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Coming Home to the Catholic Church

When They Come Home: Ways to Welcome Returning

<u>Catholics</u> Rigney, Melanie and Lanave, Anna M., Twenty-Third Publications, 2009. Invites parish leaders and adult faith formation and religious education ministers to reach out to the inactive Catholics in their midst. This "reaching out" means sharing their gifts and talents with those who have drifted away and are now searching for renewed faith and involvement. It also involves helping returning Catholics to recognize how their own gifts and talents can build up and "complete" the parish.

Reasons to Believe: How to Understand, Explain, and Defend the Catholic Faith Hahn, Scott, The Doubleday Religious Publishing Group, 2007. This book unravels mysteries, corrects misunderstandings, and offers thoughtful, straightforward responses to common objections about the Catholic faith. In this book, he explains the "how and why" of the Catholic faith—drawing from Scripture, his own struggles and those of other converts, as well as from everyday life and even natural science.

The How-To Book of the Mass Step-by-Step Guidelines

Dubruiel, Michael, Our Sunday Visitor, 2007. In this complete guide to the celebration of the Eucharist, you get step-by-step guidelines to walk you through the Mass, biblical background of the prayers of the Mass, insights from the Tradition of the Church, practical aid to overcoming distractions, and concrete ways to grow in your relationship with Jesus Christ at every Mass.

An Invitation with No Strings Attached Liguori Publications, 2002. There are 17,000,000 non-practicing Catholics, and almost every Catholic has a friend or family member who has left the Church. This video is for people who would like to invite those friends and family members back to the Church. Many of these inactive Catholics often feel that something is missing from their life. This brief, but powerful video is an invitation to come back home to the family of faith.



Welcoming Catholics Home

Pastor-PAFF-Principal Luncheon

Fr. Frank DeSiano February 18th, 2010 9:30-1:00

Cost: \$25/person

Palisades Retreat Center, Federal Way Office of Catholic Faith Formation 206-382-4096

Reactivating Our Catholic Faith: Reflections to Get

Real About Faith (Book) DeSiano, Frank P., Paulist Press, 2009. Through eight short, reflective essays, this book will help people, particularly young adults and parents, reactivate their Catholic faith by presenting in a direct way the meaning and purpose behind key Catholic teachings and practices.

The Seven Commandments of Discipleship: What God

Asks of Us (Book), DeSiano, Frank P., Paulist Press, 2003. Examines our relationship with God within the rubric of evangelizing discipleship. "What does God ask of us?" DeSiano performs an important service by casting an illuminating light on a question fundamental to all Christians. Written in a clear and inviting style, this book is recommended for · the individual reader looking for a code of Christian conduct. · lay pastoral formation-parish councils, and clergy of all faiths. · discussion groups. · includes questions for reflection and suggestions for Scripture study.

Rome Sweet Home: Our Journey to Catholicism Hahn,

Scott and Kimberly, Ignatius Press, 1993. Scott and Kimberly Hahn put their story into print, recounting their spiritual journey "back home" into God's worldwide family, the Catholic Church.

The Library Media Center has several resources that are listed on the <u>CatholicsComeHome</u> website.

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New Resources Available

<u>Under the Same Moon</u> (DVD, 110 min.) 20th Century Fox, 2008. Touching story of a 9-year-old Mexican boy who, following the death of

his grandmother and temporary guardian, pays two American siblings to smuggle him across the border so that he can reunite with his mother, working in the United States illegally to improve his future. Along the way he forms an unlikely friendship with a tough, go-it-alone farm laborer. Movingly dramatizes a reallife plight affecting millions of children. In Spanish.

Listen to the Wind: The Story of Dr. Greg and the Three Cups of Tea (Book) Mortenson, Greg, Dial Books for Young Readers, 2009. A children's book that tells the story of Dr. Greg Mortenson's promise to build a school in a remote Himalayan village after the villagers saved his life. Illuminates the humanity and culture of a relevant and distant part of the world, while sharing a riveting example of how one person can change thousands of lives.

Franz Jägerstätter: A Man of Conscience (DVD, 24 min.) Maryknoll Productions, 2009. Voice actors: Martin Sheen, Bahar Schmidt. Franz Jägerstätter, a farmer and father of four, went into military training but refused to fight in Hitler's army, knowing that he would face execution. But Franz felt his faith and conscience compelled him to follow the teachings of God and not the decrees of the Third Reich. In 2007, the Vatican declared Franz a true martyr, officially placing him in the process of sainthood.

The Catholic Vision for Leading Like Jesus: Introducing S3 Leadership: Servant, Steward, Shepherd (Book)Phelps, Owen, Our Sunday Visitor, 2009. Workbook and Leaders Guide also available. Discover the power of Christ's personal and practical example, and make a measurable difference in the lives of those around you-at home, at work, in the community, or in your parish. Transform your leadership style in light of Jesus' compelling combination of servant, steward, and shepherd.

The Catholic Faith & Family Bible (Book) Harper Catholic Bibles, 2009. Developed so families could read, understand, and apply Scripture to their daily lives and grow in faith together. This bible is formatted with a quick snapshot of the main theme and summary of each book, highlighting the major stories or people and lessons for today. Outline- This breaks down the book content by chapters, identifying major themes, events, and people. Background- This offers interesting facts about the author, the date the book was written, the audience, and the literary style. Overview- This section expands on the quick snapshot, providing a cultural and historical context, while walking you through each major theme in the book. For the Family/Parental Note- Highlights themes for the family or helpful tips for parents on sharing the Word of God with children.

The Mass is Never Ended: Rediscovering our Mission to Transform the World (Book) Pierce, Gregory F., Ave Maria Press, 2007. A mission worthy of our lives -- The mass as a sending forth. Renews appreciation for the beauty and wisdom of the Mass for Catholics everywhere. Examining the Mass through the lens of the dismissal, the author reveals how our Christian mission has not changed since Jesus gave it to the original disciples and that our daily work aims toward building the kingdom of God.

Chrism Day March 25th at St. Edward Church Gathering at 1:00 pm. Presentation from 1:30 - 4:30 pm The Chrism Mass: St. James Cathedral at 7:00 pm. Archbishop Joseph E. Kurtz

Haiti Earthquake Relief and Information

Resources for classrooms, catechesis, prayer and general knowledge can be found at www.crs.org or through the Missions Office: www.seattlearch.org/missions. Parishioners and students in this archdiocese have responded generously in prayer and financial offerings.

