



# OFFICE FOR PARISH LIFE

GOOD NEWS NOTES

## CATECHIST CAMP

For adults who have a good time sharing faith with children, youth and families!

June 22-26, 2015

Campus of Marywood University

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**WHY?** To restore your faith, renew your creativity and assist you with the skills and theological foundation to support your ministry as catechists and disciple-makers.

### SO, WHY NOT?

There are many options for varying levels of participation in this full weeklong intensive catechist formation opportunity.

Choose "Extreme Camp" for the full week program and living on campus, or Full or Part-Day Camper for program elements while commuting. You can also choose one course, or one evening workshop — whatever fits your interest and time.

Check out the Week-at-A-Glance chart on page 3 of News Notes. For more details and registration go to

[www.doscatechistcamp.org](http://www.doscatechistcamp.org)

### Mass of Priestly Ordination

Reverend Mr. Seth Dominic Wasnock

Saturday, June 6  
10:00am  
Cathedral of St. Peter

## DIOCESAN-WIDE DIALOGUE ON PASTORAL LEADERSHIP



### Regional Mtgs 6:30-8:30pm

**April 14**

St. Maria Goretti, Lafin

**April 30**

St. Luke's Hall, Stroudsburg

**May 4**

Diocesan Pastoral Center,  
Scranton

**May 5**

SS Peter and Paul, Towanda

**May 6**

St. Ignatius, Kingston

**June 16**

Sacred Heart Hall,  
Peckville

**June 17**

St. Joseph Hall, Williamsport

**June 29**

St. John Bosco, Conyngham

- Bishop Bambera's Homily for the Second Sunday of Easter is now posted on the Diocesan website.
- Local Leaders Preparation for the Diocesan Dialogue on Pastoral Leadership, with accompanying article and discussion guides — your response to this serves as Part III of your Annual Parish Report for this year;
- Bulletin insert/handout (delivered in bulk to every parish) could serve as a helpful small group discussion tool.

Each Pastor is asked to gather parish leaders for study and discussion, and to bring a parish delegation of 5-6 members to one of the meetings listed in column to left. Please note that this is a **revised list of dates/locations** — it is the most accurate list. **So far, 70 parishes have participated** — don't miss the remaining dates!

To register your parish, call Jennifer at 570-207-2213.

## RCIA Enrichment Sessions

The Office for Parish Life will be holding regional Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) Enrichment Sessions during the week of June 8-11. These sessions are geared for pastors, deacons, parish coordinators of the RCIA process, members of the RCIA team and directors of music.

The focus of the evening will be on **Music and Presiding at the Rites** which will provide participants with a step-by-step discussion of various rites of the RCIA process that includes live music to accompany the ritual. Through this hands-on learning process, participants can compare and evaluate how the rites are currently being celebrated in their parish and music suggestions suited for the rites will be offered.

Please contact the Office for Parish Life at 570-207-2213 to register for one of these sessions shown here :

- Monday, June 8<sup>th</sup> at 6:30PM at Our Lady of Fatima Parish, Wilkes-Barre
- Tuesday, June 9<sup>th</sup> at 6:30PM at St. Catherine of Siena Parish, Moscow
- Wednesday, June 10<sup>th</sup> at 6:30PM at Resurrection Parish, Muncy
- Thursday, June 11<sup>th</sup> at 6:30PM at Our Lady Queen of Peace Parish, Brodheadsville



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	<b>Monday, June 22</b>	<b>Tuesday, June 23</b>	<b>Wednesday, June 24</b>	<b>Thursday, June 25</b>	<b>Friday, June 26</b>
<b>7:45am</b>	Morning Glory	Morning Glory	Morning Glory	Morning Glory	<b>Retreat Mass</b>
<b>Morning Course 8-10:30am</b>	Bible Basics	Bible Basics	Bible Basics	Bible Basics	9:00am VBS Show and Tell
VBS for "Grown-ups" <b>10:30am-2:00pm</b> (Church History, Meaning, Mission) (daily, with lunch break)					11:30am-2:00pm  LUNCH and RECESS
<b>Afternoon Course 2-4:30pm</b>	Liturgy and Sacraments	Liturgy and Sacraments	Liturgy and Sacraments	Liturgy and Sacraments	<b>Retreat Continues</b>
	Dinner	Dinner	Dinner	Dinner	Dinner
<b>Evening Workshops 6:30-8:30pm</b>	Living the Life of a Catholic Teen <i>Shannon Kowalski</i>	Catechesis with the Family in Mind <i>Sr. Kieran Williams</i>	Technology Tools to Enhance Parish Religious Education <i>Mark Choman</i>	Music in Faith Formation <i>TBA</i>  <b>Opening of Retreat</b>	<b>Retreat Concludes at 8:00pm</b>
<b>8:30pm</b>	<b>Night Prayer and Social</b>	<b>Night Prayer and Social</b>	<b>Night Prayer and Social</b>	<b>Night Prayer and Social</b>	



# Love Is Our Mission: The Family Fully Alive

## A Year-long Parish Celebration of Marriage & the Family!

[Click here for complete calendar](#)



### Summer 2015 Opportunity: Family Fun Night/Day

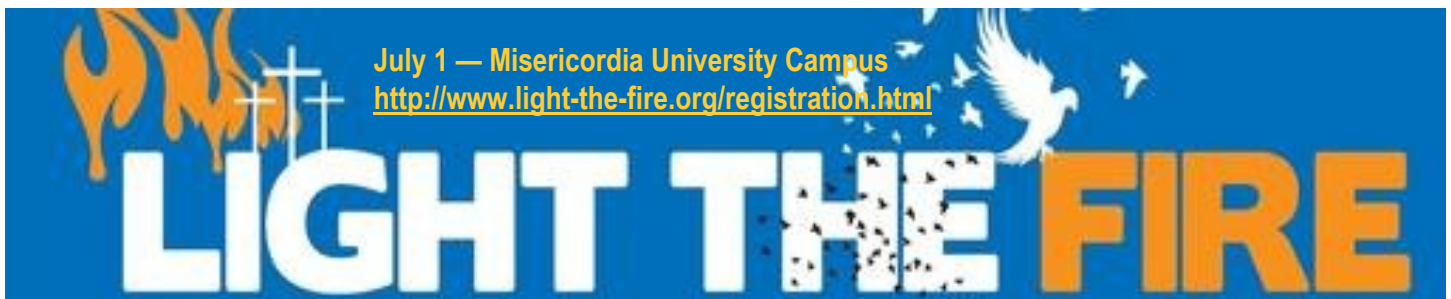
**What is this about?** Host a gathering of families just to have time to relax and be together. Summer is a slower time in parish life and may allow for your parish to host a low-key, community building event that allows families to enjoy each other's company. Our plan suggests a meal, time for the individual family to play board games, time for the whole crowd to play together –we have some ideas!-- and an opening and closing prayer. Or maybe you have some good ideas of your own...

**How do I do this?** Use these tools:

[Plan](#)

[Prayer](#)

[Invitation](#)



## TEAM MEMBERS

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