

The 43<sup>rd</sup> annual Southwest Liturgical Conference Study Week was a huge success!! Invited to “Come to the Feast / Ven al Banquete” as “Disciples Called, Fed and Sent Forth,” a record-setting 2,340 people were in attendance, including over 800 Catholic school teachers from the Diocese of Dallas. 40 committee members and 120 volunteers were on hand to make sure that the study week ran smoothly.

242 scholarships from the Diocese of Dallas were provided by various sources to ministers in the diocese, including lay ministers, religious, deacons and priests. 70 scholarships from SWLC were provided to ministers from around Region X. 12 bishops from around the region enjoyed the local hospitality and 55 speakers were involved with the 96 total opportunities for liturgical growth, which included numerous workshops as well as resource presentations and music showcases.

Francis Cardinal Arinze, Prefect of the Vatican’s Congregation for Divine Worship, was the keynote speaker and spoke on “The Holy Eucharist in Our Christian Vocation and Mission” as well as about “Baptism, A Call to Discipleship.” The cardinal commented that he was very pleased to see the American Church in action. He noted that people from a total of 40 dioceses had gathered to study their faith. He reminded the large crowd that implementing the rubrics in the General Instruction of the Roman Missal was one way to celebrate the current Year of the Eucharist, and that a new emphasis on reverence toward the Blessed Sacrament must be made.

Feedback received has been very positive, including comments of enjoying:

“a sense of inclusion of all aspects of the liturgical spectrum”

“being challenged to rethink some things”

“the ease of getting to exhibit area and workshop area”

“incredible hospitality and outstanding major speakers”

“being able to go home on Friday for weekend parish ministry”

“outstanding hospitality, great topics, excellent facilities and great speakers”

“that Cardinal Arinze experienced an active, diverse, alive Church in study and Eucharist”

“extra special thank you to the Dallas Police Department – I had to have my battery jumped!”

We thank everyone for their contributions and support and look forward to seeing many familiar faces next year in Austin at the Doubletree Hotel.

Following are some photos from the 2005 study week courtesy of the Diocese of Dallas Liturgy Office. We hope you enjoy them!



Welcome to SWLC 2005!



“...the liturgy... is the fount from which all the Church’s power flows...”



Msgr. James Moroney (Executive Director, USCCB Secretariat for the Liturgy),  
Bishop Charles V. Grahmann (Diocese of Dallas), Francis Cardinal Arinze,  
Steve Landregan (Archives and Santa Fe Bookstore, Diocese of Dallas),  
Barbara Landregan (Catholic Conference and Formation Center, Diocese of Dallas)



Conference attendees coming out of a major session and walking through the exhibitor area



Friday morning session with Dr. Megan McKenna



Francis Cardinal Arinze celebrating the Eucharist  
at the Cathedral Santuario de Guadalupe, Dallas