

## About the Ministry Enrichment Gathering™

All liturgical ministers need a deep understanding of the Mass to help lead the parish community to recognize the Eucharist as the source of nourishment for their lives as Christians. The *Ministry Enrichment Gathering™* offers participants the opportunity to reflect on the power of the liturgy for themselves and those they serve.

In the celebration of the Eucharist, the faithful hear Christ himself speak in the proclamation of the Scriptures. In the *Ministry Enrichment Gathering™*, participants will examine the role of the Living Word in their own faith journeys and realize the necessity of “creating a culture of witness that testifies to the transformative power of the Gospel” in the life of the Church.  
*(Disciples Called to Witness, pg. 14)*

The Mass is not simply an event or an occasion in which a Catholic Christian visits the parish church; it is a celebration of their communal role in the missionary aspect of the Church. The *Ministry Enrichment Gathering™* will help participants identify “the activity of the Church” and then examine their role in it, both at liturgy and in the world.

Anyone involved in liturgical ministry will find the *Ministry Enrichment Gathering™* valuable. Liturgy coordinators, liturgy committee members, music ministers, ministry coordinators, teen and adult altar servers, ushers and greeters, extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion, liturgical environment ministers, lectors, sacristans, priests, deacons, seminarians, pastoral associates, directors of catechesis, youth ministers, and other members of the parish staff are all welcome at the *Ministry Enrichment Gathering™*.

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The liturgy is the summit toward which the activity of the Church is directed; at the same time it is the fount [source] from which all the Church's power flows.

*Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy, 10*

Saturday, April 26, 2014  
9:15 am – 2:30 pm

Registration and Hospitality	8:30-9:15
Welcome, Introduction & Prayer	9:15-9:30
Opening Talk	9:30-10:25
Interest Session I	10:40-11:35
Lunch	11:35-12:15
Prayer	12:15-12:50
Interest Session II	12:50-1:45
Discussion and Closing	2:00-2:30



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The Archdiocese of Chicago  
Office for Divine Worship  
and Liturgy Training Publications  
invite you to join other liturgical ministers  
for an opportunity to gather for prayer,  
training, and formation.

## MINISTRY *enrichment* GATHERING™



Presented by **Victoria M. Tufano**  
Senior Editor / Liturgical Consultant,  
Liturgy Training Publications

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St. John of the Cross Parish  
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## options for Interest Session I

### I-A Witnesses of the Word

#### Testifying to the Power of the Gospel in the Modern World

As Catholic disciples, we all serve as ministers and proclaimers of the Living Word. Participants in this session will begin by exploring the human experience: the everyday falling and rising, dying and resurrection. The importance of preparation and reflection will show the link between catechesis and the revealed Word of God living in our midst. Finally, attendees will learn how creating a culture of witness in their parish community will testify to the world the transformative power of the Gospel.

(paraphrased from *Disciples Called to Witness*)

Presented by **Terry Navarro**

Pastoral Associate, Director of Religious Education,  
St. Mary Star of the Sea Parish, Chicago

### I-B Take This, All of You

#### An Exploration of the Eucharistic Prayer

The Eucharistic Prayer is the heart of the Mass, the great act of thanks and praise in which the faithful join “with Christ in confessing the great deeds of God and in the offering of Sacrifice” (*GIRM*, 78). The various Eucharistic Prayers have formed the faith of countless generations in the Eucharistic Presence of Christ; with stories, music, and art, this session hopes to help deepen ours as well.

Presented by **Fr. Robert M. Hutmacher, OFM**

Founder & Artistic Director, Chiesa Nuova of Chicago  
Assistant, Ascension Parish, Oak Park

## options for Interest Session II

### II-A For the Life of the World

#### Liturgy and Social Justice

We pray at every Mass for the poor and the marginalized, for peace and justice, and then are sent forth from the Lord’s Table to glorify the Lord with our lives. How? By living as we have prayed. We celebrate the liturgy not just for ourselves, but for the world. How are we called to full, conscious and active participation in the life of the world?

Presented by **Lorie Simmons**

Editor, Liturgy Training Publications

### II-B Psalms at Liturgy

#### Praying the Human Experience

It is through human experience that the Word of God is revealed to us. In this session, participants will explore the role of the Book of Psalms in liturgy and life. As once prayed by the Lord Jesus, this collection of ancient hymns continues to guide us along our spiritual journey. “The words of a psalm help us to pray with greater ease and fervor, whether in thanksgiving and joyful praise of God or in prayer for help in the throes of suffering.” (*General Instruction on the Liturgy of the Hours*, 105) Attentive to the individual and communal emotion, the psalms will be presented as an essential collection of poetry, prayer, and song. Come prepared to sing!

Presented by **Leanne Stoterau Hahn**

Director of Music Ministry, St. Francis of Assisi Parish, Orland Park

### II-C Evangelization with Joy

#### Becomes Beauty in the Liturgy

In *Evangelii Gaudium*, Pope Francis states that “an evangelizing community is filled with joy; it knows how to rejoice always.” This session makes clear the connection between the Eucharistic celebration as a means to celebrate the modern day disciples’ work of evangelization and as a source of nourishment to go forth in “our daily concern to spread goodness.” Participants in this session will walk away with an awareness of their personal and parish community’s role in the mission of the Church.

Presented by **Michael Ruzicki**

Media & Events Coordinator, Liturgy Training Publications  
Director of Music, Notre Dame de Chicago Parish

Be sure to register by **April 16, 2014**

One participant per form, please.

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### Interest Sessions

**I-A Witnesses of the Word**

**I-B Take This, All of You**

**II-A For the Life of the World**

**II-B Psalms at Liturgy**

**II-C Evangelization with Joy**

The **Registration fee** includes continental breakfast, lunch and two resources by Liturgy Training Publications: *Imbued with the Spirit of the Liturgy* and *Great is the Mystery*. If you have questions, or cost is a prohibitive factor of your attendance, please contact Todd Williamson at [TWilliamson@ODW.org](mailto:TWilliamson@ODW.org) or 312-534-8008.

**\$30** individual registration, before **April 16, 2014**

**\$25** group rate  
when 4+ from the same parish register together

Please detach this completed registration form and return it, with a check payable to ODW to: Office for Divine Worship  
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