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THE SACRAMENTS OF INITIATION & THE BIBLE

SUMMER CONFERENCE: 16 – 18 JUNE 2020

*On the last day of the feast, the great day, Jesus stood up and proclaimed,
“If any one thirst, let him come to me and drink. He who believes in me...
Out of his heart shall flow rivers of living water.”
Now this he said about the Spirit,
which those who believed in him were to receive.*

Jn 7:37-39

*The whole liturgical life of the Church revolves around the
Eucharistic sacrifice and the sacraments.*

CCC 1113

In the Year of the Word, the Catholic Bishops of England and Wales have stated very clearly that *Scripture is at the centre of everything the Church does. The Word of God shapes our prayer and worship.*¹

This three-day conference seeks to explore the Biblical roots of the Sacraments of Initiation. In the Sacraments, we truly encounter Christ. Through the Sacraments, we receive sanctifying grace, a participation in the Divine life, (2Pet 1:4). In this conference, we will examine the Scriptural foundations for each of the three Sacraments of Initiation – Baptism, Confirmation, and the Holy Eucharist. We will see how the Dogmas of the Church are rooted and grounded

¹ <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/home/events/the-god-who-speaks/>

in the Scriptural revelation concerning these Sacraments. And we will consider the specific effects of each of these Sacraments in the life of the Christian disciple.

This conference is designed for parents, teachers, catechists, and anyone who wants to participate in the work of the New Evangelization – anyone who wants to live their discipleship more authentically and anyone who wants to invite others to the joy of following Christ.

This conference is particularly helpful for anyone wishing to prepare to work as a catechist, an instructor for RCIA or Confirmation preparation, or any teacher of the faith.

In this Year of the Word, the Academy of the Annunciation invites you to a deeper consideration of the grace of the Sacraments and the richness of God's Word as it is lived, shared, and celebrated.

And they devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers.

Acts 2:42

During this conference, we follow in the footsteps of the early Christians, studying together, praying together, and being nourished together at the Eucharistic Banquet. There are also opportunities to enjoy social time and fellowship with staff members, fellow disciples, and the Oratory Fathers.

Places are limited. Please register as soon as possible to ensure you have a reserved place.

Cost for the Conference (including accommodation, meals, and parking): £465.

This Conference begins on Tuesday morning and ends on Thursday afternoon. If you would like to extend the hotel booking of your room (at the discounted rate) on either the previous (Monday), or following (Friday) night(s), or both, please contact us.