

Together in Holiness - Diocese of Tulsa
Saturday, February 8, 2020 | Parish of St. Bernard of Clairvaux

SCHEDULE

- 10:00 AM** **CONFERENCE CHECK-IN**
- Childcare Check-In
 - Sacrament of Reconciliation – 10:00 - 11:00 am
 - Exhibitor Booths - available throughout conference
- 11:00 AM** **WORDS OF WELCOME**
- 11:15 AM – 12:15 PM** **“FAMILY, BECOME WHAT YOU ARE!”**
Jim Beckman, Executive Director of Evangelization and Catechesis,
Archdiocese of Oklahoma City
- 12:15 – 1:45 PM** **BREAK FOR LUNCH AND PRAYER**
- Box Lunch Pick-Up (lunch is included for conference registrants)
 - *Lunch is not provided for children in childcare. Parents are responsible for bringing a lunch for their child(ren).*
 - Sacrament of Reconciliation – 12:45 – 1:45 pm
 - Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament – 12:45 - 1:45 pm
 - Benediction– 1:30 pm
 - Exhibitor Booths - available throughout conference
- 2:00 – 3:00 PM** **“LEARNING TO PRAY TOGETHER AS SPOUSES: THREE SIMPLE STEPS”**
Christopher J. Stravitsch, DMin, Director of Legacy Circle & Co-Founder,
St. John Paul II Foundation
- 3:15 – 4:15 PM** **“IN THE COMPANY OF SAINTS”**
Bonnie L. Engstrom, Author & Speaker
- 4:15 – 4:30 PM** **CONCLUDING COMMENTS AND SENDING FORTH**
- 4:30 PM** **TRANSITION TO MASS**
- Childcare Check-Out
 - Exhibitor Booths - available until 5:00 pm
- 5:00 PM** **VIGIL MASS & MARRIAGE BLESSING**
Celebrant: Most Rev. David A. Konderla, Bishop of Tulsa
- Marriage Blessing

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PRESENTATION DESCRIPTIONS

"Family, Become What you Are!"

Jim Beckman, Executive Director of Evangelization and Catechesis, Archdiocese of Oklahoma City

Saint Pope John Paul II in his 1981 Encyclical *Familiaris Consortio* gives these stirring words, "Families, become what you are." Fundamental to this exhortation is the necessary understanding of exactly what a family is. What is the Church's vision for marriage and family life? How does the Church define "family" so that we indeed can become "that"? In this presentation, Jim Beckman will give a clear definition of the Church's vision for the family, which includes the reality of being a "community of prayer." Be inspired and equipped with clear a definition, and tangible steps you can implement in your own home to "become what you are!"

"Learning to Pray Together as Spouses: Three Simple Steps"

Christopher J. Stravitsch, DMin, Director of Legacy Circle, co-founder, St. John Paul II Foundation

Saint John Paul II taught that families have a "priestly mission" that includes living a life of prayer together in the home—husband and wife together, parents and children together. Yet, most spouses do not pray outside of the Mass and would likely say they do not know how. In this presentation, Dr. Stravitsch will share three simple steps couples can follow to begin or to deepen their prayer life together.

"In the Company of Saints"

Bonnie L. Engstrom, Author & Speaker

We all need companions, role models, and intercessors on our earthly journey! In this presentation, Bonnie Engstrom will discuss the blessing of saintly friendships in the lives of spouses and families. She will share the story of her stillborn son's coming back to life after being without a pulse for 61 minutes – a miracle that was approved by Pope Francis for the beatification of Bishop Fulton J. Sheen. Prepare to be inspired and encouraged by Bonnie's insights and personal examples of peace and companionship through relationships with the Blessed Mother, St. Joan of Arc, Servant of God Emil Kapaun, and others. Bonnie will also provide helpful tips on how you and your family can deepen your friendship with the saints and incorporate their witness into your daily life.