

**RBTE 2008**

Retailers of liturgical products are meeting in suburban Chicago at the Religious Booksellers Trade Expo, May 27-30. See the May 19 issue of *Christian Retailing* for what to expect at this year's show.



To prepare for attending the show, print out this show schedule and exhibitor listing.

**TUESDAY, MAY 27 (DEALER DAY)**

10 a.m.-10 p.m. Exposition center exhibitor set-up

10 a.m.-12 p.m. Dealer seminar: "The Best and the Brightest," a look at displays and in-store marketing ideas

12-1:30 p.m. Dealer luncheon and talk: "Much Madness Is Divinest Sense: Wisdom in Memories of Soul-Suffering" with Kathleen Greider, author, Methodist minister and professor

1:30 p.m.-4 p.m. Dealer seminar: "The Future of Religious Trade" panel discussion

4:15 p.m. Catholic Mass

5-6 p.m. Welcome and orientation meetings  
Episcopal Booksellers Association (members and non-members invited)

Association of Catholic Booksellers (members and non-members invited)

6-6:30 p.m. Dealer reception

6:30-7:30 p.m. Dealer barbeque dinner

7:45-9:15 p.m. Music concert: Mark Forrest, Tony Alonzo, Paul Melley, Matt Baute and Dana

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 28**

7 a.m. Catholic Mass

7:30 a.m. Episcopal Booksellers Association breakfast (members and non-members)

7:30 a.m. Association of Catholic Booksellers breakfast (members and non-members)

9 a.m.-12 p.m. Exposition center exhibits open

12 p.m. Luncheon and talk: "Telling the Story of God's Infinite Mercy" with Patrick Hannon, priest and 2006 Catholic Press Association Book Awards winner, sponsored by ACTA Publications

1-5:30 p.m. Exposition center exhibits open

5:30-6:30 p.m. Autographing session with authors and artists signing complimentary copies of their latest works

7:30 p.m. Association of Catholic Booksellers dinner and talk: "Ignatian Wisdom for Christian Spiritual Life" with Timothy Gallagher, priest and spiritual retreat leader, sponsored by Crossroad Publishing Co.

7:30 p.m. Episcopal Booksellers Association dinner and talk: "Charting the Course of the Anglican Communion" with author and Bishop Gene Robinson, sponsored by Church Publishing

**THURSDAY, MAY 29**

7:30-9:30 a.m. Episcopal Booksellers Association meeting and breakfast

8-9:30 a.m. Breakfast and presentation: "How the CBPA 'Spirit of Books' Catalog Can Create More Sales for Your Store! What Are the Challenges? Where Are the Opportunities?" with advertising executive Charles Roth

9:30 a.m.-12 p.m. Exposition center exhibits open

12 p.m. Luncheon and talk: "Becoming a Thistle Farmer" with the Rev. Becca Stevens, Abingdon Press author, Episcopal priest and founder of Magdalene, a residential community for women with a history of prostitution and drug abuse

1-5:30 p.m. Exposition center exhibits open

6 p.m. Catholic Mass

6 p.m. Episcopal Eucharist

7:15 p.m. Atrium reception

7:45 p.m. Banquet and talk: "Sacred Thresholds: The Great Lessons of the Journey" with Paula D'Arcy, former therapist and author; sponsored by The Crossroad Publishing Co. (\$50 per person)

**FRIDAY, MAY 30**

7 a.m. Catholic Mass

8 a.m. Dealer vendor meeting

8 a.m.-12 p.m. Exposition center exhibits open

12 p.m. Luncheon and talk: "Lessons From an Outspoken Contemplative: The Big Way of Mother Angelica" with Raymond Arroyo, author and news director and lead anchor of ETW News, sponsored by Doubleday/Random House

1-3 p.m. Exposition center exhibits open

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