

CELEBRATING CHRISTIAN INITIATION

THE  
INITIATION EXPERIENCE:  
BEGINNINGS "PLUS"

**P**resents the vision of the *Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults*

**P**rovides experience of the flow, steps, and periods of the *Rite*

**T**eaches the skills necessary for local implementation

**I**nvites reflection, faith sharing, and liturgical celebration

**D**eepens understanding of the conversion journey

**A**pplies the principles of initiation with adults, youth, and children



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St. Joseph Center  
Greensburg, Pennsylvania

November 11-14, 2004

THE NORTH AMERICAN FORUM ON THE CATECHUMENATE

## MEETING AND LODGING FACILITY

St. Joseph Center  
 Diocese of Greensburg  
 2900 Seminary Drive  
 Greensburg, PA 15601  
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St. Joseph Center offers a unique combination of serenity and convenient location. Nestled atop 170 sylvan acres in the foothills of the beautiful Laurel Highlands in Westmoreland County, it is situated just off Route 30, three miles east of the City of Greensburg, with easy access to the Pennsylvania Turnpike, Interstate 70, and US Route 22.

The Center provides comfortable lodging in a cordial and relaxing atmosphere.

Fifty-three rooms (53 singles and doubles) are available for this institute. We will limit the number of single rooms offered at this Institute.

There is a 120 registration limit for this institute.

## AIRPORT INFORMATION

The Westmoreland County Airport, near Latrobe, is only four miles to the east. Arnold Palmer Airport (Latrobe) is a ten minute drive to the Center. This airport is served only by US Air. The primary airport, Pittsburgh, is a 70 to 90 minute drive to the Center. Shuttles, taxis and rental cars are available at the airport.

## INSTITUTE TEAM

Institute leaders are among North America's most experienced pastoral ministers, liturgists, catechists, and theologians.

**KEVIN BOURASSA** serves as liturgical associate at St. Mary Cathedral Parish Community in Saginaw, MI. Kevin also works in the Office of Liturgy for the Diocese of Saginaw as a music resource coordinator. He has been involved with music ministry for twenty years.

**RICK CONWAY** is a priest of the Archdiocese of Boston and is currently the pastor of Saint Robert Bellarmine Parish in Andover, MA. He has been involved in initiation ministry for over 20 years. Rick has worked in parish ministry in Massachusetts and Florida and has presented workshops on initiation and preached retreats and parish missions throughout the United States.

**GAEL GENSLER, OSF** is pastoral associate for St. Julie Billiart Parish, Tinley Park, IL. She has been involved in adult initiation for twenty-five years. Gael served on the Forum staff

## DATES AND DEADLINES

Institute dates: November 11-14, 2004

Registration deadline: September 30, 2004

## INSTITUTE TIMEFRAME\*

BEGINNING OF DAY		SESSIONS / MEALS / PRAYER	END OF DAY
<b>Day One</b>	* <b>Day previous:</b> 4:00 PM Check-in for Lodgers / Registration Starts for All	9:00 AM—9: PM Opening Session / Forming a Community of Disciples For the Life of the World / Pre-catechumenat / Celebration of an adapted <i>Rite of Acceptance</i>	9:00 PM Reception
<b>Day Two</b>	9:00 AM	9:00 AM—9:00 PM Period of the Catechumenate / Celebration of the Word with <i>Rite of Dismissal</i> / Celebration of an adapted <i>Rite of Election</i>	9:00 PM Social
<b>Day Three</b>	8:30 AM	8:30 AM—9:00 PM Period of Purification & Enlightenment / Celebration of an <i>adaptation of a Scrutiny</i> / Celebration of the Initiation Sacraments: An Overview / Celebration of the Sunday Eucharist	9:00 PM Social
<b>Day Four</b>	9:00 AM	9:00 AM—3:30 PM The Period of Mystagogy	3:30 PM Closing and Departure

\*Detailed schedule will be included in confirmation packet\*

- Liturgical Celebrations
- Breakout/Dialogue sessions to explore specific topics and participant concerns
- Large and Small Group Sessions

and is a Forum Team member. She is a co-author of the *Foundations in Faith series* (Resources for Christian Living) and presents and writes on initiation topics.

**LEO KEEGAN** is the director of liturgy at St. Maria Goretti Parish in San Jose, CA. Leo has also been a liturgical consultant for the Archdiocese of Chicago, Boston College, and national conferences throughout the country. Leo specializes in liturgical renewal, initiation and the performing arts.

**DONNA MOSTILLER** serves as the coordinator for Christian

initiation at St. Martin de Porres Parish in Buffalo, NY and as a member of the Buffalo Diocesan Catechumenate Board. Donna is also the human resources manager for the YWCA Western New York.

## REGISTRATION

Forum Registration  
 Phone: 202-529-9493 ext. 26  
 Fax: 202-529-9497  
 Email: info@naforum.org

## LOCAL COORDINATOR

**JOAN SUPEL, OP**  
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 jsupel@dioceseofgreensburg.org

# REGISTRATION INFORMATION

## REGISTRATION FEE

Tuition is **\$225 per person**. The North American Forum offers discounts for early registration and to parish teams of three or more.

### EARLY BIRD DISCOUNT

Save \$15 by registering before August 11.

### PARISH TEAM DISCOUNT

Save \$10 per person when you register 3 or more participants from the same parish at one time. Complete and enclose one form for each participant.

### LATE FEE

After September 30, call the Forum office to find out if space is still available. Add \$30 per person.

In addition to tuition, each person pays a **\$125 facility and meals fee**.

Meals	Breakfast	Lunch	Dinner	Snacks	Receptions/ Socials
Day One	For Lodgers	●	●	●	●
Day Two	For Lodgers	●	●	●	●
Day Three	For Lodgers	●	●	●	●
Day Four	For Lodgers	●		●	

## OVERNIGHT LODGING (3 nights + breakfast)

### Single Rooms

Dorm B..... \$75.50  
Dorm C..... \$97.10

### Double Rooms

Dorm B..... \$60.65  
Dorm C..... \$75.50

*\* If you register for a double room and do not indicate a roommate on the registration form, the Local Coordinator will assign a roommate for you\**

## RITUAL TEXT

**You must bring a copy of *The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults* (1988 Study Edition) to the institute.** Please bring your own text, or reserve a copy by including payment of \$17.00 with your registration. Your reserved copy will be available when you check in for the institute.

## CONFIRMATION

On completion of your registration, a confirmation packet will be mailed to you. It will contain additional information and specific instructions on how you should prepare for the institute. The packet will also include a detailed institute schedule and directions to *St. Joseph Center*.

***Please be reminded: you are not registered for this institute until payment is complete. Once fees are paid in full, you will receive your confirmation packet within 4 weeks of registering. Please contact Forum Registration at (202) 529-9493 ext. 26 for questions***

## SCHOLARSHIPS

Limited financial assistance is available through the Christiane Brusselmans Memorial Scholarship Fund. For an application, please call Forum (202) 529-9493 ext. 25. The application deadline is **August 11**.

## CANCELLATIONS AND REFUNDS

All requests for cancellations **must be submitted in writing**. Include your name, address, the institute and institute location and date. You can fax (202-529-9497) your notification or mail it to the following address:

*The North American Forum  
on the Catechumenate  
3033 Fourth Street NE  
Washington, DC 20017-1102*

After certain dates, some funds are committed to administrative fees or accommodations and cannot be recovered for refunds. Refunds are granted as follows:

### TUITION

80% refund for cancellations before October 28  
50% refund for cancellations on or after October 28

### ROOM AND/OR FACILITY & MEALS

\$25 non-refundable fee for cancellations  
No refund for cancellations on or after November 4

**NOTE: We reserve the right to cancel an institute due to extenuating circumstances such as low registration. Should this occur you will receive a full refund.**

