



“VIRTUE OF HOPE”

**SUPERBOWL OF CATHOLIC THOUGHT
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 2019
OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL SCHOOL
CAFETERIA
8:30am to 1:00pm**

SCHEDULE

- 8:30 to 9:15am Registration
- 9:15 to 10:00am Keynote
- 10:00 to 10:15am Break
- 10:15 to 11:30am Session 1
- 11:30 to 11:45am Break
- 11:45am to 1:00pm Session 2

KEYNOTE PRESENTATION

**Rev. John J Fisher, OSFS
Topic: Disciples of Hope**

As our world becomes increasingly more post Christian, now more than ever we need to be disciples of hope announcing that our meaning, import and ultimate destiny rests in God alone. Let us advance faithfully to that eternal happiness.

TOPIC # 1 Nina Marie Corona, M.A.,C.R.S – “Dependent on God” – The addiction epidemic is impacting the lives of countless of us and our neighbors. It is a frightening reality that can leave us feeling overwhelmed, afraid, powerless, & hopeless. But our faith offers us great *hope!* It’s a powerful hope that keeps us from being discouraged and sustains us when we feel abandoned. The process to receive this beautiful gift of hope is often a painful battle of the wills --- God’s will vs. our own will. This presentation will explore the gift of hope, the almighty power of God that is made perfect in our weakness, and the awesome grace of the Holy Spirit who bestows the gift on us. We will also look to a few holy saints and learn that, like us, they struggled being fully dependent on God.

TOPIC # 2 Susan Brinkman, OCDS – “Authentic Femininity in a #Metoo Age” – What does it mean to be an authentically feminine woman? And how should the authentically feminine woman respond during this hyper-sexualized age that too frequently reduces women to objects? This presentation explores how today’s woman must first come to understand who she truly is and

what kind of powerful gifts she was endowed with by her Creator by virtue of her gender. Second, she must learn how to use those gifts to fulfill the mission given to her by the Church during Vatican II, to “save the peace of the world”.

TOPIC # 3 Jim King – Director of Social Concerns for the NJ Catholic Conference –

“St. Joseph – Role Model of Authentic Catholic Masculinity” Society offers varying ideas of Authentic Masculinity. Often ideas range from the Uber Masculine loner to the childish oaf that is more a burden to his family than father figure. Catholic Theology offers a completely different understanding of Authentic Catholic Masculinity. Our faith teaches us that “both man and woman is an image of the power and tenderness of God, with equal dignity though in a different way.” CCC#2335 What is that different way for men? How can men become a living witness of God’s power and tenderness in their daily lives? This presentation will attempt to answer those questions using examples of St. Joseph.

TOPIC # 4 Rev. Msgr. Paul DiGirolamo, JCD, MA, MDiv –

Annulments and Convalidations: Helping to Restore Marriages to Full Harmony with the Church - This session will primarily involve a combination of presentation and interaction with specific and practical concerns about annulments and convalidations. Monsignor DiGirolamo has presented this topic throughout the Archdiocese as a member of the Archdiocesan Tribunal.

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SESSION 2 CHOICE: Topic # _____

There will be an opportunity for a Free Will Offering. Please mail or bring registration to the rectory. Any questions please contact Anne Corwell at corwell19@gmail.com or Nicole at the Rectory office 215-348-4190. 235 East State Street Doylestown PA 18901