

Together in Holiness – Diocese of Reno
Saturday, October 14, 2023 | Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, Sparks, NV

FAMILY, A SEEDBED OF VOCATIONS

- 9:30 AM** **CONFERENCE CHECK-IN**
Childcare Check-In
Exhibitor Booths – available throughout conference
- 10:00 AM** **WORDS OF WELCOME**
Susie Saenz, Vice President of Operations, St. John Paul II Foundation
- 10:15 – 11:15 AM** **THE HOLY EUCHARIST, A NUPTIAL SACRAMENT**
Ryan Hanning, PhD, Fellow, San Juan Diego Institute
- 11:15 AM – 1:00 PM** **BREAK FOR LUNCH AND PRAYER**
Sacrament of Reconciliation – 12:00 - 1:00 pm
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament – 12:00 - 1:00 pm
Benediction – 12:45 pm
Exhibitor Booths – available throughout conference
- 1:10 – 2:10 PM** **NURTURING VOCATIONS IN THE HOME**
David and Michelle Willems, Parishioners at St. Albert the Great Catholic Church in Reno
- 2:25 – 3:25 PM** **THE EUCHARISTIC MISSION OF THE FAMILY**
Ryan Hanning, PhD, Fellow, San Juan Diego Institute
- 3:25 – 3:40 PM** **CLOSING COMMENTS AND SENDING FORTH**
Childcare Check-out
Last Chance for Exhibitor Booths
- 4:00 – 5:00 PM** **MASS AND MARRIAGE BLESSING**
Celebrant: Most Rev. Daniel H. Mueggenborg, Bishop of Reno

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PRESENTATION DESCRIPTIONS

THE HOLY EUCHARIST, A NUPTIAL SACRAMENT

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A faithful marriage vocation is characterized by a life ordered towards communion and sacrificial love. The source of such unity and charity between husbands and wives is the Most Holy Eucharist. This presentation will demonstrate the close relationship between marriage and the Holy Eucharist, and how participation in the celebration of the liturgy and devotion to the Blessed Sacrament offers the grace necessary for the renewal of married love, the family, and the Church.

NURTURING VOCATIONS IN THE HOME

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What is the role of the family in developing a culture of vocations? According to Pope Francis, “All vocations make their first steps in the family.” This presentation will draw upon the wisdom and pastoral experience of the Church and personal stories to demonstrate the invaluable mission that married couples and families have to nourish and form all vocations. The speakers will offer us insight into how the family becomes a healthy seedbed of vocations.

THE EUCHARISTIC MISSION OF THE FAMILY

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Marriage is a sacrament at the service of communion. It is, as the Catechism describes, “directed towards the salvation of others; if it contributes as well to personal salvation, it is through service to others that it does so” (§1534). The Catholic family comes from and is ordered to this mission of communion, a mission which originates not in the married couple but in the Eucharistic sacrifice of the Lord. It is this mission that the married couple serves and to which the family is ordered. In this session we will look at how the family in particular is united with Jesus and one another in the Holy Eucharist, and how your domestic church can both recognize and fully enter into this mission.