



Department of
Evangelization & Catechesis

Growing Disciples – Wednesday Wrap
Glorifying God – Growing in Faith
Living our Catholic Faith in the World
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Save the Date - Upcoming Year End Gala and Closing Mass – May 11 at St. John’s Parish In Adel:



It seems we just kicked off the year at Holy Rosary parish in Glenwood and now we are ready to celebrate the conclusion of the 2017-2018 catechetical season. Please join us for a festive day on Friday, May 11 at St. John’s parish in Adel. A formal invite will be coming to you on Friday, April 20. The day normally begins around 9:45 am and ends with a delicious lunch buffet.

Here is what you can expect for the day:

- The Swap shop is back – bring ministerial items you no longer need and find ministerial treasures you didn’t know you needed.
- Introduction of CLADD Slate for 2018-2019
- Cindy Shaw from Emmaus House will provide a reflection on “**Seeing God’s Hand in Transitions**”
- Celebrate colleagues celebrating significant service achievements from 5 years to 35 years.
- Mass with Bishop Pates
- A scrumptious lunch buffet catered by Hy-Vee.

Look for your invitation in your Friday e-mail and RSVP by May 3, 2018 to [Sherri Simmer](#).

Upcoming Ave Maria Press Webinar on May 8 – Rethink: Walking People through the Process of Conversion:

What does conversion look like? Pope Benedict stated that conversion in Greek means to "rethink." In other words, conversion begins and continues through the process of thinking and rethinking about life.

During this webinar author and speaker Paul George will walk parish ministers through the process of conversion by answering the following questions:



- What are the components and benchmarks of conversion?
- How do we walk with people both individually in discipleship and as a parish community?
- How can we be strategic in inspiring conversion and helping people encounter and walk with Christ in our ministries?

This webinar will be held on May 1, 2018 from 2:00 to 3:00 CDT. Register [here](#) for this free webinar through Ave Maria Press and sponsored by NCCL.

Diocese of Des Moines Pastoral Center Open House – June 3:



Please help us get the word out for the Pastoral Center Open House scheduled for June 3 from 2:00 pm to 5:00 pm. This is a family friendly event with music, games, face painting, balloon animals, tours of the renovated Pastoral Center and food (popcorn, cookies and lemonade.)

A flyer is attached that you can share with your parish family. Please contact [Sherri Simmer](#) if you have any questions.

Liturgical Resources for ministry with Children:

The Diocesan Office of Worship is assisting all of us once again by bulk ordering the following items at a substantial discount:

- Children's Daily Prayer
- Blessings & Prayers through the Year: A Resource for Parish & School
- Year of Grace Liturgical Calendar

Please return this form by **June 8, 2018** to the Office of Worship, 601 Grand Avenue, Des Moines, IA 50309, or fax it to 515-237-5070, or email it to [Sandy Riesberg](#). You are not limited to what is listed on the attached flyer—if there is something else you would like to order from LTP you can list it on the last page. Please be sure to include the order code. If you have any questions call me Sandy at 515-237- 5046.

