

Teach My People to Pray

Year II - 2015-2016

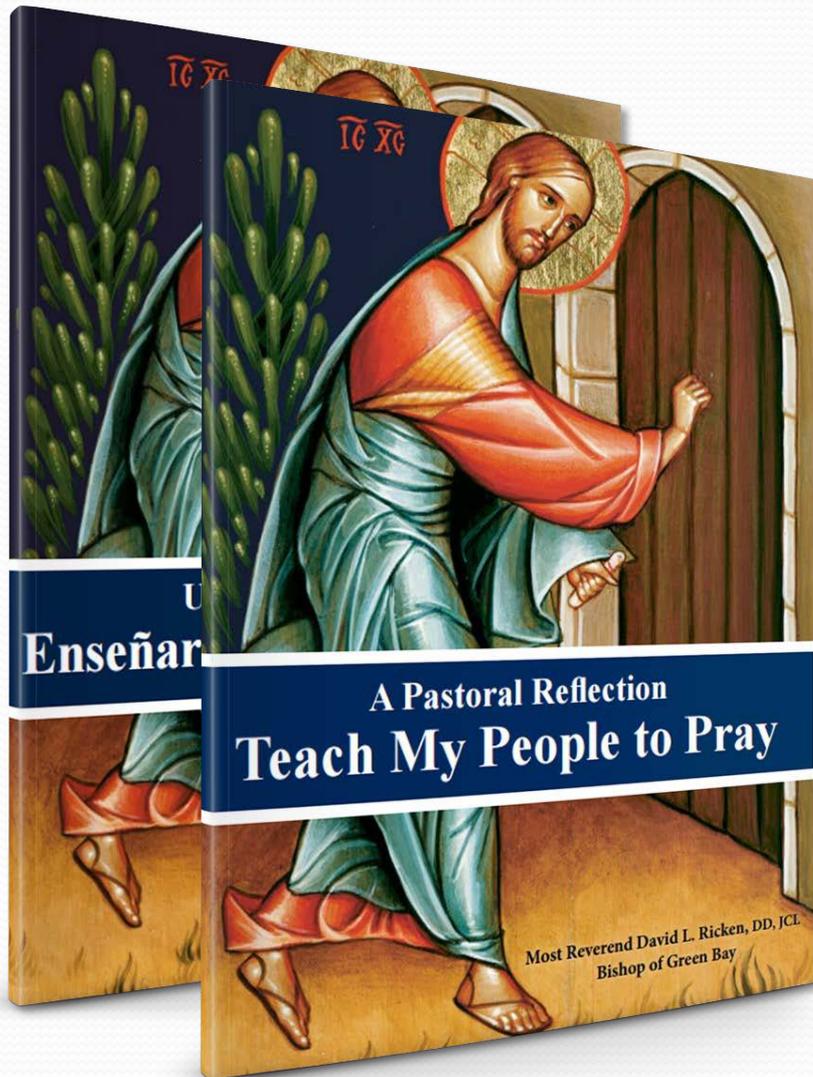
"The call of these first two years is to put first things first, which is all about establishing priorities centered around God; especially in our time, our talent and our treasure, our prayer, our service, and our sharing."

– Bishop David Ricken, Teach My People to Pray



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Welcome & Introductions



- We're so glad you're here!
- Intros
 - Presenters
 - Attendees



Opening Prayer

Jesus, Mary and Joseph,
in you we contemplate the splendor of true love,
to you we turn with trust.

Holy Family of Nazareth, grant that our families too
may be places of communion and prayer, authentic schools of
the Gospel and small domestic Churches.

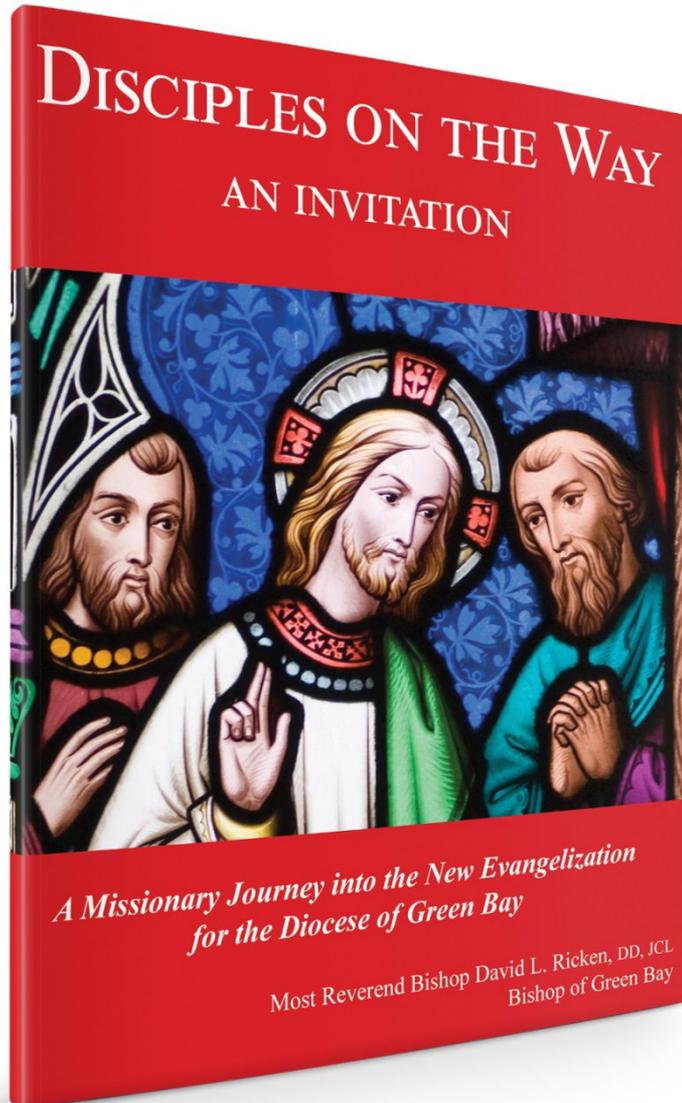
Holy Family of Nazareth, may families never again experience violence,
rejection and division: may all who have been hurt or scandalized
find ready comfort and healing.

Holy Family of Nazareth, may the approaching Synod of Bishops
make us once more mindful of the sacredness and
inviolability of the family, and its beauty in God's plan.

Jesus, Mary and Joseph, graciously hear our prayer.

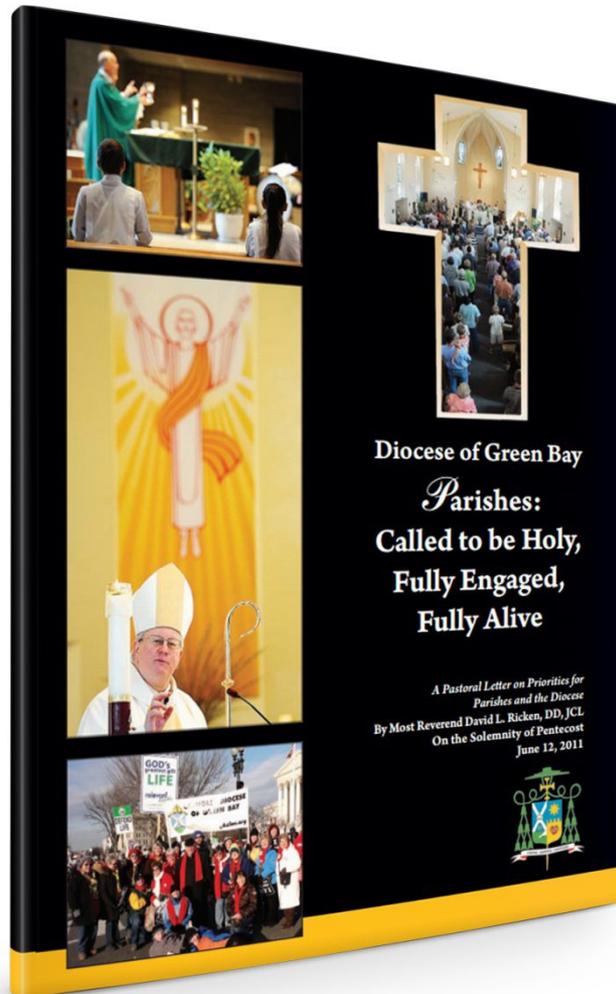
Amen.

Overview



- Setting Context
 - Parishes: Holy, Fully Engaged, and Fully Alive
 - Disciples on the Way
 - Teach My People to Pray
- Bishop's Household Meditation
- 2015-2016 Calendar & Opportunities
- Resources
- Questions, Comments, & Suggestions

Setting the Context

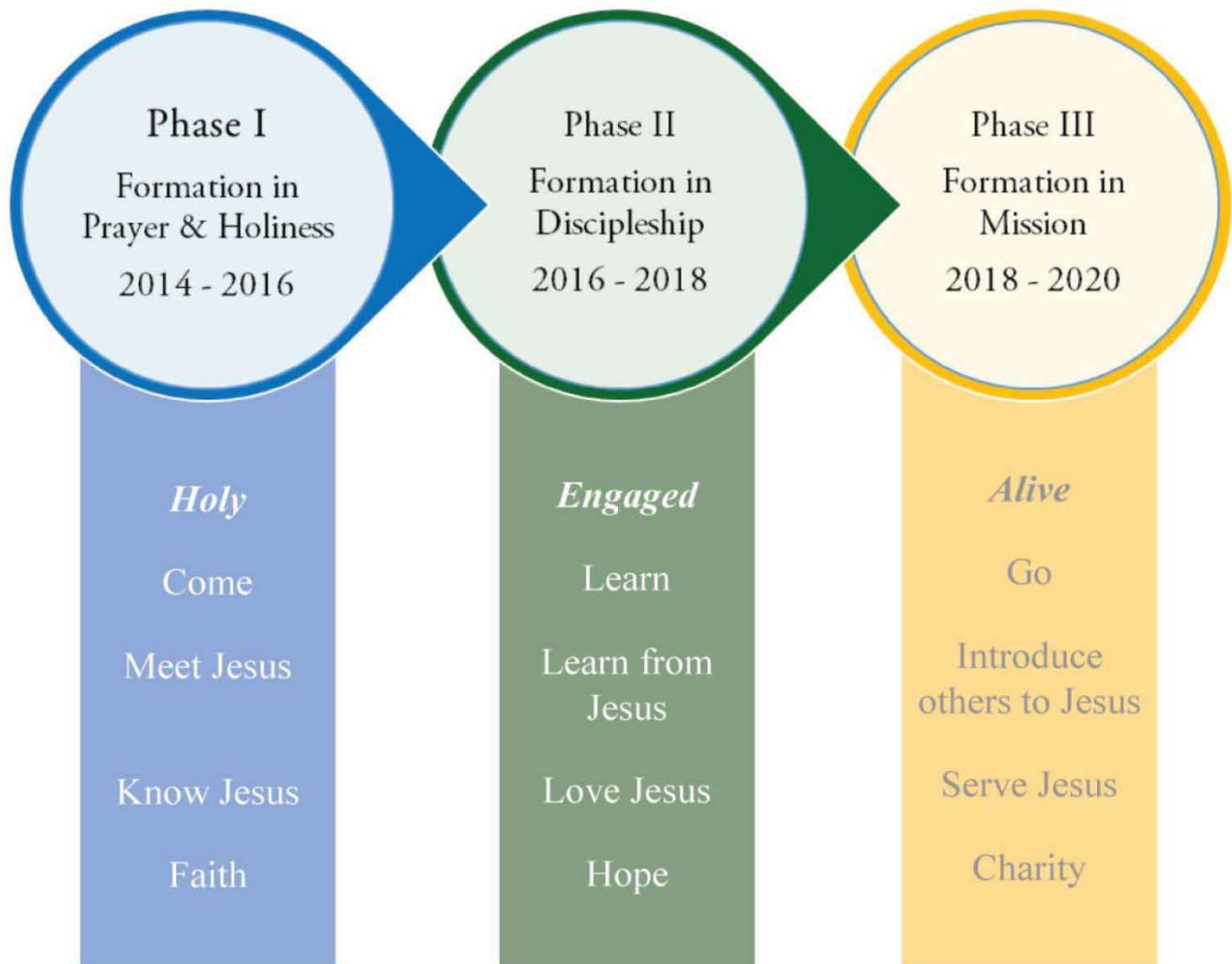


- June 2011
 - Parishes: Called to Be Holy, Fully Engaged and Fully Alive
 - A basic vision and practical suggestions that a parish could undertake to become more holy, engaged and alive
- May 2014
 - Disciples on the Way
 - Building on pastoral letter
 - Call to Discipleship
 - The New Evangelization



Disciples on the Way

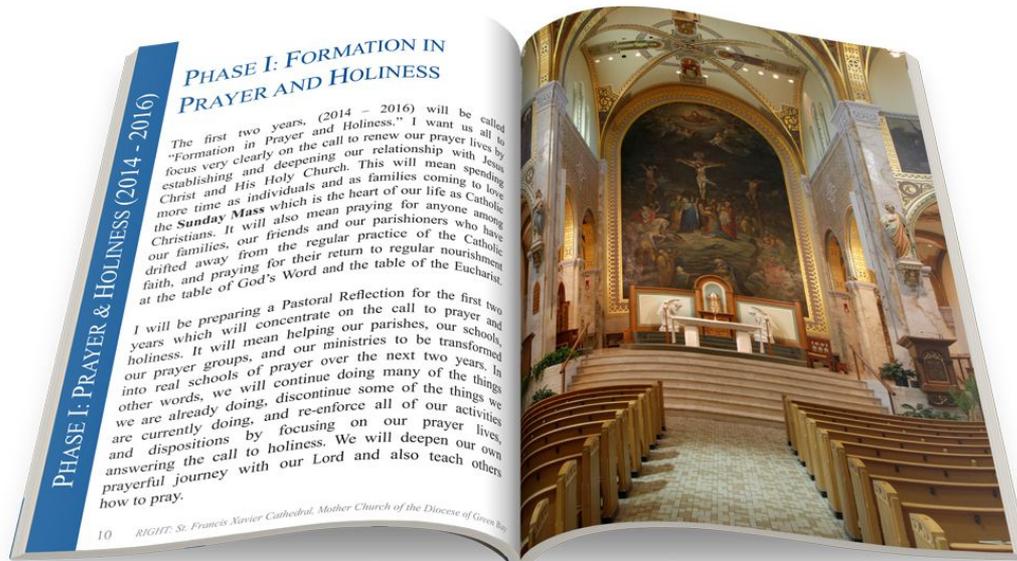
A Missionary Journey into the New Evangelization



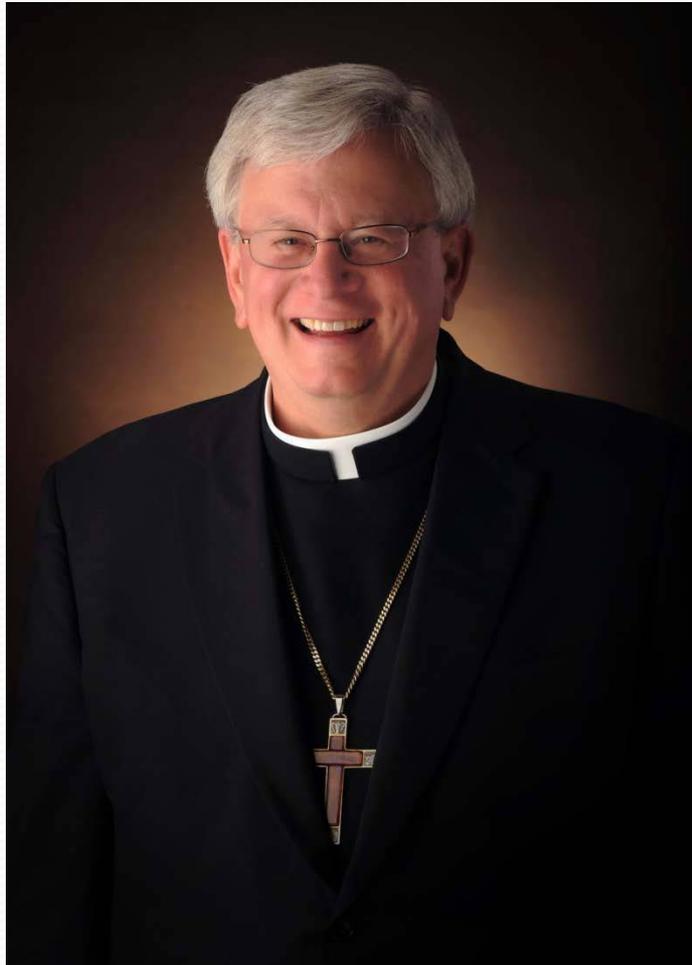
Setting the Context

Disciples on the Way Teach My People to Pray Year I – 2014-2016

- Teach My People to Pray
- Highlights
 - Deeper Relationship with Jesus
 - Call to Holiness
 - Be People of Prayer
 - Parish Holy Hours
 - Parish as a School of Prayer
 - Love Sunday Mass
 - Forms of Prayer

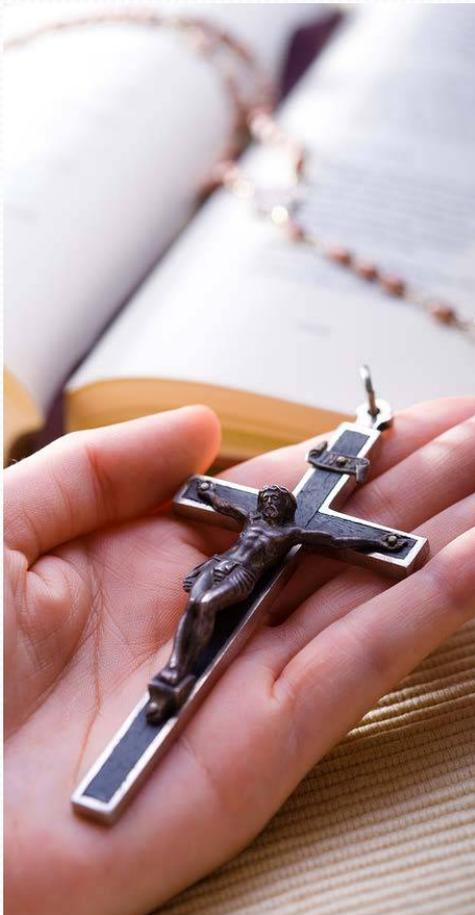


Disciples on the Way – Year II



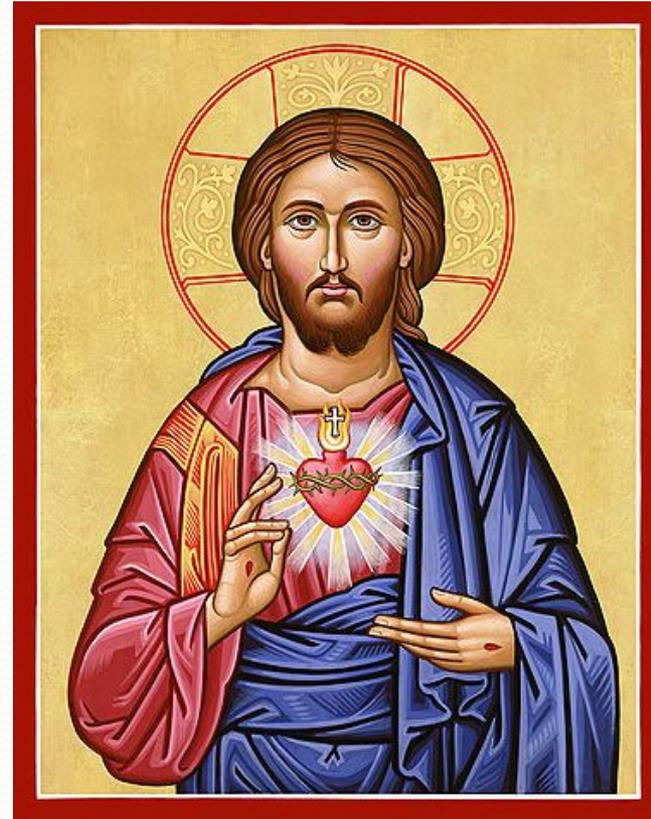
- 2015-2016
- May 2015
 - Pastoral Meditation
- **The Catholic Household as a Home of Prayer & Love**
- Highlights
 - Home, Prayer, Love
 - Importance of Parents
 - Keep Sunday Holy
 - Dedication to Holy Family
 - Consecration to Sacred Heart
 - Top Ten List
 - Household Prayers

Bishop Ricken's Top 10 Ways to Build a Household of Prayer



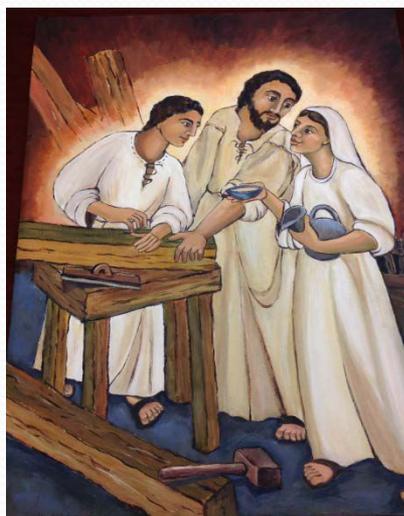
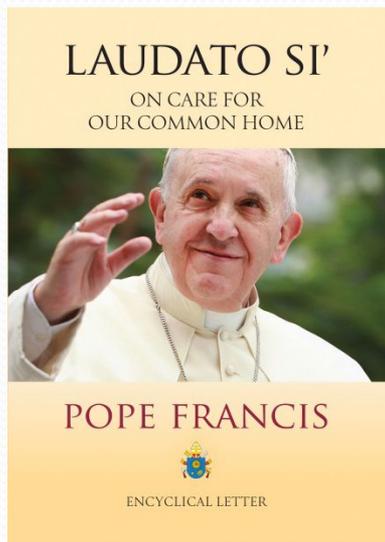
1. Reflect on Sunday Scriptures
2. Sunday Mass
3. Teach Sign of the Cross and essential prayers
4. Pray for loved ones, the rosary
5. Display religious symbols, images, statues
6. Volunteer together
7. Attend Sacrament of Reconciliation
8. "Keep Holy the Lord's Day"
9. Speak of God and Jesus, Meal Prayers
10. Celebrate Holy Days

Parish Expectations



- Dedication to the Holy Family
- Consecration to the Sacred Heart

Additional Opportunities for 2015-2016



- Laudato Si, Pope Francis' new encyclical
- International Family Events
 - World Meeting of Families
 - Synod on the Family
- Extraordinary Jubilee of Mercy
 - "contemplate the mystery of mercy"
 - Door of Mercy
 - Listen to Word of God
 - Pilgrimage
 - Corporal & Spiritual Works of Mercy
 - Monthly Themes & Witness

Pulling it all Together | Fall 2015



- **August**
 - 21 – Humor & Homily
 - 21 – Deacon Convocation
 - 29 – Diocesan Gathering of Families
- **September**
 - 22-27 - World Meeting of Families
 - 26 – Dr. Ray Guarendi Presentation
- **October**
 - 5-7 – Clergy Congress
 - 4-25 – Synod on Families
 - 25 – Middle School Youth Jam
 - 29 – Leadership Convocation

Pulling it all Together | Winter 2015



- **November**
 - 14-15 – Stewardship Weekend
- **December**
 - 6 – High School Youth Conference
 - 8 – Year of Mercy Begins
 - 13 – Holy Door, Cathedral
 - 27 – Feast of the Holy Family

Dedication to the Holy Family



- What is “dedication”?
- Dedication
 - Person(s) dedicated to God’s service
 - “Setting aside” sacred space in home for image
 - Family prayer of dedication to model the virtues of the Holy Family
- Diocesan Mailing
 - Early December
 - Letter from Bishop
 - Image of Holy Family
 - Prayer for Dedication
 - Information on the Rosary
 - Petitions for Bishop

Continued | Winter 2016



- January
- February
 - 10 – Ash Wednesday
- March
 - 5 – Men’s Conference
 - 22 – Chrism Mass
 - 27 - Easter
- April
 - 3 – Divine Mercy Sunday

Continued | Spring 2016



- **May**
 - 10 – Interdepartmental Diocesan Workshop
 - 15 – Pentecost
 - Bishop Ricken’s Reflection on Disciples on the Way; Years III-IV
- **June**
 - 3 – Feast of the Sacred Heart

Consecration to the Sacred Heart



- What is “consecration”?
- Consecration
 - “To associate with the sacred”
 - An act of devotion, participation in God’s Love
 - The Sacred Heart is God’s Love, compassion & mercy accessible through Jesus
- Diocesan Mailing
 - April/May
 - Letter from Bishop
 - Image of Sacred Heart
 - Prayer for Consecration

Further Reflections on 2015-2016



- Key Focus – Fostering a Household of prayer and love
- Continue Holy Hours
 - Jubilee Year Themes
- Tools to Assist
 - www.gbdioc.org
- Tools in Spanish
 - Please ask
- Still in Process
 - What tools or resources would be most helpful to you as leaders?





Feedback & Questions

- What have you heard today that involves new learning?
- What is working at your parish that you would like to share with us?
- What are your initial reactions to the opportunities for 2015-2016?
- Where do you feel that you need more support?
- What other tools or resources would be helpful to you?
- Who needs to explore this further?
 - Pastor/administrator/pastoral leader
 - Staff
 - Parish Councils & Boards
 - Parish Committees
 - Education, Youth/Young Adult, Worship, Evangelization, Stewardship, Living Justice, etc.

Contact Us

- Key Contact
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- Diocesan Departments
 - Divine Worship
 - Education
 - Living Justice
 - New Evangelization
 - Stewardship & Pastoral Services
- Diocesan Website
 - www.gbdioc.org
- Please don't hesitate to contact us:
 - With questions
 - For more information
 - To share what's working in your parish





Closing Prayer

Heavenly Father,

thank You for the gift of our family.

Enlighten our hearts and minds, that we may live more fully this vocation to love.

In our daily life and work, may we reflect the self-giving love which You, O Father,
eternally show with Your Son and the Holy Spirit.

Let Your love be evident, in the peace that reigns in our home
and in the faith we profess and live.

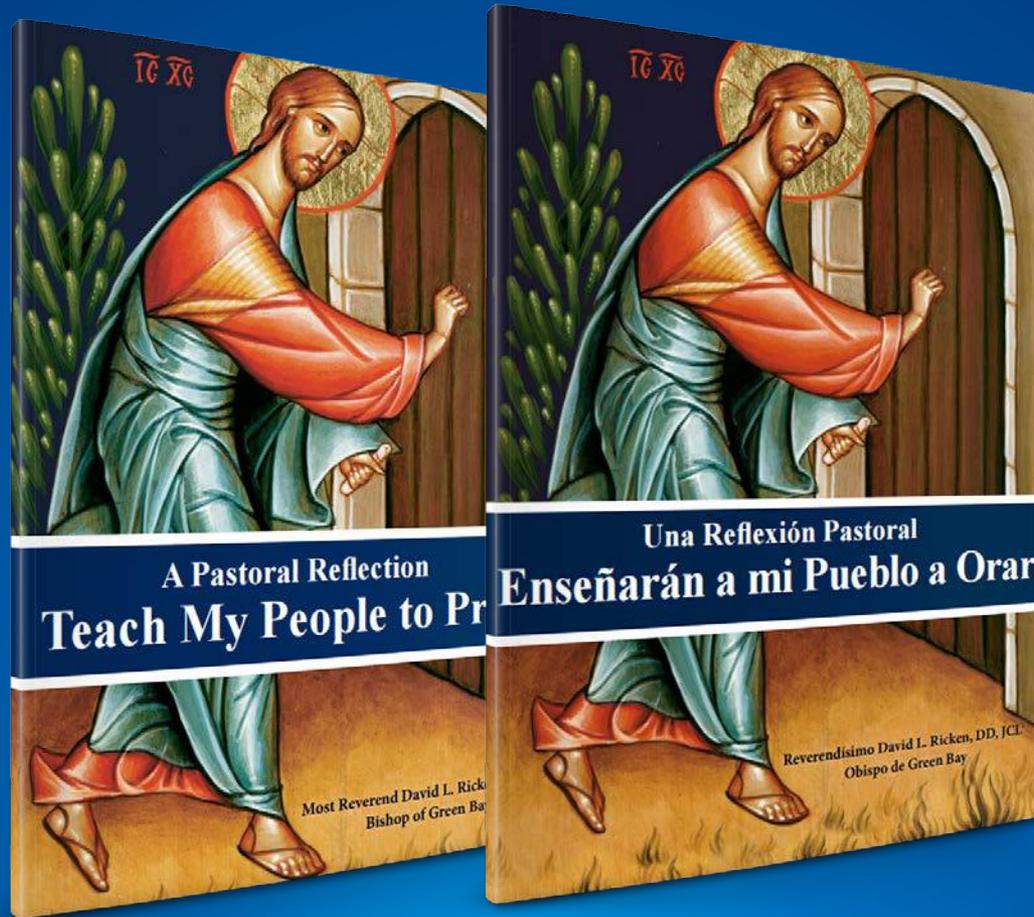
May our family always be a place of generosity, understanding, forgiveness, and joy.

Kindly give us the wisdom and courage,
to be witnesses to Your eternal design for the family;
and grant that the Holy Family of Nazareth
may always guide our path to holiness as a family.

We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son,
who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God forever and ever.

Amen.

Thank You



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