

Spires Steward Spotlight



Lyle Theisen has served on the Faith Formation Commission since 2015 for our Cluster. As a member of the Commission, he meets regularly to evaluate, implement and improve the opportunities the Cluster is providing for faith development. Former Director of Faith Formation Kristine Strever asked Lyle to be a representative on the commission for the faith formation families. At the time he was asked, Lyle recalls, "I was shocked... I'm just Lyle Theisen... what do I have to offer? But I wanted to be more involved, and this was an open invitation."

Since accepting this invitation to share his time, ideas, and wisdom with the group, Lyle has become the Theology on Tap coordinator. On the evening of the third Thursday of each month, you can find him at Brew & Brew, setting up for the night's presenter.

"Every person that shares their story at Theology on Tap has something we can all connect with. I just want to help gather people together in a relaxed atmosphere where they are able to hear and share how the Holy Spirit has helped them. Community is so important— even though we feel alone sometimes, its nights like these that we remind us that we are not."

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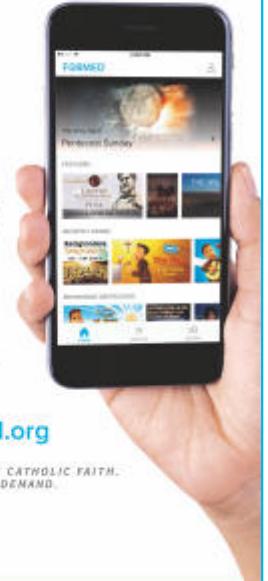
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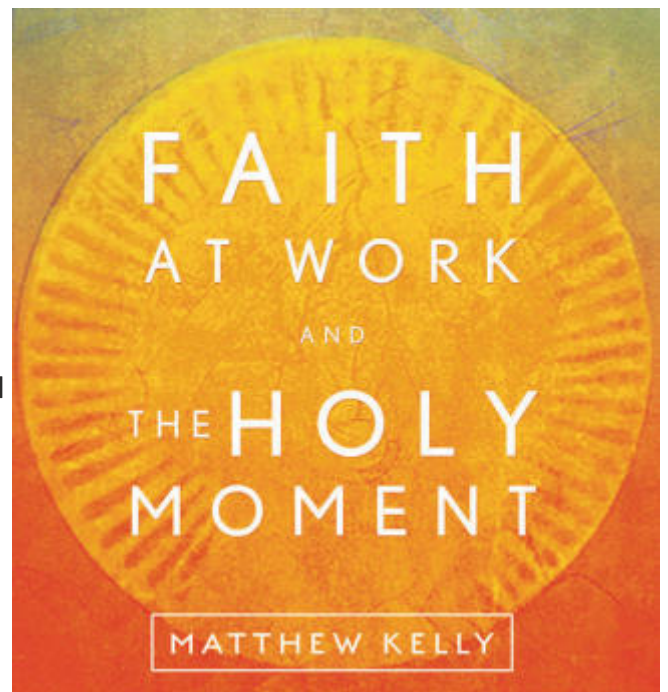
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Parish Champion Resource Review

Is it possible for a business to be profitable as well as ethical? Matthew Kelly addresses this question and living a holy life in "Faith at Work and The Holy Moment". As the keynote address to the Catholic Business and Ethics Conference, he emphasises how successful businesses require both a talented workforce and a healthy environment. Health is a multiplier of talent. Most employees strive to contribute at a level at or above their talents and abilities given a healthy environment to work within. But to be truly healthy, the workplace must be an ethical environment based on values rooted in universal truth. Many people today believe that it is not possible for business to be run ethically.

The biggest lie we believe as Christians is that holiness is not possible for us. But the path to holiness can be started with creating a holy moment. Not a day, an hour or even 15 minutes. A holy moment happens when 1) you are being the person God created you to be and 2) you are doing what you feel God is calling you to do at that moment. A holy moment is replicable and reproducible. While our culture emphasises instant gratification, delaying gratification liberates us from self-interest and leads to generosity. St. Ignatius of Loyola required more than a decade of training before his followers were sent out into the world. Constantly striving for holy moments as individuals and within our families, businesses and the Church, will result in greater levels of patience and generosity, empowering us to accomplish great things.



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