



About the Catholic Charismatic Center

The Catholic Charismatic Center is dedicated to bringing all people to the full life of Jesus Christ and his church through the empowering of the Holy Spirit.

The Catholic Charismatic Center was founded by Bishop John Morkovsky in 1972. Fr. Richard Paulissen, M.M., was appointed as director. He continues to act as Director Emeritus. The present facility which was completed in May of 1996, was designed as an oratory where large numbers can attend mass and participate in numerous pastoral ministries, as well as a meeting place and a spirituality center for all Catholic groups in the Diocese. The main sanctuary can comfortably seat 3000 people and the Chapel holds 400. The Center was designed to have a media outreach ministry and provides numerous conference rooms for multi-concurrent meetings. We believe the Center enhances the ability of the Diocese to minister to the Catholic Faithful. We are blessed to have the Companions of the Cross as full-time priests for our Center. They assumed responsibility of the Center in September 1998

Charismatic movements exist in other denominations and their purpose is to serve and renew their own churches in the same way. We are Roman Catholic and adhere strictly to all doctrines and regulations of the Catholic Church.

A Charismatic Mass" is no different from any Catholic Church; however, you will notice a more joyful atmosphere and rather lively music. At times people may raise their hands in prayer and you may witness the use of some of the gifts of the Spirit. Each person attending a Charismatic Mass realizes that God is his Father and, therefore, see each other as brothers and sisters. The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass becomes a joyful gathering of God's family. We encourage each person attending to feel free to be themselves. There is no requirement to raise your hands or pray in any way that is uncomfortable. We are happy to have you here and wish you to enjoy your visit and return often.

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