



# **YOUTH MINISTRY TRAINING @ Catechist Ministry Day 2010**

***Saturday, September 18 - 8am – 4pm  
St. Francis High School, Sacramento***

- + EVALUATE your parish Youth Ministry Efforts**
- + Take home EXCELLENT ideas on how to reach your teens**
- + Workshops offered in ENGLISH and SPANISH**
- + Two EXCELLENT speakers**

*Please take advantage of a wonderful opportunity for those involved with youth ministry in your parish to gather together for prayer and support, to evaluate your current youth ministry efforts and to get some GREAT new ideas of how to better reach the teens of your parish. Register ONLINE now at: <http://catechistministryday.com>. For more info, Contact Kevin Staszko at 916-733-0152 or [kstaszko@diocese-sacramento.org](mailto:kstaszko@diocese-sacramento.org).*

## **20. Is Your Youth Ministry Christ Centered and Effective? (Same workshop in Spanish is #111)**

Is your parish youth ministry prayerful, Christ-centered, vibrant, and effective? It's healthy and challenging to spend some time asking this question. This workshop will help you evaluate your ministry by looking at the U.S. Bishops' Renewing the Vision document and the conclusions of the national Encuentro process.

## **21. What Do Successful Youth Ministries Have In Common? (Same workshop in Spanish is #112)**

What methods, activities, and techniques are most effective at meeting the diverse needs of young people today? Both the youth and youth ministry have changed a lot over the years. This workshop will present an overview of effective methods and models based upon the experience of ministries across the country for the past 10 years.



Anne Marie Avansino  
Director, Youth and Young Adult Ministry, Diocese of Stockton

Ann Marie offers experience in youth ministry, liturgical music, religious education, parish retreats, team and leadership training. Her continued focus on service, justice, and peace, has taken her to serve and establish programs in San Diego, Oakland, Yakima, Washington, Tijuana, Mexico, and Port Au Prince, Haiti. She has been privileged to serve as adjunct staff for the Center for Ministry Development and the Young Neighbors in Action Program. While in San Diego, Ann co-founded Winner's Circle Ranch, a non-profit organization for at-risk-youth. She is actively involved with horsemanship and, together with her husband, maintains an equestrian facility in Linden.

Alejandro Barraza  
Coordinator, Youth and Young Adult Ministry, Diocese of Fresno

Alejandro (Alex) has been involved in parish youth ministry for the past 15 years in both English and Spanish and faithfully supports the principle of "partnership" between different ministries. Before his current position with the Diocese of Fresno, he oversaw the youth ministry for several parishes within the Diocese of New Ulm, Minnesota. He presently coordinates the Pastoral Juvenil sub-committee for RECOSS (Region Eleven Committee On Spanish Speaking). Alex is a member of the National Association of Catholic Youth Ministry Leaders (NACYML) and has participated in the certification program offered by the Center for Ministry Development.



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