

# **St. John the Apostle**

**is joining together with the Eastern DuPage Deanery to Welcome**

**Deacon Keith Strohm as he presents**

## **Intentional Discipleship**

What if there was more to being Catholic than simply belonging to a religious organization? What if there was a way to find out who we really are and discover our life's purpose? The kerygma lies at the heart of all evangelization. The central message of the Christian faith is that all believers are called to proclaim.



Deacon Keith will be talking about five paradigm shifts that church leaders must make in order to transform their parishes:

- From an institutional faith to an intentional faith;
- From a culture of engagement to a culture of encounter;
- From a focus on maintenance to a focus on mission;
- From programs to people;
- From avoidance to accountability.

Once leadership has made these shifts, they need to connect strategy, people, and operations so that they create a culture of discipleship and mission. This newly created culture and its principles should influence, inform, and guide the actions and activities of the parish.

**Monday, October 15<sup>th</sup> 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.**

**Immaculate Conception Chapel – 130 Arthur Street in Elmhurst**

**A free will offering will take place at this event. Registration is required. Please go to [easterndupagedeanery.org](http://easterndupagedeanery.org) to sign up by filling out a very short form.**

A special invitation is extended to anyone involved in leadership including those involved in the parish council, finance committee, and all other committees and commissions within our parishes in the Eastern DuPage Deanery. All staff members are also encouraged to attend.