

DIOCESAN FALL MINISTRY DAY 2020

(Online Via Zoom)

Thursday, October 15th • 9:00 am - 3:30 pm (with break from 11:30 am-1:00 pm)

New Wine into New Wineskins The 'How' of Missionary Discipleship in Our New Reality

9:00 am Prayer / Welcome

9:20 am Introduction of Mr. Rich Curran (presenter)

Mr. Rich Curran is the founder and Executive Director of [Parish Success Group](#), which provides training and consultation for parishes "to build great teams and great ministries." For 30 years he has served the Catholic Church within parishes, dioceses, and nationally, and is a speaker and ministry coach who addresses over 50,000 youth and adults each year.

9:30 am **Presentation 1: "Hope, Hard Talk, and Mission"** (the 'Big Picture' talk)

Main Ideas:

- Being a disciple looks like something and requires something. Let's paint the picture of what we are to do and look like according to Scripture and Church teaching
- Compare this first idea with the reality found in most parishes and dioceses. Focus will be on behavior, not beliefs.
- Five critical behaviors and actions of missionary Catholic parishes and dioceses

10:15 am **Breakout discussion groups 1** (random grouping of participants, with conversations facilitated by diocesan curia members)

For Discussion...

- ♦ *What part(s) of Rich's presentation resonate(s) most with you? Why?*
- ♦ *When you think about the behaviors at your parish and the diocese, how "missional" and courageous do you believe we are? Explain.*

10:45 am **Check-in from breakout conversations** (sharing of two or three ideas, insights, etc. from each group)

11:10 am **Q & A with Rich**

[11:30 am Lunch break (on your own)]

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1:00 pm Welcome to afternoon session

1:05 pm Presentation 2: "What Should Your Parish be Doing in the Next Three Months?" (the 'Practical Ideas' talk)

Main Ideas:

- Start from the inside, then move out. The attitudes and behaviors of each parish team and the diocese must be servant focused and come from a place of spiritual transformation.
- Be crystal clear on your mission and the purpose for everything you are doing.
- Relationship and customer service overdrive.

1:50 pm Breakout discussion group 2 (grouping of participants by ministry area, with conversations facilitated by diocesan curia members)

For Discussion...

- ♦ *What are two things you will commit yourself to in the next 90 days for personal and spiritual transformation?*
- ♦ *For the Church to have a reputation for serving and connecting with our parishioners as good or better than Disney World's customer service, what would we need to be doing? What keeps your parish/diocese from doing that?*

2:20 pm Q & A with Rich

2:50 pm Sharing of some next steps...

- ✓ Follow-up sessions with Rich (through spring of 2021)
- ✓ Online mini-courses offered by Parish Success Group for 2020-21 year
- ✓ Online mission education and formation through "Revive Parishes" modules (facilitated by diocesan curia members)

3:10 pm Closing comments and prayer