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▶ The Spirituality of Administration

Although we probably didn't anticipate it when we moved into diocesan and parish ministry, administration fills much of our days – emails and phone calls, scheduling and budgeting, planning and problem solving.

Administration is frequently critiqued both by those within the profession and without as work that takes good, fun-loving people and turns them into anxious curmudgeons, but it doesn't have to be that way. Speaking out of her own experience as administrator, Ann Garrido will look at practices of administration that can be potentially transformative, making us not only effective administrators but holier, healthier Christians. Participants will be invited to reassess their own daily administrative tasks and conflicts with an eye toward how they might serve not only the greater Reign of God, but their own personal spiritual journey.

Please read article before call to help guide conversation,
<http://americamagazine.org/issue/702/article/more-desk-job>.

Ann Garrido



Ann Garrido is associate professor of homiletics at Aquinas Institute of Theology in St. Louis, MO. In addition to teaching, over the past twelve years, she has served the school in a variety of administrative capacities including Director of the D.Min. in Preaching, Director of MAPS Catechesis of the Good Shepherd, Director of Field Education, Director of Distance Learning, and Director of the Aquinas Ministry Integration Project. Most recently, she oversaw a three year grant project designed to shift the practices of the institution around conflict management. Garrido is senior editor of *Human Development Magazine*. She is the author of *Mustard Seed Preaching* (LTP, 2004); *Supervising a Ministry Student* (2008); and the forthcoming text, *Redeeming Administration* (2013).

Time:

**1:00 p.m. Eastern
(12:00 Central -
11:00 Mountain -
10:00 Pacific)**

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