YOU ARE INVITED

Using the Bully Pulpit: A Christian Ministerial Response to the Violence of Bullying

In this workshop bullying will be defined in contrast to other forms of youth violence and conflict, and we will examine the fruits of recent scholarship addressing bullying in our schools and communities. We will look at difficult cases that compel us to think of bullying as a genuine social justice and pro-life issue, that is, an issue that religious leaders have a rightful and critical place addressing, while also emphasizing that most of the violence is "hidden." Participants will be engaged in a multi-media presentation that will encourage them to draw from their own experiences as well as to learn from one another. We will especially consider the role that religious leaders (priests, DRE's and catechists, youth ministers, etc.) could/should play in addressing the violence that is bullying. The workshop will conclude with concrete steps we can take to become part of the solution, working towards a whole-community approach that gets us past the false notion that bullying is only "the schools' problem."

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Wednesday, June 8, 2016
9:30 AM - 12:30 PM
Morning Mass at 9:00 AM
St. Joseph on Carrollton Manor - Lapointe Hall
5843 Manor Woods Road, Frederick, MD

Thursday, June 9, 2016
9:30 AM - 12:30 PM
Morning Mass at 8:30 AM
St. Ursula, Parkville - Parish Center
8801 Harford Road, Baltimore, MD

Registration Deadline:
Please register by June 1st 2016 to:
Rosanne Deludos - 410-547-5405
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- Be sure to include your preferred date/site.
- There is no registration fee for this event.
- Lunch will be provided.

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