

# BOSTON CATHOLIC CONFERENCES

## SPEAKERS AND SCHEDULES

For the 2008 Boston Catholic Men's & Women's Conferences



**April 16, 2008**

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### 1. Men's Conference Schedule

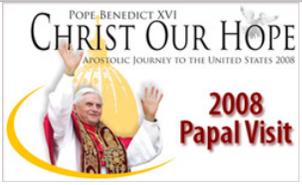
#### SATURDAY APRIL 19, 2008 – CONTE FORUM

#### *“Put Out Into the Deep”*

7:00 am	<b>Doors open for check-in and visits with Exhibitors/Adoration/Confession</b> <i>(Please pick up your lunch ticket at Registration)</i>
8:00	<b>Music Program &amp; Videos begin in Main Hall (Conte Forum)</b>
8:30	<b>Tarek Saab</b> <i>The Battle of the Ordinary</i>
9:30	<b>Father Peter Grover, OMV</b> <i>What Christ meant when he said “Put Out Into the Deep”</i>
10:15	<b>Christ Our Hope: Homily of Pope Benedict XVI to Catholics in Washington D.C.</b> <i>Taped message, followed by insights for Catholic men by Father Roger J. Landry</i>
11:00	<b>Mid-Day Break Options</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Confession (Power Gym - main level of Conte)</li> <li>• Adoration (Shea Room – Second Floor (Stairs on Concourse on Beacon St. Side)</li> <li>• Visit Exhibitors (in Rec Plex across from Conte)</li> <li>• [At 12:10] Break out Sessions (Yawkey Center - adjacent to Conte, opposite RecPlex) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <i>Bringing Catholics Back to the Faith</i> – Tom Peterson (Catholics Come Home)</li> <li>○ <i>Starting &amp; Growing Men's Groups</i> – Andreas Widmer &amp; Brotherhood of Hope</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
1:00	<b>Bishop Robert Hennessey</b> <i>Put Out Into the Deep: As a Priest in the Missions</i>
1:45	<b>Catholics of the Year Awards</b>
2:00	<b>Dr. Peter Kreeft</b> <i>How to Win the Culture Wars</i>
3:00	<b>Jack Shaughnessy</b> <i>Ultimate Faith &amp; Trust in God</i>
4:00	<b>MASS – Cardinal Seán O'Malley, OFM Cap (Celebrant &amp; Homilist)</b>
5:30	<b>Conference Ends – Last chance to visit with Exhibitors</b>
7:00	<b>Facility closes</b>

## 2. Men's Conference Speakers

- We are thrilled about our lineup of speakers for the 2008 Boston Catholic Men's Conference.

	<p><b><u>Tarek Saab</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Candidate on <i>The Apprentice</i> (season 5) – the “Mensa” candidate.</li> <li>• Cofounder of Lionheart Apparel, a clothing company dedicated to outfitting Christian men in quality apparel that is subtle, symbolic and stylish. 10% of profits are donated to pro-life causes.</li> <li>• Author of <i>Gut Check: Confronting Love, Work and Manhood in Your Twenties</i> (releasing on 3/1/08)</li> <li>• As a devout Catholic and a newlywed, his speeches cover topics such as chastity, modesty, business ethics, pornography, abortion, prayer, and other moral issues.</li> <li>• Born and raised in New Bedford, MA, living at times in public housing. In 7<sup>th</sup> grade, he tested at a collegiate level, won a scholarship to high school. Later earned degrees from Saint Anselm's and Catholic University and began work at Texas Instruments before the opportunity on the Apprentice changed his path.</li> <li>• Websites: <a href="http://www.tsaab.com">www.tsaab.com</a>, <a href="http://www.buygutcheck.com">www.buygutcheck.com</a>, <a href="http://www.lionheartapparel.com">www.lionheartapparel.com</a></li> <li>• <b>Topic: <i>The Battle of the Ordinary</i></b></li> </ul>
	<p><b><u>Fr. Peter Grover, OMV</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Director, Saint Clement's Eucharistic Shrine Boston</li> <li>• Vocation Director for the Oblates of the Virgin Mary</li> <li>• Lecturer on Sacred Scripture and teaches Greek at Saint John's Seminary</li> <li>• Popular homilist whose podcasts are available at <a href="http://www.stclementshrine.org">www.stclementshrine.org</a>.</li> <li>• <b>Topic: <i>What Jesus Meant When He Said “Put Out Into the Deep”</i></b></li> </ul>
	<p><b><u>Pope Benedict XVI (Homily from 4/17/08 Mass in Washington DC)</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• This homily will be one of 2 major addresses of our Holy Father to American Catholics. (The second will be the during the Mass at Yankee Stadium the day after the Men's Conference).</li> <li>• Since this homily occurs during the work week, we considered it timely and fitting that we integrate Pope Benedict's visit to the U.S. into our Conference program.</li> <li>• After watching the homily, Father Roger J. Landry will provide insights into why Pope Benedict said what he said, what his hopes are for America, and what his challenge is to us as American Catholic Men.</li> <li>• Websites: <a href="http://www.USPapalVisit.org">www.USPapalVisit.org</a>; <a href="http://www.PopelnAmerica.com">www.PopelnAmerica.com</a></li> <li>• <b>Topic: <i>Christ Our Hope</i></b></li> </ul>
	<p><b><u>Peter Kreeft</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Peter Kreeft, Ph.D., is one of the premier Catholic philosophers in America.</li> <li>• He is a professor of philosophy at Boston College and at the King's College (Empire State Building), in New York City.</li> <li>• He is a regular contributor to several Christian publications, is in wide demand as a speaker at conferences, and is the author of over 45 books, many which make the deepest Catholic teachings on our faith, on prayer, and on Church teaching in the public square accessible to the average Catholic.</li> <li>• Website: <a href="http://www.PeterKreeft.com">www.PeterKreeft.com</a></li> <li>• <b>Topic: <i>Put Out Into the Deep: How to Win the Culture War</i></b></li> </ul>



### **Bishop Robert F. Hennessey**

- On October 12th 2006, Cardinal Sean announced that he was elevating two popular and well-respected pastors to the episcopacy, Father John Dooher from Dedham and Father Robert Hennessey from East Boston.
- Parishioners from their parishes and priests who knew them from throughout the Archdiocese were thrilled. It had been about 15 years since a priest that had served primarily in parish ministry had been named an auxiliary bishop.
- Bishop Hennessey was born and raised in South Boston. He attended Boston Latin School and Saint John's Seminary, being ordained to the priesthood on the 20th of May, 1978. After ordination, he was assigned to parish ministry in Gloucester, Plymouth and Needham. **Then he served as a member of the St. James Society, serving in the South American country of Bolivia for 8 years.**
- On his return to Boston, he was assigned to the largest parish population-wise in the Archdiocese, Most Holy Redeemer Parish in East Boston, where he kept his Spanish skills sharp ministering to immigrants from many Central and South American countries. To many, he was considered the "hardest working priest in the Archdiocese."
- On December 12th 2007, the feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe, patroness of the Americans, he was ordained to the Auxiliary Bishop of Boston for the Central Region (all of Boston, Brookline, Cambridge, Somerville and Winthrop).
- Website: [www.RCAB.org](http://www.RCAB.org)
- **Topic: *Put Out Into the Deep: As a Priest in the Missions***



### **Jack Shaughnessy, Sr.**

- Successful Catholic businessman (Shaughnessy & Ahern, Co.) and "cheerful giver" (philanthropist).
- He'll also share his powerful story of how God helped him through difficult days as a Catholic business owner.
- Raised in Quincy, attended Boston College High School and Tufts University. Served in the Navy before returning to help lead family business.
- Jack and his wife Mary were married for 52 years. They have 7 children and 17 grandchildren. Mary passed to the Lord on March 19, 2008.
- As part of our Bicentennial celebration, Jack will share reflections on the Church over the past 80 years and his hopes for the future.
- **Topic: *Put Out Into the Deep: Ultimate Trust & Faith in God***



### **Cardinal Seán O'Malley, O.F.M. Cap.**

- Mass celebrant and homilist at 2008 Boston Catholic Men's Conference.
- Archbishop of Boston since July 2003. Previously the Bishop of the dioceses of Fall River, Palm Beach and St. Thomas in the Virgin Islands.
- 1<sup>st</sup> Cardinal to have a weekly blog: [www.CardinalSeansBlog.org](http://www.CardinalSeansBlog.org).
- Inspired and encouraged the founding of the Boston Catholic Men's and Women's Conferences.



### **Martin Doman**

- Music and worship leader at 2008 Conferences.
- Martin has been working as a Catholic musician, liturgical music minister, songwriter and worship leader for the past 15 years. He has released several recordings of Catholic praise and worship and led music for many conferences and retreats.
- Wrote 2008 Conference's Bicentennial Themesong: *You Are Our Legacy*
- 2007 Boston Catholic Men's Conference Theme *Saint Patrick's Breastplate*, recorded by Martin and included on album "God's Goodness Thus Far."
- Coordinator of Laudatio ministry for the Diocese of Harrisburg. Laudatio was formed out of a desire that Martin had to bring renewal to the Church through the power of music and the Eucharist.
- Martin is married and he and his wife Charlene have six children. He is a graduate of Franciscan University of Steubenville.



### **Tom Peterson**

- Tom Peterson is the President & Founder, Catholics Come Home.org.
- For 25 years, Tom Peterson built his career as an award-winning, national corporate advertising executive, winning the praise of nearly 100 clients. Tom founded and served as President of three advertising agencies, one of which he started as a junior in college.
- Tom launched numerous secular campaigns during his career. One particular campaign invested \$90,000 into regional media, and yielded \$1.3 million dollars in revenue in only 30 days, shattering all former direct response records.
- But Tom's life would radically change forever, after receiving an incredible and transforming Spiritual calling in 1997, while on a married men's retreat from his church. Soon afterward, he founded VirtueMedia.org and CatholicsComeHome.org, educational non-profit media apostolates dedicated to Catholic principles.
- With the vision to combine his innovative professional media background with Catholic virtues, Peterson dedicated himself to producing and airing powerful national-quality Catholic television and radio commercials worldwide.
- Since his conversion calling, Tom has presented to the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, been featured on EWTN, filmed the Holy Father at the Vatican, and has spoken at hundred of conferences, churches, and ministry events.
- An authority on consumer behavior and marketing strategy, Peterson directs Catholics Come Home with a refined knowledge of media's power to shape people's decision making and the culture at large.
- Tom and Tricia, his wife of 22 years, and their three daughters live in the Atlanta suburbs, where they are active members of their parish.

### 3. Women's Conference Schedule

# BOSTON CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

## FRIDAY APRIL 18, 2008 – CONTE FORUM

### *The Joy of the Lord is Our Strength*

Prior to Conference	
4:00 pm	<b>Doors open for check-in and visits with Exhibitors/Adoration/Confession</b> <i>(Please pick up your dinner ticket at Registration. Dinner boxes are available in Conte Forum, for pick up all night, at any time.)</i>
5:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Music</b> program begins. <b>Charlene &amp; Martin Doman &amp; Others</b></li> <li>• <b>Rosary</b> recited in Adoration room.</li> </ul>
5:20	<b>"Catholics Coming Home" Initiative</b> <i>Quick overview of a new initiative having success bringing Catholics back to the Church. <b>Tom Peterson</b>, breakout speaker at the Men's Conference, will present the initiative briefly.</i>
Conference	
5:30	<b>Cardinal Sean O'Malley</b> <i>Video Message to Attendees, "Welcome Women of Faith"</i>
5:45	<b>Stacey McGovern</b> <i>"Do Not Be Afraid" – Trusting that God's Love will bring Joy and Strength"</i>
6:30	<b>Kimberley Hahn</b> <i>"The Strength of the Humble"</i>
7:30 pm	<b>Break</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Confession (main level of Conte)</li> <li>• Adoration (upstairs in Conte)</li> <li>• Visit Exhibitors (in Rec Plex across from Conte)</li> <li>• Worship Music – begins at 8:05</li> </ul>
8:15	<b>Catholic of the Year Awards</b>
8:25	<b>Collection Baskets passed.</b> <i>(Please help to cover the costs of the Conference with your donation.)</i>
8:30	<b>Patti Mansfield</b> <i>"Joyfully Living through the power of the Holy Spirit"</i>
9:15	<b>Eucharistic Procession</b> From Adoration room, through main venue to the altar on the main stage.  <b>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament</b> Prayer/Music to be led by Patti Mansfield and Martin Doman.
10:00	Last chance to visit <b>Exhibitors</b> in Rec Plex, on your way out. Last chance to attend <b>Confession</b> in Conte Forum on your way out.
10:30 pm	<b>Doors Close</b>

## 4. Women's Conference Speakers

- Here is the speaker's lineup as of January 28, 2008. There is the possibility of an additional speaker to be added in the next few weeks.



### Kimberly Hahn

- Renowned author, lecturer and Bible study leader, in addition to homeschooling her six children with her husband, Dr. Scott Hahn.
- Research Fellow and Secretary/Treasurer of The St. Paul Center for Biblical Theology. Has advanced degree in Theology.
- Her most recent book is *Life Giving Love: Embracing God's Beautiful Design for Marriage* (Servant, 2002). She is also the co-author with Scott Hahn of the best-selling *Rome Sweet Home: Our Journey to Catholicism* (Ignatius, 1994) and *Catholic Education - Homeward Bound: A Guide to Home Schooling*, written with Mary Hasson (Ignatius, 1996).
- In addition to her contributions to numerous books, dozens of her talks and Bible studies have been issued as popular audio cassettes, including "Dating and Courtship: A Catholic Perspective," and "Children: A Model for Family Growth."
- Has been the #1 requested speaker by attendees of the Boston Catholic Women's Conference for the previous 2 years. We are grateful that this year's Friday evening schedule allowed Mrs. Hahn on short notice to accept our invitation!
- Website: <http://www.salvationhistory.com/>
- **Topic: *The Strength of the Humble***



### Patti Mansfield

- Patti Gallagher Mansfield was a participant in the February 1967 "Duquesne Weekend" which marked the beginning of the Charismatic Renewal in the Catholic Church. From the earliest days of the Renewal she has served as a leader through teaching, writing and pastoral ministry. Patti's testimony has been widely published and she has been a speaker at conferences and retreats for laity and priests in the United States and around the world. She is a frequent guest on Ralph Martin's television program, *The Choices We Face*.
- Patti has authored several books including: *Proclaim His Marvelous Deeds, As By A New Pentecost: The Dramatic Beginning of the Catholic Charismatic Renewal* with a Foreword by Cardinal Suenens and *Magnificat: A Mother's Reflections on Mary*. All are available through her ministry office.
- Patti is married to Al Mansfield, Coordinator of the Catholic Charismatic Renewal of New Orleans, Louisiana, and is the mother of four children. She and Al serve together in pastoral leadership of two weekly prayer meetings, the Holy Spirit Retreats and an annual Catholic Charismatic Conference. The Mansfields are Liaisons to the Archbishop of New Orleans for the Charismatic Renewal and are recipients of the Papal Medal, *Pro Ecclesia et Pontifice* (For the Church and the Pope).
- Patti addressed Pope Benedict XVI on behalf of all ecclesial movements and new communities before a crowd of 400,000 people in St. Peter's Square on the vigil of Pentecost, June 3, 2006.
- Website: <http://www.ccrno.org/AlAndPatti.php>
- **Topic: *Joyfully Living Through the Power of the Holy Spirit***



### **Stacy McGovern**

- Stacy McGovern was born and raised in Massachusetts and was graduated from Montrose School and Framingham State College. After graduation, she worked as an elementary school teacher, teaching third grade. Her career blossomed, as was evident when she was nominated twice for Massachusetts Teacher of the Year. Stacy soon married husband Jim McGovern. Returning from her honeymoon, she began to experience progressive hearing loss at 25. Doctors could not find any reason for the rapid deterioration of her hearing nor stop its progression.
- Just after her twenty-sixth birthday, her medical charts read “profoundly deafened adult.” Her journey through this tragic experience did not cause her to lose faith or turn away from God. In fact, quite the opposite occurred. Incredibly, she clung to God, through Jesus and Mary, and endured this painful time, which caused her many physical and emotional trials.
- After five years of silence, Stacy opted for cochlear implant surgery and she soon returned to a world of sound. She successfully learned to hear via the implant through rehabilitation. Tragically, the next year found this mother learning to walk again after she and her young children survived a horrific accident.
- Stacy will share her experiences with sudden deafness, the comfort God brought to her through strangers, the strength she gained through her struggles, and the blessings He promised and delivered. Her story will demonstrate the power of prayer and patience and the importance of having faith in God's plan, even when things seem impossible. Her deep faith serves as a model for women everywhere.
- Stacy has shared her experiences with others throughout New England and New Jersey and has written her story for several magazines. Stacy has been a guest speaker at many schools, churches, and conferences. She is also a Bionic Ear Association Volunteer for Advanced Bionics where she counsels others who are considering cochlear implant surgery.
- Stacy, age 34, and her husband and three children reside in Holliston, where they are members of St. Mary's Parish.
- ***Topic: Do Not Be Afraid” – Trusting that God's Love will bring Joy and Strength***