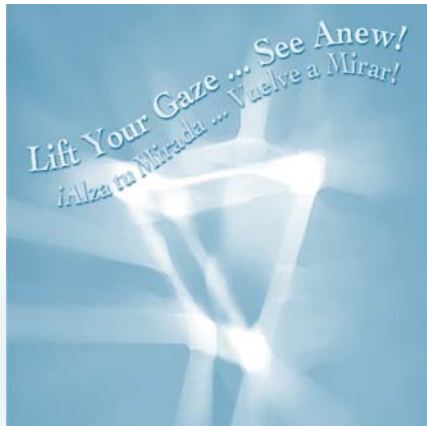


Youth Day
February 28, 2008

Congress Days
February 29 -
March 2, 2008



WELCOME & INFORMATION **General Info**

Cardinal's Welcome	4
Congress Co-Coordinator's Welcome	5
Director's Welcome	4
About Congress	<i>Inside Front Cover</i>
Asian & Pacific Events	22
Congress Highlights	3
Congress Schedule	<i>Inside Front Cover</i>
Convention Center Information	91
Endowment Fund Information	80
Liturgies & Prayer Services at Congress	20
Speaker Index (alphabetical)	2
Speaker Categories (by topic)	23
Workshop Recording Information	91
Young Adult Events	21

YOUTH DAY (FEBRUARY 28) **Youth Day**

Youth Day Coordinator's Welcome	6
Youth Day Registration Form	13
Youth Day Registration Information	12
Youth Day Schedule	7
Youth Day Workshop Information	8-11

DAILY EVENTS SCHEDULE **Assemblies**

Friday, February 29, 2008	14-15
Saturday, March 1, 2008	16-17
Sunday, March 2, 2008	18-19

CONGRESS WORKSHOPS **Workshops**

Friday, February 29, 2008	15, 24-39
Saturday, March 1, 2008	17, 40-54
Sunday, March 2, 2008	19, 55-62

2008 RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CONGRESS

SPONSORED BY THE
Archdiocese of Los Angeles
Office of Religious Education
3424 Wilshire Boulevard
Los Angeles, CA 90010
Web • www.RECongress.org
Email • congress@la-archdiocese.org
Info • (213) 637-7346
Register online by credit card at
www.RECongress.org

SECCIÓN EN ESPAÑOL **Español**

Horario del Congreso	64
Indice	65
Información General	76
Informaciones de la Forma de Inscripción	88
Mensajes del Cardenal y de la Directora	63
Mensajes de las Coordinadoras	64
Mensaje de la Coordinadora de Ministerios Catequéticos	64
Talleres	65-75

TRAVEL/HOTEL INFORMATION **Travel/Hotels**

Airport Map	78
Airline Tickets Information	82
Anaheim Map	78, 80
Hotel & Suites Information	81, 83-84
Shuttle Information	78, 79

REGISTRATION INFORMATION **Registration**

Advance Ticket Pick-Up	88
Continuing Education Credit – Loyola Marymount University	85
– Mount St. Mary's College	86
Deaf/Hard of Hearing/Disabled Services	87
Online Information & Registration	77
Parking	87
Registration Form	<i>Inside Back Cover</i>
Registration Form Information	88

At Congress, be sure to pick up your RECongress Program Book, which includes:

- Daily schedule, workshops and highlights of RECongress
- Maps to the Convention Center, Exhibit Hall A, hotel workshops and Anaheim-area restaurants
- Exhibitor listings and categories
- Office of Religious Education staff and program offerings
- Tech Center schedule and Cardinal Mahony's online chat
- Workshop Recording Form
- Restaurant guide information
- Endowment Fund "Thank You"

My first experience of Congress...
We asked first-time Congress attendees if they would share their experiences of Congress. You will find their submitted comments throughout our Registration Guidebook.

General Info
Youth Day
Assemblies
Workshops
Español
Travel/Hotels
Registration

SPEAKER INDEX

Alexander, Petra	2-53
Allen Jr., John	5-01*, 7-01*
Anderle, Donna	2-01*, 7-02*
Anslinger, Leisa	2-02*, 5-02*
Appleby, Scott	3-01*, 6-01*
Aquino, Dr. Maria Pilar	4-51*, 6-02*
Ash, Laura	3-02*, 5-04*
Atkinson, Patrick	5-03*, 3-51*
Bakas, Rev. John	5-26
Barnes, Bishop Gerald	2-51*
Barron, Fr. Robert	Key *, 7-03*
Beaudoin, Dr. Tom	3-03, 6-03
Beckman, Betsey	3-02*, 5-04*
Benson, Fr. Richard	1-01*, 4-01*
Bergant, Sr. Dianne	4-02*, 6-04*
Bishop, Sr. Peg	4-27*, 7-25*
Boudreau, Rev. Paul	3-04*
Brown, Monica	1-02*, 8-01*
Brummel, Doug	YD
Burland, John	2-04*, 7-04*
Burns, Dr. Jim	2-03*
Carotta, Michael	7-05*, 8-02*
Casey, David	YD
Cerneka, Shannon	YD
Cheri, Richard	3-05
Chuong, Bishop Anton	7-70*
Cimino, Sr. Carol	1-03*, 7-06*
Coleman, Rev. Gerald	2-05, 6-05
Coloroso, Barbara	4-03, 5-05
Cortez, Jaime	6-06
Cozzens, Fr. Donald	1-04, 5-06
Cronin, Rev. Kevin	2-06*, 8-03*
Crosby, Rev. Michael	2-07*, 4-04*
Crosthwaite, Mia	6-07*, 8-04*
Cusick, Rev. John	2-08*, 6-08*
Dahm, Rev. Charles	3-52*, 6-09*
D'Arcy, Paula	1-05*, 4-05*
de Barra, Micheál	3-07*
de la Parte Paris, Rev. Ángel	4-52*, 7-51*
DeBode, Eric	6-19*
Dembrowsky, Constance	4-06*, 6-10*
Ditewig, Dcn. William	4-07*, 7-07*
Doran, Ken	6-11*
Driscoll, Rev. Michael	4-08*, 7-08*
East, Msgr. Ray	6-12*, 8-05*
Elizondo, Rev. Virgilio	Soy
Ellair, Steven	2-09, 6-13
Ellsberg, Robert	6-14*, 8-06*
Evert, Chrystalina	YD
Evert, Jason	YD , 1-06
Fabing, Fr. Bob	1-07
Ferder, Fran	5-07*, 8-07*
Fernández, Santiago	4-57
Fiand, Sr. Barbara	2-10*, 5-08*
Ficocelli, Elizabeth	3-06*, 7-09*
Flecha Andrés, Rev. José-Román	4-53*, Key *
Florian, Amy	6-15
Foley, Rev. Edward	1-08
Fosnacht, Fred	4-09*
Fragomeni, Rev. Richard	1-09*, 4-10*
Frias, Luz Elena	5-51*
Friedman, Mark	2-01*
Fry, Sarina	5-51*
Gaillardetz, Dr. Richard	1-10*, 3-08*
Galindo García, Ángel	5-52*, 8-51*
García-Mina Freire, Ana	3-53*, 4-54*
Gateley, Edwina	3-09, 5-10
Gilbert, Rev. Richard	5-09*, 8-08*
Ginel Vielva, Fr. Alvaro	1-51*, 5-53*
Gittins, Fr. Anthony	5-11*, 7-10*
González-Andrieu, Dr. Cecilia	1-52*, 6-52*
Gordon, Dr. Greer	3-10*, 7-11*
Grimaldo, Gloria Cecilia	6-51*, 8-52*

Asterisks indicate taped workshops. The "**YD**" denotes a Youth Day workshop. "**Soy**" indicates the Saturday *Soy Catequista* track. "**Key**" is either a Saturday or Sunday Keynote/Address.

Workshops are designated by two numbers separated by a dash. The first number indicates the period; the number after the dash is the workshop number. Workshop numbers -01 to -30 are in English; -50 to -58 are in Spanish; and -70 is in Vietnamese.

You can check our site on the web at www.RECongress.org for updates – or sign up for our E-Mailing Updates filled with important information.

🔊 and (*) are recorded sessions

Groody, Rev. Daniel	3-54*, 6-16*
Groome, Thomas	3-11*, 4-11*
Grzono, Ricardo	2-52*, 7-52*
Guerrero Rosado, Msgr. José Luis	3-56*, 8-53*
Guibord, Rev. Gwynne	5-26
Gunning, Tom	3-07*
Haas, David	5-12, 7-12
Hart, Mark	YD , 1-11*, 3-12*
Haugen, Marty	2-11, 6-17
Hawkins, Gioconda	5-51*
Hayes-Bautista, Dr. David	5-54*
Heagle, Rev. John	5-07*, 8-07*
Heft, Rev. James	4-12*, 5-13*
Hernandez, Dr. Wil	7-13
Hershey, Terry	1-12*, 6-18*
Hopkins, Mary Rice	3-13
Horan, Dr. Michael	5-14
Hoyt, Tricia	6-07*
Huebsch, Bill	1-14*, 4-13*
Hughes, Sr. Kathleen	5-15, 8-09
Hurd, Bob	4-14
Imperator-Lee, Natalia	Soy , 7-17
Jabro, Sr. Suzanne	6-19*
Jansen, Frank	4-15*
Jansen, ValLimar	4-15*
Johnson, Orin	YD
Jonaitis, Sr. Dorothy	5-16*, 8-10*
Just, Rev. Felix	1-15*, 7-14*
Kelly, Matthew	2-12*, 4-16*
Kemp, Rev. Raymond	2-13*, 7-15*
Kempf, Fr. Joe	1-16*, 5-17*
Kleinlein, Dr. Kathy	3-14*, 5-18*
Koester, Craig	4-17*, 6-21*
Lansing, Sean	YD , 3-15*
Lawton, Liam	3-16
Lee, Michael	Soy , 7-17
Leonard, Rev. Richard	5-19, 8-11
Levo, Lynn	6-20*, 7-16*
López Gutierrez, Siro	1-53*, 4-55*
Mangan, Michael	5-20*, 8-13*
Manibusan, Jesse	YD , 2-14*, 8-12*
Markey, Dr. John	1-17*, 8-14*
Martin, Rev. James	3-17*, 8-15*
Massingale, Fr. Bryan	1-13*, 4-19*
Matovina, Timothy	Soy , 7-17
Maze, Darcie	3-13
McCarty, Robert	4-18*, 7-18*

McDonald, Judy	YD
McGrath, Bro. Michael	1-18*
McKenna, Dr. Megan	2-15*, 6-22*
Mullen, Rev. Patrick	2-16*, 6-23*
Murray, Rev. J-Glenn	4-20*, 7-19*
Murúa, Marcelo	2-54*, 8-54*
Musgrave, Hilary	1-02*, 8-01*
Nagel, Leland	8-16*
Ngo, Peter Thang	3-70*
Noguez Alcantara, Rev. Armando	3-55*, 6-53*
Norris, Kathleen	7-20
Oddwalk Ministries	YD
O'Donohue, John	4-21*, 8-17*
Osborne, Rev. Kenan	1-19*, 4-22*
Osiek, Sr. Carolyn	4-23*, 6-24*
Ospino, Dr. Hosffman	6-54*, 7-53*
Pacatte, Sr. Rose	2-20*
Paradise, Jo Ann	5-21*, 8-18*
Pastore, Jason	YD
Patin, Mike	YD , 2-17*, Key *
Pham, Dr. Thanh Van	2-70, 5-70
Phan, Sr. Theresa	1-70*, 4-70*
Phelps, Sr. Jamie	1-20*, 7-21*
Phong, Bro. Fortunat	6-70*, 8-70*
Ponnet, Fr. Chris	3-18*
Radcliffe, Rev. Timothy	2-18*, 5-22*
Regan, Jane	3-19*, 4-24*
Ricard, Rev. R. Tony	4-26*
Riechers, Rev. Erik	5-23*, 7-22*
Righteous B	YD
Ristow, Kate	3-20
Rivera, Jorge	4-56*, 8-19*
Rolheiser, Rev. Ronald	3-21*, 6-25*
Rubalcava, Pedro	2-53, 4-57
Salazar, Sr. Leticia	6-55
Salvatierra, Rev. Alexia	5-04*, 8-55*
Scally, Anna	YD , 8-20*
Schellman, Jim	3-22*, 8-21*
Schmidt, Rev. Jan Kevin	2-02*
Schmidt, Rev. Ron	2-20*
Schreiter, Rev. Robert	6-26*, 7-23*
Sedano, Maruja	7-54*, 1-54*
Shaia, Dr. Alexander	5-25*, 8-22*
Shea, John	1-21*, 3-23*
Shepp, Vikki	5-02*
Siller Acuña, Clodomiro	2-55*, 5-55*
Smith, Rev. Alexei	5-26
Smith-Christopher, Dr. Daniel	3-24*, 8-23*
Smollin, Sr. Anne Bryan	YD , 2-19*
Spitzer, Rev. Robert	3-25*, 5-27*
Stecker, Dr. Carl	1-22*, 7-24*
Sweetser, Fr. Thomas	4-27*, 7-25*
Tagle, Bishop Luis	4-28*, 8-24*
Tejerina Arias, Gonzalo	3-57*, 8-56*
Theisen, Michael	2-21*, 5-28*
Tobar Mensbrugge, Dora	1-55*, 6-56*
Tooke, Doug	YD
Turner, Rev. Paul	1-23*, 2-22*
Valenzuela, Victor	1-56*, Soy , 7-17*
VerEecke, Fr. Robert	2-23
Villa García, Julia	5-56*, 7-55*
Vital Cruz, María Guadalupe	2-56*, 5-57*
Vogt, Susan	3-26*, 8-25*
Walker, Christopher	2-24*, 5-29*
Wallis, Jim	6-27*, 7-26*
Walsh, Dr. David	1-25, 6-28
Welbers, Msgr. Thomas	2-25*
Wells, David	4-29*, 8-26*
Wojtaszek-Healy, Dr. Madonna	2-26*, 4-25*
Zanotto, Rev. Luigi	6-57*, 7-56*
Zanzig, Tom	1-24*, 6-29*



EUCCHARISTIC LITURGIES

Congress 2008 offers 14 different Eucharistic Liturgies of different character, from Contemplative to Jazz, from Spanish to Nigerian. (See page 20.)



YOUTH DAY

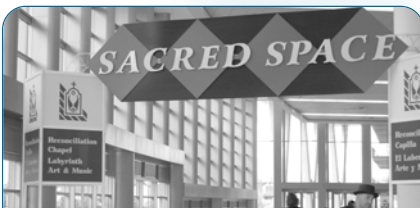
Youth Day, held on **Thursday, February 28**, starts off our Congress weekend with 15,000 coming together for a mix of workshops, liturgies, rallies and high energy. (See pages 6-13.)



CARDINAL CHAT

Friday, 10am-Noon

On Friday of Congress, Cardinal Roger Mahony will conduct his 12th live, online chat – first with school students from the Archdiocese, and then in a nationwide open forum.



“SACRED SPACE”

Friday through Sunday

Sacred Space returns to its home on the third level of the Convention Center. Take a respite from the day’s events and enter a space dedicated to facilitating a sense of spiritual rejuvenation. Our Sacred Space will offer eucharistic adoration in the Chapel, the Sacrament of Reconciliation, a labyrinth, and meditative music and art from the St. John’s Bible.

CONGRESS 2008 HIGHLIGHTS

Keep the spirit of Congress alive with souvenir pins, pens, buttons and more!



ST. JOHN'S BIBLE

Friday through Sunday

The next phase of the St. John Bible Project will be featured at Sacred Space. The St. John’s Bible is the first handwritten, hand-illuminated Bible commissioned since the printing press.



CATHOLIC FILMMAKERS' SHOWCASE

Friday & Saturday, 8-10:30 pm

Coordinated by **Ron Schmidt, SJ**, and **John Flaherty**, the 2008 Showcase presents shorts and clips from a number of Catholic production companies in Hollywood, from short educational films to documentaries and feature films. Producers and directors will be on hand to meet with audience members after the screenings, shown on Friday and Saturday. Fr. Ron Schmidt will be the Master of Ceremonies for the two nights of screenings.

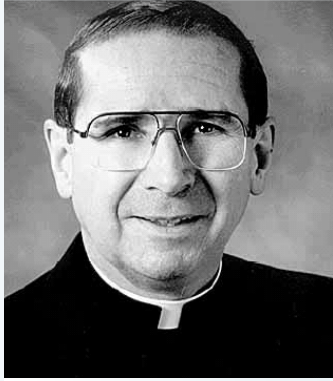


ART EXHIBIT

Friday through Sunday

Born in La Cieneguita, Michoacan, Mexico, celebrated artist **Lalo Garcia** has spent 25 years immersed in the world of art as design artist, production designer, stage director and choreographer. See art works on display from the designer whose work appears in numerous churches around the Southwest, includ-

WELCOME



A MESSAGE FROM THE CARDINAL

Dear Congress Participant:

I am delighted to take this opportunity to welcome you to Congress 2008. This annual event is always a wonderful opportunity for us to gather and renew our commitment to pass on the richness of our Catholic faith, our beliefs, our rituals and our spiritual traditions.

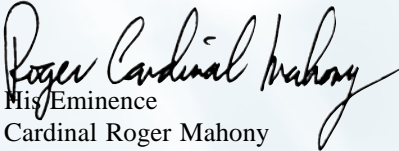
The theme chosen, "*Lift your Gaze, See Anew*," flows from the reading of the Fourth Sunday of Lent where we hear the story of sight restored to the one who struggled with blindness. Our theme nudges us to widen our horizons, and to bid farewell to whatever may cloud our vision or dim our spirits. Seeing anew, we open up to the wisdom of "God sight" – to see beyond and to imagine a future filled with possibility.

I am grateful that so many of you take time to be renewed and enriched by the excellent workshops, liturgical celebrations, resources and opportunities for community building offered throughout the weekend. Your leadership and participation are key to the ongoing development and well being of our local parish communities of faith.

Please be assured of my support and encouragement as you so generously dedicate your time and your energy to this most vital Catechetical Ministry.

Asking God's blessing upon you, your families and your parish communities of faith, and with every best wish, I am

Sincerely yours in Christ,

+ 
His Eminence
Cardinal Roger Mahony
Archbishop of Los Angeles

A MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR

Dear Friends,

It is with great joy that I welcome you to our wonderful annual Religious Education Congress where we find refreshment, renewal and are re-energized to keep on sharing Good News.

The selected theme for this year's event, "*Lift Your Gaze ... See Anew*," reminds us of the gift of sight and of seeing with fresh vision. Gazing with eyes of the heart, we discover the wisdom and beauty hidden in the stuff of life and in the human story with its hopes, its struggles and its blessings.

Again we are heartened by the quality and quantity of excellent workshops, keynotes and multicultural celebrations and entertainment offered throughout the weekend – they are sure to renew our spirits and lift our hearts.

In the midst of the activities offered, there are also moments provided for reflective prayer, opportunities to walk the labyrinth and time to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

Thank you for your faithful commitment, your leadership and willingness to keep on *Lifting Your Gaze and Seeing Anew*. I look forward to greeting you at the event.

Sincerely,



Sr. Edith Prendergast, RSC
Archdiocesan Director
Office of Religious Education





A MESSAGE FROM THE CONGRESS COORDINATORS

Dear Friends,

Welcome to Congress 2008 – “Lift Your Gaze ... See Anew!”

As Co-Coordiators, we once again invite you to join us for the 2008 Los Angeles Religious Education Congress held at the Anaheim Convention Center.

We invite you to participate in the abundant variety of opportunities available to you for enrichment, growth and renewal. The weekend, including our energetic and spirited Youth Day, will be filled with presentations by impressive local, national and international speakers who will both challenge and affirm you in your ministry.

Following in the rich tradition of Congress, there will be ample time to celebrate with others during liturgical prayer, lunchtime and evening concerts, art and multicultural exhibits, the film showcase, as well as quiet time in Sacred Space.

In Exhibit Hall A, you will find a variety of wonderful resources and be able to meet with representatives of more than 225 companies to discuss your particular needs.

Workshops, events, housing information, mail-in and online registration instructions are included in this Guidebook and updated regularly on our website at www.RECongress.org. Additional information can be obtained by calling the Congress office at 213-637-7346, or by e-mail at congress@la-archdiocese.org.

We welcome you and look forward to your being with us at our 2008 Religious Education Congress.

Paulette Smith

Paulette Smith
Congress Event Coordinator

Jan Pedroza

Jan Pedroza
Congress Program Coordinator





Youth Day Information

REFLECTION ON THE YOUTH DAY THEME

*"If today you hear God's voice,
harden not your hearts." – Psalm 95*

Our theme for Youth Day 2008 is **"ABOUT FACE! Focused on God!"** This challenging theme comes from the readings of our day and encourages us to continually "turn our face to God" – in our words, our actions and all our decisions. It reminds us that God is constant in our lives – and we make the choice to remain facing God or to turn away. Our theme also emphasizes the fact that we can always make an "about face" and return to our loving Creator – even when we have chosen to move away. The invitation to remain in God's love never disappears and this gives us strength to persevere even when we seem consumed by darkness. Our first reading from Youth Day proclaims, "Listen to my voice; then I will be your God and you shall be my people!" Youth Day is an opportunity for young people to hear God's voice, to share in the joy of the larger church community, and to be renewed in their commitment to being God's face for others. The young church of Youth Day 2008 definitely hears the voice of God and they choose to "harden not their hearts."

The readings of the day for Youth Day 2008 are:
Jeremiah 7:23-28
Psalm 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9
Luke 11:14-23

FROM THE COORDINATOR

Dear Friends,

Once again it is my pleasure to invite you to be part of our annual Spirit-filled Youth Day! This exciting event welcomes over 14,000 high school students and their chaperones each



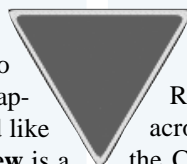
year to the Anaheim Convention Center for a day full of energy, friendship, music, Eucharistic celebrations, catechesis and much more. It serves as an incredible opportunity for young people to experience the love of God within a larger church community and to be enriched in their journey of faith. Because of the great work you do, along with other coordinators, Youth Day continues to grow and bless the lives of many people. Thank you for your dedication and en-

thusiasm. The Youth Day Coordinating Team is busy creating a day that will enhance the wonderful ministry of your parish or school. We look forward to celebrating God's love with you and your young people at Youth Day 2008! See you in Anaheim!

Mike Norman
Associate Director

A SPECIAL INVITATION FOR ADULTS

The Youth Day Coordinating Team would like to offer a special opportunity to any adult who is not chaperoning a group from a parish or school and would like to be part of our day. The Youth Day **Moving Crew** is a group of youth-friendly adults who join us and help guide groups with information and instructions throughout the day. To be part of the Moving Crew, an adult needs to have been fingerprinted by the Los Angeles Archdiocese and have taken part in a Protecting God's Children adult training session (upcoming opportunities for these are available). To get more information about joining Youth Day's Moving Crew, please visit www.RECongress.org/YD or contact Mike Norman at mnorman@la-archdiocese.org or (213) 637-7674.



SOMETHING NEW FOR YOUTH DAY

In an effort to enhance the work of the Office of Religious Education in developing youth leaders across the archdiocese and to support the outreach of the Catholic Youth Foundation USA, there will be a collection during liturgies this year at Youth Day. Catholic Youth Foundation USA serves the National Federation for Catholic Youth Ministry by providing financial resources at the local, diocesan, regional and national levels to promote effective and innovative ministry with adolescents in order to assure a faithful future. We ask that you share this information with young people and adults coming to Youth Day and emphasize how their contribution can continue the formation and education of others. Thank you in advance for your support!

SCHEDULE



**ABOUT FACE!
FOCUSED ON GOD!**

02.28.08

8:30 am

OPENING EVENT

Youth Day will begin FOCUSED ON GOD at our Opening Sessions as we listen to the wonderful music of **Steve Angrisano** in the Arena and **Jesse Manibusan** in Hall B. We will also be blessed with keynote messages by **Doug Brummel** and **Righteous B!** Young people from across the archdiocese and beyond will be on hand to lead us in prayer and guide us through our day.

LUNCH

12:15 pm

Following our Eucharistic celebrations we invite your group to enjoy lunch and make new friends – as well as spend time with old friends.

9:45 am

AM WORKSHOPS

Immediately following our Opening Sessions, participants will be able to attend one of the 13 Morning Workshops (listed on the following pages) that will inspire, challenge and catechize them in new ways! We suggest that you share the list of speakers with your young people and allow them to choose (in groups of 10 with a chaperone) which topics interest them.

PM WORKSHOPS

1:30 pm

The Afternoon Workshops are a second chance to hear some of the best speakers from across the nation. Remember that all morning sessions are repeated (except Session “E”).

11:00 am

LITURGIES

Our Eucharistic Liturgies are next with **Cardinal Roger Mahony** celebrating with us in the Arena, with music provided by youth from across the archdiocese and beyond, under the direction of Ed Archer of St. Monica Parish in Santa Monica. **Bishop Oscar Solis** will be celebrating Liturgy in Hall B along with music provided by youth of the Santa Barbara Region, led by John Vasellina of St. Raphael’s Parish in Goleta. The Grand Ballroom Liturgy welcomes **Fr. Darrin Merlino, CMF**, as presider along with music provided by Steve Angrisano.

RALLIES

2:45 pm

Youth Day 2008 ends with two energetic Closing Rallies – one in the Arena and the other in Hall B. These powerful events help us to close our day with music, inspirational stories and prayer – all offered by speakers and artists from our day, as well as the talents of young people from across the archdiocese and beyond! Come be renewed in your commitment to make an ABOUT FACE and STAY FOCUSED ON GOD! Our day will end at 3:30pm with dismissal!

DISMISSAL

3:30 pm



**ABOUT FACE!
FOCUSED ON GOD!**

02.28.08



ATTENTION GROUP LEADERS:

Order Your Official Youth Day T-Shirts

Youth Day T-shirts are available for group pre-orders. Orders with payment must be received by February 15, 2008 and will be available for pick-up starting at 8 a.m. on Youth Day at a booth in the Grand Lobby (south side) of the Convention Center Arena.

T-shirts: \$15 Sweatshirts \$40
Available in sizes: S, M, L, XL
Special sizes available upon request.

Place your order online: www.Seraph7.com

NOTE: This year, your group can receive their T-shirts in advance of Youth Day! Or if you would like to customize your shirts, email us at store@seraph7.com

YOUTH DAY REGISTRATION:

All high school students (9th-12th grades ONLY) are invited to register for Youth Day. Students must register with an adult Chaperone who will be attending with them. Two adult Chaperones must accompany the first group of 1-10 youth and then one adult with each additional group of 10 youth. Chaperones must stay with their group throughout the entire day. Each group chooses which workshops they would like to attend. Make a first, second and third choice from the following 13 workshops. Please note that there are two workshops (clearly marked in bold) that take place in the Arena and are not repeated. All other workshops are offered twice – once in the morning and once in the afternoon. We try to accommodate first choices for workshops, but sometimes they fill up and we must move you to your second or third choice.

NOTE: YOUTH DAY OFTEN FILLS UP BEFORE THE JANUARY FEE INCREASE! There is a limit to the number of people we can register. If Youth Day fills to capacity before the February 1, 2008 deadline, we will close the day and return your registration. Please try to register as soon as possible. There are no exceptions.

A FAMILY LAUGHS!

Join Catholic comedian and character-actor Doug Brummel as he transforms himself into some “never-to-be-forgotten” characters that help us treasure the gift of faith and family life! **WARNING:** This workshop may induce laughter, joy and gratitude! Expect the unexpected! **(Afternoon Arena session only.)**



Doug Brummel

Doug Brummel is a nationally known Catholic comedic character-actor and storyteller. Since 1992, his “Lighten Up!” whole-community celebrations have been welcomed in over 700 church communities at parish family missions, renewals and retreats. He has performed in nearly every state in the country at theater events and keynote presentations at regional and national conferences. Brummel is also author of two children books series on the Sacraments.

B ROMANCE WITHOUT REGRET

Some think that “chastity” simply means “not having sex.” But that’s mere abstinence. Chastity is more than that, it’s about what you can do and have right now: a chaste lifestyle that brings freedom, respect, peace and romance without regret. In an age when the media tell young people that they cannot – and need not – control themselves sexually, Crystalina and Jason Evert’s message to students is challenging, entertaining, encouraging and healing. Get the healthy and correct Catholic male and female perspectives on living chastely as you listen to their life-changing message.



Crystalina & Jason Evert

Crystalina and Jason Evert are full-time apologists with Catholic Answers, a lay-run apostolate for which they have written books and work with its web site. After a year of speaking as an engaged couple, Crystalina and Jason married in June of 2003 and continue to share their inspirational testimonies with hundreds of thousands of teens and parents, providing compelling and uplifting reasons for embracing the virtue of chastity.

C WHAT DO YOU KNOW? LIVING OUT WHAT THE BIBLE REALLY SAYS

The Bible is not a “nice book.” Anyone who thinks that it is obviously hasn’t read it. Do you find yourself spending more time debating Scripture and faith and less time understanding it? Well it’s time to go beyond the confusing details and random names and just get down to the truth. It’s time to discover what God is really saying and how he is putting his Word into motion in your lives. It’s time to stop reading the Bible as fiction-filled entertainment value and, instead, learn about how God thinks and works, through his Word.

Mark Hart



Affectionately known as the “Bible Geek,” Mark Hart serves as Executive Vice President for Life Teen International. A graduate from the University of Notre Dame, Hart is a popular speaker, award-winning author and weekly regular on Catholic radio programs. His 2006 book, “Blessed are the Bored in Spirit,” found its way onto the Catholic best-seller list, and he has created an interactive DVD Bible Study series, “T3,” and weekly Life Teen podcasts. Hart currently lives in Phoenix.



My first experience of Congress...

My brother Joel and his friend invited me to Congress 2006, but at the last minute I decided not to go. This year I didn’t feel like going either because I thought it was going to be another “boring convention,” but we ended up going. The sessions and the speakers were great! My boyfriend and I really learned a lot! We were so excited that we even bought books and a lot of CDs so we could listen to the talks again! After Congress we returned home feeling great and told all of our friends about it. We decided to make it a new tradition to attend every year from now on!

– Marisol Espinoza

D TAKE A STAND, MAKE A DIFFERENCE

Are you wondering how to take a stand against the injustices going on today? In this workshop we will examine real issues, explore what people are saying about them, what our church teaches, and learn how to take a stand! Join us as we make our faith real in the world!

Sean Lansing



Sean Lansing is a Project Coordinator for Youth Ministry Services at the Center for Ministry Development in Milwaukee. Previously, he was a parish youth minister for Milwaukee’s Central City Catholic Parishes. Lansing is author of the “Call to Faith” Session Leader’s Guide and was a contributing author of “Total Youth Ministry Resources for Justice and Service.” He also writes for the Web-based youth ministry resource, Youth Ministry Access.



E CELEBRATING LITURGY! REAL POWER

How might we more fully, consciously and passionately participate in the celebration of the Paschal Mystery? How does the Real Presence of Christ inspire and ignite our presence and participation in the life of Christ and the mission of the church? Celebrating liturgy is the real power of love. (Morning Arena session only.)

Jesse Manibusan



Storyteller, speaker, composer and singer, Jesse Manibusan is Director of Two by Two Ministries. With experience as music minister, catechist and youth worker, he travels throughout the United States, Canada and beyond, appearing at the L.A. Congress, the National Catholic Youth Conference, the National Conference of Catholic Youth Ministers, and several other major events. Manibusan has also recorded several CDs.



H DON'T JUDGE

Let's face it, being Catholic is hard enough, but throw into the mix being nice to others and treating them the way Jesus calls us to ... well, that's just down right hard. Can it be done? Can a mere mortal really love their neighbor ALL the time? This workshop will make you laugh and think at the same time. So be warned: Don't judge!



Judy McDonald

Judy McDonald has been a natural comedian all her life. Previously a Youth Minister and Campus Minister in San Diego, she has been performing stand-up for 13 years. Her professional comedic experience includes an appearance on the Dennis Miller Show and opening for comedians Paula Poundstone, Mark Curry and Dat Phan. For the past four years McDonald has been touring nationally and internationally. She is also a featured writer on lifeteen.com and contributor/pod jockey for SpiritandSong.com.

K YOU WANT ME TO DO WHAT ?!

What do you want to be when you grow up? Join Shannon and Orin of Oddwalk as they help you explore what it means to have a vocation in the church – both the vocation you have right now and what God may call you to in the future. Fun music, humorous storytelling and heartfelt prayer will guide our way as we explore our purpose in God's Reign.



Oddwalk

Orin Johnson and Shannon Cerneka officially founded Oddwalk Ministries in 2004 after many years of a more informal existence. Oddwalk has performed its fun, upbeat and interactive music and witnessing in

front of thousands in such venues as National Catholic Youth Conference comedy clubs, World Youth Day catechetical sessions and several diocesan youth rallies and conferences. Oddwalk has also performed in parish settings, helped lead retreats and prayer services, and has made countless other appearances.

L MOSES, MARY AND YOU?

God has called on some unlikely individuals to lead his church: Moses, Mary and, yes, even you! Being a Christian leader involves more than a youth group T-shirt, it involves action and sacrifice. Allow Jason Pastore to reveal how boldness, burdens and perseverance help build a strong Christian leader.



Jason Pastore

Jason Pastore has been involved with Life Teen for years, beginning as a teen, then as a Core Member and a youth minister. He now serves the church by working for Life Teen International as their Western Regional Director, and has spoken at various Life Teen events, diocesan and archdiocesan events. He formerly served as Youth Minister at St. Timothy's and Christ the King in Mesa, Ariz.

M I LOVE THIS GAME!! (FOR ATHLETES)

The agony of defeat and the thrill of victory. The hours of practice and training. Striving for a championship. Teamwork. Discipline. Game plans. Coaches. Opponents. What does Jesus have to say to do with any of it? Dare to find out ... calling all those willing to go the extra mile.

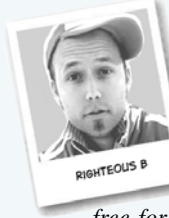


Mike Patin

Mike Patin has worked with teenagers and adults in a variety of settings: six years in high school ministry and 13 years in diocesan youth ministry (CYO/Youth Ministry Office for the Archdiocese of New Orleans). Since 2003 he has worked full time as a speaker and "faith horticulturist," speaking to more than 800 groups in over 80 dioceses across the country. Patin continues to lead youth and adult retreats, parish missions and leadership institutes.

P FOLLOWING JESUS JUST MIGHT RUIN YOUR LIFE

Jesus' call to die to self and follow him is the most challenging thing you can ever do with your life. If it doesn't seem hard, then you might not be following Christ as fully as he asks. We will be exploring the story of the rich young man in Mark Chapter 10.



Righteous B

"Rapologist" Righteous B, a.k.a. Bob Lesnefsky, is really, really holy. He has worked as a youth minister for seven years and is currently recording music, performing and speaking nationally at parishes and conferences. Righteous B is committed to performing a portion of his concerts free for prisons and inner-city churches, and a portion of all bookings and sales go to fund inner-city churches and develop effective programming to reach urban youth.

S PRAYING WITH YOUR IPOD/HEADPHONES

Imagine putting on your headphones and having a great conversation with God! Songs speak about life and relationships. Living as a person of faith calls us to enter into honorable relationships. Jesus invites us to make a difference in the world. Learn how your music can help you grow spiritually.

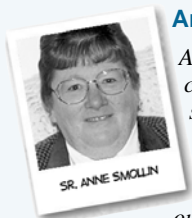


Anna Scally

Anna Scally, President of Cornerstone Media, is a columnist for their Top Music Countdown online resource and host of their audio show, "Burning Issues." She has made over 2,200 public presentations at youth rallies, training events, retreats and adult education days. She has also been a presenter at all the major conferences for religious educators in North America. As Master of Ceremonies at World Youth days in Denver, Toronto and Germany, Scally earned the name, "The Pope's DJ."

X BEING CATHOLIC AND HAVING A SENSE OF HUMOR

We look serious. Our faces are tense and our eyes stare ahead blankly. Yet we are supposed to be Resurrection People! We are called to be people of joy. And if we believed that and lived it, we would be bearers of the Gospel message to whom we come in contact. Living each graced moment with the awareness that it contains all we need to be whole/holy and alive people. We will look for ways to be present to that moment and find the joy and humor that gives us the ability to see life, seize it, celebrate it and, in turn, tickle our hearts and souls.



Anne Bryan Smollin, CSJ, PhD

A Sister of St. Joseph, Anne Smollin is a licensed counselor and group facilitator, lecturer and consultant to businesses and religious communities. She is currently Executive Director of Counseling for Laity, based in Albany, N.Y. The former elementary teacher lectures extensively throughout the United States and Alaska, Ireland and Australia speaking to religious communities and at conventions and businesses. Sr. Smollin has authored four books.

Z CALL IT OUT THEN CLIMB IN A CAVE

When the Lord called the Disciples (Mark 3:13-14), he asked for three things: That they might be with him; that he might send them out to preach; and that they might have authority to cast out demons! Holy cow, bet you didn't think you had it in you! This workshop on Catholic identity will lay out the clear call from our Lord to be his servants. Through a brief walk with the prophet Elijah, we will begin to explore the dynamic modern role for today's Catholic believer. At the heart of it all is the willingness to profess and to pray.



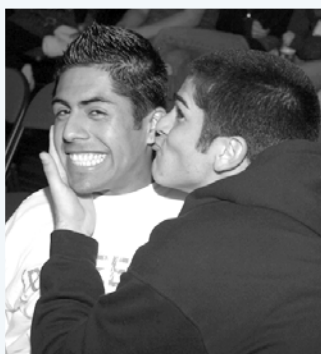
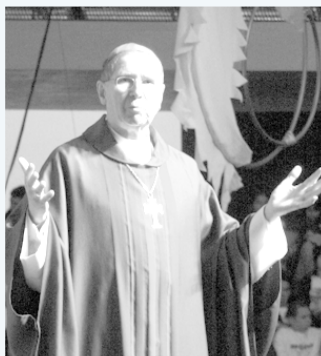
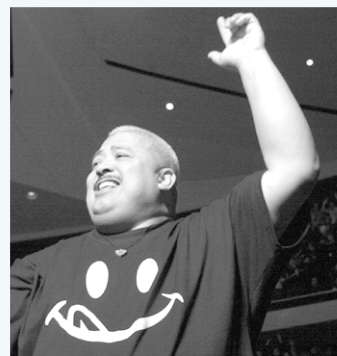
Doug Tooke

With a treasure of experience in parish and diocesan youth ministry throughout the nation, Doug Tooke has taken traditional methods to new and inventive levels. He currently resides in Helena, Mont., where he works as Diocesan Director of Youth and Young Adult Ministry. Tooke has spoken across the country to various parishes, deaneries, vicariates and private Catholic high schools.



David Casey

David Casey is a professional musician and youth minister with 14 years of experience serving in the Diocese of Helena, Mont. He brings his ministry of worship leading and training to conventions, retreats and events across the country. Since 1999 Casey has recorded five albums of original music, including the CD "Best Day Ever," which features 13 songs that were written initially for his five children.



WHO MAY ATTEND?

All students from public and Catholic high schools, grades 9 through 12, are invited to our annual YOUTH DAY on Thursday of the Congress weekend. STUDENTS BELOW THE 9th GRADE ARE NOT ALLOWED TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS EVENT AND WILL BE REFUSED ADMISSION.

WHAT IS THE COST?

Registration to attend Youth Day is \$20 per person. After fees increase January 5, 2008, the price is \$25 per person.

CHAPERONES & CONTACT PERSON

For each group of up to 10 students there must be one Adult Chaperone. However, there must be two Chaperones listed in your first group registration. Groups must stay together throughout the day, all attending the same workshops. Students are not to be dropped off at the Convention Center without a Chaperone.

The **Adult Chaperone** should be at least 21 years of age and must stay with and supervise his or her group throughout all of Youth Day. Chaperones should participate in the events of the day – youth find it more difficult to participate if the adults are off to the side. Understanding that it is often difficult to sit together as a large group, we ask that Chaperones divide up and stay with those they brought.

The **Contact Person** is responsible for providing the Adult Chaperone with all the necessary forms and emergency information for each student in the group. All Youth Day tickets will be mailed to the Contact Person. The Contact Person may also be one of the group Chaperones or registrants.

It is the responsibility of the **Contact Person** to make sure that ALL Chaperones have been trained in accordance with their Diocesan Youth Protection Program and the appropriate diocesan required background check has been completed. Please contact your Diocesan Youth Ministry Team for fulfilling this requirement.

HOW DO WE REGISTER?

Registrations can be made by mailing in the Youth Day Registration Form along with a check for the proper amount. A maximum of 10 students and one Chaperone can register per form. There must be two Chaperones listed in your first group registration.

REGISTRATION DEADLINE

We recommend that you register early. Once Youth Day fills to capacity it is CLOSED to further registrations. This sometimes happens BEFORE THE REGISTRATION FEE INCREASE ON JANUARY 5, 2008. If we receive your registration after Youth Day has closed, it will be returned to you. SORRY, THERE ARE NO EXCEPTIONS TO THIS GUIDELINE.

TICKETS AND NAME TAGS

Each ticket must be issued to a specific person. Registrations will NOT be processed if only one person's name is used in all the spaces on the form. In order to gain admission into the Convention Center, each person must have tickets and be wearing the official Youth Day name tag. If needed, you may substitute names. We will not be able to print out new name tags or workshop tickets.

Due to the large number of people who attend and unpredictable weather, we strongly encourage that **tickets and name tags be passed out before you leave your parish or school or before leaving the**

bus. Those who become separated from their group are not allowed entry to workshops or the Arena. Your help in this matter would be greatly appreciated.

Tickets will be mailed after **January 31, 2008**, to the Contact Person. Please check your packet to verify that each Chaperone and each student has his or her own tickets.

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

1. The Youth Day Registration Form is provided on the next page. Please feel free to duplicate the form.
2. No more than 10 students with one Chaperone can register per form, with the group attending all the same workshops. The first group must include two Chaperones. PLEASE do not register more people on the form than will be attending.
3. Once registration has been sent in, additional students CANNOT be added. To add students, a new form (with another paid Chaperone) must be filled out and sent in.
4. All youth need to remain with their Chaperones throughout Youth Day. No one can be dropped off at the Convention Center without an Adult Chaperone.
5. Remember to list the name of the Contact Person on each form used and indicate if he/she will attend. If the Contact Person plans to attend, his/her name **MUST appear again as a Chaperone or registrant.**
6. Indicate your choice of workshops and send the form(s) with the total fee of \$20 per person (U.S. dollars only) postmarked by January 5, 2008 to: LOS ANGELES RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CONGRESS, PO BOX 76955, LOS ANGELES, CA 90076-0955.
Make checks payable to: Religious Education Congress.
Total fees must accompany registration form. All incomplete registrations will be mailed back. We cannot accept registration forms by phone or fax.
7. After January 5, 2008 (postmarked), the Youth Day Registration fee will be \$25 per person.
8. Refunds must be requested in writing before January 5, 2008. There are NO REFUNDS after that date. There will be a \$5 per person refund processing fee.
9. THERE IS NO REGISTRATION ON YOUTH DAY.
10. Questions? Call (213) 637-7348 or (213) 637-7346.

WORKSHOP REGISTRATION & ASSIGNMENT

Print the letter of your first-, second- and third-choice workshops plainly on the spaces provided. All workshops are repeated in the afternoon session, unless otherwise noted.

WORKSHOP ASSIGNMENT: Our registration computer will assign your first choice for the morning session and your second choice for the afternoon. If your first choice is full, then the computer will assign your second choice first and your first choice second. You are given your third choice only if your first and second choices are full.

FOOD SERVICES

During the brief time we have scheduled for lunch, there will be food concessions at the Convention Center. Lines are always long, so you may prefer to have your group bring lunches. You can bring ice chests and other supplies in your vehicles (to be brought in at lunchtime only). We ask that no one go to the nearby restaurants.

YOUTH DAY REGISTRATION FORM

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2008 – 8:30 am - 3:30 pm

ARCHDIOCESE OF LOS ANGELES – OFFICE OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

THERE IS NO REGISTRATION ON YOUTH DAY

1. A maximum of 10 students per form can be registered **with each paid Adult Chaperone** – all attending the same workshops.
2. Once the Registration Form has been mailed in, additional students cannot be added to it. Additional students require a new form AND another **paid Chaperone**.
3. YOUTH DAY FEE: \$20 per person (U.S. dollars only). After January 5, 2008 fee increases to \$25 per person.
4. NOTE: YOUTH DAY USUALLY FILLS TO CAPACITY AND CLOSSES BEFORE THE DEADLINE DATE. Youth Day Registration deadline is February 1, 2008. All registrations received after this date – **or after Youth Day fills to capacity** – will be returned.
5. Mail checks payable to: **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CONGRESS**, PO Box 76955, Los Angeles, CA 90076-0955.
6. Total payment **must accompany this form**.
7. Tickets will be mailed after **January 31, 2008**. Please check your packet when you receive it, verifying that each Adult Chaperone and each student has his or her own tickets. Students must remain with their Adult Chaperones throughout the day.
8. Refunds must be requested in writing before January 5, 2008. Note: There is a \$5 **per person** refund processing fee.
9. REGISTRATION QUESTIONS? CALL (213) 637-7348 or (213) 637-7346.

PLEASE PRINT. INCOMPLETE FORMS WILL BE RETURNED.

Diocese _____
 Parish _____
 School/Org. _____
 City _____ State _____

– For Office Use Only –

Stamp Number _____
 Date Received _____
 Total Registrants _____
 Check Number _____
 Total Amount _____

CONTACT PERSON (If attending, please also include your name below as Chaperone or Registrant, whichever is applicable)

Name _____ Day Phone (____) _____
 Address _____ Eve. Phone (____) _____
 City _____ State _____ ZIP Code _____
 Email _____

SERVICES • Will anyone in your group require special services? Sign Interpreter Oral Interpreter Deaf-Blind Interpreter
 Assistive Listening Devices (ALDs) • Name of student/adult requiring assistance _____

ADULT CHAPERONE

			\$20	\$25
_____	_____			
		By	After	
		Jan. 5	Jan. 5	
REGISTRANTS (print clearly; check if Adult)				
Adult? _____	First Name _____	Last Name _____	\$40	\$50
<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	_____	\$60	\$75
<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	_____	\$80	\$100
<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	_____	\$100	\$125
<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	_____	\$120	\$150
<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	_____	\$140	\$175
<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	_____	\$160	\$200
<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	_____	\$180	\$225
<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	_____	\$200	\$250
<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	_____	\$220	\$275

}

Fees are an additional \$5 per person if postmarked after January 5, 2008.

Workshop Choice for Group:

1ST _____

2ND _____

3RD _____

– YOU MAY DUPLICATE THIS FORM –

Mail to: RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CONGRESS, PO BOX 76955, LOS ANGELES, CA 90076-0955

Events at Congress 2008

FRIDAY SCHEDULE

- 8:00 am**
On-site registration begins
(Prefunction Lobby)
- 8:30 - 9:30 am**
Opening Rite / Welcome
(Arena)
- 10:00 - 11:30 am**
Period 1 Workshops
- 11:30am - 1:00 pm**
LUNCH
- 11:45 am - 12:30 pm**
Music (Arena)
– Matt Maher & Nellie Cruz
Music (Hall B)
– Rafael Moreno & Jorge Rivera with Peter Kolar
- 1:00 - 2:30 pm**
Period 2 Workshops
- 3:00 - 4:30 pm**
Period 3 Workshops
- 5:15 pm**
Evening Prayer &
Eucharistic Liturgies
(see page 20)
- 8:00 pm**
Concert (Arena)
– Ceili Rain
Catholic Filmmakers' Showcase
- 9:30 pm**
Peace Prayer
-
- Registration Hours**
8:00 am - 3:00 pm
(Prefunction Lobby)
- Exhibit Hours**
8:00 am - 5:00 pm
(Hall A)
- Sacred Space**
10:00 am - 3:00 pm
(Convention 304)

OPENING RITE & WELCOME

Arena – Friday, 8:30 am

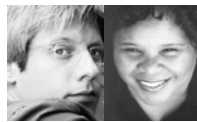
“Lift Your Gaze ... See Anew” “Alza tu Mirada ... Vuelve a Mirar”

Imagine a future filled with possibility! Join in this spirit-filled celebration to mark the beginning of an awesome weekend filled with opportunities to worship, to grow in faith, to share wisdom. Our inspiring ritual will be graced by the presence and participation of:

Cardinal Roger Mahony	Richard Cheri	Frank Jansen
Edith Prendergast, RSC	Jaime Cortez	Vallimar Jansen
Paulette Smith	Harrison Crenshaw	Mary Janus
Jan Pedroza	Nellie Cruz	Tom Kendzia
John Flaherty	Elohim D'Leon	Peter Kolar
Meredith Augustin	Gary Daigle	Liam Lawton
Tony Alonso	Chris de Silva	Douglas Leal
Donna Anderle	Theresa Donohoo	Kenneth Louis
John Angotti	Santiago Fernández	Matt Maher
Ed Archer	Jim Gibson	Ginny McKinley-Temple
Matthew Baute	Laura Gibson	Rafael Moreno
Matt Bazar	Laura Gomez	Donna Peña
Betsey Beckman	David Haas	Clifford Petty
Anna Betancourt	Bob Halligan, Jr.	Michael John Poirier
Josh Blakesley	Marty Haugen	Pedro Rubalcava
Carol Browning	Eddie Hilley	Janèt Sullivan Whitaker
Helena Buscema	Dan Houze	John West ... and many others

FRIDAY LUNCHTIME ENTERTAINMENT

Arena – 11:45 am - 12:30 pm



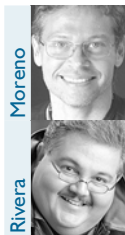
MATT MAHER & NELLIE CRUZ

Don't miss the chance to see Matt Maher, one of the most popular and critically acclaimed Catholic musicians in the country, as he takes the stage with talented vocalist Nellie Cruz. They'll hold nothing back as they share their music and their faith with you. Be ready to stand up and sing praise!

Hall B – 11:45 am - 12:30 pm

RAFAEL MORENO & JORGE RIVERA WITH PETER KOLAR

“Youth Apostles” / “Apóstoles de la Juventud”



Two pillars of musical evangelization, Rafael Moreno and Jorge Rivera, are joined by composer Peter Kolar for a noontime experience which will nourish your soul and energize your faith.

Dos artistas reconocidos por su evangelización musical, Rafael Moreno y Jorge Rivera, junto con el compositor Peter Kolar, presentarán un concierto que nutrirá a su alma y animará a su fe.

FRIDAY EVENING CONCERT

Arena – 8:00 pm

BOB HALLIGAN, JR. & CEILI RAIN

Ceili (say: KAY-lee) is a Gaelic (Irish) word that means “party.” Thus, Ceili Rain is a Celtic-pop-rock downpour of heavenly partiness! This six-headed joy-monster for Jesus will delight kids from 3 to 93. Billboard Magazine raves: “This group deserves to be heard by the entire world!” Join the Celtic conga line in the Arena on Friday night!



PERIOD 1 – 10:00 - 11:30 AM

- 1-01 A Good Conscience: What Is It and How Do I Know if I Have One? (*) - **Benson**
- 1-02 Holy Ground – Reverencing the Sacred Within Us (*) - **Brown & Musgrave**
- 1-03 Keeping the Faith (*) - **Cimino**
- 1-04 Spiritual Survival in a Polarized Church - **Cozzens**
- 1-05 The Heaven Before Us (*) - **D’Arcy**
- 1-06 Raising Chaste Teens - **Evert**
- 1-07 A Spirituality of Communicating “Who I am” - **Fabing**
- 1-08 Blessed Be God Forever: A Mystagogical Reflection - **Foley**
- 1-09 Nuclear Fission: The Eucharistic Theology of Benedict XVI (*) - **Fragomeni**
- 1-10 Sex in the Garden: Reflections on the Catholic Christian Vision of Sexuality (*) - **Gaillardetz**
- 1-11 Causing Biblical “Heartburn”: Creating and Leading Effective Scripture Studies (*) - **Hart**
- 1-12 The Sacred Present: Finding, Loving, Living (*) - **Hershey**
- 1-13 Healing a Divided World (*) - **Massingale**
- 1-14 How to Become a GREAT Parish! (*) - **Huebsch**
- 1-15 The Passion and Resurrection of Jesus, According to Matthew (*) - **Just**
- 1-16 The Main Thing is to Keep the Main Thing the Main Thing: Creative Strategies for Celebrating Occasions and Seasons (*) - **Kempf**
- 1-17 Moses in Pharaoh’s House: A Liberation Theology for Those of Us in the “First World” (*) - **Markey**
- 1-18 Jesus A to Z: Art at Catechesis (*) - **McGrath**
- 1-19 Leadership: Sacramental and Charismatic (*) - **Osborne**
- 1-20 The Evangelizing and Social Justice Mission of the Church (*) - **Phelps**
- 1-21 “Behold, I Make All Things New”: The Gospels as Tools of “Seeing Anew” (*) - **Shea**
- 1-22 HIV & AIDS: Age of Unprecedented Funding for Global Response to Pandemic (*) - **Stecker**
- 1-23 The Sacrament of Confirmation: What It Is and What It’s Not (*) - **Turner**
- 1-24 Adult Faith Formation: If It IS Broke, Let’s Fix It (*) - **Zanzig**
- 1-25 “No”: Why Kids of All Ages Need It and Ways Parents Can Say It - **Walsh**
- 1-70 Vietnamese Workshop (*) - **Phan**

PERIOD 2 – 1:00 - 2:30 PM

- 2-01 The Journey of Ministry: Exploring the Six Tasks of Catechesis (*) - **Anderle & Friedman**
- 2-02 Discover and Live Your Strengths (*) - **Anslinger & Schmidt**
- 2-03 Creating an Intimate Marriage (*) - **Burns**
- 2-04 Enriching Children’s Catechesis Through Music and Movement (*) - **Burland**
- 2-05 Physician-assisted Suicide - **Coleman**
- 2-06 The Challenge of St. Francis: 1209-2009 (*) - **Cronin**
- 2-07 A Way of Power Modeled on God’s Power (*) - **Crosby**
- 2-08 An Adult Appreciation of the Passion and Death of Christ (*) - **Cusick**
- 2-09 Fire ’em Up for Jesus! - **Ellair**
- 2-10 Revisiting Our Story: Claiming Our Christian Heritage (*) - **Fiand**
- 2-11 Our Life in Worship/Our Life in the World - **Haugen**
- 2-12 The Spirit of the World vs. the Spirit of God (*) - **Kelly**
- 2-13 Preparing Pastoral Preaching that is Pointed, Prayerful and Purposeful (*) - **Kemp**
- 2-14 Multicultural Church – Being Powerfully Catholic (*) - **Manibusan**
- 2-15 Lift Your Gaze ... See Anew (*) - **McKenna**
- 2-16 The Passions of Jesus (*) - **Mullen**
- 2-17 Teens with Screens (*) - **Patin**
- 2-18 Is Dialogue Possible in the Church Today? (*) - **Radcliffe**
- 2-19 The Spirituality of Connectedness: Lifting Our Gaze (*) - **Smollin**
- 2-20 “Into Great Silence”: Spirituality and Filmmaking for Catechists (*) - **Schmidt & Pacatte**
- 2-21 Forming Young Disciples through Transforming Methods: A New Paradigm for Adolescent Catechesis (*) - **Theisen**
- 2-22 An Update on the English Translation of the Roman Missal (*) - **Turner**
- 2-23 Let There Be Light: Seeing New Ways to Dance the Good News (*) - **VerEecke**
- 2-24 Wake Up the Assembly’s Voice (*) - **Walker**
- 2-25 Savoring Our Heritage of Faith: Early Christian World Pilgrimage (*) - **Welbers**
- 2-26 Everyone Is Called to God’s Table, Even the Ones Who Can’t Sit Still in Their Seats (*) - **Wojtaszek-Healy**
- 2-70 Vietnamese Workshop - **Pham**

PERIOD 3 – 3:00 - 4:30 PM

- 3-01 Is the Catholic Church a Peace Church? (*) - **Appleby**
- 3-02 Let the Spirit Play: Using InterPlay in Ministry (*) - **Beckman & Ash**
- 3-03 Spirituality and Sexuality in College Student Life - **Beaudoin**
- 3-04 When Bad Things Happen to Good Parishes: Crisis Management in the 21st-Century Church (*) - **Boudreau**
- 3-05 Good Ground Will Yield a Fruitful Harvest - **Cheri & Team**
- 3-06 Lourdes: 150 Years of Hope and Healing for a Hurting World (*) - **Ficocelli**
- 3-07 Through the Threshold: An Approach to Religious Education for High School Students (*) - **de Barra & Gunning**
- 3-08 Roman Catholicism: Global Religion or European Export? (*) - **Gaillardetz**
- 3-09 Mystics, Mysticism and Myself - **Gateley**
- 3-10 The Church, Matrimony and Same-sex Marriage: A Catechetical Perspective (*) - **Gordon**
- 3-11 “I Am Not the Messiah” (*) - **Groome**
- 3-12 The Original Text Message: A Cradle Catholic’s “Dummy Guide” to the Bible (*) - **Hart**
- 3-13 ABCs of Praise - **Hopkins & Maze**
- 3-14 Conversion, Faith-sharing and Catechesis: The Great Balancing Act (*) - **Kleinlein**
- 3-15 From Doers of Service to People of Justice: Doing Youth Ministry that Inspires Youth to Live Catholic Social Teaching (*) - **Lansing**
- 3-16 How Can We Sing a Song in an Alien Land? (*) - **Lawton**
- 3-17 Be Who You Are! (*) - **Martin**
- 3-18 Disneyland’s Million Dreams – A Consistent Life Ethic Reflects the Million Stories (*) - **Ponnet**
- 3-19 Fostering the Next Generation of Faithful Believers (*) - **Regan**
- 3-20 Deal or No Deal: Strategies for Moral Development (*) - **Ristow**
- 3-21 Radical Faith – The Struggles with Faith and the Dark Night of the Spirit (*) - **Rolheiser**
- 3-22 From Evangelization to Initiation (*) - **Schellman**
- 3-23 Developing and Sustaining “Seeing Anew”: Spiritual Practices and Consciousness Change (*) - **Shea**
- 3-24 “Farms Not Arms”: Reading the Prophet Micah (*) - **Smith-Christopher**
- 3-25 New Proofs for the Existence of God: Contributions of Contemporary Physics to the Effort of Evangelization (*) - **Spitzer**
- 3-26 Beyond Words: Teaching Faith and Values to Children and Families through Symbol and Action (*) - **Vogt**
- 3-70 Vietnamese Workshop (*) - **Ngo**

🎧 and (*) are recorded sessions

SATURDAY SCHEDULE

- 8:00 am**
On-site registration
(Prefunction Lobby)
Morning Praise (Arena)
- 8:30 am**
Keynote Address
– Rev. Robert Brown
- 10:00 - 11:30 am**
Period 4 Workshops
- 10:00 am - 4:00 pm**
Soy Catequista
- 11:30 am - 1:00 pm**
LUNCH
- 11:45 am - 12:30 pm**
Music (Arena)
– Angotti, Manibusan,
Augustin & Stephan
Music (Hall B)
– Blakesley, Pixler & Bruno
- 1:00 - 2:30 pm**
Period 5 Workshops
- 3:00 - 4:30 pm**
Period 6 Workshops
- 5:15 pm**
Evening Prayer & Liturgies
- 8:00 pm**
Concert (Arena)
– “Lift Your Gaze”
Filmmakers’ Showcase
- 9:30 pm**
Lamentation Service
- 9:30 pm - 12:30 am**
Young Adult Dance (Marriott)
-
- Registration Hours**
8:00 am - 3:00 pm
(Prefunction Lobby)
- Exhibit Hours**
8:00 am - 5:00 pm
(Hall A)
- Sacred Space**
10:00 am - 3:00 pm
(Convention 304)

MORNING PRAISE

Arena – 8:00 am

Our morning will begin with Nellie Cruz, Donna Peña, Richard Cheri and Clifford Petty leading us in song and praise celebrating our faith. Our presider will be Juliette Marsh-Williams. Together, we shall lift our gaze to the new day to see a new Light.

SATURDAY KEYNOTE

Arena – 8:30 am



REV. ROBERT BARRON

*“The Religious Educator as Evangelizer:
A True Mission in Changing Times”*

The church’s primary mission is to proclaim Jesus as Lord. This call is rooted in a tradition going back to St. Paul for whom proclaiming Jesus as “Lord” was an absolute stand against the powers and authorities of the world – political, cultural, economic and military. When we look at Jesus we see him as gatherer of the lost, embodiment of the Kingdom, friend of sinners, victor over death. Those involved in the ministry of catechesis are challenged to see – and help others see – the world through the lens of Jesus, and to model their lives on the pattern of Christ’s own life. Their evangelizing mission is a bold proclamation that “Jesus is Lord!”

Chicago-native Fr. Robert Barron is Professor of Systematic Theology at the University of St. Mary of the Lake-Mundelein Seminary, located outside of Chicago. His numerous articles on theology and spirituality have appeared in a variety of journals. He also gives frequent retreats, missions and workshops.

SATURDAY LUNCHTIME ENTERTAINMENT

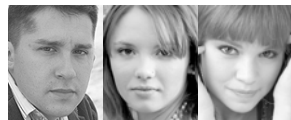
Arena – 11:45 am - 12:30 pm

ANGOTTI, MANIBUSAN, AUGUSTIN & STEPHAN



Spice up your lunch with a mixed medley of soothe and groove! Featured artists John Angotti, Jesse Manibusan, Meredith Augustin and Curtis Stephan will serve you up an eclectic array of food for your soul. Come and get it!

Hall B – 11:45 am - 12:30 pm



JOSH BLAKESLEY, JENNY PIXLER & MANDY BRUNO

The freshest talents in contemporary Catholic music come together today at lunchtime to celebrate the glory of God. Come and share your noontime with Josh Blakesley, Jenny Pixler and Mandy Bruno as they light up the stage and rock out with their talents and love for the Lord!



SPECIAL EVENT

10 am - 4 pm

Soy Catequista is an invitation-only event that emphasizes the dignity, vocation and mission of catechists. This gathering echoes the extraordinary event sponsored by William H. Sadlier in collaboration with diocesan and parish leaders and several faculty members of the University of Notre Dame in 2006. It is envisioned as a movement to uplift catechists throughout the nation and, through them, to impact parishes.

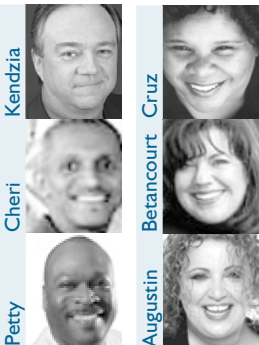
Several of the speakers of the original *Soy Catequista* including Dr. Timothy Matovina, Fr. Virgilio Elizondo, Dr. Michael Lee, Dr. Natalia Imperatori-Lee and Victor Valenzuela will play key roles in our *Soy Catequista* track at Congress 2008.

SATURDAY EVENING CONCERT

Arena – 8:00 pm

“Lift Your Gaze ... Lift the Praise!”

Come lift your hands, heart and spirit with a concert of Gospel music directed by ValLimar and Frank Jansen. “Lift the roof off the arena!” Experience some of our greatest gospel artists, “Catholic style.” Join Voices of Care, Harmonia and Richard Cheri, Jolanda Robertson, Clifford Petty, Kenneth Louis, Tom Kendzia, Eddie Hilley, Chris de Silva, Nellie Cruz, Harrison Crenshaw, Anna Betancourt, Meredith Augustin, John Angotti and more!



PERIOD 4 – 10:00 - 11:30 AM

- 4-01 What's Wrong with Assisted Suicide? Understanding the Evil of Euthanasia (*) - **Benson**
- 4-02 From Anthropology to Cosmology: A New Look at the Message of Job (*) - **Bergant**
- 4-03 Discipline and Punishment: Why One Works and the Other Only Appears To - **Coloroso**
- 4-04 Francis of Assisi: Model of Contemporary Discipleship (*) - **Crosby**
- 4-05 What's Enough? (*) - **D'Arcy**
- 4-06 Helping Children and Teens Develop an Ethical Foundation (*) - **Dembrowsky**
- 4-07 Visions and Dreams: Seeing the Diaconate Anew (*) - **Ditewig**
- 4-08 Eucharist: The Sacrament of Charity (*) - **Driscoll**
- 4-09 God is in the Bits: Using New Media and the Internet in Parish Ministry (*) - **Fosnacht**
- 4-10 Seven Steps to Praying Better: Or, Why Do I Feel that God is Far Away? (*) - **Fragomeni**
- 4-11 A Shared Praxis Approach Revisited (*) - **Groome**
- 4-12 Moral and Immoral Culture (*) - **Heft**
- 4-13 Live Simply! (*) - **Huebsch**
- 4-14 One with the Risen Lord: A Spirituality of Ministry - **Hurd**
- 4-15 Finding a Deeper Love: Tell Stories, Teach Lessons, Sing Songs – Now Dance (*) - **Jansen & Jansen**
- 4-16 A Call to Joy (*) - **Kelly**
- 4-17 The Book of Revelation and Popular Culture (*) - **Koester**
- 4-18 Youth Ministry Leadership: The Dance of Passion and Professionalism! (*) - **McCarty**
- 4-19 Catholic Teaching on Racism: Present State, Future Direction (*) - **Massingale**
- 4-20 The Gaze that Saves: Eucharistic Worship Outside Mass (*) - **Murray**
- 4-21 Putting on the Mind of Dawn: Toward a Spirituality of Awakening (*) - **O'Donohue**
- 4-22 Ecumenical Eucharist Today (*) - **Osborne**
- 4-23 Early Christian Writings that Didn't Make Canon: Should We Pay Attention to Them? (*) - **Osiek**
- 4-24 Engaging the Total Parish in Catechesis: Gathering the Tools (*) - **Regan**
- 4-25 Don't Touch Me! (But Try to Touch My Soul): Catechizing Kids with Asperger's Syndrome (*) - **Wojtaszek-Healy**
- 4-26 Discipleship for Dummies: Know Him, Love Him, Serve Him (*) - **Ricard**
- 4-27 The Art and Science of Parish Leadership (*) - **Sweetser & Bishop**
- 4-28 The Church & the Gospel of God's Reign: An Asian Perspective (*) - **Tagle**
- 4-29 Home is a Holy Place, Too! (*) - **Wells**
- 4-70 Vietnamese Workshop (*) - **Phan**

PERIOD 5 – 1:00 - 2:30 PM

- 5-01 All Things Catholic (*) - **Allen Jr.**
- 5-02 Seeing Stewardship with New Eyes: How Lifelong Learning and Forming Generous Hearts Fit Together (*) - **Anslinger & Shepp**
- 5-03 Slavery: It Didn't End with the Civil War – Modern-Day Perspectives on Human Trafficking (*) - **Atkinson**
- 5-04 Dancing in the Pews: An Experiential History of Worship and Dance (*) - **Beckman & Ash**
- 5-05 Keeping Your Cool Without Putting Your Feelings on Ice - **Coloroso**
- 5-06 Spiritual Survival in a Polarized Church (repeat) - **Cozzens**
- 5-07 Wired for Love: The Compelling Energy of Human Sexuality (*) - **Ferder & Heagle**
- 5-08 Life Is Changed, Not Taken Away: Nurturing the Seeds of Hope (*) - **Fiand**
- 5-09 Where's Grandpa? The Challenges, Hurts and Blessings of Alzheimer's (*) - **Gilbert**
- 5-10 Rebels and Prophets - **Gateley**
- 5-11 Discovering Discipleship by Discovering "the Least" (*) - **Gittins**
- 5-12 The Ministry of Liturgical Music in the Journey of Life - **Haas**
- 5-13 Catholic Morality and Catholic Politicians (*) - **Heft**
- 5-14 Searching Our Souls: Adults and Teens Make Sense Out of Faith - **Horan**
- 5-15 To Be God's Heart on Earth: A Fresh Interpretation of "Devotion to the Sacred Heart" - **Hughes**
- 5-16 An Alternative to Being "Left Behind": A Workshop on Apocalyptic Literature (*) - **Jonaitis**
- 5-17 Forgiveness (*) - **Kempf**
- 5-18 A House Divided Against Itself: When Families Don't Go to Mass (*) - **Kleinlein**
- 5-19 Is Harry Potter Good News for Our Young People? - **Leonard**
- 5-20 Lift Your Voice, Sing Anew! Bringing New Life to School and Parish Liturgy (*) - **Mangan**
- 5-21 Never Say Service Project Again (*) - **Paradise**
- 5-22 The Challenge of Non-violence in the Church (*) - **Radcliffe**
- 5-23 The Star Only Stops Here: Reflections of an Innkeeper (*) - **Riechers**
- 5-24 Addressing the Crisis – Immigration and Working Poverty (*) - **Salvatierra**
- 5-25 A Fresh Look at the Four Gospels: Beyond the biography of Jesus (*) - **Shaia**
- 5-26 Is There Salvation Outside the Catholic Church? Are Other Churches "True"? - **Smith, Guibord & Bakas**
- 5-27 A Perennial Pro-Life Philosophy: A Convincing Curriculum for both Sacred and Secular Environments (*) - **Spitzer**
- 5-28 Creating a Youth Ministry that Matters: The Keys to Success (*) - **Theisen**
- 5-29 Drive-Time Prayer (*) - **Walker**
- 5-70 Vietnamese Workshop (*) - **Pham**

PERIOD 6 – 3:00 - 4:30 PM

- 6-01 Toward a Theology of a Just Peace (*) - **Appleby**
- 6-02 Lift Your Gaze and Foster Hope in the Work for Justice (*) - **Aquino**
- 6-03 Roundtable on Catholic Spirituality and Homosexuality - **Beaudoin**
- 6-04 Are Natural Disasters Really Punishment for Sin? (*) - **Bergant**
- 6-05 Conscience Formation for the Adult Catholic - **Coleman**
- 6-06 Music and Words – A Marriage for Liturgical Prayer - **Cortez**
- 6-07 Getting the People Done (*) - **Crosthwaite & Hoyt**
- 6-08 Two Practical Strategies to Renew Parish Life: "Within These Walls" & "The Third Moment of a Sacrament" (*) - **Cusick**
- 6-09 Hispanic Catholics: A Blessing and a Challenge for the Church (*) - **Dahm**
- 6-10 Helping Children with Special Needs Develop the Skills to Solve Their Own Problems (*) - **Dembrowsky**
- 6-11 Much ado about Parents*!!! (*) - **Doran**
- 6-12 Lift Your Gaze: Evangelize Anew (*) - **East**
- 6-13 Puppies, Butterflies and Rainbows - **Ellair**
- 6-14 Nouwen, Merton, and the Living Gospel: Reading Our Own Story in God's Story of Jesus (*) - **Ellsberg**
- 6-15 Forgive and Be Free - **Florian**
- 6-16 Globalization, Spirituality and Justice (*) - **Groody**
- 6-17 Renewing the Face of the Earth/Christian Worship and Earthkeeping - **Haugen**
- 6-18 A Gentle Plea for Chaos: Life as a Journey, Not a Destination (*) - **Hershey**
- 6-19 On the Road Again: Transforming Families, Systems and Ourselves (*) - **Jabro & DeBode**
- 6-20 The Gift of Friendship (*) - **Levo**
- 6-21 The Book of Revelation and Worship in the Presence of God (*) - **Koester**
- 6-22 Lift Your Gaze ... See a New Vision with a New Heart (*) - **McKenna**
- 6-23 The Women in the New Testament (*) - **Mullen**
- 6-24 Ecotheology from the Future: The Apocalypse as Basis for Environmental Responsibility (*) - **Osiek**
- 6-25 Being Missionaries to Our Own Children – Today's Real Missionary Task (*) - **Rolheiser**
- 6-26 Interaction in Multicultural Settings (*) - **Schreiter**
- 6-27 The Great Awakening (*) - **Wallis**
- 6-28 Modern Media: A Test for the Modern Church - **Walsh**
- 6-29 One-Minute Meditation: A Practical, Pastoral and Powerful New Way to Pray (*) - **Zanzig**
- 6-70 Vietnamese Workshop (*) - **Phong**

🔊 and (*) are recorded sessions

Assemblies

SUNDAY SCHEDULE

- 8:00 am**
On-site registration
(Prefunction Lobby)
- 8:00 - 9:30 am**
Eucharistic Liturgy
(Arena)
- 8:30 am**
Morning Addresses
English: Mike Patin
Spanish: José-Román Flecha
- 10:00 - 11:30 am**
Period 7 Workshops
- 11:30 am - 1:00 pm**
LUNCH
- 11:45 am - 12:30 pm**
Music (Arena)
– Rubalcava, Fernández & Garcia
- 11:45 am - 12:30 pm**
Music (Hall B)
– Paul Melley & Oddwalk
- 1:00 - 2:30 pm**
Period 8 Workshops
- 3:30 pm**
Closing Eucharistic Liturgy (Arena)
-
- Registration Hours**
8:00 am - 1:00 pm
(Prefunction Lobby)
- Exhibit Hours**
8:00 am - 3:00 pm
(Hall A)
- Sacred Space**
10:00 am - 3:00 pm
(Convention 304)

CLOSING LITURGY



Arena – 3:30 pm
CARDINAL ROGER MAHONY, PRESIDER

As Congress 2008 draws to a close, we come together to pray, to celebrate and to go forth to a life renewed. We witness to our new life in Christ, and place our lives and ministry at the service of God’s people in the world. Our Closing Liturgy, led by Los Angeles Cardinal Roger Mahony, will feature the 200-plus voice Congress Choir ’08, under the direction of John Flaherty.

MORNING LITURGY



BISHOP TOD BROWN, PRESIDER

Arena – 8:00 am

As the start of the day brings light, we share an opportunity to gather as a community of faith to give thanks. Bishop Tod Brown of the Diocese of Orange, Calif., will lead us in celebrating our nourishing Word and Sacrament as we lift our gaze to see the new day and go forth to see anew in the world.

SUNDAY ENGLISH ADDRESS



MIKE PATIN

8:30 am

“The Passion Epidemic”

Passion – is it a goal, by-product, or result of ministry? Pope Paul VI said the world listens to witnesses more than teachers. How fascinating is your Jesus? How passionate is your discipleship? What’s your passion temperature? We’ll discuss passion-robbers and passion-restorers. Warning: Possible side effects of being challenged.

Since 2003 Mike Patin has worked full time as a speaker and “faith horticulturist,” speaking to youth, adult and family audiences in diocesan, regional, national and international settings. He has worked with teenagers and adults in a variety of settings since 1984, and has served on the Board of Directors of the National Federation for Catholic Youth Ministry.

SUNDAY LUNCHTIME ENTERTAINMENT

Arena – 11:45 am - 12:30 pm



PEDRO RUBALCAVA, SANTIAGO FERNÁNDEZ AND STELLA GARCIA

Feel the rhythm! Grammy-nominated artist Pedro Rubalcava and the brilliant Santiago Fernández share the stage with Stella Garcia, showcasing their festive and lively sounds for your enjoyment. Don’t pass up the chance to see the finest Latino composers in praise and worship today!

SUNDAY LUNCHTIME ENTERTAINMENT

Hall B – 11:45 am - 12:30 pm



PAUL MELLEY & ODDWALK

“Lift Your Gaze... And Lift Your Voices!”

Three new first-rate composers and performers – Paul Melley and Oddwalk Ministries (Orin Johnson and Shannon Cerneka) – converge on Congress at lunchtime with sounds of Praise and Worship that will help you “see anew”!

My first experience of Congress...

RE Congress 2007 was awesome. I’ve attended many years of Ministry Day in the Diocese of Stockton, Calif., which is almost the same format. It’s just that the L.A. Congress is so evolved! I came home and told my deacon that we all have to go to the L.A. Congress next year as a parish! My favorite part was the music at the Masses. The themes were fantastic. I attended the Hawaiian, African-American, and the Closing Masses. I was so filled with Holy Spirit that I cried like crazy during the Closing Mass. I also like that we (as Eucharistic Ministers from many different parishes) were allowed to sign up as EMs for the Masses. It was an honor to God! The music was so inspiring that I bought some CDs. I wear the T-shirt all the time, so it stays fresh in my mind throughout the year. I will definitely be back.

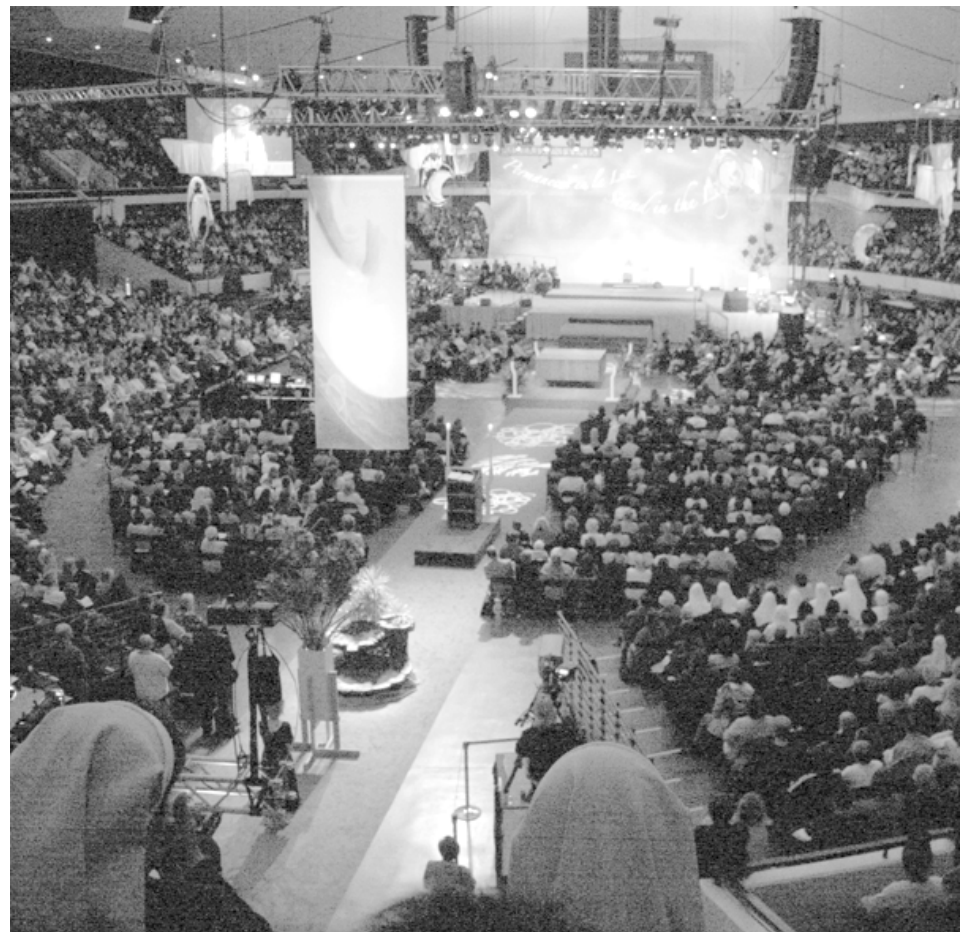
– Helen Guzman

PERIOD 7 – 10:00 - 11:30 AM

- 7-01 The Future of Liberal Catholicism (*) - **Allen Jr.**
- 7-02 Liturgical Movement for Children (*) - **Anderle**
- 7-03 The Eucharist: Source and Summit (*) - **Barron**
- 7-04 God Loves Me! Calling Children to Faith Through Song (*) - **Burland**
- 7-05 Cultivating Spiritual Awareness with Young Adolescents (*) - **Carotta**
- 7-06 The Call of the Catechist (*) - **Cimino**
- 7-07 The Once and Future Diaconate: A New Vision for a Renewed Church (*) - **Ditewig**
- 7-08 Holy Week at the Cathedral of Our Lady of the Angels (*) - **Driscoll**
- 7-09 Helping Kids Develop a Personal Relationship with Jesus (*) - **Ficcilli**
- 7-10 “A Word in Your Ear”: Hearing the Word and Putting It Into Practice (*) - **Gittins**
- 7-11 Grace Under Pressure: Living with Hope and Courage (*) - **Gordon**
- 7-12 To Give You a Future with Hope: The Journey of Prayer & Spirituality for an Intergenerational Church - **Haas**
- 7-13 Inward, Outward, Upward: Henri Nouwen’s Integrated Journey - **Hernandez**
- 7-14 Exciting “New” Gospels? What Catholics Need to Know about the Gospel of Judas and Other Apocryphal Writings (*) - **Just**
- 7-15 The Catechumenate and Conversion to Mission (*) - **Kemp**
- 7-16 Leading in a Time of Uncertainty (*) - **Levo**
- 7-17 Soy Catequista: The Dignity, Vocation and Mission of the Catechist - **Matovina, Imperatori-Lee, Lee & Valenzuela**
- 7-18 Pastoral Care of the Adolescent: A Church and Community Challenge (*) - **McCarty**
- 7-19 “I Lift Up My Eyes to the Hills”: Living a Contemporary Liturgical Spirituality (*) - **Murray**
- 7-20 Life as Liturgy (Laundry Included) - **Norris**
- 7-21 Liberation for Communion (*) - **Phelps**
- 7-22 When the Word Lives and Breathes: Reflections on Bibliodrama (*) - **Riechers**
- 7-23 Interaction in Multicultural Settings (repeat) (*) - **Schreiter**
- 7-24 Glocal: Thinking Globally, Acting Locally to Stop AIDS (*) - **Stecker**
- 7-25 Clustering Parishes: Three Scenarios (*) - **Sweetser & Bishop**
- 7-26 Seven Commitments to Change the World (*) - **Wallis**
- 7-70 Vietnamese Workshop (*) - **Chuong**

PERIOD 8 – 1:00 - 2:30 PM

- 8-01 The Word is Made Flesh – Creatively Breaking Open the Word of God with Children and Youth (*) - **Brown & Musgrave**
 - 8-02 Unchaining Confirmation (*) - **Carotta**
 - 8-03 Prayers/Conversations with Jesus from the Gospels (*) - **Cronin**
 - 8-04 Living Relevance (*) - **Crosthwaite**
 - 8-05 Sent to Lead Afresh (*) - **East**
 - 8-06 Dorothy Day: A Saint for Today (*) - **Ellsberg**
 - 8-07 Created for Communion: Catholic Identity and the Challenge of Inclusion (*) - **Ferder & Heagle**
 - 8-08 The Tough Challenge: When People Mourn a Suicide (*) - **Gilbert**
 - 8-09 To Be God’s Heart on Earth: A Fresh Interpretation of “Devotion to the Sacred Heart” (repeat) - **Hughes**
 - 8-10 From Palm Sunday to Easter: Passion/Resurrection Narratives of Matthew and John (*) - **Jonaitis**
 - 8-11 Is Jesus Just Another Super Hero? - **Leonard**
 - 8-12 Music and Liturgy – Worship, Proclamation and Charity (*) - **Manibusan**
 - 8-13 Setting Hearts on Fire: Using Music for Evangelization, Mission, Peace and Justice (*) - **Mangan**
 - 8-14 A Pedagogy for the Oppressors: Training Ourselves to Train Our Children in Peace, Justice and Mercy (*) - **Markey**
 - 8-15 Catholic Laughter (*) - **Martin**
 - 8-16 Lifejackets, Parachutes and Armor (*) - **Nagel**
 - 8-17 The Twilight Wisdom of the Heart: The Art of Harvesting Your Inner Light (*) - **O’Donohue**
 - 8-18 Forming a Spiritual Child in a Secular World (*) - **Paradise**
 - 8-19 Discipleship and Mission Among Hispanic Young Adults (*) - **Rivera**
 - 8-20 Shepherds on the Edge (*) - **Scally**
 - 8-21 Content in the Catechumenate (*) - **Schellman**
 - 8-22 The Gospel of John: A Mystic Vision of Wholeness? (*) - **Shaia**
 - 8-23 Why the Old Testament Matters: Amos & Hosea (*) - **Smith-Christopher**
 - 8-24 Pope Benedict XVI’s Vision of the Church (*) - **Tagle**
 - 8-25 Seven Peacemaking Strategies for the Home and Classroom (*) - **Vogt**
 - 8-26 Happy are You? A Catechesis for Joy (*) - **Wells**
 - 8-70 Vietnamese Workshop (*) - **Phong**
- 🔊 and (*) are recorded sessions



🔊 and (*) are recorded sessions

LITURGIES & PRAYER SERVICES

Liturgies at Congress 2008



Back row (from left): Gary Daigle, Sr. Edith Prendergast, John Angotti, Rory Cooney, David Haas, Jesse Manibusan. Front row: Tom Kendzia, Donna Peña, Jaime Cortez, Peter Kolar, John Flaherty

The Los Angeles Religious Education Congress continues to grow with each passing year. Last year, over 40,000 delegates attended. It remains the largest annual catechetical and liturgical gathering in the world ... and it happens every year in Anaheim.

Living in the gift, promise and spirit of the Second Vatican Council, our liturgies have also grown as they have embraced a wonderfully diverse church. We have worked diligently to inculcate the liturgy to authentically reflect the church of Los Angeles. Within the Los Angeles Archdiocese, liturgy is celebrated every Sunday in no fewer than 40 different languages.

Over the years, both the Congress choir and band have grown considerably in depth and membership. Today's Congress Band/Orchestra consists of approximately 40 instrumentalists and a choir of over 225 members representing six dioceses. Nearly 275 musicians comprise the Congress Choir that provided the music for the final liturgies at last year's Congress, with thousands in attendance!

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 29

FRIDAY EUCHARISTIC LITURGIES (5:15 pm)

CHARACTER	PRESIDER	MUSIC
General	Rev. Richard Fragomeni	H. Buscema/E. Archer & St. Monica Youth
Contemplative	Rev. Bryan Massingale	Matthew Baute/Michael John Poirier
Jazz	Rev. R. Tony Ricard	V. Jansen/J. Angotti/M. Augustin
Nigerian	Rev. Ikechukwu Ikeocha	Nigerian Community
Spanish	Bishop Gabino Zavala	Anna Betancourt/Santiago Fernández
Vietnamese	Bishop Dominic Luong Bishop Anton Chuong, homilist	Vietnamese Community

FRIDAY PRAYER SERVICES (5:15 & 9:30 pm)

Vespers (Latin for "evening") is our evening prayer service. At the end of our day, come share in a prayer of peace.

Vespers (5:15 pm)	Yolanda Brown	Bob Hurd/Tom Booth
Peace Prayer (9:30 pm)	Michelle Youssef	Tony Alonso/Marty Haugen

SATURDAY - MARCH 1

SATURDAY MORNING PRAISE (8:00 am)

Morning Praise	Juliette Marsh-Williams	Nellie Cruz/D. Peña/R. Cheri/C. Petty
----------------	-------------------------	---------------------------------------

SATURDAY EUCHARISTIC LITURGIES (5:15 pm)

General	Rev. Robert Scholla	Chris de Silva/Gary Daigle/Paul Melley
Black Culture	Rev. J-Glenn Murray	Eddie Hilley
Celtic	Rev. Brendan McGuire	Liam Lawton/Theresa Donohoo
Spanish	TBA	R. Moreno/J. Rivera/P. Rubalcava
Young Adult	Rev. Joe Kempf	Matt Maher/Josh Blakesley

SATURDAY PRAYER SERVICES (5:15 & 9:30 pm)

In addition to vespers, we also offer a lamentation service: those who experience suffering, illness, violence, loss and rejection – through the proclamation of Word, story, music and movement, we will raise the cries of lamentation to our Healer God.

Vespers (5:15 pm)	Douglas Leal	Carol Browning
Lamentation (9:30 pm)	Rev. Jim Clarke	Janèt Sullivan Whitaker

SUNDAY - MARCH 2

Morning Liturgy	Bishop Tod Brown	Congress Choir 2008	8:00 am
Closing Liturgy	Cardinal Roger Mahony	Congress Choir 2008	3:30 pm

Young Adults Celebrate Congress 2008

Young Adults are singles and couples who are in their late-teens, 20s and 30s.

The Los Angeles Archdiocesan Synod calls us to build solid Young Adult Ministries in our parishes, our pastoral regions and our Archdiocese. The Religious Education Congress offers numerous opportunities for young adults to be engaged and empowered in vibrant ministry. This weekend is a chance for young adults to be renewed and energized in their spiritual life and in their commitment to our church.

We invite young adults, in a special way, to come share in the prayer, music, networking and joy of Congress. There are a variety of experiences geared specifically for young adults.

EUCCHARISTIC LITURGY

Young Adult Liturgy, Saturday, March 1 at 5:15 pm

Fr. Joe Kempf will preside over our Young Adult Liturgy with music led by Matt Maher and Josh Blakesley. Come join in this celebration that highlights the gifts of young adults.

WELCOME DANCE AND SOCIAL

Saturday, March 1 from 9:30 pm to 12:30 am

The annual Young Adult Dance and Social will take place at the Marriott Hotel. After a full day of Congress workshops, networking and celebrating liturgy, continue dancing into the night with new and old friends! The cost is only \$5 per person. All young adults are invited to share in this wonderful Congress event.

YOUNG ADULT WORKSHOPS

The following workshop sessions address the psychological and spiritual formation of young adults. We encourage young adults and those who serve young adults to consider the following workshops. We strongly encourage you to also review this Registration Guidebook for topics that meet your needs and interests. (Those marked by an asterisk will be recorded sessions.)

1-01*	1-11*	1-14*	1-20*	1-21*	1-23*
2-08*	2-10*	2-12*	2-16*	3-03	3-07*
3-12*	3-18*	3-19*	4-09*	4-13*	4-16*
4-17*	5-08*	5-09*	5-19	6-03	6-08*
6-14*	6-20*	6-21*	6-23*	7-13	7-16*
8-19*					

Events for
Young Adults



Assemblies



ASIAN-PACIFIC EVENTS

Cultural Events at Congress 2008

VIETNAMESE WORKSHOPS

Friday, February 29

- 1-70 Sr. Theresa Phan
- 2-70 Dr. Van Pham
- 3-70 Rev. Peter Ngo

Saturday, March 1

- 4-70 Sr. Theresa Phan
- 5-70 Dr. Van Pham
- 6-70 Bro. Fortunat Phong

Sunday, March 2

- 7-70 Bishop Anton Chuong
- 8-70 Bro. Fortunat Phong

ENGLISH-LANGUAGE WORKSHOPS

Friday, February 29

- 2-14 Jesse Manibusan

Saturday, March 1

- 4-28 Bishop Luis Tagle
- 6-26 Rev. Robert Schreiter

Sunday, March 2

- 7-13 Dr. Wil Hernandez
- 7-23 Rev. Robert Schreiter
- 8-12 Jesse Manibusan
- 8-24 Bishop Luis Tagle

ASIAN PERSPECTIVE EVENT

Friday, February 29, 5:15 pm

LITURGY: Vietnamese Language
Bishop Dominic Luong, presider
Bishop Anton Chuong, homilist

Rejoicing in the Asian and Pacific Presence

Asian and Pacific communities rejoice that they are called to the house of the Lord. As the bishops of the church in the United States, we rejoice in their presence. Blessed be God for the peoples of Asia, so rich in their diversity yet one in their yearning for peace and fullness of life.

By being authentically Christian and truly Asian in the footsteps of Christ, they have brought to us a more profound understanding of what it means to be truly Catholic. They have taught the church in the United States the meaning of harmony; the necessity of dialogue with their cultures, with other religions, and with the poor; a renewed sense of family loyalty; the unity between diverse cultures and diverse Catholic church communities; and the closeness of all God's creation.

As bishops of the church, we acknowledge the contributions of all Asian and Pacific persons, especially their many creative initiatives that assist our ministries in our dioceses and parishes.

— Asian and Pacific Presence, Harmony in Faith
U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops, 2001

MULTICULTURAL EXHIBIT

Friday through Sunday
Convention Center, 2nd Floor
Prefunction Lobby

The Multicultural Exhibits are presented by the many ethnic groups in the Los Angeles Archdiocese. This is a collaborative work of the Archdiocesan Offices of Religious Education and Ethnic (Multicultural) Ministry.



Congress 2008 offers workshops on a wide variety of topics. This listing of workshops, categorized by ministry and areas of interest, has been compiled to assist you in making your workshop choices. Many workshops may overlap in content and will be found in more than one category. Not all workshops are represented.

Check our www.RECongress.org website for updates as well as other category listings of speakers by topic. **Note: Asterisks indicate recorded workshop sessions.**

Adult Catechesis

1-01* 1-02* 1-10* 1-11* 1-13* 1-14*
 1-19* 1-20* 1-21* 1-23* 1-24* 2-02*
 2-04* 2-05 2-08* 2-10* 2-12* 2-15*
 2-16* 2-22* 3-01* 3-09 3-12* 3-14*
 3-18* 3-19* 3-22* 3-23* 4-01* 4-04*
 4-09* 4-13* 4-14 4-19* 4-21* 4-22*
 4-23* 4-24* 4-27* 4-28* 4-29* 5-02*
 5-02* 5-07* 5-08* 5-09* 5-10 5-11*
 5-14 5-15 5-16* 5-18* 6-01* 6-02*
 6-05 6-14* 6-15 6-22* 6-23* 6-24*
 7-03* 7-10* 7-13 7-21* 8-07* 8-09
 8-10* 8-11 8-17* 8-19* 8-21* 8-24*

Asian-Pacific Perspective

1-70* 2-02* 3-70* 4-28* 4-70* 6-26*
 6-70* 7-23* 7-70* 8-24* 8-70*

Catechesis

1-03* 1-14* 1-16* 1-21* 1-23* 1-25
 2-04* 2-08* 2-12* 2-16* 2-21* 2-22*
 2-26* 3-01* 3-02* 3-07* 3-11* 3-14*
 3-20 3-22* 3-23* 4-03 4-09* 4-11*
 4-15* 4-18* 4-24* 4-25* 4-26* 4-29*
 5-04* 5-18* 5-19 5-26 5-29* 6-12*
 6-23* 6-28 7-03* 7-04* 7-05* 7-08*
 7-18* 7-20 7-22* 8-01* 8-02* 8-05*
 8-08* 8-10* 8-16* 8-26*

Christian Initiation

1-01* 1-21* 1-23* 2-10* 2-12* 2-13*
 2-16* 2-22* 3-22* 3-23* 4-01* 4-14
 5-25* 6-06 6-08* 6-23* 7-03* 7-08*
 8-21* 8-22*

Detention Ministry

1-23* 2-22* 3-23* 6-19*

Early Adolescent

1-03* 1-23* 2-04* 2-16* 2-21* 3-19*
 3-20 3-23* 4-06* 4-16* 5-21* 5-28*
 6-10* 6-23* 7-04* 7-05* 8-02* 8-16*
 8-18*

Early Childhood

3-23* 3-26* 6-13 7-04* 8-25*

Ecclesiology /Church

1-14* 1-19* 1-20* 1-21* 1-23* 2-02*
 2-02* 2-12* 2-16* 2-18* 2-22* 2-25*
 2-70 3-01* 3-04* 3-08* 3-10* 3-23*
 3-25* 4-04* 4-07* 4-08* 4-20* 4-22*
 4-23* 4-26* 4-27* 4-28* 4-29* 5-01*
 5-07* 5-22* 5-26 5-27* 6-01* 6-08*
 6-09* 6-23* 6-24* 7-01* 7-07* 7-21*
 7-25* 8-07* 8-24* 8-26*

Ecumenical

1-19* 1-21* 1-23* 2-14* 2-16* 2-22*
 2-25* 3-23* 4-22* 5-01* 5-16* 5-24*
 5-26 6-02* 6-15 6-23* 7-01* 7-21*
 8-12*

Elementary

1-03* 1-16* 1-18* 1-23* 2-04* 2-09
 2-26* 3-06* 3-20 3-23* 3-26* 4-06*
 4-25* 5-20* 5-21* 6-10* 6-11* 7-04*
 8-13* 8-16* 8-18* 8-25*

Evangelization

1-11* 1-14* 1-16* 1-21* 1-23* 1-25
 2-04* 2-11 2-12* 2-15*

Evangelization (cont.)

2-16* 2-18* 2-21* 2-26* 3-01* 3-09
 3-11* 3-12* 3-14* 3-22* 3-23* 3-25*
 4-11* 4-17* 4-25* 4-26* 4-28* 4-29*
 5-02* 5-02* 5-10 5-11* 5-12 5-15
 5-16* 5-18* 5-26 5-27* 5-28* 6-02*
 6-08* 6-09* 6-12* 6-17 6-19* 6-22*
 6-23* 6-27* 7-03* 7-04* 7-06* 7-10*
 7-22* 8-05* 8-09 8-11 8-13* 8-19*
 8-24*

Family/Parenting

1-10* 2-03* 2-04* 2-12* 2-21* 2-70
 3-12* 3-14* 3-19* 3-26* 4-03 4-06*
 4-16* 4-29* 5-18* 5-21* 5-70 6-10*
 6-11* 6-15 6-19* 6-28 7-04* 8-18*
 8-25* 8-26*

Human Sexuality

1-01* 1-10* 2-03* 3-10* 5-07* 5-70
 6-20*

Human Growth & Development

1-02* 1-10* 1-12* 1-21* 2-02* 2-02*
 2-03* 2-07* 2-12* 2-26* 3-02* 3-07*
 3-09 3-17* 3-23* 4-01* 4-04* 4-05*
 4-06* 4-15* 4-16* 4-25* 4-27* 5-03*
 5-04* 5-09* 5-10 5-25* 6-10* 6-15
 6-18* 6-20* 7-13 7-16* 7-20 8-07*
 8-08* 8-15* 8-22* 8-26*

Junior High

1-03* 1-23* 2-21* 2-26* 3-20 4-25*
 5-14 5-20* 5-21* 5-28* 7-05* 8-02*
 8-16* 8-18*

Justice & Peace

1-13* 1-20* 2-07* 2-11 2-15* 2-16*
 3-01* 3-08* 3-15* 3-18* 3-26* 4-04*
 4-08* 4-13* 4-19* 4-28* 5-01* 5-03*
 5-11* 5-24* 6-01* 6-02* 6-09* 6-17
 6-19* 6-22* 6-23* 6-27* 7-01* 7-04*
 7-26* 8-04* 8-06* 8-13* 8-14* 8-25*

Life Issues

1-12* 2-12* 2-70 3-07* 3-17* 3-18*
 3-25* 4-01* 4-03 4-05* 4-16* 4-18*
 5-03* 5-05 5-07* 5-09* 5-10 5-27*
 6-10* 6-15 6-18* 6-20* 7-03* 7-18*
 8-07* 8-08* 8-15*

Liturgy

1-07 1-08 1-23* 2-08* 2-11 2-12*
 2-14* 2-22* 2-23 2-24* 2-25* 3-02*
 3-14* 3-16 3-22* 4-08* 4-14 4-15*
 4-20* 5-04* 5-15 5-16* 5-20* 5-25*
 5-29* 6-06 6-17 6-21* 7-08* 8-01*
 8-09 8-10* 8-12* 8-13* 8-21* 8-22*

Media

1-25 3-04* 4-09* 4-17* 5-01* 5-19
 6-28 8-11

Morality

1-13* 1-21* 2-05 2-16* 3-18* 3-20
 3-26* 4-01* 4-06* 4-12* 4-13* 4-19*
 5-13* 5-27* 5-70 6-05 6-15 6-23*
 7-01* 7-05* 8-04* 8-06* 8-25*

Multicultural

1-20* 2-14* 2-16* 2-70 3-08* 4-19*
 5-15 5-24* 5-70 6-06 6-09* 6-23*
 8-12* 8-19*

Music

1-02* 1-07 2-04* 2-11 2-14* 2-22*
 2-23 2-24* 3-02* 3-05 3-14* 3-16
 4-14 4-15* 5-12 5-20* 5-29* 6-06
 6-17 6-21* 7-04* 7-08* 7-12 8-01*
 8-12* 8-13*

Parish Leadership

1-04 1-11* 1-19* 1-21* 2-02* 2-02*
 2-12* 3-04* 3-23* 4-07* 4-18* 4-22*
 4-24* 4-27* 5-02* 5-02* 5-06 5-09*
 5-14 5-28* 5-29* 6-07* 6-08* 6-09*
 6-15 7-06* 7-07* 7-10* 7-15* 7-16*
 7-18* 7-25* 8-19*

Sacraments

1-08 1-19* 1-21* 1-23* 2-04* 2-11
 2-12* 2-22* 4-07* 4-08* 4-22* 4-29*
 5-04* 5-14 5-17* 5-70 6-06 6-08*
 6-17 7-04* 7-07* 7-08* 7-11* 7-21*
 7-25* 8-02* 8-21* 8-26*

Scripture

1-02* 1-11* 1-15* 1-21* 2-04* 2-07*
 2-08* 2-10* 2-12* 2-15* 2-16* 2-25*
 3-12* 3-17* 3-24* 4-02* 4-17* 4-23*
 4-28* 5-08* 5-16* 5-24* 5-25* 6-04*
 6-21* 6-22* 6-23* 6-24* 7-03* 7-04*
 7-14* 7-21* 8-01* 8-10* 8-15* 8-21*
 8-22* 8-23*

Self-awareness

4-15*

Spirituality

1-02* 1-05* 1-07 1-08 1-10* 1-12*
 1-21* 1-23* 2-06* 2-07* 2-10* 2-12*
 2-15* 2-16* 2-22* 2-24* 2-25* 3-02*
 3-05 3-07* 3-09 3-17* 3-18* 3-23*
 4-02* 4-04* 4-05* 4-10* 4-13* 4-14
 4-15* 4-16* 4-18* 4-20* 4-21* 4-23*
 4-28* 4-29* 5-04* 5-07* 5-08* 5-09*
 5-10 5-11* 5-15 5-17* 5-19 5-22*
 5-23* 5-24* 5-25* 5-29* 6-04* 6-14*
 6-15 6-16* 6-18* 6-19* 6-20* 6-22*
 6-23* 6-24* 6-29* 7-05* 7-09* 7-10*
 7-11* 7-13 7-16* 7-18* 7-19* 7-20
 7-25* 8-01* 8-03* 8-04* 8-06* 8-07*
 8-09 8-10* 8-11 8-15* 8-17* 8-19*
 8-22* 8-24* 8-26*

Stewardship

5-02*

Teachers

5-29*

Theology

1-08 1-09* 1-13* 1-17* 1-20* 1-21*
 1-23* 2-10* 2-12* 2-16* 2-22* 3-01*
 3-09 3-23* 3-25* 4-02* 4-07* 4-08*
 4-19* 4-23* 4-28* 5-01* 5-08* 5-11*
 5-22* 5-26 6-01* 6-02* 6-04* 6-15
 6-16* 6-21* 6-23* 6-24* 7-01* 7-07*
 7-10* 7-13 7-21* 8-11 8-24*

Young Adult

1-01* 1-11* 1-14* 1-20* 1-21* 1-23*
 2-08* 2-10* 2-12* 2-16* 3-03 3-07*
 3-12* 3-18* 3-19* 4-09* 4-13* 4-16*
 4-17* 5-08* 5-09* 5-19 6-03 6-08*
 6-11* 6-20* 6-21* 6-23* 7-13 7-16*

Ministry

1-11* 1-14* 1-21* 1-23* 2-12*
 2-16* 2-17* 2-21* 3-12* 3-15*
 4-09* 4-13* 4-17* 4-18* 5-03*
 5-16* 5-21* 5-28* 6-23* 6-26*
 6-27* 7-03* 8-02* 8-12* 8-18*

Workshops