

***Together in Holiness* – Diocese of Lake Charles**
Saturday, April 29, 2023 | Camp Karol, Moss Bluff, LA

FAMILY, A BELIEVING AND EVANGELIZING COMMUNITY

8:30 AM	CONFERENCE CHECK-IN Childcare Check-In Light Breakfast – pastries, coffee, etc. Sacrament of Reconciliation – 8:30 - 9:15 am Exhibitor Booths – available throughout conference
9:15 – 9:30 AM	WORDS OF WELCOME Rachel Townsend, Program Coordinator, St. John Paul II Foundation
9:30 – 10:30 AM	THE EUCHARIST AS THE SOURCE AND SUMMIT OF THE PROPHETIC MISSION OF THE FAMILY Larry G. Freaney, Director of Education and Assessments, Rejoice Counseling Apostolate
10:45 – 11:45 AM	ENKINDLING AND FANNING THE FLAME: HOW TO PASS ON THE FAITH TO YOUR CHILDREN Rev. Nathan Long, Pastor, St. Margaret of Scotland Catholic Church Owen and Erin Clanton, Parishioners, St. Margaret of Scotland Catholic Church
12:00 – 12:45 PM	MASS AND MARRIAGE BLESSING Most Rev. Glen John Provost, Bishop of Lake Charles
12:45 – 2:30 PM	BREAK FOR LUNCH AND PRAYER Sacrament of Reconciliation – 1:30 - 2:30 pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament – 1:30 - 2:30 pm Benediction – 2:15 pm Exhibitor Booths – available throughout conference
2:45 – 3:45 PM	BECOMING WITNESSES TO THE JOY OF EUCHARISTIC LOVE Ryan Hanning, PhD, Fellow, San Juan Diego Institute
3:45 – 4:00 PM	CLOSING COMMENTS AND SENDING FORTH Childcare Check-out Last Chance for Exhibitor Booths

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PRESENTATION DESCRIPTIONS

THE EUCHARIST AS THE SOURCE AND SUMMIT OF THE PROPHETIC MISSION OF THE FAMILY

Larry G. Freeney, Director of Education and Assessments, Rejoice Counseling Apostolate

The family is called “to be a sign of unity for the world and in this way to exercise its prophetic role by bearing witness to the Kingdom and peace of Christ, towards which the whole world is journeying” (St. John Paul II, *Familiaris consortio*, 48). The Holy Eucharist is the source for communion within the Church as it brings about the unity between the faithful and Jesus Christ and the unity among the members of the Body of Christ, the Church. This talk will reflect upon the gift of the Holy Eucharist as a sign and foretaste of the unity that the family is called to proclaim through its faithful witness in the home and beyond.

ENKINDLING AND FANNING THE FLAME: HOW TO PASS ON THE FAITH TO YOUR CHILDREN

Rev. Nathan Long, Pastor, St. Margaret of Scotland Catholic Church

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As heralds and teachers of the Gospel for their children, there is nothing that can replace the words and example of a parent in the spiritual development of a child. In the Rite of Baptism, parents accept responsibility for training their children in the practice of the faith. Parents are also the first image of God’s compassionate and patient love for their children. This panel will offer practical wisdom on how parents can embrace their role as the primary educators of their children and take up the task of raising future saints for the Kingdom of God.

BECOMING WITNESSES TO THE JOY OF EUCHARISTIC LOVE

Ryan Hanning, PhD, Fellow, San Juan Diego Institute

Family life and evangelization? In a world that often rejects traditional marriage and family life, our families' witness to joy and self-giving love is more important than ever. Despite the busyness and challenges of family life it remains part of God's plan to share His love with the world. As St. John Paul II explained: "The Christian family's faith and evangelizing mission also possesses this Catholic missionary inspiration. The sacrament of marriage takes up and reposes the task of defending and spreading the faith, a task that has its roots in Baptism and Confirmation, and makes Christian married couples and parents witnesses of Christ 'to the end of the earth,' missionaries, in the true and proper sense, of love and life" (*Familiaris consortio*, no. 54). This talk will give a foundational vision for the mission of the family and practical tips for joyfully sharing the faith within the context of family life.