



Office of Christian Formation

Co-Worker Connection

Dear Nina,

Rejoice! Happy Easter Season!

For catechetical leaders, May brings glorious yet very busy parish days! Our church awards us with a special month to pause and receive God's life of grace, as did Mary, our Mother!

Be inspired! Take time for yourself!

Learn More! Pass it on!

[Why is May the Month of Mary?](#)
[Mary, A Biblical Walk with the Blessed Mother.](#) (video series in the Lending Library)

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Mary: Mother of God (4+ minutes)
Edward Sri, *Ascension Presents*
See the place where the Archangel Gabriel came to announce to Mary that she would become the Mother of God and discover the meaning behind the angel's greeting, "Hail, full of grace!"

NEW! Register 3 leaders and the 4th one is FREE!

Wednesday, May 15, 2019
9:00am-3:00pm

Pastoral Center, Richmond (Live)
Saint Andrew, Roanoke (Streaming)
Holy Trinity, Norfolk (Streaming)
NEW! Jubilee House, Abingdon (Streaming)



Wed, May 15, 2019 9:00 AM CST

A New Vision for Maturing Adult Faith Formation

Tickets

With 20% of our Catholic population over the age of 60, Dr. Richard Johnson from Johnson Institute will help us find a new vision for our Adult Faith Formation for Maturing Adults.

Cost: \$25.00 includes lunch and materials. Register 3 and 4th one Free! Use code: **4free**

Deadline: May 8, 2019

Flyer: [Click Here](#)

Questions: Nina Henry at (804) 622-5158 or nhenry@richmonddiocese.org

Discerning the Voice of the Spirit:



"Receiving a blood transfusion for Courageous Leadership" Part 2 of 2

This article was prepared by Deborah Stollery, ConSpirita Consulting Network, LLC Deborah.stollery@gmail.com

Part 1:

ecclesial leaders must exercise spiritual leadership. discernment is a component of spiritual leadership

The first four steps in the discernment process:

- **The right question.**
- **The right people.**
- **The guiding values and principles.**
- **The rhythm of continuous prayer**

Part one ended with one way to know you are listening to the Spirit: *a peace that passes understanding*. If you missed the article, [click here](#) to read it first.

Part 2:

Let's move now to a consideration of the rest of the steps in one approach to a discernment process:

- **The choice and ability to listen.** Choosing to listen is much more than hearing. This is a commitment to listen with your heart turned toward love, with your mind attentive to the experience of the speaker...

[Read more...](#)

Upper Room Retreat & Workshop

August 7-8, 2019
Roslyn Retreat Center

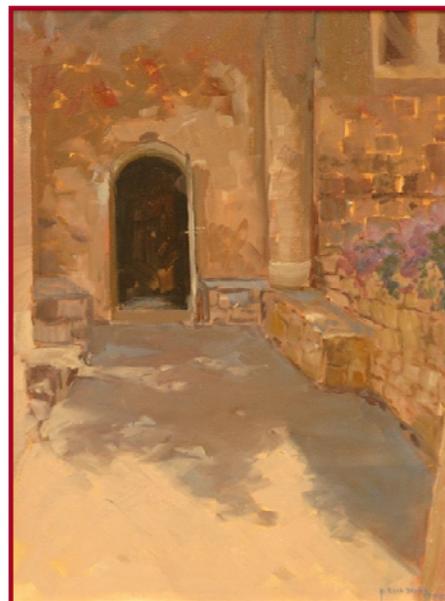
Seeking parish catechetical ministers who work in leadership roles.

Take time to reflect on your call to ministry and look to see where God is calling YOU next.

Check out *Upper Room* on our [website](#) for more information.

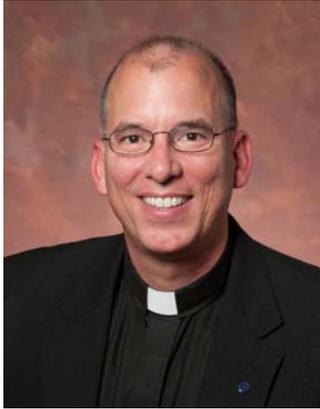
If you attended in the past, consider inviting someone for this year.

Upper Room is not for catechists, but for those who assume leadership roles in parish catechetical ministry.



[Registration](#) is open now and spaces are limited.

Save the Date!



RCIA Ministry

Our next RCIA Team Retreat will be **August 9-10, 2019**. Registration information coming in June. Retreat leader Fr. Martin Burnham, Society of St. Sulpice, is currently finishing his Doctorate and has worked with seminary formation. He also has a background as a psychologist and loves to help people become more aware of Christ's presence in their lives.

Are you involved in RCIA ministry and are NOT receiving the **RCIA Newsletters**? Please let us know by emailing your name, parish and RCIA team role to rcia@richmonddiocese.org, Attn: Sheri Kemp. The latest newsletter was on the 50 Days of Easter and included a reflection to use with your neophytes. Check out all past newsletters on our [website](#).

Spring Cleaning!

OVERDUE

Please check your office for Lending Library resources and make plans to return them to Office of Christian Formation, 7800 Carousel Lane, Richmond, VA 23294.

Let us know if there is a resource you want that we do not have!

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