



ORE Connections November 2011

From the Director's desk... 

THE ROMAN MISSAL

Many changes to the Sacramentary or Roman Missal are coming to us on the First Sunday of Advent.

They are changes in the English translation of the Latin text. These new changes will be truer to the Latin words. Most of the changes involve what the priest will say. Some of it involves what the laity will respond as well.

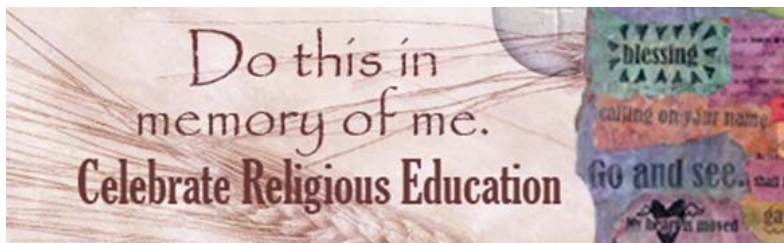
Some people are excited about the new translation. Other people are upset.

For those people who are upset, I suggest that they look at the new translation as an opportunity to pray better. Sometimes, we are so familiar with our prayers that we no longer truly reflect on what we are saying. This can be true, for example, when we pray the Our Father or the Hail Mary.

Sometimes we just need to reflect and meditate on the words. It will enhance our spiritual life. It is not easy to change. Few people like change. However, with the new translation of the Roman Missal, we have a wonderful opportunity to study the new words and reflect on their spiritual meaning for us.

Advent is a time for preparation for the Nativity of the Lord. May it also be a time that we prepare ourselves to grow closer to God and to one another.

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Catholic Biblical School

Volunteers Needed!



Catholic Biblical School
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The Catholic Biblical School will once again be hosting an information table at this year's Religious Education Congress on **Saturday, November 5, 2011**. CBS students and graduates, please contact BJ at the ORE for more information. (See the front of this newsletter for contact info.)

Hartford CBS at the Religious Education Congress

If you've always wondered what the Biblical School is all about, come see our exhibit at the ORE Congress on November 5, 2011, at St. Paul High School in Bristol.

Upcoming Biblical School Opportunities for CBS Graduates:

There is no fee for these programs, unless otherwise indicated. They are designed for Biblical School graduates, their guests, and other parish and archdiocesan leaders for continued growth in understanding God's Word. It is essential, though, that all participants register for all events by completing authorized registration forms by the deadline given. (Forms can be mailed, faxed, or emailed. See forms for details.)

- 1) **Women in the Bible** with Dr. Barbara Bozak, CSJ, Saturday, **November 12**, 9:30-noon at St. Thomas Seminary in Bloomfield. ("Coffee And" begins at 9:00.) Registration required by **Friday, November 4, 2011**. Registration forms were included in the October issue of *ORE Connections*. Duplicates can be obtained from Jill Costa. See the front page of this newsletter for Jill's contact information.
- 2) **The Prophets of Advent** on **Sunday, December 11**, 1:00-3:00 pm at St. Thomas Seminary. ("Coffee And" begins at 12:30.) Make your heart ready to celebrate the incarnation of God's Word this Christmas by exploring the Word of the prophets, proclaimed each Sunday this Advent season. Dr. Harry Nasuti, Professor of Old Testament at Fordham University will lead our study. Registration required by Friday, **December 2, 2011**. A registration form with instructions for completing and returning the form is included in this current issue of *ORE Connections*.

3) The Synoptic Gospels for CBS Graduates continues this spring with Dr. Thomas Casey at St. Mark the Evangelist Parish in West Hartford on Wednesday evenings. Look for a registration form in upcoming issues of *ORE Connections*. *Special note: This program does carry a fee and requires authorization for non-CBS graduates to participate.*

We Want Your Proverbs!

For publication on the CBS Blog, please send us original proverbs written in the biblical style of the Book of Proverbs and engaging the demands of lived spirituality for today. Within the limits of the editor's time and imagination, all entries will be posted on our blog at <http://bjdhorehartford.blogspot.com>, with your by-line (or anonymous, if you prefer). Send your proverb and your name, as you prefer it to appear, to BJ at cbs@orehartford.org. Entries will not be returned.

And Another Blogging Opportunity!

Living and Leading in God's Word is a new blog series that seeks to highlight the wonderful work that CBS graduates are doing throughout the Archdiocese. If you are a Biblical School graduate, or you know someone who is, send the story (in one paragraph) to BJ Daly Horell at cbs@orehartford.org. Let our faith community celebrate all that the Biblical School has helped to accomplish on behalf of the reign of Our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

Biblical School Course Scheduling Notes



- Fr. Donahue's Year 2 class that meets at our Cheshire campus (Epiphany Parish) will be meeting on **November 21 instead of November 28, 2012**. There will be no Year 2 class in Cheshire on **November 28**. If you have questions, talk to, Fr. Donahue or call Jill Costa.
- All other classes will take the week of **Nov. 21-25, 2012** as a holiday to celebrate Thanksgiving. For additional details and information about holidays and the CBS academic calendar, consult the online calendar at www.orehartford.org/cbs.htm. Directions for accessing the calendar appear at the bottom of the CBS page. Or call Jill Costa for assistance in finding and bookmarking the online calendar on your computer.

HISPANIC MINISTRY
Programa Arquidiocesana de la
Formación Básica para Catequistas

Próxima Sesión: "Técnicas de Planificación"

Martes 15 de noviembre
6:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
Seminario San Tomas
467 Bloomfield Ave.
Bloomfield, CT

Miércoles 16 de noviembre
6:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
Oficina de Family Life
412 Ridge Rd.
Hamden, CT

Jueves 17 de noviembre
6:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
Parroquia Santa Rosa de Lima
35 Center Street
Meriden, CT



Sesión Informativa de NFP

Auspiciada por la Oficina de Vida Familiar

Miércoles 9 de noviembre
7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
Parroquia San Pablo
2577 Main St
Glastonbury, CT 06033

NFP refiere al método aprobado por la Iglesia Católica para las parejas casadas en la planificación o evitación de los embarazos, que se base en la identificación de los días fértiles de la mujer.

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Catholic Scouting

Boy Scouts

On November 6, 2011 the Catholic Committee on scouting presents the Boy Scout Adult Religious Emblem Ceremony and Banquet 6:00pm at the Archdiocesan Center at St. Thomas Seminary For tickets call the office or email Jennifer at jmclintock@adh-ore.org



Girl Scouts

On November 11/12, 2011 the Girl Scouts will hold their annual retreat. All girls who would like to work on their religious emblems are invited to join us. Please call or email Jennifer for more information at jmclintock@adh-ore.org

Please note that the NEW date for Girl Scout Sunday is April 15, 2013.

ADULT FORMATION/
EVANGELIZATION/ RCIA

Adult Confirmation



On **Monday, October 25, 2011**, 59 adults received the Sacrament of Confirmation in the Chapel at St. Thomas Seminary, Bloomfield. Bishop Peter A. Rosazza presided. We offer our congratulations to all those who were confirmed. The next Adult Confirmation preparation classes will be held in the spring beginning the week of **April 9, 2012**. The adult celebration for Confirmation

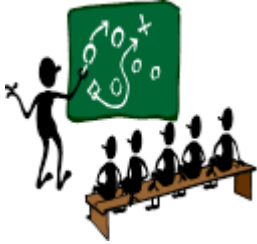
will be on **May 22, 2012** at the Cathedral of St. Joseph. Registration forms for spring confirmation will be available on our web site at the end of **January 2012**.
www.orehartford.org.

LAY MINISTRY

Do you know any lay people who are active in your church in various ministries, but need some training? Our next Lay Ministry classes will begin in **September 2012**. The Lay Ministry Program could enhance your parish life by providing training for the lay volunteer. The Lay Ministry program is an 18 month formation program that includes classes in theology, spiritual development and pastoral skills as well as a parish internship. For more information check our website, www.orehartford.org or call Mary Marsan at 860-243-9465.

Youth Ministry

Youth Ministry Basics Class



Contact Shawnee to register. Join us any time. 12 classes in the whole series. Classes can be taken for credit or for general faith formation. Great for catechists and youth ministry volunteers.

St Therese, Granby: Saturday

Nov 12th 9:00am-3:00pm: Cost is \$100.00pp Families & Community, Planning YM programs, Justice and Service, Prayer (Followed by a Virtus/ Protecting God's Children session)

Blessed Sacrament, Hamden: Thursdays 6:00pm-9:30pm. Cost is \$100.00pp **Nov 3rd** - Justice and Service, Prayer

Trinita Retreat Center, New Hartford:

ALL WEEKEND! All Classes. Jan 6-8, 2012. Starts at 6:00 with dinner. Ends on Sunday @2:30pm. Cost is \$135.00 pp

National Catholic Youth Conference



We have a contingent of 88 people going to NCYC in Indianapolis: St Bridget, Manchester; St Bartholomew, Manchester; St Rose, New Haven; Nativity, Bethlehem; Blessed Sacrament, Waterbury;

St Francis of Assisi, South Windsor; St James, Rocky Hill; and St Elizabeth, Ludlow, MA. Region One (all of New England) has been asked to bring combs and hairbrushes, toothbrushes and tooth paste to Victory Park's service area, an interactive venue meant to deepen our understanding of Catholic Social teaching.

If you can help us, drop off your items to any of the parishes listed above or bring to the Office of Religious Education no later than **Monday, Nov 14th**.

Catholic Youth Spectacular (CYS)

Interested in planning either of the next two CYS's? Coming to the Religious Education Conference on **November 5th**? Plan to meet in the cafeteria for the first lunch at 12:05 for a quick brainstorm session.

Positive Youth Development Academy

A course for youth practitioners offered by the Village for Families and Children on Wednesdays from 9:00 am-12:00. Call Shawnee for more information.

Souper Bowl of Caring Sunday February 5, 2012

Never too early to begin planning for this yearly event. You collect the money or the food and donate it to your favorite charity. Plan a service blitz that weekend and make a difference in your community and still be in your seat by 6:00 for the kickoff!!



Dark Side of Chocolate

With Halloween fast approaching, chocolate companies are raking in the profits from consumers stocking up for trick-or-treating. Yet many young people are being sold to work in the cocoa fields. This timely new video illustrates what's wrong with Hershey's chocolate, to inspire action. For more info and to watch the video, go to www.thedarksideofchocolate.org.

USCCB / CRS Webinar: Please join Catholic Relief Services and the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops for an online *Catholics Confront Global Poverty* presentation and discussion: **Catholics Confront Global Poverty and Youth: Sharing strategies and resources for engaging young people in addressing global poverty.** The webinar will be held **Monday, October 31, 2011, 1:00-2:00 P.M. Eastern Standard Time.** Presenters will be Ted Miles - Relationship Manager / Religious Education, Catholic Relief Services and Jill Rauh - Outreach Coordinator, Justice, Peace and Human Development, U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops. **Register now** (go to <http://crs-blog.org/catholic-youth-groups-confront-global-poverty>)

Description: The call to address global poverty is rooted in the Gospel message and our celebration of the Eucharist. Teachers and youth ministers can help form youth as members of the Body of Christ who are called to right relationship; invited to solidarity; and sent in mission to transform our communities and world. Through *Catholics Confront Global Poverty*, sponsored by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops and Catholic Relief Services, youth can engage in faith-filled, responsible participation in the life, mission and work of the Church and deepen their understanding of our connectedness to our brothers and sisters around the world. Join this interactive webinar to learn more about *Catholics Confront Global Poverty* as it relates to youth faith formation and youth ministry. A variety of resources will be available to help the young people you serve make a difference through prayer, learning, advocacy and action.

Just 5 Days

Springfield, MA – July 23-27, 2012
75 spaces available.

Just5Days is a five-day experience of service, hands-on learning activities, prayer and liturgy, and community building designed for groups of middle school youth and their adult leaders from Catholic parishes and schools.

What are people saying about Just5Days?

The evaluations are in and middle schoolers and their adult leaders love the program! Read more about what people are saying about Just5Days and the impact it is having on them, and check out a story.

2012 Just5Days Program Fee: \$275 per participant

Price includes lodging and meals during your program week, as well as all of your work supplies. Each participant receives a program t-shirt and water bottle. Travel is an expense of the parish or school.

Just5Days is just for middle schoolers - youth who are entering 7th, 8th, or 9th grade. One adult (25 years old or older) serves as the team leader. Additional adults must be 21 years old or older. You will need one adult for every five young people you bring. Teams with more than seven youth participants of both genders must have at least one male and one female adult in attendance and participating in Just5Days.

Registration for Summer 2012 is now open!

For more information about Just5Days, contact Ann Marie Eckert, Project Coordinator, at (716) 819-0925 or annmarie@cmdnet.org This e-mail address is being protected from spambots. You need JavaScript enabled to view it or go to www.cmdnet.org. To register a group, please contact Nancy Flint at (253) 853-5422 or nancy@cmdnet.org

Other News

Evenings of Discernment with Prayer for Peace

Opportunity for: Catholic Women and Men Considering Vowed Life or Priesthood, ages 18-45, 7:30-9:00 pm, 4th Tuesday of the Month (**November 22, 2011; January 24, 2012; February 28, 2012; March 27, 2012, April 24, 2012.** To register contact: Sr. Ann: 203-245-0401, amcgovern@mercyne.org



Upcoming events: **November 3**, 7-9 pm, at Franciscan Urban Center, Hartford; "Parish Social Ministry Leadership Series: Opportunities for Faith Formation", at St. John of the Cross, Middlebury; **November 10**, 7-9 pm "Parish Social Ministry Leadership Series: Opportunities for Faith Formation", at St. Paul, Kensington. **June 9, 2012**, "Annual Social Justice Conference", in honor of Bishop Peter Rosazza Go to: www.catholicssocialjustice.org.

Our Lady of Calvary Retreat House

November 1, 9 am-1 pm/7-9 pm, "An Extended Family", with Sr. Mary O'Brien. **November 30**, 10-1 and 7-9 pm, "Caregiving: Helping Your Loved Ones Age Safely, Securely & With Dignity"; **December 1**, "Advent Evening of Reflection, 7-9, with Father Frascadore; **December 2-4**, "A Spiritual Weekend for Women in Recovery: **December 8**, "Mary's Advent Journey", 9-1 and 7-9 pm, with Marguerite Janelle; **December 16**, "Oh Sweet Jesus, Is There Hope for Us?: An Advent Retreat", with Noranne Wamester Check out these and their theme retreat weekends at www.ourladyofcalvary.com.



Upcoming events: **November 2, 10 am-2 pm or 6-9 pm**, "A Needy God: Annual St. Paul of the Cross Lecture"; with Fr. John Baptist Pesce; **November 4-6**, "Men's Retreat"; **November 5, 10 am-4 pm**, "Tai Chi: Meditation in Motion"; **November 10-13**, "A Brush with God: Icon Painting Retreat, with Rev. Peter Pearson; **November 11**, "Healing Our World From the Inside Out", with Paula D'Arcy; **November 12**, "The Twelve Steps and Promises for Everyone", with Fr. John Powers; **November 13**, "Roller Coaster Ready? Faith, Values and Discipline for the Teenage Years", with Rick and Fay Lenz; **November 18-20**, "Zen Spirit-Christian Spirit: Meditation as a Christian Contemplative Practice", with Fr. Robert Kennedy; **November 18-20**, "Women's Matt Talbot Recovery Retreat"; with Sr. Marguerite Tierney; **November 24**, "Thanksgiving Day Eucharist". **December 2-4**; "Men's Matt Talbot Recovery Retreat", with Fr. Brian McGinley; **December 2-4**, "Advent Centering Prayer Retreat", with Fr. Bill Sheehan; **December 8**, 10-2 and 6-9 pm "Advent Program: Giving Birth to God – Advent with the Mystics", with Dr. Brandon Nappi; **December 9-11**, "Men's Matt Talbot Recovery Retreat", with Dcn. Thomas Evrard; **December 18**, 2:00 and 7:00 pm, "Music for Advent and Christmas" For more information: www.holyfamilyretreat.org.

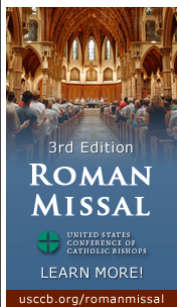
Caritas Christi Center



Upcoming events: **November 1**, "Coffee Klatch: Vatican II, Session 2 with, Dr. Joan Kelly; **November 2**, "Meyers-Briggs Personality Inventory", with Sr. Mariette Moan; **November 5**, "Hope for the Holidays for the Bereaved", with Sr. Mauryeen O'Brien; **November 8**, "Coffee Klatch: Vatican II – Chaos or Challenge? Session 3", with Dr. Joan Kelly; **November 8**, "Hope for the Holidays for the Separated and Divorced", with Sr. Mauryeen O'Brien; **November 9**, "Meyers-Briggs Personality Inventory", with Sr. Mariette Moan; **November 10**, "Listening with the Heart: An Introduction to the Art of Deep Listening", with Lisa Velazquez; **November 14**, "The Questions Jesus Asked" Series Part 3", with Sr. Virginia Herbers; **November 15**, "Coffee Klatch: Vatican II- Chaos or Challenge: Session 4, with Dr. Joan Kelly; **November 16**, "Film Study: Amazing Grace", with Jim Pepitone; **November 19**, "Divine Therapy" with Diane Harkin; **December 3**, "An Advent Day of Reflection", with Sr. Virginia Herbers; **December 6**, "An Advent Evening of Reflection"; **December 10**, "Ongoing Centering Prayer Group", with Sr. Carolyn Severino. For more information, go to www.caritaschristicenter.org.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

The New Roman Missal



The new Roman Missal will take effect on the first Sunday of Advent, 2011. For updates on workshops, resources, bulletin notices, etc. –

www.archdioceseofhartford.org.

Explaining and Assisting High Schoolers with the New Roman Missal Changes... Life Teen has developed several videos designed for teens, youth ministers, and parents. They are excellent!!!

To view them, go to <http://vimeo.com> and search for "Life Teen Roman Missal". They are also available for purchase at www.lifeteen.com.

"Come and See (Your Role at Mass)" DVD from Joe Paprocki – designed to not take away excessive time from already-too-short schedules and doesn't just teach the changes but teaches the liturgy as a whole and treats the changes within that context. Includes Leader Guide. To order or for more information, go to www.loyolapress.com.

Evening Retreat – "How Have We Experienced the Changes in the Mass?", Wednesday, February 1, 2012, 10 am-2 pm or 6-9 pm at Holy Family Passionist Retreat Center in West Hartford. Retreat Offering: \$35 (day retreat includes lunch, evening retreat includes dinner. Presenter: Fr. David Cinquegrani, C.P. For more information or to register, go to www.holyfamilyretreat.org/calendar.

Free videos on USCCB – 29 videos (FREE!) to view on their new website. Go to www.usccb.org/media/video and click on "Roman Missal".

"Parish Guide to Implementing the Roman Missal Third Edition" is now available from USCCB. The document was developed by the Committee on Divine Worship, and is intended to provide parishes with a road map for promoting and implementing the newly translated texts. The Diocese of Lansing has created an excellent document – "Praying the Mass with Children and Adolescents: A Catechist's Guide to the New Translation". It is a series of lesson plans for catechists to assist children and teens (and adults) to know and understand the new responses at Mass. More than that, this guide was written with the greater objective of assisting catechists and those catechized grow in a deeper encounter with the living Christ in and through the liturgy.

For a free download – www.Dioceseoflansing.org/catechesis_k12/

[Roman_Missal_Children_Adolescents.pdf](http://www.Dioceseoflansing.org/catechesis_k12/Roman_Missal_Children_Adolescents.pdf). (note: the "spaces" in the web address are really under-scores)

Textbooks: Just about every book for every grade for every publisher is being changed. Check with your local representative or the publisher web page to see when the new editions are available. Most publishers are also including downloadable pages of changes, should you have an inventory of books, and are not yet ready to purchase new textbooks.

NEW! Sadlier announces a new *Gather in My Name* event, called "The Eucharist: Highlighting the Roman Missal, Third Edition" is now live in English at www.gatherinmyname.com. This downloadable PowerPoint is easy to implement and can be used as an intergenerational parish event; a class or catechetical session; a session for catechists and other ministerial groups; an enrichment session for adults; and an event for parents of children in sacramental preparation or catechetical programs. One particularly handy feature is a downloadable PDF in the "Event Packet" which includes a handout that details all the changes in the Mass. Sadlier offers you this parish intergenerational program for free.



Save the date! The annual conference will be held **January 5-7, 2012** in Orlando, Florida. It is hosted by the Center for Ministry Development and Our Sunday Visitor. This year's theme is "Formed by Eucharist – Sent in Mission". For more details and registration information, go to www.cmdnet.org.



All 12 dioceses in New England will be celebrating **Religious Education Month** in November. For suggestions on how to celebrate and for clip art, visit our website – www.orehartford.org.

Loyola Press has announced a new product— *Adaptive First Eucharist Preparation Kit for Children with Autism and Other Special Needs*. The kit contains eight pieces to enable children with autism and other special needs to participate fully in their faith, including picture cards to use during Mass that remind children of participatory behavior and a matching puzzle that helps the child distinguish between the Eucharist and ordinary food. The kit includes social stories and picture exchange communication (PECS) strategies). To find out more, go to



www.loyolapress.com/adaptive-first-eucharist-preparation-kit.htm.

Order your Operation Rice Bowl materials today. You can place your order today, and your materials will be shipped on January 3, 2012 (Note: no materials will be sent automatically, based on past orders). Operation Rice Bowl materials are designed to enrich your faith community's Lenten observance. Order free materials and join Operation Rice Bowl as we work together to build solidarity with our brothers and sisters around the world through the Lenten traditions of prayer, fasting, learning and giving. Materials are available in both English and Spanish. If you have not received an order form, call Linda Roberto at the Office for Catholic Social Justice Ministry at (203) 777-7279.



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There is a new online community created by Loyola Press, specifically for parish faith leaders. It's called DRE Connect. It allows you to connect, consult, and grow with other parish faith leaders. It offers you the chance to improve your professional skills and become a mentor for your peers. DRE Connect puts you in touch with the greater community of Catholic Faith Formation

Leaders; allows you to share photos, events, and resources and more with your peers; and gives you the opportunity to pass along your passion for ministry as you share your knowledge with other DRE's. Check out DRE Connect today. It only takes a minute to sign up for your FREE membership and begin connecting!

Start sharing now at <http://dreconnect.loyolapress.com/home>.

DRE Luncheon with RCL Benziger



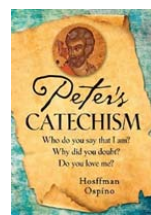
RCL Benziger is grateful to you for your ministry during these challenging times and wants to say "thank you" during this month of Thanksgiving. Thursday, **Novembr 17**, 10:00-2:00, at Anthony's

Ocean View, 450 Lighthouse Rd., New Haven. Enjoy a memorable lunch in an ocean setting and listen to Sr. Maureen Sullivan, as she inspires and affirms our ministry during these challenging times. Make your reservation now. Space is limited. RSVP by November 3rd. Send your response to Jane Person at jperson@rclbenziger.com or mail to: Jane Person, 30 Natural History Drive, Worcester, MA 01605.

Save the Date! The Mid-Atlantic Congress for Pastoral Leadership, **March 8-10**, 2012 at the Baltimore Hilton in the Inner Harbor.



Keynoters include Father James Martin, Most Rev. Gerald Kicanas, and Dr. Adele Gonzalez. Workshops on: adult catechesis, mass media, youth ministry, evangelization, liturgical catechesis, children's catechesis, music, scripture, spirituality and much more. For more information – www.midatlanticcongress.org.



Strengthen your discipleship and your faith with "Peter's Catechism", from Dr. Hosffman Ospino, Boston College. Peter's Catechism is an invitation for Christians to revisit the three questions Jesus asked the apostle Peter in the Scriptures: *Who do you say that I am?, Why did you doubt?, Do you love me?*

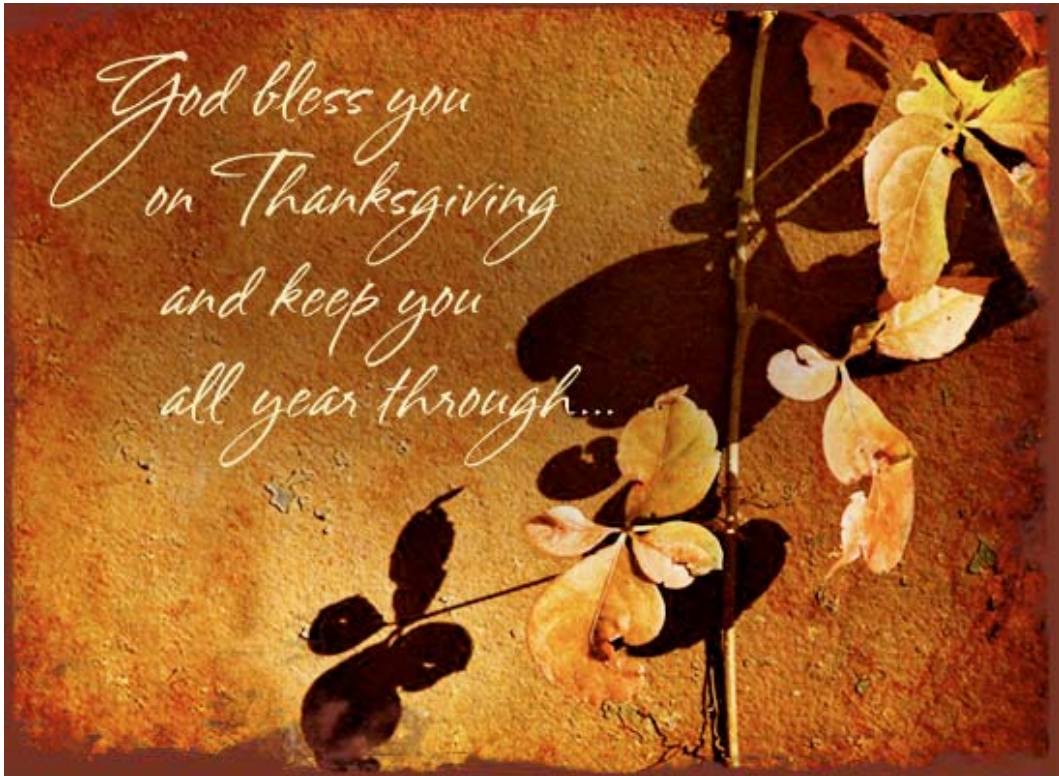
Also available in Spanish – "El Catechismo de Pedro". Available at www.liquori.org (mention source code 11-901).

In advance of the 2012 elections, the U.S. bishops reaffirmed their 2007 document, *Forming Consciences for Faithful*



Citizenship, in this coming election cycle and beyond, as the "continuing teaching of our bishops' Conference and our guidance for Catholics in the exercise of their rights and duties as participants in our democracy." The USCCB is launching a new website for Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship:

www.usccb.org/issues-and-action/faithful-citizenship.



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