

Martin de Porres Foundation

The UPDATE

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



Remembering:

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

If you can't fly then run, if you can't run then walk, if you can't walk then crawl, but whatever you do you have to keep moving forward.

("Quote by Martin Luther King (Jr.)." Quotery. n.d. Mon. 18 Dec. 2017.)

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KUDOS!!

Congratulations to Angela Taylor of Saint Martin de Porres Catholic Church and Darin Williams of Holy Cross Catholic Church; both because of their academic performance were placed on the Dean's list of honored students at LaSalle University for the Fall 2017 semester. Lynne A. Texter, Ph.D., Interim Dean, School of Arts and Sciences, LaSalle University, said "Angela's level of performance, while admirable, is also significant as a testimony to her dedication and hard work.

In addition, LaSalle University Department of Religion & Theology congratulate Angela Taylor on meeting the qualification for induction into Theta Alpha Kappa, The national honors society in religion and theology. Both Angela Taylor & Darin Williams are Martin de Porres Foundation scholarship recipients.

POPE PAUL VI AWARD



Archbishop Chaput, Matthew H. McCloskey, Catherine R. Hamilton & Bishop Fitzgerald.

The Archdiocese of Philadelphia presented the POPE PAUL VI AWARD to The McCloskey Family in memory of Matthew H. McCloskey Jr. and honoring the Martin de Porres Foundation, which he founded in 1948.

Matt McCloskey, established **The Martin de Porres Foundation** to empower the African-American Catholic community and to encourage black leadership within the Archdiocese of Philadelphia. He set his sights on education as the path to success for the predominantly black students attending the Church of the Gesu School, St. Elizabeth Parish School, and others located near his business. He established six scholarships for them to the Philadelphia area's six leading Catholic colleges at the time, St. Joseph's, LaSalle, Villanova, Immaculata, Rosemont, and Chestnut Hill.

Accepting for the McCloskey Family was Matthew McCloskey and Catherine Reimel Hamilton, President of the Martin de Porres Foundation.

THANK YOU AND CONGRATULATIONS!!!



Anne McCloskey Reimel, Keith White (Artist) and Catherine Reimel Hamilton

A surprise celebration was held on Saturday, January 13, 2018 honoring Anne McCloskey Reimel, the past President of the Martin de Porres Foundation, at Saint Martin de Porres Catholic Church (SMDP). Fr. Stephen Thorne, pastor, emceed the event. Anne McCloskey Reimel was honored for her dedication and legacy to the African American Catholic Community. She is recognized with establishing among other programs: St. Charles Borromeo Seminary Degree/Certificate Programs, DRE Program, Effective Black Parenting, St. Peter Claver Center, NBCC Funding, Ministry for African American Certificate Program (MAAC) and Kwanzaa. The event was organized by Carolyn Jenkins, St. Charles Borromeo; Juanita Barlow of SMDP and artist, Keith White of Blessed Virgin Mary who presented Anne with one of his paintings, "Rejoice."

SAVE THE DATE

Spring Gathering of the INITIATIVE

Date: Saturday, March 24, 2018 10:00AM

Location: Saint Thomas Aquinas School
1800 Thomas Aquinas School
Philadelphia, PA 19145

Hosted by Mrs. Nicole Unegbu

ONLY Black Principal in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia



THE INITIATIVE is a network of African American educators dedicated to support, networking and leadership in urban schools.



One-Day Conference

UNBOUND: FREEDOM IN CHRIST

Date: Saturday, February 24, 2018

Time: 9:00 AM to 4:45 PM

Location: SS Simon and Jude Parish Meehan Center, 8 Cavanaugh Court, West Chester, PA
Rev. Michael J. Gerlach

Unbound is a ministry of healing and deliverance that helps you find freedom in areas of your life where you feel bound. Come and discover the freedom that

Jesus Christ has in store for you.

Speakers:

Neal, Janet and Matt Lozano, Heart of the Father Ministries

Sponsored by: Office for the New Evangelization

REGISTRATION

General Admission: \$50 • Priests/Religious/College Students: \$20

Includes morning refreshments & lunch

Learn more & register: phillyevang@archphila.org



Msgr. Mitchell Scholarship Fundraiser Gala

Date: Friday, April 27, 2018

Location: St. John Neumann Center
1019 N. 5th Street (19123)

The Msgr. Mitchell Scholarship Fund will support high school students in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia who are Catholic and African American, with academic ability and financial need. Tickets go on sale in February. Consider purchasing a ticket to support the African American youth of our parishes.

SAVE THE DATE

MAN-UP Philly Conference

Date: March 3, 2018 at 7:30 AM

Location: St. Joseph University-Hagan Arena

Early Reg. \$40+\$1.99 sale ends 12-31

Normal Reg. \$50+\$ 2.24 sale ends 2-28

Student Reg. \$25 +\$1.62 sales ends 2-29

Late Reg. \$55 + \$2.37 fee sale ends 3-3

Registration include:

Lunch, seminars & main event.

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Saint Martin de Porres Catholic Church

2340 W. Lehigh Ave.

Philadelphia PA 19132

Join us as we Celebrate

The feast day of

Saint Katharine Drexel

and

thank God for the

Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament

Sunday, March 4, 2018, 10:00 am

Most Reverend Fernand Cheri

Auxiliary Bishop of New Orleans



Special Guest Celebrant and Homilist

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