



ACT Newsletter

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"Be doers of the word and not hearers only." James 1:22

National CFM Family Conference - June 2019



Ready to Love and Serve!

Celebrate CFM's 70th Anniversary by joining in a national event that reaches out to families and gathers CFMers from across the country together June 28-30, 2019. Our theme: "**Christian Families: Answering the Call to Love and Serve.**"

Put your love for families into action and declare your hope for the future by taking part in a weekend of spiritual enrichment, family fun, and faith formation that CFM will sponsor at St. Joseph's Parish in Herndon, Virginia, near Washington, DC. A great opportunity to visit our Nations Capitol before or after the Conference, too.

Everyone will leave the **National Family Conference** weekend changed with a renewed enthusiasm for CFM and our Christian mission. We are looking for volunteers willing to offer their time, talents, and/or treasures ... no help or contribution is too small. **Sponsorship donations are welcome!** We are also looking for sponsors, families or companies that will underwrite the cost of childcare, speakers, entertainment, and food. This will allow us to keep the price of the event low enough for younger families to join us. As you would expect, we have lots of expenses in the planning stages. [Donate now to sponsor](#). Thank you!

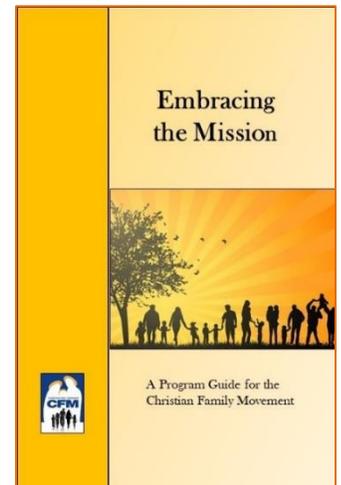
If you have ideas and you would like to help in any way, please contact our conference committee at director@cfm.org. Want to help? [Click here to volunteer](#).

Read [CFM's Blog for Family Spirituality insights](#), and find many more resources for successful groups at <http://www.cfm.org/>. Like [CFM's Facebook page](#) to receive weekly Gospel reflections and inspiration

Embracing the Mission: New Program for 2018

Every Christian is called to be a disciple of Jesus, to live out the call of our baptism as active agents of Christ's saving mission. In our newest program, ***Embracing the Mission***, CFM groups

will find 8 meeting topics to help them live their faith in practical, everyday ways. Each chapter is designed to enliven our personal encounter with Jesus Christ, support our families' faith journey, strengthen our commitment to the Gospel, and deepen the spiritual life of our CFM groups. ***Embracing the Mission*** is a natural follow-through for groups who used *Loving the Family God Gives Us* or *Meeting Jesus* this year.



CFM IN ACTION

PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND -- **Fr. Raymond Tetrault** is sharing CFM with the families in his parish. He introduced For Happier Families recently for his bilingual leaders. He is also working with CFM's sister movement, Movimiento Familiar Cristiano Catolico, to bring the Observe, Judge, Act model to his Hispanic parishioners. Learn more about this strong movement at <http://www.mfccusa.net>



The audio storytelling podcast "Made for Love" from the USCCB continues to go well. The podcast explores the Church's teachings on marriage, sexuality, and the four themes of the **Marriage: Unique for a Reason**

project (sexual difference, children, religious liberty, and the common good) and uses real people's stories. There are 12 episodes online at <http://www.marriageuniqueforareason.org/podcast/> or <https://madeforlove.podbean.com/> or on iTunes under the name USCCBClips. The latest episode, for Mother's Day, features six bishops talking about their moms!

Peanut Butter & Grace

<http://www.pbgrace.com/>

Helps parents (and grandparents) to raise children to be saints—that is, people who love Christ and his Church and take action to continue Christ's mission in the world today. Free website with resources and support for teaching kids the faith in the midst of everyday family life. Their brand name, Peanut Butter & Grace, reflects that spirit, because they say, "we want to make family faith formation as simple as making a peanut butter and jelly sandwich."



Continental CFM of North America

Presidents Wilbur and Juanita Hooker

represent CFM-USA, MFCC-USA, MFC-Los Angeles, and MFCC-Canada to the worldwide confederation of CFM movements. Visit the new North America Website <http://www.cimfc-na.org>

World Assembly in Mexico

The XIV World Assembly of the International Confederation of Christian Family Movements will be held in Morelia, Michoacán, Mexico on July 13-15, 2019. When CFM-USA hosted the last World Assembly in 2016 in San Antonio Texas, representatives from 11 countries attended. See more about CFM around the world at <http://www.iccfm.org>.

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