



MISSIONARY  
DISCIPLESHIP  
CONFERENCE

## Scripture as the Font of Missionary Discipleship.

**Saturday, November 4, 2017**

**9:00 AM – 3:00 PM**

**St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish**

**(10655 Haverstick Road, Carmel, 46033)**

The Diocese of Lafayette-in-Indiana's Office of Catechesis in collaboration with Notre Dame's McGrath Institute for Church Life will host the 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Missionary Discipleship Conference.

Participants will hear from outstanding national speakers and share with their peers in ministry as they explore how Scripture calls us to encounter Christ and prepares us for missionary discipleship through our ministry.

### Schedule

8:30 AM	Registration
9:00 AM	Mass with Bishop Doherty
10:30 AM	Keynote: Meeting Jesus in Scriptures
11:30 AM	Session I
12:15	Lunch
1:00 PM	Session II
2:00 PM	Session III
2:45 PM	Closing Prayer

Session I, II, and III will also be available in Spanish.



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## Keynote Address: **Jessica Keating, Meeting Jesus in the Scriptures**

Evangelization calls for an encounter with the person of Jesus Christ. This encounter is made possible through the signs of divine Revelation including the Scriptures and the Tradition. Yet, many Catholics do not know how to read the Bible in a way where we meet the person of Jesus in our reading. This keynote will focus on encountering the person of Christ in the words of the Scriptures. We meet our Lord, who prepares us for missionary discipleship, through practices of praying that cultivate our sense of wonder and renew our imagination.

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## Session I: **Carolyn Pirtle, Biblical Art in Catechesis: The Saint John's Bible**

Visual art provides a way to study and pray with the Bible that can interrupt the familiar and open the faithful to a more profound experience of Christ, the living Word. In particular, the illuminations of *The Saint John's Bible*, along with its materials and its very construction, provide an incarnational encounter with Scripture that can capture the imagination of young and old alike. In this session, participants will learn a bit more about *The Saint John's Bible*, as well as practices for using Scriptural art in the work of catechesis.

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## Session II: **Scott Boyle, "Scripture, Listening and the Art of Catechetical Preparation"**

Each and every day, we are bombarded by stories anchored in an endless news cycle and the noise of consumerism. Yet as Catholics who have answered the call to catechize, we are called to listen to and share the good news of a different story: the life, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. This workshop will propose methods and practices by which ministers & catechists can use Scripture to prayerfully prepare to share the Good News.

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## Session III: **Various Ministry Leaders – "Building a Ministry Field Kit" – Spanish and English**

As missionary disciples and having experienced the previous sessions, participants are invited to build a kit of resources to take into their field of ministry as missionary disciples. This session will be ministry specific: adult, youth, religious education, liturgy, and Spanish ministry.

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## Spanish Sessions I: **Oscar Castellanos, "Discipleship in the Gospel of Mark"**

In recent times, Pope Francis has reminded by word and deed the importance of discipleship. However, we constantly ask ourselves what it means to be a disciple that follows Jesus? In this workshop, we will use the Gospel of Mark to re-discover the identity of a true disciple. The four Gospels in a way become the perfect manual for all disciples; however, in the Gospel of Mark, Jesus is the disciple of the Father, therefore, through the stories, deeds and words of this particular Gospel, we will learn a particular way of understanding such concept.

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## Spanish Session II: **Oscar Castellanos, "Doing the Math: Interpretation of Numbers in the Bible"**

We are surrounded by numbers and symbolism. Likewise, numbers play a significant role in Scriptures. As catechists and evangelizers, we need to know what to make of the various usages of numbers that appear throughout the Bible and thus give the right interpretation. This workshop will help us in this journey.

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## Presenters

**Jessica Keating** is the Program Director of Human Dignity and Life Initiatives and the coordinator of the Sacramental Catechist symposium for the Notre Dame Center for Liturgy in the McGrath Institute for Church Life. Before coming to the University of Notre Dame to pursue her Master of Divinity, Jessica taught high school theology for five years at Red Cloud Indian School in Pine Ridge, South Dakota.

She is presently a doctoral student in the Department of Theology at the University of Notre Dame, focusing in systematic theology. She is currently in formation as a level three catechist for Catechesis of the Good Shepherd.

Her writing has appeared in *America Magazine*, *First Things*, *Aleteia*, and *Church Life Journal*. Most recently she has published a chapter, “Love’s Recollection: Paradiso and Healed Memory” in *Dante, Mercy, and the Beauty of the Human Person* (Cascade Books, 2017).

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**Carolyn Pirtle** is the Program Director of the Notre Dame Center for Liturgy. She holds master’s degrees in Theology and Sacred Music from the University of Notre Dame. She also holds a master’s degree in composition from Kansas State University. Carolyn has worked in liturgical music ministry throughout the world, serving both in the Archdiocese of Chicago and the Diocese of Ferns in Ireland. Carolyn is a composer of liturgical and non-liturgical music whose works are published by World Library Publications and earthsongs. She is a popular speaker at diocesan liturgical music gatherings around the country, presenting on beauty, music, and Catholic culture and practice. Her writing has appeared in *Church Life Journal* and *Logos: A Journal of Catholic Thought and Culture*.

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**Scott Boyle** is the Assistant Director of Notre Dame Vision and the coordinator of the Catechist Academy in the McGrath Institute for Church Life. He holds both Bachelors and Masters Degrees in Theology from Notre Dame and has worked as a high school campus minister and youth minister.

His current work is centered in formation, guiding undergraduates as they prepare to facilitate Notre Dame Vision conferences in the summer and serve as catechists in local South Bend parishes during the year.

Scott travels across the country running retreats and giving talks for dioceses, youth groups and Confirmation programs and facilitating workshops for parish communities on catechetical preparation. His writing has appeared in *Church Life Journal* and he will be speaking at the 2017 National Catholic Youth Conference in Indianapolis.

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**Oscar Castellanos**, husband, father, son, and passionate for teaching, ministry and pastoral formation. Oscar works as Director of the Intercultural Ministry Office in the Archdiocese of Indianapolis. He and his family moved from Portland Oregon a year and a half. He has spent more than 15 years serving primarily the Hispanic community in the US. His educational background includes a MA in Theology and a BA in Philosophy and Religious Studies from Mt. Angel Seminary, OR. He also studied theology at the University of Notre Dame and St. John’s Seminary in Camarillo, CA. In addition to his position, Oscar officiates college and High School soccer games. He is grateful for the opportunity to serve the Lord at this capacity and looks for opportunities to share his journey with other people.



**Registration:** also online at <https://www.dol-in.org/missionarydiscipleshipconference>



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**Fee: \$30 by October 20, 2017**

**Between 10/20 and 10/27 - \$40**

**After 10/27 and walk-ins - \$50**

**Clergy and Religious are Free**

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**Diocese:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Ministry:**  **Adult Faith Formation**       **Liturgy**  
(Check One)  **Religious Education**       **Spanish Ministry**  
 **Youth Ministry**

**Dietary Restriction:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Would you be willing to volunteer to assist for the day?** \_\_\_\_\_

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