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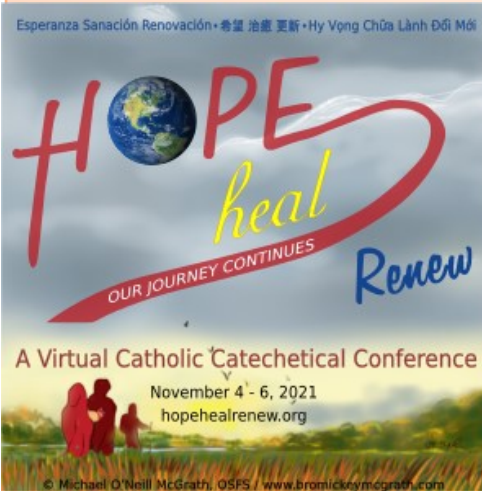
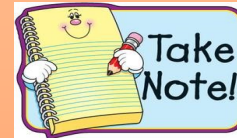
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there's still time to register

Join with many throughout the region
to celebrate our journey together
in hope, healing and renewal

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our
annual Faith
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Conference

Live
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December.

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*Save the Date: November 5, 2021
7:00 pm to 8:30 pm at the Hope, Heal, Renew Conference*

You're invited to...

*A Treasured Presence: Music, Stories and Gifts
of the
Filipino American Catholics*



The year 2021 marks the Quincentennial celebration (500 years) of Christianity in the lives of Filipinos across the globe.

Fr. Ricky Manalo, CSP, will host a virtual celebration through songs, stories, and some commentary on the heritage and gifts of Filipino American Catholicism. This will be on **November 5** at

7 pm at the Hope, Heal, Renew Conference.

Come and join in our celebration!

To those who have already registered for the Conference, this event is part of your registration ticket.

To those who have not yet registered, below is the website to register

<https://www.hopehealrenew.org/>



Rev. Ricky Manalo, CSP, Ph.D., is a Paulist priest, composer (OCP), theologian, and author. He is the 2020 Distinguished Catholic Music Composer of the Year Award by the Association of Catholic Publishers and the 2018 Pastoral Musician of the Year Award by the National Association of Pastoral Musicians. He studied composition and piano at the Manhattan School of Music, theology at the Washington Theological Union, and liturgy, culture, and sociology at the Graduate Theological Union (GTU), Berkeley, CA. His books include: *Chanting On Our Behalf* (2015, First Place Award, Catholic Press Association) and *The Liturgy of Life* (2014, Finalist of the Excellence in Publishing Awards by the Association of Catholic Publishers). He is a theological consultant for the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops and the co-author of the official national pastoral plan for Asian Pacific Catholics, *Encountering Christ in Harmony* (USCCB, 2018) and the more recent book, *A Treasured Presence: Filipino American Catholics* (USCCB, 2020). He resides at St. Paul the Apostle Church in New York City.

In Memory of



Kathleen Eleanor Angst

September 25, 2021

As part of the Pacifica community, Kathy was an active member of St. Peter's Parish -- first as a CCD teacher and later as a eucharistic minister. She also worked in the Laguna Salada School District as a cafeteria cook which allowed her to be near her children and to hear their band practices in the afternoon.

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Here are some updates from Karen Guglielmoni <guglielmonik@sfarch.org> regarding our VIRTUS materials. Karen presented these at our first Foundational Training and promised to share this information.

From Karen:

I have attached 8 pieces of information which should assist with their safe environment programs and the VIRTUS process:

1. VIRTUS student lesson steps - I have updated the English version to reflect the most recent changes

in VIRTUS and will update the Spanish version soon for anyone who needs it.

2. VIRTUS Online Adult Registration Instructions (from Twyla) – for those folks who are new to our programs and have never registered with one of our safe environment vendors.
3. PARISH Live Scan form – this can also be found at this link: <https://sfarch.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/08/2020-06-PARISH-Live-Scan-Form-update.pdf>.
4. VIRTUS Assignment of Administrator form – if the DRE would like to discuss becoming a VIRTUS administrator with their pastor. The form needs his signature. It is returned to Twyla.
5. Standards of Conduct for Adults working with Minors and Youth (under 18) working with Minors in English and Spanish (4 total attachments) – these can also be found at this link: <https://sfarch.org/our-safe-environment-programs/>

Youth Confirmation Dates



Here are the additional confirmation dates we have so far if your candidate needs another alternative to what you are offering. The pastor of your parish needs to ask the pastor of the other parish for permission and details.

St. Francis Of Assisi Parish on 11/6 is in Spanish.

All Souls Parish and school	10/30/2021 1	10:00 AM
St. Francis of Assisi Parish	11/6/2021	11:00:00 AM
St. Brendan's School	11/18/2021 1	5:30 PM
St. Patrick	12/05/2021 1	2:00 PM
St. Stephen	2/25/2022	5:00 PM
Holy Angels Church and School	2/26/2022	10:00 AM
St. Dominic's Church	2/26/2022	5:30 PM
St. Pius Church	4/1/2022	6:30 PM



The Office of Human Life and Dignity just put out their 33rd Annual Archdiocesan Respect Life Essay Contest information.

The essay contest material is for children from K-12 in our Archdiocese.

This year's theme is *Our Lady of Guadalupe: Patroness of the Americas and of the Unborn.*

The Respect Life Office suggests to introduce the material during one of the following key dates: The Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe December 12, anytime in October 2021 during Respect Life Month, or during the other Respect Life Month on January 2022. Submissions are due **January 31, 2022** and this will be the last date entries will be accepted.

Attached is a flyer in English and Spanish, that can be distributed to parents if they wish to participate.

The material provided is both in English and Spanish.

English Information is here: <https://sfarch.org/essay-contest/>

Spanish Information is here: <https://sfarch.org/es/essay-contest/>

For more information, please contact Maria Martinez-Mont, Respect Life Coordinator, at 415-988-5708 or martinezmontm@sfarch.org



This is a wonderful resource for all RCIA directors and team members. It is a free resource with articles and training. Keep up to date and grow in your knowledge of the process.

Download the latest version for Catechumeneon

<https://www.catechumeneon.org/resources/catechumeneon-quarterly.pdf>

The articles always have ideas that make me reflect, pray, and move to another place in the process.

Sacraments

Thanks to all who participated in the meetings with Laura Bertone and Sr. Celeste on how to prepare and celebrate the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, Eucharist and RCIA. A great turn out and by now you all should have received the recording. If you have questions please

contact the Office of Faith Formation.

We have sense received wording from Archbishop Cordileone on the celebration of the sacraments and it is necessary that parishes remember to follow through as he wishes and is appropriate according to the rites.

When a person is to receive a sacrament, the Church takes great joy in ministering to the candidate so that they may enter the liturgy ready to hear the Word of God, able to pray throughout the liturgy, and enjoy the ceremony without being distracted by a liturgical duty. It is the community which is responsible for preparing and ministering to the candidate for the sacrament.

Therefore, it is not suitable to have those who are to receive a sacrament also minister at the same Mass, such as to have them proclaim the readings. This is actually called out by the Vatican for weddings: "... it does not seem appropriate for the bride and groom to be lectors. In fact, they are the primary receivers of the proclaimed Word of God." (Pontifical Council for the Family, Preparation for the Sacrament of Marriage, 1996, No. 68)

So a bride or groom does not lector at their matrimony; a deacon does not proclaim the gospel at his ordination, and candidates for First Communion and Confirmation should not be the readers at their respective liturgies.

It is recommended that the parish's most skilled readers be selected to proclaim the readings to the parish community. For First Eucharist and Confirmation, if a catechist, sponsor or parent is a certified, experienced reader, it would be extremely appropriate for them to be assigned as the lector for the liturgy.



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Protecting God's Children 4.0 is now active. New people coming into the program will be upgraded to this level. Those for renewal will do so with their renewal date.

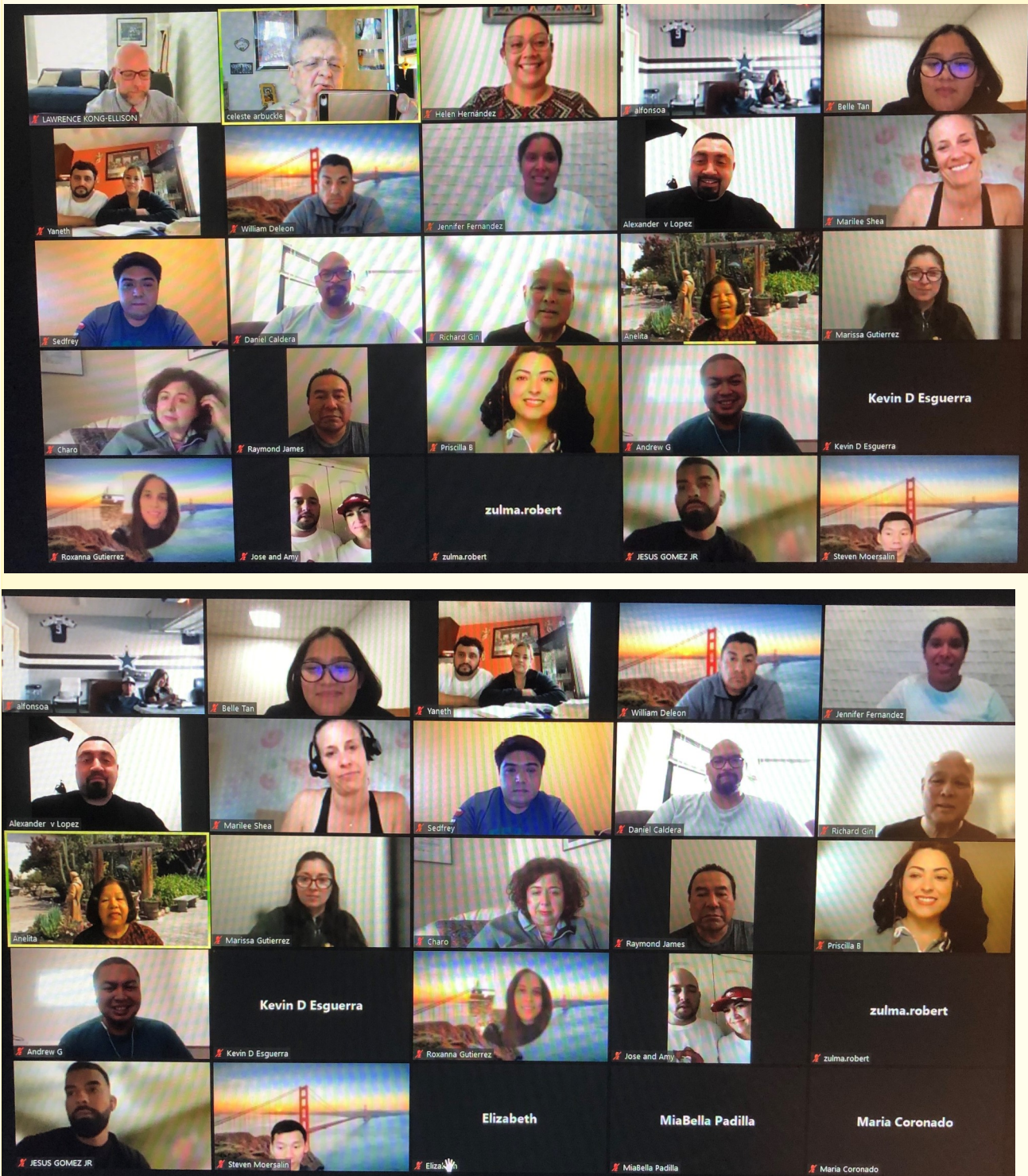
Remember to see that all personnel are adhering to our standard in the Archdiocese of San Francisco..

Questions: adults: Twyla Powers 415-614-5576

Children's Programs Karen Guglielmoni 415-614-5578

Confirmation Classes in October

We had a wonderful group of adults joining us from throughout the archdiocese for our virtual classes in preparation for Confirmation with the Archbishop on the Feast of Christ the King. Thanks to all the parishes who are supporting them.

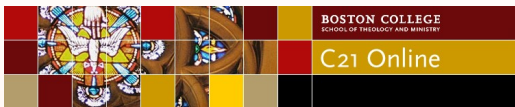


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TOPICS

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Week 1: Jesus Foretold and Fulfilled in the Readings of Advent

Week 2: Jesus Fulfilled in the Infancy Narratives

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This course includes:

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 - Text transcripts of video presentations in downloadable pdf format;
 - Weekly questions for reflection and discussion; and
- A regularly updated Resources page for further study.

CONTENT SCHOLARS:

The late **Fr. Daniel J. Harrington, S.J.**, professor of New Testament, Boston College School of Theology and Ministry, prolific author, and editor, *New Testament Abstracts*.

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TOPICS

Getting Started Week: A Cloud of Witnesses

Week 1: Deep Remembering with the Gospel of Matthew

Week 2: Living into Hope with Friends of God and Prophets

CONTENT SCHOLARS:

- The late **Rev. Raymond Brown, S.S.** (text), Auburn Distinguished Professor of Biblical Studies at Union Theological Seminary, prolific author, and served as president of the Catholic Biblical Association, the Society of Biblical Literature, and the Society of New Testament Studies.
- **Dr. Colleen M. Griffith** (text), is professor of the practice of theology and faculty director of spirituality studies at the Boston College School of Theology and Ministry;
- **Rev. Michael J. Himes** (video), priest of the Diocese of Brooklyn, New York, and professor of theology, Boston College Theology Department.

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Our Sunday Visitor: To Serve the Church

Attached is a copy of a letter that Dr. Kathie Amidei wrote to the parents of her Faith Formation program. She was kind enough to share it with me, and I wanted to share it with you.

Thanks to Carlos for sharing. It is a wonderful letter she wrote for Catechetical Sunday. You can adjust and use with your families. She is encouraging to families in their role of faith formation and has some great statements you may want to send to your families.

A Letter to Parents on Catechetical Sunday

Dear Parents,

Jacqueline Kennedy said, "If you bungle raising your children, I don't think whatever else you do matters very much." Her words always resonated with me as insight into the primacy of the calling of parenthood. Since children don't come with a "how-to" manual we all bungle things as parents from time to time. Thank goodness they are usually resilient as we learn to become moms and dads! I know you love your children more than anyone in the world and you are the conduit of God's love in their lives.

I am in awe of how beautifully you parents function and love your children even through months of sleepless nights, juggling jobs, school and childcare schedules, endless car-pooling, shopping, making, and cleaning up meals and a thousand other unselfish acts of service to your families. No wonder often we have no better analogy of God's love than that of a parent!!

You are so busy, that I suspect you didn't have time to read the most current and comprehensive research on a topic vital to your vocation, *Handing Down the Faith: How Parents Pass on their Religion to the Next Generation* by Dr. Christian Smith, University of Notre Dame and Amy Adamczyk.

Can I share some research with you that might affirm your parenting choices and encourage you on the long days and tough nights in one of the most important things in life, your child's faith?

This new national study shows that as parents, **you**, are the most important influence on the religious and spiritual lives of your children and teens! This research, as well as a myriad of other studies, confirms that you play the leading role in shaping your child's deepest values and the character of their religious and spiritual life, now and well after they leave home.

In fact, some parents may be surprised to know "the single most powerful causal influence on the religious lives of American teenagers and young adults is the religious lives of their parents. Not their peers, not the media, not their youth group leaders or clergy, and not their religious schoolteachers." If you are a parent of a teen, you might be saying, "Oh I know I lost most of my influence when they became teens" (and they may act as if that were true). But, in most cases, these cultural illusions are not supported by the facts. Your influence as parents on their religious beliefs, practices and values lasts for decades and in many cases a lifetime.

"...a large body of accumulated research consistently shows that... the influence of parents in religiousness trumps every other influence, however much parents and children assume otherwise."

I wish this column was ten pages long so I could share more of this fascinating study that explains why this is true. But let me share one insight- *how important it is for parents to talk to their children about matters of faith during the week*. When parents do this, children integrate the meaning of faith into the lived experience of life. "When parents talk naturally and substantially about religion and its place in life, throughout the week it effectively indicates to children that, in the mix of life's many priorities and values, this stuff matters a lot. And that raises the stakes for children's decisions about their own future religious commitments."

As a grandparent, I look at this from a view on the balcony of the dancefloor of life. For you parents, who are dancing, I hope this gives you encouragement to know how important you are. If I could offer you two things you might consider in your parenting choices, they would be to remember you are the role model of faith and talking with your children about your faith has tremendous value.

Know that we- your Church, school, faith formation, catechists, teachers, pastor- are cheering you on and supporting you in any way we can. You are shining stars of love and faith to your children in the most important job you will ever have!

With love,

Kathie Amidei



“the single most critical factor in an effective parish catechetical program is the leadership of a professionally trained parish catechetical leader.” (NDC, Chapter 8 No. 5)



2021-2022 Foundational Training Course for Parish Catechetical Leaders

Topics & Schedule of Sessions

The Foundational Training Course is a series of workshops conducted by the Office of Faith Formation to assist parish catechetical leaders in their practice of their ministry in accordance with the Certification Standards and Core Competencies set forth in the National Certification Standards for Lay Ecclesial Ministers, in particular, Standard No. 5 — the Professional Practice of Ministry.

The Course is recommended

- ⇒ To those who are new or nearly new in parish catechetical leadership role
- ⇒ As a ‘refresher’ and ‘update’ to those who are already in catechetical leadership role.
- ⇒ To those who are considering catechetical leadership roles in the near future.
- ◆ The Course specifics are cited on the side panels.
- ◆ Participants may choose to attend all or any of the courses.
- ◆ A Certificate of Completion will be awarded to participants who had attended the entire series.



The courses will be Conducted **virtually via Zoom**

Daytime: 1:30 to 4 pm
Evening: 6:00 to 8:30 pm



To register, please fill in the registration form on page 2

2021

November 8— Program Management

- ⇒ Collaboration and Ministry in Diverse Settings
- ⇒ Culture Sensitivity and Inclusivity

December 8— Program Design: Parish Sacramental Programs— Preparation & Celebration

- ⇒ Requisites When Designing Parish Sacrament Programs, Guidelines & Policies
- ⇒ Planning Liturgies for Sacramental Celebrations
- ⇒ Adult Faith Formation and the Catechumenate as the Model for All Catechesis

2022

February 7— Program Planning

- ⇒ Essentials for Developing Parish Faith Formation/Youth Ministry Program Handbook for Families and Volunteers
- ⇒ Calendaring and Time Management
- ⇒ Budget, Record Keeping and Forms

March 7— Program Administration

- ⇒ Recruitment, Supervision and Support of Volunteers in Ministry
- ⇒ Catechist Training and Formation

April 4— Program Administration

- ⇒ Planning and Conducting Meetings with Parents and Catechetical Staff/ Volunteer Team
- ⇒ Communication Skills and Conflict Management

May 2 — Program Assessment & Evaluation

- ⇒ Creating Assessment and Evaluation Tools for Faith Formation Program
- ⇒ Self-Assessment Process for Parish Catechetical Leaders based on the National Certification Standards for Lay Ecclesial Ministers

**2021-2022 Foundational Training Course
Registration Form**

Kindly fill in the information requested below, and email to Anelita Reyes — reyesa@sfarch.org or fax (415) 614-5651.

To mail the form: **Office of Faith Formation**
 Archdiocese of San Francisco
 One Peter Yorke Way,
 San Francisco, CA 94110

NAME _____

PARISH _____

POSITION _____

Email _____

Phone _____

Please check which session time you will attend:

___ Daytime session : 1:30 to 4 p.m.

___ Evening session: 6:00 to 8:30 p.m.

Course Fee: \$60.00 ___ Bill Parish

Or Make check payable to OFFICE OF FAITH FORMATION and mail to: Office of Faith Formation, Archdiocese of San Francisco, San Francisco, CA 94109



Email/Fax/Mail your registration by September 25

Questions???

Need more information about this program?

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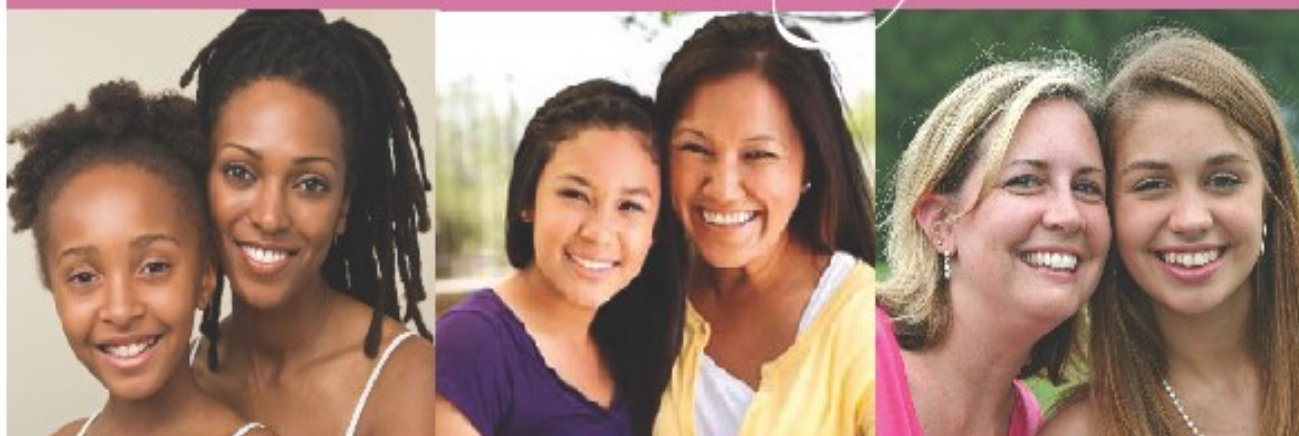
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Program 2021

Mother Daughter

Presented by the Office of Marriage & Family Life, Dioceses of San Francisco & Oakland



\$15 – mother with 1 daughter
\$20 – mother with more than 1 daughter

The Mother-Daughter Programs are designed to help you and your daughter explore God's special gift of human fertility together. Help her see the beauty and wonder of God's plan for growing up as a young girl or teenager and becoming a woman.

The 2 Programs cover similar subject matter while differing in depth and scope. All presentations are pure, light-hearted and affirming! For more details: www.sfmd.info or email: HopfnerE@SFArch.org.

Saturday, November 13, 2021

Tweens* 9am-12:30pm | Teens 1:30-5pm

* Girls younger than 10 who are already developing and showing signs of puberty are also welcome to attend.

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PLEASE PROVIDE YOUR CONTACT INFORMATION:

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Evaluating and Revitalizing the RCIA in Your Parish

A thorough assessment of our parish's catechumenal ministry is beneficial for the life and vibrancy of the faith community. The NGCI team members will use the RCIA ritual text and the 2020 *Directory for Catechesis* to guide participants through an honest evaluation process. While we will celebrate the good work that is being done in the parish community, we will also ask the hard questions and raise the bar as we strive to fully implement the Church's vision. Finally, participants will have the opportunity to develop a strategic plan that includes a more fruitful collaboration with clergy and full inclusion of the baptized faithful in the initiation process.

Register now to take advantage of the Early Bird discount

Early bird pricing is available through March 2, 2022

Visit NGCI.org for additional details and registration information.



prayer to St. Joseph to encourage families to come back to Faith Formation Programs)

Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

To you God entrusted his only Son;

in you Mary placed her trust;

with you Christ became Man.

Blessed Joseph, to us too, show yourself

a father & guide us in the path of life for our faith formation programs.

We pray that families will be open to returning to their on-going

formation.

Obtain for us grace, mercy and courage,

love and willingness to reach out to all who need

to hear the call of discipleship with Jesus. Amen

The Year of St. Joseph ends December 8th. You may want to encourage this prayer between now and then.



Synod
2021
2023

This month, the global Catholic Church began a synod process that will culminate in 2023 with the Synod of Bishops. The

Synod on Synodality is a two-year process of listening and dialogue beginning with a solemn opening in Rome on October 9 and 10, 2021 with each individual diocese and church celebrating the following week on October 17. The synodal process will conclude in 2023.

Pope Francis invites the entire Church to reflect on a theme that is decisive for its life and mission: "It is precisely this path of synodality which God expects of the Church of the third millennium." This journey, which follows in the wake of the Church's "renewal" proposed by the Second Vatican Council, is both a gift and a task: by journeying together and reflecting together on the journey that has been made, the Church will be able to learn through Her experience which processes can help Her to live communion, to achieve participation, to open Herself to mission.

Leadership Roundtable to partner with U.S. Bishops, Vatican leaders to promote Synod.

We are pleased to be a partner with the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops and continue collaboration with leaders in Rome to promote the synodal process.

Since our inception, we have sought to model the spirit of synodality in our convenings and our services and programs. We are eager to offer our leadership in this area to the broader Church to facilitate the conversations that will happen in parishes and dioceses across the U.S. in these next two years. We hope all of you will take part in the synod process to help our Church discern its future.

To learn more about the Synod:

[Process for Facilitating Synodal Consultations](#)

[Official Vatican Synod website](#)

[USCCB Synod website](#)

ESPAÑOL



Dios te salve, Guardián del Redentor,
Esposa de la Santísima Virgen María.

A ti Dios te confió a su único Hijo;
en ti María puso su confianza;
contigo Cristo se hizo hombre.

Bendícenos José, a nosotros también,
muéstrate padre y guíanos en el camino de la
vida para nuestros programas
de formación en la fe.

Oramos para que las familias se abran a
regresar a su formación permanente.

Obtén para nosotros gracia, misericordia y
valor, amor y disposición para llegar a todos
los que necesitan escuchar el llamado del
discipulado con Jesús.

Amen.

directorios y catecismos locales. El *Directorio* reafirma el Catecismo de la Iglesia Católica como una referencia sólida para la instrucción, ya que se basa en las Escrituras y en los escritos de los papas recientes, especialmente, en *Evangelii Gaudium* del papa Francisco, para guiar el proceso catequético.

Estas pautas son importantes para los obispos, los principales catequistas en sus diócesis locales. El *Directorio* también es indispensable para todos aquellos responsables de la instrucción religiosa formal, incluyendo a párrocos y a sacerdotes, diáconos, catequistas religiosos y laicos de la parroquia y maestros de educación religiosa en diócesis, parroquias y escuelas. El *Directorio* ayudará también a los directores de formación, incluyendo a rectores de seminarios, directores de formación para el diaconado permanente y directores de programas para el ministerio eclesial laico.



A la vez que la Iglesia Católica continua con su misión de enseñar la fe cristiana, el *Directorio para la Catequesis* (2020) establece pautas prácticas para la catequesis y presenta normas universales para guiar la evangelización. El Pontificio Consejo para la Promoción de la Nueva Evangelización presenta el *Directorio* para avivar la proclamación del

Evangelio a personas de todas las edades y en todas las etapas de la vida.

El *Directorio* coloca la catequesis dentro del ámbito de la evangelización y ofrece pautas para asistir en la creación de

3 minutos de retiro te invita a tomar un descanso dedicado a la oración mientras estás enfrente de tu computadora. Toma una breve pausa para reflexionar en silencio sobre un pasaje bíblico.

Como cada uno de nosotros ora a su ritmo, 3 minutos de retiro te permite controlar el ritmo del retiro. Después de cada pantalla aparecerá un botón que dice "Siguiente". Presiónalo cuando quieras pasar a la siguiente imagen. Si este tipo de oración online es nuevo para ti, el ritmo preseleccionado para el retiro te guiará durante esta experiencia de oración.

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Día de Muertos – The Day of the Dead – is a Mexican holiday celebrated 31st of October to remember and celebrate the life of the loved ones that have

passed away. Because the Day of the Dead is a very important for the Spanish-speaking world, we made a list of Spanish words you might want to learn before the great celebration.

1. **Día de Muertos** “Día de Muertos” is the Spanish name for the Day of the Dead. The holiday is sometimes called “Día de los Muertos” too, especially in Anglophone countries.
 2. **La calavera** A “calavera” is a representation of a human skull. Calaveras on Día de los Muertos are often very decorative and made from sugar or clay. Sugar skulls are common gifts for children for the Day of the Dead.
 3. **La ofrenda** An “ofrenda” is a collection of objects placed on a ritual altar during the Day of the Dead celebrations. It is usually given to the spirits of loved ones.
 4. **Pan de muerto** “Pan de muerto”, which literally means bread of the dead, is a traditional bread baked in Mexico during the Day of the Dead celebrations. It is a sweetened, soft bun-like bread, often decorated with pieces shaped like finger bones.
 5. **La calaca** “La calaca” is a figure of a skeleton, a very popular Day of the Dead decoration.
- The spirits of the departed are said to be with us on the Day of the Dead.
7. **La ánima** “Ánima” is another word for spirit or soul.
 8. **El copal** Copal is a resin from the copal tree. Burning it like incense on the spirit altar is popular on the Day of the Dead.
 9. **Flor de muerto** The brilliant orange Mexican marigolds bloom just in time for the Day of the Dead, so the flower has acquired the popular name “flower of the dead”.
 10. **¿Me da mi calaverita?** In Mexico, trick-or-treating is called “calaverita”. A calaverita is a small skull made of sugar or chocolate. Instead of “trick or treat”, children ask “¿Me da mi calaverita?” It means “Can you give me my sugar skull?”



November		Pope's intention for the month: People suffering from depression	That people who suffer from depression or	burn-out will find support and a light that opens them up to ife
1	All Saints Day			
2	All Souls Day			
4-6	Hope Heal Renew Conference	All are invited	Virtual	Sr. Celeste Arbuckle arbucklec@sfarch.org
8	Foundational Training Session 3	1:30 to 4 pm Or 6 to 8:30 pm	virtual	Anelita Reyes reyesa@sfarch.org
11	Veterans Day	Pastoral Offices are closed		
13	Mother Daughter Programs	9:00-12:30 tweens 1:30-5 teens	Virtual Register www.sfmd.info	hophnerE@sfarch.org
18	Deanery 1 & 2 PCL Meeting	10:00-Noon		Anelita Reyes reyesa@sfarch.org
20	Adult Confirmation	5:30 PM St. Mary Cathedral		Office of Worship Laura Bertone Bertonel@sfarch.org
21	Feast of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe			
22	Deaneries 8 & 9 DRE meeting	10 am to 12 noon	Virtual	Anelita Reyes reyesa@sfarch.org
25-26	Thanksgiving	Pastoral Offices are closed		
26	Native American Heritage Day			
28	1st Sunday of Advent			
28	Hanukkah Begins at Sunset			
December				
2	Deanery 10 PCL Meeting	10:00-11:30	TBA All parish catechetical leaders are invited	Sr. Celeste Arbuckle arbucklec@sfarch.org
7	Deanery 11 PCL Meeting	10:00—Noon	Place: TBA	Sr. Celeste Arbuckle arbucklec@sfarch.org
8	Immaculate Conception	Holy Day of Obligation		
12	Our Lady of Guadalupe			
15	Simbang Gabi Novena Begins			

17	O Antiphons Begin	O Wisdom	O Sapientia O Wisdom of our God Most High, guiding creation with power and love: come to teach us the path of knowledge!	
18	O Antiphons	Leader of the House of Israel	O Adonai O Leader of the House of Israel, giver of the Law to Moses on Sinai: come to rescue us with your mighty power!	
19	O Antiphons	Root of Jesse	O Radix Jesse O Root of Jesse's stem, sign of God's love for all his people: come to save us without delay!	
20	O Antiphons	Key of David	O Clavis David O Key of David, opening the gates of God's eternal Kingdom: come and free the prisoners of darkness!	
21	O Antiphons	Radiant Dawn	O Oriens O Radiant Dawn, splended of eternal light, sun of justice, come and shine on those who dwell in darkness in the shadow of death	
22	O Antiphons	King of All Nations	O Rex Gentium O King of all nations and keystone of the Church: come and save man, whom you formed from the dust!	
23	O Antiphons	O Emmanuel	O Emmanuel O Emmanuel, our King and Giver of Law: come to save us, Lord our God!	
				
23	End of Simbang Gabi Novena			
26	Feast of the Holy Family Kwanzaa Begins			
24-January 1	Christmas Break	Pastoral Offices are closed		

January		Pope's intention for the month: Human Fraternity	May the Lord give us the grace to live in full fellowship with our brother and sisters of other religions, praying for one another, open to all	Kick off of Respect Life Essay Contest begins
1	Feast Mary, Mother of God New Years Day			
7 & 8	Diocese of Reno Annual Diocesan Conference	"Blessed Benedicidos And Grateful		www.reno-diocesan-conference.org
8-9	High School Retreat	Open to all High School students	Redwood Glen Retreat Center	Marianoc@sfarch.org
9	Liturgical Training—Youth in Service		Our Lady of Angels, Burlingame	Marianoc@sfarch.org
10	Foundational Training Session 5	1:30 to 4 pm Or 6:00 to 8:30 pm	virtual	Anelita Reyes reyesa@sfarch.org
13	Deaneries 1 & 2 DRE Meeting	10:00-Noon		Anelita Reyes reyesa@sfarch.org
17	Martin Luther King Day	Pastoral Offices are closed		
24	Deaneries 8 & 9 DRE Meeting	10 am to 12 noon		Anelita Reyes reyesa@sfarch.org
29	Archdiocesan High School Confirmation Retreat	10:00 AM	Candidates must register with parish	Marianoc@sfarch.org
31	New Directory Meeting	10:00-12:30 Or 6:00-8:30	Virtual	Sr. Celeste Arbuckle arbucklec@sfarch.org
31	Mission Office Christmas Art Work	Due for school year 2021-2022		
February		Pope's intention for the month: Violence Against Women	We pray for women who are victims of violence, that they may be protected by society and have their sufferings considered and healed	
1	Chinese New Year Begins			
1	Black History Month Begins			
7	Foundational Training Session 4	afternoon	virtual	Anelita Reyes reyesa@sfarch.org
10	Deanery 1 & 2 PCL Meeting	10:00-Noon		Anelita Reyes reyesa@sfarch.org
16	Required Master Catechist Gathering New Beginnings	10:00-Noon	Join on the 16th or 17 Virtual	Sr. Celeste Arbuckle arbucklec@sfarch.org

17	Deanery 10 PCL Meeting Date may change	10:00-11:30	TBA	Sr. Celeste Arbuckle arbucklec@sfarch.org
22	Deanery 11 PCL Meeting	3:30—4:45	Place: TBA	Sr. Celeste Arbuckle arbucklec@sfarch.org
28	Deaneries 8 & 9 DRE Meeting	10 am to 12 noon		Anelita Reyes reyesa@sfarch.org
26	Archdiocesan High School Confirmation Retreat	10:00 AM St. Dunstan Parish	Candidates must register with parish	Marianoc@sfarch.org
March		Pope's intention for the month: Sacrament of Reconciliation	Let us pray that we may experience the sacrament of reconciliation with renewed depth, to taste the infinite mercy of God	
1	Women's History Month Begins			
2	Ash Wednesday	Lent Begins	Do you have your Rice Bowls ready to give out?	
5	Catechists' Retreat Hosted by Deaneries 1 & 2	3:00 to 5 pm	Virtual	Anelita Reyes reyesa@sfarch.org
6	Rite of Election	4:00 PM St. Mary Cathedral		Office of Worship Laura Bertone bertonel@sfarch.org
7	Foundational Training Session 5	1:30 to 4 pm Or 6 to 8:30 pm	virtual	Anelita Reyes reyesa@sfarch.org
9	Lenten Retreat for catechists and PCLs #1	6:30-7:45	Virtual	Sr. Celeste Arbuckle arbucklec@sfarch.org
10	Deaneries 1 & 2 DRE Meeting	10:00-to 12 noon		Anelita Reyes reyesa@sfarch.org
16	Lenten Retreat for catechists and PCLs #2	6:30-7:45	Virtual	Sr. Celeste Arbuckle arbucklec@sfarch.org
17	Feast of St. Patrick Patron of the Archdiocese			
16-19	LA Religious Education Congress			
19	Feast of St. Joseph Patron of the Archdiocese			
22	Deanery 11 PCL Meeting	3:30-4:45	Place: TBA	Sr. Celeste Arbuckle arbucklec@sfarch.org
28	Deaneries 8 & 9 DRE Meeting	10 am to 12 noon		Anelita Reyes reyesa@sfarch.org

April

		Pope's intention for the month: Fundamental Rights	We pray for those who risk their lives while fighting for fundamental rights under	dictatorship, authoritarian regimes and even in democracies in crisis
4	Foundational Training Session 6	afternoon	virtual	Anelita Reyes reyesa@sfarch.org
9	Archdiocesan High School Confirmation Retreat	10:00 AM	Candidates must register with parish	Marianoc@sfarch.org
10	Palm Sunday			
17	Easter Sunday			
18	Easter Monday Holiday	Pastoral offices are closed		
21	Deanery 10 PCL Meeting	10:00-11:30	TBA	Sr. Celeste Arbuckle arbucklec@sfarch.org
24	Respect Life Essay Contest Mass	11:00 AM	St. Mary Cathedral	
25	Deanery 8 & 9 PCL Meeting	10 am to 12 noon		Anelita Reyes reyesa@sfarch.org
26	Deanery 11 PCL Meeting	3:30-4:45	Place: TBA	Sr. Celeste Arbuckle arbucklec@sfarch.org

May

		Pope's intention for the month: The World of Finance	Let us pray for those in charge of finance will work with governments to regulate the	financial sphere and protect citizens from its dangers
1	Asian American & Pacific Islanders Heritage Month			
2	Foundational Training Session 7		virtual	Anelita Reyes reyesa@sfarch.org
6-7	Adult Confirmation Classes	Friday 6:00-8:30 PM & Saturday 10:00-4:00	All adults 17 years of age and older are invited with permission of their pastor	Sr. Celeste Arbuckle arbucklec@sfarch.org
12	Pius X Dinner and Recognition	6:30 PM	St. Mary Cathedral with Archbishop Cordileone	Sr. Celeste Arbuckle arbucklec@sfarch.org
24	Deanery 11 PCL Meeting	3:30-4:45	Place: TBA	Sr. Celeste Arbuckle arbucklec@sfarch.org
30	Memorial Day	Pastoral offices are closed		

June

		Pope's intention for the month: The Beauty of Marriage	Let us pray for young people who are preparing for marriage with the support of a	Christian community: may they grow in love, with generosity, faithfulness and patience.
5	Pentecost Sunday			
5	Adult Confirmations	11:00 AM St. Mary Cathedral		Office of Worship Laura Bertone bertonel@sfarch.org
16	Deanery 10 PCL Meeting	10:00-11:30	TBA	Sr. Celeste Arbuckle arbucklec@sfarch.org
28	Deanery 11 PCL Meeting	3:30-4:45	Place: TBA	Sr. Celeste Arbuckle arbucklec@sfarch.org

July

12-14	National Gathering in Christine Initiation	"Evaluating and Revitalizing the RCIA in Your Parish"	Chicago, Ill	LTP.org



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