



Together in Holiness – Diocese of Charlotte
Saturday, November 21, 2026 | St. Ann Catholic Church, Charlotte, NC

UNITED IN LOVE

7:30 AM	CONFERENCE CHECK-IN Childcare Check-In Sacrament of Reconciliation - 7:30 - 8:00 am Exhibitor Booths – available throughout conference
8:00 AM	MASS AND MARRIAGE BLESSING Celebrant: Most Rev. Michael T. Martin, OFM Conv.
9:30 – 9:45 AM	WORDS OF WELCOME Deacon Michael J. Deem, PhD, Fellow, St. John Paul II Foundation
9:45 – 10:45 AM	COMMUNION THROUGH THE HOLY SPIRIT Deacon Jason and Rachel Bulman, Catholic Authors and Speakers, Co-Hosts of <i>Meet the Bulmans</i>
11:00 AM – 12:00 PM	FINDING COMMON GROUND IN CHRIST Christine Wisdom
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	FORGIVENESS: THE KEY TO LASTING UNITY Colin and Aimee MacIver, Catholic Authors, Speakers, and Co-Founders of Thy Ship
3:00 – 3:15 PM	CLOSING COMMENTS AND SENDING FORTH Childcare Check-out Last Chance for Exhibitor Booths

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PRESENTATION DESCRIPTIONS

COMMUNION THROUGH THE HOLY SPIRIT

Deacon Jason and Rachel Bulman, Catholic Authors and Speakers, Co-Hosts of *Meet the Bulmans*

In the Nuptial Blessing, the Church offers the following prayer for the couple to be married: "Send down on them the grace of the Holy Spirit and pour your love into their hearts, that they may remain faithful in the Marriage covenant." The Holy Spirit is the source of communion and love for spouses in their vocation. This presentation will focus on the role of the Holy Spirit in strengthening married couples in fidelity and love.

FINDING COMMON GROUND IN CHRIST

Christine Wisdom

Every marriage encounters moments when spouses feel disconnected in their hopes, priorities, or understanding of each other's needs. This presentation explores how Christ's example of humble, self-sacrificial love provides the foundation for true marital unity, compassionate communication, and mutual love. This presentation will offer practical tools for navigating conflicts with grace, and discovering how being "of the same mind" in Christ transforms everyday challenges into opportunities for deeper communion and lasting joy.

FORGIVENESS: THE KEY TO LASTING UNITY

Colin and Aimee MacIver, Catholic Authors, Speakers, and Co-Founders of Thy Ship

The love of spouses and parents is capable of curing wounds when Christ-like forgiveness and tenderness becomes the language of daily life. Genuine forgiveness not only heals the inevitable hurts of married life but transforms families into beacons of reconciliation for a divided world. In a culture that often views forgiveness as weakness or enabling, this presentation reclaims the revolutionary power of Christ's tender mercy as the foundation for lasting marital unity.