



ANNE'S PICKS

As we prepare for the next Symposium in 2023 – *On the Way/En Chemin: Adult Faith Formation in Catholic Education*, the following videos from the American master catechist JoAnn Paradise provide a good beginning to questions of spirituality and the spirituality of Catholic educators (catechists).

This is a series of 3 short videos (8 - 10 minutes long). While these videos are 10 years old, they remain relevant to the questions of Catholic identity and spirituality that continue to inspire our collective and individual reflections in Catholic Education in Ontario.

WHAT IS SPIRITUALITY? VIDEO WITH JOANN PARADISE (2012)

This excellent and relatable 8 minute video helps us reflect on what we mean by spirituality. JoAnn is a master catechist in the United States who worked in publishing for decades making religious education materials for parishes and parish schools.

This video would work well in an Adult Faith Formation session or Professional Development for educators at all stages of their career. She is a joyful disciple and powerful witness.

WHAT IS CHRISTIAN SPIRITUALITY? VIDEO WITH JOANN PARADISE (2011)

This video continues the themes of the first and delves into what makes a spirituality distinctively Catholic. It provides an excellent and relatable catechesis on how our spirituality as Catholics is Christ-centered.

SPIRITUALITY AND THE CATECHIST - VIDEO WITH JOANN PARADISE (2011)

In the former Religious Education program from the CCCB – *Born of the Spirit*, the teacher was recognized as 'catechist'. A Catechist is one who echoes the faith. This video may enrich a pre-service teaching course or be a resource in a Religious Education AQ to help educators consider the distinctive vocation of a Catholic Educator who, in many ways, can be considered a catechist.



The following resources may be helpful to adults in Catholic Education for the purposes of personal study or in the context of formation courses. Some articles and videos may be useful in secondary Religious Education classes.

The Papal visit to Canada and Pope Francis' long awaited apology captured the attention of the nation and beyond this past summer. As the visit is now over, we begin the work of reflection, discernment and action. The texts and videos of the pope's statements during his time in Canada and in the preparatory events that took place at the Vatican can be found at www.papalvisit.ca. 



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Our Lady of Guadalupe Circle

The Our Lady of Guadalupe Circle is a Catholic organization seeking to bring together Indigenous and non-Indigenous Catholics and others in dialogue, reflection and action. The institutional partners of the Circle include the Bishops of Canada, Development and Peace, Canadian Women's League, Canadian Religious Conference and the St. Vincent de Paul Society. Although founded in 2017, many Canadian Catholics are just becoming aware of the work of the Guadalupe Circle. From their website, their mission and purpose:

“Our Lady of Guadalupe Circle is a Catholic coalition of Indigenous people, bishops, clergy, lay movements and institutes of consecrated life, engaged in renewing and fostering relationships between the Catholic Church and Indigenous Peoples in Canada.

Our Lady of Guadalupe Circle has a fourfold purpose:

- 1.To provide a forum for its members to dialogue and encourage deeper understanding of the relationships between the Church and Indigenous Peoples and Indigenous spiritualities in Canada.
- 2.To serve as a united Catholic public voice on relations and dialogue between the Church and Indigenous Peoples, and between Catholic and Indigenous spiritualities in Canada.
- 3.To assist Catholics in engagement with the Truth and Reconciliation process and its Calls to Action.
- 4.To carry out agreed upon initiatives and concrete actions.

Our Lady of Guadalupe Circle is motivated by the love of Christ, filled with great hope for the future and attentive to the Holy Spirit's action in our world, to the glory of our compassionate Creator and Father.”

Find links to articles, interviews, and statements on a variety of topics related to TRC work in Canada by visiting www.ourladyofguadalupecircle.ca. 

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