

## 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*®.

*Source and Summit art © Lalo Garcia*



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, February 9, 2019

9:00AM – 2:00PM

- 8:30-9:00 Registration and Hospitality
- 9:00-9:45 Welcome, Introduction & Prayer
- 9:45-10:40 Opening Address
- 10:55-11:50 Presentation
- 11:50-12:35 Lunch
- 12:35-1:10 Mystagogical Reflection
- 1:20-2:00 Discussion and Closing

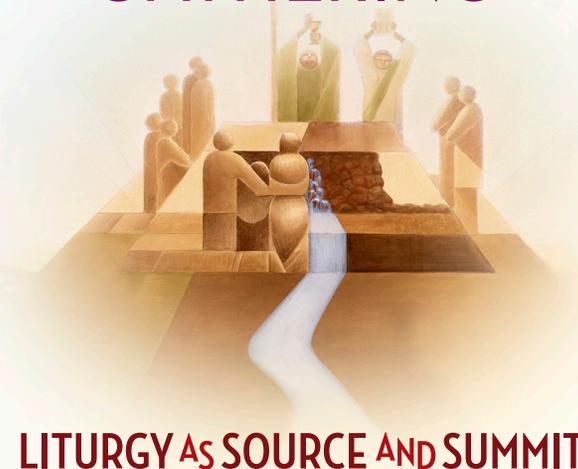


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The Leadership Institute of the Diocese of Bridgeport and Liturgy Training Publications invite you to join other liturgical ministers and catechists for an opportunity to gather for prayer, training, and formation.

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## Trinity High School

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Stamford, CT 06905

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## Presentation Topics

### Liturgy as Source and Summit

In the liturgy, the faithful experience and celebrate the presence of Christ among them in Word and sacrament, and in their brothers and sisters. From the liturgy, the faithful are sent to be, to enact, and to proclaim that presence in the world so that all may come to know Christ, to be welcomed into the Kingdom he proclaimed, and to participate in the praise and worship of God in the liturgy here on earth and in eternity. Through catechesis, storytelling, Church documents, art, music, and videos, participants renew their insight and energy for their ministries.

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

### Welcoming the Presence of Christ

In the *Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy*, the Church proclaims that “Christ is always present in his Church, especially in its liturgical celebrations. He is present...in the person of his minister,...in the Eucharistic species,...in the sacraments,...in his word,...[and] when the church prays and sings” (7). In this session, we will consider how we might better recognize, welcome, and revere the presence of Christ in our liturgical celebrations. Reflecting on those moments where we might consciously think of Christ as more present than others, we will discuss ways to enhance participation and deepen the liturgical understanding of our parish communities through prayer, formation, and catechesis.

Presented by **Michael Ruzicki**  
Training and Events Manager, Liturgy Training Publications  
Director of Music, Notre Dame de Chicago Parish

### Signs, Symbols, and Ritual Gestures: The Body at Catholic Liturgy

The Catholic liturgy is a rich celebration composed of music, spoken word, silence, symbols, signs, postures, gestures, and ritual actions. Each of these elements serves to open our hearts, minds, and bodies to the presence of God, allowing us to deepen our participation in the mystery we celebrate. In this session, participants will explore the various elements of the liturgy, focusing on the role of the human body in our liturgical prayer.

Presented by:  
**Victoria M. Tufano and Michael Ruzicki**

Be sure to register by **February 8, 2019**

*One participant per form, please.*

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Parish	Parish City	
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E-mail Address		

The **Registration fee** includes continental breakfast, lunch, and two resources by Liturgy Training Publications: *The Liturgy: The Source and Summit of Our Christian Life* and *Imbued with the Spirit of the Liturgy*. If you have questions, please contact Patrick Donovan at [institute@diobpt.org](mailto:institute@diobpt.org) or 203-416-1670.

- Free** For participants from the Diocese of Bridgeport
- \$20** Individual Registration for participants outside the Diocese of Bridgeport, before February 8, 2019

Please detach this completed registration form and return it, with a check payable to Diocese of Bridgeport to:

**Diocese of Bridgeport**  
c/o The Leadership Institute  
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Bridgeport, Connecticut 06606

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