



Jim Beckman serves as the Director of Impact Center, a ministry designed to nurture and train youth ministers. He has been involved in youth ministry for . . . a really long time. He's a dynamic and passionate speaker who has served as a host for Franciscan's Summer Youth Conferences, and has built solid and thriving youth ministry programs in several parishes over the years.



Diocese of Arlington

There is no cost for professional Coordinators of



Kristin Witte is the Assistant Coordinator of Youth Ministry. He has been blessed with. He is an Associate Professor of Catechetics at Franciscan University of Steubenville, and he ministers to over ten thousand people each year through hosting conferences, giving talks, teaching workshops, leading worship, and performing original music.



Prof. James Pauley is an Assistant Professor of Theology and Catechetics at Franciscan University, recently completing his seventh year on faculty and his twentieth year in the field of Catechetics. James has specialized in teaching courses focused on catechetical teaching methodology, parish evangelization, youth ministry and the mission and vocation of the lay faithful.

professional Coordinators of Youth Ministry and any volunteers. Tuition assistance is available if needed. To register, please contact Laura Fields by email (ym@richmonddiocese.org) or at 804-622-5112 at least 10 days prior to the day of training.



THE 2011-2012 CERTIFICATE IN YOUTH MINISTRY PROGRAM

"The Coordinator of Youth Ministry will work to become certified in Youth Ministry within the first three years of ministry, and will continue to attend training and formation throughout their entire career."
-Vision Statement, Office of Youth Ministry for the Catholic Diocese of Arlington

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THE PROGRAM

The Certificate in Youth Ministry Program for the Catholic Diocese of Arlington is an off-campus extension of the St. John Bosco Catechetics Conference that is offered each summer at Franciscan University of Steubenville. This conference offers a Certificate in Youth Ministry (Basic and Advanced) which we will now be able to offer as well locally within the Arlington diocese.

This is an in-depth program developed to provide formation for the youth minister, including presentations that are practical, academic, theological, and spiritual. Believing that the most significant factor in the catechetical endeavor is the individual catechist passing on a lived faith, Franciscan University has committed itself to assisting in the preparation of men and women equal to the task of catechesis in a youth ministry context.

This two-year program includes 27 workshops, each about 90 minutes. A paper will be due after each year of the program is completed.

2011-2012, Year 2 Curriculum

October 1, 2011

St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception, Fredericksburg, VA
Jim Beckman will present:

- John Paul II and the New Evangelization
- John Paul II's Understanding of the Family
- The Christocentricity of Catholic Morality

November 12, 2011

Diocesan Catechetical Conference (must register early for the conference!) Sheraton Hotel, Reston
James Pauley will present:

- The Liturgical Mission of the Church
- Moving from Evangelization to Catechesis

March 31, 2012

St. William of York, Stafford, VA.
Kristen Witte will present:

- General Introduction to Adolescent Development
- Counseling Teens and Crisis Situations

Jim Beckman will present:

- Theology of the Body
- Teaching Catholic Sexuality

April 21, 2012

St. Jude Catholic Church, Fredericksburg, VA
Bob Rice will present:

- Effective Catechesis in a Youth Ministry Setting
- Jesus, Source of Life and Freedom
- Catholic Social Teaching
- Mobilizing Teens for Service, Leadership and Vocation

Complete course descriptions

can be found at:

www.arlingtondiocese.org/youth

Year 1 Curriculum consists of the following workshops: (available in Fall 2012-Spring 2013)

- A Vision for Effective Youth Ministry
- Mary, Model of Prayer
- Holy Spirit, Converter of Hearts
- Mission of the Church
- Understanding Catechesis
- Jesus, Incarnate Love
- The Father's Plan of Salvation
- Incarnational Youth Ministry
- Forming Disciples
- Engaging Youth Culture
- Methods & Practical Skills
- Jesus & the Apostles
- The Church, the Body of Christ

CONVENIENT FEATURES

- Courses do not need to be taken in order and can be made up at a later date.
- Courses will be recorded and will be available for make-up.
- Individuals can attend the Bosco Conference in Steubenville to eliminate an entire year of courses within a few days (additional cost).

