



# Catholic Professionals of Illinois

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## COMING EVENTS

### MONTHLY GATHERINGS

Saturday, April 29th | 7:00pm  
*“Why America Needs to Discover  
John Adams’ Wisdom”*  
with Fr. Thomas Koys  
St. James at Sag Bridge

Saturday, May 6th | 7:00pm  
*“Spiritual Procrastination”*  
with Dn. Joseph R. Ferrari  
St. Isaac Jogues Catholic Church  
306 W. 4th St, Hinsdale, IL

**“Spiritual Procrastination:  
The First Shall Be Last and the Last Shall Be First?”**  
with Dn. Joseph R. Ferrari  
**Saturday, May 6th at 7:00 PM**  
**St. Isaac Jogues**  
**306 W. 4th Street, Hinsdale, IL**

Everyone procrastinates, but not everyone is a procrastinator.

Dn. Joe is considered the international research expert on Chronic Procrastination – a global avoidance tendency women and men engage that is not about poor time management. He has published over 60 research articles on procrastination and 3 scholarly books, plus an international consumer book titled *“Still Procrastinating? The No Regrets Guide to Getting It Done.”* Come learn in this interactive presentation about the causes, consequences, and some “cures” for our procrastination, and how as Christians we are called to be active servers for the needs of others.



Copies of Dn Joe’s *“Still Procrastinating?”* book will be available for only \$10 [cash or check], and he will personally autograph your copies.

Dn. Joseph R. Ferrari, Ph.D., is Professor of Psychology and “St. Vincent dePaul Professor” at DePaul University, Chicago, IL. In 2013 he was ordained Permanent Deacon for the Diocese of Joliet, IL, and serves the people of St. Margaret Mary, Naperville, IL.

Born and raised in Brooklyn, NY, Rev. Dr. Ferrari received his BA in Psychology (*magna cum laude*) from St. Francis College, Brooklyn, NY, in 1978; his MS in Experimental Psychology from SUNY, College at Cortland, in 1981; his MA in General Psychology and PhD in Experimental (Social/Personality) Psychology from Adelphi University, Garden City, NY, in

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*“Let Christians follow the example of Christ who worked as a craftsman; let them be proud of the opportunity to carry out their earthly activity in such a way as to integrate human, domestic, professional, scientific and technical enterprises with religious values, under whose supreme direction all things are ordered to the glory of God.” - Second Vatican Council*

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1985 and 1989, respective. After teaching at several private and public two and four-year colleges and universities in New York State [including CUNY/Baruch College and Mohawk Valley Community College], Joe joined the faculty of DePaul University in 1994. DePaul is the 7th largest private university and largest Catholic university in the country, educating over 23,000 students.

Joe is a Fellow of the *American Psychological Association (APA)*, *Association for Psychological Society (APS)*, *Society for Community Research & Action (SCRA – Div 27, APA)*, *Eastern Psychological Association (EPA)*, and *Midwestern Psychological Association (MPA)*, and elected into membership to the *Society for Experimental Social Psychology (SESP)*. He was Co-Principal Investigator until 2006 for two NIH grants (NIAAA & NIDA) totaling over \$4.2 million examining an international communal-living recovery called Oxford House.

Since 1995, Joe is Editor-in-Chief of the *Journal of Prevention & Intervention in the Community* (Taylor & Francis, Publisher).

At DePaul, he founded the PhD Program in Community Psychology and director for its first 4 years; He was founder and Director of their MS in General Psychology program for 15 years.

DePaul University awarded him the 2001 '*Spirit of Inquiry*' research award for outstanding and creative scholarship: he has over 385 scholarly publications, 7 books, and 700 conference presentations. In fact, his international research efforts on chronic procrastination were featured as cover story in a December, 2006, issue of *The Chronicle of Higher Education*, and 2009 "*Good Morning America*". In November, 2006, Joe received an 'Outstanding Research Contribution Award' from the NYC Chapter of the Society of Study of Social Issues, and an alumnus award at St. Francis College, Brooklyn, NY. Also, in 2009, DePaul selected him as the sole recipient of the "*Excellence in Public Service*" award.

Dn. Joe lives in Lisle, IL, west of Chicago, with his wife Sharon [a graduate of SUNY Cortland with a BA in Elementary Ed and MS in Reading; Nationally Board Certified since 2004]. They have three children, Catherine [29], Christina [27] and Jonathan [24].

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