The Catechetical Leader

December 2016

Merry Christmas!

It is amazing how quickly one year can fly by. A lot of exciting and wonderful things happen in a year. The Lord blesses us with multitudes of wonderful things, but do we stop to recognize what they are? During this time of Advent, as we prepare ourselves for the joy of welcoming Christ, again, into our lives, we are given the opportunity to reflect on all the good, kind, loving and spiritual gifts God has given us. All of you are always in our prayers. May the Lord bless you abundantly in this season of rejoicing! We are excited for the great gifts God will give all of us in this new year!

Chris Hurtubise

Peggy M. Schoenfuss

Susie Busse

Bishop Hammes Center Calendar

This Christmas and New Year's the Bishop Hammes Center will be closed

Thursday December 22 at 12:00
Friday, December 23
Monday December 26

Thursday December 29 at 12:00
Friday, December 30
Monday January 2

Diocese of Superior
Bishop Hammes Center
315 West 5th Street
Haugen WI 54841
715.234.5044

Calendar

December 2

Advent Day of Reflection
Dobie

December 3

Advent Day of Reflection
Eagle River

December 8

Immaculate Conception

December 10

YOU Theology of the Body Training
Cameron

December 14

Advent Adoration: Jeff Cavins
Rice Lake

December 25

Christmas Day

January 10

Professional Development Day
Hayward

January 19

Principal Meeting
Rice Lake

January 24

New Teacher Gathering
Rice Lake

ST. JOHN OF THE CROSS

December 14, 2016

St. John of the Cross was a Carmelite priest who was key reformer of the Carmelite order during the 16th century despite much opposition. He was also had many mystical experiences that deeply influenced his spiritual life and writings.

"The endurance of darkness is the preparation for great light"

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"If a man wishes to be sure of the road he treads on, he must close his eyes and walk in the dark"

SUMMIT: SAVE THE DATE FEBRUARY 13

Join the Superior Mutual Ministry Team (SUMMIT) for a time of networking with fellow members of ministry. Location to be determined. Please contact either Kay Berg at dreyouth@smctomahawk.com or Kim Palmer at k.palmer@frontiernet.net

EXTREME FAITH CAMP 2017

It's hard to believe but it's time to plan ahead for Extreme Faith Camp 2017!

If you have any questions about how to encourage youth in your parishes to attend, please contact Chris Hurtubise, at 715-234-5044 or churtubise@catholicdos.org

THREE ADVENT PROGRAMS YOU MIGHT WANT TO TRY!

This year consider signing up to receive a daily reflection to help you grow in your understanding of the coming of the Messiah this Advent. Each of the sources below offers a different approach to participating in the season of Advent.

Matthew Kelly: Dynamic Catholic Click here to sign up!

Bishop Robert Barron: Word on Fire Click here to sign up!

Redeemed Online_ JesusIS Click here to sign up!

ADVENT ADORATION WITH JEFF CAVINS

We welcome you to join us **Wednesday, December 14th** in preparing our hearts for the coming of the Son of God made Flesh in the Person of Jesus Christ.

Take part in the Adoration, Praise and Worship, Fellowship and Inspiring Talks with special guest Jeff Cavins.

Jeff Cavins is a Catholic author and biblical scholar. His is the creator of the Great Adventure Bible Study Program, and was the founding host of the television show "Life on the Rock" on EWTN and of the morning air program on Relevant Radio.

Adult Session: 3:30 to 5:00 pm at St. Joseph's Church

Main Event: 6:30 to 9:00 pm at Rice Lake High School Auditorium. Doors open at 6:00. Must have a ticket to enter.

Please Register Online

SCHOOL DATES

November 28-December 2
SMDP Tracking Meeting #3

January 9-27 Testing Window

January 19 Principal Meeting
Haugen

January 24 New Teacher
Rice Lake

January 20-February 4
Catholic Schools Week

February 6-10

SMDP Tracking Meeting #4

February 10
WCRIS Conference
Pewaukee

February 28
Principal Pastor Meeting
Rice Lake

ADVENT LINKS

Are you looking for some resources to help make this Advent a special time of growth and anticipation in your Parish, School or Faith Formation program? These links might be a good place to start!

Advent Activities from Loyola Press

Jesse Tree: Our Sunday Visitor

Expecting a Miracle: Advent by the Nativity Scene

Art and Faith Advent Videos

USCCB Advent Calendar

APPLY NOW: GOAL GRANT

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Application Attached. Must Apply by February 1, 2017

EVENTS IN NEIGHBORING DIOCESES

December 4th: Green Bay Youth Rally. Diocese of Green Bay. Click Here for more information

December 9th: Genesis the First Soap Opera, Diocese of Green Bay. Click Here for more information

December 10th: Pontifical Solemn High Mass with Cardinal Burke. Diocese of Lacrosse. Click Here for more information

December 10th: Divine Praises Music Workshop, Story and Song Concert. Archdiocese of St. Paul. Click Here for more information.

December 18th: Madison Diocesan Choir Concert. Diocese of Madison. Click Here for more information

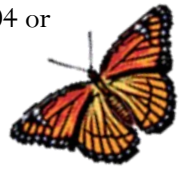
January 14th: Learning About the Liturgical Year with Abbot Rooney . Archdiocese of Milwaukee. Click Here for more information.

REMINDER: UPCOMING DEVELOPMENT DAY

Reminder that on **January 10th,** Chris Newkirk, the Director of Ecclesial Ministries and Diocesan Consultation will be offering a professional development day with the topic of **"Grief and Bereavement: A sense of loss comes in all shapes and sizes"**

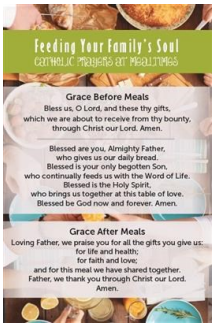
This session will take place at St. Joseph's Parish Center in Hayward and will run from 9:30 am to 3:00 pm with lunch provided on-site.

For additional information, visit the Diocese of Superior website or contact Chris Newkirk at 715-394-0204 or cnewkirk@catholicdos.org.



PRAYER CARD

This prayer card contains prayers for before and after meals as well as a Prayer for Families by St. Teresa of Calcutta. Is often used with the book Feeding Your Family's Soul.

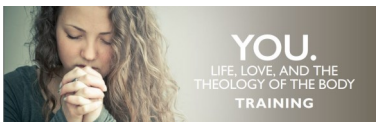


Click here to learn more.

VATICAN INTERNATIONAL EXHIBITION – EUCHARISTIC MIRACLES OF THE WORLD

Jesus is truly present in the Holy Eucharist! • Stop by the exhibits and witness how Jesus has miraculously manifested Himself throughout the centuries and how this proves He is totally present body, blood, soul and divinity in the Holy Eucharist • 126 photographic historically documented Eucharistic miracles from various countries since the Last Supper • Visible proof of Jesus' presence in the Eucharist FREE ADMISSION Scheduled times and days exhibition is open to the public: **Wednesday, Jan. 4 – 6:15 pm – 7:30 pm Thursday through Saturday, Jan 5-7 – 9 am – 9 pm Sunday, Jan. 8 – 8:30 am – 6 pm**; 2 pm Adoration Anniversary Mass at St. Patrick Church (Light reception to follow) ALL FAITHS WELCOME Sponsored by the Eau Claire Deanery Eucharistic Adoration Committee and Sacred Heart of Jesus – St. Patrick Parish in Eau Claire, WI.

YOU: THEOLOGY OF THE BODY TRAINING



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Join us for this important training on **Saturday, December 10th** from 9:30 to 3:30 at St. Peter's Catholic Church in Cameron. The Cost to attend is $50, which includes training handouts and YOU Leader's Guide, continental breakfast, and lunch.

This event is open to Principals, teachers, priests, DRE's, catechists, deacons, youth ministers, campus ministers, parents, and anyone who works with teens in ninth to twelfth grades

Please Register for this Event online. See attached flyer for more details or Contact Chris Hurtubise at 715-234-5044 or churtubise@catholicdos.org

YOUNG ADULT RETREAT– JANUARY 20-22

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Call 715-385-3750 by January 6th to register.

$215 includes a private room in a shared cabin and all needs.
$175 for a shared room and all needs.
Commuters $165. Partial scholarships available.

Located at Marywood Spirituality Center, Arbor Vitae, WI.
See attached flyer.

SING ME HOME CONCERT

This Advent, renowned GIA artists Tony Alonso and Jeanne Cotter will tour across the United States sharing an evening of joyful communal celebration. These concerts will weave the music of these two great artists with prayer and storytelling.

December 18
4:00 p.m.

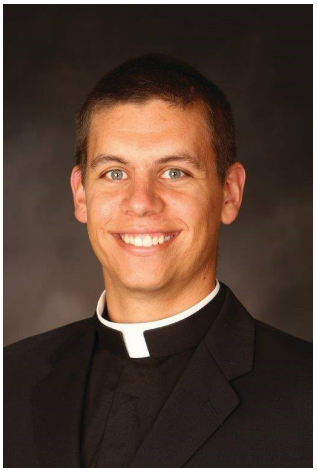
St. Mary's Catholic Church
320 East. Washington Avenue
Tomahawk, WI 54487

YOUTH RALLY

The 2017 Diocese of Superior Youth Rally is **Wednesday, March 8th** in Spooner from 6:00 to 9:00 pm.

Theme: Encounter

Guest Speaker: Fr. Paul Shovelain



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Attached

1. **Advent Adoration with Jeff Cavins Flyer**
2. **GOAL Application Form**
3. **YOU: Theology of the Body Religious Education Week**
4. **Young Adult Retreat Flyer**
5. **Youth Rally**

Advent Adoration

WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 14, 2016

WE WELCOME YOU TO JOIN US IN PREPARING OUR HEARTS FOR THE COMING OF THE SON OF GOD MADE FLESH IN THE PERSON OF JESUS CHRIST.

INSPIRING TALKS.
PRAISE & WORSHIP.
ADORATION.
FELLOWSHIP.

WITH SPECIAL GUEST

Jeff Cavins

JEFF CAVINS IS A CATHOLIC AUTHOR AND BIBLICAL SCHOLAR. HE IS THE CREATOR OF THE GREAT ADVENTURE BIBLE STUDY PROGRAM, AND WAS THE FOUNDING HOST OF THE TELEVISION SHOW "LIFE ON THE ROCK" ON EWTN AND OF THE MORNING AIR PROGRAM ON RELEVANT RADIO.

ADULT SESSION:
3:30 PM - 5:00 PM
AT ST. JOSEPH CHURCH,
111 W. MARSHALL ST.,
RICE LAKE, WI

MAIN EVENT:
GRADES 6-12 & ADULTS
6:30 PM - 9:00 PM
AT THE RICE LAKE HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM,
30 S. WISCONSIN AVE.,
RICE LAKE, WI
DOORS OPEN AT 6:00 PM

COST: **$10** (TICKETS NEEDED)

Must register online at : **WWW.BIT.LY/CAVINS-ADVENT**

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Please type your application. The electronic document will shift as you type. Please be as succinct as possible in your explanations.

The application form must arrive at the Bishop Hammes Center ***no later than Wednesday, February 1, 2017.***

A maximum of $500 may be requested for each project/item. The amount distributed may be less than requested.

Forms require proper signatures. They may be submitted via USPS or scanned in and emailed.

Projects/items funded do not necessarily have to be new programs.

Please limit each application form to one project/item only. Each parish or school is limited to two projects/items.

Joint projects/items between parishes/schools are encouraged. However, submit only one application for the project/item.

If you are requesting, books, DVDs or other resources, please include title and publisher.

If you are requesting a speaker, include the name and affiliation of the speaker you intend to use.

Funds requested may not include credit hours earned toward a college academic degree or food.

When applying, consider if this project/item is consistent with the objectives of the GOAL program.

Submit applications to: Grace Busse
Bishop Hammes Center
P.O. Box 280
Haugen, WI 54841
or gbusse@catholicdos.org
(If emailed, must be scanned in with proper signatures)

no later than February 1, 2016.

Grant awards will be mailed to parishes before April 1.

The document will expand as you type.

Project Title:

Parish/School: City:

1. Give a brief description of the project/item:

2. Who will receive immediate educational benefit from this grant?

3. Indicate the proposed starting and ending dates if this is a project or training.

4. Identify the major goals of/for this project/item.

5. Is this a one-time or long term project/purchase? If long term, how will this project be carried on if funding is not provided by the grant next year?

6. If the purpose of this proposal is to send a person or persons to a program, in-service, non-credit class, etc. rather than to fund the program itself, describe his/her present or past role in the parish/school, and what expectations there are for ongoing ministry from the individual(s) to work in that area.

7. Detail the total cost of this project/item LINE BY LINE:

Description	Cost
Total Cost:	
Grant Amount Requested:	

8. If the full grant request is not received, are you able to fund the remaining portion, or could the project/item be modified based on a lesser amount?

Contact Information for Grant Coordinator:

Name:

Address/City:

Phone:

Email:

Signature of Grant Coordinator:

Signature of Pastor/PLC/Director:

YOU.

LIFE, LOVE, AND THE THEOLOGY OF THE BODY

TRAINING

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

Principals, teachers, priests, DRE's, catechists, deacons, youth ministers, campus ministers, parents, and anyone who works with teens in ninth to twelfth grades.

WHEN:

Saturday, December 10, 2016
9:30 AM – 3:30 PM | *Check-in 8:45 AM*

WHERE:

St. Peter Catholic Church
1618 20th Street, Cameron, WI 54822

COST:

$50 Includes training handouts and ***YOU*** Leader's Guide, continental breakfast, and lunch.

REGISTRATION:

www.regonline.com/YOUTRAININGSUPERIOR

Credit card payment is preferred. Note: if billing the parish for registration, please put N/A in the payment section on the online registration form. Parishes can make check payable to Ascension Press and mail to:

Ascension Press, Attn: Events,
P. O. Box 1990, West Chester, PA, 19380

CONTACT FOR TRAINING QUESTIONS:

Chris Hurtubise,
Associate Director of Catholic Formation
Phone: (715) 234-5044
Email: churtubise@catholicdos.org

Contact for Registration Questions:
Tara Cabral, Ascension Press Events Manager
Phone: (317) 603-6199
Email: tcabral@ascensionpress.com

THEOLOGY OF THE BODY FOR TEENS FOR A NEW GENERATION

The world is a challenging place for teens. It has become increasingly difficult for parents and educators to help them discover the truth about their bodies, sexuality, and unique call to love.

In an age of "selfies," ***YOU: Life, Love, and the Theology of the Body*** cuts through the noise with an authentic view of the human person.

YOU introduces teens to the truth that life is not all about them; it is about going out of themselves to be a sincere gift for others.

Join us for this important training, where you will be introduced to the Theology of the Body as it relates to teens.

- Teens will learn the Theology of the Body and how to live in authentic freedom, love, and happiness.
- ***YOU*** provides the tools to navigate teens through challenging topics, including gender, pornography, and same-sex "marriage."
- Teens will learn what healthy relationships look like and how to live a life of sacrifice and discipleship.

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ABOUT COLIN MACIVER

Colin MacIver teaches theology and serves as the religion department chair and campus ministry coordinator at Saint Scholastica Academy in Covington, Louisiana. He is a co-author of *Theology of the Body for Teens* Middle School Edition and teaches *Theology of the Body for Teens* High School Edition. Colin and his wife, Aimee (a co-author of the Middle School Edition), reside in the New Orleans area with their children.

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3:00, Friday, January 20, 2017 – 11:30, Sunday, January 22, 2017

3560 U.S. HWY 51 N. ARBOR VITAE, WI 54568

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JULIA WALSH, a Franciscan Sister of Perpetual Adoration, is a retreat and program presenter at Marywood Franciscan Spirituality Center and an experienced educator. Her writing has been appeared in publications such as *America* and *Global Sisters Report.* For her, experiencing the goodness of God among a community of young adults is a source of joy.

2017 Youth Rally

Encounter

When: March 8

Where: St. Francis de Sales, Spooner, WI

Time: 6:00– 9:00 p.m.

Who: Father Paul Shovelain

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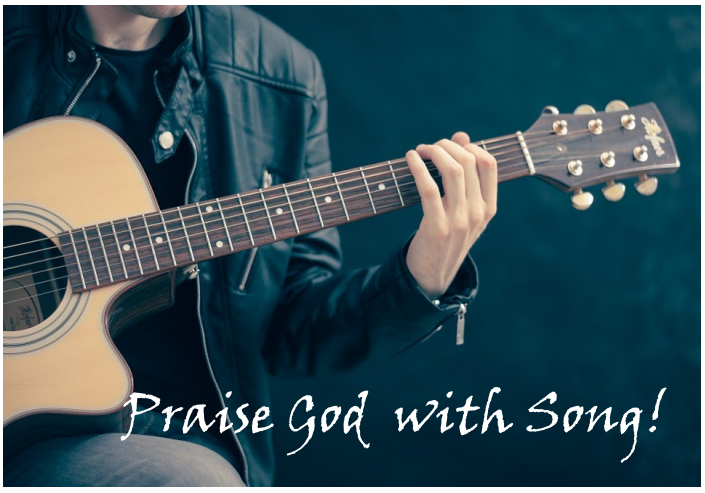

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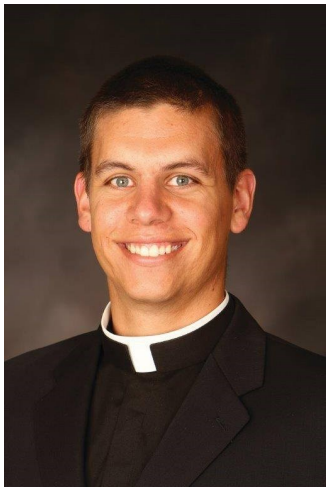
Permission Forms found at catholicdos.org



Please bring canned or dry food items for the Washburn Country Food Pantry.