BUILDING BLOCKS OF DISCIPLESHIP

Wisconsin Directors of
Religious Education Federation
20th Biennial Convention
November 5-6, 2018

Our Keynote Speaker

Jared Dees is the creator of the popular website *The Religion Teacher*, which provides practical resources and effective teaching strategies to religious educators. A respected graduate of the Alliance for Catholic Education program at the University of Notre Dame, Dees earned master's degrees in education and theology, both from Notre Dame. He has volunteered for and worked in a wide variety of Catholic ministries, including Catholic schools, parish religious education, youth ministry, campus ministry, RCIA, and adult faith formation. Dees is the content marketing manager at Ave Maria Press and the author of *Praying the Angelus, 31 Days to Becoming a Better Religious Educator*, and *To Heal, Proclaim, and Teach*. His articles have appeared in *Momentum*, *CATECHIST*, *Catechetical Leader*, and on numerous websites. Dees lives in South Bend, Indiana, with his wife and four children.

Our Schedule

Sunday, November 4 **Preconvention sponsored by DARE —** Free for all catechetical leaders and catechists.
LOCATION: St. Joseph Parish, 1709 Wyatt Avenue **TIME:** 4:00 Dinner, 5:15 Presentation
From Education Towards Encounter — Pope St. John Paul II wrote, "The definitive aim of catechesis is to put people not only in touch with, but in communion with Jesus Christ." Jared will offer practical methods and strategies that will lead you and the young people you minister with and to into an encounter with Jesus Christ.

Monday, November 5

7:30 AM	**Registrations/Exhibits**
9:00	**Mass**
10:00-10:30	**Exhibits**
10:30	**Welcome/Introductions**
	Keynote Presentation 1 **Missionary Discipleship —** Pope Francis and the USCCB are calling for us all to become "missionary disciples" as ministers and disciples of the Catholic Church, but what does that mean on a day-to-day basis? This keynote will help elevate evangelization beyond something we must do to something we live everyday.
12:30 PM	**Lunch/Exhibits**
2:30	**Keynote Presentation 2** **The Call to Catechesis —** Looking to Christ the Master-Teacher as the model, we will reflect on the unique call to do Christ's work of catechesis in the Church today.
4:00	**Exhibits**
5:30	**Social**
6:00	**Banquet & Awards**
8:30	**Evening Prayer Experience**

Tuesday, November 6

7:30-9:00 AM	**Exhibits (Breakfast on your own)**
9:00	**Morning Prayer**
	Keynote Presentation 3 **Evangelizing Ministry: A Framework for Our Future** — The Church and the ministerial landscape has changed dramatically in the last few years. Learning from ministries Finding success today and saints who model perennial principals of service in the Church, we will explore The opportunities for greatest hope for our future.
11:00	**Building Blocks Round Tables**
12:15 PM	**Wrap-up & Lunch**

Registration *(please print clearly)*

Name: _____

Parish: _____

Diocese/Organization: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Please check the appropriate line and circle amount enclosed (fees include lunches and Awards Banquet):

___ Sunday preconvention, free

____ Convention & Awards Banquet- $150.00 WDREF Member / $180.00 Non-member

____ Monday only - $100.00 WDREF Member/$130.00 Non-member

____ Tuesday only - $100.00 WDREF Member/$130.00 Non-member

____ Awards Banquet only - $35.00

____ Yes, lunch on Tuesday. ____ No lunch, thanks.

Special Dietary Needs: _____

Convention Registration Scholarships: For information on registration scholarships visit: wdref.weebly.com

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By October 26, 2019

Accommodations & Meeting Site

Holiday Inn & Convention Center, Stevens Point

*Please note: Room Reservations are made and paid for separately. Please call 715-344-0200 and press #3. When making reservations, please reference the group name Wisconsin Directors of Religious Education Federation with the Group Block Code: REL. The group rate of $89.99 will be available until **October 15, 2018** or until the block is full. Book your room early!*

The convention rate is good on nights prior to or following the week of the meeting so why not extend your stay joined by family or friends on Friday and Saturday night?

Come to:

Explore and dialogue with catechetical leaders from throughout the state on the ***building blocks of discipleship*** and other topics of faith and catechesis.

Visit exhibitors for the latest in curriculum, books, religious art and gifts.

Vision for the future of WDREF.

Learn from each other in Roundtable Discussions.

Pray with and for one another.

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