

“Source and Summit: The Mass as Catechesis” Sullivan Conference 2010

- Sponsors:** Offices of Catholic Education and Worship
- Dates:** May 18 – 19, 2010 (Tuesday – Wednesday)
- Locations:** Church of the Redeemer, Mechanicsville, Virginia
Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Salem, Virginia
- Keynote Speaker:** Rev. Paul Turner, Pastor, St. Munchin and St. Aloysius Churches
Diocese of Kansas City – St. Joseph
- Conference Theme:** **"Source and Summit: The Mass as Catechesis."** To assist us in our appreciation for and engagement with the liturgy, Rev. Paul Turner will gather with us to reflect on the critical link between liturgy, catechesis, and life. His four keynote presentations will help to prepare us for the coming revisions to the Roman Missal. Breakout sessions led by presenters from around the diocese will further equip pastoral ministers to lead others to deepen their understanding and experience of the liturgy.

Who should attend this conference? Priests, Deacons, Catechetical Leaders, Catholic School Educators, Youth Ministers, Liturgy Teams, Liturgical Ministers, Musicians, and Parish Staff

Why two locations? The annual Sullivan Conference is traditionally held in Richmond. However, to provide accessibility to more participants and to those not able to travel to Richmond for this important conference, a “sister” site has been chosen in the Western Vicariate. All keynote presentations will be webcast to the West with Melanie Coddington acting as the local facilitator during these webcast keynote presentations. The conference schedule for keynote presentations and breakout sessions will be the same in both locations.

Breakout Sessions The breakout sessions are designed to enable the participants to reflect on the implications of the keynote presentations for their ministry and gain practical ideas for use in their ministry setting. Breakout sessions are listed in the Conference flyers. See links at the end of this newsletter

Financial Assistance to Mission/Grant Eligible Parishes

A generous scholarship (covering conference fees + one night’s lodging) is available to mission/grant eligible parishes, for two lay persons from each parish, presently engaged in parish ministry, to attend the Sullivan Conference in Richmond or Salem. A modest \$15 contribution is requested from the parish or individual for each scholarship recipient. Lay persons in parish ministry interested in attending Sullivan Conference in Richmond or Salem may request financial support by contacting Katie McMaster, kmcmaster@richmonddiocese.org or 804-622-5113.

Financial Assistance to Catholic School Educators

A partial scholarship is available to one faculty/staff member from each Catholic school interested in attending the Sullivan Conference in Richmond or Salem. The Office of Catholic Schools will pay half of the conference fee for one individual from each school.

Lodging

Lodging arrangements must be made by each conference participant. The diocese has arranged for a discounted rate for the hotels chosen for each location. Hotels have been chosen close to the conference location. See listing for each location at end of this newsletter and on conference flyer.

Recognition of Ministers

We continue the Sullivan Conference tradition of honoring those retiring from active parish ministry, as well as those celebrating anniversaries of 5, 10, 15, 20 years (and so on). Please indicate the number of years in ministry when you register. Please contact Sandra Survello, ssurvello@richmonddiocese.org if you are retiring so we may bless you as you enter another phase of your life!

Optional Evening Events

Both locations have optional evening entertainment and special events. Take advantage of these unique opportunities!

East – Guided Tour of the Cathedral of the Sacred Heart & Museum + Night Prayer www.richmonddiocese.org/archives/index.htm

West – Vespers/Concert of Sacred Music – University of Notre Dame Folk Choir, *Celebrating the Diversity of the Catholic Church* www.nd.edu/~folk

Conference Costs/Cancellation Deadlines

Conference costs have been determined based on location and with the assistance of our diocesan finance office to provide affordable conference fees. Fees are listed on conference flyer and at the end of newsletter. To cancel your Sullivan Conference registration, contact Sandra Survello, ssurvello@richmonddiocese.org or 804-622-5114.

Reservations cancelled by May 3, 2010 are fully refundable. Conference registration cancellations received on Monday, May 4, 2010 or later are NOT refundable.

The Roman Missal Project

You may wish to begin a study of this project. The USCCB has set up this site: <http://www.usccb.org/romanmissal> to begin your study and reflection, to follow the development of this project, and to see the proposed changes.

Links to documents:

Sullivan Conference EAST – [full conference flyer](#)

[Schedule](#)

[Costs, hotel information, scholarships](#)

[Breakout sessions](#)

Sullivan Conference WEST – [full conference flyer](#)

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