

# Martin de Porres Foundation

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## UPDATE

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### **REMINDER: Take a college course and learn about your faith:**

**GST 245 History of Black Catholics & Saints starts Tuesday, August 26 – Instructor Mrs. Paula Manchester, M.A., Theology.**

**Location-St. Charles Borromeo Seminary. Cost \$920 - Full Scholarships are available through the generosity of the Martin de Porres Foundation.**

**For further information go to: [www.scs.edu /610-785-6287/gst@scs.edu](http://www.scs.edu/610-785-6287/gst@scs.edu) or contact Janell Lavender 267-398-2314/267-408-5923. Applications must be signed by Pastor and DRE.**

**Catechist Training Nights –** Offered by the Martin de Porres Foundation, the Office of Catechetical Formation, Office of Black Catholics and the Parishes of the Black Apostolate.

#### ***Writing Lesson Plans for your Religious Education***

*Wanda Graham, on Tuesday, July 22 offered practical ways to create a simple but effective way to plan for each class of the year so that you meet your own goals and the goals of your parish's program. – St. Raymond of Penafort.*

#### ***Managing the Behavior of your Religious Education Class***

*Tuesday, August 12 – Sister Barbara Jude, IHM shared her wisdom and insights on how to set clear expectations for behavior in classes of those who attended as well as how to respond when the expectations are not realized - St. Barbara Church.*

### *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.



### ***Drama and Movement in your Lesson Plans***

Tuesday, July 29 – St. Malachy Church

*Stacey Williams, a DRE and Acting/Dance Professional, offered insights on ways that drama and movement can enrich your lesson plans by engaging students in new ways.*



### ***Understanding the Needs of your Most Special Students***

Tuesday, August 5 - St. Athanasius Church

*Kathy Ross, a catechist and educator, addressed an issue that is an increasing concern in most of our programs – how to respond to children with special needs.*



## **Calendar of Events**

### **DRE Fall Professional Day**

Date: September 18, 2014

Cost: \$25

### **Black Catholic Congress XI Day of Reflection & Workshop (OBC)**

Date: September 20, 2014

Cost: \$15

### **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](http://www.phillycongress.org)

### **Black Catholic Vocation Day (OBC)**

Date: November 15, 2014

Cost: \$10