

## Speaker Reference Sheet

### 2011 Men's Conference



- **Damian Wargo, The Kings Men**

Damian Wargo is the Co-Founder & Director of Operations for [The Kings Men](http://www.thekingsmen.us), a dynamic and rapidly growing men's ministry founded in 2006. He is passionate about building up men in the mold of leader, protector, and provider. Damian lectures on masculine spirituality and virtue formation, and conducts workshops on how to engage in noble battles, especially anti-pornography activism. Damian is in charge of the development and implementation of this authentically masculine and tremendously successful experience for men. Prior to his fulltime work with The King's Men, Damian was a high school theology teacher, is originally from Altoona, PA, and has his Bachelor's Degree in Accounting, and his Master's Degree in Education, both from Duquesne University in Pittsburgh. He is 37 years old and lives in Philadelphia, PA  
Website: [www.thekingsmen.us](http://www.thekingsmen.us)  
Topic: Men and Pornography, Panel Discussion



- **Brian Caulfield, Fathers For Good/ Knights of Columbus**

Brian works on the Fathers for Good initiative, a new initiative for men and their families by the Knights of Columbus providing information, formation and encouragement for fathers in a culture that is often hostile to male virtues.  
Website: [www.fathersforgood.org](http://www.fathersforgood.org)  
Topic: "Fatherhood and the Culture of Life", Panel Discussion



- **Deacon Frank Bice**

On October 4, 1980, Frank Bice was playing safety for Siena College in a game against St. John Fisher in Rochester. During that defining football game

Frank's world came to a shattering halt. He suffered a compression fracture

of the fifth and sixth cervical vertebrae of his spine which left him a quadriplegic for life. His injury was so severe that he received last rites in the emergency room of Strong Memorial Hospital. Frank spent three months at Strong Memorial Hospital and then five additional months at the Rusk Institute in Manhattan.

Website: <http://web.mac.com/lizbice/BICE/Home.html>

Topic: "Smashing the Idols: Manhood and Holiness" with Det. Steven McDonald



- **Det. Steven McDonald**

Steven McDonald is a NYPD detective who was shot on July 12, 1986. The shooting left him quadriplegic. He is the most seriously injured New York City Police officer to survive his injuries. He has become a noted public speaker, notably on behalf of the NYPD, peace initiatives in Northern Ireland, and with the U.S. Navy (he was a hospital corpsman) and speaking with students about violence and forgiveness.

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- Joe Campo, Grassroots Films

Joseph Campo, SFO who is the Director of the St. Francis House. Joe, the father of two sons himself, is a Third Order Franciscan and is the producer at [Grassroots Films](http://www.grassrootsfilms.com), which includes Fishers of Men and The Human Experience, winner of over 30 film festival honors, including Best Documentary. He has for many years served as a drug and alcohol counselor, and now fulfills the role of "surrogate father" to these young men. He does all that is necessary; from overseeing homework, to supervising household chores, to personal counseling. His most important responsibility, however, is to create a loving and caring home environment to provide the stability that these young men have never known.

Website: [www.grassrootsfilms.com](http://www.grassrootsfilms.com)



- Father Charles Mangano, Pastor, Curé of Ars Church

Father Charles, in addition to ministering to the faithful through his musical albums and television specials, continues in his primary vocation as a parish priest. He is currently pastor of the Curé of Ars Church in Merrick, New York.

He has also taken an active role in fostering vocations to the priesthood and religious life by leading annual vocation pilgrimages. Father Charles along with Ron Federici, founded the Men of the Curé of Ars and remains actively involved in the group. Father Charles continues to pray that God will be glorified through his priesthood, which he has consecrated to Our Lady.

Website: [www.frcharleslaurie.com](http://www.frcharleslaurie.com)

Topic: "Sons of the Father"



- Steve Distant, Co Founder, LICMM

After discerning a call three years ago to serve in men's ministry, Steve and his co founders came together and began what is now the Long Island Catholic Men's Ministry (LICMM). Now in its third year, the ministry is growing to include a plan for inspiring men to start small groups in their own parishes.

Website: [www.catholicmensministry.net](http://www.catholicmensministry.net)

Topic: Panel Discussion



- Dr. Kevin Kulik, Knights of the King

His encounter with God through his meeting with Mother Teresa early in his career set the tone for the kind of spirituality he desired to pursue. While blessing his hands she requested that each person he layed his hands on would be seen by him as if they were Christ. This has been a great challenge to say the least!; As a result, shortly thereafter, he began his interest and involvement

with Men's Spirituality in the 80's, when he joined " Promise Keepers". This is an organization that grew incredibly quick among predominately evangelical Christians. Although Dr. Kulik has a great love and respect for Promise Keepers, His love for the Catholic Church called him to bring Men's Spirituality " Roman Style", to guys of his own faith. The Men's Spirituality movement within the Catholic Church has lagged behind our protestant brothers and it is his sentiment that "our time has come"

Website: [www.knightsoftheking.blogspot.com](http://www.knightsoftheking.blogspot.com)

Topic: Panel Discussion