



## Diocese of Springfield

Bishop Marshall Center

Clergy Day

November 27, 2018

### “End of Life Issues”

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| 10:00 – 10:15 a.m.      | Prayer, Welcome and Introductions  |
| 10:15 – 11:15 a.m.      | <b>Session I</b><br><i>The Merciful Heart of the Shepherd: Accompanying Those Who Suffer with Hope and Compassion</i><br>Presenter: Roland Millare, S.T.D. (St. John Paul II Foundation)   |
| 11:15 – 11:30 a.m.      | Break  |
| 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. | <b>Session II</b><br><i>End of Life Issues</i><br>Presenter: Rev. Tad Pacholczyk, Ph.D. (National Catholic Bioethics Center)   |
| 12:30 – 12:45 p.m.      | Cathi Farr – Benefit presentation  |
| 12:45 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.  | Lunch  |
| 1:30 p.m. – 2:15 pm.    | <b>Session III</b><br><i>The Compassionate Heart of the Shepherd: the Sacramental and Pastoral Care for the Sick, the Suffering, and their Families</i><br>Presenters: Diane McCarthy (Archdiocese of Boston) and Rev. Tad Pacholczyk, Ph. D.<br>Moderated by Roland Millare, S.T.D. |

### **VIDEOS**

- [Video of Presentation](#) (Two Part Video – Roland Millare’s talk, and the Panel Discussion of Session III)
- [Additional Video Link](#) (the longer version of the personal narrative the Roland Millare shared)

## Presenters

**Roland Millare, S.T.D.** serves as the Director of Shepherd's Heart Program. Additionally, he serves as the Chair of the Theology Department at St. John XXIII College Preparatory (Katy, TX). He has been teaching at the school since it opened in 2004. He received a BA in Theology from Franciscan University in Steubenville, Ohio. He has a MA in Theological Studies from the Notre Dame Graduate School of Christendom College (Alexandria, VA) and a Licentiate (STL) and Doctorate in Sacred Theology (STD) in Dogmatic Theology (with a specialization in Sacramental Theology) at the Liturgical Institute of the University of St. Mary of the Lake (Mundelein, IL). Dr. Millare also serves as an adjunct professor of theology for permanent deacon candidates at St. Mary's Seminary. He has published various theological articles and book reviews for the *Adoremus Bulletin*, *Logos*, *Antiphon*, *New Blackfriars*, and the *Heythrop Journal*. Roland enjoys the gift of life and love with his beautiful wife Veronica and their two daughters, Gabriella and Karolina, in Sugar Land.

**Rev. Tadeusz Pacholczyk, Ph.D.** is a priest of the diocese of Fall River, Massachusetts. As an undergraduate he earned degrees in philosophy, biochemistry, molecular cell biology, and chemistry, and did laboratory research on hormonal regulation of the immune response. He later earned a Ph.D. in Neuroscience from Yale University, where he focused on cloning genes for neurotransmitter transporters which are expressed in the brain. He worked for several years as a molecular biologist at Massachusetts General Hospital/Harvard Medical School. Fr. Tad studied for 5 years in Rome where he did advanced work in dogmatic theology and in bioethics, examining the question of delayed ensoulment of the human embryo. He has testified before members of the Massachusetts, Wisconsin, Virginia and Oregon State Legislatures during deliberations over stem cell research and cloning. He has given presentations and participated in roundtables on contemporary bioethics throughout the U.S., Canada, and Europe. He has done numerous media commentaries, including appearances on CNN International, ABC World News Tonight, NBC Nightly News and National Public Radio. He is Director of Education for The National Catholic Bioethics Center in Philadelphia and directs the Center's National Catholic Certification Program in Health Care Ethics. Father Tad writes a monthly column on timely life issues. From stem cell research to organ donation, abortion to euthanasia, he offers a clear and compelling analysis of modern bioethical questions, addressing issues we may confront at one time or another in our daily living. His column is entitled, "Making Sense Out of Bioethics" and is nationally syndicated in the U.S. to numerous diocesan newspapers, and also carried by newspapers in England, Poland and Australia.

**Diane McCarthy** is the Parish Education Coordinator for the Archdiocese of Boston Initiative for Palliative Care and Advance Care Planning. Diane travels to parishes throughout the Archdiocese and gives presentations to faith communities about what palliative care and advance care planning are and how Catholic Church teaching supports both. Diane is also a board-certified chaplain with the National Association of Catholic Chaplains. Prior to her work in the Archdiocese, Diane served as a chaplain in Catholic long-term care for five years where she counseled many patients and families on their serious illness and end-of-life journeys.