

**Wading Deeper 2010 –
Discernment: Conversion’s Partner
in Christian Initiation**
Presenter – Sister Donna Steffen, SC



Friday-Saturday – 30-31 July 2010

Holy Family Parish, 410 South State Street, Litchfield IL 62056
Interstate 55, exit 52 at Illinois State Road 16

□ □ **THIS YEAR’S FOCUS** □ □

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults presumes that conversion is the touchstone in initiating new members. The journey of both catechumens and candidates is about truly becoming and living as a disciple of Christ in the Catholic Church. Discernment gives us tools to name the conversion that either is happening or needs to be more present in those being initiated and received.

Participants will learn how to discern with catechumens and candidates through awareness of discernment as it exists in our own lives, elements of the discernment process, and how the Rite understands discernment in both the periods and rites.

Donna Steffen, SC is a Sister of Charity of Cincinnati, where she ministers doing spiritual direction and leading retreats. Donna is a team member with the North American Forum on the Catechumenate, has worked with initiation in parishes, and presented initiation workshops throughout the US, Canada, and for the American Military in Germany and Italy. Donna authored *Discerning Disciples: Listening for God’s Voice in Christian Initiation* (LTP). Donna is one of the authors of *Foundations in Faith* (RCL – Resources in Christian Living), and the author of *Handbook on Prayer* in this series.

□ □ **WHO SHOULD ATTEND** □ □

- _____ RCIA Team members
- _____ Pastor, Parish Life Coordinator, Deacon
- _____ Liturgists / Musicians / Liturgy Committee
- _____ Other Catechists and Interested Adults

Note: Catechist certification given by each diocese.

□ □ **MOTELS IN LITCHFIELD, IL 62056** □ □

Room rates + tax good to 16 July – call motel for room

Holiday Inn Exp. – 1405 W. Hudson – (217) 324-4556

- 2 queen bed special: \$79.90

Hampton Inn – 11 Thunderbird Cir. – (217) 324-4441

- 1 or 2 bed special: \$78.00 – **rate good to 9 July**

Comfort Inn – 1010 E. Columbian N. – (217) 324-9260

- 1 bed/person: \$62.95; 2 beds/persons: \$69.95

Super 8 – 211 Ohren Lane – (217) 324-7788

- 1 bed: \$49.99; 2 beds: \$54.99

Best Value Inn – 224 N. Ohren Lane – (217) 324-2181

- 1 bed: \$45.99; 2 beds: \$49.99

□ □ **AGENDA – Friday, 30 July** □ □

7:00 PM **Registration and Book Sale**

7:30 PM **Welcome**

**Discernment: Foundations and Enfleshed
in our Lives**

9:00 PM **Night Prayer and Brief Social**

□ □ **AGENDA – Saturday, 31 July** □ □

8:15 AM **Registration, Breakfast, and Book Sale**

9:00 AM **Welcome**

**Discernment in the Precatechumenate
Break**

**Discernment in the Catechumenate
Discernment in Purification and
Enlightenment**

11:45 AM **Lunch:** sandwich, salads, dessert, drink
Book Sale

12:30 PM **Discernment in Mystagogy**

**Discernment in Baptized Candidates
Break**

**Listening Skills for Interviews /
Conversations**

3:00 **Wrap up and Evaluation**

3:15 PM **End of Wading Deeper Workshop**

What to bring with you:

- a copy of the *Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults*
 - a sweater if you are sensitive to air conditioning
 - a cushion for the metal folding chair – optional
- Note:** A 4:00 PM anticipated Mass of Sunday is celebrated at Saint Agnes Church, Hillsboro IL, 12 miles east on SR 16 at SR 127.

□ □ **REGISTRATION FEES** □ □

The registration fee includes all workshop materials, continental breakfast, snacks, and lunch.

- **Individual participant** at \$45.00.
- **Teams of 3 or more** at \$40.00 per person. Mail all forms together with payment for discount.
- After 20 July, add on an additional **late fee** of \$10.00 per person.
- **Registration closes** on 27 July at noon. Call for availability – (217) 698-8500 ext 166.
- **Cancellation fee:** No cancellation fee prior to 27 July. On and after 28 July, \$10.00 is non-refundable to cover purchased food costs.

HISTORY OF WADING DEEPER

The **Wading Deeper** Workshop series engages catechumenate ministers in a deeper immersion in the vision, method, and ministry required by the *Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults*.

- 1997 – **Mary Birmingham** – Catechumenal Catechesis
- 1998 – **Rev. Michael Clay and Joanna Case** –
Initiation in a Small Town Context
- 1999 – **Sr. Sheila O’Dea** – Assembly’s Role in Initiation
- 2000 – **Rita Ferrone** – Sending, Election, and Rites of Lent
- 2001 – **Rev. Paul Turner** – The Easter Vigil
- 2002 – **Rev. Rick Conway** – Mystagogy: Deepening
the Grasp of the Paschal Mystery
- 2003 – Diocesan Jubilee – no workshop
- 2004 – **Rita Ferrone and Rev. Paul Turner** – Pastoral
Care with Baptized Christians
- 2005 – **Eliot Kapitan** – Lectionary and Sacramentary
Based Catechesis
- 2006 – **Anne Koester and Steven Janco** – Reclaiming
the Power of Sunday Eucharist: Forming
Assemblies for Worship
- 2007 – **Jerry Galipeau and Rev. Tim Piasecki** – Christian
Initiation: Celebrating the Rites Right
- 2008 – no workshop
- 2009 – **Todd Williamson** – The Power of the Rites:
Bringing Us to the Full Stature in Christ

DIRECTIONS TO HOLY FAMILY, LITCHFIELD

Holy Family, 410 S. State St., Litchfield IL 62056.
Leave **Interstate 55 at exit 52 at IL 16.** Turn east on Illinois State Road 16 which becomes Union Ave. Travel about 1½ miles east to downtown. Turn south at the library onto State Street for 6 blocks. Parking is behind the church off Columbia Street.

BOOK SALE

Suitable books and material will be available for sale. Reduced prices.

MORE INFORMATION

For registration and special needs, contact:

Vicki Walker
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PO Box 3187
Springfield IL 62708-3187
Phone: (217) 698-8500
E-mail: worship@dio.org OR vwalker@dio.org

Contact either diocese for additional information:

Eliot Kapitan – Diocese of Springfield in Illinois:
(217) 698-8500 ext 177; ekapitan@dio.org
Sue A. Huett – Diocese of Belleville: (618) 235-9601
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REGISTRATION FORM – Wading Deeper 2010 – Discernment: Conversion’s Partner

Please PRINT or TYPE. Use a separate form for each person. Duplicate this form as needed.

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____

STATE, ZIP: _____

PHONE: _____

E-MAIL: _____

PARISH: _____

DIOCESE: _____

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- Total Amount enclosed: \$ _____**
- Any special need:

Check payable to: **Diocese of Springfield in Illinois**
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