



# THEOLOGY OF THE BODY

## For Catholic Parishes and Schools

**Sponsored by: The Archdiocese of Seattle**

**Catholic Schools + The Office of Catholic Faith Formation + The Palisades Retreat & Faith Formation Center**

### What is the Theology of the Body?

The Theology of the Body is a study of life, love, and the human person in the context of God's eternal plan for salvation. Between the years of 1979 and 1984, Pope John Paul II dedicated his first 129 Wednesday audiences to the teachings of Christ and the Catholic Church in regards to the real meaning of love and God's plan for human relationships.

As he explains, the physical human body has a specific meaning and is capable of revealing answers regarding fundamental questions about us and our lives:

- **Is there a real purpose to life and if so, what is it?**
- **Why were we created male and female? Does it really matter?**
- **Why did God give us desires for love?**
- **What is the purpose of the married and celibate vocations?**
- **What exactly is "Love"?**
- **What does chastity really mean and is it truly possible to be pure of heart?**
- **What is God's plan for my life?**
- **Plus much, much more...**

The Theology of the Body has the capability to transform lives and relationships in a way that can ultimately transform this world. As George Weigel, author of Pope John Paul II's biography *Witness to Hope*, says, "John Paul's theology of the body not only paves the way for lasting renewal of marriage and the family; it enables everyone to rediscover 'the meaning of the whole of existence, the meaning of life.'"

This program will connect the Church's teachings on Social Justice with those on Sexual Morality. Course reading will include *Morality: The Catholic View* by Servais Pinckaers, OP, and how his theology helped underpin catechesis, especially the third pillar of the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*. Central to all presentations will be Pope John Paul II's *Theology of the Body* and the way it animates social and sexual morality. This program is designed for the leadership in secondary schools and for those involved in Senior High and Junior High Youth Ministries and religious leaders charged with moral formation.

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### Schedule

#### Sunday, Aug. 7:

- 4:00 pm Guest Rooms Available
- 5:00 Registration
- 6:00 Dinner
- 7:00 Opening Prayer and Presentations
- 9:00 Evening Prayer
- 9:20 Social and Discussion

#### Monday & Tuesday, Aug. 8-9:

- 8:00 am Morning Prayer and Breakfast
- 9:00 Presentations
- 12:00 pm Lunch
- 4:00 Mass
- 6:00 Dinner
- 7:00 Evening Prayer
- 7:20 Social and Discussion
- 9:00 Night Prayer

#### Wednesday, Aug. 10:

- 8:00 am Morning Prayer
- 8:20 Breakfast
- 9:10 Pack & Clear Bed Rooms
- 9:30 Evaluation, Group Discussion
- Summary and Closing
- 12:00 pm Lunch
- 1:00 Departure

## The Palisades

**Archdiocesan Retreat  
& Faith Formation Center**  
4700 SW Dash Point Road  
Federal Way WA 98023  
**from Seattle** 206-748-7991  
**from Tacoma** 253-927-9621  
**toll free** 800-330-7622

### Website & Registration:

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**Speakers for Theology of the Body will be from  
among the strongest leaders of our Archdiocese.**

### One Day of the Program will be Presented by:

#### Dr. Tom Curran, MyCatholicFaith.org

Dr. Thomas Curran is director of Trinity Formation Resources, a non-profit ministry dedicated to helping Catholics understand, live and share their Catholic faith. Tom's dynamic and humorous speaking style make him a popular teacher and conference speaker all across North America. Tom has a graduate degree from the Gregorian University in Rome and a Ph.D. in systematic theology from Catholic University.



## Registration Form

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August 7-10, 2011

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

School/Parish/City: \_\_\_\_\_

I am: \_\_\_\_ Grade School Teacher; \_\_\_\_ High School Teacher; \_\_\_\_ Campus Minister; \_\_\_\_ Principal \_\_\_\_ Parish Staff

Describe your catechetical background: \_\_\_\_\_

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Signature of Pastor/Principal: \_\_\_\_\_

### Fees (check all that apply):

☐ Participant Registration (\$385.00) includes all presentations and meals.

☐ Overnight at The Palisades

\_\_\_\_ Single occupancy (\$177 for three nights lodging) \_\_\_\_ Double occupancy (\$129 for three nights lodging)

I will be sharing a room with: \_\_\_\_\_

Registration & Meals \$385.00

Overnight accommodations Single \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Overnight accommodations Double \$ \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL amount enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Enclosed is my payment: Check ☐ VISA ☐ MasterCard ☐ \_\_\_\_\_  
Payment Method Card Number Exp Date

**I require special assistance** ☐ ADA Room ☐ 1st floor room only ☐ Vegetarian meals

**Other special needs (Please specify)** \_\_\_\_\_

Checks payable to "The Palisades" Mail to: Palisades Retreat Center, 4700 SW Dash Point Road #100, Federal Way WA 98023  
Registrations must be received by May 27, 2011.

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