

JESUS 2020 SESSIONS

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Friday Night Keynote: JESUS!! - Father Dave Pivonka 2020 is a year that all of us will remember ... probably forever. It has perhaps been one of the most difficult and strange years of our whole lifetime. But we must never forget the powerful reality that JESUS is still LORD, even of 2020! And it's not despite the difficulties, but actually because of them and through them! Jesus is Lord, He is King, He is sovereign-over the pandemic, over all the chaos and uncertainty. With God, there is always more. More zeal. More chances to start anew. More Jesus! Father Dave Pivonka, TOR, will speak on how Jesus, the King of Kings, calls us beyond a life that is insular, tired, and boring. Instead, He anoints us with the Holy Spirit and with fire, then sends us out in power to a world thirsting for the Gospel.



Saturday Morning Keynote 1: For Such a Time as This - Peter Herbeck & Mary Bielski Have you stopped to consider why? Why has everything that has taken place happened? Why are we here, right now, in this unique time in history? The words from the book of Esther ring true for us, "For such a time as this." Perhaps we were born for such a time as this? God has planned all along that in this very difficult time in history, we would be here, that we would be alive right now and would be called to be beacons of hope and love in the midst of a hurting and broken world. God has put us here on this earth at this time for a reason, and each of us needs to reconnect with our fundamental calling and mission. Peter Herbeck and Mary Bielski will help us understand that mission and more firmly respond to the call Jesus has placed on our lives.



Saturday Morning Video: The CHARIS Commission - Bishop Peter Smith The Catholic Charismatic Renewal has taken a step forward into the heart of the Church with the recent formation of CHARIS, at the direction of Pope Francis. CHARIS is designed to assist the vision and voice of the renewal as we seek to do the Lord's work in bringing the baptism in the Holy Spirit to the whole Church! Bishop Peter Smith from the Archdiocese of Portland, Oregon, is an appointed representative of the Dicastery for Laity, Family, and Life as a member of the CHARIS leadership team. In this presentation, he will clearly explain the structure and organization of this new organization and its exciting mission to support and guide the Catholic Charismatic Renewal in its ministry to "Bring-Build-Serve" the body of Christ throughout the world.



Saturday Morning Keynote 2: Dry Bones - Dr. Scott Hahn

In the book of Ezekiel, the Lord tells His prophet to look out over a valley of dry bones. As Ezekiel watches, the bones come back together and take on flesh, but he sees that there is no breath in them. Something very important is missing. In this talk, Dr. Scott Hahn will offer a powerful theological reflection and personal witness and share how the Lord fulfilled His promise to Ezekiel that, "I will put my Spirit within you and you shall live."

Panel Discussion: CHARIS Bring-Build-Serve!

How has and is Jesus leading and empowering us to bring baptism in the Holy Spirit to the whole Church, build unity in the body of Christ, and serve the poor? In this discussion we will unpack the practical ways to step into the action of the CHARIS Commission to Bring-Build-Serve.



Saturday Afternoon Keynote: There's More! - Jim Beckman

What are your dreams, the big goals you have set for yourself? There's more for you. How's your spiritual life going? Have you experienced the love of God? There's even more! Ever feel like you are unworthy, or that you somehow have crossed that line where the mercy of God might run out for you? There's infinitely more! Our God is not a God of limitations. He is superabundant! And there is no end to His mercy, His grace, His power and His love for us. And more importantly, there's more that WE can give to access what God is offering to us. It's a fundamental principle of the spiritual life: God can never be outdone in generosity. If you think you have even begun to receive all that God wants to give, think again; there's more! Jim Beckman will lead us in a powerful reflection to help us see the places in our hearts we still need to give to Jesus in order to experience His transforming love and become bold conduits of His mercy to others.

JESUS 2020 WORKSHOPS

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Sister Marie Fidelis, DLJC – Jesus, Author of Life: History of the Renewal - "Lord, Renew Your wonders in this our day, as by a new Pentecost..." In miraculous and astounding ways, God heard and answered this prayer of the Church during the 20th Century. What is the correlation between Pope Leo XIII and Pentecostalism? How did spirit-filled Christians contribute to the beginnings of the Catholic Charismatic Renewal? What does February of 1967 have to do with me? Speaking from The Ark and The Dove Worldwide, Sister Marie Fidelis will lead us on a journey through the origins and history of the Catholic Charismatic Renewal, leading us to renew our commitment to spread this grace throughout the world, proclaiming Jesus Christ is Lord!



Peter Mallampalli – Jesus, Mighty God: Signal Fire at Duquesne - Jesus is not a "one and done" kind of god. Instead, He continually renews the face of the earth. In 1967, God used a retreat weekend for Duquesne University students to start a spiritual fire that spread out to millions of people around the world. Fifty years later, that grace returned to Duquesne in a special way to light the path again! Prior to entering seminary, Peter Mallampalli studied at Duquesne for two years, so he knows the story well. As he shares it, may our faith be strengthened, both by hearing of God's generous gift, and of His continuing faithfulness in blessing the Good Work that He began many years ago.

BRING baptism in the Holy Spirit to the whole Church



Fr. Boniface Hicks, OSB - Jesus, Splendor of the Father: Charismatic Prayer - Christian prayer is Incarnational and Trinitarian. That is to say that it involves our whole human nature, and it is always relational. Like our relationships with other human beings, we relate with God through the use of our emotions, thoughts, words, and actions. Also like our human relationships, our intimacy with God deepens through vulnerability and our union with Him goes beyond words and images. Charismatic prayer fits naturally and neatly into this bigger picture of Christian prayer. In this talk, Fr. Boniface will explain the way the charismatic gifts fit naturally into the broader tradition of Christian prayer.



Fr. Anthony Ouellette – Jesus, Good Shepherd: Hierarchical Support of the Renewal - Leadership and its structures for the Catholic Charismatic Renewal in the United States grew and developed in a variety of ways since its birth: diocesan, covenant community, ministry, ethnic, liaison. The CHARIS initiative and its structuring as part of the Roman Curia affirms that this current of grace is for the whole of the Catholic Church. How do we in our current positions of leadership and structure respond, adapt, and collaborate, to make this grace available for all in the Church?

BUILD unity in the Body of Christ



Matt Lozano – Jesus, God of Peace: Choosing Love and Unity in a Time of Division - How do we strive for unity in the Body of Christ when the divisions around us threaten to separate us? Matt Lozano of Heart of the Father Ministries shares about the importance of Christian unity and ways to preserve and strengthen it, even through disagreements and conflicts.



Matt Maher – Jesus, King of Glory: Embracing Ecumenism - A nine time-GRAMMY® nominee and three time-GMA Dove Award winner, singer/songwriter Matt is well known for songs such as his Top 5 CCLI song "Lord, I Need You" and the chart-topping radio single "Because He Lives (Amen)." Penning numerous songs recorded by Chris Tomlin, Crowder, Third Day, Jeremy Camp, Matt Redman, Hillsong, Casting Crowns, Meredith Andrews, Jesus Culture, Jars of Clay, and Passion, Matt will share his own ecumenical experience and challenge us to a posture of listening and humility as we embrace ecumenism in our own lives.

SERVE the Poor



Lauren Koath – Jesus, Sun of Justice: Drawing Closer to God in Serving the Poor In her work with Vagabond Missions, Lauren has seen first-hand the effects of spiritual and physical poverty in the inner city. Her work has allowed her to connect with the poor in spirit to bring the hope and joy of the Gospel into the streets of Pittsburgh. Lauren will reflect on her time as an inner-city missionary and challenge us to seek, find, and share the incredible love of the Holy Spirit among and for the poor.