

*Together in Holiness* – Diocese of Austin  
Saturday, November 6, 2021 | St. William Catholic Church

## FAMILY, A DOMESTIC CHURCH

<b>10:00 AM</b>	<b>ATTENDEE CHECK-IN</b> Childcare Check-In Exhibitor Booths – available throughout conference
<b>11:00 AM</b>	<b>WORDS OF WELCOME</b>
<b>11:15 AM - 12:15 PM</b>	<b>FAMILY, BECOME WHAT YOU ARE!</b> Dr. Andrew and Sarah Swafford, Catholic Speakers, Writers, and Associate Professor of Theology at Benedictine College
<b>12:15 - 1:45 PM</b>	<b>BREAK FOR LUNCH AND PRAYER (PEC and Church)</b> Box Lunch Pick-Up (lunch is included for conference registrants) 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
<b>2:00 - 3:00 PM</b>	<b>A FAMILY THAT PRAYS TOGETHER</b> Tony and Becky Saucedo, Theology of the Body Educators
<b>3:15 - 4:15 PM</b>	<b>GROWING IN CONFIDENCE AS SPIRITUAL LEADERS OF YOUR FAMILY</b> Dr. Andrew and Sarah Swafford, Catholic Speakers, Writers, and Associate Professor of Theology at Benedictine College
<b>4:15 - 4:30 PM</b>	<b>CLOSING COMMENTS &amp; SENDING FORTH</b>
<b>4:30 PM</b>	<b>TRANSITION TO MASS</b> Childcare Check-Out Last Chance for Exhibitor Booths
<b>5:00 PM</b>	<b>VIGIL MASS</b> Celebrant: Rev. Francisco Rodriguez III, Pastor of Saint William Catholic Church

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## **PRESENTATION DESCRIPTIONS**

### **FAMILY, BECOME WHAT YOU ARE!**

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St. John Paul frequently noted that “civilization passes by way of the family.” He learned this lesson deeply in his confrontation with Communism, especially while ministering to college students as a young priest. As a chaplain at St. Florian’s, St. John Paul II “learned to love human love.” Dr. Andrew and Sarah Swafford will take us through this period and show the importance of key ideas that come to animate St. John Paul II throughout his life. In this way, they illumine the power of his teaching on the family as the primordial school of love—the true stage on which the world turns and where authentic Catholic culture is so often won or lost.

### **A FAMILY THAT PRAYS TOGETHER**

Tony and Becky Saucedo, Theology of the Body Educators

In the modern world, praying together as a family is more important than ever. Yet today’s family is constantly being pulled in different directions, making it extremely challenging to find time to pray together as a couple, much less as a family. In this talk, Tony and Becky will reflect on how their experience of prioritizing simple family prayers throughout the day has been instrumental in keeping their family close knit and focused on the ultimate goal - getting one another to heaven.

### **GROWING IN CONFIDENCE AS SPIRITUAL LEADERS OF YOUR FAMILY**

Dr. Andrew and Sarah Swafford, Catholic Speakers, Writers, and Associate Professor of Theology at Benedictine College

Many in our culture would reduce gender to a mere social construct, with no objective anchor or validity. For this reason, “parenting” is sometimes cast as a more appropriate replacement for the “fathering” and “mothering” of a husband and wife. Here, Dr. Andrew and Sarah Swafford will dive into the foundations of human nature and what it means to be virtuous. Their talk will explore what it means to be a virtuous husband or wife by sharing ways they have been able to translate their complementary approach to virtue into their concrete family life and community.