

You are invited to

# The Gathering

**April 12, 2024 - April 13, 2024**

**The Landing Conference Center  
110 Front Street  
Van Buren, MO**

**The Gathering is for anyone who leads ministry with 7th - 12th grade youth.**



*And people will come from the  
east and the west and from the  
north and the south  
and will recline at table in the  
kingdom of God.  
Luke 13:29*



The Gathering at The Landing  
Brought to you by the  
Diocesan Office of Faith Formation &  
Diocesan Office of Youth Ministry



## Guest Speaker



Patty Schneier

Patty Schneier is a life-long Catholic, teacher, housewife, and mother of three from the Archdiocese of St. Louis. She and her husband, Larry, are active members of their parish, where Patty cantors at Sunday Mass. Their son, Fr. John Schneier, is a priest of the Archdiocese of St. Louis. For the past 19 years, Patty has been speaking at parishes and Catholic Conferences across the United States.

In 2007, Bishop Paul Zipfel sent 25,000 copies of her testimony, *“Prove It, God!”...And He Did*, to every Catholic household in the diocese of Bismarck, ND, and in June 2013, it was distributed nationwide as the “CD of the Month” for Lighthouse Catholic Media. With additional talks on a wide variety of topics, Patty gives witness to the beauty of the Church’s teachings and her love of the Catholic Faith.

Patty has been a guest on EWTN and various Catholic Radio shows, including Covenant Network, Ave Maria Radio, and Catholic Answers Live. In 2015, Patty received the Archbishop Robert J. Carlson Excellence in Communication Award and was named The St. Paul Woman of the Year for her work in evangelization by the Executive Board for the Daughters of St. Paul in St. Louis.

## Schedule

### FRIDAY

- 4:00PM Room Check-in begins
- 6:30PM Dinner
- 7:45PM Welcome/Prayer/Icebreakers
- 8:15PM Keynote Presentation – Bishop Rice
- 9:00PM Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
- 10:00PM Return to rooms for the night

### SATURDAY

- 8:00AM Mass with Bishop Rice
- 8:45AM Breakfast
- 9:30AM Keynote Session: Patty Schneier-  
“The Eucharist: The Source & Summit of EVERYTHING”
- 10:30AM Small Group Discussion & Break
- 11:15AM Keynote Session: Patty Schneier- “It Takes a Holy Village:  
Practical Tips for Ministry with Youth & Their Parents”
- 12:15PM Small Group Discussions
- 1:00PM Lunch & Break
- 3:00PM Keynote Session: Multiple presenters- “Developing  
Comprehensive Parish Youth Ministry & Formation”
- 5:30PM Dinner

**\*Option to stay overnight for social time together. No additional cost for 2nd night of lodging.**



## Registration:

- \$50 per person if commuting and NO hotel room is needed
- \$95 for DOUBLE occupancy
- \$145 for SINGLE occupancy (limited number of single rooms)
- Second night stay is FREE!

### **YOUR REGISTRATION FEE INCLUDES:**

- 2 Nights Hotel Room (if applicable)
- Dinner on Friday, Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner on Saturday.
- All speaker presentations and materials.



**Register by  
April 1st**

\*The cost of this conference is discounted for participants, thanks to the generosity of those giving to the Diocesan Development Fund. However, if you need financial assistance to help pay up to \$95 of the registration fee, please apply for the Diocesan Lay Endowment Grant. An application link will be provided to you when registering for the conference online. Please note, you will need to pay the full registration cost when registering. If you qualify for the Lay Endowment Grant, you will be issued a refund in the amount of the Lay Endowment Grant awarded to you.

**All Lay Endowment Grant applications must be received no later than April 1, 2024.**

For any questions, please contact Lynn Melendez or Linda Glendenning at (417) 866-0841.