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Fall 2014 Classes Begins at St. Charles Borromeo Seminary

GST 245 History of Black Catholics & Saints began on Tuesday, August 26 at St. Charles Borromeo Seminary. Students also registered for the following classes: Theology of the Sacraments, Foundational Course in Sacred Scripture, and Theology of Prayer, Total registration (undergraduate and graduate) includes 15 students in addition to 3 seminarians.

Students registered for the Martin de Porres Scholarship from the following parishes:

- St. Athanasius (1)
- St. Barbara (1)
- St. Cyprian (6)
- St. Ignatius of Loyola (4)
- St. Katharine Drexel, Chester (1)
- St. Raymond of Penafort (2)

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.



Life is a great teacher. As we traverse this journey called life, we face many challenges. It is not easy to face every hardship with a smile. But, we need to remember that with every hardship, we emerge stronger.

<http://www.about.com/education>



"I have the strength for everything through him who empowers me."
Philippians 4:13 (USCCB)

August 2014, Jennifer Simmons, DRE and Coordinator of Youth Ministry from St. Ignatius of Loyola Parish escorted 42 teens to North Bay for their annual retreat.



Calendar of Events

Digital Church Conference

Date: Saturday, October 18, 2014

Time: 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM

Location: St. Joseph's University – Mandeville Hall

The Haub School of Business

City Avenue & N. 54th Street

\$45 until 9-30-14

\$60 on or after 10-1-14

www.scs.edu/digital-church-conference - registration information

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

Black Catholic Vocation Day (OBC)

Date: November 15, 2014

Location: TBA

Cost: \$10

The Archbishop's Lecture Series

How the West Really Lost God

Date: Monday, November 17, 2014

Time: 7:00 PM

Location: St. Charles Borromeo Seminary – Vianney Hall

Registration: \$5 donation per lecture – www.phillyevang.org/lectures

Reimbursements for the above fees will be funded by the Martin de Porres Foundation. Reimbursement forms must be submitted thru the parish (Pastor/DRE).

If you would like to submit an event for inclusion in the **UPDATE**, please email all relevant information to

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