The Young Adult Disciples Rally

If I preach the gospel, this is no reason for me to boast, for an obligation has been imposed on me, and woe to me if I do not preach it!" 1 Corinthians 9:16

Saturday May 23, 2015 at St. Bernadette Parish, Monroeville, PA

This is a gathering of young Catholic adults (age 18 to 38, single or married) from the Western Pennsylvania area for an afternoon and evening of prayer, formation, and vision casting. We want to create an environment where young adults can receive more of the Holy Spirit through dynamic preaching, praise and worship, and liturgy. This afternoon will serve as a launch point for greater discipleship and evangelization for the young adults. We want to begin or revitalize the process of creating a 'community of missionary disciples' while engaging in the process and story of intentional Christian discipleship.

'To make the New Evangelization a reality is to become pilgrims on a journey or pilgrimage with Jesus Christ much like the journey of Jesus meeting the disciples along the road to Emmaus. This journey or pilgrimage includes for us a deepening of our faith, increasing our participation in the sacramental life of the Church, and leads finally to our destination of being Christian witnesses.' USCCB Strategic Plan Year 2013 to 2016 - the New Evangelization



What would the world look like if Catholic young adults were intentional disciples? **Pete Burak** has dedicated his life to help make this happen. Pete is the director of i.d.9:16. The i.d. stands for their identity as intentional disciples and 9:16 comes from 1 Corinthians 9:16 – "Woe to me if I do not preach the gospel!" Its mission is "to form young adults into intentional disciples of Jesus Christ." Pete is a native of Ann Arbor, MI and a graduate of Franciscan University of Steubenville. Pete worked as director of a Christian boy's camp as well as given numerous high school and middle school retreats and conferences. Pete notes that only 10% of Catholics who are 18-29 attend Mass on a weekly basis.

His i.d.9:16 organization has four pillars that seek to reverse this trend- conversion, communion, orthodoxy and mission. Pete works to establish i.d.9:16 chapters in parishes across the country that will help young adults not only come to know our Lord, but to help them tell others as well.

Vocations Director for the Diocese of Pittsburgh, *Father Joe Freedy*, graduated from University of Buffalo in 2002 and entered St. Paul Seminary, graduating from Duquesne University with a master's degree in philosophy for theological studies in 2004. He later completed his graduate studies at North American College in Rome. Before choosing the life of priesthood, Joe was a standout quarterback in high school and college. Thousands cheered him on, but his heart remained restless. After reading *The Lamb's Supper: the Mass as Heaven on Earth* by Scott Hahn, Joe's heart was changed. On June 21, 2008, he was ordained a priest.





As a Catholic who developed a deep love for the Lord and also for Christian music, *Mary Castner* followed the calling to be a contemporary Christian music artist. She received encouragement from her father who worked extensively in the music industry as a guitar luthier where he repaired guitars for such acclaimed musicians as Eric Clapton, Paul Simon, John Mayer, and Sting. At age 14, Mary felt inspired to take up guitar and piano. Not long after, her passion for music overflowed into song writing and recording. At Franciscan University of Steubenville, Mary led the music ministry team. As the leader of over 100 liturgical musicians, Mary successfully organized one of the nation's largest music

ministry programs. Since 2012 Mary has helped coordinate both the Music and Youth Ministry Programs at Christ the King Catholic Church in Mesa, Arizona.

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| Address |
| Phone Number |
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| Send registration with check to <u>St. Bernadette Parish</u> before 5/15/2015 to: Rege Reinersmann, 245 Azalea Drive, Monroeville PA 15146-1796. (Suggested Donation but no person will be turned away) \$10.00 per Young Adult - includes Meal X = \$: \$5.00 per 18 or older Student - includes Meal X = \$: \$15.00 per Pair (Recruit a Friend) includes Meal X = \$: (Recommended Age 18 to 38) |



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Praise

1:30 PM – Speaker 1: Conversion

Testimony

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• 2:25 PM – Speaker 2: Communion

Testimony

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• 3:20 PM – Speaker 3: Orthodoxy

Testimony & Sharing

Praise

• 4:30 PM – Break for Mass Preparation

• 5:00 PM – Mass & Homily: **Mission**

6:00 PM - Social (Pizza, Salad, etc.)