



Diocese of
Green Bay

Department Of Education:
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION & YOUTH MINISTRY



Between Now and Dec. 1st: Looking for 100% Response . . .

This is our first [Annual Religious Education Report](#) - and every parish is being asked to participate! In it, we are requiring every parish to share specific resources, hours, and enriching opportunities they are providing in their parish. This will assist the Education Department as well as Bishop to know how well each parish is doing in their religious education program. We only need one response per program, but we need to hear from EVERY program! **Thanks!**



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Bishop Ricken to Celebrate Mass in Recognition of National Parish RE Week
Please join us!

Tuesday, November 3
11:30 am
St. Joseph Chapel on the
Diocesan Campus
Light Lunch to Follow at the
Chancery

Please **RSVP TODAY**;
headcount needed for lunch,
please.





Calendar

NOTE: Diocesan Office hours will be 8am-4:30 M-F through spring.

Nov 3: Mass in recognition of National Religious Education Week, Diocesan Campus; 11:30am (see article at right)

Nov 16: Technology Day, Diocesan Campus

Nov 24: Nuts & Bolts for New Catechetical Leaders (3rd of Series) (see article at right)

Nov 26-27: Diocesan Offices closed in observation of Thanksgiving

Dec 6: Open Confirmation Retreat with SPIRITUS at Mt. Tabor Center, Menasha, \$35

*visit www.gbdioc.org/fcc for complete schedule and registration instructions.

Resource Ideas

Full color pictorial directory folder of Diocesan Seminarians available from vocations@gbdioc.org

An Advent Day VBS called *Jesse Tree Journey Day VBS!* It is a week-long VBS program condensed into one day onto a flash drive. Everything leaders need, including lessons, promotional materials, art

National Parish Religious Education Week November 1-7, 2015 "Encountering Christ Everyday"

REGISTRATION DUE NOVEMBER 1 (Now)!
March for Life Registration



Everything's on the [website!](#)

Technology Day Next Month
Monday, November 16; Diocesan Campus
[Link to Tentative Schedule!](#)

This is an extension of the last technology day we hosted in May. The day will allow for a more in-depth look and



practice using the technology of your choice and will allow you to ask questions about that particular platform. A laptop or iPad would be best to bring for this day! If you didn't make it to the first technology day, you are more than welcome to still come to this day.

Interested? Registration Required (cfountain@gbdioc.org)

**Nuts & Bolts, Session 3 of 4
(for New Catechetical Leaders)**

Tuesday, November 24
9am-11:30am
Bona Hall; Diocesan Campus

Please register by e-mail to: cfountain@gbdioc.org



Topics of discussion scheduled: Board Development; Budgeting; Report Cards; Safe Environment

extras, prayer handouts, music and dances, is for sale at www.Godisgoodvbs.com for about \$60. Also available: new summer VBS called Our Magnificent Four: St. Luke the Evangelist.

[Year of Mercy Resources](#) from Our Sunday Visitor.

Sacrament Preparation Family Packs from Our Sunday Visitor
LIMITED TIME OFFER!

Cool lectio divina podcasts: www.pray-as-you-go.org

Suicide prevention resources from [Community for Hope, Oshkosh](#) which offers [QPR Gatekeeper](#) training.

[Arise Missionary Disciple Conference](#) in Milwaukee, November 15, 2015 is targeted toward 18+ year olds (graduating seniors and up).

Missionary Childhood Association (MCA)



Free Resources: www.onefamilyinmission.org

[Information Letter with list of ideas, resources for developing your own missionary disciples!](#)

[2015-16 World Missions Projects Booklet available online.](#)

Funding for Professional Development

Diocesan Scholarship named for St. John Bosco

No teacher can teach what he/she doesn't know, thus this scholarship was developed to positively support and influence our diocesan youth ministers and religious education administrators so they can better teach, love, and disciple the young people in their midst. The St. John Bosco scholarship will be awarded to four youth ministry or religious education employees throughout our diocese.



This is a one-time \$500 scholarship awarded for a professional development opportunity in 2016.

Details and application [HERE](#).

More Grant Opportunities. . .

Catholic Foundation *for the Diocese of Green Bay, Inc.*

Grant Applications Now Available - Due Dec.31*

- **Advancing the Mission**

(Evangelization, Leadership Development, Lifelong Catechesis)
- **Catholic Foundation Grants**
- **Lumen Christi Grants**

Questions? Call Tanya or Cindi at 920-272-8181 or e-mail catholicfoundation@gbdioc.org

[Applications Available Online](#)

***One month earlier than prior years.**

[Note: If you received a grant in 2015 and have not yet completed the [online grant report](#), please do so today. Report due by December 15 in order to be considered for additional grant funds].



Movie Preview: Full of Grace

Saturday, November 14;
De Pere



Outside da Box production company has produced a new full-length feature film, called *Full of Grace*. It's about the final days of Mary along with Peter and the remaining apostles as they reflect on the experience of her Son.

Eric Groth, one of the producers of the film has offered to do a pre-release video screening within our diocese along with a Q&A session after the film. Held at the De Pere Cinema on Saturday Nov 14th, there will be two screenings -- 9am and 11am.

For tickets:
www.odbscreenings.com

For more information, call
(866) 456-6936

\$12 General Admission
(plus online fee)



USCCB Designates National Bible Week

From November 15-21, 2015, the USCCB invites families, parishes, schools, and other Catholic groups to participate in [National Bible Week](#) in celebration of the 50th Anniversary of the Second Vatican Council's Dogmatic Constitution on Divine Revelation, Dei Verbum.

This year's theme, The Bible: A Book for the Family, builds on this year's Synod of Bishops on the Family and Pope Francis's visit to Philadelphia for the World Meeting of Families.

Green Bay Youth Conference: December 6th! Group [Registration](#) Due Now!



Certification Corner

Please check www.gbdioc.org/fcc to see schedules of classes hosted by parishes/schools.

Thanks for your patience; our new round of Online FCC Classes will be open for registration soon.

E-mail cfountain@gbdioc.org to get started!



Ends in February:
Year of Consecrated Life



Lots of Resources on our
[Website](#)

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[FCC Trainers' Page](#)
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Useful ACRE Data: National Percentiles



The results of your ACRE assessment did not include the diocesan or national percentiles. These links will give both, ([parish](#)) ([school](#)) for the new ACRE 2013 Assessment tool. Please contact [Sr. Jacqueline](#) with any questions.

From the Xavier Fine Arts Theater, Appleton

You and your students (including RCIA students/sponsors) are cordially invited to attend a special ninety-minute performance of the Easter musical, the Northeast Wisconsin Passion Play, in March 2016, at a discounted price.

In the meantime, please join us for another special musical production, "A Christmas Carol", this November, also at a discounted price.

To reserve tickets for your group of ten or more, visit www.newpassionplay.org and click on the "Tickets" menu to access the Religious Education reservation form.

You are also welcome to use include your volunteers, staff or congregation members in your group.



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Everything you need to know here:

- [Steubenville](#)



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Wondering Who to Contact within the Education Department?

Click [HERE](#) for a handy chart of staff responsibilities, and direct your next question precisely to the person who can answer it for you!