

Schedule -- The Gift of Spiritual Fatherhood

November 16th – St. Margaret of Scotland

- 4:00 p.m. Arrival
- 5:30 p.m. Dinner
- 7:00 p.m. Session I: *Man Fully Alive: Hierarchies of Fatherhood* – Fr. Gahl
- 8:00 p.m. Social

November 17th – St. Elizabeth of Hungary

- 8:30 a.m. Breakfast
- 10:00 a.m. Session II: *Psychology of Spiritual Fatherhood* – Dr. Paris
- 11:15 a.m. Mass
- 12:00 p.m. Lunch
- 1:30 p.m. Session III: *Fatherly Behaviors in Pastoral Ministry* – Dr. Paris
- 2:30 p.m. Break
- 4:00 p.m. Session IV: *Spiritual Paternity in the Liturgy: Rubrics, Pastoral Considerations, and the Ars Celebrandi* – Fr. Bradley
- 5:30 p.m. Dinner
- 7:00 p.m. Social

November 18 – The Dedication of the Basilicas of Sts. Peter and Paul

- 8:30 a.m. Mass
- 9:00 a.m. Breakfast
- 10:00 a.m. Session V: *Virtuous Freedom, AI, Social Media, and Neuroscience* – Fr. Gahl
- 11:00 a.m. Break
- 11:15 a.m. Session VI: *The Pastoral Challenges of Technology for Married Couples and Families* - Toscano
- 12:15 p.m. Lunch
- 1:30 p.m. Session VII: *Panel - How the Gift of Spiritual Fatherhood Nourishes Others* - Gahl, Nichols, and Toscano
- 2:30 p.m. Closing Remarks and Prayer

Speaker Bios:**Rev. James Bradley, JCD**

Fr. James Bradley is a Priest of the Personal Ordinariate of Our Lady of Walsingham (UK) and Assistant Professor of Canon Law at The Catholic University of America, Washington, DC. He read music, theology, and canon law at the universities of Bristol, Oxford, and London, and holds a doctorate in canon law from The Catholic University of America. Father Bradley's research focusses on the Church's liturgical law and sacramental discipline, and to this end he is completing a doctorate in Liturgical Studies and Sacramental Theology at the University of Vienna, Austria, where he is part of the international research project, *Anglican Traditions in the Catholic Church*. He is published in a number of canonical and liturgical journals including *The Jurist*, *Studia Canonica*, *Forum Canonicum*, *Antiphon*, and *Ecclesia Orans*, and has recently contributed to *The Cambridge Companion Joseph Ratzinger* (Cambridge University Press, 2023).

Rev. Robert Gahl, PhD

Fr. Robert Gahl is Associate Professor of Practice in the Busch School of Business at the Catholic University of America and Director of the Church Management Program. He is also Associate Professor of Ethics in the School of Philosophy of the Pontifical University of the Holy Cross (Santa Croce). A native of Milwaukee, Wisconsin, he completed his bachelor's degree in chemical engineering at Washington University in St. Louis and worked in Silicon Valley with robotic software for electron beam lithography systems (1985-1987). After completing his Licentiate in philosophy at the University of Navarre (Pamplona, Spain, 1989) and his Doctorate in Rome at the Pontifical University of the Holy Cross (1991), he did postdoctoral research at the University of Notre Dame (1993) and was ordained to the diaconate by Blessed Alvaro del Portillo and to the priesthood by St. John Paul II (1992). Fr. Gahl has published on the narrative structure of the moral life, cognitive behavioral therapy, corporate social behavior, and Catholic social doctrine. As Visiting Faculty Research Affiliate at Harvard's Human Flourishing Program, he taught courses at Harvard and MIT. He has directed courses on institutional mission at leading health care and medical research centers and on virtuous leadership for Italy's Center for Advanced Defense Studies (IASD). His current research focuses on intergenerational human flourishing.

Arland K. Nichols (Emcee)

Arland K. Nichols is president and founder of the St. John Paul II Foundation. Early in his career, as an educator and non-profit executive, he became a popular speaker and successful writer while he established the groundwork for the initiatives that would become the St. John Paul II Foundation. Arland launched the St. John Paul II Foundation in 2014 and he is author of the 4th edition of the *Handbook on Critical Life Issues* published in 2024 by the National Catholic Bioethics Center. Arland earned a B.A. in philosophy from Texas A&M, an M.Div. in Theology from University of St. Thomas, and pursued doctoral studies in bioethics at Regina Apostolorum in Rome. With the generous support of his wife, Cindy, and their eleven children, Arland is blessed to lead the St. John Paul II Foundation as it serves, educates, and supports medical professionals, married couples, and clergy.

Daniel Paris, Psy.D., M.A.

Dr. Daniel Paris is a licensed clinical psychologist currently working in private practice in Virginia. He specializes in trauma-focused modalities (EMDR, Cognitive Processing Therapy) and particularly enjoys working with young adults as well as couples seeking to deepen their marital bond. Dr. Paris has experience working in a variety of settings including community mental health agencies, university counseling centers, psychiatric hospitals, and employee assistance programs within the U.S. intelligence community. He completed his pre-doctoral internship at the Gulf Coast VA Medical Center in Biloxi, MS. Dr. Paris is deeply committed to the integration of a Catholic vision of the person with mental health treatment. In addition to masters and doctoral degrees in clinical psychology from Divine Mercy University, he also holds a masters in theology from the Augustine Institute and has over a decade of experience in the formation of Catholic missionaries with the Fellowship of Catholic University Students (FOCUS). Dr. Paris is also an adjunct faculty member in the Master of Science in Clinical Psychology program at Saint Mary's University of Minnesota and in the Doctoral program in clinical psychology at Divine Mercy University. His research interests include the virtues, positive psychology, problematic media use, and the evaluation of human formation programs in religious and lay missionary communities.

Michael Toscano

Michael Toscano is Senior Fellow, Director of the Family First Technology Initiative for the Institute for Family Studies. He previously served as Executive Director. The IFS was awarded a Heritage Innovation Prize in recognition of Michael's efforts to advance laws nationwide to make technology safer for kids. He is a leader of the "Future for the Family" movement; and his writing has appeared in *The Wall Street Journal*, *Newsweek*, *The New York Post*, *National Affairs*, *First Things*, *Compact*, *The American Conservative*, *National Review*, and elsewhere. He is co-author with Peter Wood of "What Does Bowdoin Teach? How a Liberal Arts College Shapes Students" (2013).