



NCEA /NPCD Conventions Coming to Indy

What an opportunity we have as Catholic educators in our schools and faith formation programs. March 25-27, 2008 marks the first time that the National Catholic Educational Association Convention will be in Indianapolis. People from our fifty states, territories, and Canada will gather together to celebrate liturgies, listen to powerful speakers, and share ideas with other educators. Three days of sessions will provide opportunities for all participants to find a session that fits their needs and their ministry.

In preparation for an expected 800-10,000 people attending this event, Mickey Lentz, Director of Catholic Schools for the Archdiocese has designated Kathy Mears and Ginny Suttner as the co-chairs of the management team. Sixteen different committees have met since last spring and will continue to meet until the actual convention days. These teams are comprised of principals, DRE's, Youth Ministers, teachers, and priests who each has a designated task to make sure everything goes off without too many glitches. Opportunities to visit St. Mary-of-the-Woods, the Speedway, and museums are in the works. Approximately 1,500 volunteers will direct conventioners.

We want everyone who attends these three days during Easter Week to come away with a new attitude, energy, and desire to go back to their home parishes revitalized and ready to share the Good News they have experienced at NCEA Indy.