

PARTICIPANT PROFILE

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as applicable**

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Diocese

Parish

Religious Congregation
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Ecclesial Movement/Association
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Area of pastoral ministry
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Other descriptor(s)
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Directions to Sheraton Hotel from Dublin:

When the M6 motorway becomes N6 dual carriage way, take Junction Number 10 for Athlone Town Centre (third junction from Dublin direction). Turn left at top of slip road and follow signs to Sheraton and Athlone Town Centre. Proceed under railway bridge and turn right at traffic lights. Follow signs to Athlone Town Centre Car Park to left.

Directions to Sheraton Hotel from Galway:

Follow the N6 to Athlone/ Dublin. Take Junction number 10 off the dual carriage way. Turn right at top of slip road and cross the bridge. Take the second exit off the roundabout. Proceed under the railway bridge and turn right at the traffic lights. Follow signs to Athlone Town Centre Car Park to the left.

Distances:

- Dublin - Athlone: M4 = 130 Km (81 Miles)
- Galway - Athlone: N6 = 95 Km (59 Miles)
- Cork - Athlone: N62 = 222 Km (138 Miles)
- Sligo - Athlone: N61 = 110 Km (68 Miles)
- Belfast - Athlone: N55 = 228 Km (142 Miles)

*Accommodation is available at the Sheraton Hotel.
Address: Gleeson Street, Athlone, Co. Westmeath
Tel: +353 (0) 906451000
E-mail: reservations@sheratonathlonehotel.com*

Cost: €140 per person for the 3 days
€50 per person for the Saturday only

Cost includes breaks and lunches on all three days
Accommodation is not included

National Pastoral Conference

13th—15th September 2012
The Sheraton Hotel, Athlone

*Communion and
Co-Responsibility
in the Church*

**A three-day conference
in support of the work of
renewal and reform**



The Conference is organised by the **Council for Pastoral Renewal and Adult Faith Development** (Chair: Bishop Séamus Freeman) in dialogue with the **Council for Justice and Peace** (Chair: Bishop Ray Field).

The **aims** of this three-day event are:

- to further the work of renewal and reform in the Catholic Church in Ireland at this time
- to enhance the capacity of participants to work for renewal and reform in their own contexts
- to mark the 50th anniversary of the opening of Vatican II and look ahead to the *Year of Faith*

Keynote theological reflections will be offered by **Richard Gaillardetz**, Joseph McCarthy Professor of Catholic Systematic Theology at Boston College. Richard is a widely published author and an internationally acclaimed speaker at theological and pastoral conferences. He is married to Diana and they have four sons.

The process will be facilitated by **Sr. Colette Stevenson and team**. Colette, a Presentation Sister, is a Marriage and Family Therapist who works in Child Safeguarding for the Church. Colette has been on staff of many Tavistock-type conferences and teaches Group Process in All Hallows College.

OUTLINE PROGRAMME

Thursday 13th September

- 11.00 Registration
- 12.00 Welcome, Introductions, Prayer
Voices from the context
- 13.00 *Lunch*
- 14.00 Sharing experiences from dioceses, groups and Eucharistic Congress. Plenary
- 16.00 Gaillardetz: Vatican II as a conciliar way of being Church
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Presentation, themed break-out groups, dialogue
- 18:00

Friday 14th September

- 10:00 Prayer. Overnight reflections

Gaillardetz: Communion and Co-Responsibility in the Church in light of Vatican II

Presentation, themed break-out groups, dialogue
- 13:00 *Lunch*
- 14:00 Structured dialogue

Focus question to be agreed
- 17:00 Eucharist and Reception

Saturday 15th September

- 10.00 Registration of newcomers
- 11:00 Welcome, Introductions, Prayer

Gaillardetz: Discipleship and Mission

Presentation, themed break-out groups, dialogue
- 13:00 *Lunch*
- 14:00 Gaillardetz: Structured Ministry in Service of Mission

Presentation, themed break-out groups, dialogue
- 16:00 Plenary: seeking wise ways forward; Ritual
- 17:00 Close of Conference

In addition to the main conference process there will be opportunities for evening workshops/ conversations (Thursday and Friday) in relation to key areas of ministry. These include faith development (Share the Good News), the work of justice and peace, youth and young adult ministry, marriage and family ministry, and pastoral development (Grouping Parishes and Living Communion)

Further information will be available at registration

BOOKING FORM

Pre-booking and payment are required for this event

Name : _____

Address : _____

Telephone: _____ Fax : _____

E-mail : _____

I enclose payment: _____

Cheques payable to **Finance and General Purposes**.

3 days (€140.00)

Saturday only (€50.00)

Dietary or other needs: _____

Return completed booking forms, with fee, to:

Julieann Moran,
Conference Administrator,
Pastoral Renewal and Adult Faith Development,
Columba Centre,
Maynooth,
Co. Kildare.

Further Information from 01 5053025

Email: pastoralrenewal@iecon.ie

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