

*Together in Holiness* – Diocese of Sacramento  
Saturday, March 20, 2021 | Online Conference

## FAMILY, A BELIEVING AND EVANGELIZING COMMUNITY

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| <b>8:30 AM</b>             | <b>MASS</b><br>Celebrant: Most Rev. Jamie Soto<br>Marriage Blessing<br><i>Mass will be live streamed</i>  |
| <b>10:00 AM</b>            | <b>WORDS OF WELCOME</b><br>Joshua Bitting, PhD (cand.), Program Director, St. John Paul II Foundation   |
| <b>10:15 – 11:00 AM</b>    | <b>MARY: STAR OF EVANGELIZATION</b><br>Joshua Bitting, PhD (cand.), Program Director, St. John Paul II Foundation   |
| <b>11:15 AM – 12:00 PM</b> | <b>CALLED TO MISSION: FAMILY TO FAMILY EVANGELIZATION</b><br>Rob and Jeanie Uchison, Parishioners at St. Dominic, Colfax                                      |
| <b>12:00 – 1:50 PM</b>     | <b>BREAK FOR LUNCH AND PRAYER</b><br>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament – 12:30 - 1:30 PM<br>Benediction – 1:20 PM<br><i>Adoration will be live streamed</i> |
| <b>1:50 – 2:50 PM</b>      | <b>GOOD NEWS-IZATION</b><br>Dominick Albano, Catholic Author and Founder of <i>Catholic Family.Life</i>   |
| <b>2:50 – 3:00 PM</b>      | <b>CONCLUDING COMMENTS AND SENDING FORTH</b>  |

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## **PRESENTATION DESCRIPTIONS**

### **“MARY: STAR OF EVANGELIZATION”**

**Joshua Bitting, PhD (cand.),** Program Director, St. John Paul II Foundation

St. John Paul famously said that “the future of evangelization depends in great part on the Church of the home.” As a domestic church, your family is called to radiate the light of Christ in a darkened world. The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph was the way that God chose to enter into the world to redeem it. As the heart of the Holy Family, Mary was the first disciple of her Son, Jesus. She was also the first evangelizer, bringing Jesus to her cousin Elizabeth. In this talk, couples will learn from Mary how to welcome Christ into their homes and then bear him forth to others in the ordinary circumstances of family life.

### **“CALLED TO MISSION: FAMILY TO FAMILY EVANGELIZATION”**

**Rob and Jeanie Uchison,** Parishioners at St. Dominic, Colfax

As baptized Catholics, we are called to share Christ in and through our families and daily life. An evangelized family is a powerful agent of evangelization, radiating the joy and wonder of the Good News of Christ! But, how can families foster the new evangelization? In what ways can they share the faith with others? In this talk, attendees will be inspired by new ideas and examples of ways in which they can create opportunities, and use simple moments, for sharing the faith with other families in their community.

### **“GOOD NEWS-IZATION”**

**Dominick Albano,** Catholic Author and Founder of *Catholic Family Life*

People love to share good news. Birth announcements, promotions at work, vacation pictures...even finding a great new restaurant! The question is not, ‘do you share good news,’ the question is, ‘what kind of good news do you share?’ In Dominick’s talk you will learn about the power of witness, the hidden wellspring of joy in your marriage, and practical tools so other people look at your marriage and your family and think: I don’t know what they have, but I want it!