

Treating the Post-Abortive Client: for Mental Health Professionals, Priests, Deacons, & HealthCare Professionals



April 19, 2010, 8:30am–4:00pm

Keynote Presentations:

Overview of Post-Abortion Syndrome: The Implications for Treatment

Julia Schuerger, LCSW, a Licensed Clinical Social Worker from Long Island; 25 years experience in post-abortion syndrome, trauma, and bereavement; Board-Certified Expert in Traumatic Stress and member of CatholicTherapists.com; counsels individuals, couples, and groups in her Rockville Centre private practice.

Men and Abortion

Kevin Burke, MSS/LSW, a licensed social worker in Pennsylvania; Co-Founder of Rachel's Vineyard Ministries; Pastoral Associate of Priests For Life. Master's at The Bryn Mawr Graduate School of Social Work; presents on the effects of abortion on Men/Couples/Families; co-authored several books and articles on post-abortion healing and ministry.

Workshops & Presenters Include:

The Impact of Abortion on Relationships (marriage, children, etc.)

Allison Ricciardi, LMHC, a Licensed Mental Health Counselor; in private practice for 20 years, specializing in emotional disorders and marriage counseling; Founder & President of CatholicTherapists.com, a website integrating psychology and the Catholic faith, offering relevant clinical literature and referrals to Catholic therapists.

Post-Abortion & Sexual Abuse: The Correlation

Julie Woodley, LMHC, a MA in Counseling and a certificate in Theological Studies; Licensed Mental Health Counselor on Long Island and a Certified Trauma Counselor; Founder of Restoring the Heart Ministries.

Clergy workshop: Practical Approaches / Post-Abortion Healing and the Sacraments

Rev. Mariusz Koch, CFR, and Theresa Bonopartis.

Fr. Koch, ordained in 1969; has a Master's in Divinity and an M.A. in Spiritual Theology; a Franciscan Friar of the Renewal for 10 years; worked extensively in post-abortion ministry with men and women in the Entering Canaan Ministry. **Theresa Bonopartis**, Director of Lumina, a post-abortion ministry under the arm of Good Counsel Homes. Involved in post-abortion work for over 20 years; has widely published and spoken on the impact of abortion on men and women.



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For more information, call
Christina Schuerger, LCSW
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www.flrl.org to register

Fees for training
Professionals: \$79
Deacons: \$49
Priests: Free

(light breakfast and
lunch included)

TREATING THE POST-ABORTIVE CLIENT

Registration Form

Date and time:

Monday, April 19, 2010
8:30 am - 4:00 pm

Location:

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Keynote Presentations

Morning Session:

Overview of
Post-Abortion Syndrome

Afternoon Session:

Men and Abortion

Conference Workshops

- #1 **The Impact of Abortion on Relationships (children, marriage, etc.)**
Allison Ricciardi, LMHC (offered in the morning *and* afternoon sessions)
- #2 **Unresolved Grief: The Struggle and Right to Mourn**
TBA (morning session *only*)
- #3 **Post-Abortion and Sexual Abuse: The Correlation**
Julie Woodley, LMHC (offered in the morning *and* afternoon sessions)
- #4 **Workshop for Clergy: Practical Approaches to Post-Abortion Healing and the Sacraments (Priests and Deacons only)**
Fr. Mariusz Koch and Theresa Bonopartis (afternoon session *only*)

SCHEDULE

8:30-9:00 Registration
9:15-10:15 Keynote:
Overview of Post-Abortion Syndrome
Julia Schuerger, LCSW
10:15-10:40 witness
10:50-11:50 morning workshop
12:00pm lunch
1:15-2:00 Keynote:
Men and Abortion
Kevin Burke, MSS/LSW
2:00-2:30 witness
2:40-3:40 afternoon workshop

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone #: _____ Email: _____

Professional Discipline: _____

Indicate (by number) your preferred workshops: *morning* _____ *afternoon* _____

Please mail registration form & fee to:

Family Life/Respect Life Office
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