

**UNIVERSITY OF
ST. MARY OF THE LAKE
SEMINARY & CONFERENCE CENTER**

The Conference Center at the University of St. Mary of the Lake (USML) Seminary in Mundelein, IL has earned the reputation as one of the finest in the area and the Midwest for gatherings.

Upon entering the 930-acre campus, there is a peaceful natural surrounding which creates the perfect environment to relax, reflect and renew. Conference Center guests can walk through the woods along the three mile road circling the 100-acre St. Mary's Lake. Or, simply enjoy the quiet serenity of the beautiful setting.

Courage's first Mundelein conference was held in 2001. Since then, we have returned often to this location for our annual gatherings, to experience the restful, pastoral surroundings, and the professional facilities. The centrality of the venue also allows many of our members and friends across the country to attend, who might not be able to do so otherwise.

THURSDAY, JULY 27

- 2:00 pm - 4:30 pm** **Registration**
- 5:00 pm** **Celebration of Mass**
Fr. Paul N. Check
- 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm** **Dinner**
- 7:30 pm** **Opening Keynote Address**
"Thus Says the Lord! The Catholic Call to Prophecy"
Fr. Paul Scalia
- 9:00 pm** **Welcome for First-Time Attendees**
- 9:00 pm** **Penance Service (with private Confession)**
Fr. James Livingston

CONFERENCE HIGHLIGHTS

FRIDAY, JULY 28

- 7:00 am** **Spanish Mass - Misa en español**
 - 7:30 am - 8:30 am** **Breakfast**
 - 9:00 am** **Update on the State of the Apostolate**
Fr. Philip Bochanski
 - 9:30 am** **Soulfulness: A Catholic Understanding of Mindfulness**
Dr. Timothy Lock
 - 11:00 am** **Celebration of Mass**
Bishop Frank J. Caggiano
 - 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm** **Lunch**
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| <p>Courage</p> <p>1:30 pm - 3:00 pm
Group Meetings (Men's Group, Women's Group)</p> <p>3:15 pm - 4:15 pm
Spiritual Insights into the Virtue of Chastity</p> <p>Fr. Donald Timone</p> | | <p>EnCourage</p> <p>1:30 pm - 3:00 pm
Group Meeting</p> <p>3:15 pm - 4:15 pm
Understanding and Encountering Our Loved Ones</p> <p>Dr. Michael Horne</p> |
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- 4:30 pm** **Defending the Faith Without Raising Your Voice**
Kathryn Jean Lopez
 - 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm** **Dinner**
 - 7:30 pm** **God, the Universe, and Everything**
Matt Fradd
 - 9:30 pm** **Eucharistic Adoration**
throughout the night, opening with Rosary

SATURDAY, JULY 29

- 6:45 am** **Benediction**
- 7:00 am** **Spanish Mass - Misa en español**
- 7:30 am - 8:30 am** **Breakfast**
- 9:00 am** **Lessons Learned on the Journey of a Prodigal Son**
Daniel Mattson
- 11:00 am** **Celebration of Mass**
Fr. Philip Bochanski
- 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm** **Lunch**
- 1:30 pm** **Hope for a Whole-Enough Marriage**
Andrew & Annette Comiskey
- 3:00 pm** **Breakout Sessions I**
Married Men with Same-Sex Attractions - Steve A.
EnCourage Wives - Annette Comiskey
Courage Under Thirty - Fr. Philip Bochanski
Goals 3, 4 & 5: The Communion of the (Living) Saints - Deacon Robert Walker
Reaching Hearts, Transforming Lives - Hudson B.
- 4:30 pm** **Breakout Sessions II**
EnCourage Members & Courage Men - Andrew Comiskey
EnCourage Members & Courage Women - Sally R.
Sports Camp - Darryl P.
Fostering Good Relationships with Your Diocese - Deacon John & Annie T. / Karl M.
Group Leaders' Meeting - Fr. Philip Bochanski
- 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm** **Dinner**
- 7:30 pm** **Courage & EnCourage Testimonies**
- 9:15 pm** **Social**

**CELEBRATING 30 YEARS
OF ENCOURAGE**

In 1987, Courage began forming support groups for parents, relatives, and friends of persons with same-sex attraction, in Massachusetts, Toronto, Philadelphia, and New York. Since then, our EnCourage community has grown across North America and internationally. Like Courage members, EnCourage members focus on developing their interior life with these goals in mind:

1. To grow spiritually through spiritual reading, prayer, meditation, individual spiritual direction, frequent attendance at Mass, and the frequent reception of the Sacraments of Penance and Holy Eucharist;
2. To gain a deeper understanding of the needs, difficulties, and challenges experienced by men and women with same-sex attraction;
3. To establish and maintain a healthy and wholesome relationship with their loved ones with same-sex attraction;
4. To assist other family members and friends to reach out with compassion and truth, and not to reject, their loved ones with same-sex attraction;
5. To witness to their loved ones by their own lives that fulfillment is to be found in Jesus Christ through His Body, the Church.

SUNDAY, JULY 30

- 7:00 am** **Spanish Mass - Misa en español**
- 7:30 am - 8:30 am** **Breakfast**
- 9:00 am** **Jesus, Mary, and Joseph...and Us**
Fr. Philip Bochanski
- 11:00 am** **Celebration of Mass**
Bishop John LeVoir

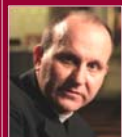
CONFERENCE SPEAKERS



Fr. Philip Bochanski served as Courage chaplain in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia for five years. In January 2015, he was appointed Associate Director. In January 2017, he was named Executive Director of Courage International.



Bishop Frank J. Caggiano was installed as Fifth Bishop of Bridgeport in 2013. He serves on numerous committees of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops and he is a member of the Episcopal Board of Courage International.



Fr. Paul Check served as Executive Director of Courage International from 2008 through 2016. He is now Rector of St. John Fisher Seminary where he teaches Moral Theology to seminarians and deacon candidates. Fr. Check is on the Board of Directors of Courage International.



Andrew Comiskey (M.Div.) and his wife **Annette** have worked extensively with the healing of the sexually and relationally wounded. They founded Desert Stream/Living Waters Ministries, a multi-faceted outreach in 1980 and were married in 1981.



Matt Fradd is the founder of The Porn Effect (www.theporneffect.com), a site dedicated to exposing the reality behind the fantasy of porn and offering help to those who seek sexual freedom. Matt has been a guest on the BBC, EWTN, ABC and Catholic Answers Live.



Dr. Michael Horne is Director of Clinical Services for Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Arlington. He has experience working in several Catholic mental health clinics and he has served as a school counselor within the Diocese of Arlington.



Bishop John LeVoir was ordained a priest for the Archdiocese of St. Paul – Minneapolis, where he served for many years as Courage chaplain. He was ordained Bishop of New Ulm in 2008, and is currently on the Episcopal Board of Courage International.



Dr. Timothy Lock is a licensed psychologist in full-time private practice. He serves on the Board of Directors of Courage International and lectures nationally and internationally to seminarians, clergy, mental-health practitioners, and the general public.



Kathryn Jean Lopez is a senior fellow at the National Review Institute where she directs the Center for Religion, Culture, and Civil Society, and is editor-at-large of National Review. With Austen Ivereigh, she co-authored *How to Defend the Faith without Raising Your Voice*.



Daniel Mattson lives in the Midwest and has a career in the performing arts. He is a Courage member and is featured in the documentary *Desire of the Everlasting Hills*. Dan has written several articles and his first book *Why I Don't Call Myself Gay* has just been published by Ignatius Press.



Fr. Paul Scalia is Episcopal Vicar for Clergy in the Arlington diocese. He founded the Arlington Courage Chapter and currently serves as Chairman of the Board of Directors of Courage International. He recently published *That Nothing May Be Lost: Reflections on Catholic Doctrine and Devotion*.



Fr. Donald Timone is a priest of the Archdiocese of New York. He taught spiritual theology for over 20 years at Mount St. Mary College and St. Joseph seminary. Fr. Timone worked closely with Fr. Harvey for over 25 years and supervised the Courage office, leaving Fr. Harvey free to write one of his books.

TO REGISTER

Please register online through the University of St. Mary of the Lake website:
<http://events.usml.edu/courage2017>

Full Conference Package \$400.00 per person
Includes overnight accommodations (3 nights) and all meals from Thursday dinner to Sunday lunch inclusive.

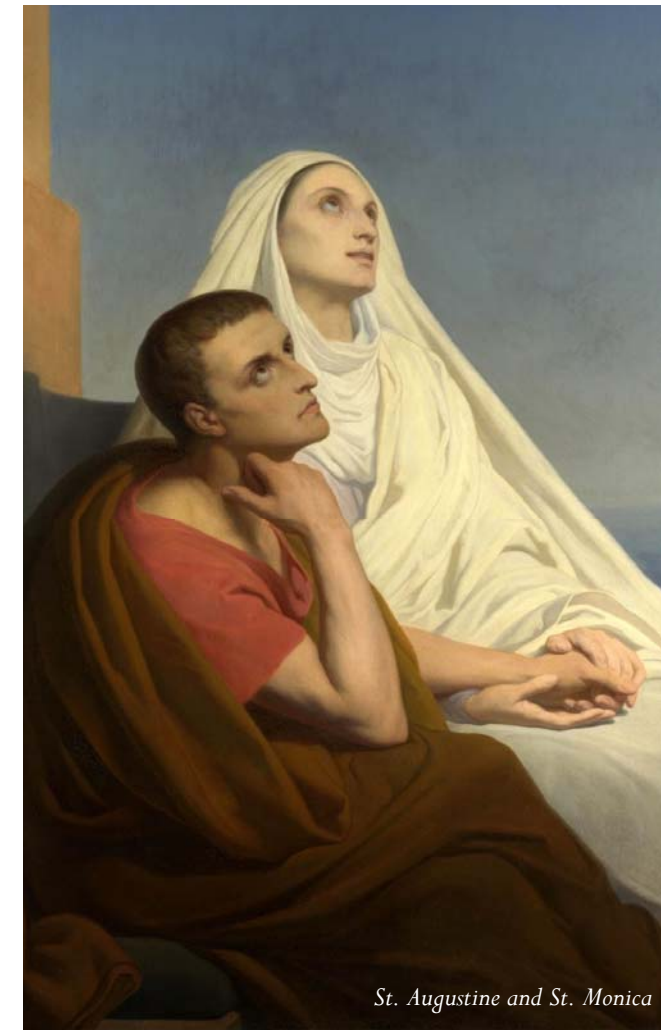
Commuter Package Thursday: \$75.00
Includes meals. Friday: \$100.00
Saturday: \$100.00
Sunday: \$75.00

Seminar for Clergy no charge
Special program on Wednesday, July 26. Includes lunch. Free-will offerings gratefully accepted. Lodging may be arranged at the participant's expense.
See online registration for clergy track plus full conference rates.

*All prices quoted in U.S. Dollars.
Registration deadline is July 15.*

Problems registering online? Please contact
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