

Catholicism for Today's Adult

Second Thursday
of the Month

7 p.m.—9 p.m.

St. Elizabeth Ann
Seton Church

Lower Level

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Hiawatha

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Presented by

St. Pius X and St. Elizabeth
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2009-2010 ADULT EDUCATION LECTURE SERIES

September 10, 2009

Marriage and Annulment: How the Church Can Declare a Marriage Invalid (Null).....Presenter: **Deacon Jerry Jorgensen, Ph.D., J.C.L.**, Judge and Consulting Psychologist, Metropolitan Tribunal
Are annulments Catholic divorces? What are some of the reasons for granting annulments? What is the annulment process? Must a non-Catholic whose marriage ends in divorce obtain an ecclesiastical annulment before he or she can marry a Catholic in the Catholic Church? Must the former spouse of a petitioner in an annulment proceeding be contacted? Are my children considered illegitimate if I obtain an annulment? Must a party pay in order to receive a declaration of nullity?

October 8, 2009

Catholic Approaches to Legalized Gay Marriage.....Presenter: **David J. Ard, Ph.D.**, Professor Emeritus of Religious Studies and Philosophy, Mount Mercy College
How does the Church view its responsibility as a moral voice on issues such as homosexual marriage in a secular society? Whether gay ourselves or family members or friends to gay persons, how can we remain loving and maintain our Catholic identity? How does the Church's view differ from secular views on the nature of the human person, human sexuality and marriage?

November 12, 2009

Paul in the Lectionary (Cycle C).....Presenter: **Rev. Robert Beck**, Professor of Religious Studies, Loras College
The "Year of St. Paul" is over, but he is still sending letters. This session is a look at what he had to say to the Christians at Corinth and Galatia, and the Christian slave-owner Philemon, all featured in this coming liturgical year.

January 14, 2010

Socially Responsible Investing.....Presenter: **Sr. Margaret Mary Cosgrove, B.V.M.**, Consultant for the National Religious Retirement Office
What does "Socially Responsible Investing" or SRI mean? Does SRI reduce return? What are some resources for SRI principles? Does SRI work for individuals and families? How do I start with SRI? Sr. Margaret Mary Cosgrove has worked directly with socially responsible investing for nearly twenty years. Her background and expertise will provide an informative night for all.

February 11, 2010

Totally Dedicated to You.....Presenter: **Rev. Neil Manternach**, Pastor, St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish, Hiawatha
A love song? No, but it does describe God's relationship to us in Christ. When a new church is built, it is dedicated to God. The Church's rites for dedicating a church generally happen only once in the life of a parish, yet these rites are rich and expressive of deep spiritual realities. Explore the rites of dedication of a church and the significance of this holy moment.

March 11, 2010

Catholics and the Word of God.....Presenter: **Rev. Jerry Kopacek**, Pastor, St. Edward Parish, Waterloo
In the fall of 2008, 253 Catholic bishops from around the world gathered in Rome for the World Synod of Bishops on "The Word of God in the Life and Mission of the Church." The aim of the Synod was to fashion a creative pastoral response which would help Catholics better understand Scripture and relate it to their everyday lives. In this session, Fr. Kopacek will review the main highlights of the 21-day Synod and explore the important recommendations which the bishops made to Pope Benedict XVI as well as the Pope's official response.

April 8, 2010

Holy Land Spirituality.....Presenter: **Rev. Donald Klein**, Pastor, St. Pius X Parish, Cedar Rapids
What a difference in understanding the Sacred Scriptures if one has had an opportunity to read and discuss them at the place of the teachings and stories! This will be a chance to have a VIRTUAL experience of such a pilgrimage.

OTHER ADULT EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES

September 28, 2009, The Chapel of Mercy, Mount Mercy College, 7:30 p.m.

Mt. Mercy College's Annual Aquinas Lecture: Youth and Today's ChurchPresenter: **Dr. Charlotte McCorquodale**, Author and Speaker on Youth and Faith topics

October 7, 2009, St. Pius X Parish Hall, 6:30 p.m.—8:30 p.m.

Parent Enrichment Night: Pass the Faith, Please!.....Presenter: **Bob McCarty**, Exec. Dir. for the National Federation for Catholic Youth Ministry

