

# A SPECIAL INVITATION FOR ALL CATECHETICAL LEADERS AND YOUTH MINISTERS

Join us **AUGUST 4 - 5** for a time of retreat made just for you!

## **“Your Spiritual Backpack: Essentials for the Disciples Journey”**

Pope Francis tells us that “Joy is a pilgrim virtue...a gift that walks on the path of life” and that proclaiming joy “lengthens and widens that path.” (Homily, 5/10/13)

While the catechetical mission relies on the transmission of truth, effective methodologies, and clarity in doctrine, we cannot succeed without proclaiming joy (not to be confused with happiness)! Julianne Stanz will explore key necessities for sustaining our own joy, the keys to being joyful leaders and authentically spreading this joy to others. Just as hikers need essential resources in their backpacks in order to fully enjoy their pilgrim path, we must be sure that our backpacks are filled with the spiritual necessities needed to proclaim a joy that lengthens and widens the pilgrim path for all those we serve. Enrich your faith and strengthen your soul in this engaging presentation for ministry leaders. A practical, humorous and energetic presentation designed to uplift and strengthen you in faith!



Julianne Stanz is the Director of New Evangelization for the Diocese of Green Bay, Wisconsin and is a consultant to the USCCB Committee on Catechesis and Evangelization. Born in Ireland and raised in a picturesque village set in the Wicklow Mountains, Julianne has been profoundly influenced by her life in Ireland and by the witness of saints such as St. Patrick and St. Brigid. Julianne loves to share her passion for the Catholic faith with others and is a nationally known speaker, retreat leader and story teller. She is the author of the upcoming book “Developing Disciples of Christ” and co-author with Joe Paprocki of the book “The Catechist’s Backpack- Spiritual Essentials for the Journey” by Loyola Press and blogs monthly for the website “The Catechist’s Journey”.



Retreat activities will be held at **Sacred Heart Church in Willow Springs**. Please see registration form for overnight hotel accommodation information.

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**RETREAT SITE:** Sacred Heart Church 1050 W. Business Hwy. 60-63 Willow Springs, MO

**HOTEL INFO:** Comfort Inn 1204 E. Main St. Willow Springs, MO phone#(417)469-0410

### **RETREAT SCHEDULE:**

#### **Friday**

Dinner on your own

6:30pm Gathering and Registration

7:00-9:00pm Retreat presentations

9:00-9:30pm Reception

#### **Saturday**

Continental breakfast at hotel

8:00am Mass with Bishop Rice

9:00am Retreat activities with lunch provided

3:00pm Departure

### **RETREAT COSTS** (Includes one night hotel stay, food as indicated, and materials)

Double occupancy hotel room = **\$70** per person    Single occupancy = **\$115** per person

\*If you are interested and are able to commit to attending, but your parish cannot pay the fees, please contact Lynn Melendez or Katie Newton at (417)886-0841 . Scholarships may be available.

**PLEASE FILL OUT THE REGISTRATION FORM BELOW AND MAIL IT IN WITH PAYMENT**

**\*\*\* REGISTRATION DEADLINE: JULY 21, 2017 \*\*\***

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Parish: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_

Your role in parish: \_\_\_\_\_

List any special dietary needs: \_\_\_\_\_

I am a liturgical musician and would like to lead music for retreat mass Saturday morning \_\_\_\_\_

Single occupancy: \_\_\_\_\_ Double occupancy: \_\_\_\_\_ Roommate name: \_\_\_\_\_

I would like to share a room but have no chosen roommate. Please select one for me: \_\_\_\_\_

Amount due: \_\_\_\_\_ Check enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_ ( checks payable to Diocese of Springfield-Cape Girardeau)

\*Our office will make all hotel reservations. EACH PARTICIPANT MUST COMPLETE A SEPARATE REGISTRATION FORM. Please mail checks and completed registration forms to: Office of Evangelization, Catechesis, and Youth, 601 S. Jefferson Ave, Springfield, MO 65806