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Parish Social Ministry Regional Gathering in Maine

ST. MAXIMILIAN KOLBE CHURCH

FRIDAY, MAY 15

- 1:00 - 4:00 PM Pre-Gathering Training for Catholic Charities staff
Maria Fitzsimmons, Archdiocese of Chicago
- 6:00 PM Registration and Exhibits Fair Open
- 7:00 PM Welcome and Opening Prayer
The Most Reverend Robert Deeley, J.C.D., Bishop, Diocese of Portland
and Steve Letourneau, Executive Director, Catholic Charities Maine
- 7:15 PM Opening Keynote
Presenter: Jack Jezreel, JustFaith Ministries
- 8:15 PM Closing Prayer
- 8:30 PM Social

SATURDAY, MAY 16

- 8:00 AM Registration and Exhibits Open
- 9:00 AM Welcome and Morning Prayer
- 9:15 AM Morning Keynote
Presented by Ansel Augustine, D.Min., Archdiocese of New Orleans
- Parish social ministry is the action taken to protect the life and dignity of all people and helps every parishioner to grow in love with God and neighbor. This keynote will stress that Baptism calls every person to participate in and have an essential role in the parish.
- 10:15 AM Break/Transition to Morning Workshops Sessions

- 10:30 AM **Morning Workshops**
Join us for one of the following workshop sessions led by local, regional, and national leaders in social ministry. These sessions will be repeated in the afternoon.
1. Stewardship and Volunteerism
 2. Global Solidarity and Catholic social teaching
 3. Seven Themes of Catholic social teaching
 4. Making Systemic Change in a Community
- 11:45 AM **Break/Transition to lunch**
- 12:00 PM **Lunch/Networking/Exhibits Open**
- 12:45 PM **Community Dialogue on Social Ministry in Action**
This general session will feature a panel of parish and Catholic Charities staff from the same diocese to show how the two can work together from the CEO to agency staff to pastor and parish staff. The session will highlight best practices to establishing this ministry in an agency and how it helps the agency, the parish as well as those they commonly serve- those living on the margins of society.
- 1:45 PM **Transition to Afternoon Workshop Sessions**
- 2:00 PM **Afternoon Workshops**
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- 3:15 PM **Break/Transition to Closing Keynote**
- 3:30 PM **Resources from the National Office/Closing Comments**
- 4:30 PM **Break/Transition to Church for Mass**
- 5:00 PM **Saturday Vigil Mass**