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**Evangelization and Family Faith Formation
Division of the Diocese of Lubbock**

Catechetical and Ministries Conference 2019

October 12, 2019

8:30 am to 4:00 pm

Lubbock Memorial Civic Center

“STAY WITH US”

Annual Catechetical and Ministries Conference October 12, 2019- 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Lubbock Memorial Civic Center

Schedule of the Day:

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- 8:00 am Door Registration
- 9:00 am Morning Prayer – Most Rev. Robert Coerver music by Tom Kendzia
- 9:20 am on Keynote Speaker: Dan Ebener - Blessings for Leaders: Dan will begin with an interactive reflection the parable of the sower and the seed (Mat 13: 1-23), focusing on leadership lessons from the parable. After a careful definition of leadership, and inspiring words about the need for leadership in our church and world, we will reflect together on the first four Beatitudes (Mat 5:1-6).
- 10:45 am Breakout Sessions “A”
- 11:45 am Liturgy: principal celebrant Most Rev. Robert Coerver – Music by Tom Kendzia
- 12:30 noon Lunch – will be provided
- 1:30 pm Keynote Speaker: Dan Ebener - Servant Leadership in Your Parish: In this presentation, Dan will begin with an interactive reflection on the parable of the wise builder (Mat 7: 24-27) and leadership lessons from the parable. Then we will consider how our understanding of leadership changes when we add the word "servant" to it, and how we can implement servant leadership in our church. Finally, we will reflect together on the final four Beatitudes (Mat 5: 7-12).
- 2:45 pm Break
- 3:00 pm Breakout Sessions “B”
- 4:00 pm Closing Prayer—Most Rev. Robert Coerver music by Tom Kendzia

Dr. Dan R. Ebener has been practicing leadership and developing leaders for churches, businesses, nonprofits and community organizations since 1976. He teaches courses in leadership, strategic planning, dialogical skills, conflict resolution, team-building and people skills at St. Ambrose University in Iowa. Dan is author of three books on servant leadership. His best-selling book is *Blessings for Leaders: Leadership Wisdom from the Beatitudes*. His most recent book is *Pastoral Leadership: Best Practices for Church Leadership*. Look at www.danebener.com. Dan serves quarter-time as director of pastoral planning for the Diocese of Davenport. He was Catholic Charities director there from 1986-2006. Dan has been married to DeAnn Stone Ebener since 1977. They have two children and four grandchildren. Dan also has nine siblings who are among his very best friends.



Tom Kendzia is well known as a composer, arranger, producer, teacher, clinician, author and performer. He has been a professional liturgical musician for more than 30 years. He has 15 collections of liturgical and instrumental music published by OCP and is a graduate of Manhattanville College in 1976 with a degree in piano and music education. Currently he is a music and liturgy consultant for Harcourt Religion Publishers and music director at Christ the King Catholic Church in Kingston, Rhode Island, where he lives with his wife, Mary Carol, and two children.

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Sister Olivia Rico, Diocese of Lubbock.



A2. The Future of Learning in the Digital Culture and Its Implications for Faith Formation: You find the ubiquity of digital technology everywhere. The current generation surfs between three and five digital devices on a regular basis. This breakout session will explore the implications of our digital culture on how we form people in faith and what every catechist needs to know about using digital technology before, during and after the learning experience.
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A3. Faith First: Kid's today are being raised in a culture where sports, academics and socializing come before their faith. This session will explore ways that parents and teachers can incorporate faith into daily lives and move it from the least important to the most important. Kara Sanchez, Christ the King Cathedral School.

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A12. How to Get Started with Family Catechesis: Fr. John will be providing "first steps" to implementing Family Catechesis in your parish. Father John has worked in a variety of parishes small, medium, and large. Therefore, he will be able to address the different way of implementing Family Catechesis no matter the size your parish. Come ready with questions as to how your parish can get started. Rev. John Ohlig, Christ the King Cathedral, Rector.



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B2. What is Spirituality? Do I Need Some? Where Do I Get It?: We are hardwired for Spirituality. [Spirituality: interior relationship with a loving, guiding, Omnipotent Being] Yet, if it is not nurtured, spirituality will be lost. Are faith, religion, and spirituality really the same thing? How can we connect our children, youth, and young adults who are "spiritual but not religious" or have "no faith" if we don't know the difference among these? And which of these do we need ourselves? How to talk to parents about fostering the innate spirituality of a child. How to address anxiety, ambivalence, and apathy in the spirituality in our ministry. Sister Peggy Szeljack, Diocese of Lubbock.

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B6. Stewardship of our Emotions: Why are some people prepared and others are not? Why were there five wise bridesmaids and five foolish bridesmaids? (Mat 24:36-25:13) Why are our brains wired differently? Why do some people choose faith over fear, wisdom over control, humility over pride and helpfulness over selfishness? Join Don Ebener as he explores our emotions in light of Christian leadership and discipleship. Dan Ebener, Keynote Speaker.

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B13. Let's Talk About the RCIA: What are we trying to do? How can we accomplish our goals? What can we do for you? Rosalie Martin, Diocese of Lubbock.

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Pre-registration \$25.00 – Door Registration \$45.00

Pre-Registration — Deadline October 10, 2019
includes a lunch, registration packet, coffee, water, and snacks

Name: _____ Phone/E-mail: _____

Address: _____ City/St/Zip: _____

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Please circle one in each Breakout Session

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