do ordinary things with extraordinary love. Her Little Way reminds us that anyone can become a saint! Have you ever heard the LITTLE WAY whispers of St. Therese in your ears? This workshop is a time for reflection to embrace her wisdom on loving with great fervor and ardor. Go the Little Way and discover the hidden treasure of the words of Jesus: “Unless you change and become like children, you will not enter the kingdom of heaven.” (Matt 18:3)

## ANA BARRAZA

English and Spanish



Ana Barraza is an international bilingual speaker and a Special Education teacher with certifications in Digital Evangelization and Catholic Digital Entrepreneurship, and a Master Catechist. She is part of the Loyola Press Speaker Corps, the head of the Ministry for Catholics with disAbilities for the Diocese of Sacramento, and an Adaptive Faith Formation catechetical leader.

Ana presents workshops for those who serve and/or are parents of persons with disAbilities on how to catechize and evangelize through hands-on activities, creative ways, and the richness of cultural diversity both in-person and virtual. Her website, Catholicus.info, and social media are her contribution to Adaptive Digital Evangelization and Catechesis.

Ana has been in various ministries for the past 30 years as catechetical leader, youth, young adult, and music minister, DRE, retreat and choir director, and digital evangelizer.

### WORKSHOPS

#### D-01 SAINTS AND THE EUCHARIST

Starting with a prayer to Jesus in the Eucharist by one of our saints, we will delve into key moments in the lives of different saints as they encountered Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. As the saints realized the Eucharist was the center of their lives, we will explore practical ways to also keep Jesus, Bread of Life, as the center of our lives. A list of multisensory ideas will equip you to engage and lead those you catechize to the Eucharist as center of their own lives. A litany of the saints will serve as a wrap up during our time together. Spanish

Ana Barraza es conferencista internacional bilingüe, maestra titulada de Educación Especial con certificaciones en Evangelización Digital y Emprendimiento Digital Católico. Es también Catequista Master. Ella forma parte del Loyola Press Speaker Corps, es líder del Ministerio para Católicos con disCapacidades en la Diócesis de Sacramento y líder catequético de Formación Adaptativa en la Fe.

La señora Ana se ha dedicado a impartir capacitación para aquellos/as que sirven y/o son padres de personas con disCapacidades sobre la catequesis y evangelización integrando formas creativas, manualidades y la riqueza de la diversidad cultural en persona y digital. A través de su sitio web, Catholicus.info y redes sociales, lleva a cabo la evangelización y catequesis digitales adaptativas.

La señora Ana ha prestado sus servicios por 30 años en diversos ministerios como líder catequético, directora de catequesis, coordinadora de Pastoral Juvenil, directora de retiros y coros y evangelizadora digital.

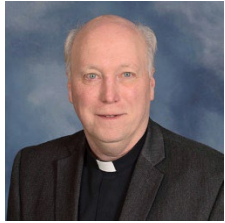
#### C-31 LOS SANTOS Y LA EUCARISTÍA

Comenzando con una oración de uno de los santos a Jesús Eucaristía, profundizaremos en momentos clave en la vida de diferentes santos al encontrarse con Jesús en el Santísimo Sacramento. Así como los santos se dieron cuenta de que la Eucaristía era el centro de sus vidas, nosotros exploraremos formas prácticas de mantener también a Jesús, Pan de Vida, como el centro de nuestras vidas. Una lista de ideas multisensoriales te servirá como herramienta para involucrar y guiar a aquellos a quienes catequizas a la Eucaristía como centro de sus propias vidas. Una letanía de los santos servirá como conclusión durante nuestro tiempo juntos.

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## FR. JOSEPH BENEDICT

English



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### WORKSHOPS

#### B-02 CONSCIENCE: AN ESSENTIAL ELEMENT OF A DISCIPLE'S FAITH JOURNEY

Conscience is often misunderstood within our communities. Too often it is reduced to a feeling, a personal opinion, or evaluated against a moral code. This workshop is an opportunity to develop a more robust sense of conscience within our moral tradition. The second vatican council addressed the dignity and importance of a person's conscience as a person's sacred core where an individual "is alone with god whose voice echoes in their depths." (gaudium et spes, no. 16)

## STEVE BOTSFORD

English



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### WORKSHOPS

#### B-03 CATECHESIS BEYOND THE TEXTBOOK

Are catechetical textbooks still valuable? While there are benefits to using textbooks for catechesis, their use also come with challenges. This session explores the mission of catechesis, the limitations of catechetical textbooks, and how we might practically go beyond the textbook to achieve the best results for our students.

#### D-02 BECOMING AN EVANGELIZING CATECHIST

Catechesis is a missionary mandate of the Church to proclaim the Good News of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the hearer. The Directory for Catechesis (2020) recognizes today's reality that many who have received the grace of sacraments have not experienced an encounter with Christ which limits or prohibits understanding of the faith itself. This session will explore evangelizing catechesis and how catechists can feel more confident and competent about their role as evangelizers and teachers of the faith.

## MARK BRUMLEY

English



Mark Brumley is president of Ignatius Press, one of the nation's largest Catholic publishers and distributors of videos and music. A former staff apologist with Catholic Answers, he is author of *The Seven Deadly Sins of Apologetics* from Catholic Answers Press, co-author of *A Study Guide for Jesus of Nazareth: Holy Week*, and a contributor to *The Five Issues That Matter Most*.

He is also the executive producer of several documentaries, including *The Story of the Nativity*, *Lost Gospels or False Gospels*, and *Did Jesus Really Rise from the Dead?*. He is the former director of Communications and of the Office for Social Ministries of the Diocese of San Diego.

Mark Brumley holds a Master's degree in theology from the University of Dallas and is a regular guest on Catholic Answers Live television and radio, discussing the Catholic faith. His articles have appeared in such places as *Catholic World Report.com*, the *National Catholic Register*, *This Rock*, *The Catholic Answer*, and *National Review Online*. Mark is associate publisher of *IgnatiusInsight.com*.

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### WORKSHOPS

#### C-02 MORE THAN JUST TALK ABOUT THE EUCHARIST AS 'SOURCE AND SUMMIT OF THE CHRISTIAN LIFE'

This presentation explores the meaning and practice of "full conscious activate participation in the Liturgy", and how such participation enables us to make our daily lives Eucharistic. It considers spiritual challenges posed by the decline in Eucharistic faith within the Church, as well as the Church's Eucharistic Revival as a pastoral response. It also considers how deepened devotion to the Eucharistic Lord requires both authentic liturgical renewal, as promoted by a proper understanding of the Second Vatican Council, and a wholistic catechesis that evangelizes as well as instructs. Common misunderstandings of Catholic teaching will be explored and pastorally sound responses, in light of the Spirit of the Liturgy, will be presented.

#### D-03 THE BIBLE AND THE LITURGY

Scripture and the Eucharist are often referred to as "Word and Sacrament". In fact, often we speak of the Two Tables of the Liturgy—Scripture and the Eucharist. While this way of speaking has much to commend it, it can leave the impression of a separation, even perhaps a certain opposition. This presentation examines how the Word of God and the Body of Christ are aspects of a single Divine Mystery of Self-Giving Love. It explores the Eucharistic themes of Scripture and the Scriptural nature of the Eucharistic liturgy. It unites these two elements in a practical discussion of how as disciples of Jesus we must live out the theme of "The Word Made Flesh".

## HNA. EVA CAMBEROS LLANOS, MFP

*Spanish*



Misionera Franciscana de Nuestra Señora de la Paz

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### WORKSHOPS

#### D-35 PLÁTICA: PREPARACIÓN AL SACRAMENTO DE LA EUCHARISTÍA (PRIMERA COMUNIÓN) EN FAMILIA.

Nos preparamos como familia para el Sacramento de la Primera Comunión de nuestros niños, niñas y jóvenes? ó pensamos que es suficiente con sólo llegar al catecismo y dejárselos al catequista.

Esta plática nos ayudara a descubrir la presencia real Jesús en el Sacramento de la Eucaristía y la importancia que tiene el cómo recibimos el Sagrado Cuerpo de Cristo en la Comunión..

## PAUL CANAVESE

*English*



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He is also the executive producer of several documentaries, including *The Story of the Nativity*, *Lost Gospels or False Gospels*, and *Did Jesus Really Rise from the Dead?*. He is the former director of Communications and of the Office for Social Ministries of the Diocese of San Diego.

Mark Brumley holds a Master's degree in theology from the University of Dallas and is a regular guest on Catholic Answers Live television and radio, discussing the Catholic faith. His articles have appeared in such places as Catholic World Report.com, the National Catholic Register, This Rock, The Catholic Answer, and National Review Online. Mark is associate publisher of IgnatiusInsight.com.

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### WORKSHOPS

#### B-04 EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL FOR FAMILIES

As the U.S. bishops invite us deeper into a three-year reflection on eucharistic revival, how can we reboot the way we prepare children and youth to receive First Eucharist and continue to engage families with these sacraments? The Eucharist has the power to intensely draw us closer to God and others, and can empower us for our mission as disciples in the world. Drawing on the Revival, the new Directory for Catechesis, and Pope Francis' wisdom, we will explore concrete ways to creatively evangelize even the most skeptical families and help them understand why the Eucharist matters so much.

#### C-03 WHOLE FAMILY CATECHESIS 101: HOW TO INSTILL FAITH THAT LASTS A LIFETIME

The church teaches that parents are the primary educators of their children, but we generally foster a formation model in which parents outsource this responsibility to pass on faith to the parish or school. And it is not working. But hope is not lost! In fact, we already know what works. This talk highlights practical ways parishes and schools can evangelize, engage, and coach parents to embrace their essential role. We will explore key methodologies and specific tools you can put to use right away at each step of the faith formation process, from baptism through confirmation... and beyond.

## FR. ANDY DE GUZMAN

*Spanish*



Padre Antonio "Andy" De Guzman Jr. nació el 22 de abril, 1972 en Manila, Las Filipinas. El estudió en la Universidad Pontificia de Santo Tomás de Aquino (Manila). Habla tres idiomas: filipino, inglés y español. Ha sido sacerdote durante 16 años. Antes de venir al área de la Bahía, fue administrador de una parroquia y escuela durante 5 años en El Paso, Texas. En este momento, él es un sacerdote asistente aquí en la parroquia de San Mateo.

### WORKSHOPS

#### A-37 LA PALABRA DE DIOS EN LA MISIÓN DE EVANGELIZACIÓN

La Palabra de Dios junto con la tradición oral de la Iglesia son los fundamentos de las enseñanzas de la Iglesia. Por lo tanto, ellos son fuentes valiosas de la fe. Evangelizar es la misión de todos bautizados (cf. Mt. 28:19-20). Revisaremos las Sagradas Escrituras para tener una comprensión y apreciación más profundas de nuestra misión.

## JULIO ESCOBAR

English and Spanish



Julio Escobar was born in San Francisco, California. In 1995 he lost his half brother to a drug overdose. As a result, he felt called to serve youth who are in jail, involved in gangs or addicted to drugs, and to work with families of murder victims. In 2008, Julio changed his career in Information Technology to do missionary work full time. Julio currently coordinates the Restorative Justice Ministry for the Archdiocese of San Francisco, where he assists families affected by crime and those who have loved ones in jails and prisons, violence prevention, and the rehabilitation of people released from jails and prisons. In addition, Julio produces and hosts Mi Familia en Cristo, a weekly Spanish-language Catholic radio program for the Archdiocese of San Francisco.

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Julio Escobar nació en San Francisco, California. En 1995 perdió a su medio hermano por una sobredosis de drogas. Como resultado, se sintió llamado a servir a jóvenes que están en la cárcel, involucrados en pandillas o adictos a las drogas, y trabajar con familias de víctimas de asesinato. En 2008, Julio cambió su carrera en Tecnología Informática para hacer trabajo misionero a tiempo completo. Julio actualmente coordina la Arquidiócesis de San Francisco – Ministerio de Justicia Restaurativa, donde continúa asistiendo a las familias afectadas por el crimen y aquellos que tienen seres queridos en cárceles y prisiones, la prevención de la violencia y la rehabilitación de personas liberadas de cárceles y prisiones. Además, Julio produce y conduce Mi Familia en Cristo, un programa de radio semanal católico en español de la Arquidiócesis de San Francisco.

## WORKSHOPS

### C-04 RESTORATIVE JUSTICE OVERVIEW AND CARDS OF MERCY PROJECT FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH IN CATECHETICAL PROGRAMS AND CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

The Archdiocese of San Francisco – Restorative Justice Ministry mission is to accompany those who are incarcerated and families affected by crime. The Cards of Mercy Project is an opportunity for children and youth to learn about the Works of Mercy. Join this interactive presentation and learn how children and youth in Catechetical programs and Catholic Schools are involved and how you can also participate in letter writing for holiday seasons and collect cards for prisoners to send to their loved ones.

### A-32 VISIÓN GENERAL DE LA JUSTICIA RESTAURATIVA - PROYECTO CARTAS DE MISERICORDIA PARA NIÑOS Y JÓVENES EN PROGRAMAS DE CATEQUESIS Y ESCUELAS CATÓLICAS

La misión del Ministerio de Justicia Restaurativa de la Arquidiócesis de San Francisco es acompañar a los encarcelados y las familias afectadas por el crimen. El Proyecto Tarjetas de Misericordia es una oportunidad para que niños y jóvenes aprendan sobre las Obras de Misericordia. Únase a esta presentación interactiva y aprenda cómo los niños y jóvenes en programas de catequesis y escuelas católicas están involucrados y cómo también puede participar en la escritura de cartas para las temporadas de días festivos y recolectar tarjetas para que los prisioneros las envíen a sus seres queridos.

## FR. CRAIG FORNER

English



Craig Forner is a priest of the Archdiocese of San Francisco. In over 40 years of ministry he has served as pastor of three different parishes and has also held other ministry positions in Catholic education and vocation direction. Since his retirement from active ministry in 2015, he has become very involved as a volunteer in Suicide Prevention and currently sits on the Board of Directors for the Greater San Francisco Bay Area Chapter of the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention, concentrating on educational and support programs for those who have suffered a loss through suicide. He is also a survivor of suicide loss himself and brings to this work a unique personal experience of long-term survival.

## WORKSHOPS

### D-07 TALK SAVES LIVES

Talk Saves Lives is AFSP's premier education program that provides participants with a clear understanding of this leading cause of death, including the most up-to-date research on suicide prevention and what they can do in their communities to save lives.

Participants will learn common risk factors and warning signs associated with suicide and how to keep themselves and others safe. The presentation will also include time for questions and answers.

## ED HOPFNER

English and Spanish



Ed Hopfner is the director of Marriage and Family Life for the Archdiocese of San Francisco. A much-sought-after speaker, Ed has given talks throughout North America, particularly on the Theology of the Body. Originally from Seattle, Ed has a master's degree in Theology from the Dominican School of Philosophy and Theology and currently resides in El Cerrito. In his spare time, he likes foreign films, red wine, the Oakland A's and bluegrass.

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Ed Hopfner es el director para la oficina de Matrimonio y Vida Familiar, para la arquidiócesis de San Francisco. Un conferencista muy popular, ha ofrecido presentaciones en todo Norte América, particularmente sobre la tónica de la Teología del Cuerpo. Ed ha sacado una maestría de teología de la Escuela de Posgrado de los Dominicanos de Filosofía y Teología, y vive en El Cerrito. En su tiempo libre, le gusta películas extranjeras, vino tinto, los Oakland A's y música de bluegrass.

## WORKSHOPS

### D-04 LIVING VIRTUE IN A SEXUALIZED CULTURE?

Our young people are coming of age in a difficult time. The true meanings of love, sex, and the dignity of the human body are often obscured in a culture of sexting and hook-ups, while the basic requirements of respect and commitment for sexual intimacy have now been replaced by the low bar of 'consent.' Too many of them struggle to find their own self-worth, dignity, and even identity.

How can we show our young people that the truths of the Church's teaching on sexuality are life- and love-affirming, not just old-fashioned rules? Come to this workshop for a down-to-earth presentation of Catholic teaching in this area, with suggestions and some resources for sharing it with young people, helping them to reclaim their identity, and equipping them to survive and thrive in today's world.

### C-32 ¿VIVIENDO LA VIRTUD, EN UNA CULTURA SEXUALIZADA?

Nuestros hijos están creciendo en un tiempo muy difícil. El significado verdadero del amor, la sexualidad y la dignidad del cuerpo humano muchas veces están ocultos en una cultura de 'sexting' y 'hooking up.' Los requisitos fundamentales para intimidad sexual – el respeto y compromiso – han sido reemplazados por una norma mínima de 'consentimiento.' Demasiados jóvenes encuentran dificultad conociendo su propia dignidad, auto-estima y aun su identidad.

¿Cómo podemos mostrar a nuestros hijos que las enseñanzas de la Iglesia Católica sobre la sexualidad ofrecen una afirmación de la vida y el amor, y no solamente 'más reglas'? Ven a este taller para una presentación claro de las enseñanzas de la Iglesia Católica, con sugerencias y unos recursos para compartirlo con los jóvenes, que ellos puedan reclamar su identidad, y sobrevivir y prosperar en el mundo de hoy.

## FR. JOHN HURLEY, CSP

English



Fr. John was ordained a priest in 1977. He is a leader in evangelization for over 40 years when he founded the Paulist Center for Catholic Evangelization in Portland, OR. His leadership later went national serving as Executive Director of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops Secretariat for Evangelization. He later served as Executive Director of the National Pastoral Life Center in New York City, the Department of Evangelization for the Archdiocese of Baltimore and Vicar for Evangelization for the Diocese of San Jose. Since 2014, he serves as a consultant for NewEvangelizationStrategies.org based at Old Saint Mary's Cathedral in San Francisco where he served as pastor from 1991-1997. Fr. Hurley is also a spiritual director and was appointed by Pope Francis as a Missionary of Mercy for the Great Jubilee Year of Mercy and he continues to serve in this capacity. He was born in Manhattan, NY, grew up in the Bronx and Huntington, Long Island.

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## WORKSHOPS

### B-05 THE JOY OF THE GOSPEL AND ITS IMPLICATIONS FOR CATECHISTS AND PASTORAL LEADERS

The Apostolic Exhortation *Evangelii Gaudium*, Joy of the Gospel, gives us many insights for effective evangelization and catechesis. This exhortation is a framework for evangelizing catechesis for all involved in ministry. In transformative ministry, we must nurture our own call to discipleship if we are to be joyful witnesses to the joy of the Gospel.

### C-05 SYNODALITY, SYNODALITY, SYNODALITY... AN EXPLORATION INTO ITS GIFTS OF SYNODALITY FOR EFFECTIVE MINISTRY

Recognizing the signs of the times, synodality offers us a way to embrace co-responsibility with those with whom we minister and those we nurture in faith. Synodality is not a program but a pathway to a church fully alive in the Spirit. We will explore how each of us as leaders can embrace a synodal approach to nurture the life and mission of the church.

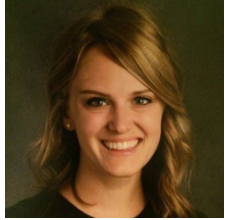
## DR. KATIE KISS

English



Dr. Katie Kiss has a long-standing connection with Catholic education, having served two decades with both the Archdiocese of San Francisco (2002-2021) and the Archdiocese of Las Vegas (2021-present.) Dr. Kiss attended Sacred Heart Cathedral ('96) and the University of San Francisco before embarking on a career in education that has included time as a classroom teacher, Vice Principal and Principal. Dr. Kiss believes in enhancing the relationship between the Parish and the school, and values that Catholic schools offer a unique opportunity to continually grow in faith while achieving the highest quality education. She cites collaborating with students and parents as her most valued experiences throughout her distinguished career. Dr. Katie Kiss holds a B.A. in Psychology, an M.A. in Teaching, and an Ed.D. in Catholic School Leadership, all earned at the University of San Francisco.

## MS. MEGAN KIMBLE



Ms. Megan Kimble entered Catholic Education through Ameri-Corps after graduating from Crown College and has since served in Catholic Elementary Schools. Ms. Kimble began her work in Catholic Education through AmeriCorps as a teacher in West Philadelphia for seven years. She then moved to San Francisco, where she served as a teacher in two Alliance of the Mission District Schools while obtaining her master's in special education through the University of Kansas and serving as the Student Learning Coordinator for students with special learning needs and Middle School Level Coordinator. In 2020, she became the principal of St. Finn Barr Catholic School and has since begun a doctoral program at the University of San Francisco. She believes that Catholic education offers a strong foundation for individuals and that every child should have the opportunity to thrive in the Catholic school setting, no matter their learning needs.

## WORKSHOPS

### B-06 INCLUSIVE CATHOLIC ENVIRONMENTS, SERVING STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES AND LEARNING DIFFERENCES

Catholic Schools and parishes have the power to service students with Learning Disabilities and Special Education Needs. Hear from St. Viator Parish and School, in Las Vegas Nevada. St. Viator offers both programs for these unique learners. They are committed to providing an excellent Catholic education and religious education for all its students, including those with special education needs. At the school, the Micah Program 6:8 provides a nurturing environment and educational resources that will allow each student to realize their potential academically, socially, emotionally, and spiritually. This special education program allows Micah students to spend the majority of their instructional day in the general education classroom learning with peers and a small portion is spent in intensive, individualized instruction outside of the classroom. Learning Support Students also receive accommodations similar to what would be provided in an IEP or a 504 document.

**Session Objectives:** Supporting learners with special needs in our parishes and schools. Adapting curriculum and programming to meet the varying needs of learners. Supporting teachers and catechists as they serve students working at different ability levels. Creating inclusive Catechetical or School Programs Gaining Support from Faculty, Staff, Parents Parishioners and Community Members

**Why is this session important for system leaders to attend?** One purpose of our Parish and School programming could be to assist special education students, each with unique learning styles and varying exceptionalities. Making an inclusive space for these learners allows each child to grow into the fullness of life in Jesus, to be members of a community of beliefs, and to teach the redeeming message of God's love.

**How will this session actively engage, challenge and inspire system leaders?** It can be daunting to build inclusive programming in a school or parish serving learners with additional needs. This session would provide a "how to" for any school or church looking to develop this area.

## SR. TERESA MALAVE, VDMF

Spanish



Sr. Teresa Malave es misionera de la Fraternidad Misionera Verbum Dei de ascendencia puertorriqueña y española, nacida en Ohio. Ha realizado ministerio tanto en español como en inglés en España, Inglaterra, y últimamente en la Área de la Bahía durante los últimos 23 años. Tiene un Masters en Teología (STB) de la Universidad La Urbaniana de Roma. Es miembro del Consejo Religioso de la diócesis de San Francisco, maestra en la Escuela de Liderazgo para el ministerio Hispano de la arquidiócesis de SF y actualmente es Catequista y Directora de Educación Religiosa para niños en la Iglesia de St. Inés en San Francisco.

## WORKSHOPS

### D-32 PROFUNDIZACIÓN SOBRE LA METODOLOGÍA CATEQUÉTICA

La invitación a que el catequista se familiarice con las diferentes formas de enseñar y encuentre las mejores herramientas para aproximar el otro a Cristo.

## FR JUAN MANUEL

Spanish



El Padre Juan Manuel es sacerdote de la Arquidiócesis de San Francisco. Originario de Michoacán, México, se instaló en el Área de la Bahía en los años 90. Recibió una licenciatura en filosofía del Seminario Mount Angel del estado de Oregón. También recibió una Maestría en Divinidad del Seminario y la Universidad de St. Patrick en Menlo Park, CA. El Padre Juan Manuel fue ordenado sacerdote el 7 de junio de 2008. Ha servido en varias parroquias de la Arquidiócesis y ahora es el párroco de la Iglesia de la Asunción de María y la Misión Santa Elena, en Tomales Bay. Al Padre Juan Manuel le encanta celebrar el Santísimo Sacrificio de Nuestro Señor y los demás sacramentos, así como ayudar a fortalecer la fe, la esperanza y la caridad de los hijos de Dios en la arquidiócesis.

## WORKSHOPS

### C-33 ESPIRITUALIDAD CRISTIANA

En su vida, el cristiano católico está llamado a tener una estrecha relación con Jesucristo nuestro salvador. Esta relación debe comenzar desde temprana edad para que Jesucristo sea conocido, amado y servido por cada miembro de la familia. La iglesia, nuestra madre y maestra, nos dota de la ayuda espiritual necesaria para que Jesucristo nuestro Salvador sea acogido y conocido por la familia, que es la célula más importante de la sociedad.

## DEACON CHRIS MARIANO

English



A Roman Catholic youth minister for almost 25 years, Deacon Chris Mariano has served different communities ranging in size, socio-economic status, ethnic groups as a past Coordinator of Youth & Young Adult Ministries for the the Archdiocese of San Francisco and now the Campus Ministry Associate of Archbishop Riordan High School of San Francisco. One thing remains the same "our Catholic youth and young adults have talents and leadership skills that can greatly enrich and impact parish life and their communities". In addition to Youth Ministry, Chris has many years of experience in mass liturgy, music ministry, Christian leadership development and religious education. He has a wealth of knowledge and is happy to share what he knows and what is known to work.

### WORKSHOPS

#### B-07 BUILDING CHURCH "WHERE THEY ARE"

Building a community through the Sacrament of Confirmation should not be so hard. Let this workshop open your imagination and assist you in developing ways to expand your programs. As Pope Francis says, "...meet people where they are..." See ways how a plan, do, check and adjust sequence can give you a way to build God's community. Come get current methods of development but more ways to develop a turn key and systematic program and minister where they are at.

#### D-05 RETREAT BUILDING FOR YOUTH - TO RETREATS AND BEYOND...

Having a challenge in creating or making retreats an impactful way. There are ways to keeping not only the retreats fresh but ways to keep them relevant and engaging past the retreat. Get some key tips on engaging your confirmation candidates.

## SR. ESTELLA MARTINEZ, MFP

Spanish



Soy Hermana Estela Martinez Padilla, Religiosa de la Congregación de Misioneras Franciscanas de Ntra. Sra de la Paz. Iniciando el 19 de septiembre de 1993.

Soy de México nací en Jalpa Jalisco. Radico en San Francisco California desde el año 2004. Mi ministerio lo he realizado en St. James y St. Paul of the Shipwreck. Soy representante del V Encuentro en nuestra Arquidiócesis de San Francisco hemos realizado un esfuerzo en común en la formación de nuestro Líderes parroquiales a través de las pastorales Familiar, Vocacional, Litúrgica, Juvenil, Catequesis, Social- Migrante y Formación y Liderazgo.

### WORKSHOPS

#### C-36 LA MISION DE LA FAMILIA ANTE LOS NUEVOS RETOS

El objetivo de este tema será fortalecer los valores de la familia ante los nuevos retos que ésta enfrenta en los diferentes ámbitos especialmente Pospandemia, ¿cómo ha quedado mi espíritu después de esta fuerte experiencia de salud (COVID 19)? ¿Cómo me siento ante esta variedad de ideologías? ¿Qué herramientas tengo como familia para mantenerme con fe y esperanza y cómo puedo guiar a los ADOLESCENTES y JÓVENES a que vivan con confianza y alegría esta nueva realidad? Estas y otras inquietudes podremos abordar con la finalidad de redescubrir la importancia de la misión de las familias.

## MARIA MARTINEZ-MONT

Spanish



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### WORKSHOPS

#### C-37 LOS 7 PRINCIPIOS DE LA ENSEÑANZA SOCIAL CATÓLICA- APLICANDO LA JUSTICIA SOCIAL CATÓLICA EN EL AQUÍ Y AHORA

Aprenderán cuales son los 7 Principios de la Enseñanza Social Católica y como se aplican a las decisiones cotidianas. Aprenderán sobre los ministerios que dan vida a esos principios. Ofreceremos recursos para la formación de fe e información sobre proyectos de justicia social y los ministerios en la Arquidiócesis, y en la Iglesia Católica en general.

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## KIONA MEDINA

Spanish



Kiona Medina es una arte terapeuta nacida en Colombia y presentadora de talleres que combinan fe Católica, artes expresivas y psicología. Sus talleres son dinámicos y ayudan a descubrir el don de la creatividad que todos tenemos. Kiona trabaja en la parroquia de St. Mary en Walnut Creek en la formación de fe de jóvenes y adultos. Para más información visite: [www.kionamedina.com](http://www.kionamedina.com). No se necesita ninguna experiencia con arte.

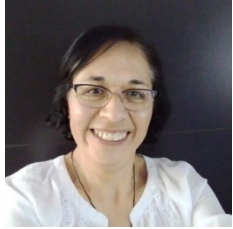
### WORKSHOPS

#### D-36 USEMOS LAS ARTES EXPRESIVAS PARA DESCUBRIR: QUIÉN ES EL ESPÍRITU SANTO?

Este taller experimental llevará a los participantes al don de la creatividad y el ingenio para conectar las Escrituras y la reflexión. Usaremos artes expresivos como objetos encontrados y la promulgación como herramienta en nuestros ministerios.

## SR GABY MENDEZ, VDMF

Spanish



Sr. Gabriela Méndez Hernández pertenece a la Fraternidad Misionera Verbum Dei. Nació en León, Guanajuato, México. Ha estado en diferentes lugares como misionera y actualmente vive en San Francisco, California. Cuenta con los estudios de Lic. Químico Farmacobiólogo y los estudios de Teología en la Universidad San Vicente Ferrer en Valencia, España 2013. Trabajó en la pastoral con jóvenes y adolescentes en la diócesis de Valencia, España por diez años. En este momento colabora como profesora de Teología en la escuela de liderazgo pastoral en la arquidiócesis de San Francisco y es parte del equipo Vocacional en su comunidad.

### WORKSHOPS

#### D-33 “LOS CUATRO PILARES EN LA ESPIRITUALIDAD DEL CATEQUISTA”

Estos cuatro pilares ayudarán al catequista a profundizar en su espiritualidad y vivir su llamada a evangelizar desde la mirada de Jesús- Maestro; impulsándonos a un crecimiento humano-espiritual que les permita vivir su potencial desde el evangelio.

## OLIVER MENESES

English



Our presenter graduated with a bachelor’s degree in secondary education at Don Bosco College – a Salesian school in the Philippines. He then pursued a Master of Special Educa6on at Philippine Normal University – a premier university for teachers in Asia and the center for excellence for teacher education. Finally, he completed his doctorate degree in Educational Leadership and Management and graduated at La Consolacion University Philippines. He has served as a Catholic school teacher the Archdiocese of San Francisco and the Archdiocese of Los Angeles. He is currently a Junior High Homeroom teacher and teaching Religion to both 7th and 8th Grade students at Holy Cross Junior High School in Fresno. He currently authors a textbook on Values Educa6on under Don Bosco Press managed by the Salesians of Don Bosco. Oliver is a Master Catechist both of the Archdiocese of San Francisco and the Diocese of Fresno.

### WORKSHOPS

#### C-06 HOW CAN RELIGION BE MADE RELEVANT TO JUNIOR HIGH STUDENTS?

The topic will present the difference between the academic conventional lesson plans from the Religion lesson plan phases. It will also suggest some examples on Religion teaching methodologies that will cater specifically to Junior High students. The presenter will discuss substantial information and recommendations on how to deal with students in general and particularly those who find Religion irrelevant nowadays.

#### D-06 THE FIVE METHODOLOGIES OF CATECHESIS

The topic will present various aspects of our catechetical tasks and the different ways to nurture and deepen our Christian life. Practicing and enhancing these methodologies will help in a better faith formation of those entrusted to our care as catechists. By engaging a variety of methods drawn from the fields of education and communication theology, catechists can better facilitate the dialogue between God and those in the mission. Likewise, catechists themselves are the medium in and through which other methodologies become valuable in evangelization and education of the youth, and those in formation.

## KAREN PESEK

English



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Karen served twelve years as director of the Office of Evangelization and Catechesis and the Office of Child and Youth Protection for the Diocese of Springfield-Cape Girardeau, a home mission in southern Missouri. She currently works as a catechetical consultant and teaches English to students in Asia. She and her husband live in a log cabin at 9,000 feet in the mountains of southern Colorado. They have both served the Church as lay ecclesial ministers during their 41 years of marriage. They have four adult children and two grandchildren. Karen earned a Bachelor of Social Work from the University of Texas at Austin, a Master of Religious Education from the University of St. Thomas in Houston, Texas, and a post Master Certificate in Pastoral Supervision from St. Meinrad School of Theology. Karen has been a catechist since the age of 16, with 21 years of experience as a parish Director of Religious Education. She is a past member of the National Conference of Catechetical Leadership (NCCL) board of directors and has facilitated courses for the University of Dayton Virtual Learning Community for Faith Formation (VLCFF) since 2010..

### WORKSHOPS

#### B-08 WHAT TO DO WITH KIDS WHO MISSED SACRAMENTS FOR SOCCER (RCIA ADAPTED FOR CHILDREN)

What to do with Kids Who Missed Sacraments for Soccer... or any other reason. When children or teens come to faith formation for the first time since First Communion (or Baptism . . . or ever!?), what do you do? In this workshop, we’ll consider some essential questions and explore a simple framework for welcoming and accompanying children (and their families!) who are seeking the Sacraments of Initiation outside of the typical times.

#### D-08 TALITHA KOUM! COME AND ARISE CHILDREN!

Invite children to develop a deeper friendship with Jesus through prayer. We’ll use our hearts, minds and bodies in this practical workshop on praying with children.

## CARLOS PROAÑO

English



Sponsored by OSV, Our Sunday Visitor

Carlos Proaño es un Ejecutivo de Cuentas de OSV, Our Sunday Visitor. Trabaja con escuelas y parroquias, ayudándolos a comenzar con los recursos catequéticos de OSV. Como niño, viajó por el país con su padre, quien trabajaba como consultante de corresponsabilidad, ayudando a parroquias y diócesis. En la escuela secundaria, se ofreció como voluntario para ayudar a los estudiantes a prepararse para la Confirmación y ayudaría a su madre, que enseñaba la Primera Comunión. Ha trabajado en una parroquia y está familiarizado con el ministerio parroquial. Ha presentado temas de catequesis para parroquias y diócesis de todo el país. El objetivo de Carlos es ayudar a los jóvenes católicos de todo el país a desarrollar su identidad católica para que puedan vivir como discípulos misioneros de Cristo.

### WORKSHOPS

#### A-33 UNA NUEVA VISIÓN AL MINISTERIO JUVENIL

Los resultados de las entrevistas con jóvenes y adultos jóvenes que habían renunciado a la fe católica mostraron que la edad promedio para tomar esta decisión fue a los 13 años. Muchas parroquias se ocupan adecuadamente de los estudiantes más jóvenes que se preparan para la Primera Comunión y de los estudiantes mayores que se preparan para la Confirmación, pero entre esos años, muchas parroquias carecen de suficientes oportunidades para relacionarse con los adolescentes. En esta presentación, explicaremos formas innovadoras y efectivas de establecer vínculos con estos adolescentes para que puedan experimentar la paz y el amor de vivir como discípulos de Cristo.

#### C-34 EL NUEVO DIRECTORIO DE CATEQUESIS

El nuevo Directorio de Catequesis nos brinda un gran marco para nuestro enfoque de la formación, señalando los métodos más efectivos para ayudar a las personas a formar su Identidad Católica. En la presentación, recorreremos algunas áreas de enfoque que se destacaron en el nuevo Directorio y explicaremos por qué esos temas deben incluirse en cada programa de catequesis. Algunos de los temas que cubriremos son Kerigma, Antropología Cristiana, Catequesis Familiar Integrada y Corresponsabilidad Católica.

## JOHN MICHAEL REYES

English



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### WORKSHOPS

#### B-09 RISE! GET UP! NAVIGATING THE INITIATION PROCESS AND HOW IT TEACHES US TO BE CHURCH

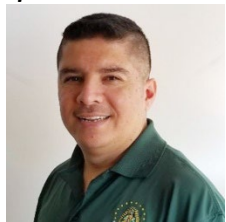
The Church teaches that the catechumenate is the model for all catechesis. But how does that work in our world of school lesson plans, scopes and sequences? How will the new translation impact the way parishes are implementing the Initiation Process, and more importantly, will it make any difference in our parishes? This workshop will give an overview of the Initiation process through which catechumens and the parish community journey together. Leave this workshop not only becoming "utterly astounded" by discovering tools for a more effective process, but also how to revolutionize your parish that transforms not only seekers, but also team and community members to rise up and make disciples!

#### C-07 LESS CLASS, MORE CHURCH: THE LITURGICAL ARTS IN CATECHETICAL SETTINGS

Usually, when people think about liturgy, we think about the church and symbols. When we think about children's faith formation, we tend to think of classrooms and textbooks. What would happen if catechetical sessions with children looked more like a liturgy rather than a class? Using experiences in a Catholic elementary school, this workshop is designed to provide inspiration for catechists and teachers who desire to incorporate the four liturgical arts of word, environment, movement and music into their sessions. Special attention will be given to leading paperless and acapella music for children.

## JUAN JOSE SUAREZ

Spanish



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Juan José Suárez ha sido el Coordinador de Formación de Fe en la Parroquia de Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe en Fremont, California, durante los últimos siete años. Es graduado y maestro del IBTP (Instituto Bíblico Teológico Pastoral), del Instituto Serra para el ministerio catequético y de la Escuela de Ministerios Pastorales de la Diócesis de Oakland. Juan ha estado involucrado en la catequesis durante los últimos 13 años y en el ministerio juvenil durante 23 años. Su experiencia proviene de la música litúrgica y de adoración y el cuidado de jóvenes en edad de escuela secundaria. En los últimos años, ha ayudado a los padres a ayudar a sus hijos a mantenerse más conectados con la iglesia después de recibir los sacramentos. Es un orador bilingüe con RCL Benziger

### WORKSHOPS

#### A-34 ¿LLAMADO A SERVIR? ¿CÓMO CATEQUISTA?

¡Ni que estuviera loco! Ven y aprende como Dios te está llamando a servir a sus niños y jóvenes a través del ministerio del catequista. Recordemos que Dios prepara a los llamados, no llama a los preparados. Compartiremos como es que nuestros dones nos ayudan a dar a conocer a la persona de Jesús. Si tienes dudas, miedos o incertidumbres sobre este ministerio o tan solo quieres mejorar tu ministerio acompañanos.

#### C-35 "VIVIENDO LOS FRUTOS DE LAS GRACIAS SACRAMENTALES"

Invitaremos a los participantes a analizar como su vida debe reflejar las gracias sacramentales y daremos consejos prácticos y herramienta para desarrollar sus frutos, especialmente al ser catequistas.

## MELISSA BROOME URSIN

English



Melissa Broome Ursin is the Vice Principal of Mission and Catholic Identity at Presentation High School in San Jose, California, where she has taught since 2012. She is a current doctoral student at the University of San Francisco, pursuing her Ed.D. in Catholic Educational Leadership, and holds a M.T.S. from the University of Notre Dame in Liturgical Studies. She served as the Director of Worship at the Cathedral Basilica of St. Joseph and Most Holy Trinity parishes in the Diocese of San Jose prior to working in Catholic Education. Her dissertation research focuses on the vocation of Catholic education as detailed in the archival documents of the Sisters of the Presentation, San Francisco, as well as oral histories. Her current projects include a strong focus on formation for school faculty, staff, and board members.

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### WORKSHOPS

#### C-08 MISSION AND CHARISM - WITNESS AND STORYTELLING

The mission and charism of a Catholic school and parish animates and provides direction to the community. Faculty, staff, and catechists must embody the mission and bear witness to it effectively in order to inspire students to live it out. This workshop will focus on uncovering and engaging with the charism and mission of the school and parish with an emphasis on witness and storytelling. It will also explore the potential for using community archives to enhance storytelling and create meaningful ways for students and adults to interact with primary sources.

## DR. JOSEPH WHITE

English



Dr. Joseph White converted to the Catholic Faith while in graduate school at Virginia Commonwealth University, where he received a Ph.D. in Clinical Child and Adolescent Psychology. He later studied Catholic Theology at St. Mary's University in San Antonio. Dr. White served as a parish Director of Faith Formation for two years, and then worked for seven years as Director of Family Counseling and Family Life for the Diocese of Austin, Texas. He now works as Associate Publisher for Catechetical Resources for OSV Publishing. Dr. White has written twelve books and numerous articles about catechesis, Catholic education, spirituality and ministry, including *Listening for God in Everyday Life* and *the Companion to the Directory for Catechesis*. He is co-author of the *Allelu* and *Alive in Christ* religion series.

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### WORKSHOPS

#### B-10 KERYGMA, CHRISTIAN ANTHROPOLOGY, AND MISSIONARY DISCIPLESHIP: HELPING LEARNERS DISCOVER AND SHARE THEIR FAITH

In this session, catechetical author and psychologist Dr. Joseph White will discuss three themes from the Vatican's new Directory for Catechesis that have transformative implications for our parish formation programs. How can rediscovering the kerygma (the core message of Jesus Christ) help children, teens, and adults see the need in their lives for Christ and the Church? How can a Christian Anthropology (a Catholic view of the human person) help Catholic parishes build a strong sense of identity as Catholic disciples? How does forming missionary disciples prepare those we accompany not only to know their faith, but to live it? Join us as we explore practical ways to integrate kerygma, Christian Anthropology, and missionary discipleship into parish faith formation.

#### C-09 WINDOWS OF OPPORTUNITY: HOW CHILD DEVELOPMENT CAN HELP US PRESENT THE RIGHT CONTENT AT THE RIGHT TIME

Is there a "right time" to discover particular faith concepts? Recent discoveries in brain science, paired with research in social, cognitive, and moral development, suggests that there are particular "windows of opportunity" – developmental periods when children and teens will be most engaged as they encounter specific material and concepts. Come and discover how this work applies to faith formation as we explore how the science of child and adolescent development can help us prepare learners for a lifelong journey of faith.