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LAY DIRECTORS AND PASTORS ANNUAL MEETING

The Parish Corporate Boards (pastor, lay directors, bishop and vicar general) will meet on Sunday, September 13, 3:00 p.m. at Holy Trinity Parish Hall, Richmond. An alternate date will be Wednesday, September 16, 7:00 p.m. at St. Wenceslaus Parish Hall, Iowa City. An overview of the newly revised *Employer Procedures Manual for Diocesan Entities* will be given as well as information for the 2009 Annual Diocesan Appeal. All ADA materials will be available at the site you attend. This fulfills the annual meeting of the Parish Corporate Boards.

STUDENT PRIEST CHANGES

Fr. Simon Taabu left the diocese August 28 to pursue his Ph.D. We thank Fr. Simon for his service to the Diocese. We welcome Fr. Simon's brother priest from Tanzania, Fr. Erasto Naakule. Fr. Erasto is studying at St. Ambrose University. His contact information is: naakulee@diodav.org, 563-323-0496 (Fr. Simon's former number) and 2706 N. Gaines St., Davenport, 52804-1998.

PARISH ADDRESS CHANGE

Effective immediately: Immaculate Conception, Petersville, 2636 US Hwy 136, Delmar 52037-9185.

COMMUNICATION OFFICE

Email for Directors of Religious Education and Youth Ministers: We have found that several new parish catechetical leaders have not been informed of the diodav.org email system. Remember that this is the address at which their email is sent. Please follow-up with your new faith formation staff to ensure they are receiving diocesan email. It is important that your staff (new and old) be connected to the diocese. Remember, this is the email address we use for official email communication. For help contact Rob Butterworth or Laurie Hoefling: 563-324-1911 or butterworth@davenportdiocese.org or hoefling@davenportdiocese.org.

Having trouble opening Word or Excel documents sent by the Diocese? That is because on July 1 we began emailing all non-PDF documents in the Office 2007 format...the file name has an "x" at the end, e.g., .docx or .xlsx. To open these documents you need to download the compatibility patch or purchase Office 2007. This patch works for Office versions 2000, XP or 2003. If you have an older version of Office you must purchase a newer version as the patch will not work. The free patch can be downloaded from this website: <http://www.microsoft.com/downloads/details.aspx?FamilyId=941B3470-3AE9-4AEE-8F43-C6BB74CD1466&displaylang=en>.

Office 2007 orders are due Sept. 10. On your behalf, the Diocese can order an Office 2007 Professional Plus license for \$67 (plus tax and handling) **per computer**. This package has Word, Excel, PowerPoint, Publisher and Outlook included. To order send an email request to Rob Butterworth, butterworth@davenportdiocese.org.

PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN

Sessions are open to all adults in the Diocese of Davenport and are mandated for all employees and those volunteers who work on a regular basis with children. To schedule a session contact your deanery facilitator listed on the diocesan website, www.davenportdiocese.org (Offices, Protecting Children, Safe Environment, Protecting God's Children) or Virginia Trujillo, trujillo@davenportdiocese.org or 563-324-1912, ext. 256. Current training scheduled (as of August 31):

Date	Location	Time
9/02/09	Muscatine, SS. Mary & Mathias	6:30 p.m.
9/05/09	West Liberty, St. Joseph Church	9:30 a.m. Spanish
9/16/09	Iowa City, St. Thomas More Church	7:00 p.m.
9/27/09	Bettendorf, St. John Vianney Church	1:00 p.m.
9/29/09	Iowa City, Regina Education Center	6:00 p.m.
10/15/09	West Burlington, SS. Mary & Patrick Church	6:30 p.m.
11/08/09	Davenport, Assumption High School	3:00 p.m.

To report child abuse contact: Iowa Department of Human Services Child Abuse Hotline: 800-362-2178 and if it involves clergy or church personnel also notify Alicia Owens, the Victim Assistance Coordinator, 563-349-5002, or yacdav@attglobal.net or PO Box 232, Bettendorf, IA 52722-0004.

LITURGY OFFICE

New Flu Policy: Please be aware that we are in the process of updating our Pandemic Flu Policy; the new directives should be available soon on our website – and copies will be e-mailed to pastors, parishes, and principals.

Year for Priests Mass: Thursday, October 29, 5:30 p.m., St. Mary Church, 228 East Jefferson St., Iowa City. The Diocese of Davenport is invited to gather with Bishop Amos to celebrate the Eucharistic liturgy with and for the priests of our diocese.

FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION

Fiscal year end reports and backups were due August 1. If your parish has not submitted these or made arrangements for an extension contact Nancy Karn immediately. Many parishes have not sent their QuickBooks backup files. Nancy can be reached at karn@davenportdiocese.org or 563-324-1912, ext. 229.

VOCATIONS OFFICE

Holy Hours of Prayer for Vocations are continuing across the Diocese during the months of September and October. You are invited and encouraged to come and pray for the gift of vocations. The schedule follows:

September 2:	St. Ann, Long Grove	7 PM
September 4:	Church of the Visitation, Camanche	4:30 PM Mass/5 PM Holy Hour
September 22:	Prince of Peace, Clinton	10 AM
October 16:	SS. Mary & Mathias, Muscatine	6:30 PM

Please pray for the success of these Holy Hours and encourage your parishioners to come and pray for the gift of vocations. Please advertise the Holy Hours in your bulletin for those close to your parish. So far across the Diocese, 18 Holy Hours of Prayer have been held and the turnout has been wonderful. Let us continue to pray for the gift of vocations in our Diocese! For more information, contact Fr. Marty Goetz, goetz@davenportdiocese.org or 563-324-1912, ext. 259.

“Thinking of Priesthood Day”: October 17, Newman Center, Iowa City. The day begins at 9 a.m. and concludes with Mass and dinner at 5 p.m. Fr. Jonathan Fassero from St. Meinrad School of Theology will again be leading the day. Use the attached flyer as a bulletin insert or poster. If you would like more information or to RSVP, contact Fr. Marty Goetz, goetz@davenportdiocese.org or 563-324-1912, ext. 259)

STEWARDSHIP OFFICE

The Diocesan Stewardship Day will be held Tuesday, October 6 at St. Mary Parish, Solon, 9 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. “Forming Grateful Hearts”, the keynote address, will be given by Fr. Frank DeSiano, a nationally known expert on evangelization, stewardship and discipleship. The cost for the day is a free will offering for lunch. RSVP by Sept. 30 to Dan Ebener, ebener@davenportdiocese.org. A promotional flyer with more details is attached.

PASTORAL SERVICES

Social Action . . .

JustFaith Group: September 2, St. Anthony Parish, Davenport. This new program is open to anyone who is interested in bringing together Scripture, reflective readings, and work with the “least of my brothers” to help form a compassionate, informed faith. Contact the parish office for information, davstanthony@diodav.org or 563-322-3303.

If your parish is interested in forming a JustFaith group or would like assistance with an existing program contact Esmeralda Guerrero, guerrero@davenportdiocese.org or 563-324-1912, ext 289.

Pacem in Terris Peace and Freedom Award: September 20, 3:00 p.m., Christ the King Chapel, St. Ambrose University. Hildegard Goss-Mayr, one of the world's leading advocates of nonviolence is the recipient. For over fifty years, she has been one of the world's leading advocates of nonviolence. As the preeminent teacher of nonviolence of our time, she has been nominated numerous times for the Nobel Peace Prize.

Faith in a Changing Climate: September 29, 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m., Christian Conference Center, Newton. Iowa Interfaith Power & Light is hosting a workshop specifically designed to address the questions and needs of ministers of all faiths. This is an opportunity to learn from experts more about climate change and its religious dimensions, as well as the simple ways that your faith community and its members can become part of the solution and save money in the process. For registration, an agenda, information on speakers, and directions, go to http://www.iowaip.org/ministry_workshop.html.

Respect Life Month Begins October 4: *Every Child Brings us God's Smile* is this year's theme. Respect Life Month is a month in which we are called to reflect on the precious gift of life. For Respect Life information and resources, English and Spanish, see: <http://www.usccb.org/prolife/programs/rlp/2009/index.shtml>.

Thank you to all parishes that ordered their 2009 Respect Life Materials and have sent delivery notification. If your parish has not emailed notification confirming the delivery of your packet please do so by September 18 to Esmeralda Guerrero at guerrero@davenportdiocese.org. If your parish missed the notice to order, a few extras are available for purchase on a first-come-first-served basis. Contact Esmeralda to order, 563-324-1912, ext. 289.

St. Vincent Home Corporation Grants are due October 15 for consideration at the fall board meeting. All applications must be postmarked by that date.

To be consistent with its purpose, St. Vincent Home Corporation will focus on those projects that assist children who are in the greatest need. Projects that address children in general should explain the extent to which the project also supports children who have special needs, such as poverty, family breakdown or other disadvantage. The grant application and criteria are available at the Diocese website, <http://www.davenportdiocese.org/socialaction/sastvincenthomecorporation.htm>.

If you received a grant in 2008 you must submit your progress report also by October 15. No new funding application will be considered until Progress Reports are submitted from the previous grant. Questions about the grant application can be directed to Loxi Hopkins, hopkins@davenportdiocese.org or 563-324-1912 ext. 246.

Madagascar Update: The political situation in Madagascar continues to deteriorate. It has reached the point where any criticism of the new president who came to office illegally in terms of their constitution, is punishable by imprisonment or worse. The Partnership Committee has been unable to re-establish communication with our friends and is presently looking for input from all its members as to whether to attempt to go forward, to change the nature of the relationship, or to attempt a different partnership.

SHARE IOWA: Who wouldn't like to save money on their grocery bill these days? The SHARE Program was begun in Iowa with funding from St. Vincent Home Corporation 16 years ago and can offer you up to a 50% savings on nutritious food packages for just 2 hours of volunteer service each month. Contact www.shareiowa.org or call 800-344-1107.

Faith Formation . . .

Catechetical Sunday will be celebrated September 19-20. The theme is *Catechesis and the Proclamation of the Word*. Parishes are encouraged to recognize and bless their catechists and to authorize catechetical leaders. Resources for Catechetical Sunday are now online (and free) at <http://www.usccb.org/catecheticalsunday/>.

One Day Retreat: September 19, 8:30-3:00 p.m., St. Mary Parish Center, Solon. IlaMae Hanisch will facilitate the day using the book, *Open the Door-A Journey to the True Self* by Joyce Rupp. The day includes Mass with Bishop Amos. Registration is \$20 per person and due by September 11. A registration form is attached.

Ministry with Families 101: The registration deadline is September 25 for this conference on October 8-9 at Sacred Heart, Newton. Hotel reservations must be made by September 24. This is a formation experience for all whose ministry efforts impact families and is sponsored by the four dioceses in Iowa. The fee of \$125 includes meals and materials. Full details can be found on the attached registration form.

Family Day-A Day to Eat Dinner with Your Children: September 28. The National Center on Addiction and Substance Abuse at Columbia University has conducted research on the importance of family dinners, especially among teens. Several years ago they issued a report showing that families who ate together were less likely to abuse substances, and academic performance was enhanced. The dinner table is a good time to pray, talk about your faith, and share how your faith and life connect. Look for intentional ways to enhance family spirituality. Information about can be found at www.casafamilyday.org.

Diocesan High School Youth Rally: “Jesus Christ: King of Heart & Soul” will be Sunday, October 4 at the Coralville Marriott. Our keynoter will be storyteller and singer Vallimar Jansen. Cost is \$38 per person for parishes registering by Tuesday, Sept. 22. Additional registrations will be taken until Tuesday, Sept. 29 at a higher fee. Our cool new rally T-shirt is just \$10 this year. Promotional material, including the Welcome Memo, has been sent to all parish leaders. For more information, contact Pat Finan, 641-842-5148 or finan@davenportdiocese.org. Steer youth to www.davenportyouth.org for more information about the rally.

NET (National Evangelization Teams) retreats will be offered in our diocese December 4-16. If you are interested in hosting NET at your parish or school, please contact Pat Finan at finan@davenportdiocese.org as soon as possible. Parishes and schools requesting dates are asked to provide their top THREE dates; at least one of these dates should not be a weekend date. Mondays are not available. For more information about NET, please go to www.netusa.org.

The 2010 Junior High Youth Rally will be held Sunday, March 21 at Regina Catholic Education Center in Iowa City. Our keynoter will be Catholic storyteller and singer Anne Marie Cribbin. For more information, go to www.davenportyouth.org.

Marriage Preparation Weekends:

October 17-18: Muscatine, SS. Mary & Mathias (registration deadline October 9)

February 20-21: Bettendorf, St. John Vianney (registration deadline February 12)

Additional 2010 dates will be added. If your parish is willing to host a weekend (diocese pays all expenses) please contact Barb Butterworth or IlaMae Hanisch.

The registration form is on the diocesan website, www.davenportdiocese.org (Faith Formation Office, Marriage Preparation). Registration is \$125 per couple. For information about marriage preparation in our diocese or neighboring dioceses contact Barb Butterworth, 563-324-1912, ext. 265 or butterworthb@davenportdiocese.org or IlaMae Hanisch, hanisch@davenportdiocese.org.

Ministry Formation Program (MFP):

“In short, the MFP has literally changed my life! Not to sound cheesy but the light bulb went off within the last year and now I “get it”. I thank God every day for leading me to this program and back to the church.” S.D., Iowa City (a current participant)

The Ministry Formation Program is more than a program to train people for ministry, it is also a great way to **grow in your faith and learn more about how you can become more active in your parish.**

The following two programs will be offered for 2009-10. Information including overview, application, and schedule is available for download for use within the Diocese of Davenport. Go to: <http://www.davenportdiocese.org/faithform/ffmfppg1.htm>. Select Basic MFP Info Packet 2009-10 or Catechetical Specialization Information Packet 2009-10.

The offerings for the year are:

- 1) **Year I Basic:** Two options for attending: 1) Two Saturdays per month on the following dates with instruction via the ICN [Iowa Communications Network] or 2) Once a month (location and time TBD).

Sept. 12: Ecclesial Ministry & Ministries	Sept. 19: Retreat (held in Solon)
Oct. 10 & 24: Baptism	Nov. 7: Holy Orders
Nov. 21: Matrimony	Dec. 5 & 19: Anointing & Reconciliation
Jan. 16 & 23: Confirmation	Feb. 6 & 20: Eucharist
March 6 & 20: Personal & Pastoral Themes for Ministry	April 10 & 24: Catholicism

- 2) **Catechetical Specialization:** Highly recommended for parish DRE's, CYM's, Directors of Catechumenate processes, theology and religion teachers in Catholic Schools. Meets in Williamsburg.

Sept. 19: Retreat (held in Solon)	Sept. 26: Catechesis
Oct. 17: Catechetical Minister	Nov. 14: Program Development
Dec. 12: Professional Practice I	Jan. 9: Professional Practice II
Feb. 13: Pastoral Praxis I	March 13: Pastoral Praxis II
April 17: Legal Issues	May 8: Youth Ministry/Young Adult

A brochure with additional details can be found at, www.davenportdiocese.org, faith formation office, Ministry Formation Program. If you would like full-color brochures for distribution contact Barb Butterworth, butterworthb@davenportdiocese.org. For further information contact IlaMae Hanisch, hanisch@davenportdiocese.org or 641-791-3435.

HOPE AND HEALING MINISTRIES[®]

Rachel's Vineyard Retreat: November 6-8, Newton. The confidential, supportive retreat is for anyone seeking spiritual and emotional healing after abortion. For more information, to donate, or volunteer please call 563-322-1645, or email hopeandhealingtoday@gmail.com. Scholarships are available. You can also visit www.rachelsvineyard.org, or call a toll-free hotline at 1-877-896-HOPE.

Hope and Healing Ministries is a ministry that offers healing retreats with counseling services, counseling referrals, toll-free hotline, support groups, mentoring, and educational seminars to women and men (including family members) who are struggling with the emotional or spiritual pain of an abortion or sexual abuse. Services were created to help one experience the mercy, compassion, and love of God while providing an opportunity to surface and release feelings of anger, shame, guilt and grief in a safe setting.

We are available to visit parishes and offer educational seminars. If a parish is interested in a Hope and Healing fundraiser, your assistance is appreciated. We depend 100% on donors for support.

30TH ANNIVERSARY OF POPE JOHN PAUL II'S VISIT TO IOWA

What God Has Given & Human Hands Have Made: Oct. 2-3, Des Moines. October 4, 2009 will mark the 30th anniversary of the historic visit of Pope John Paul II to St. Patrick Church in the Irish Settlement near Cumming, Iowa, Living History Farms and the Diocese of Des Moines in America's heartland.

On behalf of the Diocese of Des Moines, Living History Farms and the National Catholic Rural Life Conference, Bishop Richard Pates invites you to an interfaith prayer service, a symposium and Mass Oct. 2-3 commemorating this momentous occasion. We will highlight the theme of the Holy Father's homily during his visit: agriculture, faith and future implications. A schedule and details can be found at <http://www.dmdiocese.org/>.

SHALOM RETREAT CENTER, DUBUQUE

Celebrating 20 Years of Peace, Prayer & Hospitality! 1989 - 2009
563-582-359, www.shalomretreats.org

Days of Quiet & Prayer (4-session series)

Wednesdays, Sept. 16, Oct. 14, Nov. 18, Dec. 16

9:15am – 2:30pm

Facilitator: Margaret Jungers OSF

Book: *Living The Lord's Prayer* by Albert Haase, OFM

Learn to live – rather than to simply say – the Lord's Prayer. Topics range from our view of God to our most intimate human relationships to how we treat the world around us and the people in it. This book is not about only the Lord's Prayer – it is about how we conceive of God, and what happens when we encounter God.

Offering: \$75 – includes book, program, materials, continental breakfast, lunch & private room.

Register/prepay by Sept. 8. Online registration is available at <http://www.shalomretreats.org/register.html>.

OUR LADY OF THE PRAIRIE RETREAT, WHEATLAND

For information or to register contact Barb Gross, olpretreat@gmail.com or 563-336-8414.

A RETREAT USING THE WORK AND WRITINGS OF JEAN VANIER AND HENRI NOUWEN

Tuesday, September 15, 9:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Presenter: Jo Anne Horstmann

Fee: \$25.00 – includes lunch

(Fee includes *Essential Writings* by Jean Vanier)

This day will offer a time to reflect on how to simplify our spiritual lives by focusing on what is most essential: our relationship with Jesus and with others. We will listen to and learn from Jean Vanier, the founder of an international community called L'Arche, and Henri Nouwen, a well-known spiritual writer who lived his last years in a L'Arche community in Canada. L'Arche is based on developing mutually transformative relationships with people with developmental disabilities. The day will include times of prayer, input and personal reflection.

Target Audience: Those interested in deepening their spiritual journey.

JoAnne Horstmann has been a member of L'Arche since 1989. From 1989 to 2001 she was the Community Leader for the L'Arche community in Clinton, Iowa, and since that time has been the Central U.S. Regional Coordinator for L'Arche.

ART, PRAYER & WORSHIP

September 23, 9:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Presenter: Gale Francione

Fee: \$15.00 – includes lunch

What is the relationship between the visual arts and prayer? Be with us as we explore how art can deepen our personal prayer life and how we can create an inviting atmosphere for group prayer.

Bring an object or two—a favorite image, an art reproduction, an aesthetically beautiful or meaningful keepsake. It can be any two-or three-dimensional object and it must be without words on it.

Target Audience: Those who pray and find themselves leading prayer, and those who love the arts.

Gale Francione is a liturgical consultant working with congregations when they build or renovate their churches. She has a passion for the visual arts and the liturgy, and loves to share opportunities to blend the two. She has a Masters in Art History and in Pastoral Studies. Gale lives in Davenport.

THE RECIPE FOR MOTHERHOOD

Monday, September 28, 9:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Presenter: Marilyn Riley

Fee: \$15.00 – includes lunch

Marilyn will walk with you on the journey through motherhood. She will include many ingredients that will make your life as a mother sweet as honey.

Target Audience: Mothers of all ages, especially those raising young children.

Marilyn Riley: Partners in Faith Ministry started in January of 2007. Marilyn has a message of faith and hope about her struggles in 2003. Her son, Sgt. Badley Korthaus, died in Iraq and her husband died a few months later. She and her husband, Fran Riley, speak at churches and organizations.

WEEKEND RETREAT FOR WOMEN

Friday, October 9, 7 p.m. – Sunday, October 11, 10 a.m.

Presenter: Sr. Ramona Kaalberg, CHM

Fee: \$100 (includes Saturday meals and Sunday breakfast)

An opportunity for women to come to a quiet setting to celebrate God's presence reflected in the wonders of nature. A time to be attentive to God's presence in the midst of ordinary daily experiences on life's journey.

Target Audience: Women. Limit: 8

Sr. Ramona Kaalberg, CHM, coordinator of formation for the Sisters of Humility, completed the Spiritual Direction Program at Creighton University, Omaha NE.

To support the ministry of your parish, school and the diocese these groups automatically receive the *Mini-Messenger*:

Deacons	Diocesan Corporate Board	Youth Ministers	Pastoral Associates
Diocesan Liturgical Commission	Parishes	Parish Lay Directors	Sisters
Priests	Principals	Diocesan Board of Education	Bookkeepers
Diocesan Pastoral Council	Seminarians	Directors/Coordinators of Faith Formation	RCIA Parish Contacts
Diocesan Planning Commission			

Other interested persons are welcome to subscribe. If you have questions regarding your subscription contact Laurie Hoefling, hoefling@davenportdiocese.org.



Diocesan Stewardship Day

October 6, 2009

9 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

St. Mary Parish
1749 Racine Ave. NE
Solon

Registration and hospitality begin at 9:00 a.m., Tuesday, October 6.

Morning session begins at 9:30 a.m. and includes: Prayer, reflection, keynote address, lay witness talks and parish networking and exchange.

Lunch will be provided with a free will offering.

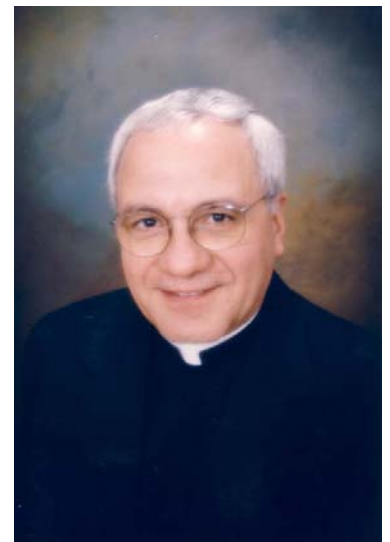
Afternoon session includes breakout sessions, Mass with Bishop Martin Amos and recognition of the Stewardship Institute graduates.

RSVP by September 30 to Dan Ebener, ebener@davenportdiocese.org

“Forming Grateful Hearts”
will be presented by Fr. Frank DeSiano, a nationally recognized expert on evangelization, stewardship and discipleship.

Father DeSiano served as president of the Paulist Fathers and is president of PNCEA (Paulist National Catholic Evangelization Association).

His most recent book is
*Reactivating Our Catholic Faith:
Reflections to Get Real About Faith.*



Ministry With Families 101

Leadership Formation & Training Workshop

Sponsored by the Four Dioceses in Iowa



Learning Objectives. The *Ministry With Families* experience is designed to:

- Further the participant's transformation process in how they view the relationship between family and ministry.
- Deepen one's understanding of the impact of ministry on the Church and the home.
- Provide insight and skills for participants to live out more intentionally a vision of a ministry with families in both their personal lives and ministerial efforts.
- Increase understanding of the dynamics of the family and the larger Church community as growing, changing systems.

Content. The formation process includes the following curriculum:

Christian Vision of Family Life Theological Roots, Call and Mission, Key Themes.

The Change Process in Systems Change Process in Church and Home, Introduction of Family Perspective.

Family Spirituality Making the Connection Between the Church of the Home and the Larger Church Community, Family Prayer Rituals.

Family Systems Principles, Characteristics, Dynamics; Family Functioning, Family of Origin, Genogram, Sculpting, Emotional Intelligence.

The Parish as a System Impact of Systems on Ministry, Work Systems, Ministry Within the Church Community's System.

Partnership With Families Across the Life Cycle Stages of Family Growth Through The Life Cycle, Partnership With Families Across the Life Cycle, Diversity of Family Structures, Cultures, Ethnicity.

Partnership Between the Family and the Parish Building a Partnership With Families.

Questions for Partnership. Ministering With a Family Perspective-Questions, Living Out of Possibility-Creating the Future, Mentor Support Systems.

We are pleased to welcome **Steve and Kathy Beirne** from Portland, Maine as facilitators. They represent many years of ministerial experience and professional involvement with the National Association of Catholic Family Life Ministers (NACFLM). They have written numerous articles for *Ministry & Liturgy*, *US Catholic* plus other publications and have been speakers at several National Conferences. For 15 years they have been the editors of *Foundations-A Newsletter For Newly Married Couples*.

THE DIOCESES OF Davenport, Des Moines, Dubuque and Sioux City
Two-Day Leadership Formation Training October 8 – 9, 2009
Presented by the National Association of Catholic Family Life Ministers

MINISTRY WITH FAMILIES 101
An Introductory Formation Experience

Who might benefit?

Pastoral staffs, clergy, religious educators, RCIA leadership, parish volunteers, counselors, youth and young adult ministers, teachers, family ministers, bereavement ministers, marriage preparation and enrichment leaders, parent educators, leaders in divorced/separated ministry.

Training Schedule: **Thursday October 8th, 10:00a.m. – 8:00p.m.**
Friday October 9th, 8:30a.m. – 4:30p.m.

Registration Fee: **\$80 per person.** Fee includes training, lunch and snacks both days plus dinner on Thursday evening.

Training Materials: **\$45 per binder**

Training Location: **Sacred Heart Parish – McCann Center, 1115 S 8th Ave E; Newton IA 50208**
Emergency contact phone number 641-521-7576 (cell, IlaMae Hanisch)

Overnight lodging: **AmericInn (I-80 exit 168) 4401 S 22 Ave E; Newton IA 50208 641-791-1160**
Reduced group conference rate, \$79 + taxes. (Contact AmericInn no later than **September 24th** and mention Ministry with Families Iowa Conference)

Registration deadline is: September 25th

Training location and lodging sites both are handicapped accessible.

Certificate upon completion from National Association of Catholic Family Life Ministers (NACFLM)

For more information contact IlaMae Hanisch at: 641-791-3435 or hanisch@davenportdiocese.org

Make checks payable to *Diocese of Davenport.*

Total fees \$125 (\$80 Registration Fee plus \$45 Training Binder)

Return form and payments for Registration fee and binder fee to:

Diocese of Davenport; attn. IlaMae Hanisch, MPS; 2706 N. Gaines St.; Davenport IA 52804-1998

Name:

Address:

City, State, Zip:

Email:

Phone/Day:

Eve:

Cell:

Parish, Diocese:

Thinking Of Priesthood Day

“Could God be calling me to the priesthood?”

Is this lingering question on your heart & mind?

Join other College students and single men
between the ages of 17 and 45 years to
THINK ABOUT PRIESTHOOD

Saturday, October 17, 2009

9 AM to 5 PM

Mass and dinner will follow at 5 PM

**Newman Catholic Center
Iowa City, Iowa**

ABSOLUTELY NO COST — ABSOLUTELY NO OBLIGATION

Informal presentations and discussions
Sharing from vocation directors of the four dioceses of Iowa
and seminarians

**Discussions will be led by
Fr. Jonathan Fassero
from St. Meinrad School of Theology
St. Meinrad, IN**

If you are desiring to attend this gathering, please contact:
Fr. Marty Goetz
Ph. 563-324-1912, ext. 259
E-mail: goetz@davenportdiocese.org

Is God calling you to be a PRIEST?

Come and See.....

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“The full person God created us to be contains more than we can imagine, but most of us dwell within only a small portion...opening the door of our heart allows us entrance to the vast treasure of who we are and to the divine presence within us. Each door we open helps us grow into the fullness of who we are. Each discovery moves us to contribute love in our world.”

Introduction, *Open the Door-A Journey To The True Self*, Joyce Rupp ©2008

**You are invited to a day retreat sponsored by the Diocese of Davenport
Saturday September 19, 2009 from 8:30-3:00 at St. Mary Parish Center* Solon IA**

+Mass at 11:00 with Bishop Amos presiding

Retreat Facilitator: IlaMae Hanisch, M.P.S.

*1749 Racine Ave NE; Solon, IA 52333 Handicapped Accessible Facility

+liturgy includes commissioning for those completing ministry formation programs

Registration deadline: September 11th

Cost: \$20 (includes retreat materials, lunch and snacks plus a personal copy of
Open the Door-A Journey To The True Self by Joyce Rupp)

For information, contact Barbara Butterworth butterworthb@davenportdiocese.org (563) 324-1912, ext. 265

Name:

Day Phone Number:

Parish:

E-mail:

Parish Town:

Make checks payable to Diocese of Davenport and return form and payment to:
Diocese of Davenport, attn. Barbara Butterworth, 2706 N. Gaines St., Davenport, IA 52804-1998