

*The Immaculate Heart of Mary Coalition is proud to present the Sixth Annual*



# *Immaculate Heart of Mary North Texas Homeschool and Parent Conference*

**Arlington Convention Center**  
1200 Ballpark Way, Arlington, TX 76011

## **Free Admission!**

**Friday, June 28, 2013**      **2:00 P.M. - 8:00 P.M.**

**Saturday, June 29, 2013**      **9:00 A.M. - 4:00 P.M.**

## *IHM North Texas Conference*

*at the Arlington Convention Center*



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### **Conference Vendors**

Angelicum Academy	Human Life International	Peaceful Interiors
Catholic Heritage Curricula	Illuminated Ink	Professor Carol
Christendom College	Institute for Excellence in Writing	Sacred Heart Books and Gifts
Classically Catholic Memory	JMJTCards	Seton Home Study School
Dr. Michael Foley	Kolbe Academy	St. Gregory's University
Fisher More Academy	Mary's Books	Teaching Textbooks
Herald Entertainment	<i>mater et magistra</i> Magazine	University of Dallas
Hillside Education	Math-U-See	Usborne Books
Holy Family Resources	My Catholic Faith Delivered	
Homeschool Connections	Nancy Larson Science	

*This conference is for everyone, not just homeschooling families. All religions are especially welcome.  
We love children, but must restrict attendance to teens and nursing babies only.*

# Friday

## 2:00 P.M. Registration/Vendor Area Opens

**2:30 - 3:15 P.M.**  
Fr. Shenan Boquet

*Put Your Nets Out into the Deep*

Our life is both a gift from God and a work in progress. How do we know which path to take? Who will teach us? Today the art of living is overshadowed by a false understanding of man and woman and their ultimate destiny. As cultures continue to collapse, it becomes imperative for all Christians to fully participate in the restoration of all things in Christ.

**3:30 - 4:15 P.M.**  
Mrs. Virginia Seuffert

*Public Education and the Necessity of Homeschooling*

Do you know what goes on in public school classrooms? Many parents don't fully understand the role state schools have seized in molding the minds and habits of American children. Parents, however, and not the schools are ultimately responsible for raising happy and virtuous children. Home education is not just an option, it is key to our nation's future.

## 4:30 - 6:00 P.M. Vendor Sales/Dinner

**6:00 - 6:45 P.M.**  
Mr. Andrew Pudewa

*Nurturing Competent Communicators*

Many parents think that good readers will naturally become good writers. Others think that writing talent is just that—a natural ability—some have it, others don't. Both are myths. What are the two most critical things you can do as a parent to develop a high level of aptitude, from a young age and into high school?

**7:00 - 7:45 P.M.**  
Mrs. Colleen Billing

*Scheduling Your School Day*

Are you often frustrated because you cannot seem to get through all your schoolwork? Do you dream about finishing school in May instead of July? If you want practical tips for setting up your school schedule, come hear professional organizer, Colleen Billing, share her time-tested strategies with you!

## 8:00 P.M. Day Ends

Signing up for North Texas Conference updates is the best way to stay informed about new speakers, vendors, and any updates concerning the schedule. Just visit our website, and in the form on the right-hand side, submit your email address to stay connected. You can also visit us on Facebook!



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# Saturday

## 9:00 A.M. Registration

**9:30 - 10:15 A.M.**  
Mr. Andrew Pudewa

*The Profound Influence of Music on Life*

Music has become such an ever-present influence in our daily life, we seldom stop to consider what effect it has on us. In what way is music beneficial to our bodies and minds? In what circumstances can it actually be harmful? Solid scientific research provides some astounding answers to such questions—indeed, facts that must not be ignored by today's parents.

**10:30 - 11:15 A.M.**  
Fr. Shenan Boquet

*Breathing Catholic Air*

It is said that we are the product of our home. We are what our home has made us. If we truly want to recover a Catholic Culture, we need to filter the air our children breathe and to surround them in an environment that conditions their thoughts and actions to what is good and true.

**11:30 A.M. - 12:15 P.M.**  
Mrs. Virginia Seuffert

*Discipline: The First Essential of Homeschooling*

Experienced homeschooling parents know the path to successful homeschooling is paved with virtues like obedience, order, patience, and industriousness. Calm, confident parents who inculcate these values will be rewarded with children who are a pleasure to teach.

## 12:30 - 2:00 P.M. Lunch/Vendor Time

**2:00 - 2:45 P.M.**  
Mrs. Colleen Billing

*Organize Your Home, Enrich Your Life*

Are there piles of paper all over your house? Does your bedroom look more like a storage closet than a sanctuary? Do you tell the kids to hide if someone shows up unexpectedly at your door? Listen to a professional organizer give tips for doing the exterior decluttering that will bring interior peace.

**3:00 - 3:45 P.M.**  
Dr. Michael Foley

*The Catholic Origins to Everyday Things and Why It Matters*

Did you know that Groundhog Day derives from devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary? That pretzels and beer developed in response to the Lenten fast? Or that there are dozens of craters on the Moon named after Jesuit priests? Dr. Foley will take you on a fascinating tour of the surprising Catholic origin to everyday things and how this knowledge can be useful in homeschooling.

## 4:00 P.M. Conference Closes

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