

BUILD THE FIRE WORKSHOPS, DAY 1

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 7

8:30 a.m.

Optional Morning Mass at St. Francis of Assisi

9:00 - 9:20 a.m.

Check In & Hospitality

9:20 - 9:30 a.m.

Welcome & Introduction

9:30 - 9:55 a.m.

Lectio Divina

9:55 - 10:00 a.m.

Transition & Bathroom Break

10:00 - 11:05 a.m.

Keynote: Rekindling Ministry

11:05 - 11:15 a.m.

Break & Transition

11:15 - 12:10 p.m.

Breakouts # 1

- Beyond the Book: Kerygma in the Classroom
- Differences between Jr High & High School Youth
- Ministering to Adults with Disabilities

12:10 - 1:00 p.m.

Lunch

1:00 - 1:55 p.m.

Breakouts # 2

- Part 1: Experience Ministry for Youth with Disabilities
- Part 1: Experiencing EDGE (Where Jr High RE & YM Collide)
- Regional RCIA

1:55 - 2:15 p.m.

Coffee Break

2:15 - 3:10 p.m.

Breakouts # 3

- Part 2: Debriefing Ministry for Youth with Disabilities
- Part 2: Debriefing EDGE (Where Jr High RE & YM Collide)
- Discussion on Year-long/Rolling RCIA

3:10 - 3:20 p.m.

(Another) Coffee Break

3:20 - 4:15 p.m.

Breakouts # 4

- Creating Retreats for Kids & Families
- Bridging the Gap: High School to College to Young Adults
- Creating Disciples in the Inquiry Stage

4:15 p.m.

Wrap-up

4:30 - 6:00 p.m.

Optional Happy Hour at Loose Ends Brewing Co.

Participants are responsible for the cost of their own meals/drinks

BUILD THE FIRE WORKSHOPS, DAY 2

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 8

9:00 - 9:20 a.m.

Check In & Hospitality

9:20 - 9:30 a.m.

Welcome & Introduction

9:30 - 9:55 a.m.

Lectio Divina

9:55 - 10:05 a.m.

Transition & Bathroom Break

10:05 - 11:00 a.m.

Breakouts # 1

- Summer Programming
- Accompaniment of Youth (6-12) Through the Summer
- Hispanic Evangelization Considerations

11:05 - 11:15 a.m.

Break & Transition

11:15 - 12:10 p.m.

Breakouts # 2

- Part 1: Experience Family Catechesis
- Making Disciples & Confirmation Preparation
- Evangelizing Couples: The Marriage Catechumenate

12:10 - 1:00 p.m.

Lunch

1:00 - 1:55 p.m.

Breakouts # 3

- Part 2: Considerations for Launching Family Catechesis
- Integrating Mentorship into High School Evangelization
- Necessity of Hospitality & Invitation in Adult Evangelization

1:55 - 2:15 p.m.

Break & Transition

2:15 - 3:00 p.m.

Mass

3:00 - 3:15 p.m.

(Another) Coffee Break

3:15 - 4:15 p.m.

"Closing Note" - Making the Mass More Engaging

- For Youth & Families
- For Young Adults
- For Persons with Disabilities

4:15 p.m.

Wrap-up

4:30 - 6:00 p.m.

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OVERVIEW OF TUESDAY WORKSHOPS

Keynote

Rebooting Ministry (Christen Aquino)

Over the last three years we have seen tremendous changes: in the culture, in our families, in our parish-families. How do we reboot our ministries for the upcoming year? How do we re-engaged the disengaged? What are some practical considerations that will help us in our strategic planning?

Breakouts # 1

Beyond the Book: Kerygma in the Classroom (Rachel Niekamp)

How do we take the content from the book resources, infuse them with testimony and the kerygma to truly bring the Church's teachings to life? How can we make our elementary classes more engaging for the youth?

Differences Between Ministry with Jr High & High School Youth (Shane Legg & Christen)

What are the subtle differences between Jr High and High School youth? How do we make sure that what we are offering is actually meeting their specific needs?

Ministering to Adults with Disabilities (Lisa Averion)

What are some of the best practices for how our parishes can provide ministries for adults with disabilities? How can my parish begin a ministry for adults with disabilities?

Breakouts # 2

Part 1: Experience Ministry for Youth With Disabilities (Lisa Averion & Becky Hensler)

Join Lisa for an experiential workshop for youth with disabilities. During the second session, learn how to adapt lessons like this one for your own context.

Part 1: Experiencing EDGE -- Where Jr High RE & Youth Ministry Collide (Christen & Shane)

Join Christen & Shane to experience an EDGE Night. During the second session, learn more about the EDGE resources that bring together the best of relational ministry & accompaniment, experience & engagement, encounter, and catechesis.

Regional RCIA (Nicholas Hardesty & Sean Ater)

Learn and discuss the practical implications of instituting RCIA throughout your entire Parish Family, and as a wider region.

OVERVIEW OF TUESDAY WORKSHOPS CONT.

Breakouts # 3

Part 2: Experience Ministry for Youth With Disabilities (Lisa Averion & Becky Hensler)

Debrief on what the experience was like and learn how to adapt lessons like this one for your own context.

Part 2: Experiencing EDGE -- Where Jr High RE & Youth Ministry Collide (Christen & Shane)

Debrief on what the experience of EDGE was like. Learn more about the EDGE resources and how they are best implemented into a comprehensive youth evangelization program.

Discussion on Year-long/Rolling RCIA (Nicholas & Sean)

Come prepared to hear about some suggestions and discuss best practices for having an RCIA process that receives people at all times of the year.

Breakouts # 4

Creating Retreats for Kids & Families (Julie Zinser)

How can we create retreats and days of reflection for youth and their families? How can we use these as opportunities to re-engage and provide moments of encounter for parents? How can we better equip parents as primary catechists, witnesses of the faith and keepers of the memory of God?

Bridging the Gap: High School to College to Young Adults (Wayne Topp, Paco Patag, Shane & Christen)

How can we help bridge the gap during moments of transition for our young people? Join us for some best practices and an open discussion on these critical moments of transition.

Creating Disciples in the Inquiry Stage (Nicholas & Sean)

How can our understanding of the Process of Evangelization & Discipleship help us in accompanying people as they come to us during the Inquiry Stage? How can we provide opportunities that help people to grow in their discipleship?

OVERVIEW OF WEDNESDAY WORKSHOPS

Breakouts # 1

Summer Programming (Becky)

What does our parish provide over the summer that continues to support and encourage both children and adults in their discipleship formation and provide new opportunities for encounter?

Accompaniment of Youth (6-12) through the Summer (Shane & Christen)

Summer can be an ideal time to engage our Jr High & High School youth. Often we take them to conferences, retreats, mission trips, etc. How do we choose which programs are the best fit for our youth? How do we prepare them for these experiences, accompany them through the experiences, and continue to journey with them afterward?

Hispanic Evangelization Considerations (Samuel Vasquez)

What are some of the best practices for how our parishes can engage or begin evangelization efforts toward Hispanic families?

Breakouts # 2

Part 1: Experience Family Catechesis (Jayne LoConti & Becky)

This experiential workshop on family catechesis will give you an opportunity to see new ways of engaging children and their parents. How can we help our parents grow in their faith, encounter Jesus, and feel equipped to better share God's love with their children?

Making Disciples & Confirmation Preparation (Christen & Shane)

How can we use our Confirmation programs as a ground for making disciples? How are we preparing our young people prior to the start of their Confirmation preparation? Where are they going after they receive the Sacrament? How can we make Confirmation Retreats more engaging and moments of real encounter?

Evangelizing Couples: The Marriage Catechumenate (Adriana Vasquez)

This workshop is intended for lay leaders involved in any aspect of marriage preparation or marriage enrichment. The presentation will include an introduction to the marriage catechumenate and will share ideas of how a parish can implement this unique mentorship-based approach that is being called for by the Vatican.

OVERVIEW OF WEDNESDAY WORKSHOPS CONT.

Breakouts # 3

Part 2: Considerations for Launching Family Catechesis (Jayne & Becky)

Debrief on what the experience of Family Catechesis was like. Learn more about what resources exist for Family Catechesis and how they are best implemented.

Integrating Mentorship into High School Evangelization (Shane)

What is mentorship? How can this model be a helpful approach to keeping high school youth engaged and growing in their relationship with Jesus in a very personalized way?

Necessity of Hospitality & Invitation in Adult Evangelization (Nicholas & Christen)

How can we better engage the adults in our parish? How can we reach beyond our parish walls to bring in new members? How can we begin to create a culture of hospitality and invitation in our parish?