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Coming to the Diocese of Charleston...RENEW International...

Healing Our Church: A Pastoral Approach to the Sexual Abuse Crisis

The program and parish leadership offered by RENEW International is a wonderful follow up to Archbishop Barron's book, *Letter to a Suffering Church*. Also and after training, the program begins as a Lenten preparation for the celebration of the Triduum, 2020. Please click on Bishop Guglielmone's brief introduction:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Te28BP6i8NU>

A parish team and facilitators from the parish will be trained by RENEW and deal with six key issues: Facing the Truth, Healing Our Wounds, Rebuilding the Church, Why Do I Remain Catholic, We Believe and A Way Forward.

Six-week program for our Catholic faithful in the pews...

Week of **November 18, 2019**: Information Sessions...RENEW here for Pastors/Designate to sign up their parish for the program...bring a member of your staff or an adult leader who would be on your parish team.

- Monday, November 18, 2019 - Jesus Our Risen Savior; 2-4 pm; 7-9 pm - Greenville Deanery
- Tuesday, November 19, 2019 - Our Lady of the Hills (Same Time) - Columbia Deanery
- Wednesday, November 20, 2019 - St. James, Conway (Same Time) - Myrtle Beach Deanery
- Thursday, November 21, 2019 - Pastoral Center, West Ashley (Same Time) - Charleston Deanery
- Friday, November 22, 2019 - St. Gregory the Great - Bluffton - Beaufort Deanery

Week of **January 6, 2020**: RENEW here to meet with **parish teams** (interactive training to prepare people to run small groups in the parish; and,

Week of **February 10, 2020**: RENEW present to train parish facilitators. (Offers review and practice of skills needed to facilitate small groups in prayer and faith sharing, and move them toward healing. Provides specialized tools for dealing with this sensitive subject matter.

RENEW International will provide the framework for a parish gathering of all small-group participants involved in Healing Our Church. This is an opportunity for those involved to pray together, provide feedback, share the graces they received, and discuss the next steps they wish to take to find a way forward.

If your parish has used Archbishop Barron's book, *Letter to a Suffering Church*, you have begun the initial process of education and healing. RENEW's process is a systematic approach to the topic and has many resources and follow-up experiences. ***Any parishioner is welcome to attend at a neighboring parish if one's parish does not offer the process with RENEW.***

Program begins in all parishes the week of February 24, 2020 and ends before the Triduum. Under the direction of the Diocesan Office of Spirituality and Formation for Ministry.

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