



Growing Disciples – Wednesday Wrap
Glorifying God – Growing in Faith
Living our Catholic Faith in the World

April 13, 2016 Edition

CLADD in April – Catechetical Ministry Roundtable:

For those who attended our Ministry Workshop on the Spiritual Necessities for Our Walk as Joyful Witnesses of Christ, we were blessed not only with an outstanding presenter, but also with a lot of practical ministry resources.

For those who were not able to attend the Ministry Workshop do not think that this day is not for you. The CLADD Leadership Team will spend about 10 to 15 minutes reviewing the workshop for everyone.

The purpose of this session is to have a vibrant discussion of catechetical ministry in your parish using the presentation as a jumping off point. One point we will visit are the questions Julianne proposed early in the morning:

- What do I need to START doing?
- What do I need to STOP doing?
- What do I need to KEEP Doing?

Bring examples and also please review the presentation to see what other insights Julianne's presentation stirred in you. Attached please find the agendas for the meetings:

- CLADD West – April 19 at St. Patrick's Church in Neola – contact Bernie Koch at hiltopturf@aol.com to RSVP by April 15.
- CLADD East – April 21 at St. Luke the Evangelist parish in Ankeny – contact Patsy Carlson at patsy.carlson@slte.org to RSVP by April 18.

Catechetical Certification for the Diocese of Des Moines Approved:

Bishop Pates has approved the foundation and structure for the new certification process that will be launched this fall. More information will be shared next week at CLADD. Our process conforms to standards set by the USCCB but also focuses on the specific needs we find in our diverse diocese.

Faith Journey – Catechetical Formation for Adults Launches for Fall 2016:

Faith Journey is a new faith formation resource for Catholic adults in our diocese. It is an ongoing formation resource for those who wish to deepen their knowledge of the Catholic faith and further their spiritual formation. This formation option is ideally suited for parishioners who are engaged in a ministry or on-going volunteer experience. The foundation for the format is the four pillars of the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*.

In essence, the *Catechism* is seen as the road map for the journey in faith, with each semester module focusing on:

Module 1 – Creed: The Story in Miniature

Module 2 – Sacraments: The Blessing Revealed and Communicated

Module 3 – The Moral Life: Fulfillment in Beatitude

Module 4 – Prayer: The Blessing Given and Received

Registration is now open. Please visit their webpage for further details, as well as to download the application. Link is: <http://www.dmdiocese.org/about-catechetical-institute.cfm>

For more information or to visit with the Director, John Huynh, please call him at 515-237-5006 or e-mail him at jhuynh@dmdiocese.org.

St. Pius X parish sponsors “Encounter” in May:

St. Pius X parish in Urbandale is sponsoring an event called ENCOUNTER. It is a night of adoration with praise and worship. Although St. Pius X is hosting the event, it is open to all parishes in the diocese and meant to be multi-faith and multi-generational. Terry Clark (Dowling Catholic theology teacher who for many years worked at the St. Thomas More Center) will be speaking and Fr. Joe Pins (Vocations Director for the Diocese) will be presiding. Those providing assistance with music are from multiple parishes.

For more information or to visit with Emily Schmid, please call her at 515-276-2059, ext. 148 or e-mail her at eschmid@saintpiuschurch.org.

Faith Formation Fiesta – May 19 at Ss. John & Paul parish in Altoona:

Intergenerational faith formation has an incredible amount of inspiration and practical resourcing for helping form the domestic church. In this spirit our friends at Ss John and Paul parish in Altoona will be hosting a "Faith Formation Fiesta" for Catechetical Leaders and Leaders of Adult Faith Formation in May. Joan Weber, coordinator of the Family Bible Project and co-coordinator of Young Neighbors in Action for the Center for Ministry Development, is the guest presenter. Scheduled as part of the day will be opportunities to network and share ideas during two breakout sessions. Attached is the flyer.

Please register at: <https://ssjohnpaul.weshareonline.org/FaithFormationFiesta> by April 29, 2016. The fee for the entire day is \$25.00 per person or \$50.00 for your entire parish team.