



# ENGAGING PARENTS FORMING FAMILY FAITH

PARISH VISION AND PRACTICE FOR  
BEING A FAMILY OF FAMILIES

PEOPLE WHO ARE IN THE  
ROLE OF PARENTING  
CHILDREN, YOUTH AND  
YOUNG ADULTS DESERVE  
OUR SUPPORT AS THEY  
STRIVE TO SHARE  
FAITH AT HOME AND  
PARTICIPATE AS FAMILIES  
IN OUR PARISHES.

## THIS WORKSHOP WILL GIVE LEADERS

- A better understanding of today's parents;
- Strategies for reaching out to this new breed of parents;
- Ways to support parents in deepening their own faith;
- Strategies to strengthen family faith at home and in the parish;
- Ways to involve parents in faith formation, sacramental preparation, and youth ministry;
- Strategies for engaging families through technology;
- Strategies for motivating families to do service and outreach together.

*"How precious is the family as the  
privileged place for transmitting  
the faith!"*

*Pope Francis, July 26, 2014 Angelus*



## 2015 NATIONAL WORKSHOP SERIES FROM THE CENTER FOR MINISTRY DEVELOPMENT

Today's Catholic parents are unique and very different from preceding generations. Brought up in the post-Vatican II Church, they view faith, Church and spirituality in new ways. Yet studies show that parents are still the most crucial influence on the faith of their children. Our Church has made family faith formation a priority, as witnessed by the Synod on the Family which Pope Francis convened in the fall of 2014. The Center for Ministry Development is excited to announce our new workshop series for 2015: Engaging Today's Parents—Forming Family Faith. This workshop will share effective ways in which parish communities are engaging parents and helping families grow in faith together.





## WORKSHOP DATES AND LOCATIONS (listed by diocese and date; dates are 2015)

**Brownsville**  
January 22

**Oklahoma City**  
February 3

**Detroit**  
February 12

**Monterey**  
February 24, 25

**San Jose**  
February 26

**Portland OR**  
February 26

**Wilmington**  
March 3

**Seattle**  
March 5

**Lafayette LA**  
March 7

**Las Cruces**  
March 7

**Metuchen (diocesan-sponsored)**  
March 18

**Charleston, SC**  
March 19 (10:00 - 4:00)

**Newark**  
March 19

**Victoria**  
March 19

**Camden**  
March 20

**Atlanta**  
March 24

**Baton Rouge**  
March 26

**New Orleans**  
March 28

**Indianapolis**  
April 21

**St. Petersburg**  
April 21

**Buffalo**  
April 24

**Helena**  
April 25

**Joliet**  
April 30

**Fargo**  
May 1, 2

**Las Vegas**  
May 23

**Savannah**  
June 6

**San Antonio**  
August 1

**Syracuse**  
August 20

**Beaumont**  
August 22

**Davenport**  
August 28

**Youngstown**  
September 10

**Salina**  
September 12

**Jefferson City**  
September 26

**San Diego**  
September 26

**Shreveport**  
September 26 (10:00 - 4:00)

**Tucson**  
October 3

**Sacramento**  
October 17

**Los Angeles**  
TBD

## RESOURCES

At the workshop, you will learn about resources for supporting parent and family faith at home and in the parish. Resources will be available for purchase during the workshop day.

## SCHEDULE OF THE DAY

- 8:30 a.m. Registration
- 9:00 a.m. Welcome and Opening Prayer
- 9:20 a.m. Introduction and Overview of the Day
- 9:25 a.m. **Session 1: Listening to Today's Parents** Understanding Parents/How They Learn and View Faith Strategies to Reach Them and Support Them in Their Own Faith Growth
- 10:30 a.m. Break / Resource Display
- 10:45 a.m. **Session 2: Visioning for Family Life-A Vocation to Love** Church Teaching/Synod/Family as Sacrament/Church without Walls/Technology
- 11:30 a.m. **Session 3: Exploring the Context for Family Faith Growth** Synod/Contemporary Issues for U.S. Catholic Families
- Noon Lunch / Bookstore Open
- 12:45 p.m. **Session 4: Supporting Family Faith** Parish Strategies Families as Learners/Involving Parents in Faith Formation & Youth Ministry Family Prayer, Faith Conversations and Service
- 1:45 p.m. **Session 5: Imagining the Parish as a Family of Families**
- 2:10 p.m. **Session 6: Connecting with Resources**
- 2:30 p.m. **Session 7: Choosing a Direction**
- 2:45 p.m. Wrap-Up / Prayer / Evaluation / Resources Available





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The Center for Ministry Development promotes the development of ministry and catechesis with youth and families through leadership formation, service learning, and resources rooted in Catholic tradition and Scripture.

## PRESENTERS *(one presenter at each workshop)*



### JANE ANGHA

Jane is a Project Coordinator for Young Neighbors in Action and Families on a Mission. She holds a Masters of Theology degree in Religious Education from St. Norbert College in DePere Wisconsin. Jane has over 20 years of experience in ministry with youth and families in school, parish and retreat centers. She is an author for Fashioning Faith and Youth Ministry Access and teaches the Principles in Youth Ministry and Justice and Service courses for the Certificate in Youth Ministry Studies Program.



### ANGEL Barrera

Angel is a Project Coordinator for Youth Ministry Services and Youth Ministry Access. He teaches Skills for Christian Leadership in the Certificate in Youth Ministry Studies program. Angel holds a Masters of Arts degree in Religious Studies from University of the Incarnate Word in San Antonio. Angel has over 10 years of experience in ministry with youth and families in parish, campus ministry and diocesan settings. Previously, he was the Director of Youth Ministry for the Diocese of Brownsville.



### SUSAN SEARLE

Susan is the Project Coordinator for Just5Days and YouthLeader. She has more than 20 years of experience ministering with youth and young adults at the parish, Catholic high school, college campus, and diocesan levels. Susan teaches the Prayer and Worship and Skills for Christian Leadership courses for the Certificate in Youth Ministry Studies, is a speaker for the Catholic Climate Covenant and is an author for Youth Ministry Access. She holds a Master of Pastoral Studies degree from Loyola University New Orleans.



### JOAN WEBER

Joan is Coordinator for the Family Bible Project and is co-Coordinator of Young Neighbors in Action. She is an author for Fashioning Faith and teaches the Justice and Service course for the Certificate in Youth Ministry Studies Program. Joan holds a Master's Degree in Pastoral Ministry from Creighton University in Omaha. She has almost 40 years of experience in religious education and ministry with adolescents, young adults and parish, Catholic high school and diocesan catechesis.



### TOM EAST

Tom is the Director of the Center for Ministry Development and Project Coordinator for the Certificate in Youth Ministry Studies Program. Previously, Tom was the Director of Youth Ministry and the Associate Director for Religious Education for the Archdiocese of Los Angeles. He holds a Master of Arts degree in Religious Studies from Mount St. Mary's College in Los Angeles.

## LEADERS WHO WILL JOIN US FOR THIS WORKSHOP

The workshop is designed for all parish, diocesan and Catholic school leaders whose ministries touch the family—including pastors, deacons, pastoral associates, coordinators of youth ministry, leaders in faith formation and catechists, sacramental preparation leaders, family ministers, service/social concerns leaders, Catholic school principals and teachers.

## Registration *(each registrant must have an individual email address to register; one registrant per form)*

Registration Fee: \$54 per person includes workshop materials, lunch, and refreshments. In order to ensure adequate time for handouts to be shipped and lunches to be ordered, please register at least two weeks in advance. You can register by choosing from these options:

- Register online: Go to **www.cmdnet.org/EPFFF**
- Register by phone: Our toll-free number is **(888) 723-2433**
- Register by fax: Our fax number is **(253) 853-5448**
- Register by mail: CMD, 5713 Wollochet Drive NW Suite A, Gig Harbor, WA 98335

Registration payment may be made by credit card or by sending your check in the mail.

Cancellation Policy: Registrants may cancel and receive a refund less a \$25 cancellation fee up to 14 days prior to the scheduled workshop date. Registration cancellations made within 14 days of the scheduled workshop date are non-refundable. If for any reason a workshop is cancelled by CMD, the registrants may have the fee applied to another workshop in the area or receive a full refund.

Locations for workshops and directions to the workshop site are available on our website, **www.cmdnet.org**

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## Registration Form

Workshop you will attend *(indicate location and date)* \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Email address specific to this registrant only \_\_\_\_\_

Parish/School/Organization \_\_\_\_\_

Daytime Phone *(include area code)* \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Parish/School Address ☐ Home Address \_\_\_\_\_

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

City/State/ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

(Arch) Diocese \_\_\_\_\_

I am enclosing a check for \$54 (US), payable to **Center for Ministry Development** Check Number \_\_\_\_\_

Please charge my payment of \$54 (US) to the following credit card:

☐ VISA ☐ MasterCard ☐ American Express ☐ Discover

Card # \_\_\_\_\_ Expiration \_\_\_\_\_ Security Code \_\_\_\_\_

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

Billing Address (Street, City, State, Zip) \_\_\_\_\_

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