

Together in Holiness – Diocese of St. Petersburg
Saturday, March 16, 2024 | Cathedral of St. Jude the Apostle, St. Petersburg, FL

FAMILY, A DOMESTIC CHURCH

7:45 AM	CONFERENCE CHECK-IN Childcare Check-In A light breakfast will be available after Mass has concluded. Exhibitor Booths – available throughout conference
8:15 AM	MASS AND MARRIAGE BLESSING Celebrant: Rev. Tom Morgan, Pastor, Cathedral of St. Jude the Apostle
9:30 – 9:45 AM	WORDS OF WELCOME Roland Millare, VP of Curriculum and Director of Clergy Initiatives
9:45 – 10:45 AM	THE HOLY EUCHARIST AND THE DOMESTIC CHURCH Roland Millare, VP of Curriculum and Director of Clergy Initiatives
11:00 – 12:00 PM	STRENGTHENING THE SPIRITUALITY OF YOUR DOMESTIC CHURCH Deacon Mike and Lisa Ryba, Parishioners of St. Timothy Catholic Church
12:00 – 1:45 PM	BREAK FOR LUNCH AND PRAYER 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	SACRIFICIAL LOVE IS SANCTIFYING LOVE Greg Schutte, MSW, LISW-S, Senior Director of Marriage Works! Ohio
3:00 – 3:15 PM	CLOSING COMMENTS AND SENDING FORTH Childcare Check-out Last Chance for Exhibitor Booths

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PRESENTATION DESCRIPTIONS

THE HOLY EUCHARIST AND THE DOMESTIC CHURCH

Roland Millare, VP of Curriculum and Director of Clergy Initiatives

The Second Vatican Council taught that “the family is, so to speak, the domestic church” (*Lumen gentium*, 11). This foundational presentation will explore the origin and significance of the “domestic church” based upon the thought of St. John Paul II, Sacred Scripture, and the witness of the saints. This talk will emphasize how understanding the identity and mission of the family as the domestic church and its relationship to the Holy Eucharist is essential for the renewal of our culture, society, and the Church.

STRENGTHENING THE SPIRITUALITY OF YOUR DOMESTIC CHURCH

Deacon Mike and Lisa Ryba, Parishioners of St. Timothy Catholic Church

St. John Paul II wrote that “it is in the Holy Family, the original Church in miniature, that every Christian family must be reflected. It is therefore the prototype and example for all Christian families.” In this talk, couples will explore how they can foster an authentic culture of discipleship to Jesus after the example of the Holy Family by integrating six key principles into their marriage and family life. By doing so, they learn to mirror to each other and to the world the joy and peace that Christ brings.

SACRIFICIAL LOVE IS SANCTIFYING LOVE

Greg Schutte, MSW, LISW-S, Senior Director of Marriage Works! Ohio

Married life is a school of sacrifice, self-denial, and charity, reflecting Christ’s love for the Church. This presentation will discuss how striving to love each other with a pure, sacrificial love produces fruits of joy and peace within a marriage. This presentation will enable couples to have a deeper appreciation and understanding of self-giving love as a central characteristic of the marriage vocation. Couples will receive insights into how to offer themselves as living sacrifices (Roman 12:1) within their marriage.