

Explore Solutions, Best Practices, and Resources for Dynamic Adolescent Catechesis!

# Imagine...



- ⇒ **Youth in your community learning and growing in faith** in ways that help them connect the wisdom of faith with their everyday lives and choices.
- ⇒ **Families of adolescents sharing faith and praying as a family** with confidence.
- ⇒ **Your parish community acting from a common vision** to help develop dynamic adolescent catechesis.
- ⇒ **Your team being equipped and empowered** to plan and implement a curriculum for adolescent catechesis using innovative learning methods and varied settings for faith formation.

## Envisioning *and* Planning *for* Adolescent Catechesis

A Course of the *Institute in Lifelong Faith Formation*  
sponsored by The Center for Ministry Development

You are invited to participate in

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Vision, Skills, and Resources to Implement Dynamic Adolescent Catechesis

July 19-23, 2009

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**By participating in this week, leaders will be equipped** to **communicate a vision** for adolescent catechesis and will be prepared to use the resources provided by the Institute to **plan and implement dynamic catechesis** for youth using all of the resources of the faith community.

**The course is designed especially for parish leaders** in catechesis and adolescent ministries: Directors of Religious Education, Coordinators of Youth Ministry, Coordinators of Confirmation Preparation and Sacramental Preparation for Adolescents, Catechists for Adolescents.

*Envision and Planning for Adolescent Catechesis* is part of the National Institute in Lifelong Faith Formation which includes three other courses:

- ⇒ Catechizing for Discipleship, July 19 - 23
- ⇒ Fashioning Lifelong Faith Formation, July 26 - 30
- ⇒ Fostering Learning in a Community of Disciples, July 26 -30

**For additional information about these courses, go online to: [www.cmdnet.org](http://www.cmdnet.org)**

## Course Topics

### Foundations of Adolescent Catechesis

Explore the vision and scope of catechesis and the state of adolescent catechesis, and learn from recent research of best practices.

### Adolescents Learning and Growing in Faith

Recognize the different learning styles and how the cognitive changes that happen during adolescence impact learning. Explore adolescent development and the social-cultural context for faith formation.

### Teaching about Faith and Discipleship

Learn methods for teaching and facilitating faith growth and building a community of faith learners. Explore teaching as a vocation.

### Curriculum for Adolescent Catechesis

Identify the resources that already exist in your community within all the settings for faith formation. Develop a parish plan for implementing the six tasks for catechesis in a way that utilizes the Doctrinal Framework for Adolescent Catechesis as well as local and broader Church documents that guide curriculum.

### Faith Sessions for Adolescents

Develop catechetical experiences that will accomplish cognitive, behavioral and attitudinal objectives and address the diverse learning needs of young people. This topic will also explore new ways to engage faith learners and help leaders gain confidence in selecting, adapting, and using resources.

### Catechists for Adolescents

Explore the different roles that adults can play in catechesis, and learn effective ways for selecting, inviting, training, and supporting catechists.

**Special Opportunity:** We invite you to join us on Friday, July 24th for a retreat day at the National Shrine of Our Lady of the Snows. By participating in the day, you will have the opportunity to:

- ⇒ Re-discover your pastoral call through walking with Mary in Scripture.
- ⇒ Do theological reflection on the movement of the Spirit in your life—personally and professionally.
- ⇒ Renew your spirit through prayer, song and quiet reflection.
- ⇒ Receive the resources you need to offer this retreat to people in your own faith community.

# Envisioning *and* Planning for Adolescent Catechesis

## Faculty

The team of presenters for the Institute is made up of veteran teachers and practitioners in adolescent catechesis and youth ministry, who have experience in national, diocesan, and parish settings of church life.

### Tom East

*Director, Center for Ministry Development*

Tom holds a Master of Arts degree in Religious Studies from Mount St. Mary's College in Los Angeles. Tom previously served as the director of youth ministry and the associate director for the Office of Religious Education for the Archdiocese of Los Angeles. Tom served as author and editor for *Call to Faith – A Thematic Approach to Young Adolescent Catechesis*, published by Houghton Mifflin Harcourt Religion Publishers.



### Mariette Martineau

*Project Coordinator for Family & Intergenerational Services*

Mariette coordinates Generations of Faith Online, Fashion Me a People, and is a faculty member of the Institute for Lifelong Faith Formation. Mariette is the former director of Canadian Ministry Support Services. Her ministry education includes a Certificate in Youth Ministry Studies, an Advanced Certificate in Youth Ministry, a Masters in Pastoral Studies, and a Certificate in Adult Education. Mariette co-authored the *Celebrating the Sacraments and Responding in Prayer* intergenerational sessions and magazines for the *People of Faith: Generations Learning Together* series from Harcourt Religion Publishers. She also co-authored the *Total Youth Ministry Resource, Ministry Resources for Evangelization*, published by Saint Mary's Press.

**Register now – space is limited to 50 participants.**

## Course Information

**Location:** *Envisioning and Planning for Adolescent Catechesis* will be held at the National Shrine of Our Lady of the Snows in Belleville, Illinois, on July 19-23. The Shrine offers a peaceful atmosphere on over 200 beautifully landscaped acres with full, modern facilities. Participants can fly into the St. Louis Airport. The Shrine is twenty minutes away from the airport by car. The address is: 412 South De Mazenod Drive, Belleville, Illinois 62223-1023. The toll-free number is 800-682-2879, and the website address is [www.snows.org](http://www.snows.org).

**Schedule:** The courses meet Sunday evening from 7:00 am to 9:30 pm, and Monday through Thursday from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm. The retreat day will be offered from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm on Friday, July 17th.

**Fees:** The Institute fee is \$350.00 plus the cost of books. The course binder is included in the registration cost. A meal plan can also be purchased for \$135.00, and includes lunches Monday through Thursday, dinner on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday, and refreshments. The retreat fee is \$75.00, which includes lunch and all materials needed to do the retreat back home.



**Housing:** Contact the hotel at Our Lady of the Snows directly (800-682-2879) to make your reservation. The room rate is \$70.70 per room for one to four people (\$79.89 with taxes included). Make sure you tell the reservation agent you are with the Center for Ministry Development. A continental breakfast is provided.

**Graduate Credit:** Graduate credit is available. Contact Joan Weber ([joanweber@cmdnet.org](mailto:joanweber@cmdnet.org), 402-558-6113) for information.

**Cancellation Policy:** Cancellations will be accepted through June 30, 2009, less the \$50 non-refundable deposit. No refunds will be available for cancellations received after June 30th.

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## Registration Information

Please register at least one month prior to the course, using one registration form per person. Payment in full of all course/retreat fees and meal plan fees is due by **June 30th**. Space is limited to 50 participants per course. Registrations will be confirmed on a first come, first served basis.

To register, choose from these options:

- ⇒ Fax the registration form with credit card information to 203-723-1624
- ⇒ Mail the registration form with payment to CMD, PO Box 699, Naugatuck, CT 06770
- ⇒ Register by phone by calling toll-free: 888-723-2433

### Envisioning and Planning for Adolescent Catechesis Registration Form

Name \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

Title / Role \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ I plan to attend *Envisioning and Planning for Adolescent Catechesis*, July 19 - 23 (\$350)

**Do you wish to register for the meal plan (\$135)?** \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No

**Do you wish to register for the retreat day (\$75, including lunch)?** \_\_\_\_\_ Retreat Day, Friday, July 24

Parish / Organization \_\_\_\_\_ Daytime Phone: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Please select one:  Parish Address  Home Address

Street Address \_\_\_\_\_

City/ State / Zip \_\_\_\_\_

A non-refundable fee of \$50 is required to hold your space. You can pay that and receive an invoice for the balance, or include the full amount with your registration form. Please select one:

- I am enclosing a check made payable to the Center for Ministry Development.  \$50 deposit  full payment of \$\_\_\_\_\_
- Please charge my payment to the following credit card:  \$50 deposit  full payment of \$\_\_\_\_\_

Visa or  MasterCard # \_\_\_\_\_ Expiration Date \_\_\_\_\_ 3-digit security code \_\_\_\_\_

Name as it appears on card (please print) \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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