

Meet Father Daniel McCaffrey



Father Daniel McCaffrey was ordained in 1958. A year later he departed for the Moslem country of Pakistan where he served for over eight years as a missionary. Father holds a Doctorate in Sacred Theology from the University of St. Thomas Aquinas (Angelicum) in Rome. In 1968, during the Vietnam Conflict Father joined the United States Army Chaplain Corps. During more than twenty years of active duty he served in Vietnam, Korea, Germany and Honduras, as well as numerous army installations throughout the United States.

During his ministry he has worked in the Apostolate of Marriage Enrichment establishing successful Natural Family Planning programs on the diocesan and parish levels. Father is a priest of the Archdiocese of Oklahoma City.

Meet Father Matthew Habiger



Father Matthew Habiger, OSB was ordained in 1968 for St. Benedict's Abbey in Atchison, KS. His first assignment was to a large parish in Burlington, IA. Then he was appointed Newman chaplain for the University of Kansas. After completing two master degrees and a doctorate in moral theology from Catholic University of America, he began to teach theology at Benedictine College and was the college chaplain for ten years. In 1990, he began a ten-year tour of duty working with the pro-life movement proclaiming the values of the Gospel of Life. This assignment took him to 55 countries and many cities in the United States and Canada. He lectured, organized conferences, led speaking tours, and leadership training conferences.

Throughout his ministry he has labored to strengthen good marriages and strong family life. He welcomes the opportunity to explain God's plan for human life and love to parishes throughout the United States and elsewhere.

What is a mission?

A mission is the opportunity for a guest preacher to evangelize your parish in a special way by bringing new insights to age-old truths and providing intense times for prayer and spiritual growth through the sacraments of the Eucharist, Reconciliation and preaching.



■ “We wish to encourage your work in communion with the Bishops and in cooperation with the local Pastors. Yours is a mission that endeavors to educate couples and in particular women in the right use of their freedom and their faithfulness to the Church's Teachings. Yours is a seedling for the future, but one that bears fruit in its time. May the Lord reward you and your collaborators for your apostolic zeal!”

Alfonso Cardinal Lopez Trujillo
President - Pontifical Council For the Family

Why a mission now?

Pope John Paul II has given the Church a new and dynamic approach to all of Revelation. Especially interesting and important is his theology of the body and theology of the family. Understanding the Pope's new approach can revitalize the practice of the Christian life for all Catholics.

■ “Father Matthew: Thank you for your excellent work. I am pleased with the reports I have received (on your NFP Weekend at Hermiston, OR, 24-6 Jan 03). We have a very long way to go, but if we persevere, God's way will prevail.”

Most Rev. Robert Francis Vasa
Bishop of Baker, OR



Option 1 Parish Weekend Mission

Saturday and Sunday Masses:

We preach on the inherent goodness of Natural Family Planning and the dangers of contraception and sterilization.

Weekend Seminar:

Following each Mass there is normally a Seminar scheduled at which the priest speaks. Other speakers at the seminar may include Natural Family Planning Instructors, witness couples who use NFP, and depending on local availability, a NFP only Medical Doctor.

Physicians - Physicians are becoming ever more important in establishing the credibility of NFP and helping couples with difficult fertility problems. It would be best to have a local physician lead the presenting team. However, if one is not available, we have physicians from all over the country on call to assist. Below is a partial list:

Lorna Cvetkovich, M.D. Ann Arbor, MI	Mary Martin, M.D. Oklahoma City, OK
Mary Davenport, M.D. El Sobrante, CA	Eric Norton, M.D. Spartanburg, SC
Michael Dixon, M.D. St. Louis, MO	Dominic Pedulla, M.D. Oklahoma City, OK
Jose Fernandez, M.D. Kissimmee, FL	Kathleen Raviele, M.D. Atlanta, GA
Martha Garza, M.D. San Antonio, TX	Rita Sanders, D.O. Tulsa, OK
Ann-Marie Manning, M.D. Camp Hill, PA	Mark Stegman, M.D. Camp Hill, PA

Witness Couple - A local married couple committed to living a noncontraceptive marriage will present their understanding of true marital intimacy. They will discuss the benefits of mutual support, cooperation and commitment in marriage which is enhanced by the practice of NFP.

Option 2 Parish Mission

Pope John Paul II has called upon the members of Christ's faithful to respond to a new evangelization that begins first of all on the personal, family and parish levels. With the publication of *The Catechism of the Catholic Church*, the first universal catechism in 400 years, a parish mission centered on the core of Catholic teaching is an ideal way to launch this renewed effort in evangelization.

Here is a suggested schedule:

7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Sunday: What the Catholic Church believes (The Creed)

Monday: What the Catholic Church celebrates (Sacraments)

Tuesday: What the Catholic Church lives (Commandments, Natural Family Planning and its impact on marriage and family life, Theology of the Body according to the mind of John Paul II - overview).

Wednesday: What the Catholic Church prays (the Our Father, prayer, spiritual life)

Confessions at opportune times

Program is flexible, according to local needs

From Joseph Cardinal Ratzinger:
The crisis the Church is going through, particularly in the United States, is "a weakness of faith" that calls for conversion and "clear moral teaching." (Zenit.org)

Option 3 Theology of the Body

We preach on the new and exciting theology of John Paul II and how it gives new insights for understanding the Church's teaching regarding sexual morality.

Theology of Pope John Paul II (Overview)

Theology of the Body

Theology of the Family

Natural Family Planning and its impact on Marriage and Family Life

Testimonials

& "I am pleased that your preaching had a positive effect upon the parishioners of Sacred Heart. While the message of the Church's teaching challenges the modern mentality there is no question that its truth sets people free to recognize and realize God's plan for their marriages and families. God bless your work."

Most Rev. Elden Francis Curtiss
Archbishop of Omaha, NE

& "Personally I found your message to be sensitive, believable, upbeat, containing some humor, but serious, compelling, faithful to the Gospel and to the Catholic Church. I certainly appreciated having you in our parish again and send my best wishes for God's continued blessings of good health and fruitful ministry. It was good to have you back. Know that you are always welcome."

Father Harold J. Buse, Pastor
Sacred Heart Parish, Norfolk, NE

& "Keep up the great work! I so appreciate your willingness to preach this countercultural message throughout the United States. What you are doing on behalf of Church teaching is remarkable."

Kay Ek, President, BOMA - USA

& "Please keep on talking about what is the truth about our Catholic faith. We had not heard in a long time, this message. We are grateful for someone like you who is not afraid to preach the truth, whether it be on the Ten Commandments, Sacraments or Natural Family Planning."

Louis & Alma Lopez, CCL Teaching Couple

For more information about
scheduling a

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to be a Catholic today.*