2018 CRITICAL LIFE ISSUES CONFERENCE
REGISTRATION FORM

Preferred method – online registration
To register online, visit: diometuchen.org/critical-life

Please check one:

☐ General Admission
☐ Student*
☐ Priest/Deacon/Religious
☐ Parish Pro-Life Representative
☐ Healthcare Professional
☐ Educator
☐ Other

Total payment enclosed: _________
Make checks payable to the Diocese of Metuchen

Please list the name and address of each participant separately.

Name: ________________________________________
Address: ______________________________________
Phone: ________________________________________
Email: _________________________________________
Parish/Affiliation: _______________________________________

Please indicate if you have any special needs.
Explain: ________________________________________

REGISTRATIONS SHOULD BE RECEIVED
BY OCTOBER 12, 2018
Space is limited.

Send to:
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P.O. Box 191
Metuchen, NJ 08840-0191

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GOALS OF THE CONFERENCE:

- To discuss the message of Pope Paul VI’s famous encyclical, Humanae Vitae, which is rooted in the way men and women are made by God, who is love—a message of humanity, totality, faithfulness, and fecundity

- To equip participants with practical tools to explain the teaching and context of Humanae Vitae whenever they are “asked about the hope that is in you” (1 Peter 3:16)

- To explore whether or not the teaching in Humane Vitae is relevant today in a culture with changing opinions

- To inspire a desire to become “Missionary Disciples” for Christ and for Life

- To build an understanding that reaching out to those who are vulnerable, including the unborn, the terminally ill, the frail elderly and those living with disabilities is necessary for a healthy society and helps to build a world where human life is always loved and respected

- To gather, to be nourished and to celebrate the gift of life in prayer and fellowship

THE MOST REVEREND JAMES F. CHECCHIO, JCL, MBA
Bishop of Metuchen, Celebrant and homilist
AGENDA

7:30 a.m.
Doors Open -
Registration/Exhibits

8:30 a.m.
Mass and Exposition of
the Blessed Sacrament

Coffee Break
Visit exhibits

10 a.m.
“Humanae Vitae at 50 Years –
Back to the Future”
Presenter: Patrick Coffin

11:20 a.m.
“The Beauty and Wisdom of God’s Design:
A Millennial’s Perspective”
Presenter: Cristina D’Averso-Collins

Visit exhibits

Noon
Lunch in the Dining Hall

12:50 p.m.
Screening: Unprotected the movie,
followed by panel discussion

Break

2:20 p.m.
“From Death to Life: A Conversion Story –
Becoming a Missionary Disciple for Life”
Presenter: Dr. John Bruchalski

3:20 p.m.
Benediction and closing

AMONG THE CONFERENCE SPEAKERS ARE:

Patrick Coffin

Patrick Coffin is the creator and host of
The Patrick Coffin Show, a podcast and
YouTube channel with regular viewers
in over 100 countries. For almost eight
years, he hosted the top-rated Catholic
Answers Live radio show. He is the author
of four books on faith and culture.

Coffin holds a double major bachelor’s degree in
philosophy and religious studies from Mount Saint
Vincent University in Halifax, a graduate diploma in the
philosophy of Catholic education from McGill University
in Montreal, and a master’s degree in theology (magna
cum laude) from Franciscan University of Steubenville.
A native of Halifax, Nova Scotia, Patrick now resides in
Orange County, CA with his wife and children.

Cristina D’Averso-Collins

Cristina serves as Director of Catho-
lic Campus Ministry at Monmouth Uni-
versity. She graduated from Villanova
University in 2011 and completed her
Masters in Marriage and Family Studies
from The John Paul II Institute for Studies
on Marriage and Family at the Catholic
University of America in 2013. She also
obtained a Masters in General Psychology from Divine
Mercy University in 2016. For her capstone research
project, she developed a Marriage Readiness Retreat
for college students, which she has organized for the
past 3 years through campus ministry. She is dedicated
to bringing the truth and beauty of God’s plan for the
human person to the younger generation. Cristina and
her husband, Brian, have been married for 2 years and
reside in New Jersey.

Dr. John Bruchalski

Dr. John Bruchalski calls himself an
example of Our Lady of Guadalupe’s
influence. In 1987, the year he graduated
from medical school at the University of
South Alabama, Bruchalski visited the
Basilica of Our Lady of Guadalupe near
Tepeyac Hill in Mexico City. Bruchalski
was then in a medical residency program
and about to enter an obstetrics-gynecology practice
where he would use what have become the tools of
the trade: contraceptives, sterilization, and abortion.
During the trip, Bruchalski had a powerful conversion
experience.

In 1994, he opened the Tepeyac Family Center in
Fairfax, Va., which specializes in problem pregnancies.
The clinic does not provide or refer patients to others
for abortion or artificial contraception, and turns no
women away for lack of money. The clinic, which has
on display images of Our Lady of Guadalupe, delivers
40 babies a month.

“UNPROTECTED” THE MOVIE

Over the past half century, the sexual revolution
has done untold damage to millions of people.
“Unprotected” is a documentary which traces the
cause of that misery back to its primary source, the
widespread use of contraception. Excerpts will be
shown.