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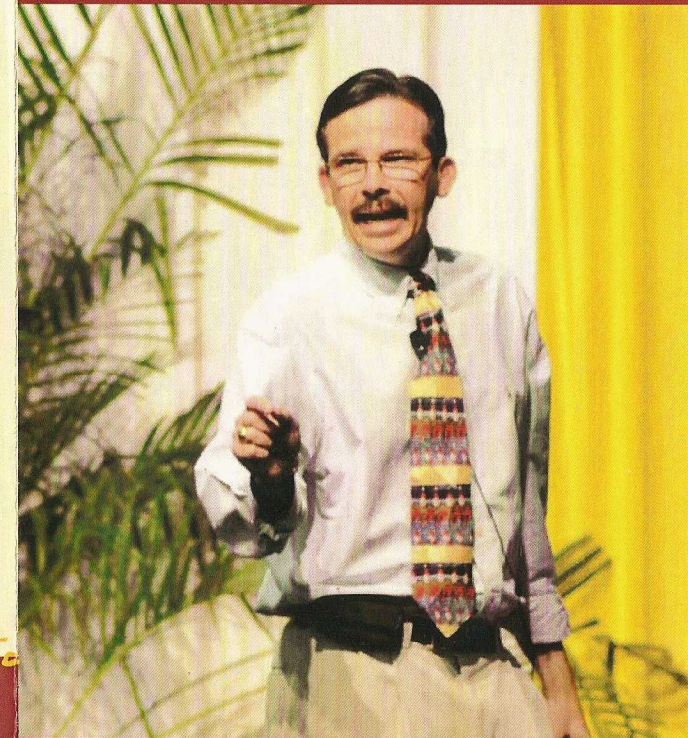
“When Mike comes to speak, you get motivator, coach, cheerleader, consultant, disciple, servant, listener and carrier of the Gospel message all in one.”

Charles Jumonville, Director,
Christian Formation Secretariat
Diocese of Baton Rouge, Louisiana



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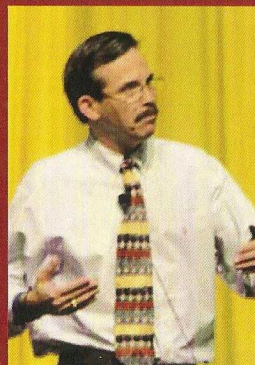
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“Mike Patin is the ultimate presenter.

Personally, Mike has the passion, the faith and the heart to share faith and to challenge it. Professionally, Mike has the skills and the expertise. With humor, sacred stories, life experience, and the ability to engage and hold an audience’s attention, Mike Patin delivers.”

Jesse Manibusan, Catholic Lay Evangelist and Music Minister



“Your talks were truly an inspiration to me and to everybody there. Thank you for allowing God to use you to speak his word of affirmation and challenge to us.”

Archbishop Gregory M. Aymond
Archdiocese of New Orleans, Louisiana

Some photos courtesy of ND Vision.

Philosophy of Ministry

My ministry is not just about skills or information (though there is some of that), but rather about reminding people of their best motives and their best selves. Faith, of course, is a big part of that. I really believe in the human spirit and the goodness of God. I focus my ministry around the values of affirmation, challenge and encouragement.



Services Offered

Animation is more than just speaking. Mike intentionally engages his listeners, evokes a response, and inspires a definite, specific course of action – a next step.

Motivational Addresses • Workshops • Parish Missions •
Retreats & Days of Reflection • Team or Community
Building Sessions • Continuing Education & Staff In-Services

Facilitation eases the ever-present challenges of group work. Mike offers skills, tools and strategies that can help groups demystify the sometimes overwhelming demands of working together.

Planning Processes (Mission & Vision Setting • Project Supervision) • Communication Skills • Management Skills (Delegation • Commitments • Working with Volunteers)

Coaching is a one-on-one process. Through regularly scheduled contact, Mike fosters accountability in goal setting, problem solving and personal growth.

Clarification of Values and Expectations • Planning for Successful Changes • Self-Leadership & Time Management

Customized Services for You and Your Group

Mike works with diverse audiences of all sizes, and can tailor any service or topic to meet the needs of a particular group. For a full list of topics beyond the samples below, or to discuss custom services, contact Mike directly.

Select Audiences, Titles, and Topics

For Adults: Youth Ministers, Pastoral Ministers, Teachers, Campus Ministers, Catechists, Coaches, Parents, Pastors, Parish Staffs or Councils, Diocesan Staffs

The Passion Epidemic (Motivation) • Superman and Wonderwoman Have Bullseyes on Their Backs (Leaders in Ministry) • Coaching Champions...of Faith (Coaches & Christian Athletes)

For Youth: Junior High and High School Students, Confirmation Candidates, Athletic or Leadership Teams

Life Is Not a Costume Party (Self-Esteem) • The Real World – A Manual (Scripture & Prayer) • Going the Extra “MYLE” (Motivation & Making a Difference)

For Parish Missions: Families, Parents, Children, Intergenerational Audiences

“Be-Ing” With Jesus in Lent • A Call to “Reality” Living • As We Wait in Joyful Hope (Advent)

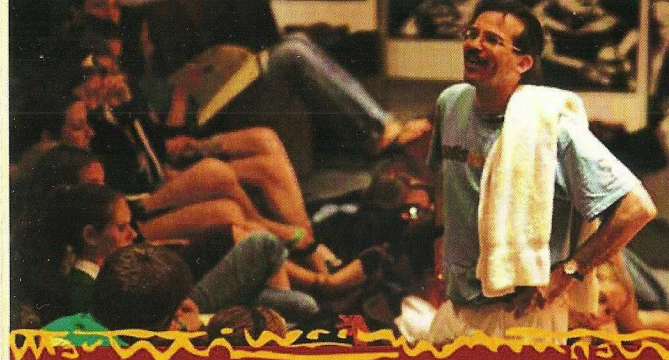
Additional topics include, but are not limited to:

Adolescent Culture • Campus Ministry • Catholic Identity • Christian Leadership • Church & Community • Evangelization • Media & Popular Music • Moral Decision-Making • Parenting • Peer Pressure • Sacraments • Sexuality • Spirituality • Youth Ministry • Vocation & Call



“Mike Patin brings such a clear sense of purpose to everyone and everything he works with. His entire life’s work has been a fearless, thoughtful, and unwavering focus on the power and potential found in connecting faith to life. He is among the very best our Church has to offer.”

Dr. Michael Carotta, Author and Presenter



“Congratulations on the difference you’re making in people’s lives. God is obviously using you in a very positive way. Keep up the good work.”

Coach Lou Holtz

Meet Mike Patin

Mike Patin uses energy, humor and stories to affirm the goodness of God’s presence among us while inviting others (and himself) to take the next step in our journey with God.

Mike has worked with teenagers and adults since 1984, including six years in a high school setting and thirteen years in diocesan youth ministry in New Orleans. Since 2003, he has worked full time as a speaker presenting in dioceses in the U.S. and Canada, to groups from 10 to 10,000. He has addressed youth, adult and intergenerational audiences at diocesan, regional, national and international events.

Mike holds a Masters degree in Pastoral Studies from Loyola University of New Orleans. He has served on the Board of Directors of the National Federation for Catholic Youth Ministry, and as an assistant coach to the Loyola University of New Orleans women’s basketball team. A member of the National Association of Catholic Youth Ministry Leaders, Mike received the National Catholic Youth Ministry Award in 2006.

Mike Patin lives in Lafayette, Louisiana, with his wife, Marlene, and their daughter, Megan.

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