



Diocese of  
Green Bay

Department Of Education:

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION & YOUTH MINISTRY**

May you experience the love and peace of our Lord Jesus Christ throughout Holy Week and the Season of Easter.



Thank you for your ministry!  
--The Education Department Team



Mark your calendars; invite your staff!

A Day for All:  
School/Catechetical Administrators, Teachers, Catechists,  
Youth Ministers

**FRIDAY, AUGUST 21**

8:30am-3pm

Radisson Conference Center; Green Bay

Presentations by:

- Julianne Stanz (*Leading with Laughter: Maintaining a Sense of Humor in Ministry*)
- Bishop David Ricken (*Joy of the Gospel*)

Details and registration available in May,  
but please feel free to share the date and invitation now!

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## Calendar

**Apr 2-6:** Triduum, Easter Observance; Diocesan Offices closed

**Apr 13:** 1st Session of MORALITY at Holy Family School, Green Bay\*

**Apr 15:** 1st Session of Methods A (Catechists), Diocesan Campus\*

**Apr 15:** 1st Session of MORALITY at All Saints Parish, Denmark\*

**Apr 23:** New Evangelization Symposium at Silver Lake College of the Holy Family (article at right)

**Apr 25:** 1st Session of Theology of the Body (Ongoing Formation Course), Most Bless Sacrament, Oshkosh\*

\*visit [www.qbcdioc.org/fcc](http://www.qbcdioc.org/fcc) for complete schedule and links for online registration (required one week in advance)

## Resource Ideas

[Sadlier Religion's](#) new website, with downloadable freebies.

[St. John Bosco Conference](#), for Youth Ministry Leaders; July 13-16 on the campus of Franciscan University of Steubenville.



**April 23, 2015 (9am-4pm)**  
**New Evangelization Symposium 2015**

Held at: Silver Lake College of the Holy Family, Manitowoc  
Hosted by: the Dept. of New Evangelization  
Keynote Speaker: Nationally known

presenter Marcel LeJeune

Cost: \$30/person

[More Information and Registration](#)

## Have You Used Either of These Programs for Confirmation Prep in 2014-15?



We'd very much like to have your feedback. In fact, if you were one of our pilot parishes, we insist! Please take the time to let us know what you think by taking this ten-question [survey](#)

to express your opinions on the materials, their effectiveness and your recommendations.

### Breaking News!

From the creators of *Chosen*, [Altaration](#) is a powerful new study designed to introduce teens to the power and beauty of the Mass.

## Youth Ministry:

### Slots Still Available for Trip



[Mission Trip to Mississippi](#) (June 13-21st) still has slots available. Non-refundable deposit of \$100 due with registration.

Theology of the Body Institute, *A Head & Heart Immersion* week-long retreat coming to Chicago area April 26-May 1.

Our [Sunday Visitor's Educational Resources](#) (including free lesson plans for Grades PK-12) regarding the 2015 World Meeting of Families.

### 2015 Year of Consecrated Life Resources:

- [Local](#) (Wake Up to God; Events, Photos, Blogs, Links)
- [USCCB](#) (Prayers, Press Releases, Activities)
- Book: *Keep Watch! Year of the Consecrated Life* (USCCB)

### Easter Gift Idea



*A Shepherd Tends His Flock*  
by Fr. John Girotti

Who's on your gift list in April and May?

- Newest members of our Catholic Faith
- Mother/Grandmother
- HS/college graduate
- Appreciated parish staff members

### More Youth Ministry: Methods for Youth Ministers Scheduled

Methods C (Youth Ministry) is a component of the Diocese' Foundational Catechetical Certification program, which is required of all Catechetical Leaders.



This 5 session course, is being offered over two days: **Tuesday and Wednesday, May 26-27** on the Diocesan Campus in Green Bay. The course addresses the history of youth formation, related Church documents and targeting discipleship and formation for middle & high school students.

No fee (funded by the Annual Bishop's Appeal), but **registration is required**. Visit our [online registration site](#) for more information.

### VBS Options

We've heard from several publishers of VBS materials, and you're invited to check them out:



- Growing with the Saints, Inc. "[Catholic Kidz Camp](#)" Vacation Bible School Plans.
- Catholic VBS programs from [God is Good VBS](#) based in Minnetrista, MN.
- [Son Spark Labs VBS](#) from Liguori (we have a sample set of materials for your review at the Education Dept).
- [K4J "Always Catholic" Win the World for Jesus VBS online Starter Kit](#). This is the featured VBS from Kids 4 Jesus of Suwanee, GA.

### ProCLAYM R & R Day

Friday, May 8; Green Bay Botanical Garden

*If You Don't Climb the Mountain, You Can't See the*

- Friends going on retreat

Available for Sale (\$18) through the Education Department  
[cfountain@gbdioc.org](mailto:cfountain@gbdioc.org) to order

## St. Norbert College Pilgrim Forum Lecture



*Loved Into Existence: A Creedal Affirmation*

- Howard Ebert, PhD, presenting
- Tuesday, April 14; 7:30am
- Bemis Inter'l. Ctr.; SNC
- Free, but reservations required

## Quick Links

[Diocesan Website](#)

[Education Pages of Website](#)

[Education Policies: List, Links](#)

[Religious Education Curriculum](#)

**NEW:** [Parish RE Accreditation](#)

[Camp Tekakwitha Website](#)

[Dept. of New Evangelization](#)

[Education 2014-15 Calendar](#)

[2015-16 Calendar](#)

[Certification Class Schedule](#)  
[Human Resources](#) (log-in required)

*View*

Sheila Buchholz Lackershire will share her very personal and inspirational story, with Mt. Kilimanjaro as her background, of tragic loss, grief and spiritual healing, the importance of a strong faith and the power of prayer.



**Registration for non-prepaid ProCLAYM Members: \$30**

**Non-members Welcome! (\$40)**

[Registration Form](#)

## Certification Corner

**Lots of Summer Opportunities!**



Our Summer 2015 and Camp Tek Opportunities are now posted at [www.gbdioc.org/fcc](http://www.gbdioc.org/fcc) for schedules and other details.

**Please Note: Registration will close for each class one week prior to its first session. If minimum enrollment is not met at that time, class may be cancelled. Registrants will be notified via the e-mail address provided at registration.**

CREED and SACRAMENTS & LITURGY are also available online for an at-your-own-pace delivery. E-mail [cfountain@gbdioc.org](mailto:cfountain@gbdioc.org) to request a user name and password (be sure to specify which course you'd like to take online).

## Help with Those Pesky (but Necessary) Liability Forms!

This [liability form](#) was ok'd by the insurance agents that be. It is the same form that we have always used, but it can be used for the whole year instead of filling out a form for each event.



Special thanks to Mike Casey from the West Side Youth Ministry for helping to collaborate on this! Thanks!!



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**Learn to interpret your ACRE Results  
Data Discovery Days Scheduled**

Please join us for this 3-hour session, presented by Dcn Tony Abts, He will give you the tools to analyze and draw conclusions from your programs' 2014 ACRE results.



- May 29; 9am-Noon
- June 4; 1-4pm

No fee, but

[Registration Required.](#)

(Please be sure to indicate which session you plan to attend.)

**e-Mail Signature Block Modification**

When e-mails get replied to, forwarded and redistributed, they sometimes end up with unintended recipients. We encourage you to consider adding the following disclaimer to your signature block:

*This communication may contain privileged and/or confidential information. It is intended for the use of the addressee. If you are not the intended recipient, you are strictly prohibited from disclosure, copying, distributing or using any of this information. If you received this communication in error, please contact the sender immediately and destroy the material in its entirety, whether electronic or hard copy. This communication may contain non-public information about the individuals and businesses subject to the restrictions of the applicable governing laws. You may not directly or indirectly reuse or re-disclose such information for any purpose other than to provide the services for which you are receiving this information.*

