



## St. Michael Parish Community

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To Whom it May Concern:

I had the pleasure of attending a Cursillo weekend with Joe McLane a few years ago in Hookset, NH. Although we did not stay in touch, I did follow him on line through various blogs and web sites that Joe is associated with. Last year I made a career change from the corporate world, to a position as the Parish Evangelist here at St. Michael's in Exeter, NH. As soon as I had made my decision, I got in touch with Joe, and he could not have been more supportive and encouraging to me

In my new position, I was assigned the task of putting together a Men's Conference for my parish, but to also invite the Diocese. My first thought for a speaker was Joe McLane. His experience with Conferences was invaluable to me as I planned and organized my day. Joe was always willing to answer questions and advise me on things he had seen done at other conferences.

When the 1<sup>st</sup> Annual NH Men's Conference arrived, Joe was one of the highlights of the day. His talk was well prepared, delivered with great passion and humility, as well as totally engaging for the crowd. Homerun! The day was exactly what I had hoped and prayed for, and I feel that I could not have done it without Joe. His talk was exactly what I had hoped for and more.

I would recommend Joe without reservation for any and all age groups. We had a range from High School students to men in their 80's at the Conference. All of them responded to Joe and his message very positively. After the conference, I have had extensive talks with our Youth Minister, Shawn Gregory, who was in attendance, and we both agreed that we need to get Joe back again to speak to our High School students. His message would be particularly important to the youth of the world as they battle the temptations that face them every day.

Please feel free to contact me at any time if I can provide further information about the event, or give you any more reasons as to why Joe would be a great speaker for your event.

Sincerely,

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