Catholic Resources for Your Family Tree Seminar: A Collaborative Event

The Catholic Historical Society of Western Pennsylvania (CHSWPA) in cooperation with the North Hills Genealogists (NHG) held a half-day seminar for genealogists at Schoppol Hall, St. Teresa of Avila, on October 19. Working collaboratively, our two organizations implemented a concept that originated with the CHSWPA board—highlighting Catholic resources as potential sources for genealogists.

The seminar featured three local archivists:

- Dennis Wodzinski from the Archives and Records Center of the Diocese of Pittsburgh presented “Finding the Faith: Using Diocesan and Sacramental Records to Document Family History”
- Kathleen Washy from the Sisters of St. Joseph of Baden Archives presented “Genealogy and Convent Archives”
- Thomas White from Duquesne University Archives and Special Collections presented “Using the Digitized Pittsburgh Catholic to Research Family History.”

The event was filled to capacity, with extremely positive feedback from attendees. This seminar is one of the ways that CHSWPA fosters its mission of promoting the teaching of the history of the Catholic Church.