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**Training for Bereavement Group Facilitators  
and those working with the bereaved**

**Facilitator Training and Educational Programs,**

**Upcoming Bereavement Facilitator Training-**To register for any of the workshop or training sessions please check our website-[www.drvc-faith.org](http://www.drvc-faith.org) or call 516 678-5800 Ext 236

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**An Afternoon of Prayer & Enrichment for all those who work in Ministry of  
Consolation and Bereavement Ministry**

**Holy Sepulchre Cemetery**3442 Route 112Coram, NY 11727

**Tuesday, May 7, 2013**1:30 P.M. to 3:30 P.M.

or

**Cemetery of the Holy Rood**111 Old Country Road, Westbury, NY 11590

**Thursday, May 16 2013**1:30 P.M. to 3:30 P.M.

**Presenters**

**Sr. Mary Alice Piil, CSJ**Director of Faith Formation

**Peter Ryan**Acting Director of Catholic Cemeteries

**Christopher Ferraro**Pastoral Associate Christ the King Parish

**Please click on the following link for more information or to register**

[http://www.drvc-faith.org/ai1ec\\_event/an-afternoon-of-prayer-enrichment-for-all-involved-in-ministry-of-consolation-bereavement-ministry-2/?instance\\_id=](http://www.drvc-faith.org/ai1ec_event/an-afternoon-of-prayer-enrichment-for-all-involved-in-ministry-of-consolation-bereavement-ministry-2/?instance_id=)

**Ministry of Consolation Facilitator Training Part 1-**

Dates-Tuesdays-April 9, 16, 23, 2013

Time-9:45 a.m.-11:45 a.m.

Location-St. Elizabeth's Parish Melville

Cost-\$30

To register please go to [www.drvc-faith.org](http://www.drvc-faith.org) or call 516 678-5800 Ext 204

**Diocesan Bereavement Regional Conference Days-April 19-20, 2013**

**The Journey of a Compassionate Heart**

*How to live with loss, guilt, emptiness through self-compassion and compassion for others*

**Opening Presentation -Allen Siegel, SFO, MA, RN**

Below is the specific information about the location and times of the upcoming regional conferences. The days will begin run from 8:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

**Friday:-April 19- St. Joseph's Parish, Babylon**

Designed primarily for parish bereavement facilitators, professionals and caregivers. Workshops will focus on ways reach out as a compassionate sojourner on the bereavement journey.

**Saturday-April 20- St. Frances de Chantal Parish, Wantagh**

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Designed for those who have experienced the loss of a loved one through death. Workshops will focus on the desire to learn about resources and tools to seek healing through self compassion.

Opening Presentation will be given by

**Allen Siegel, M.A., SFO, RN**

Allen Seigel is a Catholic/Interfaith Chaplain at South Nassau Communities Hospital in Oceanside.

*This presentation will explore how to live with the loss, guilt, emptiness that defines the post loss experience through the lens of compassion to self and compassion of others. The presentation is designed to be pastoral, practical and insightful.*

**Workshop #1: Grief through the Eyes of an Adolescent**

**Michelle Graff LMSW & Elizabeth Olsen CCLS**

Good Shepherd Hospice, Catholic Health Services, Diocese of Rockville Centre

*Adolescents are touched by grief differently than adults. This workshop is designed to provide information, resources and understanding into an adolescent's experience of the grief process. This workshop is ideal for parents, teachers, youth ministers and anyone who has a connection to middle and high school students.*

**Workshop #2:**

***Re-creating My World - Steps Towards Healing a Broken Heart***

**Margaret Peterson, RN, M.S.**

Mental Health Counselor, Bereavement Support Group Leader, Bereavement Facilitator Instructor

*Facilitators of the bereaved will explore what is necessary to begin and continue the process of healing after the death of a loved one. Learn the "how to" for the process to happen through an understanding of the tasks of grieving.*

**Workshop #3:**

***Songs for the Heart***

**Suzanne Richards, M.A.**

Religious Education Director of Faith Formation, Christ the King Parish

*This workshop will use secular contemporary songs to express our emotions of grief, longing, sadness and hope as prayer as part of the grief process. Facilitators will gain an understanding of the power of music in the healing process as well as resources that can be used in bereavement groups. Those suffering from loss will be able to explore another way to cope with their grief.*

**Workshop #4:**

***What to Do After Everyone Goes Home - Making Peace With the Loneliness/Emptiness That Comes With Grief***

**Marjorie Demshock, M.S.**

Licensed Mental Health Counselor, Bereavement Facilitator Instructor, Adjunct Professor LIU and SUNY

*Friday Session: This workshop will explore tools facilitators can use to help and support both the newly bereaved and those struggling with the loneliness and emptiness that many experience in the months following the death of a loved one.*

*Saturday Session: Participants will explore some of the ways to cope with the emptiness and loneliness that emerges in early grief and learn strategies they may use to build a new network of friendship and support.*

To Register or for more information please click on the following website—

[http://www.drvc-faith.org/ai1ec\\_event/bereavement-conference-2013-2/?instance\\_id=](http://www.drvc-faith.org/ai1ec_event/bereavement-conference-2013-2/?instance_id=)

**Bereavement Programs are available to be offered at parish sites.**

**For more information please call the Department of Family Ministry. 516 678-5800 Ext. 236**

If your parish or agency is offering a support group or program, please send your information to:

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