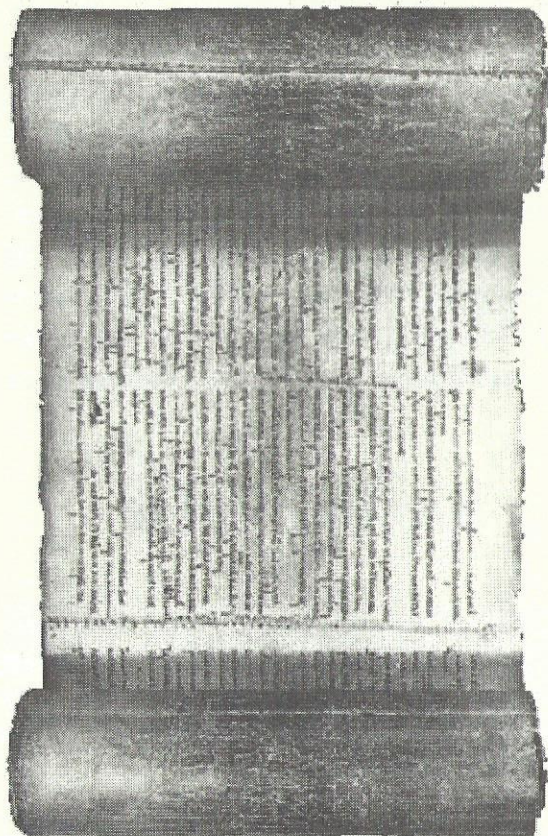


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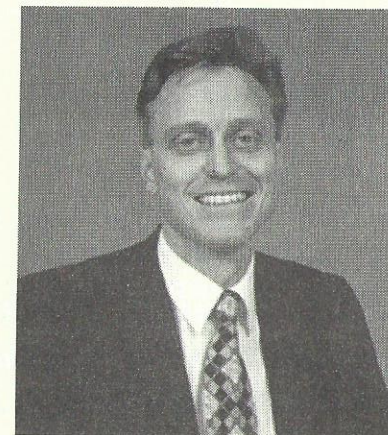
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Dr. Bergsma is a prolific writer with many books and CDs on Biblical topics available from *Catholic Productions*. Many of his productions are available at his vendor table during breaks.

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# schedule

# OBJECTIVES

## Friday August 22, 2014

- 8:00 Registration
- 8:45 Morning Prayer
- 9:00 Session 1: Setting the Stage for Preaching: A One Hour Tour of the Bible
- 10:15 Break
- 10:45 Session 2 Learning to Preach from Jesus: The Sermon On The Mount
- Noon Lunch on Your Own. Please try to sit at tables with those from other Dioceses
- 1:30 Session 3 A Closer Look at Jesus' Preaching: Part 1 - Matthew 5
- 2:45 Break
- 3:15 Session 4 A Closer Look at Jesus' Preaching: Part 2 - Matthew 6 and 7
- 4:30 End of Sessions. At Professor Bergsma's Descretion Q&A

## Saturday August 23, 2014

- 8:00 Registration
- 8:45 Morning Prayer
- 9:00 Session 1 The Dead Sea Scrolls and the Jewish Roots of the Catholic Faith
- 10:15 Break
- 10:45 Session 2 The Scrolls and Preaching Baptism
- Noon Lunch on Your Own. Please Try to Sit with those from other Dioceses
- 1:30 Session 3 The Scrolls and Preaching the Eucharist
- 2:45 Break
- 3:15 Session 4 The Scrolls and Preaching St. Paul
- 4:30 End of Sessions. At Professor Bergsma's Descretion Q&A

## Sunday August 24, 2014

- 8:45 Q&A
- 9:30 Break
- 10:00 Morning Services

The premise of this conference is that better preaching begins with a better understanding of scripture. First we will look at Jesus' own preaching recorded in Scripture, trying to understand His greatest sermon (The Sermon on the Mount, Matt 5-7) and take it as a model for our own preaching. Next we will use the Dead Sea Scrolls as a window to understand Jesus and the New Testament through Jewish eyes. Surprisingly, this will reaffirm central teachings of the Catholic faith and give us new material for preaching the faith to our congregations.

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