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## ANAHEIM

The Anaheim Convention Center has been home to the Los Angeles Religious Education Congress since 1970. When the Los Angeles event made its way to Anaheim, the city was still part of the Los Angeles Archdiocese. On June 18, 1976, Pope Paul VI established the Diocese of Orange with Bishop William Johnson was installed as its first bishop.



## ART EXHIBIT

See how local talent has captured the images of God's Boundless Mercy in and around our local community. This exhibit will also provide an opportunity to explore our own understanding of God's mercy. Come spend some time, let your heart be touched. (Arena Lobby)



## ENTERTAINMENT

Admission to Congress includes free lunchtime and evening concerts presented by the well-known and loved Congress artists. Enjoy the variety of musical expressions using sounds and rhythms from around the world – in addition to our Friday evening Film Showcase and Sacred Illuminations on Saturday night.

## SPEAKERS

Over the four days, Congress 2016 will offer 300 workshops presented by 200 speakers, with topics ranging from personal growth to music to spiritual topics – in three languages: English, Spanish and Vietnamese. And our featured Keynote (in English) is on Saturday with our English and Spanish Addresses on Sunday.



## SACRED SPACE

Sacred Space provides a quiet place to pray in the chapel, participate in the sacrament of reconciliation or walk the labyrinth, where you can mindfully reflect on your life as you journey toward a fuller life in God. Included this year, you can pray the Stations of the Cross focusing on the victims of human trafficking, modern-day slaves. You are invited to stand in prayerful solidarity with the victims.





**LITURGIES** Congress annually offers a number of liturgies of different character. This year we present Black Culture, Care of the Earth & La Protección de la Tierra, Church on the Margins, Contemplative, Indonesian, Mass of Compassion, Nigerian, Spanish, Syriac, Vietnamese and Young Adult as well as evening prayer and a Taizé service. (See page 22.)

**HALL EVENTS** The Exhibit Hall is one of the liveliest locations at Congress. Be sure to check out what is going on in the **ORE Booth** throughout the weekend. The adjacent Tech Center is the location for Friday's **Congress Chat** (pictured) with Archbishop José Gomez and for SiriusXM Radio's "**Busted Halo**" live broadcast. (Exhibit Hall A)



**EXHIBIT HALL** One of the perks of registering for Congress is the Exhibit Hall – showcasing over 250 companies ...

**AND LOOK** what's new this year! Come check out the new music stage located in the southeast corner of the Exhibit Hall, highlighting a variety of your favorite Congress artists.



## SOME RECONGRESS MILESTONES

The origins of the Religious Education Congress spring from the Confraternity of Christian Doctrine, popularly known as CCD, a ministry that began in Los Angeles in 1922.

**1956** The first "CCD Institute" is held at Mount Carmel High School on Hoover Street in Los Angeles. Some 500 people attend the two-day conference.

**1957** The event moves to Bishop Conaty Catholic Girls High School in Los Angeles; in subsequent years it is held at Loyola University and Immaculate Heart College.

**1967** The dioceses of Monterey-Fresno and San Diego join the Los Angeles Archdiocese to host the first three-day "Southern California Confraternity Congress."

**1970** The annual "Confraternity of Catholic Doctrine Congress" moves to the Anaheim Convention Center and utilizes some of the surrounding hotels.

**1971** The first Youth Rally is held for high school students and sets the pattern for what has become Youth Day, held on Congress Thursday.

**1972** Los Angeles Cardinal Timothy Manning presides at a jubilee Mass at Congress commemorating the 50th anniversary of the CCD program.

**1973** The CCD office is renamed the Office of Religious Education and the Congress event becomes the "Religious Education Congress."

**1983** Msgr. Lloyd Torgerson becomes Director of the Office of Religious Education; on his staff is Youth Ministry Consultant, Sr. Edith Prendergast.

**1987** Sr. Edith Prendergast, RSC, is appointed as Director of the Office of Religious Education and becomes the first non-ordained person in this post.

**1998** Sunday's "ninth period" workshop is replaced by two Sunday morning addresses; the Closing Liturgy is now changed from 5:15 p.m. to begin at 3:30 p.m.

**2006** Paulette Smith is appointed Event Coordinator and Jan Pedroza as Programming Coordinator of the Religious Education Congress.

**2008** RECongress hosts a dinner in honor of Sr. Edith Prendergast's 20-plus years of leading the Religious Education Congress.

**2015** Sr. Edith Prendergast retires as Director effective June 30, 2015. She is succeeded by Fr. Christopher Bazyouros who works in the Office of Religious Education.

**2016** RECongress 2016 falls on the 60th anniversary of the first CCD institute and the 49th year of a "Religious Education Congress."

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## A MESSAGE FROM THE ARCHBISHOP



Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

I would like to extend a warm welcome to each one of you attending Congress 2016!

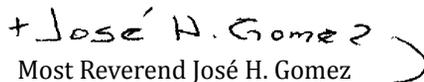
In this Year of Mercy declared by Pope Francis, it is appropriate that the theme that brings us together is Boundless Mercy.

In announcing this Jubilee Year, our Holy Father reminds us that mercy “reveals the very mystery of the Most Holy Trinity” and is “the ultimate and supreme act by which God comes to meet us.” And he calls us to remember that we must make mercy the path that we walk in our Christian life. As he writes, mercy is the “bridge that connects God and man.”

It is my hope that this weekend of prayer, fellowship and formation will be an opportunity for each one of you to enter into a deeper encounter with the gift of mercy that we have received from our loving Father. May we allow his presence to touch our hearts ever more deeply and have a conversion so that we can overcome everything that keeps us away from him and embrace a life renewed by his healing mercy. In this way, we can be docile instruments in the hands of the Lord, and become “bridges” in the lives of those around us, helping them to connect with God who is Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

I entrust these days to the loving intercession of our Blessed Mother Mary and ask God to abundantly bless each one of you and your loved ones.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

  
Most Reverend José H. Gomez  
Archbishop of Los Angeles

## A MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR

Welcome to Congress 2016!

It fills me with joy to extend to you a heartfelt invitation to join us for the Los Angeles Religious Education Congress in Anaheim. What a blessing to those who join us every year and share their stories and desires to proclaim the Good News!

Our theme for this year, *Boundless Mercy*, takes its inspiration from the Gospel account of Jesus speaking to the Samaritan woman at the well, as he promises a spring of living water springing up in each of us for eternal life. It also reflects the Extraordinary Jubilee Year of Mercy convoked by Pope Francis. Our Holy Father implores us to “constantly contemplate the mystery of mercy” (*Misericordiae Vultus*, 2). What does it mean in this day and age to be agents of God’s mercy? To seek the mercy of God in the face of Jesus? Our theme challenges us to not see the mercy of God as an occasional happenstance but as the context in which we live and move and have our being.

This mercy springs forth in the variety of workshops, liturgies, entertainment and resources that are offered throughout the weekend. Come and be replenished deep in your spirit and be challenged to live the Gospel by our national and international speakers.

Together with all the many activities, you will find opportunities to encounter God in Sacred Space, in walking the Labyrinth and our Art Exhibit area, as well as in the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

Thank you for your gracious support of our Congress and participation in your communities through ministry, leading others to encounter the riches of God’s mercy – that are never ending!

I look forward to greeting you at Congress 2016.

Sincerely,

  
Fr. Christopher Byzourous  
Director of Religious Education  
Archdiocese of Los Angeles



# WELCOME

## A MESSAGE FROM THE CONGRESS COORDINATORS



Dear Friends,

We are so looking forward to welcoming each and every one of you to the Religious Education Congress. Our 2016 theme, “Boundless Mercy,” is drawn from the Sunday readings of the third Sunday of Lent, which reminds us that we are invited into a relationship with a God of second chances. A God who offers mercy over judgment and who offers us hope for the journey of life. We are not only recipients of this unearned gift but we are invited to be agents of this mercy in our own relationships and daily encounters.

Our weekend promises to be rewarding and enriching, beginning with the vitality of Youth Day and continuing through the weekend with a variety of opportunities for enrichment. As always, Congress is a wonderful opportunity to renew friendships and meet new people from all over the world at this international gathering. Be sure to spend time in the Exhibit Hall, which offers a significant variety of resources and company representatives for personalized service.

Workshop descriptions and event listings, housing information, mail-in and online registration instructions are included in this Registration Guidebook and updated regularly on our web site at [www.RECongress.org](http://www.RECongress.org). Additional information can be obtained by email at [congress@la-archdiocese.org](mailto:congress@la-archdiocese.org) or by calling the Congress Office at (213) 637-7346.

If you know of others whom you feel may be enriched by participating in Congress, please do share with them your experience of Congress and extend a personal invitation to them to join us for the weekend. We would love to see them!

For those who are not able to join us in Anaheim, remember that our event can be viewed via our live stream at [www.RECongress.org/Live](http://www.RECongress.org/Live).

We look forward to being with you soon, as we together make it our mission to be people who see more clearly and recognize God’s presence ever more deeply in our daily encounters with one another.

Paulette Smith  
Associate Director  
Congress Event Coordinator

Jan Pedroza  
Congress Program Coordinator  
Coordinator, Early Childhood

## A MESSAGE FROM THE COORDINATOR OF CATECHIST FORMATION

My brothers and sisters in Christ,

It is with a heart overflowing with joy and steeped in humility that I add my voice to those welcoming you to the 2016 Religious Education Congress. This year’s theme, *Boundless Mercy*, is at once an invitation to reflect and a call to action.

Pope Francis reminds us “to contemplate the mystery of mercy” so that we might “become a more effective sign of the Father’s action in our lives.”

How will your experience of the Religious Education Congress prepare you to be a *more effective sign*? The answer to that question begins with yet another invitation to reflect and call to action: the *Registration Guidebook* you hold in your hands.

In its many pages you will find workshops that are engaging, enriching and challenging for growth and spiritual maturity. From the theoretical to the practical, the mystery of God’s *Boundless Mercy* will be explored and rejoiced when we descend on Anaheim in February. To make the most of that experience, I encourage you to seek out workshops to meet the needs of your catechetical ministry and your own personal faith journey.

For Certified Catechists and Master Catechists of the Los Angeles Archdiocese, all Congress workshops can be used toward your recertification hours.

I look forward to meeting many of you and hearing how you and your ministry continue to be *transformed*.

Dione Grillo  
Coordinator of Catechist Formation (English)





## A MESSAGE FROM THE YOUTH DAY COORDINATOR



Dear Friends,

Youth Day is here again! It is a special day that celebrates the gift that young people are to our Catholic faith. Young people are the present and future of our Church; their presence is an invitation for all to encounter Christ in our midst. Let us come together as a Church to deepen our relationship with Christ through Eucharistic liturgies, workshops, prayer and more. Join us as we allow the joy that young people bring to radiate through us, sending us forth as #hopebound people.

Youth Day is planned, from beginning to end, by a committee composed of adults and young people from across the Los Angeles Archdiocese who are joyfully sharing their gifts and talking about the Good News. The team is planning an energetic, exciting and faith-filled day for everyone. The day is already taking shape and a few surprises await. The dialogue is already live on social media, so join the conversation today! The handle is @LAYouthDay across all platforms and we encourage you to use the hashtags #hopebound and #LAYouthDay.

The following pages in this Guidebook offer information about opportunities for young people and adults, how to prepare attendees for the day, and a reflection on the theme prepared by young people for young people. You will also find instructions for registering online or by mail. When registering for the day, make sure to select a track and take note of the schedule for the track you selected. You will see that this year we have adjusted the schedule of the day in order to add an extra workshop. We hope this addition and a few other changes will enrich all attendees' experience of the day.

I encourage you to frequently visit our Web site [www.RECongress.org/YD](http://www.RECongress.org/YD) where you will find the most current information about the day, including resources for engaging young people through social media leading up to, during and after Youth Day. Our team looks forward to celebrating with you at Youth Day 2016! Thank you for your willingness to share this great day with young people from your parish and school. I leave you with a special invitation written by young people serving on the Youth Day Coordinating Team. Please share this message with all the young people considering attending Youth Day.

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Blessings,

Christina Lamas  
Associate Director  
Coordinator for Youth Ministry  
Office of Religious Education

### A MESSAGE FROM THE COORDINATING TEAM

Welcome, Jesus Lovers,

Do you know why we are going to Youth Day? Are you ditching class? Peer pressure? Perhaps you're required to attend? We get it, we've been there. One thing you may not notice right now is that God wants you to be here. You were meant to be here!

Our theme for the day is #hopebound. Hope is a feeling of expectation and desire for a certain thing to happen. Many of us hope for good grades. We hope for our parents to buy us the new iPhone. Seniors hope for college acceptance. We hope for many things, but our biggest hope should be that the outcome is what God desires of us. That's what it means to be #hopebound – to fully put your trust in God.

We hope you enjoy this day and can open up to the wonderful experience awaiting you. You can offer all your doubts, worries, troubles and problems to God and engulf yourself in his love. So remember, whatever your thoughts and feelings may be, remember to stay #hopebound.

## PREPARING FOR THE DAY

Youth Day 2016 takes place on Thursday of the Second Week of Lent. Here are the readings of the day along with a theme reflection prepared by young people for young people:

**First Reading: Jeremiah 17:5-10**

**Responsorial Psalm: Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 & 6**

**Gospel: Luke 16:19-31**

All of the readings have one connection: hope. We are called to let that hope lead us to Christ. This is why the theme #hopebound was chosen. It is a call to be bound to hope. This hope is what fuels us to go and serve Christ. The term implies that we are "bound to something" and will drop everything in order to complete the mission.

There are a couple of dictionary definitions for the word "bound." One is to be tied down by something, which is not what our theme is about. Another is to be inexplicably drawn to something and heading toward it with eagerness and enthusiasm, which is exactly what we want people to feel at Youth Day. We often use the term "homebound" as a way to communicate our desire to be "home" and we strive to reach that destination no matter what. We want people at Youth Day to be inexplicably drawn to hope in the Lord and head toward it with eagerness and enthusiasm. Therefore, this year's theme is an invitation people can use to explain how they are bound to hope and are led closer to Christ.

## TRACK 1

8:00 AM

### – GENERAL SESSION ARENA

For those registered for Track 1, the excitement of Youth Day 2016 begins in the Arena, with energetic **Sarah Hart** and **Steve Angrisano** on hand to get the day started with music, followed by young people from the Los Angeles Archdiocese leading us in prayer and other fun activities throughout the morning.



### EUCCHARISTIC LITURGY



Track 1 participants will participate in a spirit-filled liturgy with **Archbishop José Gomez** presiding. The music will be led by an Archdiocesan Youth Choir under the direction of Ed Archer from Our Lady of Perpetual Help in Santa Clarita. *(Please note that this liturgy will begin approximately at 8:45 am.)*

### KEYNOTE

Immediately following the liturgy, Track 1 participants will remain in the Arena for our featured speaker, **Dr. Ansel Augustine**. He will focus on our theme for the day, **#hopebound**.



### 11:45 AM – LUNCH

Following the Eucharistic celebration, Track 1 participants are invited to lunch with old and new friends. There will be many places inside and outside the Convention Center for purchasing food.

### 12:45 PM – CONVENTION WORKSHOPS

Track 1 participants will be able to attend two of the 14 workshops offered to inspire and challenge them in new ways. These workshops are held in the meeting rooms throughout the Convention Center. 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) those topics that interest them. Please review the offerings on the following pages.

### 3:15 PM – PRAISE/WORSHIP & SENDING



To complete the day, Track 1 participants may choose between the energetic sending forth musical groups of **WAL** in Hall B and **Jeremy and Ryan** in the third-floor Ballroom. Young people from across the archdiocese and beyond will also be helping us to close out our day with much excitement.



### 3:45 PM – DISMISSAL

After being reminded to be **#hopebound** every day and everywhere – in our parishes, our schools, our homes and the entire world – participants will be sent out to be missionary disciples.

## REGISTERING FOR THE DAY

All high school students (grades 9-12 only) are invited to register for Youth Day. Students must register with an Adult Chaperone, who must attend with the group. For the initial group of 1 to 10 youth, there must be two Adult Chaperones. An additional Chaperone must be included with every additional group of up to 10. Chaperones are required to stay with their group throughout the day. Each group chooses Track 1 or Track 2 (Arena access allowed only during assigned times) and then selects the Convention Center workshops of their choice. We try to accommodate first choices for workshops, but sometimes they fill up and we must move you to your second choice.

**NOTE: YOUTH DAY OFTEN FILLS UP BY THE JANUARY 8 DATE FOR THE FEE INCREASE.** Please understand that there is limited seating for the event. If Youth Day fills to capacity prior to the January cut-off date, we will close the day and return your registration. Try to register as soon as possible. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause, but please understand there are no exceptions.

To enter the Arena for either Track 1 or Track 2, please line up and use the fountain doors nearest the Hilton Hotel. We allow the exact number of participants as there are seats in the Arena. So please know there will be room for everyone. Your name badge will make it clear as to which track you have been assigned. We ask you to not go to the Arena until your assigned track. Please remember that we will clear out the Arena at mid-day.



## VOLUNTEER FOR THE DAY

Want more than just to attend the day? Check our site at [www.RECongress.org/YD](http://www.RECongress.org/YD) for complete details about all the ways you can be more involved at Youth Day 2016 or email us at [layoutday@gmail.com](mailto:layoutday@gmail.com). There is a Training Day on December 19 and some of these positions require attendance on that day.

**SPIRIT SQUAD** – Throughout the day, the Spirit Squad will pump up the crowd with games and chants, promote our theme, and transition participants to their events.

**SOCIAL MEDIA** – Are you good with social media? #LAYouthDay needs you! We are seeking a team of high school-aged youth to help us with social media during Youth Day.

**EMCEES** – We are looking for high schoolers to introduce speakers and help with general sessions. If you like performing before large crowds, come be part of this great day!

**ARENA LITURGY CHOIR & BAND** – We need youth voices and musical talent for the Arena Liturgy Choir & Band. (Check site for rehearsal dates and audition information.)

**LITURGICAL MOVEMENT** – “I’m not a dancer,” you say? Can you keep time to music? We are seeking youth (girls and boys!) to participate as Ministers of Liturgical Movement.

All young people wishing to take part in any volunteer opportunity must register for the event and attend all trainings/rehearsals with supervision. Any expenses incurred while participating in these efforts is the responsibility of the adult registering the young person.

## ADULT VOLUNTEERS FOR THE DAY

We invite any adult not chaperoning a parish or school group to be a volunteer for our event. This is a great way to experience Youth Day without the duties of being a chaperone – and to enjoy our event free of charge. To volunteer for Youth Day 2016, all adults must be compliant with their Diocese’s Safe Environment policies and procedures (fingerprinting/background checks) including compliance with required Safe Environment Adult Training. Please contact your Diocesan Youth Ministry Office to learn more details about your required programs. For more information about volunteering or to submit your name to be part of our team, please contact Erin Avila at [layoutday@gmail.com](mailto:layoutday@gmail.com) or at (559) 259-8232. Come join the fun!

# hopebound

## LOS ANGELES YOUTH DAY

### NEW FOR THE DAY

For the first time, Sacred Space will be a part of Youth Day. Sacred Space provides a quiet place to pray in the chapel and the opportunity to walk the labyrinth, where you can mindfully reflect on your life as you journey toward a fuller life in God. Included this year, you can pray the Stations of the Cross focusing on the victims of human trafficking, modern-day slaves. You are invited to stand in prayerful solidarity with the victims. Hours: 7:30 am - 4:30 pm.

### LOGOWEAR FOR THE DAY

Attention Group Leaders: Order your official Youth Day T-shirts in *advance* through PAL (Peace and Love) Campaign! Youth Day T-shirts are available for custom and group pre-orders. Customize your Youth Day shirt with your youth group or parish name on the back for only \$3 more. All orders with payment must be received by January 25, 2016, for direct shipping.

This special pre-order discount pricing is valid through January 25, 2016:

T-shirts: \$13\* (\$15 at Youth Day)

Hoodie Sweatshirts: \$30\* (\$35, with limited quantity)

Adult sizes: S, M, L, XL, 2XL, 3XL, 4XL

\*2XL-4XL sizes are \$2 extra for T-shirts and \$5 extra for hoodie sweatshirts.

Please order online at [www.palcampaign.com/layoutday](http://www.palcampaign.com/layoutday) or email [layoutday@palcampaign.com](mailto:layoutday@palcampaign.com). Please email if you have any questions.

### APP FOR YOUTH DAY

Keep watch on our Web site for the Youth Day app, made for iOS. With this app, you can stay up-to-date with all Youth Day speakers, musicians and performers by following them over social media and viewing their Web sites. Youth Day is more than just a one-day experience and this app will help you keep connected with the day's speakers and musicians.

### SUPPORTING OTHERS ON THE DAY

In an effort to enhance the ORE's work in developing youth leaders and to support the work of other key organizations, there will be a collection during Youth Day liturgies. Some of the collection will go to help young people who need assistance in attending programs at the local, regional and national levels. We also share the collection with different organizations each year; for 2016 we have chosen Saving Innocence ([www.savinginnocence.org](http://www.savinginnocence.org)). This non-profit aims to end the commercial sexual exploitation of children and restore human worth. Share this information with your group and emphasize how their contributions can continue the formation, education and quality of life for others. Thank you in advance.

## TRACK 2

### 8:00 AM – GATHERING & PRAISE/WORSHIP



For those who register for Track 2, the excitement of Youth Day 2016 begins with the opportunity to experience one of two energetic gatherings: **WAL** will perform in Hall B and the third-floor

Ballroom will host **Jeremy and Ryan**. Young people from across the Los Angeles Archdiocese will also be part of these great events. Groups are welcome to attend either of these high-energy gatherings – you get to choose that day!



### 8:45 AM – CONVENTION WORKSHOPS

After our opening event, Track 2 participants will be able to attend two of the 14 workshops offered in the Convention Center meeting rooms. 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) those topics that interest them. You can find the listing on the following pages.

### 11:15 AM – LUNCH

Following the workshops, Track 2 participants are invited to lunch with old and new friends. There are places throughout the Convention Center for purchasing food. The Arena will open for Track 2 participants at 11:45 am. Everyone must enter through the main Arena glass doors near the fountain and may line up early. There are seats for all – so enjoy lunch!

### 12:15 PM – GENERAL SESSION ARENA



For Track 2, the excitement of Youth Day continues in the Arena with **Sarah Hart** and **Steve Angrisano** on hand to get everyone energized, followed by young people from the Archdiocese leading us in prayer and other fun activities throughout the afternoon.

### EUCCHARISTIC LITURGY

Track 2 participants will participate with a spirit-filled liturgy presided by our own Los Angeles **Archbishop José Gomez**. The music will be led by the Archdiocesan Youth Choir and instrumentalists under the direction of Ed Archer from Our Lady of Perpetual Help in Santa Clarita. *(Please note that this liturgy will begin approximately at 1 pm.)*



### KEYNOTE



Immediately following the liturgy, Track 2 participants will remain in the Arena for our featured speaker, **Dr. Ansel Augustine**. He will focus on our theme for the day, **#hopebound**.

### 3:45 PM – DISMISSAL

After being reminded to be **#hopebound** every day and everywhere – in our parishes, our schools, our homes and the entire world – participants will be sent out to be missionary disciples.

**ARENA KEYNOTE** Both Youth Day tracks get to see our Arena speaker. In addition to the Arena Keynote, you make your choice of two Convention workshops from the remaining 14 sessions held in the Convention Center meeting rooms.

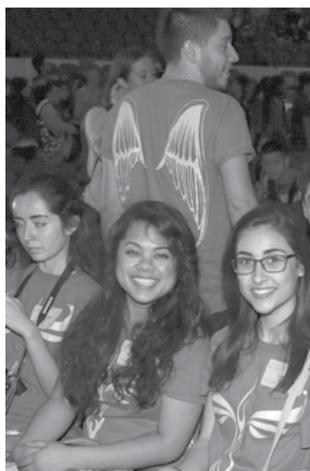
### STEP UP THE HOPE

In this keynote, Dr. Ansel Augustine, along with The Psalm 119 Step Team of the New Orleans Archdiocese, will help us look at who we are as children of God. We will learn how to look at life, especially when we face challenges. God is always “in step” with us, and we must remember that no matter what we face, we already have victory in Christ and, therefore, are called to live in hope.



#### Dr. Ansel Augustine & The Psalm 119 Step Team

Dr. Ansel Augustine has worked for over 15 years in his native New Orleans and is presently Director of the Office of Black Catholic Ministries for the New Orleans Archdiocese. He also serves on the faculty for the Institute for Black Catholic Studies at Xavier University of Louisiana and is on the Board for the National Federation for Catholic Youth Ministry. Augustine has presented workshops at youth rallies and national conferences around the country and has written various publications related to ministry.



### A BEYOND BORING: READING THE BIBLE FOR A CHANGE HALL B

Reading the Bible can seem boring, intimidating or pointless. So *why* would God give us the Scriptures? What does He want you to take from His Book, does it really matter to your life, and why should you care? Come laugh and learn with Mark Hart, as he dispels the myths, gives practical advice and, basically, kicks the devil in the face.



#### Mark Hart

Mark Hart is Executive Vice President for Life Teen International. The best-selling and award-winning author and co-author of over a dozen books has traveled the globe speaking to millions. Hart is a regular guest on several Catholic radio programs, a co-host on SiriusXM Radio, and producer of a weekly podcast for Life Teen. He has a popular DVD Bible Study series “T3” and “Altaration.” His latest books include “Behold the Mystery” and “Zealous: Following Jesus with Guidance from St. Paul.”

### B “I DON’T BELIEVE IN GOD; I BELIEVE IN SCIENCE” CONVENTION 210

“I don’t believe in God; I believe in science,” states Esqueleto, Nacho’s tag team partner in the movie “Nacho Libre.” Was Esqueleto right? Must we choose between science and faith? Science and modern atheists present believers in God with real challenges that can feed our natural questions and doubts. Come to this open discussion about the universe, science and God. Your doubts, your questions and those hard questions your friends ask are here.



#### Robert Feduccia Jr.

Robert Feduccia was formerly General Manager at Spirit & Song and is now Executive Director and Producer for Mission Eighty5 at Saint Mary’s Press. He is founding Director of the national Youth Liturgical Leadership Program and an instructor for the Permanent Deacon Formation Program at Saint Meinrad Seminary and the formation program at the School of Theology in Indiana and for the Diocese of Knoxville, Tenn. Feduccia has been keynote speaker and retreat leader at liturgical conferences, diocesan youth conferences and college events.

### C PROUDLY PROCLAIM CONVENTION 213

Our faith is supposed to be shared in an enthusiastic, contagious and compelling way. How are you doing with that? This workshop is about evangelization as a way of life for young Catholic faithful. Come learn about healthy ways to share the Word and practical tips on how to live out the New Evangelization in the modern world.



#### Doug Tooke

Doug Tooke, Executive Director of Reach Youth Ministry and owner of Monarch Catholic Ministries, directs youth ministry events in the Diocese of Helena, Mont., where he formerly served as diocesan Director of Faith Formation. He has over 20 years of professional ministry experience and has traveled to more than 75 dioceses in the past 15 years teaching, training youth ministers, keynoting conventions and presenting at events, including World Youth Day, the National Catholic Youth Conference and the National Conference on Catholic Youth Ministry.

**D KEEP CALM & LOVE JESUS: DEALING WITH STRESS AND CHAOS EVERY DAY** CONVENTION 206

Life can be really chaotic – what with school and family, dating and trying to look and act your best, the chaos can sometimes overtake what should be the most important thing in your life: your relationship with Jesus Christ. Katie Prejean is a teacher, youth minister, graduate school student, fiancée, friend, and dog-mom who keeps a busier schedule than anyone she knows, and she’s learned (the hard way) how to balance the daily stresses of life and her relationship with Jesus. We’ll spend time learning how to find balance and peace as you try to maintain your sanity.



**Katie Prejean**

*Katie Prejean teaches at St. Louis Catholic High School and is Youth Director at Our Lady Queen of Heaven Church, both in Lake Charles, La. She has spoken at events throughout the country, ranging from small sessions to the National Catholic Youth Conference. Prejean reads voraciously, blogs occasionally, is a die-hard New Orleans Saints fan, binge watches Netflix, loves Jesus, works out every day, and doesn't like to be hugged.*

**E THE TRUTH ABOUT LOVE, SEX & RELATIONSHIPS** CONVENTION 207

This talk presents the two hottest topics on the planet for teens: God and sex. Focusing on the virtue of chastity as being more than just “no sex,” this session exposes the lies of culture and reveals our true identity in Christ. Through funny stories and compelling witness, Mary Bielski will reveal the message of hope for purity and freedom found in Jesus.



**Mary Bielski**

*Based in New Orleans, Mary Bielski is a national speaker, youth minister and founder of ALL4HIM Ministries. With 15 years in youth ministry and 12 years as a speaker, she has presented to teens and adults across the nation, at high schools, parish and diocesan rallies and young adult retreats and conferences, including the Steubenville Youth Conference and Life Teen-Inspiration. Bielski focuses on a variety of topics, including prayer, the Holy Spirit, sacraments, chastity and the theology of the body.*

**F “HEY, YOU! YEAH, YOU!” WHAT IS GOD SAYING ABOUT YOUR FUTURE? (VOCATION DISCERNMENT MADE EASY!)** CONVENTION 209

Do you know what you want to do? Have you known since you were 2? Do you wish God would just tell you? Everyone has a vocation in life – it’s the way we will give and receive love. How can you get a handle on your future? What are some wrong ways and some right ways to discern your vocation in life? It doesn’t have to be *that* confusing. :-)



**Sr. Helena Burns, fsp**

*Sr. Helena Burns, a member of the Daughters of St. Paul, is a movie reviewer for Life Teen. She is writer-director of the documentary on the life of Blessed Fr. James Alberione, founder of the Daughters of St. Paul, a co-producer on www.The40Film.com, and on the vocation team of the Daughters of St. Paul. Sr. Burns has presented media literacy talks and seminars since the 1990s, and since 2006 she has presented Theology of the Body talks to teens and adults across the United States and Canada.*

**REMEMBER:** When you register, you choose one session from among these seven workshops and one session from the group of workshops on the next pages.

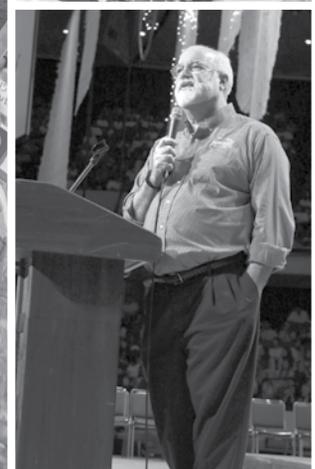
**G BFFS FROM HEAVEN** CONVENTION 208

In this hands-on workshop led by Brother Mickey McGrath, we will discover how saints and angels of every color and culture can lead us from our fears and anxieties to a place of self-confidence and faith instead. Following a brief look at Bro. Mickey’s own art and the stories behind it, we will be guided through quiet meditation and colorful activity to uncover our own capacity for creativity and inner peace. The results will become part of a mural depicting our “BFFs from Heaven” right here in our midst.



**Bro. Michael O’Neill McGrath**

*Bro. Mickey McGrath, an Oblate of St. Francis de Sales, is an artist, author and popular speaker at retreats and religious education conferences throughout the country. He also creates art for the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops and many Catholic publishers. Bro. McGrath has won awards for his books “Go to Joseph” and “Good Pope John XXIII,” which was presented to Pope Francis. His latest works are “Dear Young People: Inspiration from Pope Francis for All” and a series of videos based on his most popular books.*



**A REMINDER:** When you register, you will need to select one session from among these seven workshops and one session from the group of workshops on the previous pages.

### H MESSY, MADNESS, MAYHEM: FAMILIES! HALL B

We all have families. There's stuff we like and stuff that drives us crazy! They come in all varieties. Sometimes we compare and wish for different. Where's the hope? Where's God in our family?



**Mike Patin**

*"Faith Horticulturist" Mike Patin lives in Lafayette, La., and has worked in ministry since 1984 as a high school teacher, coach and diocesan youth minister for the New Orleans Archdiocese. He has spoken to groups ranging from 10 to 23,000 in over 130 dioceses in the United States and Canada on the issues of Catholic faith, positive attitude, using your gifts and living life fully. Patin has published two books: "A Standing Invitation" and "This Was Not in the Brochures: Lessons from Work, Life and Ministry."*

### I SHARE YOUR STORY CONVENTION 210

Snapchat has made it easier than ever to share our "story." But sharing our "real" story is more than a snap. People say healthy communication is important – but how do I share who I "really" am, in ways that make sense and with people who matter to me?



**Roy Petitfils, MS, LPC**

*For 20 years Roy Petitfils has ministered among youth and young adults in parish, diocesan and school settings. Today, a counselor in private practice and a speaker, Petitfils has presented at conferences, workshops and parish missions in over 30 dioceses throughout North America. He has written many articles, has a syndicated monthly column and has published several books, including "What Teens Want You To Know (But Won't Tell You)" and "What I Wish Someone Had Told Me About the First Five Years of Marriage."*

### J CREATED TO RELATE CONVENTION 213

We were created for relationships. From the moment we are born, they are central to who we are and who we become. Through our interactions with our parents and family, and through our friendships, we learn the most valuable lessons of life. Building strong relationships in youth ministry is an art. This workshop will provide practical ways to build solid relational ministry that will ultimately point young people to a relationship with Christ.



**Bob Perron**

*Bob Perron is Director of Youth and Young Adult Ministry for the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston, W.V. He is one of the most popular Catholic speakers in the United States and Canada, and for over a decade, he has presented in more than 60 dioceses. Perron has been keynote presenter at the National Catholic Youth Conference and moderated workshops at the National Conference on Catholic Youth Ministry. His most recent book is entitled "Lessons Learned From a God-Sized Family: In a Me-Sized World."*



**K A BAR OF SOAP HOPE ... HUMAN TRAFFICKING: WHAT IT IS AND HOW TO FIGHT IT!**

CONVENTION 204

Human trafficking is the second leading crime in the United States. Believe it or not, *you* and your friends could be victims of this tragedy. Come and find out how vulnerable someone might be to becoming trafficked, how they are exploited, and what the “red flags” are. Help us help the victims by giving them “hope” as we label SOAP with the National Human Trafficking Hotline phone number.



**Theresa L. Flores, LSW, MS**

*Theresa Flores is a human trafficking survivor, best-selling author, licensed social worker and founder of SOAP (Save Our Adolescents from Prostitution). In 2009, she was appointed to the Ohio Attorney General’s Human Trafficking Commission and testified before the Ohio House and Senate in support of human trafficking legislation. Flores received The Courage Award from the governor of Ohio for her efforts and was honored with the 2013 Christian Service Award from the University of Dayton for her work with SOAP.*

**L GOD IS MY H.E.R.O. CONVENTION 207**

Come to this workshop if you want to find out why God is the greatest of all superheroes. He is omnipotent and omniscient. (If you do not know what these two words mean you need to be at this workshop!) Come and find out why God is my Hero and why He can be yours as well. He gave us four reasons and they will be revealed only to those who want to receive His super powers!



**Rev. Joseph A. Espallat II**

*Fr. Joe Espallat is Pastor at St. Anthony of Padua Church in the Bronx, N.Y., as well as Director of Hispanic Charismatic Renewal for the New York Archdiocese and of the Hispanic Charismatic Catholic Center in the Bronx. Before this, he was assigned by Cardinal Timothy Dolan to open up an Office for Youth Ministry, where he became Director and is now Spiritual Advisor. Growing up in Manhattan, he speaks three languages: English, Spanish and Street! Fr. Espallat is also founder of the ministry, “Messengers of Christ.”*

**M FINDING HOPE IN THE MIDST OF PAIN AND TRAGEDY CONVENTION 209**

Come meet Rosario Rodriguez, an innocent victim and miraculous survivor of two violent crimes. She will share how, after spending years struggling with depression and questioning her dignity and worth, she found hope and healing through the grace of the sacraments and in forgiving her assailants.



**Rosario Rodriguez**

*Rosario Rodriguez has spent most of her life working in the United States, Canada, Mexico and the United Kingdom with different Catholic ministries, from campus ministry and RCIA to working with inner-city youth, the poor and the homeless. In Los Angeles, she has worked in Hollywood at Act One, an organization training Christian writers and producers. Most recently she is sharing her story with gang members, with the Los Angeles Police Department, and at prisons.*

**N HOPEBOUND IN PRAYER CONVENTION 203**

In saying, “Come follow me!” (Matt. 4:19), Jesus is offering an invitation rooted in hope. This is also an invitation intimately bound up with the practice of prayer, for prayer connects us with God and others. It leads us into the heart of love in which we discover what we need – not what we want – to grow in our desire to follow Christ. Bind your Youth Day in an experience of prayer, hopeful reflection and deepening commitment to the practice of love. This interactive workshop explores practices of prayer and contemplation through Scripture, music, conversation, silence and a brief overview of a tradition that spans thousands of years.



**Ted Miles**

*Baltimore native Ted Miles first worked in Belize and Guatemala in a two-year Jesuit Volunteer position. For nearly 30 years since then, he has served in parish ministry, Catholic high school education and archdiocesan leadership development. For 10 years now, Miles has worked for Catholic Relief Services as Relationship Manager for Youth and Religious Education and Coordinator of the Youth & Religious Education Outreach for the United States. He has spoken nationally and internationally on behalf of CRS.*



**Sarah Kroger**

*Singer/songwriter Sarah Kroger first performed publicly at Life Teen camps and Steubenville Youth conferences. In the short time she has been composing and performing, she has participated in a range of national and international events, including the JubilMusic International Christian Music Festival in San Remo, Italy, World Youth Day in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, and countless other parish and youth events across the United States. Kroger is published with Oregon Catholic Press/SpiritandSong.com.*



**Ben Walther**

*Ben Walther began writing songs while serving as a worship leader in college. He taught religion for over five years and spent 13 years in parish and school ministry. He has served as a diocesan event worship leader, retreat host and conference speaker. Walther now teaches religion at St. Paul Catholic School in North Canton, Ohio. A recent addition to the OCP/ SpiritandSong.com family, his CD is titled “Make Your Home in Me.”*



# YOUTH DAY

## WHO MAY ATTEND?

Youth Day is open to students from parishes and high schools (public and Catholic) who are in grades 9 through 12. Students below 9th grade are not allowed to participate in this event and will be denied admission. We appreciate your adherence to this guideline.

## WHAT IS THE COST?

Registration to attend Youth Day is \$30 per person. After January 8, 2016, fees increase to \$35 per person. Everyone in your group **MUST** be registered for Youth Day, **including all priests who will be accompanying your group or coming to concelebrate Mass.**

## CHAPERONES AND CONTACT PERSON

For the initial group of 1 to 10 youth, there must be two Adult Chaperones. Another Chaperone must be included with every additional group of up to 10 youth. Groups are required to stay together throughout the day. Students cannot be dropped off at the Convention Center without an Adult Chaperone.

The **Adult Chaperone** should be at least 21 years of age and must remain with the group to supervise throughout the day. Chaperones must participate in the events – youth find it more difficult to participate if adults are not engaged. The format of Youth Day enables everyone to have a seat, but large groups may be unable to sit together. We ask that chaperones divide up and stay with their groups.

The **Contact Person** is responsible for providing Adult Chaperones with all the necessary forms and emergency information for each student. Youth Day name badges are mailed to the Contact Person, who may also be included as one of the group chaperones or registrants.

Chaperones/Adult participants attending Youth Day at the Religious Education Congress with their group must be compliant with their diocese's Safe Environment policies and procedures (fingerprinting/background checks) including compliance with required Safe Environment Adult Training. The contact person must be able to produce records indicating completion of these awareness sessions should he/she be asked. **Please contact your parish or school for more information on these guidelines for your diocese.**

## REGISTRATION DEADLINES

We recommend that you register early because of the limited number of seats. Once Youth Day fills to capacity, it is **CLOSED** to further registrations. Please note we often reach capacity **before the registration fee increase on January 8, 2016.** If we receive your registration after Youth Day has closed, it will be returned to you. *Sorry, there are no exceptions to this guideline.*

## NAME BADGES

All registered persons receive a name badge that serves as their admission to Youth Day. Each person must wear their official Youth Day name badge throughout the day. We require a full first and last name. Registrations will **NOT** be processed if the same name is used in all the spaces on the form or if the names are obviously made up. If needed, you may substitute name badges already sent. The name badge color also identifies the track to which you are assigned. You will not be allowed to enter certain parts of Youth Day until your track is scheduled for that event.

**PLEASE** distribute name badges to all participants prior to leaving your parish or school or before exiting the bus. Those who become separated from their group and do not have name badges will not be allowed entry into the Convention Center or Arena.

Youth Day Packets will begin to be mailed after January 15, 2016, to the contact person. Please check your packet **IMMEDIATELY** upon receipt to verify that each chaperone and each participant has a name badge.

**NOTE:** There is a \$50 fee for reprinting the name badges for a group attending Youth Day.

## HOW DO WE REGISTER?

Registrations can be made online or by mailing in the Youth Day Registration Form (next page) along with a check for the proper amount. Everyone **MUST** be registered for the day (including Chaperones and priests – even if they are coming for Mass only). A maximum of 10 students and one Chaperone can register per form. **Forms, information and online registration by credit card are available at [www.RECongress.org/YD](http://www.RECongress.org/YD).**

## REGISTRATION INFORMATION

1. The Youth Day Registration Form is provided on the next page. You may duplicate the form as needed.
2. No more than 10 students with one Chaperone can register per form – all attending the same workshop. Please do not register more people on the form than will be attending, since space is limited.
3. Once a registration has been submitted, additional registrations **CANNOT** be added to the group. To add registrants, a new registration (with another paid Chaperone) must be completed online or sent in. **PLEASE** remember to register priests who accompany your group as well, even if they are coming for Mass only.
4. All youth must remain with their Chaperone throughout Youth Day. No one can be dropped off at the Convention Center without an Adult Chaperone.
5. Remember to list the name and information 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. For mailed forms, indicate your choices of track and workshops and send the form(s) with the total fee of \$30 per person (U.S. dollars only) postmarked by January 8, 2016 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 forms. All incomplete registrations will be returned. We cannot accept registration forms by phone or fax.
7. See [www.RECongress.org/YD](http://www.RECongress.org/YD) for online registration info.
8. After January 8, 2016, the Youth Day Registration fee will increase to \$35 per person.
9. Refunds must be requested in writing by December 27, 2015. There are **NO REFUNDS** after that date. There will be a \$10 per registration refund processing fee.
10. **There is NO registration on Youth Day!**
11. Questions? Call (213) 637-7348 or (213) 637-7346.

## WORKSHOP REGISTRATION AND ASSIGNMENT

Make sure to mark on the registration whether your group will attend **TRACK 1** or **TRACK 2** (see the previous pages for the descriptions of the tracks). Also, print the letter of your first- and second-choice workshops plainly on the spaces provided. All participants attend the Arena workshop and two workshops from the listings on the previous pages. The same workshops are offered for both tracks.

**Workshop Note:** If your first choice is full, then you will be assigned your second choice.

## FOOD SERVICES

Track 1 and Track 2 have staggered lunch times. There are food concessions at various places in the Convention Center, Arena Lobby, and outside. Lines can be long, so please be patient. Please note that it is unacceptable to cater lunches for your group. Participants are allowed to bring individual lunch bags, but large ice chests and group catering are not permitted. Also, since time is limited, we suggest that you do not use the nearby restaurants.

## YOUTH DAY REGISTRATION FORM

### THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2016 – 8:00 am - 3:45 pm

**REGISTER ONLINE  
AT ARCHLA.ORG/  
YDREGISTRATION**

ARCHDIOCESE OF LOS ANGELES – OFFICE OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION  
ONLY PRE-REGISTRATIONS ACCEPTED – **NO REGISTRATION ON YOUTH DAY**

**PLEASE PRINT. INCOMPLETE FORMS WILL BE RETURNED.**

Diocese \_\_\_\_\_  
 Parish \_\_\_\_\_  
 School/Org. \_\_\_\_\_  
 City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Country \_\_\_\_\_

– For Office Use Only –	
Stamp Number	_____
Total Registrants	_____
Check Number	_____
Total Amount	_____

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

It is the responsibility of the Contact Person to ensure that all attending adults are in compliance with their Diocese's Safe Environment policies and procedures (fingerprinting/background checks) performed by their Diocese.

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 Address \_\_\_\_\_ Other Phone ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_  
 City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP Code \_\_\_\_\_  
 Email \_\_\_\_\_

**SERVICES** • Any special service needs?  Sign Interpreter  Assistive Listening Devices (ALDs)  Wheelchair access  
 Name of student/adult requiring assistance \_\_\_\_\_

**SELECT TRACK AND WORKSHOPS**

If either track or workshop is not indicated, we reserve the right to make the assignments for your group.

\* Indicates Diocesan compliance with Safe Environment policies and procedures (fingerprinting/background checks), including compliance with required Safe Environment Adult Training.

**Track 1** – and choose

Convention Workshop A-G:

1ST Choice \_\_\_\_\_

2ND Choice \_\_\_\_\_

Convention Workshop H-N:

1ST Choice \_\_\_\_\_

2ND Choice \_\_\_\_\_

**Track 2** – and choose

Convention Workshop A-G:

1ST Choice \_\_\_\_\_

2ND Choice \_\_\_\_\_

Convention Workshop H-N:

1ST Choice \_\_\_\_\_

2ND Choice \_\_\_\_\_

**ADULT CHAPERONE**

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	<b>Jan. 8</b>	<b>Jan. 8</b>
	<b>\$60</b>	<b>\$70</b>
	<b>\$90</b>	<b>\$105</b>
	<b>\$120</b>	<b>\$140</b>
	<b>\$150</b>	<b>\$175</b>
	<b>\$180</b>	<b>\$210</b>
	<b>\$210</b>	<b>\$245</b>
	<b>\$240</b>	<b>\$280</b>
	<b>\$270</b>	<b>\$315</b>
	<b>\$300</b>	<b>\$350</b>
	<b>\$330</b>	<b>\$385</b>

**Fees are an additional \$5 per person if postmarked after January 8, 2016.**

**Please note:** It is unacceptable to cater lunch at Youth Day due to a liability issue for the Convention Center. There are many places through the Center to purchase food. People are invited to bring individual lunches, but catered meals (by restaurants or individuals) will not be allowed. Convention Center staff will ask these groups to leave the premises.

Mail form with check or money order to: RECONGRESS, PO BOX 761157, LOS ANGELES CA 90076-1157  
 – you may duplicate this form –

## FRIDAY SCHEDULE

**7:00 am - 3:00 pm**  
On-site registration  
& Program Book Pick-up  
(Prefunction Lobby)

**8:30 - 9:30 am**  
Opening Rite & Welcome  
(Arena)

**10:00 - 11:30 am**  
Period 1 Workshops

**11:30 am - 1:00 pm**  
LUNCH

**11:45 am - 12:30 pm**  
**Music (Arena)**  
– Santiago Fernandez,  
Pedro Rubalcava, Rudy Lopez &  
Estela Garcia-Lopez  
**Music (Hall B)**  
– WAL

**1:00 - 2:30 pm**  
Period 2 Workshops

**3:00 - 4:30 pm**  
Period 3 Workshops

**5:15 pm**  
Eucharistic Liturgies  
& Evening Prayer  
(see page 22)

**7:45 - 9:45 pm**  
Film Showcase 2016  
(Convention 201)

**8:00 pm**  
**Concert**  
– “JOB: The Now Testament”

**9:00 pm**  
Taizé Prayer  
(see page 22)

**Registration & Program Book  
Pick-Up**  
7:00 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)

**Speaker Signings**  
11:30 am - 5:00 pm  
*New location!*  
(Northwest side, Hall A)

**Massage Chairs**  
(Hall A Prefunction Lobby)

**A.A. Meeting**  
Noon (Marriott) San Diego

## OPENING RITE & WELCOME

### “BOUNDLESS MERCY”

We come together in joyful celebration in this Jubilee Year of Mercy, aware of God’s *boundless mercy* of grace and goodness for us. Come, let us join our voices in a chorus of praise and gratitude. This energetic gathering will be graced by the presence and gifts of:

Archbishop José Gomez	Helena Buscema	Sarah Hart	Nicole Masero
Fr. Christopher Bazyouros	Karla Carrillo	Marty Haugen	Emily McKinley
Paulette Smith	Andrew Chinn	Lorraine Hess	Monica Miller Luther
Jan Pedroza	Jeanne Cotter	Frank Jansen	Ann Myers
John Flaherty	Harrison Crenshaw	Vallimar Jansen	Kristina Ortega
Tony Alonso	Gary Daigle	Mary Janus	Donna Peña
Donna Anderle	Chris de Silva	Jeremy & Ryan	Pedro Rubalcava
David Anderson	Christine Engelfried	Mel Kennedy	Brenda Smith
John Angotti	Santiago Fernández	Kristin Kissell	Ginny Temple
Steve Angrisano	Rob Galea	Peter Kolar	Trevor Thomson
Ed Archer	Noelle Garcia	Gaile Krause	WAL
Meredith Augustin	Estela García-López	Liam Lawton	Chris Walker
Betsy Beckman	Dolores Gomez	Rudy López	John West & the
Anna Betancourt	Laura Gomez	Michael Mangan	Valyermo Dancers
John Burland	David Haas	Jesse Manibusan	... and many others

## FRIDAY LUNCHTIME ENTERTAINMENT

Arena – 11:45 am - 12:30 pm



### SANTIAGO FERNANDEZ, PEDRO RUBALCAVA, ESTELA GARCIA-LOPEZ & RUDY LOPEZ

“Sing Mercy / Cantemos Misericordia”

Come and nourish your spirit during this lunchtime concert with four of the most active pastoral musicians in the country. They will share their faith-filled testimony through their stories and songs and will lend their voices to lead us in sung prayer. Your spirit will be lifted and your heart will be delighted.

*Ven y alimenta tu espíritu durante este concierto al mediodía con cuatro de los músicos pastorales más activos en el país. Ellos compartirán su testimonio de fe a través de sus experiencias y música y prestarán sus voces para guiarnos en la oración cantada. Tu espíritu se exaltará y tu corazón quedará encantado.*

## WAL – WE ARE LOVED

Hall B – 11:45 am - 12:30 pm

We Are Loved. What we all need to know is we are infinitely, passionately, unconditionally loved by God. We want everyone’s hearts bursting open to immeasurable lengths, emanating awe, inspiring light and love from Christ. When we accept His Love in the walls of our hearts, we can do great things in His name. Join WAL (formerly Jacob and Matthew) as we give thanks and praise through song.



## FILM SHOWCASE 2016

Convention 201 – 7:45 - 9:45 pm



The Film Showcase, in partnership with Loyola Marymount University’s Center for Religion and Spirituality, presents excerpts from a number of narrative feature films, shorts and documentaries whose thematic elements are grounded in Catholic social teaching, justice, ministry, spirituality and theology.

## EVENING CONCERT

Arena – 8:00 pm



“JOB: The Now Testament – A Musical of Hope & Healing”

Where is God in the midst of innocent suffering? – asks those who doubt God’s presence in our lives. John Angotti has created a musical that allows us to be become fully engaged in this story of hope and healing that is not only entertaining, but a tool for evangelization and catechesis.

**PERIOD 1 – 10:00 - 11:30 AM**

- 1-01 **Moral Loneliness in Our Lives and Ministry: The Deeper Reality Beneath Our Longing for a Soul Mate (\*)**  
- Fr. Ronald Rolheiser
- 1-02 **Teens and Social Media (\*)**  
- Sr. Helena Burns
- 1-03 **Is Your Heart in the Eucharist of Jesus?**  
- Fr. Robert Fabing
- 1-04 **Many More Stories and Songs of Jesus (\*)** - Sr. Paule Freeburg & Christopher Walker
- 1-05 **The Newly Revised and Translated Rite of Marriage: A Way to Celebrate Love, Communion and Covenant (\*)**  
- Fr. Richard Fragomeni
- 1-06 **Teachers, Transformation and Technology: Teachers Guiding Students to Change Our World (\*)** - Dan Friedt
- 1-07 **Loving God: A Sacrifice of Praise**  
- Greer Gordon
- 1-08 **Walk with Christ: Praying and Singing as the Beloved of God** - David Haas
- 1-09 **The Magic Bullet: Where Ministries Go Wrong ... and How We Can Change It (\*)**  
- Mark Hart
- 1-10 **Blessed are the Disenchanted: Finding God in a World of Meh (\*)** - Sarah Hart
- 1-11 **Rest, Renew, Live – A Place for Grace in Our Life (\*)** - Rev. Terry Hershey
- 1-12 **Sparks from Ashes: Young Adult Evangelization (\*)** - Paul Jarzembowski
- 1-13 **Do You See What I See: From a Catholic Schoolteacher's Perspective (\*)**  
- Dr. Saundra Kennedy
- 1-14 **Praying in Color: Doodling and Coloring as a Path to Prayer (\*)** - Sybil MacBeth
- 1-15 **The "Culture of Encounter" and Social Justice (\*)** - Fr. Bryan Massingale
- 1-16 **Catch Me Lord! I'm Falling: The New Testament on Peter (\*)** - Fr. J. Patrick Mullen
- 1-17 **Catholic Schools in an Increasingly Hispanic Church (\*)** - Dr. Hosffman Ospino
- 1-18 **A Theology of Food, Communion and the Domestic Church** - Fr. Leo Patalinghug
- 1-19 **Created to Relate (\*)** - Bob Perron
- 1-20 **Hurts So Good – Ministering to Adolescents Who Self-injure (\*)** - Roy Petitfils
- 1-21 **They Could Trample Me: Ministering to Young Adolescents (\*)** - Katie Prejean
- 1-22 **Mission Matters: The Social Dimension of Evangelization (\*)** - Sr. Theresa Rickard
- 1-23 **The Bible Across Cultures (\*)**  
- Dr. Daniel Smith-Christopher
- 1-24 **Where Is There a God Like You? – Micah 7:18-20 (\*)** - Sr. Maureen Sullivan
- 1-25 **Francis, Families and the Synod: Where Do We Go From Here? (\*)** - Michael Theisen
- 1-26 **The Church in a Digital World: Sharing Good News (\*)** - Msgr. Paul Tighe
- 1-27 **Spiritual Friendship: The Art of Receiving and Offering Gentle Wisdom**  
- Dr. Robert Wicks
- 1-70 **Vietnamese Workshop (The Vietnamese Martyrs: Witnesses to God's Boundless Mercy) (\*)** - Rev. Joseph Hung Viet Nguyen & Prof. Le Xuan Hy

**PERIOD 2 – 1:00 - 2:30 PM**

- 2-01 **Be Fearless for Me: Courage and the Gospel of the Marginalized (\*)**  
- Fr. Gregory Boyle
- 2-02 **A House of Prayer for All People: Liturgy, Music and Daily Life** - Tony Alonso
- 2-03 **Gotta Move! Sing, Dance, Pray! (\*)**  
- Donna Anderle
- 2-04 **Bringing the Music and Spirit of Taizé to Your Community** - David Anderson
- 2-05 **Lessons from the David Stories**  
- Bishop Robert Barron
- 2-06 **RCIA: Evangelization and Faith Formation in the Pre-Catechumenate (\*)**  
- Mary Birmingham
- 2-07 **Let's Pray! Let's Sing! An Engaging Way to Teach Catholic Prayer to Children (\*)**  
- John Burland
- 2-08 **Sing With Boundless Joy! (\*)**  
- Andrew Chinn & James Wahl
- 2-09 **Crossing the Sacred Threshold: Mindfulness in the Dying Season**  
- Jeanne Cotter & Dr. Jaena Wisniewski
- 2-10 **Beyond Content: Engaging the Heart, Not Just the Head (\*)** - Richard Curran
- 2-11 **Why Should I Go to Church? (\*)**  
- Fr. John Cusick
- 2-12 **Why Does God Want to Forgive Me? The Sacrament of Reconciliation for Teens (\*)**  
- Fr. Paul Farren
- 2-13 **The Influence of Music on the Lives of Teens (\*)** - Noelle Garcia
- 2-14 **The Bees Are Back! (\*)** - Msgr. Kevin Kostelnik, Martin Marklin, John Flaherty
- 2-15 **So What? I Mean, Really, So What? (\*)**  
- Fr. Joseph Kempf
- 2-16 **Mission-centered Ministry: What Difference Does Our Mission Make? (\*)**  
- Douglas Leal
- 2-17 **The Season of the Nativity: Celebrating the Incarnation with Embodied Practices (\*)** - Sybil MacBeth
- 2-18 **Ever Ancient, Ever New: New Media for the New Evangelization (\*)**  
- Fr. James Martin, Keith Maczkiewicz, Joseph Simmons & Jason Welle
- 2-19 **The Holy Family: Models of Mercy for Today's World (\*)**  
- Bro. Michael O'Neill McGrath
- 2-20 **The Names of God (\*)**  
- Dr. Megan McKenna
- 2-21 **Called to Discipleship: Removing Our Sandals Before the Sacred Ground of the Other (\*)** - Ted Miles & Ben Walther
- 2-22 **Faith Formation for Ministry with the Special Needs Community (\*)**  
- Mary O'Meara
- 2-23 **A Church on the Move: 52 Ways to Get Mission and Mercy in Motion (\*)**  
- Joe Paprocki
- 2-24 **Pope Francis and the Environment: Caring for Mother Earth and Her Children**  
- Fr. Thomas Reese
- 2-25 **Same Lord, New Soundtrack (\*)**  
- Anna Scally
- 2-26 **Connecting with Generation C (\*)** - Victor Valenzuela
- 2-27 **"Harvolic": Lessons Learned from Working for Two Worldwide Brands (\*)**  
- Matthew O'Donnell Weber
- 2-70 **Vietnamese Workshop (The Boundless Mercy of God) (\*)**  
- Bishop Joseph Thien Van Vu

**PERIOD 3 – 3:00 - 4:30 PM**

- 3-01 **Encounter: Significance Over Success (\*)** - Mike Patin
- 3-02 **Aw Snap! The Pastor Wants Me to Start a Young Adult Ministry** - Clarissa Valbuena Aljentera
- 3-03 **The Good News About Desire, Sex and the Path to Freedom (\*)** - Mary Bielski
- 3-04 **Demystifying the Book of Revelation (\*)**  
- Fr. William Burton
- 3-05 **Ancient and Holy Truths in the Language of the New Generation** - Dallas Carter
- 3-06 **Effective Prayer with Children! It's Easier Than You Think! (\*)** - Steven Ellair
- 3-07 **The Quinceañera and Its Capacity to Truly Reach Hispanic Families (\*)**  
- Santiago Fernández
- 3-08 **God's Mercy Alive Through Ministry to the Poor (\*)** - David Fields & Fr. Perry Henry
- 3-09 **Love Is Our Mission with LGBT Catholics: Church and Family Fully Alive (\*)**  
- Arthur Fitzmaurice & Fr. Chris Ponnet
- 3-10 **A Friend Indeed: Helping Someone in Grief (\*)** - Amy Florian
- 3-11 **My Journey from Teen Rebellion, Depression and Addiction, to Priesthood**  
- Fr. Rob Galea
- 3-12 **Education in Faith and the Challenges of High School Theology (\*)**  
- Dr. Thomas Groome
- 3-13 **Incarnation Anyway: The Spirituality of Why God Became Human (\*)**  
- Fr. Daniel Horan
- 3-14 **Women at the Crossroads (\*)**  
- Valimar Jansen
- 3-15 **Celebrating Merciful Liturgy**  
- Fr. Jan Michael Joncas
- 3-16 **Neuroscience and Contemplative Practices (\*)** - Anne Kertz Kernion
- 3-17 **Sing Mercy, Sing Justice, Sing Mission (\*)**  
- Michael Mangan
- 3-18 **Black and Catholic: The Gift and Challenge Today (\*)** - Fr. Bryan Massingale
- 3-19 **Mercy and the Spiritual Life (\*)**  
- Fr. Jonathan Morris
- 3-20 **Reconciling the Polarized Church the Pope Francis Way (\*)** - David O'Brien
- 3-21 **"Ask Fr. Tony" – Answering the Questions on Faith, Hope and Love (\*)**  
- Fr. R. Tony Ricard
- 3-22 **The Importance and Beauty of the Eastern Catholic Churches (\*)** - Rt. Rev. Alexei Smith & Very Rev. David Petras
- 3-23 **From Maintenance to Mission (\*)**  
- Doug Tooke
- 3-24 **Missionaries of Mercy: The Reflection Component of Youth Service Projects (\*)**  
- Bishop Joseph Tyson
- 3-25 **What Are You Waiting For? 100 Tips for Becoming a Missionary Parish (\*)**  
- David Wells
- 3-26 **Becoming a Parent is a Gift, While Parenting Itself is a Learned Skill (\*)** - Char Wenc
- 3-70 **Vietnamese Workshop (Things You Need to Know about Marriage Nullity) (\*)**  
- Fr. Truc Nguyen

🎧 and (\*) are recorded sessions.  
Arena sessions in color.

## SATURDAY SCHEDULE

**7:30 am - 3:00 pm**  
On-site registration & Program Book Pick-up (Prefunction Lobby)

**7:50 am**  
Morning Praise (Arena)

**8:30 am**  
Keynote Address (Arena) – Sr. Helen Prejean

**10:00 - 11:30 am**  
Period 4 Workshops

**11:30 am - 1:00 pm**  
LUNCH

**11:45 am - 12:30 pm**  
**Music (Arena)**  
– John Angotti, Lorraine Hess & Meredith Augustin

**Music (Hall B)**  
– Sarah Hart, ValLimar Jansen & Estela Garcia-Lopez

**1:00 - 2:30 pm**  
Period 5 Workshops

**3:00 - 4:30 pm**  
Period 6 Workshops

**5:15 pm**  
Eucharistic Liturgies & Prayer Services (see page 22)

**8:00 pm**  
**Concert (Arena)**  
– “Fiesta Latina”

**8:30 pm**  
Sacred Illuminations 2016 (Convention 213)

**9:00 pm - 12 midnight**  
Young Adult Dance (Marriott)

**Registration & Program Book Pick-Up**  
7:30 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)

**Speaker Signings**  
11:30 am - 5:00 pm  
*New location!* (Northwest side, Hall A)

**Massage Chairs**  
(Hall A Prefunction Lobby)

**A.A. Meeting**  
Noon (Marriott) San Diego

## SATURDAY MORNING PRAISE

Arena – 7:50 am

As we begin a new day, join in lifting our voices in prayer and thanksgiving for God’s Boundless Mercy. Our presider, Margaret Matijasevic, will be joined by Gary Daigle, Chris de Silva and Laura Gomez to lead us in this sung celebration of morning praise.

## SATURDAY KEYNOTE



Prejean

**SR. HELEN PREJEAN, CSJ**

Arena – 8:30 am

“Boundless Mercy and the Compassion of Christ” 🎧

How far can the compassion of Christ reach? Even to murderers of the innocent? Even to terrorists like Osama bin Laden? Even to illegal immigrants who pour over the borders into our country? Even to atheists who hate and despise religion? In this Keynote address, Sr. Helen Prejean will share how the mercy of God shapes and directs her life and how it compels us to serve beyond our limits.

*Sr. Helen Prejean, a member of the Congregation of St. Joseph, is author of “Dead Man Walking.” The human rights activist speaker has been instrumental in sparking national dialogue on the death penalty and helping to shape the Catholic Church’s newly vigorous opposition to state executions. She is presently at work on another book, “River of Fire: My Spiritual Journey.”*

## SATURDAY LUNCHTIME ENTERTAINMENT

**JOHN ANGOTTI, MEREDITH AUGUSTIN & LORRAINE HESS**

Arena – 11:45 am - 12:30 pm

It’s time to get up! Join WLP artists John Angotti, Meredith Augustine and Lorraine Hess for lunchtime entertainment with music to move your heart and your feet.



Angotti Augustin Hess



Hart Jansen Garcia

**SARAH HART, VALLIMAR JANSEN & ESTELA GARCIA-LOPEZ**

Hall B – 11:45 am - 12:30 pm

“Sing of God’s Mercy ~ Cantando la Misericordia de Dios”

*¡Ven y canta durante tu almuerzo!* Come and spend your lunchtime with three talented “sistahs,” *con tres hermanas en Cristo talentosas*, from different walks of life. Sarah, ValLimar and Stella will come together to share one faith, *se unirán para compartir una misma fe a través de la oración cantada*, through worship and praise. Your spirit will be moved and your heart will be lifted, *tu espíritu se conmoverá y tu corazón se elevará* by the sung prayer and praise of these gifted women.

## SATURDAY EVENING CONCERT

**DONNA PEÑA, ANNA BETANCOURT & ESTELA GARCIA-LOPEZ**

Arena – 8:00 pm

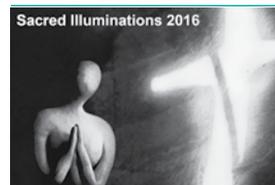
“Fiesta Latina”

Come experience an enchanted evening of sight, sound and spirit, featuring Donna Peña, Anna Betancourt and Stella Garcia performing with an all-female mariachi band. To accent this captivating evening, they will be joined by the beautiful twirl and flow of Folkloric dancers. All of this says “Fiesta!” All of this says “mujer.”



Peña Betancourt Garcia

## SACRED ILLUMINATIONS 2016



Sacred Illuminations 2016

Convention 213 – 8:30 pm

A perennial feature at Congress is Sacred Illuminations, a mystical choreography of light and sound. Incorporating her newest liturgical and fine art photography and reflections, Sister Rose Marie Tulacz, SND, will bring us to see and experience deeper the compassionate face of God.

## PERIOD 4 – 10:00 - 11:30 AM

- 4-01 **The Abbey (\*) - Fr. James Martin**
- 4-02 Dancing with Monks and Mystics (\*)  
- **Betsy Beckman & Laura Ash**
- 4-03 Divine Mercy in the Womb of God (\*)  
- **Sr. Dianne Bergant**
- 4-04 The Church in Action: A Field Update from Today's Top Humanitarian Emergencies  
- **Caroline Brennan**
- 4-05 Engaging New Parents Through Baptism and Beyond (\*) - **Paul Canavese**
- 4-06 Gotta Sing, Gotta Pray (\*) - **Andrew Chinn**
- 4-07 The Courageous Parish (\*)  
- **Richard Curran**
- 4-08 "Aid in Dying" and the Ethics of Physician-Assisted Suicide (\*)  
- **Dr. Roberto Dell'Oro**
- 4-09 God's Anger Lasts but a Moment, His Mercy FOREVER! (\*) - **Fr. Joseph Espallat II**
- 4-10 The Challenge Still Before Us: Implementing Vatican II with Pope Francis (\*)  
- **Dr. Richard Gaillardetz**
- 4-11 Church in the 21st Century: Continuing the Renewal and Reform (\*)  
- **Dr. Thomas Groome**
- 4-12 The RCIA: Who Really Belongs? (\*)  
- **Dr. Jerry Galipeau**
- 4-13 Soul & Science of Healing: Bridge Between Ministry and the Healing Arts (\*)  
- **Richard Groves**
- 4-14 Born to Dance: Let's Break Out the Wine and Live from the Inside Out (\*)  
- **Rev. Terry Hershey**
- 4-15 The Name of God is Relationship (\*)  
- **Fr. Daniel Horan**
- 4-16 The Laughter, the Tears and the Boundless Mercy in the Heart of God (\*)  
- **Fr. Joseph Kempf**
- 4-17 Sex and the Cinema: A Christian Approach to How the Media is Forming Our Values  
- **Fr. Richard Leonard**
- 4-18 This is the Time: Songs for the Seasons (\*) - **Michael Mangan**
- 4-19 "The Quality of Mercy Is Not Strain'd" (\*) - **Dr. Megan McKenna**
- 4-20 What Do Young Adults Have to Offer the Church? (\*) - **David O'Brien**
- 4-21 Encountering Islam: Catholics and Muslims and the Challenges of Today (\*)  
- **Jihad Turk**
- 4-22 Forgive Us Our Trespasses as We Execute Those Who Trespass Against Us? (\*)  
- **Fr. Gregory Boyle, Javier Stauring & Mike Farrell**
- 4-23 Commuter Spirituality: Lessons Learned from Migrant Workers (\*)  
- **Bishop Joseph Tyson**
- 4-24 The Skills of Christ-like Leadership (\*)  
- **Char Wenc**
- 4-25 The 12 Steps of AA and the Spiritual Exercises of Ignatius ... Parallel Paths (\*)  
- **Fr. Thomas Weston**
- 4-26 The Challenge and Gift of Being Present to Others, Ourselves and God  
- **Dr. Robert Wicks**
- 4-70 Vietnamese Workshop (People of God: The Christian Faithful) (\*) - **Rev. Peter Viet Ho**

## PERIOD 5 – 1:00 - 2:30 PM

- 5-01 **Songs of Mercy - Tony Alonso, Jeanne Cotter, Chris de Silva, David Haas, Marty Haugen, Fr. Jan Michael Joncas, Liam Lawton & Donna Peña**
- 5-02 Molehill to Mountaintop: Transforming Everyday Prayer into Profound Moments of Grace as a Young Adult  
- **Clarissa Valbuena Aljentera**
- 5-03 Reverse Thinking: The Joy of the Gospel Reveals that Everything is Under Review (\*) - **John Angotti**
- 5-04 Building Bridges to the Heart of Discipleship (\*) - **Leisa Anslinger**
- 5-05 Reaching the Next Generation of Ministry Leaders: A Mission of Mercy (\*)  
- **Dr. Ansel Augustine**
- 5-06 Formation of Unbaptized Children and Teens in the RCIA (\*)  
- **Mary Birmingham**
- 5-07 Songs of Mercy and Celebration: Echoing the Message of Jubilee (\*) - **John Burland**
- 5-08 "Reaching the Multitudes" – Effective Content and Viral Concepts - **Dallas Carter**
- 5-09 Life Changes: Swim or Struggle? (\*)  
- **Fr. James Clarke**
- 5-10 Spirituality for Blended Families: A Step-mom's Story of Finding Faith, Following Love and Feeding a Family (\*)  
- **Robin Davis**
- 5-11 Mercy in the Street and in the Home (\*)  
- **Msgr. Raymond East**
- 5-12 Transgender in the Church: One Bread, One Body (\*) - **Arthur Fitzmaurice & Fr. Bryan Massingale**
- 5-13 The Sacrament of Boundless Mercy: Pondering the Seven Gifts of the Eucharist (\*)  
- **Fr. Richard Fragomeni**
- 5-14 Why You Always Marry the Wrong Person: Toward a Practical Spirituality of Marriage (\*) - **Dr. Richard Gaillardetz**
- 5-15 The Power of Beauty (\*) - **Darrell Hall**
- 5-16 Our Vocation Is Love: Called to Be a Catholic Artist (\*) - **Heather King**
- 5-17 From Surviving to Thriving (\*)  
- **Archbishop Sylvain Lavoie**
- 5-18 Reaching the Marginalized (\*)  
- **Jesse Manibusan**
- 5-19 Renewing the Face of the Earth: Scriptural Support for *Laudato Si'* (\*)  
- **Fr. J. Patrick Mullen**
- 5-20 Making Core Values into Core Memories: The "Inside Out" of Values and Virtues in Media (\*) - **Sr. Rose Pacatte**
- 5-21 Dead Man Walking: The Journey Continues ... (\*) - **Sr. Helen Prejean**
- 5-22 Synod on the Family: What Happened, Why It Matters - **Fr. Thomas Reese**
- 5-23 The Spirituality of Administration: Pathways for Inspirational Leadership (\*)  
- **Julianne Stanz**
- 5-24 The Lost Art of Sacred Symbols (\*)  
- **Johan van Parys**
- 5-25 Spiritual Care for Your Choir and Music Ministers (\*) - **Christopher Walker**
- 5-26 Moving with God's Inexhaustible Mercy Within Us (\*) - **John West**
- 5-70 Vietnamese Workshop (Youth Leadership in the Church: An Everyday Journey of Holiness) (\*) - **Sr. Vuong Do**

## PERIOD 6 – 3:00 - 4:30 PM

- 6-01 **All Lives Matter: Recognizing the Inherent Dignity of All (\*)**  
- **Fr. R. Tony Ricard**
- 6-02 All Things Catholic: What's Hot and What's Not in the Global Church (\*)  
- **John Allen Jr.**
- 6-03 The Community of Earth (\*)  
- **Sr. Dianne Bergant**
- 6-04 Crossing the Great Divide – Creating Events for Whole Parish Communities (\*)  
- **Steve Angrisano**
- 6-05 True Stories of Survival on the Streets (\*)  
- **Sr. Kathleen Bryant**
- 6-06 At Table with Jesus: "Do This in Memory of Me" (\*) - **Fr. William Burton**
- 6-07 God's Gift of Intimacy: A Catholic Understanding of Human Sexuality (\*)  
- **Fr. Luke Dysinger**
- 6-08 Preparing Youth for Confirmation Through the Life of the Parish (\*) - **Tom East**
- 6-09 Science, Faith and Atheism (\*)  
- **Robert Feduccia**
- 6-10 Eucharist and the Real Presence: The Modern Contribution to the Conversation  
- **Fr. Edward Foley**
- 6-11 The Gospel of Luke: The Drama of It All! (\*) - **Anne Frawley-Mangan**
- 6-12 Leadership and Social Justice: How Catholic Parishes and Schools Can Change Our World (\*) - **Dan Friedt**
- 6-13 Challenging Conversations: Strategies for Working through Ministerial Conflicts - **Ann Garrido**
- 6-14 Video and Film for Evangelization, Catechesis and Community Building (\*)  
- **Fr. David Guffey**
- 6-15 Mere Spirituality: The Spiritual Life According to Henri Nouwen  
- **Wil Hernandez**
- 6-16 Walking with Young Adults: Transition and Pilgrimage (\*) - **Paul Jarzembowski**
- 6-17 Gratitude as a Spiritual Practice: Opening to Boundless Mercy (\*) - **Douglas Leal**
- 6-18 Margins, Mission, Mercy: Following Jesus the Galilean Reject (\*)  
- **Dr. Timothy Matovina**
- 6-19 Examining the Catholic Myths and the Legal Impact on the Family after a Civil Divorce and Church Annulment: A Necessary Dialogue (\*) - **Fr. Truc Nguyen & Hon. Richard Montes**
- 6-20 Adoring Food: Pastoral Theological Presentation on the Eucharist  
- **Fr. Leo Patalinghug**
- 6-21 The Second Step in Spirituality: The Deeper Secrets Inside the Gospels (\*)  
- **Fr. Ronald Rolheiser**
- 6-22 Science at the Doorway to God: An Assessment of the Universe, Near-Death Experiences, and the Shroud of Turin (\*)  
- **Fr. Robert Spitzer**
- 6-23 What Happens When We Accompany Families in Their Faith Journey? (\*)  
- **Michael Theisen**
- 6-24 Five Steps to Telling a Great Story: How to Teach Like Jesus (\*) - **Nick Wagner**
- 6-25 Gut Check: The Thread of Love (\*)  
- **Matthew O'Donnell Weber**
- 6-26 "The Perfect Family Doesn't Exist": Encouraging Boundless Mercy in the Home (\*) - **David Wells**
- 6-70 Vietnamese Workshop (Vietnamese-American Families and Communities Learning from the Vietnamese Martyrs) (\*) - **Rev. Joseph Hung Viet Nguyen & Prof. Le Xuan Hy**

## SUNDAY SCHEDULE

**7:15 am**  
Morning Rosary  
(Convention 303)

**8:00 - 11:00 am**  
On-site registration  
(Prefunction Lobby)

**8:00 - 9:30 am**  
Eucharistic Liturgy  
(Arena)

**8:30 am**  
Morning Address  
**English:** Fr. James Heft  
**Spanish:** Hna. Maria Bracamontes

**10:00 - 11:30 am**  
Period 7 Workshops

**11:30 am - 1:00 pm**  
LUNCH

**11:45 am - 12:30 pm**  
**Music (Arena)**  
– Fr. Rob Galea  
**Music (Hall B)**  
– John Burland, Andrew Chinn  
& Michael Mangan

**1:00 - 2:30 pm**  
Period 8 Workshops

**3:30 pm**  
**Liturgy (Arena)**  
Closing Eucharistic Liturgy

**Registration & Program Book  
Pick-Up**  
8:00 - 11:00 am  
(Prefunction Lobby)

**Exhibit Hours**  
8:00 am - 3:00 pm  
(Hall A)

**Sacred Space**  
10:00 am - 1:00 pm  
(Convention 304)

**Speaker Signings**  
9:30 am - 3:00 pm  
*New location!*  
(Northwest side, Hall A)

**Massage Chairs**  
(Prefunction Lobby Hall A)

**A.A. Meeting**  
Noon (Marriott) San Diego



## MORNING ROSARY

Convention 303 – 7:15 am



Haas

*Come Celebrate “The Rosary with St. James”*

Come join David Haas in praying a new and contemporary path with the Rosary – through a new set of mysteries focusing on discipleship. Through song and wisdom from St. James and others from the cloud of witnesses, we will begin our final day of Congress drawing up a beloved devotion pointing us toward action. Bring your rosary if you have one – if not, we will have one for you!

## SUNDAY MORNING LITURGY

Arena – 8:00 am



Vann

As we welcome a new day, we share the opportunity to gather as a community of faith to give praise and thanks. Bishop Kevin Vann of the Diocese of Orange, Calif., will preside at the morning Eucharistic Liturgy. Nourished by Word and sacrament, may we go forth, recognizing God’s *boundless mercy* all around us.

## SUNDAY ENGLISH ADDRESS

Convention Ballroom AB – 8:30 am



Heft

**FR. JAMES L. HEFT, SM**

*“Pope Francis, the Environment and U.S. Politics”* 🎧

Is Pope Francis overstepping the boundary between Church and state? Is he smart in endorsing the current scientific consensus on climate change? Is his criticism of capitalism fair? Is he polarizing rather than uniting Catholics? Join Fr. James Heft as he leads us in an examination of these issues in our Church today.

*Fr. James Heft, a Marianist priest, is Professor and President of the Institute for Advanced Catholic Studies at the University of Southern California in Los Angeles. He is author and editor of 12 books and 190 articles, and in 2011, the Association of Catholic Colleges and Universities honored him with the Theodore M. Hesburgh Award for his service to Catholic higher education.*

## SUNDAY LUNCHTIME ENTERTAINMENT

Arena – 11:45 am - 12:30 pm

**FR. ROB GALEA**

*“Something About You”*



Galea

Fr. Rob Galea will share stories and songs about his search for God – a journey from “victim” to “victor.” Come share in this heartfelt and inspirational music, featuring songs from his latest releases.

Hall B – 11:45 am - 12:30 pm

**JOHN BURLAND, ANDREW CHINN & MICHAEL MANGAN**

*“Sing and Celebrate – Aussie Style!”*



Burland

Chinn

Mangan

Come and say “G’day” to this Aussie trio of John Burland, Andrew Chinn and Michael Mangan as they share their infectious songs of faith in an uplifting and fun-filled lunchtime singalong.

## CLOSING LITURGY

Arena – 3:30 pm



Gomez

**ARCHBISHOP JOSÉ GOMEZ, PRESIDER**

As our Religious Education Congress 2016 comes to a close, we gather to pray, to celebrate and to give thanks for the blessings of the weekend. We will go forth to share God’s Boundless Mercy with all, in joy, in pain and in struggle. Our Closing Liturgy, with Los Angeles Archbishop Gomez, features the 200-plus voice Congress Choir 2016, under the musical direction of John Flaherty.



Flaherty

## PERIOD 7 – 10:00 - 11:30 AM

- 7-01 **The Global War on Christians: Dispatches from the Front Lines (\*)**  
- **John Allen Jr.**
- 7-02 **The Racial Divide in the United States (\*)**  
- **Bishop Edward Braxton**
- 7-03 **From the Front Lines of Crises: Humanitarian Emergencies Through the Lens of Women**  
- **Caroline Brennan**
- 7-04 **Moving in the Direction of Mercy (\*)**  
- **Sr. Kathleen Bryant**
- 7-05 **Building a Strong Children's Choir**  
- **Jaime Cortez**
- 7-06 **Identity with Integrity: Journeys of LGBT Catholics** - **Arthur Fitzmaurice**
- 7-07 **Empowering Young Adult Leadership and Receiving Them in Parish Life (\*)** - **Fr. Dave Dwyer & Rosie Chinae Shawver**
- 7-08 **Bringing Sacrament Preparation to Life! (\*)** - **Steven Ellair**
- 7-09 **Live Fully While You Live – Pass On a Legacy When You Die (\*)** - **Amy Florian**
- 7-10 **Paul's Teaching and Eucharistic Living**  
- **Fr. Edward Foley**
- 7-11 **The Catechumenate as the Inspiration for All Catechesis: Why and How? (\*)**  
- **Dr. Jerry Galipeau**
- 7-12 **Leading in Grace: Serving God**  
- **Greer Gordon**
- 7-13 **Can Man Live Without God? (\*)**  
- **Darrell Hall**
- 7-14 **What Does the Bible Really Say About "Mercy"?** (\*) - **Fr. Felix Just**
- 7-15 **Emerging Trends in Youth Ministry: The Pain and the Promise (\*)**  
- **Robert McCarty**
- 7-16 **Meeting Jesus (\*)** - **Fr. James Martin**
- 7-17 **From Access to Belonging (\*)**  
- **Mary O'Meara**
- 7-18 **Small Christian Communities: Evangelization from the Inside Out (\*)**  
- **Sr. Theresa Rickard**
- 7-19 **Shared Parishes and Intercultural Life (\*)**  
- **Pedro Rubalcava**
- 7-20 **Physician-Assisted Suicide: Responding to a New Problem of Cultural Decline (\*)**  
- **Fr. Robert Spitzer**
- 7-21 **Forming Adults as Missionary Disciples: Five Creative Strategies (\*)**  
- **Julianne Stanz**
- 7-22 **Building a Culture of Encounter: Humanizing the Social Networks (\*)**  
- **Msgr. Paul Tighe**
- 7-23 **Augustine of Hippo: A Person of Faith in a Time of Crisis and Confusion (\*)**  
- **Fr. Thomas Weston**
- 7-24 **The Heart and Soul of Unity for Couples (\*)** - **Dr. John Yzaguirre**
- 7-70 **Vietnamese Workshop (A Society in Need of Mercy) (\*)**  
- **Bishop Joseph Thien Van Vu**

## PERIOD 8 – 1:00 - 2:30 PM

- 8-01 **A Restless Humanity in Search of Meaning (\*)** - **Sr. Maureen Sullivan**
- 8-02 **How to Coach Parents to Form Their Own Children in Faith (\*)** - **Paul Canavese**
- 8-03 **Effective Contemporary Music Ministry: Color Inside the Lines, But Use Bright Colors! (\*)** - **Craig Colson**
- 8-04 **A Deeper Appreciation of Some of Our Favorite Gospel Stories (\*)** - **Fr. John Cusick**
- 8-05 **Food as a Language for Family (\*)**  
- **Robin Davis**
- 8-06 **Encounter and Mission: The Adolescent Disciple's Journey (\*)** - **Tom East**
- 8-07 **Freedom and Forgiveness: A Fresh Look at the Sacrament of Reconciliation (\*)**  
- **Fr. Paul Farren**
- 8-08 **Will Wonders Never Cease! (\*)**  
- **Anne Frawley-Mangan**
- 8-09 **Jesus and "The X Factor" (\*)**  
- **Fr. Rob Galea**
- 8-10 **Mentoring in Ministry (\*)**  
- **Ann Garrido**
- 8-11 **Deep Change: Meeting God During Time of Transition and Failure (\*)**  
- **Richard Groves**
- 8-12 **Catholic Video-maker's Forum (\*)**  
- **Fr. David Guffey**
- 8-13 **Laudato Si': Singing and Praying the Canticle of Creation with Francis**  
- **Marty Haugen**
- 8-14 **Keys to Proclaiming the Word: The Task of Catechesis (\*)**  
- **Dr. Sandra Kennedy**
- 8-15 **The Celtic Heart of Mercy**  
- **Liam Lawton**
- 8-16 **What Are We Hoping? Stories of Mercy for Lent and Easter**  
- **Fr. Richard Leonard**
- 8-17 **The Spiritual Bridge: Moses to Jesus (\*)**  
- **Rabbi Michael Meyersohn**
- 8-18 **Light in the Darkness (\*)**  
- **Fr. Jonathan Morris**
- 8-19 **Genesis, Evolution and the Image of God (\*)** - **Dr. Daniel Smith-Christopher**
- 8-20 **Liturgical Celebrations as "Source and Summit" of Christian Hope (\*)**  
- **Johan van Parys**
- 8-21 **How to Evangelize Like a Rock Star – In a Subtle, Catholic Kind of Way (\*)**  
- **Nick Wagner**
- 8-22 **Using Boundless Energy to Form Boundless Faith! (\*)** - **James Wahl**
- 8-70 **Vietnamese Workshop (Youth Leadership: A Witness to Love) (\*)**  
- **Sr. Vuong Do**

🎧 and (\*) are recorded sessions. Arena sessions in color.



The ORE Booth at the center of Exhibit Hall A.

# LITURGIES/PRAYER SERVICES



Arena Closing Liturgy



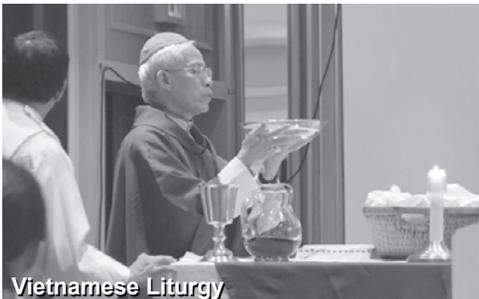
Young Adult Liturgy



Contemplative Liturgy



Spanish Liturgy



Vietnamese Liturgy

## THE LITURGIES

at the Religious Education Congress have 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, where, within the Los Angeles Archdiocese, liturgy is celebrated every Sunday in no fewer than 40 different languages.

This Extraordinary Jubilee Year of Mercy, as called for by Pope Francis, has already inspired many people and given the Church great energy moving into the next year. It also had great impact on our work in preparation for Congress 2016. This jubilee year, along with Pope Francis' encyclical on the environment, sparked some wonderful creativity in our liturgy preparations. Our hope is that the liturgies of Congress may be a Spirit-filled encounter with Christ Jesus and a celebration of the life of the Church. We invite you to experience a liturgy from among the many cultures represented.

## FRIDAY EUCHARISTIC LITURGIES (5:15 pm)

CHARACTER	PRESIDER	MUSIC
Church on the Margins	Rev. Greg Boyle	Jesse Manibusan / Donna Peña / Harrison Crenshaw
Contemplative	Rev. Pat Mullen	Liam Lawton
General	Mmgr. Ray East	Jaime Cortez & Family
Indonesian	Bishop Oscar Solis	Soerini Kheung
Nigerian	Rev. Ikechukwu Ikeocha	Nigerian Community
Spanish	Archbishop José Gomez	Peter Kolar / Anna Betancourt

## FRIDAY EVENING PRAYER OPPORTUNITIES (5:15 & 9:00 pm)

In addition to our liturgies, we offer non-Eucharistic evening prayer (vespers). Later in the evening, there is a Taizé service. Taizé, named after the monastic order and city in France, uses silence and music that draws upon simple phrases taken from the psalms.

Evening Prayer (5:15 pm)	Cambria Tortorelli	Lorraine Hess
Taizé Prayer (9 pm)	—	David Anderson

## SATURDAY MORNING PRAISE (7:50 am)

CHARACTER	PRESIDER	MUSIC
Morning Praise	Margaret Matijasevic	Gary Daigle / Chris de Silva / Laura Gomez

## SATURDAY EUCHARISTIC LITURGIES (5:15 pm)

Black Culture	Rev. Jeffery Harvey	Cliff Petty
Care of the Earth	Rev. Dan Horan	Bro. Rufino Zaragoza
La Protección de la Tierra	Rev. Domingo Rodriguez	Santiago Fernandez / Rudy López / Pedro Rubalcava / Estela García-López
Mass of Compassion	Rev. Michael Kennedy	Trevor Thomson
Syriac	Rt. Rev. Aphram Mushe	Syriac Community
Vietnamese	Bishop Joseph Thien Van Vu	Vietnamese Community
Young Adult	Rev. Joseph Espailat	Meredith Augustin / Chris Nuno / Lauren Warner

## SATURDAY EVENING PRAYER OPPORTUNITIES (5:15 & 9:00 pm)

In addition to these liturgies, we also offer non-Eucharistic evening prayer (vespers) led by Tricia Hoyt, Director of Evangelization, Family Ministry and Adult Formation at St. Patrick Church in Scottsdale, Ariz.

Evening Prayer (5:15 pm)	Tricia Hoyt	Tony Alonso / Jeanne Cotter
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## SUNDAY EUCHARISTIC LITURGIES

CHARACTER	PRESIDER	MUSIC
Morning Liturgy (8 am)	Bishop Kevin Vann	Congress Choir 2016
Closing Liturgy (3:30 pm)	Archbishop José Gomez	Congress Choir 2016

# MULTICULTURAL EVENTS

## MULTICULTURAL EXHIBIT

Friday through Sunday  
Convention Center, 2nd Floor, Prefunction Lobby

The Religious Education Congress annually presents the Multicultural Exhibit, a collaborative effort with the Archdiocesan Office of Ethnic (Multicultural) Ministry. This provides opportunities for attendees to interact with the diverse ethnic communities in the Los Angeles Archdiocese. You will find a variety of cultural and religious artifacts, expressions of faith or practices, stories of saints and martyrs, and a plethora of items from the cultures of Native America, Central and South America, Europe, Africa (African-American) and Asia. It's a wonderful resource for catechists and all involved in faith formation processes.



Filipino Community



Korean Community



Polish Community



Indonesian Community



American Indian Community

## ASIAN AND PACIFIC PRESENCE

Today, the Asian and Pacific communities in the United States – both those born in the United States and immigrants who came to the United States – span several generations. This tremendous increase in Asian and Pacific Catholics across the United States at the beginning of the third millennium is a teaching moment. It is also a teaching moment because of the welcoming spirit to which we are called in “The Church in America (Ecclesia in America)” and in the recent pastoral statement “Welcoming the Stranger Among Us: Unity in Diversity.” The Church in the United States is enjoined “to offer a genuine and suitable welcome [to newcomers], to share together as brothers and sisters at the same table, and to work side by side to improve the quality of life for society’s marginalized members.”

The Church is blessed with Asian and Pacific pastors, social workers, educators, diocesan directors and lay leaders who are actively and selflessly contributing to building the Kingdom of God in this country. The number of Asian and Pacific Catholics who have been given responsibility in church structures or are well-known in their fields of endeavor is growing.

Besides these living role models, Asian and Pacific Catholics come to the United States with a long heritage of extraordinary witness of life and martyrdom. The Church recently recognized many Asian saints and martyrs; however, the total number of saints and martyrs could fill an entire Asian and Pacific Litany of Saints.

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

## IN THE ASIAN PERSPECTIVE

### ASIAN WORKSHOPS

#### FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 26

- 1-70 Rev. Joseph Hung Viet Nguyen & Prof. Le Xuan Hy
- 2-70 Bishop Joseph Thien Van Vu
- 3-70 Rev. Truc Quang Nguyen

#### SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 27

- 4-70 Rev. Peter Viet Ho
- 5-70 Sr. Vuong Do, FMA
- 6-70 Rev. Joseph Hung Viet Nguyen & Prof. Hy Xuan Le

#### SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 28

- 7-70 Bishop Joseph Thien Van Vu
- 8-70 Sr. Vuong Do, FMA

### ASIAN PERSPECTIVE LITURGIES

#### FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 26

- Indonesian - 5:15 pm
- Bishop Oscar Solis, presider

#### SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 27

- Vietnamese - 5:15 pm
- Bishop Joseph Thien Van Vu, presider

# YOUNG ADULT EVENTS

## Young Adult Ministry at Congress 2016

A ministry to and with adults, ages 18 through 39, married and single



The Religious Education Congress welcomes young adults and those in ministry to young adults with a number of events on Saturday that are intentionally designed for this community. Establishing strong and vibrant ministries for young adults is one of the priorities of the Los Angeles Archdiocesan Synod. This weekend is a chance for young adults to be renewed and energized in their spiritual life and in their commitment to our church.



### YOUNG ADULT LITURGY

*Saturday, February 27 at 5:15 pm*

Fr. Joseph Espailat, Director of Youth and Young Adult Ministry for the New York Archdiocese, will celebrate the liturgy with music led by Meredith Augustin, Chris Nuno and Lauren Warner! Come and worship with other young adults from around the world at this celebration that highlights the gifts of young adults.



### YOUNG ADULT DANCE

*Saturday, February 27, 9:00 pm - midnight*

*Cost: \$7 per person*

After a full day of workshop, networking and celebrating liturgy, our DJs will mix the beats to keep the party going into the night. All young adults 18 to 39 are welcome. Picture ID is required for admission. Complimentary water stations are provided as well as a no-host bar. NO outside containers are permitted.

### WE INVITE YOU TO CONSIDER THESE YOUNG ADULT WORKSHOPS

The following workshops focus on young adult issues or may be of interest to young adults and those in ministry to young adults. Review this Registration Guidebook and our Web site for topics that meet your needs and interests. (Those marked by an asterisk will be recorded sessions.)

#### **Clarissa Valbuena Aljentera**

- 3-02: "Aw Snap! The Pastor Wants Me to Start a Young Adult Ministry"
- 5-02: "Molehill to Mountaintop: Transforming Everyday Prayer into Profound Moments of Grace as a Young Adult"

#### **Sr. Kathleen Bryant**

- 7-04\*: "Moving in the Direction of Mercy"

#### **Dallas Carter**

- 3-05: "Ancient and Holy Truths in the Language of the New Generation"
- 5-08: "Reaching the Multitudes" – Effective Content and Viral Concepts

#### **Fr. Dave Dwyer & Rosie China Shawver**

- 7-08\*: "Empowering Young Adult Leadership and Receiving Them in Parish Life"

#### **Dr. Richard Gaillardetz**

- 5-14\*: "Why You Always Marry the Wrong Person: Toward a Practical Spirituality of Marriage"

#### **Sarah Hart**

- 1-10\*: "Blessed are the Disenchanted: Finding God in a World of Meh"

#### **Paul Jarzembowski**

- 1-12\*: "Sparks from Ashes: Young Adult Evangelization"
- 6-16\*: "Walking with Young Adults: Transition and Pilgrimage"

#### **Fr. James Martin, Keith Maczkiewicz**

- 2-18\*: "Ever Ancient, Ever New: New Media for the New Evangelization"
- 4-01\*: "The Abbey (Arena)"

#### **David O'Brien**

- 4-20\*: "What Do Young Adults Have to Offer the Church?"

#### **Fr. Robert Spitzer**

- 6-22\*: "Science at the Doorway to God: An Assessment of the Universe, Near-Death Experiences, and the Shroud of Turin"

#### **Matthew O'Donnell Weber**

- 2-27\*: "Harvolic": Lessons Learned from Working for Two Worldwide Brands
- 6-25\*: "Gut Check: The Thread of Love"

#### **Katherine Angulo**

- 4-53\*: "Ministerio Juvenil ¡Un tesoro escondido!"

#### **Fr. Augustino Torres**

- 3-58\*: "Espiritualidad de jóvenes"
- 8-57\*: "Liderazgo en el ministerio juvenil"

#### **Hna. Ondina Cortés**

- 4-54\*: "Reconciliación personal y social del joven adulto"
- 7-52\*: "Ay de mi si no evangelizo": Jóvenes adultos en misión"

Congress 2016 offers workshops on a wide variety of topics. This listing of workshops, categorized by ministry/areas of interest, has been identified by the speakers and 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](http://www.RECongress.org) Web site for updates as well as the category listings of speakers by topics. **Note: Asterisks indicate recorded workshop sessions.**

### Adult Faith Formation

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 8-20\* 8-21\*

### African-American Perspective

3-18\* 5-11\* 7-02\*

### Campus Ministry

7-08\*

### Catechesis

1-02\* 1-07 1-09\* 1-13\* 1-21\* 1-23\*  
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### Christian Initiation

4-12\* 6-24\* 8-21\*

### Confirmation

3-24\* 3-24\* 6-08\* 6-08\* 8-06\*

### Death Penalty

4-22\* 5-21\* Key\*

### Early Childhood

2-08\* 4-06\* 8-22\*

### Ecclesiology/Church

1-25\* 1-26\* 2-16\* 2-23\* 3-19\* 3-22\*  
 4-11\* 5-22 6-02\* 7-01\* 7-10 7-23\*  
 8-18\* 8-19\*

### Ecumenical

2-04 3-22\* 4-21\* 6-15

### Elementary

1-04\* 1-13\* 1-17\* 2-03\* 2-07\* 2-08\*  
 3-06\* 3-17\* 4-06\* 4-18\* 5-07\* 6-11\*  
 7-05 7-07\* 8-08\* 8-14\*

### End-of-Life Issues

2-09 7-09\*

### Evangelization

1-09\* 1-10\* 1-12\* 1-17\* 1-18 1-19\*  
 1-21\* 1-22\* 2-01\* 2-06\* 2-10\* 2-13\*  
 2-14\* 2-18\* 2-21\* 2-23\* 2-25\* 3-01\*  
 3-02 3-03\* 3-04\* 3-05 3-21\* 3-23\*  
 3-25\* 4-05\* 4-07\* 4-20\* 5-04\* 5-05\*

### Evangelization (cont.)

5-06\* 5-08 5-11\* 5-16\* 5-18\* 5-23\*  
 6-01\* 6-02\* 6-09\* 6-14\* 6-16\* 6-18\*  
 6-22\* 6-25\* 6-26\* 7-10 7-18\* 7-21\*  
 8-09\* 8-12\* 8-16 8-21\*

### Family/Parenting

1-18 1-20\* 1-25\* 2-17\* 2-19\* 3-09\*  
 3-26\* 4-05\* 5-10\* 5-12\* 5-22 6-23\*  
 6-26\* 7-06\* 7-09\* 7-24\* 8-02\* 8-05\*

### Gay/Lesbian Ministry

3-09\* 5-12\* 5-22 7-06\*

### Hispanic Perspective

1-17\* 3-07\* 4-09\*

### Human Growth & Development

1-01\* 3-03\* 3-09\* 4-14\* 4-17 4-19\*  
 4-26 6-07\* 6-16\* 7-04\* 7-09\* 7-12  
 8-10\* 8-11\*

### Human Sexuality

1-06\* 1-16\* 1-20\* 1-27 2-18\* 2-20\*  
 3-08\* 3-10\* 4-13\* 5-12\* 6-05\* 6-13  
 7-06\*

### Interreligious Dialogue

8-17\*

### Junior High

1-13\* 1-21\* 7-05 7-15\* 8-14\*

### Justice & Peace

1-15\* 1-22\* 2-01\* 2-21\* 2-24 3-08\*  
 3-17\* 3-18\* 3-24\* 4-04 4-21\* 5-19\*  
 5-21\* 6-12\* 7-01\* 7-03 7-18\* 7-20\*

### Life Issues

1-11\* 1-18 1-19\* 2-09 3-10\* 3-11  
 3-26\* 4-08\* 4-25\* 5-09\* 5-10\* 5-17\*  
 5-21\* 6-01\* 6-05\* 6-07\* 6-19\* 6-21\*  
 7-20\* 8-05\*

### Liturgical Movement

2-03\*

### Liturgy

1-05\* 2-02 2-11\* 2-14\* 3-07\* 4-02\*  
 4-18\* 5-01 5-03\* 5-13\* 5-24\* 5-25\*  
 5-26\* 6-06\* 6-10 8-03\* 8-07\* 8-13  
 8-20\*

### Media

1-02\* 1-06\* 1-26\* 2-18\* 2-27\* 4-17  
 5-16\* 5-20\* 6-09\* 6-14\* 8-12\* 8-16

### Morality

1-01\* 1-15\* 2-24 3-18\* 4-04 4-08\*  
 5-22 6-07\* 6-21\* 7-03 7-13\* 7-22\*

### Multicultural

3-07\* 3-21\* 4-21\* 5-02 7-02\*

### Music

1-03 1-08 1-10\* 2-02 2-04 2-07\*  
 2-08\* 2-13\* 2-14\* 2-25\* 3-11 3-17\*

### Music (cont.)

4-06\* 4-18\* 5-01 5-07\* 5-18\* 5-25\*  
 7-05 8-03\* 8-09\* 8-13 8-22\*

### Parish Leadership

1-05\* 1-09\* 1-25\* 2-16\* 2-22\* 2-23\*  
 3-12\* 3-20\* 3-25\* 4-07\* 4-24\* 5-23\*  
 6-12\* 6-13 6-23\* 7-08\* 7-12 7-17\*  
 7-21\* 8-10\*

### Prayer

1-07 1-08 1-11\* 1-14\* 2-03\* 2-04  
 2-20\* 3-06\* 4-02\* 4-14\* 4-16\* 4-19\*  
 4-23\* 4-26 5-01 5-02 5-26\* 6-17\*  
 7-02\* 7-04\*

### Restorative Justice

2-01\* 4-22\* 6-12\* 7-14\*

### Sacraments

1-03 1-05\* 2-12\* 4-05\* 4-12\* 5-01  
 5-06\* 5-13\* 6-10 6-19\* 6-20 7-07\*  
 7-11\* 8-02\* 8-07\*

### Scripture

1-04\* 1-16\* 1-23\* 2-05 3-04\* 3-08\*  
 3-14\* 4-01\* 4-03\* 5-19\* 6-03\* 6-06\*  
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### Special Needs

2-22\* 7-17\*

### Spirituality

1-01\* 1-03 1-04\* 1-08 1-11\* 1-14\*  
 1-27 2-02 2-09 2-15\* 2-17\* 2-18\*  
 2-19\* 2-20\* 2-21\* 2-24 2-26\* 3-10\*  
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 8-01\* 8-08\* 8-09\* 8-11\* 8-13 8-17\*  
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### Stewardship

5-04\* 5-25\* 6-03\* 6-05\* 8-10\*

### Technology

1-06\* 1-26\* 2-26\* 2-27\* 3-05 5-08  
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### Theology

1-15\* 1-24\* 3-12\* 3-13\* 3-16\* 3-22\*  
 4-03\* 4-08\* 4-15\* 5-15\* 5-26\* 6-03\*  
 6-10 6-20 7-13\* 7-22\* 8-01\*

### Women's Issues

3-14\* 4-03\* 7-03

### Young Adult

1-10\* 1-12\* 2-18\* 3-02 3-05 4-20\*  
 5-02 5-08 6-16\* 6-22\* 6-25\* 7-04\*  
 7-08\* 8-23\*

### Youth Ministry

1-02\* 1-19\* 1-20\* 2-12\* 2-13\* 2-25\*  
 3-11 3-23\* 3-24\* 4-09\* 5-05\* 5-18\*  
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### Vietnamese

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