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## What is Happening?

Dr. Jerry Galipeau - "Sowing  
Signs of Conversion" -  
"Music for the Cycles"



The Office of Faith Formation is sponsoring two workshops for in English this summer presented by Dr. Galipeau. The Music workshop is for all liturgical musicians. The Workshop on conversion will be held on Saturday, July 15 for catechists for Christian Initiation, parents, catechists for children and adults of Catholics. See enclosed flyer for details. Intermediate / Advanced Catechetics will be available.  
(Flyer below)

July - Catechists lists requests will be mailed to Faith Formation Leaders

August 5, 2006 Faith Formation Leadership Annual In Service Day - Cathedral Center (flyer below)

**Additional information is available on the diocesan website**  
**[www.dioceseoftyler.org](http://www.dioceseoftyler.org) (Faith Formation Link)**

### Discipleship Week 2006

October 21 - Encuentro Guadalupano  
Cathedral Tyler

October 27/28 - Discipleship  
Conference - Holiday Inn

October 28 - Youth Leadership  
Conference - Bishop TK Gorman

October 28 - Children's Formation  
(ages 4-13) St. Gregory John  
Carney Gym for children of  
attendees at the Conference

Brochures will be available with details in CET July issue. Watch and put on your calendars!

### **IRPS Adult Faith Formation - Diocese of Tyler Fall, 2006**

Classes will begin in September for college credit from the University of Dallas. Register by August 1 to get admitted for this fall. *Homiletics, Christology, Psalms, Prophets, Wisdom, and Catholic Social Teaching.* All adults seeking to grow in their faith will benefit from these classes. (Flyer with details)

**Confirmation Prior to First Eucharist**

All Faith Formation Leaders and catechists are required to attend these formation days. Handbooks, rationales, explanations, theology of Confirmation, parish plan, timeline for transition, implementation, procedure are all presented at this day long session.

Two more sessions are available:  
Palestine, Sacred Heart, April 29, 2006  
Cathedral, Tyler May 6, 2006  
Time is 9:00 - 3:00

Contact Office of Faith Formation to register. \$6 fee if you are buying lunch. Otherwise, no fee for the day.  
(Flyer below



**Youth Upcoming Events**

**“The Torch”**

Hosted by Tyler’s Immaculate  
Conception Youth  
for Diocese of Tyler

Concert Series Friday, May 5, 2006  
7:30-10:00 - \$5.00 per person  
All high school Diocese of Tyler youth  
are invited to join the fun. Contact  
Matt Oxler at 903-595-0249

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**“Youth 2000”**

September 15, 16, 17, 2006  
Hosted by Diocese of Tyler  
St. Mary’s, Longview

A weekend for, of, and by youth people.  
All youth and young adults Ages 13-30  
are invited.

Talks, group workshops, testimonies,  
adoration, music, sharing faith.

Details with info will be sent to  
parishes in April.

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- ★      Dr. Jerry Galipeau, Worship Editor at World Library Publications
- ★ Fifteen years as Director of Liturgy and Music at parishes in Florida and Illinois.
- ★ Workshop presenter nationally and internationally on the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults, liturgical spirituality, ritual music, and adult spiritual formation.
- ★ Doctorate of Ministry with a concentration in liturgical study
- ★ Past presenter at our Discipleship Conference, Clergy Day presenter, Christian Initiation presenter

## **LITURGICAL MUSIC DAY**

### **“Singing the Seasons: Music for the Cycles of Advent – Christmas and Lent-Easter”**

*Spend time exploring new and time-tested music for these major liturgical cycles of the Church year. All attend will receive a free packet of music and materials to help the parish celebrate these cycles for the upcoming liturgical years.*

***Friday, July 14, 2006  
Cathedral – Church***



## **CATECHISTS’ DAY**

### **“Signs of Conversion: Sowing the Seeds and Discerning Growth”**

*The new National Directory for Catechesis places conversion at the center of catechesis: “Conversion to Christ involves making a genuine commitment to him and a personal decision to follow him as his disciple.” This interactive workshop will focus on ways to facilitate and recognize God’s work of conversion in the lives of adults and children.*

***Saturday, July 15, 2006  
Cathedral Center  
10:00 – 4:00 PM***

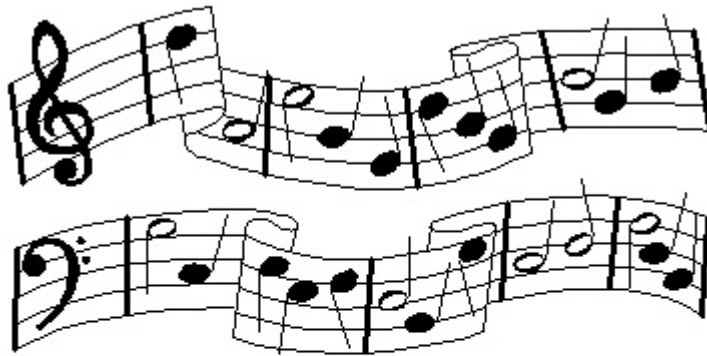
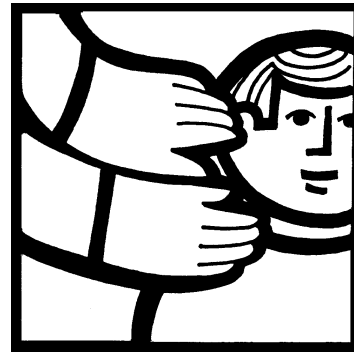
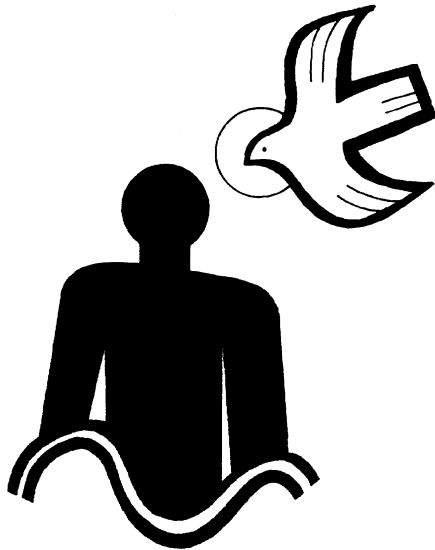
*For those who catechize: adults, children, Catholic or non Catholic – this is a great opportunity to identify how stages of faith are recognized*

To Register call Office of Faith Formation 903-534-1077 extension 169 or email [lporter@dioceseoftyler.org](mailto:lporter@dioceseoftyler.org)

Cost for Saturday is \$20 which includes lunch and materials. \$15 if paid two days in advanced. \$20 at the door. Parishes will be billed for those who register and do not show unless canceling within 24 hours.

Credits for Friday will count toward Personal Faith Enrichment or General Work toward Professional Religious Educator.

Credits for Saturday will count 5 hours toward Basic Catechetics (C2) or for those who are interested in Intermediate Credit a packet with instructions for additional work will be available at the registration desk.





Information Day on Celebrating Confirmation Prior to First Eucharist - *(for parents, Catholic School Principals, FFL, catechists, clergy, anyone interested in this procedure)*  
*(presented by Office of Faith Formation, Diocese of Tyler)*

- √ Saturdays - locations throughout the diocese
- √ 9:00 - 3:00 PM
- √ Locations and Dates:
  - April 29, 2006 - Sacred Heart, Palestine
  - May 6, 2006 - Cathedral Center, Tyler
- √ New policy and information on how baptized Catholic children are prepared for the Sacrament of Confirmation and First Eucharist
- √ Rationales, resources, time-lines
- √ Theology and ritual for Sacraments should be understood by every age level.



*To register, contact Office of Faith Formation at 903-534-1077 Ext. 169 or email [lporter@dioceseoftyler.org](mailto:lporter@dioceseoftyler.org) by Thursday, prior to the Saturday session. There is no fee, but pre-registration is required to provide handouts and materials. Lunch is \$6 or you may bring a sack lunch. You will not have time to go out for lunch, so please be aware of this. You may pay for lunch at the door but you must order it by Thursday, prior to the session*

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# FAITH FORMATION LEADERS' INSERVICE DAY AND APPRECIATION DAY

- required for all parish Faith Formation Leaders
- August 5, 2006
- Cathedral Center
- New Faith Formation Leaders 9:00 - 10:30
- All FFL's - 10:30-4:00



- ▶ networking with other catechetical leaders
- ▶ access to resources
- ▶ formation in leadership policies, programs, and



These days are essential training for successful parish catechetical programs. Every parish should send the **FFL**, or someone to represent the parish for training. Call the **Office of Faith Formation** to register by **Thursday, August 3** to 903-534-1077, Ext. 146, email [lporter@dioceseoftyler.org](mailto:lporter@dioceseoftyler.org).

Bring your Catechetical Leader Resource Book and your. New FFL will receive books on August 6. You may bring your list of catechists who will be teaching in **Fall, 2006** in sessions for Catholic

- ★ Confirmation Update
- ★ Integrating the 15 Goals in all parish life
- ★ FFL Deanery Formation
- ★ Whole Community Catechesis - Techniques
- ★ Appreciation Day
- ★ Adult Education Ideas

## **IRPS University of Dallas Courses in Theology and Scripture**

These courses are designed for Catholic adults interested in growing in their understanding of their faith.

- Taught by University of Dallas professors from the Institute for Religious and Pastoral Studies.
- College credit awarded upon completion of courses.
- \$75 per credit per hour (regular tuition at the University is \$725 / Credit hour)  
Tuition is the same whether you want to audit the courses or take them for credit.
- Each course meets once a month for three and one half hours at St. Mary's Parish Hall in Longview.
- 65 students attended classes in the Spring, 2006 courses.
- Registration for **FALL, 2006** is now underway. See "Registration Sheet for Fall, 2006" for times, courses, professors, and dates.
- NEW STUDENTS ( FIRST TIME STUDENTS)** must fill out an application form. Information may be obtained from the Office of Faith Formation at 903-534-1077 Ext. 146. There is a one time \$30 application fee for new students.
- Registration is due by **AUGUST 1, 2006** for the fall semester.

Fall 2006

## Academic Formation Schedule

Tyler

as of March 2, 2006

Date	Event	Professor	Time
9/9	GSR 3177 Canon Law of Marriage	Fr. Anthony McLaughlin	8:30 - Noon
	Lunch		Noon - 1:00 PM
9/23	GSR 3155 Ecclesiology	Fr. Timothy Kelly	1:00 - 4:30 PM
	GSR 3123 Apocalyptic Literature	Sr. Dorothy Jonaitis, OP	8:30 - Noon
10/7	Lunch		Noon - 1:00 PM
	GSR 3132 Homiletics II	Fr. Jerome Walsh	1:00 - 4:30 PM
10/21	GSR 3177 Canon Law of Marriage	Fr. Anthony McLaughlin	8:30 - Noon
	Lunch		Noon - 1:00 PM
11/4	GSR 3155 Ecclesiology	Fr. Timothy Kelly	1:00 - 4:30 PM
	GSR 3123 Apocalyptic Literature	Sr. Dorothy Jonaitis, OP	8:30 - Noon
11/18	Lunch		Noon - 1:00 PM
	GSR 3132 Homiletics II	Fr. Jerome Walsh	1:00 - 4:30 PM
12/2	GSR 3123 Apocalyptic Literature	Sr. Dorothy Jonaitis, OP	8:30 - Noon
	Lunch		Noon - 1:00 PM
12/16	GSR 3155 Ecclesiology	Fr. Timothy Kelly	1:00 - 4:30 PM
	GSR 3177 Canon Law of Marriage	Fr. Anthony McLaughlin	8:30 - Noon
12/16	Lunch		Noon - 1:00 PM
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