

The right and duty of parents to give education is essential, since it is connected with the transmission of human life; it is original and primary with regard to the educational role of others. . . it is irreplaceable and inalienable, and therefore incapable of being entirely delegated to others or usurped by others.

Familiaris Consortio, Pope John Paul II

Parents have a most grave duty and enjoy the primary right of educating to the very best of their ability, their children physically, socially, and culturally and morally and religiously as well.

1983 Code of Canon Law, Canon 1136

The large gym at Holy Name of Jesus Parish will house the many vendors. The Curriculum Fair will be open continuously in the gym from 9:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. A *partial* list of vendors who have participated in the past include:

Catholic full-service curriculum providers:

- Kolbe Academy
- Mother of Divine Grace School
- Our Lady of the Rosary School, Inc.
- Our Lady of Victory School
- Seton Home Study School

Catholic text books/supplemental publishers:

- Catholic Heritage Curricula Little Angel Readers
- Daughters of St. Paul Ignatius Press
- Krusader Enterprises TAN Books
- Saints & Scholars

Catholic colleges:

- Christendom College College of St. Thomas More
- Franciscan University of Steubenville
- Magdalen College Thomas Aquinas College
- Thomas More College of Liberal Arts
- University of Dallas

Others:

- Dumb Ox Publications
- Used Catholic books
- Plus a Catholic shop, Catholic t-shirts, artwork, software and more

DIRECTIONS

From PA Turnpike (I-76): Take exit 19 off PA Turnpike. Take Route 283 North. Look for I-83 North and I-81 North. Take I-81 North to Paxtonia exit (Exit 72). Turn left at first light (Route 22). The church is on the left about 1/4 mile.

From Route I-81 (North or South): Take Paxtonia exit (Exit 72 northbound, Exit 72A southbound). Turn left at first light (Route 22). The church is on the left side of the road approximately 1/4 mile.

ACCOMMODATIONS

Harrisburg facilities fill up well in advance. Make your reservations early to guarantee a room. Ask for "Catholic Homeschoolers" rooms when making reservations. Some discounts may apply.

Baymont Inn, off exit 72 or 72A of I-81, Harrisburg (717) 540-9339; \$68 + tax for 1-2 person/room (some discounts apply); free continental breakfast; coupons for local restaurants; *must call before March 28 or while rooms available.*

Red Roof Inn, off exit 69 of I-81, Harrisburg (800) 874-9000 or (717) 657-1445; \$54.99 + tax for 1-4 persons; *ask for block #B037000571 at location #037; must call before March 11 or while rooms available.*

Sleep Inn, off exit 77 of I-81, Harrisburg, (717) 540-9100; \$50.15 + tax for 1-2 persons; light continental breakfast; *must call before March 21 or while rooms available.*

AREA ACTIVITIES

For information on nearby sites (i.e. state capital, Hershey Zoo, National Civil War Museum and other attractions) to visit while in the area or for parents who wish to occupy the children while their spouse attends the event, please see the network website for the attractions or the Harrisburg Welcome Center at www.catholichomeschoolpa.com.

**8th Annual
Catholic Homeschool
Conference
&
Curriculum Fair**



**“Living & Teaching
the Faith of our Fathers
in the 21st Century”**

Saturday, April 13, 2002

8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.



Holy Name of Jesus Church
6190 Allentown Blvd.
(Route 22)
Harrisburg, Pennsylvania

**Sponsored by the statewide network of
Catholic Homeschoolers of Pennsylvania**

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Who can attend this event? Anyone can attend — veteran or new Catholic homeschooling parent, those discerning homeschooling, those encouraging and supporting Catholic home education. Parents typically attend this event from throughout PA and 6-7 other states.

Do I have to pay if I only want to look at books?
Yes. Unfortunately this is necessary to meet expenses such as facility rental, insurance, etc.

Will I be able to take my curriculum home?
Because of the vast array of vendors invited, families who organize their own curriculum could find virtually all of their materials at this one event AND save on shipping charges. Even the full-service curriculum providers will have large quantities of individual books available. NOTE: Due to pre-testing requirements and space limitations in transport, families choosing to use the full-service curriculum providers will not be able to take home their entire curriculum. However, discuss with them and reviewing their materials will be most invaluable, and supplemental items may be purchased at this time.

Will these vendors be attending the other curriculum fairs in the state? Catholic vendors do not attend non-Catholic/Protestant sponsored events.

Can we trust the choices of materials available to choose from? You can feel confident that we are very careful to select vendors who are providing materials and/or lesson plans that are loyal to the Holy Father and Catholic Church teaching. Catholic parents who attended this event in the past have expressed their appreciation that the 60+ vendors invited assist them in giving their children a thoroughly Catholic faith and education. However, some vendors carry other popular items such as Saxon math, phonics programs, and many other supplemental materials as well.

Will there be materials for my special needs child?
Vendors are requested to bring an adequate supply of materials to meet these needs. Some vendors may cater to special needs students more than others. Katie Moran and other veteran homeschoolers also will be available throughout the day to answer your questions.

PROGRAM

TIME	EVENT
8:30 a.m.	Holy Mass Homilist: EWTN's Father John Trigilio
9:00 a.m.	Registration <i>Coffee, tea, juice and muffins</i>
9:30 a.m.	Recognizing & Teaching Children with Learning Disabilities <i>by Catherine Moran</i> This mother of 5 with an MS.Ed. in learning disabilities has firsthand experience with children of varying types of disabilities and challenges.
10:30 a.m.	Keeping It Catholic: Discerning the Hidden Red Flags in Homeschool Resources <i>by Marianna Bartold</i> This author, publisher, and website owner/manager soon will be releasing the first-ever Catholic resource review book. Participants may bring packed lunches, purchase lunch on site, or visit Route 22's eating establishments
11:30 a.m.-1:15 p.m.	Door prize drawing in conference area
1:15 p.m.	The Church and Family in the 21 st Century <i>by Father Robert Levis</i> This strong supporter of home education is EWTN's Web of Faith co-host and author of <i>Jesus, the Catechism & Me.</i>
1:30 p.m.	Improving PA's Home Education Law & Other Legislative Concerns <i>by Ellen Kramer and other homeschool leaders</i> An essential update on this 2+ year effort to improve PA's Home Education Law. Hear from those who have been working diligently at the state capitol to make this possible.
2:30 p.m.	Confessions will be heard in the church. Father Levis & Father Trigilio will hear confessions from 9 am – 11:30 am.
4:30 p.m.	Conclusion of Conference

Another Mass will be celebrated at 5:00 p.m. for those unable to attend the morning Mass.

Please note that some vendors do not accept credit cards.

REGISTRATION

if postmarked by 3/30/2002 \$16 first family member \$8 spouse \$10 per child
if postmarked after 3/30/2002: or at the door: \$19 first family member \$10 spouse \$10 per child
Clergy & religious may attend free of charge

The most affordable Catholic event to attend!

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Please make checks payable to:
 "Catholic Homeschoolers of PA"
 c/o Larry & Ellen Kramer
 101 South College St.
 Myerstown, PA 17067

For questions:
 call after 3 p.m. (717) 866-5425; fax (717) 866-9383



e-mail conference@catholichomeschoolpa.org

Child/Student Attendance Policy: Nursing infants are welcome and attend free of charge. Most parents find it easier to concentrate on the speakers and vendors knowing that someone familiar is watching their children at home. Also, due to the manpower and amount of responsibility involved, **childcare is not provided.**

However, any students who desire to assist their parents in choosing their curriculum or meeting with the college representatives are welcome to attend. Parents who are unable to make other arrangements **MUST** accompany their children **AT ALL TIMES**. Children are expected **NOT** to disturb the conferences and will not be permitted to touch materials for sale.

REGISTRATION FORM

8th Annual Catholic Homeschool Conference & Curriculum Fair April 13, 2002 Harrisburg, Pennsylvania

Father's Name _____
 Mother's Name _____
 Address _____

 Phone (____) _____ - _____
 Fax (____) _____ - _____
 E-mail _____
 County _____
 Diocese _____

Please note: Nursing babies attend for free. Parents should make every effort to make arrangements for their children except for those circumstances listed in the brochure.

We ARE/ARE NOT currently homeschooling.
 (Circle one)
 If so, for how long? _____ (1st, 2nd, 3rd year, etc.)
 If you use a Catholic home study program, which one? ___ for books only ___ for the full service

 Name of clergy to attend:

Please check if attending:
 Father Mother

Registration fees

if postmarked by 3/30/2002:
 \$16 first family member \$ _____
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 \$10 per child . . (put names on reverse) . . . \$ _____

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Newsletter (\$18/family/12 months) \$ _____

Current or new newsletter subscribers:
 Deduct discount of \$3 X _____ (# persons) (\$ _____)

Clergy FREE

TOTAL ENCLOSED \$ _____



Please fill out the following ONLY if you are a current or new subscriber to the network's newsletter:

May we give out the following information to other parents who want to locate families in your area?

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| Yes | No | Your name and address |
| Yes | No | Your name and phone number |

We would _____ would not _____ like to be included in the E-Alert list.

We are _____ are not _____ interested in the group discount with Home School Legal Defense Association. (To be included or remain in the group discount, you: may reside anywhere in Pennsylvania, must be a current subscriber to the newsletter, and at least one parent must be Catholic.)

Please make check payable to: "Catholic Homeschoolers of PA"

Mail your check and this registration form to: Catholic Homeschoolers of PA,
 c/o Larry and Ellen Kramer, 101 South College Street, Myerstown, PA 17067

For questions: call after 3 pm (717) 866-5425; or fax (717) 866-9383; or e-mail conference@catholichomeschoolpa.org

Permission is granted to copy this form and brochure for your friends.

God bless your family and the remainder of your school year!