

Catholic Evangelization Studies

Parish Staff Invitation

Starting in 2019, priests and pastoral leaders from the Diocese of Green Bay are welcome to attend free of charge! Please encourage them to attend with your parish staff so you can grow as a team.

What I have learned and experienced in the CES seminars has deepened my relationship with Jesus and inspired me as a missionary disciple. Our parish team attends the seminars together which has helped us become a **stronger spiritual community**. The seminars have also helped me understand and align my parish ministry to Bishop Ricken's vision to discover, follow, worship, and share Jesus. I recommend attending these sessions if you are committed to growing as a missionary disciple in the Diocese of Green Bay.

Nadine Duncan, Director of Liturgy
St. Bernard Parish - Appleton

CES has given me a common language to use with my fellow staff members, who often did not fully understand the "why" behind the "what" of the youth ministry program. This common language has been a huge factor in knocking down those "silos" and giving us all a **common goal** to work towards... CES will offer extra doses of courage, inspiration, and connections with others in the Diocese.

Sarah Elmer, Youth Ministry Coordinator
Holy Spirit Parish - Kimberly

After the first two sessions I, along with my pastor, encouraged many of our staff members to attend. Our parish secretary and parish maintenance staff were also included, as they come into contact with a huge number of parishioners every day, and they loved it. As a staff we are focused on the same vision and heading in the same direction together with evangelization. I would **highly recommend sending the entire staff**.

Colleen Sargent-Day, Minister of Administration
St. Bernard Parish - Appleton

Evangelization isn't a new program; it's a **paradigm shift** in how the local Church thinks about its role in the world... I enjoyed the 3-day seminar because it gave us all time to digest what we were learning and talk among ourselves. I had fun and enjoyed being able to **bond with my staff**. I believe the three days enabled the seminar to have a lasting effect on our staff.

Zach Laughlin, Director of Campus Ministry & Social Justice
Holy Spirit Parish - Stevens Point
(Diocese of La Crosse)

The CES classes have taught me a lot about evangelization and how to effectively talk to others about Jesus. The courses are an in depth study of how to evangelize along with **hands on experiences**. You are in a small group environment with lots of time to ask questions.

Gloria Schuh, Discipleship Coordinator
St. Katherine Drexel Parish - Kaukauna

I am finding in my role as CRE it has become increasingly difficult to reach youth and form disciples... After hearing early in the course that "a business as usual" attitude can no longer be the case, I knew I was in for a great three days learning how I could provide a more **meaningful Faith Formation** experience for the children, youth, and families of my parish. This course helped me to look at my personal and professional faith life. It opened my eyes to some cultural issues at play in the lives of those we are trying to reach today. I ended the three days with a greater understanding of how we have gotten to this point and ideas for how I will be **more intentional** in all I do.

Andy Krueger, Coordinator of Faith Formation & Youth Ministry
St. Mary Parish - Omro

CES I: July 29-31 | CES II: August 5-7 | CES III: May 28-30 | CES IV: June 11-13

For more information, including registration information and seminar outlines, please visit www.gbdioc.org/catholic-evangelization-studies.



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