

2008 - 2009

PASTORAL STUDIES INSTITUTE  
SCHEDULE

THE ADULT EDUCATION PROGRAM  
OF THE DIOCESE OF TULSA  
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## ***Mission Statement***

As the Diocese of Tulsa looks upon tomorrow's horizon, we see the Pastoral Studies Institute as a flourishing entity. Forming heart, mind, and soul from conception to natural death, the program will educate students for life. The Pastoral Studies Institute will help provide students with the knowledge and skills to succeed personally and professionally. Students, with confidence, will rise to the challenge of being peer ministers, religious educators, youth directors, and parish coordinators. Students will come as individuals and leave as a renewed and enriched faith group. Networking will occur as participation in the program leads to group discussions and faith building excellence.

## ***Statement of Purpose***

To offer adult education as conveniently as possible in the Diocese of Tulsa, the Pastoral Studies Institute will provide the necessary educational opportunities for those individuals seeking to further their knowledge of the Catholic faith. The PSI was developed as a response to the profound and on-going need of the Catholic Church in Eastern Oklahoma, at the initiative of the Diocesan Religious Formation Department. Newman University in response to that initiative and in support of the life and ministry of the Church in Oklahoma, has collaborated with the Department of Religious Formation to provide a solid foundation in Catholic theology to educate, nourish, strengthen, and renew the Catholic faith and church in Oklahoma.

## ***What Is the Pastoral Studies Institute?***

The Pastoral Studies Institute (PSI) is the adult formation program of the Diocese of Tulsa. Divided into four tracks or "prongs", this program of education and formation is offered to all adults in the Diocese. Those adults who are interested in studying the teachings of the Catholic Church at a college level are invited to consider obtaining a bachelor's degree in Pastoral Ministry through the Pastoral Studies Institute.

## *First Track*

### ***Bachelor's Degree***

#### Bachelor of Pastoral Ministry Degree,

##### *Newman University in Wichita*

Newman University, in cooperation with the Pastoral Studies Institute, offers this degree in Pastoral Ministry for adults in the Diocese of Tulsa. Individuals who already have one bachelor's degree can take the required thirty (30) hours of theology course work and receive a second bachelor's degree in Pastoral Ministry. Those who have some college credit can enter this program, but other degree requirements will apply. Call the PSI Office at 307-4919 and speak with Joey Spencer for more information.

## *Second Track*

### ***Adult Studies***

The second PSI track offers short-term "minicourses" on a variety of interesting topics from Church history and Scripture to Canon Law. These classes and lectures are solely for personal faith enrichment and not for college credit. Classes range from one-night sessions to six-week sessions, depending on the topic.

## *Third Track*

### ***Classes in Catholic Spirituality***

The third "prong" offered by the PSI consists of mini-courses designed to deepen the interior life of the participants by strengthening their prayer life and their understanding of the Church's liturgy as man's highest worship of the Father. From time to time, pilgrimages and even retreats will be offered.

## *Fourth Track*

### ***Diocesan Catechetical Certification (Adult Faith Enrichment)***

While anyone who is interested in adult faith enrichment can enroll in this program, it is specifically designed around the needs of those who are currently engaged in pastoral ministry (*such as directors and coordinators of parish religious education programs, catechists and youth ministers*) and who would

like to obtain their Diocesan Catechetical Certification. This program consists of a certain amount of theological reading, which is followed by the student's answering specific questions. These answers are then discussed by an appointed group facilitator. These modules are offered twice a month.

## ***Here are answers to the most frequently asked questions regarding the PSI***

**Q. What do I do if I want information on just one of the PSI programs?**

**A.** Contact the PSI Office at 307-4919 or email [psi@dioceseoftulsa.org](mailto:psi@dioceseoftulsa.org)

**Q. Who can take PSI classes?**

**A.** Any interested adult! The PSI offers classes for adults who are eager to earn a college degree in Catholic theology, but those who simply want to learn more about their faith to live it more deeply are also encouraged to enroll in either credit or non-credit classes. People who are not enrolled in a degree program but who are interested in a particular subject which is being taught as a college level credit class may audit the class.

**Q. What is the tuition for attending these classes?**

**A.** Most non-credit classes are offered free of charge or with only a small registration fee. Please check each class listing for specific information. Credit cards are now being accepted.

**Q. Are scholarships available?**

**A.** Yes! The Catholic Foundation of Eastern Oklahoma, Inc., offers scholarship help to students from the Diocese of Tulsa who are enrolled in the bachelor's degree program. **Students must be enrolled in nine hours (three courses) to qualify.** Call the PSI Office for more information.

**Q. Where are the PSI classes taught?**

**A.** Both credit and non-credit personal enrichment classes are generally taught at the main campus of the PSI, located at the Church of the Madalene, 3188 East 22<sup>nd</sup> Street, Tulsa. Some classes this year will be taught at the Diocesan Chancery Office, 12300 East 91<sup>st</sup> Street, Broken Arrow. Please check the individual class listing for details.

**Q. Why would someone consider taking these classes?**

**A.** To be a better, more informed Catholic. The lay faithful have the right to

acquire a true knowledge of their faith, so that they can live it better, defend it when necessary and be capable of assuming a leadership role in the New Evangelization. With this in mind, many PSI students attend classes to prepare for some apostolic work, to advance in the interior life or to be a better servant in the parish, whether their service be in the field of religious education, RCIA, youth ministry, social justice or the liturgy.

**Q. When are classes held?**

**A.** This catalog lists classes which are scheduled from August of 2008 to May of 2009. More detailed semester calendar dates are listed under each degree program and non-credit dates are included with the class description.

**Q. Who teaches these classes?**

**A.** Most of the instructors are from the Diocese of Tulsa. Most of our instructors have at least a master's degree in theology, religious studies, or spirituality.

**Q. Is there a library for research?**

**A.** The Diocesan Library is housed at the main campus of the PSI, at the Church of the Madalene. Open usually in the evenings when classes are in session, the library may also be accessed during the day by asking the parish secretary for entrance. Patrons may also browse the library through the following link: <http://library.dioceseoftulsa.org>

**Q. How can I register or enroll?**

**A.** Contact the PSI Office...

- [psi@dioceseoftulsa.org](mailto:psi@dioceseoftulsa.org)

*for general information or to register or enroll in a class*

- **by phone (918) 307-4941** • **by mail**

*PSI Office, Diocese of Tulsa PO Box 690240 Tulsa, Oklahoma 74169-0240*

- **in person**

*PSI Office, Chancery Office, "B" Building 12300 East 91st Street  
South Broken Arrow, Oklahoma 74012*

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## Registration Options:

### Early Admission Option

*For high school seniors at Newman University*

High school students who wish to enroll in university courses prior to completing their secondary school program may receive credit through Newman University if they meet these requirements:

- a 3.0 cumulative average at the end of the junior year;
- a recommendation from the principal or high school guidance counselor;
- a completed admission application, including the \$15 application fee and official high school transcript.

### Transfer Credit

*For adults currently in a degree program*

College students currently enrolled in a degree program at another university may wish to take courses in the PSI degree program and have their credit hours transferred and applied to their degree requirements. Credit classes offered by the PSI may be used as elective credits or as a humanities credit in most programs.

### Degree Students

Adults may enroll in classes leading to a Bachelor's Degree in Pastoral Ministry.

### Non-Degree Students

Students may also audit credit classes which are of interest to them without intending to pursue a degree.

### Personal Faith Enrichment Students

Adults interested in taking non-credit courses for their personal faith enrichment are welcome to enroll in any of the Faith Enrichment classes listed in this 2008-2009 catalog.

# *Your Bachelor's Degree in Pastoral Ministry*

## **From Newman University in Wichita**

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### **Registration:**

Individuals may enter this program at any semester and may enroll in as many or as few classes as they like for credit or non-credit (audit) status. See below for class enrollment deadlines.

### **Tuition:**

Tuition for a traditional class with 3 hours of credit is \$150. To audit a credit class costs \$50. Tuition for a one hour credit class is also \$50. There is a one time new student reistration fee of \$15.

### **Course Time and Length:**

See the individual class listing for time and length.

**Registration in advance is strongly encouraged as classes may be cancelled for lack of enrollment. ALL classes require advance enrollment. Check individual listings.**

## ***ACADEMIC CALENDAR***

### **Academic Calendar for Fall 2008**

Semester begins and ends: August 23–December 13

Last day to enroll in classes: September 5

Last day to withdraw with 100% refund: September 5

Last day to drop a class with a “W”: November 14

Final Exams: December 9–13

### **Academic Calendar for Spring 2009**

Semester begins and ends: January 20–May 14

Last day to enroll in classes: January 30

Last day to withdraw with 100% refund: January 30

Last day to drop a class with a “W”: April 17

Final Exams: May 11-14

*FALL 2008 SEMESTER*  
*Bachelor's Degree Program*  
*Newman University*

## CREDIT CLASSES

### **THEO 2023 Theology of the Church**

A study of the nature of the Church as it has been understood through the centuries. The course begins with the New Testament, progresses through the Fathers of the Church, examines the ecclesiology of Vatican II and concludes with a study of post-Vatican II theologies of the Church.

**Course Length:** 16 weeks

**Day & Time:** **Mondays**, 6:30-9:15p

**Instructor:** Deacon John Donnelly, J.D.

**Room:** Aquinas Hall, Church of the Madalene

### **THEO 4883 Praying the Gospels: A *Lectio Divina* Interpretation of Selected Scriptures, Part I**

This year Bishop Edward Slattery introduced in the EOC the *Lectio Divina*, an ancient method of interpretation that emphasizes a personal interpretation and application of the Scriptures. This course will provide an informed hands-on practice of the *Lectio Divina* with the goal of blending the best of faith and scholarship. Instruction will also include a workshop with an authority on the *Lectio* method, Dr. Carol Johnson. Dr. James Shelton, a Gospels scholar, will provide lectures on the passages chosen for study. Join us as we follow our Bishop's call to experience the "divine readings".

**Course Length:** 16 weeks      **Day and Time:** **Mondays**, 6:30-9:15p

**Instructor:** Dr. James Shelton, Ph.D.      **Location:** Benedictine Hall, Church of the Madalene

### **THEO 2003 Introduction to Doctrine**

A course that examines the elements which comprise a Catholic-Christian vision of God, world and self. Using the *Catechism of the Catholic Church* as the primary text, students will reflect theologically on the Creed (belief), the Sacraments (public worship), the Commandments (morality), and the Our

Father (prayer). Students will also be exposed to the various methods used in contemporary theological study.

**Course Length:** 16 weeks

**Day & Time:** **Wednesdays**, 6:30-9:15p

**Instructor:** Erick Bell, M.T.S.

**Location:** Chancery Office

### **THEO 4023 Theology and Methods of Ministry**

This course offers a foundational theology of ministry rooted in Baptism. Particular focus will be given to the role of the laity in ministry and various types of ministry will be explored. This course provides experience and formation to enable the student to learn a variety of ministerial skills.

**Course Length:** 16 weeks

**Day & Time:** **Wednesdays**, 6:30-9:15p

**Instructor:** Joey Spencer, M.T.S.

**Location:** Chancery Office

### **THEO 4883 History and Theology of the Mass, Part I**

This class will be an in-depth study of the historical and theological background to the development of the liturgy of the Church from the worship and ritual of late Judaism through the 3rd century. Particular attention will be focused on the worship of late Judaism, Jesus' attitude towards late worship in Judaism, Gospel accounts and Theological developments of the first three centuries of Christianity.

**Day:** 2nd & 4th **Saturdays**, Aug. 30, Sept 13, 27; Oct. 11, 25; Nov. 8, 22 & Dec. 6

**Time:** 9:00am – 12:00pm **Instructor:** Abbot Marcel Rooney, O.S.B.

**Location:** St. Scholastica Hall, Church of Saint Benedict, Broken Arrow

### **THEO 3003 Christian Morality and Social Issues**

A study of basic Christian beliefs about the origin, destiny and meaning of the person, the nature of Christian life as the fundamental commitment to follow Christ, and the moral principles that flow from this. Students will explore the importance of moral “self-determination” through free choices and will explore how appropriate moral choices are made within the Christian faith commitment. Contemporary moral issues will be studied and analyzed from a Christian perspective.

**Course Length:** 8 weeks      **Day and Time:** **Saturdays**, Aug 23-Oct 18,  
8:00am – 12:00pm      **Instructor:** Chris Stewart, M.T.S.

**Location:** Rother Room, Church of the Madalene

## Spring 2009 Semester

### Newman University

#### **THEO 4883 Praying the Gospels: A *Lectio Divina* Interpretation of Selected Scriptures, Part II**

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**Course Length:** 16 weeks      **Day and Time:** **Mondays**, 6:30-9:15p  
**Instructor:** Dr. James Shelton, Ph.D.      **Location:** Benedictine Hall, Church of the Madalene

#### **THEO 4053 Creeds and Faith**

A study of the Catholic community's endeavors to adequately articulate and systematize its beliefs through the centuries. Sociological, political and theological factors which contributed to particular historical and contemporary creedal statements, as well as the implications of those statements, will be considered.

**Course Length:** 16 weeks      **Day and Time:** Wednesdays, 6:30-9:15p  
**Instructor:** Chris King, M.T.S.

**Location:** Chancery Office

#### **THEO 4883 Gospel of John**

Throughout this class we will explore various historical, literary, and theological aspects of the fourth Gospel, as well as its relationship to the synoptic Gospels. Particular attention will be paid to the structure, themes, symbols and terminology of the fourth Gospel while at the same time investigating the history and development of the Johannine Community in its first-century context.

**Course Length:** 16 weeks      **Day and Time:** Thursdays, 6:30-9:15p  
**Instructor:** Rev. Msgr. Patrick Brankin, M.Div.

**Location:** Benedictine Hall, Church of the Madalene

### **THEO 4883 Fundamental Apologetics**

Fundamental Apologetics seeks to give the reasons for what we believe as Catholic Christians. This course examines the foundations for belief, the authoritative sources for belief and the modern problems associated with belief. Usually when people today hear the term 'apologetics' they think of the ongoing Protestant-Catholic dialogue, while this course will delve into those issues, it will also examine the reasons why we believe in God, the human soul, the necessity of religion, and the credibility of Revelation. Consideration is also given to how apologetics is related to faith, theology, catechesis, liturgy and the Church's mission. While not being specifically a 'methods' class, some time will be given to how it is that we should properly share our Faith.

**Course Length:** 8 weeks      **Day and Time:** **Saturdays**, Jan. 24 – March 14, 8:00am – 12:00pm

**Instructor:** Chris Stewart, M.T.S.

**Location:** Rother Room, Church of the Madalene

### **THEO 4883 History and Theology of the Mass, Part II**

This class will be an in-depth study of the historical and theological background to the development of the liturgy of the Church from the 4th Century to the present. Particular attention will be given to the development of the Eucharistic celebration in the 4th and 5th century, the medieval period, texts of the Eucharistic Liturgy, the growth of Monasticism Developments of Church Councils, the Counter-Reformation, Rubricism, and the 19th and 20th Century Liturgical Renewal.

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                 May 9 Time: 9:00am – 12:00pm Instructor: Abbot Marcel Rooney,  
                 O.S.B.

**Location:** St. Scholastica Hall, Church of Saint Benedict, Broken Arrow

# ***FAMILY LIFE LECTURE SERIES***

## **MAN AND WOMAN IN THE PLAN OF GOD**

### ***Celebrating God's beautiful plan for marriage***

The key to a life-long, joy-filled marriage is understanding God's plan for marriage and

the unique dignity of man and woman as God's beloved creatures. We must understand and appreciate the beauty of their differences. This presentation will examine God's plan for marriage from a scriptural perspective and the unique vocation of both husband and wife so that couple's will experience the rich, joy-filled life together that they desire and God desires for them!

By Christian and Christine Meert

The Meert's have been married for 31 years and have five daughters. They are the Directors of the Marriage and Family Life Office in Colorado Springs.

Spend the evening out as a couple and enjoy a delicious dessert from the Mexican Bakery of Tulsa!

Date: Saturday, August 16

Location: Parish Hall, Church of the Madalene

Time: 7:00 – 9:00pm

Please RSVP by Thursday, August 14 by calling the Family Life Office at 307-4939 or email at [familylife.office@dioceseoftulsa.org](mailto:familylife.office@dioceseoftulsa.org). Childcare is available with an RSVP.

The Diocese of Tulsa presents its  
31st Annual Catechetical Conference  
which is a

***CONFIRMATION SYMPOSIUM***

August 22-23

Tulsa Marriott Southern Hills

***The Keynote Presenter will be Most Rev. Samuel J. Aquila, D.D.  
of the Diocese of Fargo North Dakota***

Friday, August 22, 2008

2:00-4:00 p.m. VIRTUS "Touching Safety" Training

Pat Neal & Alana Fischer

6:00-6:45 p.m. Registration

7:00 p.m. Vespers

7:30 p.m. General Session

Keynote Address

***Most Rev. Samuel J. Aquila, D.D.***

9:00 p.m. Social Time

Saturday, August 23, 2008

7:30-8:30 a.m. Registration

Continental Breakfast

8:45 a.m. Morning Prayer

9:00 a.m. General Session

Keynote Address

***Most Rev. Samuel J. Aquila, D.D.***

10:00 a.m. Break

10:15 a.m. Round-Table Discussion Groups

- 11:15 a.m. Break
- 11:30 a.m. Summary Reports
- 12:00 p.m. Break
- 12:15 p.m. Mass
- 1:15 p.m. Lunch
- 2:00 p.m. Roundtable Discussion Groups
- 3:00 p.m. Break
- 3:15 p.m. Summary Reports: Round Table Groups
- 4:00 p.m. Closing Prayer

## **Keynote Presentations:**

### **Friday: The Sacrament of Confirmation:**

The Sacrament of Confirmation – The Second Vatican Council called for the rite of Confirmation to be revised so that “the intimate connection this sacrament has with the whole of Christian initiation is to be more clearly set forth” (SC 71). *The Catechism of the Catholic Church* teaches that “The sacraments of Christian initiation—Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist—lay the *foundations* of every Christian life” (CCC 1212). This talk will review the history and theology of Confirmation as a sacrament and its place as a sacrament of initiation.

### **Saturday: The Practical Implications of Confirmation as a Sacrament of Initiation:**

The Practical Implications of Confirmation as a Sacrament of Initiation – With the clear teaching of the Church on Confirmation as a sacrament of initiation, this talk will explore the catechetical and placement implications of the sacrament in relationship to the Eucharist. It will also explore ongoing formation of young people who receive Confirmation at an early age.

### **Bishop Aquila's Biography**

Samuel J. Aquila was born on September 24, 1950, in Burbank, California. He was ordained to the priesthood in Denver, Colorado, on June 5, 1976, and served in parish ministry for 11 years. In 1987, he began graduate studies at San Anselmo University in Rome, earning a Sacramental Theology Licentiate in 1990.

He served as Director for the Office of Liturgy and Master of Ceremonies in the Archdiocese of Denver from 1990 until 1995. He served the Archdiocese as Co-director for Continuing Education for Priests, as an advisor to the Bishop's Committee on the Liturgy, and as Assistant Secretary for Catholic Education before being named Secretary for Catholic Education, a position he held from 1995 until 1999. He then served as the first Rector of St. John Vianney Seminary in Denver and Chief Executive Officer of Our Lady of the New Advent Theological Institute. In 2000, he was

named a Prelate of Honor by Pope John Paul II, receiving the honorary title of Monsignor.

He was appointed Coadjutor Bishop of Fargo on June 12, 2001, and his Episcopal Ordination Mass was celebrated at St. Mary's Cathedral in Fargo on August 24, 2001. Bishop Aquila succeeded to the See on March 18, 2002, upon the retirement of Bishop James Sullivan. On February 24, 2005, he was named Interim Administrator for the Diocese of Sioux Falls. He served in this position, in addition to serving as the Bishop of Fargo, until Most Rev. Paul J. Swain was ordained as the new bishop of the Diocese of Sioux Falls on October 26, 2006.

Bishop Aquila serves on the Bishops' Advisory Council for the Institute for Priestly Formation. He is also a member of several United States Conference of Catholic Bishops committees.

# Adult Studies Minicourses

## September

### The Tridentine Rite From Vatican II to the Present

There has been a lot of interest in the Tridentine Rite commonly called the Latin Mass. This class will cover the history of the Tridentine Rite since the Second Vatican Council, and will cover topics which effected the use of the Tridentine Rite such as Vatican II and the Liturgical reforms which followed. Other topics to be discussed will be the Schism of Archbishop Lefebvre, the founding of the F.S.S.P. (Priestly Fraternity of St. Peter) and Church documents such as Pope John Paul II's Motu Proprio *Ecclesia Dei* and Pope Benedict XVI's Motu Proprio *Summorum Pontificum*.

Instructor: Father Peter Byrne, F.S.S.P.

Dates: Thursday, Sept. 4

Time: 7-8:30pm

Room: Aquinas Hall, Church of the Madalene

### Confessions of Saint Augustine

This course will briefly take participants over the main areas of the *Confessions of St. Augustine of Hippo* (354-430 AD), one of the most influential teachers of the Western Church. The *Confessions* constitutes a reflection of the interior struggle which every person goes through in seeking to achieve fulfillment, discover the truth, and accept the gift of faith. Augustine's experience serves as a mirror in which to see and examine our own views, relationships, and the individual and social problems of our times.

Instructor: Father Ted Tack, O.S.A.

Dates: Tuesdays, Sept 9, 16, 23, 30, Oct 7

Time: 7-8:30pm

Room: Aquinas Hall, Church of the Madalene

Text: *Confessions*, by Saint Augustine. Translated by R.S. Pine-Coffin. Penguin Classics: 1961-1987. **(Books will be for sale at class.)**

## **Parable**

**(need description)**

Instructor: Msgr. Patrick Brankin, M.Div.

Dates: Thursday, Sept. 18

Time: 7-8:30pm

Room: Aquinas Hall, Church of the Madalene

## **Women's Daytime Scripture Study:**

### **Women of the New Testament**

Enter into discussion and prayer about expectant faith, what it means to be touched by Jesus, and the meaning of discipleship through the lives of the women who lived in the first generation of Christianity. (8 sessions)

Date: Wednesdays, September 17 – November 5

Time: 9:00am – 11:15am

Cost: \$15

Location: Church of the Madalene

## **Parable**

**(need description)**

Instructor: Msgr. Patrick Brankin, M.Div.

Dates: Thursday, Sept. 25

Time: 7-8:30pm

Room: Aquinas Hall, Church of the Madalene

## **October**

### **Reconciliation and Penance**

**(need description)**

Instructor: Msgr. Patrick Brankin, M.Div.

Dates: Thursdays, Oct. 2, 9, 16 & 23

Time: 7-8:30pm

Room: Aquinas Hall, Church of the Madalene

### **Catholic Issues in an Election Year**

Right in time for the election, an abbreviated version of his popular four night class which was taught in the spring, this one night class will focus on the issues which will be hotly debated in the public square leading up to the election. What should Catholics consider before casting their vote? Father Brian O'Brien will present the latest Catholic thoughts on issues such as abortion and life issues, stem cell research, immigration and just war theory.

Instructor: Rev. Brian O'Brien, M.Div.

Dates: Tuesday, Oct. 14

Time: 7-8:30pm

Room: Aquinas Hall, Church of the Madalene

### **The New Eastern Oklahoma Catholic Magazine – Learn all the Who's, What's, When's, and Wherefore's!**

On November 29, the *Eastern Oklahoma Catholic Newspaper* will give way to a 32-page magazine printed in full color 10 times a year. Join editor Marilyn Duck, reporter/photographer Dave Crenshaw and diocesan webmaster Chris Boulton as they walk you through the pages of the magazine, introducing you to new features and new columnists. Learn how communication will change in the 21<sup>st</sup> century and the necessary interface between the diocesan website and our magazine. If you write bulletin announcements for your parish, school or society, you can learn valuable tips that will make editors glad to print your news. For more information, call Marilyn Duck at 307-4946 or email her at [easternoklahomacatholic@dioceseoftulsa.org](mailto:easternoklahomacatholic@dioceseoftulsa.org).

Facilitator: Marilyn Duck

Dates: Tuesday, Oct. 21

Time: 7-8:30pm

Room: Benedictine Hall, Church of the Madalene

## **November**

### **Parable**

**(need description)**

Instructor: Msgr. Patrick Brankin, M.Div.

Dates: Thursday, Nov. 13

Time: 7-8:30pm

Room: Aquinas Hall, Church of the Madalene

## **Parable**

**(need description)**

Instructor: Msgr. Patrick Brankin, M.Div.

Dates: Thursday, Nov. 20

Time: 7-8:30pm

Room: Aquinas Hall, Church of the Madalene

## **December**

### **Advent in Sacred Art**

This class will take a look at the story of Advent as it has been depicted over the centuries in sacred art. Following the story in Matthew and Luke, we will take a visual tour of how the birth of Christ from the Annunciation to the Presentation in the Temple has been expressed through the medium of the visual arts.

Instructor: Joey Spencer, M.T.S.

Date: Thursday, Dec 4

Time: 7-8:30pm

Room: Aquinas Hall, Church of the Madalene

### **Our Lady of Guadalupe**

This class will focus on the history behind the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe which falls on December 12. It will be a presentation of the story behind the 1531 apparition to Blessed Juan Diego and his miraculous cloak on which is

imprinted the picture of Our Lady of Guadalupe. The cloak has been preserved in Mexico City to this day.

Instructor: Deacon John Donnelly, J.D.

Date: Thursday, Dec 11

Time: 7-8:30pm

Room: Aquinas Hall, Church of the Madalene

## January

### Women's Daytime Bible Study

The Exodus is the central event of the Old Testament. Its themes of liberation, wilderness, passover, covenant, and God's dwelling are central for the whole Bible. (10 lessons)

Date: Wednesdays, January 14 – March 8

Time: 9:00am – 11:15am

Cost: \$15

Location: Church of the Madalene

## February

### Introduction to the Catechism of the Catholic Church

Have you ever wanted to know what was in the Catechism but didn't have time to tackle a book that thick? This four week course will be an introduction to the *Catechism of the Catholic Church* and will cover what is in the Catechism, how it is organized, and how to use the Catechism with ease. The Catechism is a most remarkable book that every Catholic should have and know how to use, and this class is a great place to start learning how to use it.

Instructor: Deacon John Donnelly, J.D.

Dates: Mondays, Feb 2, 9, 16, 23

Time: 7-8:30pm

Room: Aquinas Hall, Church of the Madalene

### **It's Time --- Let's Adopt**

For people considering adoption, this is the course for you! This course will be a comprehensive overview to the process of adoption through Catholic Charities. This course is designed to help all those considering adoption come to a secure knowledge about whether or not adoption is a good option for them and to be introduced to the various aspects of adoption.

#### *Participants will*

- Review the history of adoption in our culture
- Gain insight into how the legacy of adoption may impact our own thinking and the thinking of others....Myths of adoption
- Explore the types of adoption and the emotional and psychological dynamics of the adoption experience
- Participants will explore the meaning of open and closed adoptions and purpose of family life books
- Gain knowledge of the Adoption Home Study requirements and process
- Identify, explain and access answers to the legal requirements of adoption such as Oklahoma Adoption Code, birth parent rights and Indian Child Welfare Act
- Understand the various influences on birth parents and their decision: religious, extended family, age, cultural and societal influences
- Understand the process of “being matched” with a birth mother, the hospital experience and the risks associated with all adoptions
- Gain knowledge of international adoption.
- Learn about Post Placement requirements and the Final Decree of Adoption
- Explore how and when to discuss adoption with your kids
- Review the concerns about “searching” and adoption.
- Wrap-up and provide course evaluation.

Date & Time, Saturday, Feb 7, 9:00am – 4:00pm

Location: Aquinas and Benedictine Hall, Church of the Madalene

Facilitator: Mary Lee Ingram, L.C.S.W., Director of Adoption Services with Catholic Charities

### **The History and the Liturgy of the Catholic Byzantine Rite**

The Byzantine Rite Catholic Church retained various practices of the Eastern Church while remaining in communion with the pope. Join Father Gary Sherman for this three night class as he explains the history and the beauty of the liturgy of the Catholic Byzantine Rite.

Instructor: Rev. Gary Sherman

Dates: Tuesdays, Feb. 10,17 & 24

Time: 7-8:30pm

Room: Benedictine Hall, Church of the Madalene

### **March**

#### **Principles of Catholic Morality**

During Pope Benedict's recent pastoral visit to the United States, one thing which was constantly brought up in his talks was the importance of a strong Catholic moral identity and the importance of the dignity of all human beings which this moral identity protects and upholds. This four week course will introduce the student to the principles of Catholic Morality and will discuss what the Church teaches and believes when it comes to moral issues.

Instructor: Deacon John Donnelly, J.D.

Dates: Mondays, Mar 2, 9, 16, 23

Time: 7-8:30pm

Room: Aquinas Hall, Church of the Madalene

#### **A Doctor Looks at the Passion and Crucifixion of Christ**

This fascinating two night class will be a unique investigation of the Passion and crucifixion of Christ from the point of view of a medical Doctor. Dr. Gary Hassmann M.D. has spent 20 years studying the medical, historical, and theological aspects of Christ's Passion and has put together a presentation which will help one understand the intensity of what Christ went through for us in His Passion and Death on the cross.

Instructor: Dr. Gary Hassman, M.D.

Dates: Tuesdays, Mar 24 & 31

Time: 7-9:00pm

Room: Aquinas Hall, Church of the Madalene

## **April**

### **The Passion of Christ in Sacred Art**

This class will take a look at the story of the Passion of Christ as it has been depicted over the centuries in sacred art. Following the story in Matthew and Luke, we will take a visual tour of how the Passion of Christ from the Last Supper to the Resurrection has been expressed through the medium of the visual arts.

Instructor: Joey Spencer, M.T.S.

Dates: Thursday, April 2

Time: 7-8:30pm

Room: Aquinas Hall, Church of the Madalene

### **The Life of St. Paul**

Pope Benedict has declared 2008-2009 to be the year of St. Paul. This two night class will be an overview of the life of St. Paul. Particular attention will be placed on the life of St. Paul which comes to us from the Book of Acts as an overview of some of his teachings from the epistles.

Instructor: Deacon John Donnelly, J.D.

Dates: Mondays, April 20 & 27

Time: 7-8:30pm

Room: Aquinas Hall, Church of the Madalene

## ***CATECHETICAL CERTIFICATION WORKSHOPS***

### **Catechetical Certification Workshop V: Creating Community & a Positive Learning Environment III: Leadership Development**

To give participants an understanding of the importance and benefits of student leadership development. Key focuses include motivation, delegating, team work, community building, stewardship, discipleship, vocation awareness service and advocacy and ministering collaboratively. Through Scripture, they will look at Jesus as a leader and how he modeled leadership.

Facilitator: Deb Malcom

Registration: Must register in advance.

Email your registration to [sarah.jameson@dioceseoftulsa.org](mailto:sarah.jameson@dioceseoftulsa.org) 7 needed for workshop to make Date: Saturday, August 9

Time: 9:00am - Noon

Cost: \$5.00 Room: Church of Saint Benedict, St. Scholastica Room

### **Catechetical Certification Workshop II: Human Development and Learning Needs**

An examination of the development of the learner from early childhood to adolescence focusing on psychological, intellectual, moral, and emotional growth within the framework of faith development. Specific strategies for teaching different developmental levels will be addressed.

Facilitator: Linda Schoonover

Registration: Must register in advance.

Email your registration to [sarah.jameson@dioceseoftulsa.org](mailto:sarah.jameson@dioceseoftulsa.org) 7 needed for workshop to make Date: Saturday, January 31

Time: 9:00am - Noon

Cost: \$5.00 Room: Church of Saint Benedict, St. Scholastica Room

### **Catechetical Certification Workshop IV: Creating Community and a Positive Learning Environment II: Faith Expression and Development**

A survey of the principles, processes, models and methods of individual, communal and liturgical prayer and retreats in ministry with young people, including a family perspective, multicultural aspects of youth ministry and youth liturgy.

Facilitator: Carol Robinson

Registration: Must register in advance.

Email your registration to [sarah.jameson@dioceseoftulsa.org](mailto:sarah.jameson@dioceseoftulsa.org) 7 needed for workshop  
to make Date: Saturday, April 18

Time: 9:00am - Noon

Cost: \$5.00 Room: Church of Saint Benedict, St. Scholastica Room

## **Adult Faith Enrichment**

### **Catechetical Certification**

The Adult Faith Enrichment program is designed as a valuable tool for Catholics who wish to grow in their knowledge and appreciation of our Catholic faith and heritage. The program combines quality reading materials, personal reflection and group discussion to make possible not only personal spiritual growth, but also quality parish interaction.

The program consists of 18 study modules designed for use by small groups at the local parish community, but is also offered twice a month. The study modules examine various aspects of Catholic spirituality, theology, and ministry. Each module contains reading materials and questions designed for adult learners. Participants in the program are able to reflect on the reading materials and prepare answers to the study questions in the privacy of their own home.

In addition to serving the individual needs of adult Catholics, this Adult Faith Enrichment program is also designed as the foundation for the certification process for those who serve their parish and diocesan communities as directors of religious education, catechists, youth coordinators, associates of the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults, and other areas of pastoral ministry.

Facilitator: Peggy Donnelly, M.A.

Dates: 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of each month

Time: 9:00am - Noon

Fee: \$7 for each module

Registration: Must register one week before the scheduled module

Email your registration to [sarah.jameson@dioceseoftulsa.org](mailto:sarah.jameson@dioceseoftulsa.org)

or call 307-4928

Location: Church of Saint Benedict, St. Scholastica Room

**September 6**

**Baptized and Confirmed**

This course offers an examination of the sacramental call to continue the mission and ministry of Jesus as Church.

**September 20**

**Theology of God**

This course focuses on the Trinitarian dimension of God as Creator, Redeemer and Sanctifier.

**October 4**

**Sacred Scripture I**

This introductory course focuses on the Catholic theology of Divine Revelation. General terms and questions surrounding biblical criticism and study are introduced.

**October 18**

**Sacred Scripture II**

This course provides an overview of the Old Testament, salvation history as presented in the Old Testament, and other important themes surrounding the history of the People of God.

**November 1**

**Sacred Scripture III**

Providing an overview of the New Testament, this course introduces participants to the basic issues of literary and historical biblical criticism, and how we come to know Jesus of Nazareth as Son of God and Messiah. Finally, the course touches briefly on the meaning and development of "Church" in the New Testament.

**November 15**

**Theology of the Church**

A presentation of basic ecclesiology, this course focuses on the model of the Church and the universal call to holiness expressed in the theology of Vatican II.

**December 6**

## **Catholic Social Teaching**

An examination of the social teaching of the church and the practical consequences of that teaching for ministry on the parish and diocesan level is the focus of this course.

**December 13**

### **The Prayer of the Church**

This module is a study of the personal and liturgical models of prayer as expressed in the life of the Church.

**January 3**

### **Sacraments I**

This introductory course discusses issues of sacramentality and development of the Church's understanding of "sacrament" through a survey of the history of the sacraments.

**January 17**

### **Sacraments II**

This course builds upon the introductory course on sacraments by examining the theology and ritual celebration of the sacraments in the Church today.

**February 7**

### **Fundamentals of Liturgy**

This course reflects on the liturgy as the human response to what is sacred. Included in the discussion are the *Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy* and an examination of the liturgical cycle of the Church, including historical and theological elements.

**February 21**

### **History of the Church and Theology I**

This course examines the history of the Church from the Apostolic Age until the 16th Century.

**March 7**

### **History of the Church and Theology II**

This course examines the history of the Church from the Council of Trent until Vatican Council II.

**March 28**

### **Morality I**

A general introduction to our life in Christ as the basis for all moral action, a special emphasis of this course is on our call to live as a people in whom God's Sacred Law dwells.

### **April 18**

#### **Morality II**

A discussion of specific moral questions we face in contemporary society, the course focuses on life and health issues as well as the teaching of the Church on human sexuality.

### **April 25**

#### **Canon Law**

This course provides an overview of the *Code of Canon Law* and reflects on how the Law of the Church is intimately connected to our life in Christ as Catholic Christians.

### **May 2**

#### **Personal Spirituality and Daily Life**

A discussion of spirituality as a personal relationship with Jesus Christ in the concrete circumstances of work, home, community and world.

### **May 16**

#### **Ecumenism**

This course reflects on the questions involved in the modern ecumenical movement and the Great Commission that Christ gave all his disciples to "teach all nations."

# PASTORAL STUDIES INSTITUTE FACULTY

## 2008 – 2009

**Erick Bell, M.T.S.**, Director, Support Services, Catholic Charities

*Eric Bell received a Bachelor's Degree from Fitchburg State College in Fitchburg, Massachusetts in 1995 and a Masters in Theology from Madonna University through the Pastoral Studies Institute in 2005. He has been married to his wife, Kristi, for 7 years and they have two children and are expecting their third in January. Erick is the Support Services Director for Catholic Charities and is a member of the Tertiary Franciscans of Primitive Observance.*

**Rev. Msgr. Patrick Brankin, M.Div.**

*A native of Chicago and ordained for the Archdiocese of Tulsa in 1979, Msgr. Brankin has been on loan to the Diocese of Tulsa since 1994. Msgr. Brankin is Vicar for Deacons, Director of Communications and the Director of the Office of Divine Worship. Msgr. Brankin has taught several Scripture classes for the PSI's degree program, including the Gospel of St. Mark, the Book of Revelation and the Gospel of St. Matthew. He will be teaching a for-credit class on the Gospel of John during the spring semester.*

**Rev. Peter Byrne, F.S.S.P.**, Pastor, Parish of Saint Peter

*Fr. Peter Byrne hails from Dallas, Texas. Ordained to the priesthood in 2003; he is a member of the Priestly Fraternity of St. Peter, a Society of Apostolic Life founded in 1988. He arrived in Tulsa in 2004 and is currently serving as Pastor of the Parish of St. Peter, a parish whose liturgical life centers around the Roman Missal of 1962.*

**Deacon John Donnelly, J.D., M.A.**, Church of Saint Benedict

*Deacon John Donnelly was ordained in 1987. He has an undergraduate degree from the University of Tulsa, a Juris Doctor degree from Georgetown Law School and an M.A. in religious studies from Loyola University, New Orleans. Deacon Donnelly and his wife, Peggy, have five children and have been members of St. Benedict's parish since 1980.*

**Peggy Donnelly, M.A.**, Church of Saint Benedict

*Peggy Donnelly is Adult Education Director of Saint Benedict Parish, Broken Arrow and is the wife of Deacon John Donnelly and the mother of five children. She holds an undergraduate degree from Salve Regina University and masters' degrees from Middlebury College (French) and Loyola University, New Orleans (Pastoral Studies). She has been working for the Church of Saint Benedict for 17 years where her responsibilities include Adult Education and RCIA.*

**Dr. Gary Hassman, M.D.**

*Dr. Gary Hassmann M.D. has studied medicine at John Hopkins and Columbia University and is a local Orthopedic Surgeon and Dr. of Sports Conditioning. He has spent 20 years studying the medical aspects of Christ's Passion and Crucifixion. He is a member of St. Bernards Parish.*

**Mary Lee Ingram, L.C.S.W.,** Director of Adoption Services with Catholic Charities

*A Licensed Clinical Social Worker, Mary Lee Ingram is Director of Pregnancy and Adoption Services at Catholic Charities. As an adoptive parent of two college-aged co-eds, she understands adoption from both a personal and professional point of view. She also consults with women experiencing a variety of women's health care issues, including parenting, infertility and post-abortion trauma.*

**Chris King, M.T.S.,** Church of the Madalene

*Originally from Rochester, Minnesota, Chris King is married and lives in Tulsa with his wife, Rebecca, and their daughter, Marie. Chris is employed with Tulsa Public Schools where he teaches Middle School ESL. Chris has worked with the Pastoral Studies Institute teaching both credit and non-credit courses since 2000. He and his family have been members of the Church of the Madalene in Tulsa since 1998.*

**Deborah Malcom, B.A.,** Church of Saint Benedict

*Deb Malcom has worked as the youth director at the Church of St. Benedict's for the last ten years. From 1995 to 1998, she was the campus minister and Buckley Retreat Team Coordinator at St. Gregory's University. Deb has a Bachelor's Degree in Religious Studies from the University of Dayton. She is the mother of two children.*

**Rev. Brian O'Brien, M.Div.,** Associate Pastor, Christ the King Parish, Chaplain, Bishop Kelley High School

*Ordained a priest for the Diocese of Tulsa on May 26, 2007, Fr. Brian O'Brien was assigned as associate pastor at Christ the King parish and chaplain of Bishop Kelley High School. Originally from the Houston suburb of Kingwood, Texas, Fr. O'Brien earned degrees in Theology and Political Science from Boston College and a Masters in Education through the University of Notre Dame's Alliance for Catholic Education (ACE) program in 2000. After entering the seminary for the Diocese of Tulsa, he was awarded a Masters of Divinity prior to his ordination.*

**Carol Ann Robinson, M.R.E.,** Coordinator, Catechetical Services, Diocese of Tulsa

*Carol, a native of Tulsa, attended public schools and is graduate of Will Rogers High School. She received a BA from the University of Tulsa in Education and a Master's of Religious Education from Loyola University, New Orleans. For the past 18 years she has worked for the Diocese of Tulsa, beginning as the Coordinator of Religious Education for Rural Parishes. Today, she is the Coordinator of Catechetical Services for all parishes in the diocese. She has been a member of Church of the Madalene for 48 years.*

**Abbot Marcel Rooney, O.S.B.** President, Institute of Sacred Liturgy, Diocese of Tulsa

*Born in Nebraska, 1937. Professed a monk at Conception Abbey, Conception, MO in 1958. Ordained a priest in 1963. Was elected abbot of Conception Abbey in 1993 and was elected Abbot Primate of the entire Benedictine Order in 1996, with residence in Rome. Resigned in 2000 (health reasons). Has degrees in music (MA, Eastman Conservatory of Music, Rochester,*

NY, 1971; and in liturgical theology STL in 1975 and STD in 1976, Pontifical Institute of Liturgy, Rome). Has been a seminary professor (Liturgy, Scripture) at Conception Seminary, MO (off and on since the 1960s) and other seminaries. Was professor in the doctoral program at the Pontifical Institute of Liturgy in Rome (7 years). Was pastor of two parishes: St. John the Baptist, Brinkley, AR and St. Francis, Forrest City, AR (2 years). Is now President of the Institute of Sacred Liturgy in Tulsa, OK..

**Linda Schoonover, B.S.,** Church of Saint Mary

Linda Schoonover has served as Director of Religious Education at Church of Saint Mary for 8 years. Previously, she was in the Religious Education Department at Church of Saint Benedict. Las has bachelor degrees in both Accounting and Education; she is a Master Catechis with the Diocese and is a member of Sts. Peter and Paul Church.

**James B. Shelton, Ph.D.,** Professor of Religion, Oral Roberts University

James B. Shelton, Ph.D. received a Doctorate in Religious studies from the University of Stirling in Scotland with an area of specialty in the Gospels and Acts. He has published several contributions to the Complete Biblical Library, *Mighty in Word and Deed: the Role of the Holy Spirit in Luke-Acts*, *The Gospel of Matthew in The Life in the Spirit Commentary on the New Testament* and has published several articles, papers and reviews. He is presently writing a *Commentary on the Gospel of St. Luke* for Sheffield Press. Dr. Shelton has served as a Professor of Sacred Scripture for the Pastoral Studies Institute since 1996.

**Rev. Gary Sherman**

Father Sherman is currently the chaplain at St. John Hospital and serves as the Pastor of the Catholic Byzantine Rite in Tulsa which holds its liturgy at St. Augustine's Parish.

**Joey Spencer, M.T.S.**

Joey Spencer has a Masters of Theological Studies from Madonna University. He is currently teaching adjunct classes for Newman University through the Pastoral Studies Institute. He also teaches history for Owasso Public Schools and attends St. John Parish in Bartlesville.

**Chris Stewart, M.T.S.**

Chris Stewart is from the Diocese of Wichita, Kansas and has a Masters of Theological Studies from Madonna University. He is currently on the Adjunct Faculty for Newman University as an instructor both, at their main campus in Wichita and also here in Tulsa through the Pastoral Studies Institute. He and his wife Maria live in Wichita with their 4 children. He teaches theology at Kapaun Mt. Carmel High School in Wichita.

**Rev. Theodore Tack, O.S.A.**

A graduate of Villanova University and the Gregorian University in Rome, Father Tack taught Moral Theology at the Augustinianum and served for twelve years as the Prior General for the Augustinian Order in Rome. He is presently at Cascia Hall Monastery where he has in the past served on the faculty as well as in the position of Headmaster of the Cascia Hall Preparatory school.

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