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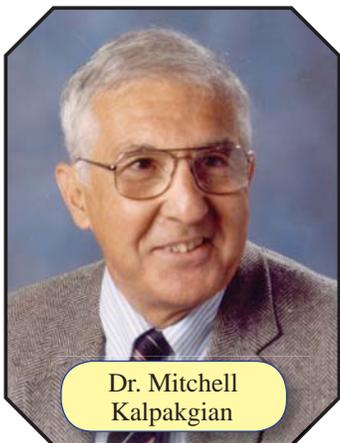


Immaculate Heart of Mary New England Homeschool and Parent Conference

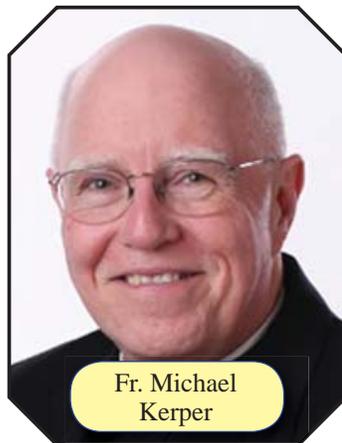
UMass Lowell Inn and Conference Center

50 Warren St., Lowell, MA 01852

Free Admission!



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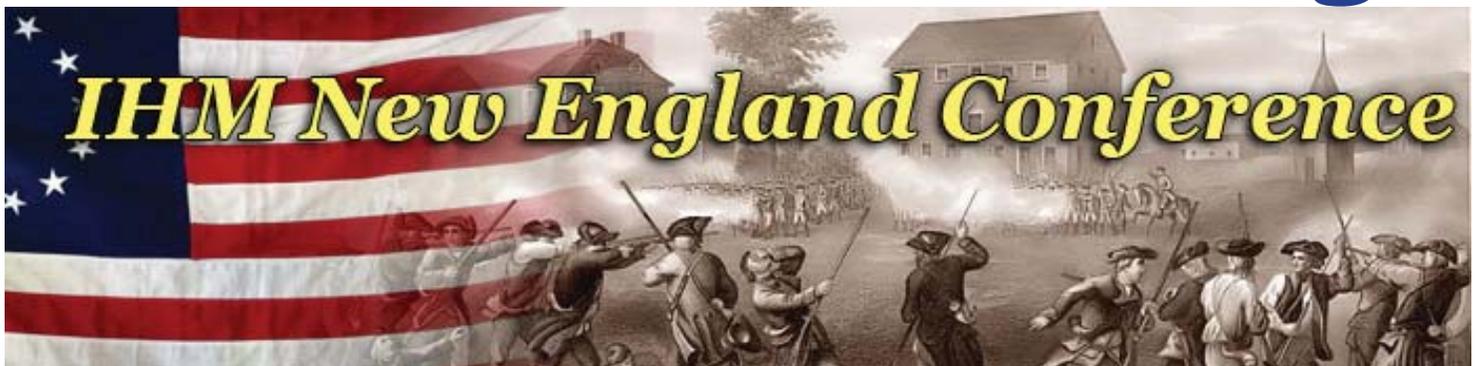


Prof. Joseph
Pearce

Friday, August 9, 2013

12:00 P.M. - 8:00 P.M.

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

Friday



12:00 P.M. Registration/Vendor Area Opens

12:30 - 1:15 P.M.
Dr. Mitchell Kalpakgian

Yesterday's Manners in Today's World: Lessons from Jane Austen

For marriages to flourish, families and societies must promote social occasions that introduce young men and women to one another. Social events all demand a code of civility that distinguishes between good manners, bad manners, and false manners, a topic that Jane Austen treats with special insight in her works. Manners reflect morals.

1:30 - 2:15 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. How will the Common Core change the schools in your neighborhood? Parents—not the schools—are ultimately responsible for raising happy and virtuous children.

2:30 - 3:15 P.M.
Prof. Joseph Pearce

A Matter of Life and Death: The Battle for a True Education

Education is quite simply a matter of life and death. The poisoning of education by the architects of secular fundamentalism, and the culture of death it promotes, can only be countered by a restoration of tradition-oriented learning. Joseph Pearce will discuss the deadliness of the poison and will present the ingredients of the life-giving antidote.

3:30 - 4:15 P.M.
Fr. Michael Kerper

The Joy of Being a Minority

Drawing on some of Pope Benedict's thoughts on being a "creative minority" and some material from Cardinal Newman's writings in Church history about the perpetual state of crisis for Catholics, this talk will examine the role of Catholics, who should work in the world but not be of the world.

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

6:00 - 6:45 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.

7:00 - 7:45 P.M.
Prof. Joseph Pearce

The Catholicism of The Hobbit

Tolkien described *The Lord of the Rings* as a "fundamentally religious and Catholic work." Discover how his earlier book, *The Hobbit*, is equally Catholic. Prof. Pearce, author of *Bilbo's Journey*, unravels the hidden Christian meaning of this classic tale of good and evil in Middle Earth.

8:00 P.M. Conference Ends

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