

## FALL LECTURE SERIES: EXPLORING THE NEW EVANGELIZATION

In his August 2010 pastoral letter, **Disciples of the Lord: Sharing the Vision**, Cardinal Donald Wuerl invites Catholics to renew and reinvigorate their own faith and then invite others whose faith has grown stale to reconnect and rediscover Christ. Pope Benedict calls this invitation a "reproposing" of our faith and the "New Evangelization."

Wed. September 29 or Thurs. September 30  
**"Catholic Identity in the New Millennium"** by Fr. Anthony Pogorelc, SS (Fellow, Institute for Policy Research & Catholic Studies, The Catholic University of America)

Wed. October 5 or Thurs. October 6  
**"What is the New Evangelization?"** by Mr. C. Colt Anderson (Vice-President for Academic Affairs & Academic Dean, Washington Theological Union)

Wed. October 12 or Thurs. October 13  
**"Catholic Social Teaching as an Agent of the New Evangelization"** by Mr. John Carr (Executive Director, Department of Justice, Peace & Human Development, United States Conference of Catholic Bishops)

Wed. October 19 or Thurs. October 20  
**"The New Evangelization and Parish Vitality"** by Ms. Magdalena Gutierrez (Coordinator of Evangelization, Archdiocese of Washington)

Wed. October 26 or Thurs. October 27  
**"Forming the Laity for the New Evangelization"** by Ms. Susan Timoney (Executive Director, Department for Parish Life, Archdiocese of Washington)

Wed lectures: 12:45-1:45pm (North Conference Room)  
Thurs lectures: 7-8pm (North Conference Room)

ADVENT DAY OF RECOLLECTION:  
**FOLLOWING THE WAY OF JESUS**  
with Sister Patricia Parachini

Sat. December 3  
9am-1pm (North Conference Room)

## ARCHDIOCESAN OPPORTUNITIES

**Hearts Aflame** is an adult faith and ministries formation program founded on Sacred Scripture and the Catechism of the Catholic Church. The Hearts Aflame Program enables adults to deepen their knowledge of the faith and prepare to exercise a variety of ministries in the life of the Church. Hearts Aflame offers courses in both English and Spanish for all interested adults throughout the Archdiocese: Christian Prayer, Christian Morality, Sacraments, Creed, and Introduction to Sacred Scripture. The Hearts Aflame course fee is \$20 per participant. For a list of courses and locations, see [http://www.adw.org/education/hearts\\_aflame.asp](http://www.adw.org/education/hearts_aflame.asp).

The Archdiocese of Washington, through the Hearts Aflame program, is a diocesan partner of the **University of Dayton's Virtual Learning Community for Faith Formation (VLCFF)**. VLCFF offers web-based courses for catechist formation and adult faith formation. VLCFF courses are four to six weeks in length and cost \$40. More information and registration instructions may be found at <http://vlc.udayton.edu>.

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for further details or notice of changes.*

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## FAITH FORMATION

## ST. MATTHEW'S CATHEDRAL

## FALL 2011



## PARISH MISSION

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### **THE GIFT YOU HAVE RECEIVED, GIVE AS A GIFT: SHARING THE GRACE OF THE SACRAMENTS**

*with Redemptorist Father Kevin O'Neil*

Sat. September 17 –  
Tues. September 20

\*Preaching at weekend Masses (except 1pm  
and 5:30pm on Sunday)

\*Evening prayer and reflections at 7pm  
Sunday and Monday in the Cathedral with  
hospitality following in the North Conference  
Room

\*Abbreviated reflections following 12:10pm  
Mass on Monday and Tuesday in the Cathedral  
for those who cannot attend in the evening

\*Celebration of the Eucharist at 7pm on  
Tuesday in the Cathedral with hospitality  
following in the North Conference Room

*Sunday –*

***Sharing the Grace of Baptism:  
Communion with God***

*Monday –*

***Sharing the Grace of Confirmation:  
A Spirit for Others***

*Tuesday –*

***Sharing the Grace of Eucharist:  
A Way of Life***

Sat. September 10  
10:30-11:45am – **Bible Study: Old Testament  
Prophets** (East Conference Room)

Sun. September 11  
9:45-11am – **Children's Religious Education  
Parent-Teacher Meeting** (West Conference  
Room)

Mon. September 12  
6:45pm – **Book Club: The Gift of Blessed John  
Paul II** (West Conference Room)

Tues. September 13  
6:45pm - **John Carroll Society Lecture: "Culture  
Cries Out for Christ: Evangelizing Today's  
Society"** by Fr. Robert Barron (Cathedral)

Sat. September 17  
10:30-11:45am – **Bible Study: Old Testament  
Prophets** (East Conference Room)

Sun. September 18  
9:45am – **First Day of Children's Religious  
Education Classes** (Education Center, 1726 N  
Street NW)

Sat. September 24  
10:30-11:45am – **Bible Study: Old Testament  
Prophets** (West Conference Room)

Thurs. October 6  
6pm – **Lecture: "Encountering Jesus in His  
Word: The Making of an Evangelist"** by Msgr.  
Peter J. Vaghi (East Conference Room)

Sat. October 8  
10:30-11:45am – **Bible Study: Old Testament  
Prophets** (West Conference Room)

Sat. October 15  
10:30-11:45am – **Bible Study: Old Testament  
Prophets** (East Conference Room)

Sun. October 16  
5:30pm Mass – **RCIA Rite of Acceptance &  
Welcoming** (Cathedral)

Mon. October 24  
6:45pm – **Book Club: Feast of the Goat** (West  
Conference Room)

Thurs. November 3  
6pm – **Lecture: "Encountering Jesus in His  
Word: Preparing the Soil"** by Msgr. Peter J.  
Vaghi (North Conference Room)

Thurs. November 17  
6:30pm – **Catholic Pub Trivia Night** (Madhatter,  
1319 Connecticut Ave NW)

Thurs. December 1  
6pm – **Lecture: "Encountering Jesus in His  
Word: The Word Made Flesh"** by Msgr. Peter J.  
Vaghi (North Conference Room)

Mon. December 12  
6:45pm – **Book Club: A Christmas Carol** (West  
Conference Room)

## ONGOING EVENTS

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*Breaking Open the Word* – Weekly discussion and  
reflection on upcoming Sunday readings meets at  
7pm on Wednesdays in the West Conference Room.

*Faith Formation Committee* - Interested parishioners  
are invited to attend committee meetings on the  
third Tuesday of each month from 7 to 8pm in the  
East Conference Room.

## SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION FOR ADULTS & CHILDREN

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*For adults interested in learning more about the  
Catholic faith and/or becoming Catholic,  
Inquiry meets on the second Wednesday of each  
month (September through May) from 6:30 to  
7:30pm in the East Conference Room. A brief overview  
of the entire adult initiation process (Rite of the  
Christian Initiation of Adults, or RCIA) can be  
presented after Inquiry for those who are interested.*

*St. Matthew's offers sacramental preparation and  
ongoing religious education for school-age children.  
Inquire with Director of Faith Formation.*