CEO Day

Reconstructing Religious Education (Morning Session)
and
Reimagining Confirmation (Afternoon Session)

November 7, 2019
10:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m.

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Registration

Online registration link:
https://charlestonindiocese.configio.com/pd/59/reconstructing-religious-educationreimagining-confirmation

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Parish: _______________________

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Hosted by the Office of Catechesis
and
Office of Youth Ministry

BASILICA OF ST. PETER
1529 ASSEMBLY STREET
COLUMBIA, SC  29201
Topic
Reconstructing Religious Education and Reimagining Confirmation

Where
The Basilica of St. Peter
1529 Assembly Street
Columbia, SC

Time
10:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Cost
$10 per person. If money is an issue, please let us know.

Who Should Attend
Priests, Deacons, DRE's, Youth Leaders and Catechists

Morning Session with
Mike Sylvester and Jake Coffman
Reconstructing Religious Education (RE)

At the heart of catechesis, we find the Person of Jesus Christ. Catechesis has to be more than textbooks and tests to determine if one is 'ready' for the sacraments. Lifelong discipleship that leads to heaven is our focus. RE, with its emphasis on catechesis, has to be placed within the context of an overall comprehensive ministry and recognized as a piece in the process of evangelization. We have to be okay with breaking molds and trying new things, and even failing. Join us for a discussion on the ministry models for RE that St. Gregory the Great is implementing - both the successes and the failures.

Mike Sylvester
Mike Sylvester is the Director of Youth Ministry and Formation at St. Gregory the Great in Bluffton, SC. He has served in youth ministry for 16 years at both the parish and diocesan levels. Mike earned an M.A. in both Theology and Catechetics from Franciscan along with his Certificate in Youth Ministry Studies from CMD.

Jake Coffman
Jake Coffman is Coordinator of Middle School Youth Ministry and Formation at St. Gregory the Great. His Youth Ministry experience includes parish and diocesan work in addition to serving as the Director of Student Activities at Belmont Abbey in NC. Jake is pursuing an M.A. in Religious Education with an emphasis in Youth Ministry from Fordham in NY.

Afternoon Session with
Dr. Michael Martocchio and Deacon Jerry White
Roundtable Conversation/Discussion on Reimagining the Sacrament of Confirmation

What does the church say confirmation is all about and what it is not?

What is really required by the church and the diocese, and what is not essential for confirmation?

What does a parish confirmation process look like that is successful in forming life-long disciples?

How do we accompany young people and parents in this sacramental preparation?

How can your parish lead young people and their parents through an encounter with Christ as they prepare for the Sacrament of Confirmation?