

A Conference for all those that minister, work, volunteer and most importantly walk with young people on their faith journey - Youth Ministry Leaders, Diocesan Youth Ministry Staff, Volunteers, Clergy, Religious/ Brothers, PCL's, DRE's, Catechists, Campus Ministers, Scout Leaders and more!

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Archdiocese of Newark, NJ



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and YOUR MINISTRY!**

Meet the Featured Speakers for our 2024 Conference...



Roy Petitfils, has served in schools as a teacher, campus minister, counselor, & administrator. He is currently a psychotherapist at a Catholic counseling center, working with adolescents.



Bishop Michael Saporito serves as the Auxiliary Bishop for Bergen County. Prior to that he was a pastor at several parishes, having been ordained in 1992. Pope Francis named him as an Auxiliary Bishop on February 27, 2020.



Robert Feduccia is a nationally known speaker, retreat leader, writer, & educator, motivated by belief in the power of the gospel of Jesus Christ to transform lives.



Katherine Angulo is the Program Director of the Thriving in Ministry Initiative, part of the McGrath Institute for Church Life. Born and raised in Mexico she has over 20 years of parish and diocesan catechetical and youth ministry experience.



Mike Patin lives in Lafayette, Louisiana and has worked in youth ministry since 1990. Since 2003, he has been speaking to young people and adults on issues of Catholic faith, positive attitude, using his gifts, and living life fully.



Chris & Linda Padgett are authors and presenters that speak frequently with their ministry that equips, empowers, and encourages families and marriages. They have been married for over 28 years and have nine children.

IN ADDITION Michael Marchand, Chris Rogers, Marisally Santiago, Catholic Young Life, Bishop Elias Lorenzo, Bishop Gregory Studerus and more!

MUSIC BY John Angotti, Tony Melendez, and Q Furnald!

April 12-14th, 2024

Saint John Paul II Youth Retreat Center
Kearny NJ

Join us for a great action packed weekend of talks from nationally known speakers in the field of Youth Ministry and Catechetics, great music, prayer experiences, workshops, exhibits, resources, faith formation, networking opportunities, great food and more!

Take a Look at the 2024 Conference Schedule ...

Friday April 12

7:00pm Gym Building Opens—Exhibits open
7:45pm Praise & Worship Music
8:00pm Welcome & Gathering, Opening Prayer
with Bishop Gregory Studerus
8:45pm **General Session #1 “Called to Walk with Young People”**
Featuring Roy Petitfils
9:45pm Evening Wrap Up & Logistics
10pm Late Night “Welcome Social” in Sacred Heart Hall til 11pm
11:00pm-12:30am Hospitality Room Open

Saturday April 13

7:30am -9am Breakfast in Dining Hall (for those staying at the Center)
8:00am Daily Mass in Marian Chapel (Main Building)
Registration Begins in Gym Building
8:30pm Exhibits Open in Gym Building
9:15am Praise & Worship Music
9:30am **Gathering / Welcome/ Prayer**
with Bishop Elias Lorenzo
9:50am **General Session # 2 “Called to Holiness”**
Featuring Bishop Michael Saporito
10:50am Move Time
11:00am **Breakout Round 1**
12:15pm Lunch & Learn (Networking Sessions) / Exhibits Open
2:00pm Praise & Worship Music
2:15pm **General Session # 3 “Called to Be a Disciple”**
Featuring Robert Feduccia
3:15pm Logistics/ Move Time
3:30pm **Breakout Round 2**
4:45pm Move Time
5:00pm **Breakout Round 3**
6:15pm Move Time
6:30pm **General Session # 4 “The Mike Patin Show - Episode 4”**
Dinner
Featuring Mike Patin & Guests including
Tony Melendez, Fr Paul Houlis and more!
9:45pm **Adoration/ Reconciliation Service**
10:30pm Late Night Social Event (Hospitality Room)

Sunday April 14th

8:30am Gym Doors Open
8:45am Praise & Worship Music
9:00am **General Session #5 “Called to Use Our Gifts”**
Breakfast for all conference attendees
Featuring Katherine Angulo
10:45am Move Time
11:00am **Sunday Liturgy in Sacred Heart Chapel**
Closing Comments
Commissioning
12:30pm Departures

This Conference is meant for YOU!

In our ministry we all need support, training, professional development and a chance to “recharge our batteries” for the work we do day after day!

We here at the Office for Youth & Young Adult Ministry in the Archdiocese of Newark invite YOU to “**come away and sit at the table**” for a bit with others that walk with the Young Church!

We invite all to come hear from speakers around the country, visit the exhibitors, spend some time in prayer, attend workshops on topics on faith, youth ministry, catechesis and have the chance to network, network, network!

Laugh, pray, learn, and maybe even cry a bit! Come for part of the weekend - or the whole time!

Come April 12th to the 14th as we “Continue the Journey” - right here in the Archdiocese of Newark!

We’re easily accessible by the NJ Turnpike (I-95), train (Penn Station Newark) or by air (Newark Liberty International Airport).

Registration is open now!

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