

# Summer Institute in Religious Education

July 6 - 17, 2009



Faculty of Theology

223 Main, Ottawa, ON CANADA K1S 1C4

## Courses – SIRE 2009

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**SUGGESTED TEXTS AND RESOURCES** will be made available upon registration.

### Introduction to Liturgy

9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. Murray Kroetsch

This introductory course lays out the foundations for understanding the nature of the Church's liturgy. It introduces participants to the building blocks of the liturgy: paschal mystery, ritual, symbol and song, sacramentality, the assembly and ministries, liturgical time and space, the Word of God, corporate prayer, and the liturgical books and documents of the post-conciliar Church.

### Philosophy of Catholic Education

9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. Margaret Shea-Lawrence and John van den Hengel

What are some of the underpinnings of Catholic education? What makes it "Catholic"? This course examines a number of traits that colour a Christian and Catholic educational project.

### Foundations in Religious Education

10:45 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. Myrtle Power

Religious Education has two aims: to teach the way to live a Christian life and to teach about our faith traditions. For Roman Catholics, catechesis is the rich process of faith sharing which connects faith and life. This course introduces these aims and important related ideas. It explores how they work together to foster and renew the faith life of Christian communities in a variety of settings.

### Facilitation and Adult Faith: Building Foundations, Creating Spaces

10:45 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. Carol Kuzmochka

Rich and wonderful orientations and resources, both ancient and new, create a strong foundation for adult learning in the context of faith. Participants are invited to explore this terrain with special attention to practical ways these orientations and insights can help to shape vibrant spaces for adults to grow in faith.

### Catechesis: The Church and its Documents

1:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. Joanne Chafe

This course explores the Church's documents on evangelization and catechesis, with a focus on the *General Directory for Catechesis* as a central document. It examines the major orientations, themes and issues related to catechesis, with particular attention to their pastoral implications for accompanying faith development with adults, children, and youth in a variety of contexts.

### The Gospel of Mark: An Introduction

1:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. Claire Johnson

This introductory course examines the historical context of first century Palestine, looks at the relationship between Mark and the other Synoptic gospels (Matthew and Luke), and then focuses on a number of texts in the Gospel of Mark using different interpretative methods.

### Synthesis Course for Graduates

7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. Patty Fowler and Myrtle Power

(Monday through Thursday of each week)  
This course provides a practical integration experience for participants completing the certificate. "Unless adult Christians engage in critical and conscious theological reflection, the Christian community's faithfulness to the gospel and its authentic witness to that gospel in the world diminishes" Patricia O'Connell Killen, *The Art of Theological Reflection*.

## Registration

Please complete and sign the attached registration form and return to:

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Faculty of Theology  
Saint Paul University  
223 Main, Ottawa, ON K1S 1C4

For more information, please contact the Faculty of Theology at the above address or at 613-236-1393, Ext. 2247, or email us at [theology@ustpaul.ca](mailto:theology@ustpaul.ca)

### DEADLINE FOR REGISTRATION

June 26, 2009

Courses may be cancelled if registrations are insufficient by this date, so please register now.

Orientation Session and Registration:  
Sunday, July 5, 7:30 p.m.

Courses begin on Monday, July 6.

SUMMER INSTITUTE IN RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

SIRE SUMMER 2009

### REGISTRATION FORM

STUDENT NO.

MR. MRS. MISS

SURNAME

GIVEN NAMES

PREVIOUS SURNAME (IF APPLICABLE)

DATE OF BIRTH

YEAR MO. DAY

#### PERMANENT HOME ADDRESS

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CORRESPONDENCE LANGUAGE

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PREFERRED LANGUAGE OF INSTRUCTION

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### SCHEDULING

Please note that the schedule includes: • a common lunch hour: 12:30 - 1:30 p.m. • liturgical preparation time between 3:15 and 4:45 p.m.

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**I wish to register:**

for three (3) university credits (THO 2169)

for the SIRE Certificate

both of the above

as auditor

**AQ students must complete their enclosed registration form:**

for AQ part I (THO 2361)

for AQ part II (THO 2124)

**I wish to register for the following courses:**  
(those registered for university credits must select three courses)

Introduction to Liturgy

Philosophy of Catholic Education

Foundations in Religious Education

Facilitation and Adult Faith: Building Foundations, Creating Spaces

Catechesis: The Church and its Documents

The Gospel of Mark: An Introduction

Synthesis Course for Graduates

**SIPL course:** \_\_\_\_\_ (give title)

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# The Summer Institute in Religious Education

has been established by the Faculty of Theology at Saint Paul University, Ottawa, to meet the growing need for formation programs in religious education and catechesis. It is designed in response to the Church's invitation in the *General Directory for Catechesis* for systematic catechetical formation to be offered on the national level by trained specialists.

## THE AIM

The ministry of preparing people to live, understand, and hand on the faith has undergone significant changes. As the traditional partnerships of parish, home and school have shifted, parents, teachers, catechists, adult faith educators and religious educators are seeking new ways to exercise their essential roles.

The program aims to foster the growth in the faith life of family, school, parish, diocese and other communities by helping participants learn to live the faith and by equipping them to teach the faith traditions more effectively.



## The Participants

The Institute, staffed mainly by Canadian experts in religious education and catechetics, welcomes parents, parish catechists, directors of religious education at the diocesan level, sacramental team members, leaders and facilitators of adult faith, RCIA teams and teachers in Catholic schools.

## The Learning Process

Participants normally take three courses per summer. The completion over three summers of five core courses, four electives, and the practicum modules, leads to a Pastoral Certificate in Religious Education.

The Summer Institute in Religious Education takes place concurrently with the Summer Institute in Pastoral Liturgy. Participants may take selected core courses and any elective course in either program.

## Liturgical Celebrations

Communal prayer—Morning Prayer, Evening Prayer, and Sunday Eucharist—is a central aspect of the Institute experience. Full-time participants in both Institutes are expected to prepare for and assume the several liturgical ministries required for these celebrations.

## THO 2169 Catechetics

Students can earn three credits from the Faculty of Theology by taking three approved SIRE courses and writing one additional research paper due August 20, 2009.

## Core Courses

All participants must take *Introduction to Liturgy* and *Foundations in Religious Education; Synthesis for Graduates* (in their last session of study); and any two of the following:

- Adult Faith
- A Spirituality for Ministry
- Philosophy of Catholic Education
- Catechesis: Processes and Resources
- Catechesis: The Church and its Documents

Core courses are scheduled on rotation and should be taken when offered.

## Electives

Courses may vary according to scheduling needs and interests of the participants.

- The Development of Catechesis and the *General Directory for Catechesis*
- Beginning with Family: Catechesis at Home
- Scripture and Religious Education
- Ethics and Christian Education
- Fostering Faith: Catholic Education
- Selected Topics in Religious Education
- Adult Faith: Spirituality

## Other Opportunities

Also available to Institute participants:

- Workshops on timely topics
- Access to Saint Paul University Library
- Elective courses from the Summer Institute in Pastoral Liturgy (SIPL)
- Social gatherings
- The Nation's Capital in full bloom of summer

## Institute Director

Myrtle Power

## Liturgy Coordinator

Patty Fowler

## ACCOMMODATIONS

Arrangements are to be made by the students themselves. Limited accommodations are available on campus.

## ROOM AND BOARD

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## TUITION FEES

- Non-credit courses: 1st course \$207.00\*\*, any additional courses \$195.00
- Courses for 3 university credits\* (Canadian students): \$532.00\*\*
- Courses for 3 university credits\* (International students): \$1042.00\*\*

\*3 university credits = 3 courses

\*\* tuitions fees include all auxiliary fees, except for a one time \$40.00 university admission fee that is levied only for first time registration for courses taken for university credits.