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### **Congratulations to the Ulaszek Family!**

Congratulations to Doug Ulaszek, our Associate Director of Youth Evangelization, and his wife, Beth, who welcomed a new baby girl last week! Bernadette Rose (Betty for short) was born Friday, June 4th. She weighed 9lbs. 4oz. and was 21.75 inches. Mom, Dad, Betty, and her 5 older siblings are all doing great.



# **Office of Catechesis News**

### **Changes & Communication**

If you are leaving a catechetical position due to retirement, position changes, a position at a new parish or any other reason, please let us know. If you are aware of someone newly hired for your parish or in your area, let us know. It is essential that we know who is serving in which positions and parish. Please email Jennifer Murphy.

### Share your Registration Form and/or Job Description with Us

We are developing a model Registration Form for Faith Formation. Sometimes parishes ask for guidance on updating their registration process, wondering what sort of information is important when parents are registering children for faith formation. If you think you have a fairly good registration form, please send to us. We are mostly interested in the types of information, the data fields, the questions you ask, the permissions, and so on. Format or the means of collection (electronic or paper) is not important.

We are also interested in samples of job descriptions. It has been many years since we reviewed actual samples. We offer an archdiocesan model on the website, but sometimes parishes are looking for language beyond the model. Job descriptions vary greatly from parish to parish. But if you have a job description you are willing to share, please send. . . We are interested in the overall description, specific responsibilities, work relationships, skills/knowledge/abilities required, and so on.

Please send Forms and Descriptions to Jennifer Murphy.

# **Upcoming Events**

### **Catechetical Conference**

SAVE THE DATE for the 2021 Catechetical Conference. This year's conference will be held on **Friday, August 27th from 9am - 2:30pm** at the Mary Mother of the Church Pastoral Center in Milwaukee. The day will begin with Mass and will include general sessions, workshops as well as important ministry updates. Keep an eye out for more information in the coming weeks.

# **Archdiocese News**

### Vatican II Youth Awards Nominations

Since 1991, hundreds of people have had the distinction of being a recipient of the *Archbishop's Vatican II Awards for Service to the Church*. Once again this year, recipients will be selected in twelve categories of service, including two awards for the youth of this archdiocese. We hope to be able to have the presentation of the awards by Archbishop Listecki on **Thursday, September 30, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. at the Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist.** 

We now ask your assistance once again in surfacing the names and supporting information of students that you would like to nominate to receive the **Archbishop's Vatican II Awards for Service to the Church – John Paul II Youth Award**. Two students will be selected by Archbishop Listecki to receive this award at the Vatican II Awards at St. John's Cathedral. Please review the criteria below and submit a nomination form for an outstanding Catholic student that is alive in the Faith.

Nomination Forms are due June 24, 2021. More information can be found in the email sent by Rick Tank.

### Camp De Sales 2021 | Summer Vocations Camp

Young men in high school and middle school are invited to join Fr. Luke, Fr. John, and Milwaukee seminarians for Camp De Sales, an opportunity to encounter God in prayer and community. All camps will be held at St. Francis de Sales Seminary. For more information, or to register your son, please contact the Vocation Office at vocationoffice@sfs.edu | 414-747-6437 or visit www.thinkpriest.org/events/

### **High School Vocation Camp:**

Sunday, June 20 at 6pm - Wednesday, June 23 at Noon

### Middle School Day Camps:

Saturday, June 19, 9am - 3pm Tuesday, July 22, 9am - 3pm

# From Our Friends

## Certificate in Catechetical Ministries returns at Cardinal Stritch University

The St. Clare Center at Cardinal Stritch will once again offer its popular Certificate in Catechetical Ministries. This program is intended specifically for DREs, youth ministers, and other faith formation staff members. The Certificate can be completed in 4 semesters. Classes are held at Cardinal Stritch University on Thursday afternoons. Courses provide participants with a clearer vision and with practical tools that can be used in their ministry. See Flyer for more information or contact Michael Taylor, Director of the Saint Clare Center.

This is one of two certificates offered by the St. Clare Center's Lay Ministry Institute. The Institute offers non-degree, continuing education courses for Catholics who want to learn more about their faith so that they can serve better in their parishes. In addition to the Certificate in Catechetical Ministries, the Lay Ministry Institute offers a Certificate in Foundations for Ministry. See Flyer

### Summer Explorer Day Camp at the Catholic Ecology Center

The Catholic Ecology Center (Neosho, west of Holy Hill) is offering Summer Explorer Day Camps! Some spaces are still open for young explorers.

The Catholic Ecology Center just opened this past year. It is a ministry of the Laudato Si Project, an organization named after and inspired by Pope Francis' encyclical on Care for our Common Home. They have been doing Catholic ecology education and events for several years, and now have their own camp. You can read about it in the Catholic Herald. See <u>Flyer</u> for other offerings during the year at the Catholic Ecology Center.

### Summer Camps for Kids at Catholic High Schools

If families in your parish are looking for summer opportunities for their children, consider camps offered by our Catholic high schools. There are camps featuring athletics, arts, acting, leadership, music, faith, wellness, STEAM (science, technology, engineering, art, math), languages, pet safety, history and more!

- Marquette University HS
- Dominican HS

- Pius XI HS
- Divine Savior Holy Angels
- Catholic Memorial
- St. Thomas More
- Chesterton Academy
- St. Joan Antida
- Catholic Central HS

### St. John Bosco Conference for Evangelization & Catechesis

The annual St. John Bosco Conference for Evangelization & Catechesis will be held in person on July 12-15. While it is call a "conference" and offer workshops for catechetical ministry, it is also imbued with prayer, reflection, sacraments, and adoration. There are plenty of opportunities to "come away" and simply be with Jesus amid beautiful verdant surroundings. This is a great opportunity to network and restore a sense of unity and fellowship as members of the same Mystical Body of Jesus Christ! Click here for more information or to register.

# **Resources**

#### **Formation Resources**

Discover free-of-charge resources to supplement or enhance your lessons. Videos, lesson plans and other resources have been vetted by our review team, and are listed by general topic and by age group. Visit: https://www.archmil.org/Catechesis/Technology/Formation-Resources.htm

Do you have a favorite resource to share? Send us your suggestions under "Submit a Resource."

# Job Openings

Associate Director of Child & Youth Ministry - St. John XXIII, Port Washington

Director of Evangelization - Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist, Milwaukee

Minister of Christian Formation - St. Mary, St. Andrew, St. Theresa

Parish Pastoral Coordinator - Sacred Heart, Racine

Faith Formation Coordinator - Resurrection, St. Lawrence

Youth Minister - Middle School - Lumen Christi, Mequon

Formation and Outreach Associate Director - St. Joseph, Grafton

Director/Coordinator of K-8 Faith Formation - Kenosha-Racine County Line Catholic Parishes

Youth Minister and RCIA Coordinator - St. Mary of the Hill, Hubertus

Child Minister - St. Lucy/St. Sebastian, Racine

To see all job listings in the Archdiocese, visit the Archdiocese of Milwaukee's Career Page.

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