

Together in Holiness – Diocese of Charlotte
Saturday, November 16, 2024 | St. Barnabas Catholic Church, Arden, NC

FAMILY, A BELIEVING AND EVANGELIZING COMMUNITY

8:00 AM	CONFERENCE CHECK-IN Childcare Check-In Sacrament of Reconciliation - 8:00 - 8:30 am Exhibitor Booths – available throughout conference
8:30 AM	MASS AND MARRIAGE BLESSING Celebrant: Very Rev. Adrian Porras
10:00 – 10:15 AM	WORDS OF WELCOME Larry G. Freeney, PhD, Director of Education and Assessments, Rejoice Counseling Apostolate
10:15 – 11:15 AM	EDUCATING IN CHRIST: PARENTS AS PRIMARY TEACHERS OF THEIR CHILDREN IN THE FAITH John & Claire Grabowski, Catholic Authors and Speakers
11:30 AM – 12:30 PM	ENKINDLING AND FANNING THE FLAME: HOW TO PASS ON THE FAITH TO YOUR CHILDREN Larry G. Freeney, PhD, Director of Education and Assessments, Rejoice Counseling Apostolate
12:30 – 2:15 PM	BREAK FOR LUNCH AND PRAYER Sacrament of Reconciliation – 1:15 - 2:15 pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament – 1:15 - 2:15 pm Benediction – 2:00 pm Exhibitor Booths – available throughout conference
2:30 – 3:30 PM	EUCCHARISTIC SAINTS, FAMILIES, AND EVANGELIZATION Ryan Hanning, PhD, Fellow, San Juan Diego Institute
3:30 – 3:45 PM	CLOSING COMMENTS AND SENDING FORTH Childcare Check-out Last Chance for Exhibitor Booths

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PRESENTATION DESCRIPTIONS

EDUCATING IN CHRIST: PARENTS AS PRIMARY TEACHERS OF THEIR CHILDREN IN THE FAITH

John & Claire Grabowski, Catholic Authors and Speakers

The Church has consistently taught that parents are the “primary educators” of their children. This foundational presentation will explore the unique mission entrusted to parents to serve as the first teachers of the faith within the domestic church. This talk will emphasize the essential role of parents in rooting their children in the teachings of the Church, a life of virtue, and regular participation in the sacraments.

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

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

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 the first image of God’s compassionate and patient love for their children. This presentation will offer practical wisdom on how parents can embrace their role as the primary educators of their children.

EUCCHARISTIC SAINTS, FAMILIES, AND EVANGELIZATION

Ryan Hanning, PhD, Fellow, San Juan Diego Institute

What happens if I go all-in as a believer and disciple of Jesus Christ? Is it even necessary or possible “to be made worthy of the promises of Christ?” It’s unfair, but easier, to judge the truth of the Faith by the witness of Christians who betray, fail, or compromise. It seems more just, but harder, to judge by the heroic witness of those who live it to the full. These are the saints: ordinary men, women, and children made holy by God through their heroic faith in Him and His Church. Their witness is for us.

This presentation will offer couples insights on how to develop a vibrant relationship with these saints and how a devotion to the Holy Eucharist can assist their families to bear witness to the gospel in the ordinary events of their lives.