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2014 - Parishes Receiving Funding thru Martin de Porres Foundation

The following parishes are currently receiving funding through the Martin de Porres Foundation:

- St. Athanasius
- St. Barbara
- St. Charles Borromeo
- St. Cyprian
- St. Francis de Sales
- Holy Cross
- St. Ignatius of Loyola
- St. Katherine Drexel – Chester
- St. Martin de Porres
- St. Malachy
- Our Lady of Hope
- St. Philomena - Lansdowne
- St. Raymond of Penafort
- St. Thomas Aquinas

Funding includes 100% educational opportunities at St. Charles Borromeo Seminary in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia for African American/Black Catholics; 100% funding for all Archdiocese approved programs.

One of the only programs of its kind, Graduate School of Theology (GST) offers *Undergraduate Certificates in Ministry to Black Catholics (MBC)* - a program designed to educate those who evangelize and minister to urban parishes or Catholic communities with a large number of African-American families. Courses include History of Black Catholics and Saints; and Leadership and Renewal in Black Catholic Communities.

In addition to the *MBC Certificate*, *Roman Catechetical Diploma* and *Catholic Theology Certificate*, the Martin de Porres Foundation continues to sponsor the *Graduate Degree Program*. For academic

Mission Statement



The goal of the Martin de Porres Foundation is to develop lay leadership among African American/Black Catholics. This is achieved through religious education as well as training in Ministry and Leadership skills. The Foundation supports lay leaders in their efforts to advance Catholicism in The Archdiocese of Philadelphia.

The Martin de Porres Foundation is the only organization of its kind in the country which supports African American/Black Catholics in their efforts to achieve religious education, for the betterment of their parish and diocese.



and registration questions, contact Jared Haselbarth, Director of GST 610-785-6267 or email: jhaselbarth@scs.edu. For those interested in the *Permanent Diaconate Program* for African American/Black Catholics in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia, contact Deacon James T. Owens at 215-587-4532 or email: jowens@archphila.org.

Additional questions or concerns should be directed to Janell Lavender, Executive Director; Martin de Porres Foundation 267-398-2314 or email: Janell.lavender@martindeporresfoundation.org

Calendar of Events

Ordination for Rev. Mr. Richard Owens, OFM, Cap.

Date: June 6-7, 2014

Location: Pittsburgh, PA

Cost: \$35 – Roundtrip

Bro. Richard is the first African American ordained from Philadelphia since Father Anthony Bozeman, in 2000.

A chartered coach bus (through the generosity of the Martin de Porres Foundation) will leave Philadelphia on Friday, June 6 at 3:00 PM and return on Saturday, June 7 (approx. 10:00 PM). Those who are interested in traveling to Pittsburgh should immediately contact Deacon Bradley at 215-587-3541 or email: wbradley@archphila.org for further details.



March for Marriage – Washington, D.C.

Date: Thursday, June 19, 2014

Bus Cost: \$15 per person

Contact Philadelphia Bus Captain:

Arleen Daniels- email: Arleen@saintraymond.net

St. Raymond of Penafort Parish

1350 Vernon Road

Philadelphia, PA 19150



Music (Choir) Workshop

Date: Saturday, June 28, 2014

Time: 9:00 AM

Location: Saint Peter Claver Center

Registration fee: \$25

For additional information, Contact Deacon William Bradley, Director

Office for Black Catholics at 215-587-3541 or email: wbradley@archphila.org

Catholic Life Congress

Date: Saturday, November 1, 2014

2014 Theme: A New Pentecost for a New Evangelization

Time: 9:00 AM – 4:00PM

Registration: Individual \$60 **and** Table of 10 people: \$500 (\$55 per person)

Location: Sheraton Philadelphia Downtown Hotel

201 N. 17th Street

For additional information, flyer, and registration go to www.phillycongress.org



If you would like to submit an event for inclusion in the **UPDATE**, please email all relevant information to Janell.lavender@martindeporresfoundation.org for consideration.