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## A MESSAGE FROM THE DEAN



Dr. Brian Schmisek, Dean School of Ministry

Though summer is here, there is no “down time” at the School of Ministry this year. We have been packing boxes, scheduling moving trucks, and measuring desks and bookcases for our move to Catherine Hall. After being graciously housed at Holy Trinity Seminary for the past nine years, the School of Ministry has moved back to the main campus. We encourage you to visit us at our new home. Catherine Hall offers us many more resources for students. We will have our own classrooms, a student lounge, a kitchenette, and plenty of space to call our own.

That is not all we have been doing this summer. Our Rome program was a success, with participants from all over the United States, and even from Europe. We saw Pope Benedict XVI twice, visited the major basilicas, and generally enjoyed the life and culture that Rome has to offer. Look for next year’s Rome program to be announced soon.

This summer we greet new faculty and staff members whom we have hired to accommodate our growth. Dr. Dan Luby was hired as Assistant Professor of Theology. Before accepting this tenure track position, he had held the Tschoepe Chair of Homiletics. We also welcome Dr. Scott Opperman as a post-graduate fellow. Dr. Opperman will be teaching Moral Theology, Systematic Theology, and related courses. In fact, he taught as an adjunct faculty member for the School of Ministry this past semester and received rave reviews from his students. Our staff is also increasing. Danielle Schumer is now handling marketing and events, while Cecilia Rangel is the administrative assistant for the University of Dallas Ministry Conference (UDMC). Geralyn Berry is the new administrative assistant for the Catholic Biblical School. We are excited to welcome such professional, energetic, and capable people to our team.

Our website has all of the most up-to-date and relevant information about the UDMC. We are expecting 6000 attendees. Some prominent speakers and musicians include Cardinal DiNardo, Rocco Palmo, Sr. Clare Fitzgerald, Matt Maher, and John Michael Talbot. Early registration is available until September 1.

In this issue of *Adventus*, we celebrate a number of people and events. We are especially grateful to Dr. Jill Peterson, who has generously underwritten the Adult Faith Formation (AFF) program for 2010-2011, ensuring its continuance for another year. We also graduated the first classes from the AFF and the Escuela Bíblica Católica. We are looking forward to new programs, such as the diaconate partnership with the Diocese of Shreveport beginning in August, the UDMC in October, and the Landregan Lecture in November, featuring Sr. Barbara E. Reid, O.P., Ph.D., vice-president and academic dean of the Catholic Theological Union.

We have great things in store for the upcoming year. There is tremendous energy and vitality at the School. We hope you visit us in Catherine Hall. We are proud to have you as part of an exciting future that is the University of Dallas School of Ministry.

*Brian Schmisek*

Brian Schmisek, Ph.D.

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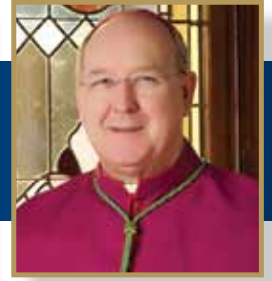
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## New Home for the School of Ministry

This summer, the School of Ministry relocated from its previous location at Holy Trinity Seminary to Catherine Hall, conveniently located just off Tom Braniff Drive.

According to Dr. Brian Schmisek, dean of the School of Ministry, "The move to Catherine Hall provides countless opportunities for the School of Ministry and its work within the University and the area dioceses. Besides placing the School of Ministry in a larger and more visible building on campus, it provides a home for

our SOM students, with classroom space, seminar locations, meeting space, and a kitchenette for social gatherings."

Schmisek is also looking forward to the opportunities to interact more easily with faculty, staff and students from across the UD campus. "Likewise, the move to Catherine Hall enables our department to meet and interact more frequently with the other departments on campus, as well as the undergraduate student population. From a growth perspective, this is a great asset as we look to increase our national recognition

as one of the leading Catholic graduate programs in ministry."



## The University of Dallas School of Ministry Announces Concentration in Church Management



The University of Dallas School of Ministry announces a new concentration in Church Management in its Masters in Pastoral Ministry program. In collaboration with UD's College of Business, the School of Ministry will begin to offer this new concentration in the fall of 2010. The Master of Pastoral Ministry degree with a concentration in Church Management requires a total of 36 credit hours of course work. This includes a successful capstone combined with 18 credit hours from the School of Ministry, 12 credit hours from the College of Business, and six electives in approved business or ministry courses.

"With the arrival of 'mega churches' and the prospect of fewer and aging clergy, the need for skilled leaders who understand both the mission and the management of Catholic parishes in the U.S. is urgent," said Dr. Brian Schmisek, dean of the School of Ministry.

"I commend the University of Dallas School of Ministry for responding to the needs of the time," said Bishop Kevin Farrell

of Dallas, who is also chancellor of the University of Dallas. "The Church is in great need of leaders who have not only strong theological and pastoral skills but also the business acumen necessary for the efficient operation of our churches and schools today. This new concentration in church management will only help in building up the Church in the United States."

By combining the core courses for a Masters in Pastoral Ministry degree with appropriate business courses, this new concentration provides study in practical theology, financial management and leadership. This is a must for present or future parish business administrators and diocesan business managers who want more grounding in theology, as well as for priests, deacons, and pastoral associates who wish to strengthen their administrative and

leadership skills. Certificate options are also available.

"We encourage the steps taken by the University of Dallas School of Ministry in meeting this critical need," said Kerry Robinson, executive director of the National Leadership Roundtable on Church Management. "The church needs highly competent, well-educated managers to succeed in its mission. This new degree program helps to answer that need."

Applications for the Church Management concentration are currently being accepted. For more information about the program, please visit: [udallas.edu/cm](http://udallas.edu/cm). For more information about the School of Ministry and its other programs, please visit [udallas.edu/ministry](http://udallas.edu/ministry).

## University of Dallas School of Ministry Continues Creatively Responding to Church's Contemporary Needs

According to the Center for Applied Research in the Apostolate (CARA), over 3400 Catholic parishes in the United States do not have a resident priest pastor, while another 500 more are now led by a member of the laity, including deacons, religious brothers or sisters, or other lay persons. Meeting the formation and educational needs of this emerging lay leadership has

required innovative responses from all components of the Catholic community, particularly from Catholic colleges and universities.

The University of Dallas School of Ministry has once again initiated such an innovative response to assist the Archdiocese of Atlanta in meeting its formation needs.

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Recently, the School of Ministry engaged in a new cooperative agreement with the Archdiocese to endorse the Master of Theological Studies (MTS) online program within its three state jurisdiction.

Beginning in the fall of 2010, qualified graduate students will have the opportunity to pursue this rigorous online program through the University of Dallas, which is fully accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools. In this arrangement, under the auspices of the Most Reverend Wilton D. Gregory, S.T.D., Archbishop of the Diocese of Atlanta and Thomas Keefe, J.D., president of the University of Dallas, the Archdiocese will actively recruit and recommend students for the program. Students who receive the Archdiocesan recommendation will be eligible for a tuition discount from the University of Dallas.

“We chose the University of Dallas School of Ministry because of its solid reputation as a theological center of higher learning. Having well-formed and educated career ministry professionals is essential for creating successful faith formation frameworks in parishes,” said Deacon Dennis L. Johnson, Jr., director of the Office of Formation and Discipleship, Archdiocese of Atlanta.

According to Dr. Brian Schmisek, dean of the School of Ministry, “This agreement illustrates the mission and on-going commitment of the UD School of Ministry to be of service to local and regional dioceses in innovative as well as traditional venues.”

The School of Ministry pioneered a similar program for the Diocese of Tyler, Texas, last year to assist that diocese in meeting its formation needs. With such innovative outreach as prologue, Deacon Johnson and Dean Schmisek developed the partnership to provide a new venue for offering high quality graduate theological education for the 750,000 Catholics in the Ecclesiastical Province of Atlanta, which consists of Georgia, North Carolina, and South Carolina.

The MTS online program will provide a vital means through which Deacon Johnson and others can meet the needs of this widely dispersed Catholic community.

“Our partnership with the University of Dallas enables us to bring another level of educational opportunities to our lay ecclesial ministers and clergy. In so doing, we underscore our commitment to build up the Kingdom of God by equipping people for ministry in the Church,” said Johnson.

Particularly as the number of traditional vocations declines, the need for such

educational opportunities for the laity continues to rise. To meet this need, the School of Ministry currently offers a wide array of formation opportunities. These include formal academic programs such as their five master’s degree programs as well as the unique Rome Study Abroad program, and the Catholic Biblical School certification program/ La Escuela Bíblica Católica. Other opportunities also include deacon and adult faith formation programs and the annual ministry conference, which had over 4,600 participants in 2009.

Within this rich mix, the School of Ministry continues to explore new ways to offer theological education for transformative service by and within the lay Catholic community, including reaching out to dioceses across the country.

Dean Schmisek has stated that the “School of Ministry is hoping to create more agreements like this one with other dioceses, especially with those, such as the Archdiocese of Atlanta, not served by a local Catholic university.”

For more information about the MTS program or any of the other programs, please visit the School of Ministry at [udallas.edu/ministry](http://udallas.edu/ministry).

## 2009 Landregan Lecture Featured Richard Gaillardetz

On December 5, 2009, the University of Dallas School of Ministry welcomed Richard Gaillardetz, Ph.D., the Thomas and Margaret Murray/ James J. Bacik Professor of Catholic Studies at the University of Toledo, back to Texas to deliver the XI Annual Landregan Lecture.

Gaillardetz, who is an alumnus of the University of Texas at Austin and St. Mary’s University of San Antonio as well as a former faculty member at the University of St. Thomas in Houston, engaged the audience with his talk *Eucharist, Hunger and Environmental Destruction: Can a Religious Ritual Heal the World*. He is the author of numerous articles and seven books, including his latest, *Ecclesiology for a Global Church: A People Called and Sent*, published in 2008 by Orbis Books.

Gaillardetz has served as a member of the U.S. Methodist Catholic Ecumenical Dialogue and on the Board of Directors for the Catholic Theological Society of America.

Sr. Barbara E. Reid, O.P., Ph.D., vice-president and academic dean of the Catholic Theological Union, will deliver the XII Landregan Lecture, November 6, 2010. Reid, the author of eight books, writes a weekly column on “the Word” for *America* magazine.

Inaugurated in 1999, the Landregan Lecture honors Steven T. Landregan, UD alumnus, prominent churchman, and former editor of the *Texas Catholic*, the official newspaper of the diocese of Dallas. Speakers are nationally prominent figures whose area of expertise reflects the many interests that have animated Mr. Landregan throughout his long, distinguished, and continuing career of service to the Church in North Texas. Previous speakers have included: Amy-Jill Levine, Miguel Diaz, John Allen, Margaret O’Brien Steinfelds, Joseph Martos, Rev. Joseph A. Fitzmyer, S.J., Archbishop Michael Sheehan, R. Scott Appleby, Toni Craven, and Robert Barron.

## Everything and More

by Dan Luby, S.T.D.



On the night before departure, the twelve participants in this year's School of Ministry Summer in Rome program gathered with faculty for their final dinner in the garden on the Rome campus. The evening was mild and the campus was bathed in the golden light of another spectacular sunset. After a delicious meal, including wine from the campus vineyard, the laughter filled conversation

turned reflective, as the pilgrims shared insights and experiences from their intense, illuminating journey of learning and friendship.

The program featured two courses, "Peter and Paul in Rome" and "Theological Reflection," which utilized a common experience of instructional tours in and around Rome to explore different theological issues. Many ancient sites like the Colosseum and the burial place of St. Peter near the Circus of Nero and the fourth century church of Saint Clement gave new color and immediacy to historical traditions. Exploring St. Peter's basilica, site of Vatican Council II, and an audience with Pope Benedict XVI brought additional depth and texture to contemporary Christian experience.

As illuminating as the classes and trips to Rome were, a rare spirit of hospitality and communion among all participants enriched the ten days just as powerfully.

Now, in the fragrant evening air, sipping wine and savoring memories of the trip, students and faculty described the experience: "enlightening," "beautiful," "joyful," "sacramental."

One student's question summarized the entire graced quality of the program: "What did I do to deserve this?"



## New School of Ministry Partnership with Diocese of Shreveport

The University of Dallas School of Ministry in partnership with the Diocese of Shreveport is proud to announce a new cooperative agreement to offer a formation program to train permanent deacons. Beginning in the fall of 2010, qualified students will have the opportunity to enroll in the program through the Greco Institute of the Diocese of Shreveport.

This responsive diaconate program helps the Church meet the growing demand for formation opportunities for permanent deacons. While the number of priestly ordinations has steadily declined from 994 in 1965 to 459 in 2010, the number of diaconate ordinations in the United States has skyrocketed from only 898 in 1975 to 16, 649 in 2010. The program satisfies

the academic requirements for deacon formation as outlined by the Congregation for Catholic Education and by the National Catholic Conference of Bishops.

Conducted under the auspices of the Most Reverend Michael J. Duca, Bishop of Shreveport, and Thomas Keefe, J.D., president of the University of Dallas, this arrangement "continues the strong commitment to faith formation for which the Diocese of Shreveport is known," says Dr. Brian Schmisek, dean of the School of Ministry.

That diocesan commitment to faith formation has been deeply enriched by its ongoing eight-year relationship with the School of Ministry.

As Bishop Duca states, "Even before my installation as Bishop of the Diocese of Shreveport, I was aware of the unique connection between the Diocese and the School of Ministry. Having been rector of Holy Trinity Seminary on the University of Dallas campus, I was aware of the School of Ministry's good work and of the leadership provided by Dr. Schmisek to create their excellent programs. I am pleased not only to continue our relationship with the School of Ministry but am also confident that they will have the quality programs we desire for our new deacon class. I look forward to our continuing collaboration."

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Currently, students have the opportunity to participate in graduate programs from the School of Ministry through weekend and online courses. Beginning this fall, they will have the chance not only to participate in the School of Ministry's Catholic Biblical School (CBS) in Shreveport but in Monroe as well. Also, due to the generosity of the people to the Bishop's Annual Stewardship Appeal, the Diocese of Shreveport is able to provide some scholarship funds to support the CBS.

Dean Schmisek states, "I encourage any catechist, teacher, youth minister, parish volunteer, and Catholic in the pew to avail themselves of the rich opportunities presented in the Diocese of Shreveport."

According to Fr. Pat Madden, director of the Greco Institute, "Our selection of the School of Ministry's Deacon Formation

Program was positively influenced by our prior relationship. The combination of sound academic theology with pastoral ministry is a major strength of it. We are pleased to offer this four-year program not only to candidates for ordination, but also to a number of laity who are involved in the ministry of religious education. This program is an excellent and thorough introduction to Catholic theology."

Schmisek, who worked in the Diocese of Shreveport for two years, agrees with Fr. Madden, stating that, "This program is comprehensive, academic, and spiritual, with professors from the University of Dallas teaching theology and related courses on-site in Shreveport. This is a wonderful opportunity for faith formation, or simply theological enrichment. Many have found

that their faith comes alive when they enter into this process."

Providing such opportunities for faith to come alive has been the work of the School of Ministry for the past two decades, reaching out in innovative ways to dioceses as close as Fort Worth and as far away as Atlanta, Georgia.

For more information about the deacon formation program or the other programs offered in Shreveport, please visit the School of Ministry at [udallas.edu/ministry](http://udallas.edu/ministry) or the Greco Institute at [www.grecoinstitute.org](http://www.grecoinstitute.org).

## Patristics, Popes and Protestants

by Professor Jim McGill



Following the success of the Catholic Biblical School's (CBS) courses, "After the New Testament" and "Church Fathers and Councils," the School of Ministry is pleased to announce the third installment of

this popular series, "Patristics, Popes and Protestants." This new 30 week, non-credit course will examine the development of Christian theological thought from the late Patristic period through the Reformation. Mr. Jim McGill, full time instructor of the School of Ministry's Catholic Biblical School, will teach the course beginning in the fall of 2010.

McGill explains, "The roughly one thousand years between the Fathers of the Church and the Reformation is an important and interesting period in the life of the Church. But it is rarely studied in a way that ties together all the important people and issues. We will take on that challenge and see what we can learn together from the individuals who were there."

In the course, McGill and students will explore how Christianity arose and

took shape in the Patristic era, reached a theological and spiritual crescendo in the Middle Ages, and then fragmented and reconfigured during the Reformation. As McGill states, "This engaging historical development is filled with interesting characters and engaging ideas. Our pleasant task will be to survey this period to see what insights we may discover for our personal growth in faith and for our ability to give meaning to our own moment in church and world history."

Following the CBS school year calendar, this historical and theological course is structured into three, ten-week units. In Unit I, "The Accomplishments of the Patristic Era and the Consolidation of the Church in the Dark Ages," students will explore thinkers ranging from St. Augustine to the Venerable Bede, while in the second unit, "The Middle Ages: Theology and Spirituality," they will engage those ranging from St. Thomas Aquinas to Meister Eckhart. Finally, in Unit III, "The Reformation and the Catholic Counter-Reformation," the class will wrestle with ideas from Erasmus, Luther, and Calvin, as well as those from Charles Borromeo, Teresa of Avila, and St. Ignatius of Loyola. This

closing unit also includes the opportunity to learn more about the far-reaching ideas on Catholic doctrine that emerged from the Council of Trent (1545-1563).

The primary methods of engagement will include readings, lectures, and discussion, but no exams.

This course is open to any adult who wants to have an enjoyable experience learning about this intriguing period of Church history. This course may be of special interest to Catholic Biblical School graduates or students who have completed "Church Fathers and Councils," but anyone is welcome to register for this class. Students may choose a morning or an evening section. Both sections will be held at the University of Dallas in Irving.

No special knowledge or prerequisites are necessary. To register for this course or to find out more about it, please contact Professor Jim McGill by email at [mcgill@udallas.edu](mailto:mcgill@udallas.edu), or by phone at 972-721-5393. Information about the course, including the syllabus and a registration application, is available at [udallas.edu/ministry/ppp](http://udallas.edu/ministry/ppp).

## Catholic Biblical School Expands into Monroe, Louisiana

Due to the resounding success of the 2009-2010 inaugural class of the University of Dallas School of Ministry Catholic Biblical School (CBS) in Shreveport, Louisiana, the CBS will expand into Monroe, one hundred miles east of Shreveport, beginning in the academic year 2010-2011.

Offered through a partnership between the Diocese of Shreveport and the School of Ministry, the CBS program is open to all adults who seek a deeper knowledge and appreciation of the Bible.

Professor Jim McGill, an instructor in the upcoming Monroe program, is excited about the possibilities this expansion offers. "I've taught in the Monroe area before so I know the enthusiasm and interest people

there have for studying Scripture. The first year CBS course will allow adults to dig deeply into the foundational books of the Old Testament including Exodus, Genesis, Samuel, and Kings. I am confident that together we will have an enriching experience learning about the basic issues, people, and stories of the Old Testament."

Information sessions, at Jesus the Good Shepherd Church in Monroe, will be held on June 19, from 1:00 – 3:00 p.m., and twice on July 17, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., and again from 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. Professor McGill will be in attendance at these sessions to explain the program, including schedule, costs, material, and books, and to answer questions.

The CBS classes, which begin on August 28, 2010, will meet monthly on Saturdays from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., at Jesus the Good Shepherd Church.

For additional information about the Monroe CBS program, please contact Professor Jim McGill at 972-721-5393 or at mcgill@udallas.edu. Also, please visit the School of Ministry website at [udallas.edu/ministry/cbs](http://udallas.edu/ministry/cbs).

## New Books Mark Path to Future of Parish Life

by Marti R. Jewell, D.Min.



Loyola Press has recently published two exciting new works, based upon research conducted by the Emerging Models of Pastoral Leadership Project, which offer strategic insights into contemporary parish life and the future of pastoral ministry.

The first is the long awaited analysis of the Project's probing of parish life, *The Changing Face of Church: Emerging Models of Parish Leadership*, by Marti R. Jewell, D. Min., and David A. Ramey.

This analysis draws upon three years of regional gatherings, consultation, and surveys conducted by the Project, as well as the thoughts and reflections of more than five hundred lay and ordained leaders. The findings are divided into three categories: the future vitality of parish ministries; the evolving leadership roles of pastor, staff, and parishioners; and twelve benchmarks or practices of vital Catholic parishes.

Findings recognize the complexity of parish life today as well as the sober optimism of leaders as they work to develop strong,

faith-filled communities. These leaders believe that parishes are total ministering communities and the involvement of lay ministers and parishioners is critical to the future life of the church. What's more they tell us that we already have the know-how to bring vibrancy to parishes large and small.

While parish life is experiencing significant change, pastoral leaders who are succeeding seem to be those who can roll up their sleeves, creatively forge new territory, and see their challenges as grace. In this analysis, the researchers identify twelve benchmarks for vital parishes and parish leadership. The book concludes with recommendations for a planning process to study these benchmarks in individual parishes.

In addition to surveying present pastoral leaders, the Project also studied young adults and their possible interest in ministry, resulting in the second of Loyola Press' latest offerings. This landmark study, *The Next Generation of Pastoral Leaders: What the Church Needs to Know*, written by Dean R. Hoge, Ph.D., and Marti R. Jewell, D. Min., revealed an amazing finding: when young adults are active in campus ministries,

parishes, and dioceses, as many as half are likely to have seriously considered a career in ministry, whether as lay ecclesial ministers, priests, or religious. The participants also pointed out the challenges to following this path. The implications of the study are very clear: if we want people in ministry tomorrow, we must invite them into the life of the church today.

Overall, both books, which are part of Loyola's Emerging Models of Pastoral Leadership Series, will serve as excellent resources for ministers striving to meet the needs of contemporary and future parish life, as well as those of other ministries. Dr. Jewell, previously director of the Emerging Models of Pastoral Leadership Project, is an assistant professor of theology for the School of Ministry and provides workshops and courses on pastoral leadership.

## Dan Luby Named Assistant Professor of Theology and Director of Enrollment and Student Affairs for Graduate Programs

Congratulations to Dan Luby, S.T.D., as he assumes his new position of Assistant Professor of Theology in the University of Dallas School of Ministry. Luby will also assume additional duties as Director of Enrollment and Student Affairs for graduate programs.

Luby has a long history with the University of Dallas (UD), working first as the Associate Director of Admissions from 1972 to 1975, before earning a master's degree in Theology from UD in 1977. Luby then continued his studies at the Pontifical University of Saint Thomas in Rome (the Angelicum), earning the Licentiate of Sacred Theology (S.T.L.) in 1980, and the Doctor of Sacred Theology (S.T.D.) in Spiritual Theology in 1994.

Beginning in 1982, he was the long-time Director of the Office of Adult Formation, and then later the Director of the Division of Christian Formation, for the Diocese of Fort Worth. During his twenty-five year professional career, Luby wrote a popular syndicated column, which was recognized with awards from the Catholic Press Association.

However, even while working full-time for the Church in Fort Worth, Dr. Luby continued to teach at UD, and for years has been a popular and engaging teacher. From 1980-1986 he was on the faculty of the UD Department of Theology and Holy Trinity Seminary. Serving on the first faculty of the Institute for Religious and Pastoral Studies, the forerunner of the School of Ministry, he also taught as an adjunct instructor until 2007. At that time, Luby was named to the endowed Tschoepe Chair of Homiletics at the School of Ministry, the position he has held for the last three years.

As Dr. Brian Schmisek, dean of the School of Ministry, states, "There is little doubt that Dr. Luby will add significant value to the educational experience offered in the School of Ministry. Our students will benefit greatly from his expertise, knowledge, and skill."



Dan Luby

## Scott Opperman Accepts Post-Graduate Fellowship

Scott R. Opperman, Ph.D., has accepted the position of Postgraduate Fellow at the University of Dallas School of Ministry to teach in the graduate and diaconate programs. He will join the School of Ministry on August 1, 2010.

A native of Michigan, Opperman holds a B.A. in philosophy and religious studies from John Carroll University, an M.A. in theology from the University of Notre Dame, an M.R.E. from Loyola University of Chicago, and a Ph.D. in systematic theology from Durham University in the United Kingdom.

While completing his doctorate at Durham University in Durham, England, Opperman served in administrative and pastoral roles at St. Chad's College while teaching in the University's Department of Theology and Religion. He has taught at Ushaw College, the Catholic school of theology and ministry for Northern England for seminarians and the laity. At Ushaw, which is an affiliated college of Durham University, he taught courses in fundamental theology, missiology, moral theology, pastoral theology, philosophy, spirituality, and systematic theology. He also served on the formation team.



Scott Opperman

## Danielle Schumer

Originally from Cape Girardeau, Missouri, Danielle Schumer recently joined the School of Ministry team as the Events and Communication Manager. As a graduate from the University of Dallas with a Bachelor of Arts in Theology, Danielle has enjoyed working on campus as a student intern in undergraduate admissions, student activities, and campus ministry. Through these internships, she gained valuable experience in event planning and marketing. She is excited about continuing to work for UD in the School of Ministry.



Danielle Schumer

## School of Ministry Celebrates First Graduates of CBS Online and Spanish Programs, and of the AFF Program

by Professor Gene Giuliano



Five years ago, could Zenaida Ong of Chino Hills, California, and Luisa Ravelo-Guedes of Dallas, Texas, have imagined that on a spring morning in 2010, they would walk up the same center aisle in Maher Athletic Center to receive a certificate of Advanced Biblical Studies from the University of Dallas School of Ministry's Catholic Biblical School (CBS)? Yet, it was the celebration of the CBS' fifth graduating class, which indeed brought these two women together.

On Saturday, May 15, 2010, more than 500 joy-filled family members and friends participated in a graduation mass, during which 101 students of the CBS received certificates of Advanced Biblical Studies. Bishop Kevin W. Vann of the Diocese of Fort Worth presided at the special liturgy, which for the first time in CBS history, included graduates from the school's online and Spanish-speaking programs.

In 2006, the CBS began offering its program online in English as an outreach to those who could not attend on-site classes at local parishes or at the University. The online option has allowed students, like Zenaida Ong, to participate in the study of Sacred Scripture when distance, changes in schedules, job transfers, and moves to

new homes made attending on-site classes impossible.

Online students are responsible for the same coursework as on-site students. They use email to submit written homework and completed tests to the instructor and they participate in an asynchronous online discussion each week. Students are also invited to join a real-time chat with the instructor one evening a week. The live chat session provides an opportunity to

ask questions, to share reflections, and to socialize.

The Escuela Bíblica Católica, the Spanish version of the CBS program, which also began in 2006, has opened up the formal study of God's word to hundreds of students, like Luisa Ravelo-Guedes, who otherwise would have found it difficult to participate. Maria Pia Septien and Juan Rendon, instructors at the CBS, have translated the materials used in all four years of the program into Spanish, along with selecting Spanish textbooks and Bibles for the students.

The CBS provides a Catholic approach to understanding God's word and is intended for those wishing to meet the Lord in a deeper way through an in-depth study of Sacred Scripture. The School of Ministry strives to make the CBS available to as many interested individuals as possible, not only in the Dallas and Fort Worth dioceses, but everywhere there is a hunger for a serious study of God's word. Currently, the CBS, in conjunction with the Diocese of Shreveport, offers extension programs in Shreveport and Monroe, Louisiana.

At the graduation mass, the School of Ministry acknowledged and awarded certificates to the first graduates of its Adult Faith Formation (AFF) program as well. This

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Raymond Perez leads graduation procession

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graduating class also included Luisa Ravelo-Guedes among its members. Ravelo-Guedes is the only student this year to complete the CBS and the AFF programs. Other AFF graduates included: Judette Armstrong, Deborah Betz, Kimberly Johnson, Diane Kruse, Penni Moening, and Raymond Perez. To earn the AFF certificates, graduates successfully completed all requirements for 32 individual courses, which is a significant accomplishment.

Reflecting on her experience in the AFF, Diane Kruse states, "My involvement in the AFF started out simply as an effort to become more knowledgeable about the Church. That initial effort soon became a driving force in my life. I'm convinced it was the work of the Holy Spirit, that brought me to that juncture in my spiritual journey precisely at the time the program began, so that I could be part of its first graduating class. It's not surprising to me that my fellow graduates are planning to attend AFF classes when they begin again next fall. I know I will be among them. We have been so enriched by the impact of the program on our lives; we simply thirst for more. This is clear indication of the value

of this program. High praise must go to our fantastic professors and Dean Brian Schmisek's leadership for making this program a truly remarkable one."

A comprehensive course of study, the AFF program includes the study of theology, scripture, church history, spirituality, and related topics. Initiated at the request of the Department of Catechetical Services of the Diocese of Dallas, it provides college level classes for adults who want to learn more about their faith in a comfortable atmosphere. Each class consists of 14 hours of classroom instruction plus reading and writing assignments.

For more information about the CBS in English or Spanish, please call 972.721.5196 (toll free: 1-888-447-4777) or visit [udallas.edu/ministry/cbs](http://udallas.edu/ministry/cbs) for English and [udallas.edu/ministry/espanol](http://udallas.edu/ministry/espanol) for Spanish. Information about the AFF is available at [udallas.edu/ministry/aff](http://udallas.edu/ministry/aff) or by calling the School of Ministry at 972.721.4118. Applications for the 2010–2011 academic year are now being accepted.

## Cuatro años después

by Pia Septien

Cuatro años después...

Cuatro años después, 240 horas de clase después, 108 tareas después, un promedio de 600 preguntas contestadas después, 12 exámenes después, cuatro libros de verano después. ¡Se gradúa la primera clase de la Escuela Bíblica Católica de la Universidad de Dallas! El camino que se inició con gran ilusión, ha llegado a su fin.

Conversando con los graduados me di cuenta que muchos coinciden en sus sentimientos, lo que al inicio se presentaba ante ellos como un camino larguísimo: "cuaaaaaatro años", se pasó volando, se aprendió mucho, pero sobre todo se conoció un poco más a Dios. Y digo un poco, por que el conocimiento de Dios nunca tiene fin...

El día siguiente de la Misa de graduación tuvimos una comida de despedida. Nos reunimos para dar gracias a Dios, para

convivir, para ver donde estábamos al inicio del estudio y donde estamos ahora, y ahí me incluyo yo, ya que como instructora de la Escuela Bíblica caminé junto con mis alumnos. Hicimos un recuento sobre cual de los cuatro años de estudio resultó más enriquecedor, que concepto fue totalmente nuevo para ellos, que libro de la Biblia dejo en cada uno de ellos una profunda huella, etc. Las respuestas no se dejaron esperar, fueron tan variadas como variadas son las personalidades, se nombraron una gran cantidad de libros: el evangelio de Juan, el libro de Job, la carta de Pablo a los Romanos, Eclesiastés, el profeta Isaías, Hebreos, etc. Ahora empieza para ellos un nuevo caminar, un caminar que solo Dios sabe donde los llevará, lo que estoy segura es que lo caminarán de la mano de Dios.



The faculty and staff of the School of Ministry congratulate the following graduate students for the earning of their respective degrees:

### Master of Theological Studies


Tammy Dunn Amosson  
Elizabeth Belcher  
Douglas Bencotter  
Julie Billmeier (Seibold)  
Donna Chesshir  
Michael Donaldson  
Gaynor "Paul" George, Biblical  
James Parkey  
Jerry Schwieterman, Biblical  
Mary Smith  
Kathy Stafford  
Angelique Teagle

### Master of Pastoral Ministry

Kathryne Byrne, Health Care  
Kathleen Kozak, Youth Ministry

### Master of Catholic School Leadership

Camille Patrick-Antes  
Jason Pohlmeier



# What Does it Mean to Be Catholic Enough?

**Bishop Kevin J. Farrell, Diocese of Dallas  
Commencement Address  
University of Dallas  
May 17, 2010**

Last January 9, a distinguished former trustee of this university, the Rev. Richard John Neuhaus, died. He had been hospitalized for only a few days, but from the first moment it was clear that his days were numbered. He died as the highly acclaimed editor of *First Things*, a journal of religion, culture and public life.

Father Neuhaus was born and raised a Lutheran and, like others in his family, became a Lutheran pastor. By all accounts he was an articulate man of letters and ideas. He had an unassailable intellect and a gift for insight and clear thinking.

In 1987, while still a Lutheran, he authored a book titled *The Catholic Moment: The Paradox of the Church in a Post-Modern World*. The book is a favorable portrait of post-Vatican II Catholic life and a plea that all Christians see in Catholicism great spiritual richness and depth, whose teachings should be at the forefront of influencing American culture at large. In a sense this book was a platform statement of what became his signature project in *First Things* - namely, to link religion, American culture and public life.

Like most things Neuhaus wrote, it was a highly acclaimed book. But, like most things Neuhaus wrote, it was also the catalyst for debate, refining and restating positions - the fruit of the kind of debate, which he relished and which he was very skilled at! It received several highly favorable reviews and

several reviews that took on the author's words and did him the service of engaging him, and, dare I say it, of taking him on.

One such review was by a trained, lifelong Roman Catholic teacher of theology who asked, in the end, was the book, *The Catholic Moment*, "Catholic enough"? The reviewer wondered whether Neuhaus' take on Catholicism might be too narrow, too limiting, too idealized.

Now, let us be clear, no one book can ever be Catholic enough. No one book about the Catholic Church can ever represent over 2,000 years of a faith tradition that has engaged the finest of minds focused on articulating its beliefs and practices in ever new and different ways.

No one book about Catholicism can adequately reflect over 2,000 years of influencing and being influenced by the myriad of cultures that comprise the world today and that have comprised the world for these two millennia and counting.

No one book about Catholicism can ever be true to the variety of religious communities and Catholic spiritualities that have coexisted under the umbrella of Catholicism for 2,000 years.

But if this is the case then we need to be self-critical and realize that no one of us has the only approach to Catholicism. We need to be humble and realize that there have been very many moments and at very different times that could and should be called

Catholic moments. We are the inheritors of over 2,000 years of Catholic moments: Catholic moments from across the globe that have embraced the wealth of cultures that have populated and will populate this good earth.

I say this before this gathering at this commencement from this Catholic university - with its unique and much needed mission in today's American society. Among the stated goals of this mission are:

-The University of Dallas is committed to the study and development of the Western tradition of liberal education and the Catholic intellectual tradition.

-The University of Dallas seeks to maintain the dialogue of faith and reason while assuring the proper autonomy of each of the arts, sciences, and professions.

The mission statement and its goals are in complete harmony with the vision of a Catholic university as articulated by Pope John Paul II in his important letter *Ex Corde Ecclesiae* ("From the Heart of the Church").

The mission statement and its goals also stand in accord with the teachings of Pope Benedict XVI when he articulated what a Catholic university is and should be to an audience of leaders in Catholic education from across the United States when he spoke in Washington, D.C, just over a year ago. That address was from a trained academic theologian to his colleagues in the theological academy and those working in the ministry of Catholic education.

He thanked American Catholics for their commitment to education, which he characterized as "integral to the mission of the church to proclaim the good news." He then imme-

diately explicated how the study of theology is to be seen in a wide context including "personal encounter, knowledge and Christian witness." Then he said that these three elements are integral to what he termed "the diakonia ("service") of truth which the church exercises in the midst of humanity." My own suspicion is that it will take us some time, individually and collectively, especially on a university campus such as this, to unpack what the phrase the diakonia of truth means and implies.

The word truth occupies center stage in Pope Benedict's understanding of the challenge believers have - to be faithful to the Gospel and to the truth that guides our minds and hearts. But the rich term diakonia lays down a major challenge for us to see what we do here at this university as truly in service to the truth, a truth that indeed sets us free but a Gospel truth that is also paradoxical and sometimes all too challenging to be embraced in its fullness.

The Holy Father also said that "Catholic identity is not simply a question of the number of Catholic students" nor can it be equated "with orthodoxy of course content." Among other things Catholic identity means teaching and learning with conviction, based on a fundamental and deepening conversion - committing ourselves "intellect and will, mind and heart to God" - and a commitment that is given "fervent expression liturgically, sacramentally, through acts of prayer, charity and a concern for justice and a respect for God's creation."

The word integral comes to mind as the Holy Father moved us to consider our role as students, graduates and professors in this university and our



vocation to serve the truth with the hard work and rigor of an academic discipline, and also with the hard work and discipline required for believers always to deepen our personal commitment to and witness of the truth of our faith. We study and teach the high points (and sometimes the low points as well) of the theological enterprise, which is Catholicism not as interesting museum pieces and things to be lightly touched and politely observed. No, we study the Catholic tradition from the inside with commitment and pride as well as appropriate critique and analysis that sometimes leads to reformulating and recasting what we have come to know - and be convinced of - for the church in ever new circumstances.

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I cannot help but think of the spiritual heritage of St. Benedict, which gratefully looms large on and within this Catholic university given the presence for close to six decades of Cistercian fathers and brothers. St. Benedict's rule for monks is a model of moderation and integration. It has often been called a model of moderation containing nothing extreme in the way the monastic life should be carried out.

The same should be said of the debate over ideas and truth that is carried out in a Catholic university. Dogmatism, closed-mindedness, judgmentalism, suspicion, especially of another's motives, can have no place in a university where debate and the refining of positions are our stock in trade. Unfortunately, that kind of behavior can mark and does mark the blogosphere culture in which we live. It should have no place in this academic community, where the search for truth requires hard work, humility and profound mutual respect.

If and when others may disagree or have a different approach or have a different slant on Catholic teaching or belief, honest debate, not confrontation,

true dialogue where we seek to understand the other, not facile condemnation, should be the overarching way we move forward together. And let us remember that the word heretic has been reserved for precious few people in our Catholic tradition. One has to be very smart to be a heretic. One must be publicly defiant of the church to be a true heretic.

Verbal fratricide has no place in an academic community, which seeks to know and to live the truth, which is Jesus Christ himself. There is a wideness in God's mercy. There is wideness in the Catholic embrace of thought in every age and in the ways in which Catholic belief can and needs to be expressed.

Recent popes have been valiant and prophetic voices for us about what it means to

be Catholic. A perennial question is what does it mean to be Catholic enough?

- It seems to me that it means adhering to the magisterium of the church and taking very seriously the length, breadth, and depth of the Catholic tradition.
- It means taking very seriously the characteristically Catholic integration of official church teaching, other voices in this theological tradition, our liturgical and sacramental traditions and practices, the variety of spiritualities and prayer forms that it has encouraged and fostered as well as its artistic and aesthetic accomplishments, again with a rich variety reflecting the people and the needs of the church in any and every age.
- It means taking very seriously the challenge which theologians in the church have always taken up - to face into and revere the contemporary culture and to relate revelation and our Catholic faith to that culture. The way that was done in one age will necessarily have to be different in another

age. There is simply no one system than can be considered the systematic reflection of the Catholic tradition. It is too broad and far-reaching for that.

- It means taking very seriously our diversity as a worldwide Catholic Church within a comprehensive unity of people, places, and eras in the family album that is Catholicism.
- It means realizing that our understanding of the human person can be influenced by such theological giants as Augustine, Benedict, Bonaventure, Aquinas, among many others and on whom we can rely for insight and help. There is no one answer to what and who is the human person. Catholicism gives us several.
- It means realizing that we can follow a spiritual path laid out by martyrs, monks, mendicants, missionaries, postmoderns and millennials. There is no one Catholic spirituality or way of approaching God in ascetical practices, prayer forms, or devotions.
- It means being open to new questions, new cultures, new circumstances and being willing to learn from them as well as to reformulate teachings in them.
- It does not mean parroting words and phrases from one or another time and place in the church's history as though that were the only way to speak of things divine and of things Catholic.
- It means a very serious study of the sources of our theological tradition with academic rigor and discipline and applying them to the needs of today in light of questions never asked before in the history of the human family but which are questions which you and I need to ask and must ask for credibility, not to say our survival - as a church and as a university.
- It means being proud of the Catholic intellectual tradition but never to be smug, dismissive or righteous about it or in the face of others whose beliefs are different.
- It means being a leaven in a society that seeks insight, example and inspiration even as it claims to be post-religion, post-church and post-Christianity.
- It means being concerned for the common good and the good of others when a certain preoccupation with the self seems to prevail. What good is self-help if the only one to be helped is oneself?

- It means being humble as a faith tradition that is *semper reformanda*, always in need of being reformed, again and again, until we are the true, perfect church God has called us to be.

- It means being humble before God and each other, acknowledging that no one of us has all the answers to the question, "What does it mean to be Catholic enough?" We know well that no one of us can ever have all the answers. No theologian or professor or pope has ever had or ever will have all the answers to what it means to be authentically and fully Catholic.

After Father Richard Neuhaus' unexpected death, there were tributes to and about him from the four corners of the globe. As he was in life, so he was in death - acclaimed and revered. Yet he was also challenged and critiqued. It seems to me that this is what the theological community of a Catholic university should do and be. That is a "community of scholars" (as Pope John Paul II put it) that acclaims, appropriates, critiques and lives what Catholicism believes, teaches, professes and is.

A Catholic university should always be grounded in what it has been given from generations before us. But it should also be faithful to its mission of handing that over to the next generations of those yet unborn who deserve to receive the best of what Catholicism has to offer.

It should be no surprise that I believe that there have been and will still yet be many, many Catholic moments, times when the church strives to work toward the integration of religion, culture and public life. One of the chief means for that to occur is on a Catholic campus such as this.

It is with deep affection that I wish you graduates well. I challenge you to go forth from these special years of learning and formation in the faith to live what you have learned here and to love the Catholic tradition. It is my prayer that you will be part of forging ever new Catholic moments - for your sakes and for the sake of the Catholic tradition to which we are committed and which we hold dear.

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# Daring to Act in Faith

by Mary Lynne Gasaway Hill, Ph.D.

*"Therein lies the nobility of the faith. That we have the heart to dare something."*

**John Henry Cardinal Newman.**

In this famous quote from Cardinal Newman, we are confronted with the Catholic mandate that faith requires the risk of taking action, and we are simultaneously reminded that such risk-taking ennobles us as human beings. Cardinal Newman prompts us to remember what James (2:14) asked us so frankly, "What good is it, my brothers, if someone says he has faith but does not have works?"

This spring, that tandem of faith-action that James and Cardinal Newman promote has been animated in a most gracious manner at the University of Dallas School of Ministry. Dedicated to an exploration of the role of faith in her own life, Jill Peterson, D.D.S., M.P.H., Ph.D., has generously donated \$20,000 to underwrite the Adult Faith Formation Program (AFF) for the academic year of 2010-2011. Initially funded by the Diocese of Dallas, and then by David and Cyndi Freeman, the AFF celebrated its first graduating class this past May.

"God has given me many gifts. I want to give back at least that for which I have been gifted," says Dr. Peterson, a current AFF student, who owns Uptown Endodontics in Arlington and is its sole endodontist.

Peterson, who describes herself as a "cradle Episcopalian and an avid seeker," clearly appreciates the gifts offered by the AFF. As Dr. Brian Schmisek, dean of the School of Ministry says, "Sometimes it takes someone 'outside the group' to point out what is so valuable about the group. I was really moved that Dr. Peterson stepped up to give us such a considerate gift. She spoke appreciatively of the classes, the professors, and how much it all means to her."

Peterson reflects, "I feel fortunate to have found and been received so lovingly by the AFF community. I've been blessed by this and hope that this program can continue to reach out to people like me who are seeking."

One of the AFF professors, who has reached out to challenge Peterson, is Jim McGill. According to McGill, Peterson is "thoughtful, inquisitive and very sharp. Her comments and questions keep me on my toes. Actually, she keeps my toes on the ground. She often raises issues that move the discussion from an ivory tower to the real world. She's always able to phrase intelligently the "So what?" question. And every teacher needs someone in the classroom who can do that well. She can and does."

That ability to articulate and the courage to ask the "So what?" question has been foundational to Peterson's ongoing inquiry



into the many facets of the relationship between faith and action in her own spiritual journey. A native of Colorado, Peterson has trusted in the integrity of her emerging spirituality, throughout the life transitions that eventually led her to North Texas, stating, "I have always been aware of God's presence during such moments. God is with me; and I am with God."

Such an awareness of this presence has sustained Peterson, who strives to integrate

the systematic observations of the scientific approach with profound theological reflection to understand the interplay between the problems and rewards of daily life. While immersed in her scientific studies in which she concurrently pursued her D.D.S. at the Texas A&M Health Science Center Baylor College of Dentistry and her Masters of Public Health at the University of North Texas Health Sciences Center, (the first student ever to complete this joint program), followed by the Ph.D. at the Texas A&M Health Science Center, Peterson recognized within herself the need to integrate scientific pursuits with theological ones, and returned to the Episcopal Church.

While completing the Ph.D., which was funded from 1997 to 2002 by the prestigious National Institute of Dental Research: Mentored Clinical Scientist Development Award, Peterson purchased her own solo practice. Over the next three years, she participated in three missionary trips with other dental practitioners to provide free dental services to the poor in Honduras and Belize. Participating in such trips allowed Peterson to develop a praxis of ministry by directly serving the poor through her profession.

During that period, a venue through which Peterson explored the complementary underlying theology for such praxis was a reading group, sponsored by St. Matthew's Cathedral under the guidance of Mother Natalie Van Kirk. This group, which met every Saturday for four years, tackled such challenging thinkers as Teresa of Avila. When this reading group dispersed, Peterson decided to continue her spiritual examination both locally and internationally. Locally, through an online search, she discovered the AFF program and began taking courses last fall. Internationally, she will again participate in the Oxford University Theology Summer School at Christ Church whose 2010 theme is, appropriately, "Faith in Action."

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Experiences generated from persistent theological study and the missionary trips have reinforced Peterson's sense of the practice of dentistry as a form of service. When asked about how she sees the practice of her work dovetail with her spiritual growth, Peterson does not hesitate, "My staff and I view the practice as a form of ministry."

Peterson notes that it is not always an easy ministry. "It's challenging as the work, itself, can be quite difficult, but also, because people are in pain when they are here, they're stressed out by the pain, worried about cost, and worried about missing work, especially in this economy."

Aware of these anxieties within their patient population, Peterson and her staff animate a pastoral approach, striving to put patients at ease while addressing their particular problems. This pastoral approach to the community shines through from the warm greeting she exchanges with Sal, a waiter, at Moni's restaurant in Arlington when she walks through their door, to the smiles shared by her staff when one walks through their door.

Fortunately for students throughout North Texas, Peterson's faith-in-action pastoral approach is rooted in a deep appreciation and support of education on all levels. Along with supporting adult students in the AFF, Peterson and her staff have mentored high school students, working as Job Track interns at Uptown Endodontics, through the Arlington Independent School District's Career and Technology Education program, and have also supported elementary school students by sponsoring the MasterPEACE young artists' program.

By supporting and participating in learning encounters such as these, Peterson rejuvenates herself so that she can continue to pursue deeper understandings of life's great questions. Founded in 2006 by the School of Ministry, in response to a request from the Department of Catechetical Services of the Diocese of Dallas, the AFF has offered such learning encounters to feed the hunger of adults such as Peterson's, for rigorous discussion of theological issues within a welcoming environment.

Peterson's faith-action response to the AFF's funding needs provides the opportunity for this rigorous conversation to continue

for another year. As McGill states, "Jill Peterson's willingness to financially support the continuation of the AFF program says all that need be said about how she values the education AFF is providing her and others. She's a great student and person. I've always been pleased to have her in class and truly appreciate her generosity."

While being able to assist the AFF in this manner energizes Peterson, her goal, which she shares with Schmisek, is that the AFF become financially self-sustaining and be able to provide scholarships for those in need of them. As she states, "Ultimately, we want more students to experience this type of engaging Christian education that strengthens their spirituality as well as their relationship with God."

According to McGill, this strength development is indeed the experience for current students, "AFF students are diverse in age and background, but all share a common hunger for learning about their Christian faith... I have taught topics as different as the Trinity, the Gospel of John, and the History of Catholic Thought. Despite the complexity of such topics, the students always rise to the occasion and dig in to find what they need to learn. I have discovered over the years that adult students vote with their feet. If they keep showing up for classes, it means they are benefiting and learning. The AFF students have demonstrated by their consistent participation in these classes that they want to learn and that these classes are providing them with just that opportunity."

In the Fall 2010 semester, students have the opportunity to choose from: Faith, Film, and Fiction; the Apocryphal Gospels; Monks, Mystics and Mendicants; and Introduction to the Catechism. (Please see page 26 for Fall 2010 course listing).

Peterson points out that the AFF program serves as the School of Ministry's sustained outreach to North Texas, while the annual University of Dallas School of Ministry Conference (October 22-23, 2010) serves as a complementary concise outreach not only to North Texas, but also to the nation. Together, these two forms of outreach provide depth and breadth of opportunity for adults to engage more fully in their spiritual development.

Through this two-pronged approach the School of Ministry continues to animate its own faith-action tenet: to serve as a harbor for theological reflection and transformative service. By doing so, the School encourages the seekers, like Peterson and her fellow AFF students, to explore the nobility of the faith, while nurturing their hearts to dare something.

For more information about the AFF program or the University of Dallas School of Ministry Conference, please visit, [udallas.edu/ministry/aff](http://udallas.edu/ministry/aff) or call 972-265-5809 (AFF) or 972-721-5105 (UDMC).

"The AFF is awesome! It should never be allowed to fall by the wayside. While each subject and class provided a tremendous amount of knowledge, at its end, all I (we) wanted was more. The presentations and study answered so many questions, but prompted so many more about our faith, its history, and our role in it. It leaves me with the question: How can I not go on with this study? A critical part of making AFF such a success is the heart, drive, and passion of each of the instructors. They are all so willing to share their excitement about God."

Penni Moening,  
2010 AFF Graduate

# Working Together in Faith: The New UDMC Volunteer Corps

In preparation for the 2010 University of Dallas School of Ministry Conference (UDMC), “Walking Together in Faith/ Caminando juntos en la fe,” Ms. Cyndi Freeman and Ms. Cindy Worth are working together in faith/ trabajando juntos en la fe to inaugurate an innovative volunteer response, the UDMC Volunteer Corps, to meet the growing needs of the conference. As Volunteer Corps co-chairs, Freeman and Worth have already assembled a team of over 150 volunteers to serve the larger ministry community throughout the conference.

Dr. Brian Schmisek, dean of the School of Ministry, states, “I am so grateful to Cyndi Freeman and Cindy Worth for stepping up to the task of leading our UDMC Volunteer Corp. Their willingness to take on this unprecedented role has greatly assisted the School of Ministry staff in the planning process. Similarly, the Volunteer Corp will help the School of Ministry team serve the conference participants better, from pre-conference planning to logistics on the conference weekend. I know that Cyndi, Cindy, and all of the Volunteer Corp will help the School of Ministry make the 2010 UDMC the most successful yet.”

With over 4,500 participants last year, the UDMC was the largest event in the history of the University of Dallas. With at least 6,000 participants expected for the October 22-23 gathering, Freeman and Worth have created an exciting program to train volunteers to insure the event is a welcoming and enriching experience for all who attend.

According to Worth, serving as a volunteer offers the chance “for individuals to use their spiritual gifts, skills and life experiences and see how these contribute to the growth of the UDMC. It is an opportunity to enjoy a unique experience of Catholic community while developing relationships with other volunteers and participants from around the country.”

Volunteers receive free admission to the conference, a complimentary UDMC polo shirt, and access to the volunteer lounge for complimentary snacks and drinks at



the Dallas Convention Center during the conference. Also, if volunteers choose to introduce one of the speakers, they receive a UDMC pin. A volunteer rally in July includes dinner as well as the latest news on speakers and events.

Freeman offers that, “We are looking for dependable, punctual, committed volunteers who are happy and enthusiastic about the UDMC. We want everyone to feel welcome and comfortable. We want our volunteers to know that they are a vital part of the success of the UDMC. In fact, we want volunteers to enjoy their time with us so much that they want to volunteer next year! We want their lives to be touched and we want them to touch the lives of others, through the Holy Spirit.”

Volunteers have the chance to sign up for different sub-committees so that they might share existing gifts and talents or take this opportunity to develop new ones. The sub-committees and their leaders are the following: Hospitality/Beth Belcher; Speakers/Emily Dzurisin; Set-Up/Tom Hayden; Emcee English/Naomi LaRue;

Emcee Spanish/Cecilia Rangel; Exhibitors/Mary McGill; and Take-Down /Juan Roberts Martinez. Rick Matos is serving as the UDMC Music Coordinator.

As Tom Hayden, sub-committee head for Set Up reflects, “I have artisan skills as well as logistic skills, that I have used in my construction business, which will be helpful at the conference. I am especially proud to be later installing the mosaic that Julie Richey and associates will be creating during the conference, which she has donated to a Family Place Shelter in East Dallas.”

Hayden and Richey’s collaborative generosity is just one example of the UDMC Volunteer Corps emerging as a fresh manifestation of the School of Ministry’s mission to provide venues for “theological reflection and transformative service.”

As Worth states, “Faith sharing and theological reflection among volunteers and participants provide support and encouragement and builds bonds of community. The UDMC provides this opportunity to continue to grow in our faith.”

Freeman supports that observation adding, “The Volunteer Corps is the perfect opportunity to serve as Jesus Christ served others. The volunteer can be an active participant in ministry. Just being in the company of others and sharing our stories helps us ‘Walk Together in Faith.’ We are strengthened and fortified. We know we are not alone. We are ready to spread the Gospel and share our love and faith.”

After the UDMC broke out last year as a powerhouse for spreading the Gospel, Dean Schmisek realized the need for a formal organized volunteer effort. He then approached Freeman about assuming the leadership of such an effort.

Freeman, who has wide-ranging volunteer experience and has attended all of the previous UDMCs, states, “Brian asked me to lead the Volunteer Corps. Up until this year, there was no formal program for training volunteers. I said ‘yes’ and then enlisted the help of my friend,

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Cindy Worth, who also, like myself, has an extensive volunteer past. We are modeling the UDMC on the Los Angeles Religious Education Conference, which I attended last year. Because their conference is so large, about 40,000 participants, they have a tremendous volunteer base. We hope to build our group and retain them from year to year as our conference continues to grow.”

Freeman and Worth met each other through their participation in the School of Ministry’s Catholic Biblical School (CBS). Although they graduated from the CBS program in 2009, they have continued together in their faith journey by developing and nourishing this volunteer effort.

Worth reflects, “We desire to give our time, share our knowledge and continue to grow in our faith through our volunteer involvement with the School of Ministry.”

Along with leading the UDMC volunteers this fall, both women plan to continue their formal exploration of their faith by enrolling in Professor Jim McGill’s new course, “Patristics, Popes, and Protestants.”

When asked about Freeman and Worth, Oscar Carranza, coordinator of the UDMC, states, “I feel blessed to have the support of this group of volunteers who have taken this ministry opportunity. Their willingness to take time from the busy-ness of their

own schedules to work behind the scenes will provide tremendous benefits to all who attend the UDMC. It is another way that we are once again reminded that in this spiritual journey, we are indeed ‘Walking Together in Faith.’”

Volunteers are required to assist with a minimum of one shift of four hours at the UDMC. These shifts include a range of activities such as setting up, greeting and registering attendees, providing information, and assisting speakers, exhibitors, and entertainers in a variety of ways. To prepare to meet these needs as a member of the UDMC team, volunteers are invited to attend the volunteer rally on the evening of Tuesday, July 20, along with a mandatory volunteer meeting at the University of Dallas on Saturday, September 11 from 3:30 P.M. - 5:30 P.M., or on Tuesday, September 14 from 6:30 P.M. - 8:30 P.M. At the close of the conference, volunteers complete an evaluation form to share insights for improving the quality of the UDMC Volunteer Corp for the following year.

The 2010 conference, which is again co-sponsored by the Diocese of Dallas and the Diocese of Fort Worth, features nationally known presenters such as Archbishop Daniel Cardinal DiNardo, Archdiocese of

Galveston-Houston; Matt Maher, singer, songwriter, and worship leader; Rocco Palmo, writer of the prominent Catholic blog “Whispers in the Loggia,” and Rev. Ignacio Larrañaga, author and founder of Prayer and Life Workshops. Other highlights include breakout sessions in English, Spanish, and Vietnamese, more than 100 exhibitors, and displays of religious artwork.

Freeman and Worth’s efforts to recruit individuals wanting to assist with this rich program have already proved so effective that the Volunteer Corps now has a wait-list.

They invite those still interested in volunteering to add their names to this list and join them in working together in faith to insure the resounding success of “Walking Together in Faith/ Caminando juntos en la fe.”

To join the wait-list, please apply online at [udallas.edu/ministry/udmc](http://udallas.edu/ministry/udmc). All volunteers will receive a confirmation email with a schedule, along with additional information regarding the volunteer rally, and the mandatory training session in September.

## VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT

### BETH BELCHER, HOSPITALITY

Beth Belcher, an MTS graduate of the School of Ministry, is the head of the subcommittee for Hospitality for the 2010 UDMC.

When asked why she chose to participate in the UDMC Volunteer Corps, Belcher states, “I have just graduated from the School of Ministry with a Master of Theological Studies degree. I wanted to continue to be intimately involved with UD and this fantastic program in which I believe so deeply.”

Belcher, who comes from a large family and has a large family, is excited to be able to share her gift for hospitality with the UDMC community. She says, “I was very happy when Brian called to offer me the position as head of the Hospitality sub-committee. Because of my family background, dealing with large groups of people is fun for me. I like to plan and be involved with events where I can interface with the public, where I can give a personal touch to make people feel warm and welcome. I was thrilled when I met all of the other people on the UDMC committee; I cannot think of a better or more qualified group of people to bring this conference to life this year!”

For UDMC 2010, Belcher hopes that “we can do justice to the speakers and all of the UDMC volunteers with the program we put together. But mostly, as we are all involved in ministry in one way or another, we hope to provide a wonderful experience that allows all of us to grow in our abilities to graciously serve those around us.”



# VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT

## MARY MCGILL, EXHIBITORS

Mary McGill, Pastoral Associate for Religious Education at Holy Trinity Catholic Church in downtown Dallas, is the head of the subcommittee for Exhibitors for the 2010 UDMC.

When asked why she chose to participate in the UDMC Volunteer Corps, McGill responds enthusiastically, "I have worked professionally in diocesan and parish ministry for many years. I know how important it is for parish and diocesan workers to find good educational support and encouragement for our goals and service. It is good to see and hear about new ideas and plans. It is good to meet others who share in our areas of work. I became a volunteer for the UDMC because I feel it is important to support this!"

McGill is particularly dedicated to working with exhibitors who come to the UDMC to offer their resources because of her respect for their work as a form of ministry. She reflects, "I have great respect for these men and women, because over the years of my ministry, I have seen the time, patience and concern of this group of people. I was the Director of Catechetics for the Diocese of Shreveport in Louisiana when Hurricane Katrina hit the Gulf Coast. Katrina caused numerous families to move up to our area for weeks and months. Due to this unexpected migration, our parishes suddenly had greater numbers of children entering their religious education programs. Our churches needed more religious textbooks for these kids and I was the person to call the publishers. Every representative from the publishers that I called gave our parishes their needed books free of charge! This experience has allowed me to see that these UDMC exhibitors are ministers too, and at the UDMC they know that they are truly respected and appreciated by me and by the service staff there."

For UDMC 2010, McGill hopes to "see more individuals attending our program, more speakers sharing knowledge, and more exhibitors displaying their materials. I hope to find everyone comfortable and encouraged in their own ministries by the Conference."



## RICK MATOS, UDMC MUSIC MINISTRY COORDINATOR

Christian musician Rick Matos, of the band 5Rox based out of Our Lady of Angels Catholic Church in Allen, is the UDMC music ministry coordinator.

When asked why he chose to become a UDMC volunteer, Matos states, "The UDMC offers Catholics a unique opportunity and venue to learn about their faith and improving ways of sharing it. The music helps provide an atmosphere of immersion in the faith and it provides music ministers an opportunity to share their gift with the UDMC attendees."

For Matos, music is the cornerstone of his ministry and calling. He reflects, "Through listening, sharing, singing, playing, writing, directing, producing and networking, I reach out to others offering them the opportunity to join in praise and worship of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. I try to serve as a liaison between music ministers eager to share their gifts and attendees eager to immerse themselves in music."

For next fall, Rick hopes that, "UDMC 2010 will be even more successful in terms of reaching even more ministers (staff and volunteers alike) of the Church and giving them tools and motivation to go forth and spread the Word. I hope the music will provide a means by way of which attendees will connect even further with each other and their faith."



## The Identity of a Catholic University

With a captivated audience of nearly two hundred, the School of Ministry hosted a panel discussion on "The Identity of a Catholic University" on Monday, February 1, 2010 in the Church of the Incarnation at the University of Dallas. This panel discussion focused on Bishop Farrell's commencement address to the UD graduating class in May of 2009. In that address, Bishop Farrell considered the role of a Catholic University and what it means to be "Catholic enough" in today's society. The panel discussion went to the heart of this issue, as panelists reflected on what they believe is essential to the identity of a Catholic University and what is "Catholic enough."

The panelists, who were quite diverse in academic background and response, included John Allen Jr., Senior Vatican Analyst for CNN;

Marti Jewell, Assistant Professor of Theology, School of Ministry; Marcy Brown Marsden, Associate Professor/Department Chair, Biology, University of Dallas; and Christopher Malloy, Associate Professor of Theology, University of Dallas. Dr. Brian Schmisek, dean of the School of Ministry facilitated the event. A short question and answer session followed, which allowed audience members to respond to the panelists by offering their own beliefs about what is "Catholic enough." For pictures of the panel discussion, as well as copies of each of the panelists' comments, please visit our website at [udallas.edu/somevents/sompanels](http://udallas.edu/somevents/sompanels).



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## Partial List of 2010 UDMC Speakers



**Archbishop Daniel Cardinal DiNardo** has been the Archbishop of the Archdiocese of Galveston Houston since 2006. The following year, Pope Benedict XVI elevated him to the College of Cardinals. He served the Congregation for Bishops in Rome from 1984 to 1991, before returning to his home Diocese of Pittsburgh to serve as the Assistant Secretary for Education and as a parish priest.



**Santiago Fernández** is currently the music minister at St. Michael Parish in Pontiac, Michigan and the Music Director for the National Catholic Council for Hispanic Ministry.



**Amy Florian** is a nationally recognized speaker, teacher, and retreat director. She is a liturgy and bereavement consultant, a Fellow in Thanatology, the founder of Corgenius Inc., and author of over ninety articles and two books.



**Lisa Hendey** is the founder and editor of CatholicMom.com and the author of the best-selling book, *The Handbook for Catholic Moms: Nurturing Your Heart, Mind, Body and Soul*. She is the host of the "Catholic Mom" television program and appears regularly on a variety of Catholic radio programs.



**Dr. Steven R. Janco** is Director of the Rensselaer Program of Church Music and Liturgy at Saint Joseph's College, Rensselaer, Indiana. A published liturgical composer, he also serves as Director of Liturgy and Music at St. Eulalia Parish, Maywood Illinois.



**ValLimar Jansen** is a singer, cantor and recording artist. She is also a college professor, a leader of worship and prayer, and a national workshop presenter. Recent musical projects include *You Gotta Move, Live It!* a two-CD compilation, *Clothed in Love*, and the *Songs of Celebration*.



**David Kauffman** is a songwriter, recording artist, and founder of Good For The Soul Music. His musical collections include the inspiring *Behold, Follow Me, Be Still*, and *Surrender*. His latest CD, *12 Healing Songs for Recovery*, connects to the individual steps in 12 step programs. He has recently composed *MOSES* and the *Burning Within* with fellow artist William Gokelman.



**Ignacio Larrañaga**, sacerdote franciscano, capuchino originario del País Vasco, ha desarrollado una amplia labor animadora y evangelizadora durante 25 años en América Latina, Norteamérica y Europa. Los Encuentros de Experiencia de Dios, que se iniciaron en el Brasil en 1974, y los Talleres de Oración y Vida, que datan de 1984, transmiten de manera pedagógica su mensaje y se han convocado a lo largo de los años a decenas de miles de personas. El Padre Larrañaga es asimismo autor de catorce libros que han alcanzado numerosas ediciones que han sido traducidos a 10 idiomas.



**Matt Maher** is one of the most popular and critically-acclaimed Catholic artists in the country. His latest album is *Alive Again*. Matt provides the Church with art that expresses God's greatness and sing-able songs that give voice to our desire to be in relationship with the Lord.



**Bob McCarty** is the Executive Director for the National Federation for Catholic Youth Ministry. Bob holds a bachelor of science in sociology/theology, a master of arts in religious education, and a doctorate of ministry.



**Linda K. McCray** creates original abstract spiritual paintings for sacred space. She publishes *Liturgical Art Today* and the *Liturgical Artists Directory*. Linda, who has a master of fine arts in painting and drawing, teaches at The University of Montana–Helena College of Technology and The University of Mary in Bismarck, North Dakota. She also facilitates art-and-faith retreats and liturgical art workshops.



**Father Jonathan Morris** serves as a news analyst for the Fox News and Fox Business Channel. He served as theological advisor on the feature film *The Passion of the Christ*. He has a licentiate degree in moral theology (ethics) from Regina Apostolorum Pontifical University in Rome, Italy and currently serves as parochial vicar of St. Patrick's Old Cathedral in New York City.



**Father Dan Nguyen** made first vows to the Congregation of the Mother Co-Redemptrix in 1965. After attending the Universities of Dalat and Saigon, he graduated with a bachelor of science in 1973. He was ordained a priest at the Shrine of the Immaculate Heart of Mary in Carthage, Missouri in 1983. Father Dan attended the Pontifical University Urbaniana, Rome and holds a doctorate in canon law.



**Rocco Palmo** or the "Church Whisperer" is one of global Catholicism's most prominent chroniclers. A former US correspondent for *The Tablet*, Palmo has served as a church analyst for *The New York Times*, *Associated Press*, *BBC*, *NBC*, *National Public Radio*, *Washington Post*, and the *Los Angeles Times*. A native of Philadelphia, Rocco Palmo holds a bachelor of arts in political science.



**Fr. Anthony Ruff** is a monk of St. John's Abbey in Collegeville, where he teaches theology, liturgical music, and Gregorian chant at St. John's University and School of Theology/Seminary. Forthcoming from GIA is the chant collection he has edited, *Canticum novum: Gregorian Chant for Today's Choirs*. He also ministers at the county jail and for the neighboring community of Benedictine sisters.



**Valerie and Randy Schultz** have been married for 29 years and have four daughters. Valerie is a freelance writer and columnist. Her collection of essays on marriage and intimacy, *Closer*, was published in 2008. Having served as classroom teacher for many years, Randy is now an assistant professor of education at Cal State Bakersfield. The Schultzes have long been active in parish ministry and conduct weekend Catholic services at the state prison in Tehachapi, California.



**Curtis Stephen** is a lifelong musician who received a bachelor's degree in music and master's degree in jazz studies from the University of North Texas, before answering the call to be a Youth Music Minister at St. Ann's Church in Coppell. With the release of his debut CD *Through the Storm*, Curtis' ministry expands to a wider audience.

## Partial List of 2010 UDMC Speakers and Topics

<b>John Allen</b>	TBD	<b>Dr. Dan Luby</b>	Martyrs and Witnesses: Some Feminine Models of Biblical Ministry
<b>David Almager</b>	God Does Not Condone Abuse: Working with Men to Help STOP Family Violence (Spanish)	<b>Bob McCarty</b>	1. Catholic Youth Evangelization: A Call to the Good News 2. Adolescent Catechesis: the Pain and the Promise
<b>Dr. Frank B Ashley</b>	Diaconal Ministry in the Marketplace: Maintaining a Healthy Balance	<b>Rick McCord</b>	1. Becoming a Marriage-Building Parish 2. Your Marriage is Your Vocation
<b>Mary Lee Becker</b>	1. Justice is up to Us: Moving from Hours of Service to Lifestyles of Justice 2. Are We "Just Another Catholic"... or Catholics Who Are "Just"	<b>Linda McCray</b>	Just the Basics of Seasonal Liturgical Art and Environment
<b>Julie Billmeier</b>	A New Look at the Theology of Vocation	<b>Jim McGill</b>	Fathers of the Church: Why They are Still Important
<b>Angela Canas</b>	God Does Not Condone Abuse: Working with Men to Help STOP Family Violence (English)	<b>Frank Mercadante</b>	1. Moving from Evangelizing to Immanuelizing 2. Fostering Faith Maturity in Teens
<b>Rosabel Cantu</b>	A Call for Help: How to Help Women and Children Victimized by Family Violence (Spanish)	<b>Debra Mitchell-Ibe</b>	A Call for Help: How to Help Women and Children Victimized by Family Violence (English)
<b>Sr. Clare Fitzgerald</b>	1. Teachers: Catholic Identity 2. Personal Spirituality of Teachers	<b>Pedro Moreno</b>	La visión del Magisterio sobre el debate nacional de la migración
<b>Amy Florian</b>	1. End-of-Life Documents and Catholic Teaching 2. Children's Liturgy of the Word	<b>Fr. Jonathan Morris</b>	The Catholic Church in the 21st Century: The Message and the Media
<b>Dr. Jerry Galipeau</b>	Recharge the RCIA Process: Learning by Doing	<b>Dr. Richard Olenick</b>	The Act of Creation: The Big Bang
<b>Gene Giuliano</b>	Does God Have Feelings: A Reflection on the Divine-Human Connection	<b>Dr. Scott Opperman</b>	Ignatian Spirituality
<b>Dr. Greer Gordon</b>	1. Social Teachings and Preferential Option 2. Charity as Justice: Compassion in Perspective	<b>Rocco Palmo</b>	TBD
<b>Brigitte Gynther</b>	Farmworkers, Fair Food, and You: Transforming our Food System for Dignity and Justice	<b>JoAnn Paradise</b>	Walking Together in Faith: Accompanying Families on the Journey to Sacramental Preparation
<b>Lisa Hendey</b>	Building Faith-Filled Families in Today's Technological Climate	<b>Lucas Pollice</b>	The Holy Spirit 101
<b>Angeline Hubert</b>	1. Women in Scripture: Their Socio-Cultural Setting 2. Women Who Encountered Jesus	<b>Juan Rendon</b>	TBD
<b>Dr. Steve Janco</b>	1. Liturgical Music and Catholic Identity. 2. Making Good Choices: Selecting Music for Worship.	<b>Julie Richey</b>	TBD
<b>Dr. Marti Jewell</b>	Emerging Models of Pastoral Leadership	<b>John Roberto</b>	1. Envisioning the Future of Faith Formation 2020 2. Designing the Future of Faith Formation 2020
<b>Sr. Dorothy Jonaitis</b>	Matthew's Beatitudes: New Commandments for Christians	<b>Jo Rotuno</b>	Partnering with Parents in Children's Faith Formation
<b>David Kauffman</b>	1. Moses, the Musical 2. Lectio Divina	<b>Fr. Anthony Ruff</b>	1. Implementing Our New Missal-Pastoral Strategies 2. Sacred Music and Liturgical Reform
<b>Barbara Khirallah</b>	TBD	<b>Anna Scally</b>	TBD
<b>Dennis Kurtz</b>	1. Bible Literacy: The ABC's of Bible Literacy 2. Bible Spirituality: Teaching Teens about Bible Spirituality	<b>Randy and Valerie Schultz</b>	1. Marriage of Low-Maintenance Friends 2. Using Your Gifts in Ministry as a Couple
<b>Rev. Ignacio Larrañaga</b>	TBD (Keynote speaker in Spanish)	<b>Pia Septien</b>	Mujeres de la Biblia: historias del pasado, lecciones para el presente y esperanza para el futuro
		<b>Joyce Springer</b>	Catechist Training
		<b>John Michael Talbot</b>	TBD
		<b>Claire Wing</b>	The Building Committee and the Artist: Mission, Collaboration, and Process

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### HORARIO

#### Saturday, October 23, 2010 English/Spanish/Vietnamese

6:00 – 8:00	Exhibit Room set up	Exhibit Hall A
8:00 –	Exhibits remain open until 6:00p.m.	
7:00 – 9:00	Registration	Lobby A
8:30 – 9:00	Morning Prayer / Welcome	Arena
9:00 – 9:15	Break	
9:15 – 10:15	Session I	
10:15 – 10:30	Break	
10:30 – 11:30	Session II	
11:30 – 11:45	Break	
11:45 – 12:45	Session III	
12:45 – 2:00	Lunch & Exhibits	Exhibit Hall A
	Music	Arena
2:00 – 3:00	Session IV	
3:00 – 3:15	Break	
3:15 – 4:15	Session V	
4:15 – 6:00	Exhibits	Exhibit Hall A
4:30 – 5:00	Evening Prayer	Arena
6:00 – 8:00	Concert with Matt Maher	Arena

#### Saturday, October 23, 2010 English/Spanish/Vietnamese

6:00 – 8:00	Exhibit Room set up	Exhibit Hall A
8:00 –	Exhibits remain open until 4:15 p.m.	
7:00 – 10:30	Registration	Lobby A
8:00 – 9:00	Music	Arena
9:30 – 10:00	Morning Prayer / Welcome	Arena
10:00 – 10:15	Break	
10:15 – 11:15	Session VI	
11:15 – 11:30	Break	
11:30 – 12:30	Session VII	
12:30 – 1:45	Lunch & Exhibits	Exhibit Hall A
	Music	Arena
1:45 – 2:45	Session VIII	
2:45 – 3:00	Break	
3:00 – 4:00	Session IX	
4:00 – 4:15	Break/Exhibits Closing/Drawing	Exhibit Hall A
4:15 – 5:15	Session X	
5:15 – 5:30	Break	
5:30 – 6:30	Closing Mass	

#### Viernes 22 de octubre, 2010 Ingles/Español

6:00 – 8:00	Montaje en área de exhibición
8:00 –	Exhibiciones permanecen abiertas hasta las 6:00p.m.
7:00 – 9:00	Registro
8:30 – 9:00	Oración Matutina/Bienvenida
9:00 – 9:15	Receso
9:15 – 10:15	Sesion I
10:15 – 10:30	Receso
10:30 – 11:30	Sesion II
11:30 – 11:45	Receso
11:45 – 12:45	Sesion III
12:45 – 2:00	Comida
	Música
2:00 – 3:00	Sesion IV
3:00 – 3:15	Receso
3:15 – 4:15	Sesion V
4:15 – 6:00	Exhibición
4:30 – 5:00	Oración vespertina
6:00 – 8:00	Concierto gratis con Matt Maher

#### Sábado 23 de octubre, 2010 Ingles/Español/Vietnamita

6:00 – 8:00	Montaje en área de exhibición
8:00 –	Exhibiciones permanecen abiertas hasta las 4:15p.m.
7:00 – 10:30	Registro
8:00 – 9:00	Música
9:30 – 10:00	Oración Matutina/Bienvenida
10:00 – 10:15	Receso
10:15 – 11:15	Sesion VI
11:15 – 11:30	Receso
11:30 – 12:30	Sesion VII
12:30 – 1:45	Comida y exhibición
	Música
1:45 – 2:45	Sesion VIII
2:45 – 3:00	Receso
3:00 – 4:00	Sesion IX
4:00 – 4:15	Receso / Clausura de exhibición
4:15 – 5:15	Sesion X
5:15 – 5:30	Receso
5:30 – 6:30	Misa

## Registration Fees / Inscripción

### Single/individual

	Before September 1st	After September 1st	Walk In
	Antes del 1º de de Septiembre	Después del 1º de Septiembre	Inscripciones en el evento
2 Day Pass/2 días	\$60.00	\$75.00	\$100.00
1 Day Pass/ 1 día	\$50.00	\$65.00	\$75.00

### Group (20 or more) Rates are Per Person Grupo (20 o más) Los precios son por persona

	Before September 1st	After September 1st	Walk In
	Antes del 1º de Septiembre	Después del 1º de Septiembre	Inscripciones en el evento
2 Day Pass/2 días	\$40.00	\$60.00	N/A
1 Day Pass/1 día	\$30.00	\$50.00	N/A

**GROUPS** - Please make copies and submit one form per person in your group. We must have all contact information for each registrant in order to complete your registration.

**GRUPOS** - Por favor saque copias y entregue una por cada integrante de su grupo. Es importante tener toda la información para poder completar el registro.

Last Name/Apellido \_\_\_\_\_ First Name/Nombre \_\_\_\_\_

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Country/País \_\_\_\_\_

Phone/Número de Teléfono \_\_\_\_\_ Fax \_\_\_\_\_

Email/Correo electrónico \_\_\_\_\_

Main Occupation/Ocupación \_\_\_\_\_ Employer/Empresa \_\_\_\_\_

Diocese/Diócesis \_\_\_\_\_

**When you will attend? / Por favor indique que día(s) asistirá.**

	Single/individual	Group/ Grupo	
Friday/Viernes	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Total: \$ _____
Saturday/Sábado	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Both Days/Ambos Días	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

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Cancellation must be made 10 business days prior to the conference (October 8, 2010). Refunds will be sent after the conference.

#### Política de cancelación:

La cancelación debe ser solicitada 10 días antes de la conferencia (Octubre 8, de 2010). Los reembolsos se enviarán después de la conferencia.

The two day event will include nationally known speakers and breakout sessions in English, Spanish and Vietnamese. The sessions will cover a wide range of areas within Catholic ministry, such as:

- Youth Ministry
- Adult Catechesis
- RCIA
- Catechesis Formation
- Liturgy and Music
- Parish Leadership/ Best Practices/Parish Councils
- Campus Ministry
- Tribunal Law
- Multicultural issues
- Marriage/Family
- Justice and Service
- Scripture
- Emerging Models of Church/Leadership/ Transition Parish, Vatican II
- Stewardship
- End of Life/Hospice/ Grief/Loss
- Respect life
- Technology/ Communications/ Best Practices
- Priesthood in the 21st Century/Priest and Deacon Formation
- Ministry of Hospitality and Evangelization
- Spirituality

There will also be more than 70 exhibitors, a display of religious artwork, ample networking opportunities, and a FREE concert with Matt Maher. Do not miss the opportunity to join the Catholic community of North Texas in this unique event.

Este evento de dos días incluirá ponentes nacionalmente reconocidos y sesiones en inglés, español y vietnamita. Las sesiones cubrirán todas las áreas dentro del ministerio católico:

- Catequesis para adultos
- Liderazgo en la parroquia
- Respeto por la vida
- Sacramentos
- Escrituras
- Justicia Social y Familia
- Liturgia y Música
- Ministerio de Hospitalidad
- Espiritualidad
- Teología

Contaremos con la participación de más de 70 expositores, un exposición de arte religioso y amplias oportunidades de interacción, incluyendo un concierto musical GRATIS con Matt Maher. No se pierda esta excelente oportunidad de convivir con la comunidad católica del Norte de Texas en un evento sin precedente.

The Association of Collegiate Conference and Events Directors-International has awarded the **Outstanding Institutional Achievement Award** to the University of Dallas School of Ministry for its stellar production of the University of Dallas Ministry Conference (UDMC) 2009, the largest event in the University's history. Congratulations to the School of Ministry team!

## SoM Graduate Schedule-Fall 2010

**Weekday Courses:** Classes begin Wednesday, September 1 and end Thursday, December 9.

Course#/Section	Course Title	Credit Hours	Day	Times	Room	Instructor
RPS*6322*01	New Testament	3	M	7:00 p.m.- 9:50 p.m.	SoM	Schmisek
RPS*6313*01	Systematic Theology	3	TU	7:00 p.m. - 9:50 p.m.	SoM	Luby
RPS*6377*10	Ignatian Spirituality	3	W	7:00 p.m. - 9:50 p.m.	SoM	Opperman
RPS*6313*DL1	Systematic Theology	3	Web			Luby
RPS*6313*DL2	Systematic Theology	3	Web			Luby
RPS*6322*DL1	New Testament	3	Web			Madden
RPS*6320*DL1	Theological Reflection	3	Web			Jewell
RPS*6312*DL1	Moral Theology	3	Web			Opperman
RPS*6377*01	Pentateuch	3	M	7:00 p.m. - 9:50 p.m.	B302	Glicksman
RPS*6377*02	Biblical Inspiration and Interpretation	3	S	9:00 a.m. - 11:50 a.m.	C220	Farkasfalvy
RPS*6377*03	Triune God	3	TR	6:00 p.m. - 7:20 p.m.	C219	Malloy
RPS*6377*04	Sacramental Theology	3	TR	7:30 p.m. - 8:50 p.m.	GL*E	Kereszty
RPS*6377*05	Fundamental Moral Theology	3	MW	5:00 p.m. - 7:20 p.m.	B201	Lowery
RPS*6377*06	Bioethical Issues	3	TR	2:00 p.m. - 3:20 p.m.	C220	TBA
RPS*6377*07	Peter Lombard's Sentences	3	MWF	2:00 p.m. - 2:50 p.m.	ANS222	Roseman
RPS*6377*08	Church History I	3	W	7:00 p.m. - 9:50 p.m.	C222	Norris
RPS*6377*09	Sources and Methods	3	MWF	10:00am-10:50am	ANS222	Brownsberger

**Traditional Weekend Courses:** Weekend I August 20-22, Weekend II September 17-19, Weekend III October 8-10, Weekend IV November 5-7, Weekend V December 3-5

RPS*6312*01	Moral Theology	3	F	7:00 p.m. - 9:50 p.m.	SoM	Opperman
			SA	8:00 a.m. - 10:50 a.m.		
			SA	12:00 p.m. - 2:50 p.m.		
RPS*6320*01	Theological Reflection	3	SA	3:30 p.m. - 6:20 p.m.	SoM	Jewell
			SU	8:00 a.m. - 10:50 a.m.		
			SU	1:00 p.m. - 3:50 p.m.		

**Youth Ministry Courses:** The following workshops apply to the MPM in Youth Ministry. They may also be taken by MTS students as electives.

RPS*6147*01	Prayer & Worship September 22-23, 2010	1	WTH	9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.	UD	Robert Feduccia
RPS*6147*02	Prayer & Worship September 25-26, 2010	1	SASU	9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.	UD	Robert Feduccia
RPS*6148*01	Pastoral Care November 3-4, 2010	1	WTH	9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.	UD	Deborah McDonald
RPS*6148*02	Pastoral Care November 6-7, 2010	1	SASU	9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.	UD	Deborah McDonald

**Adult Faith Formation:** Classes meet at the University of Dallas campus in Irving from September through December. Each course meets for three hours either in the morning or afternoon. Four classes are offered each semester. Participants may choose to take any or all. Classes will incorporate adult learning styles including discussion, lecture, reflection papers, and reading assignments. The program fee is \$100 per course.

**Faith, Film & Fiction:** Meets on: 09/11/10-10/02/10-10/16/10-12/11/10 from 8:30 a.m. to Noon  
Instructor: Dr. Dan Luby

**Monks, Mystics, and Mendicants (on Spirituality):** Meets on: 09/11/10-10/02/10-11/06/10-12/04/10 from 1:00 p.m.-4:30 p.m.  
Instructor: Mr. Jim McGill

**The Apocryphal Gospels:** Meets on: 09/18/10-11/20/10-12/04/10 from 8:30 a.m. to Noon and 09/18/10 from 1:00 p.m.-4:30p.m.  
Instructor: Mr. Gene Giuliano

**Intro to the Catechism:** Meets on: 10/16/10-11/20/10-12/11 from 1:00 p.m.-4:30 p.m. and 11/06/10 from 8:00 a.m.-Noon  
Instructor: Sr. Dorothy Jonaitis

### **Patristics, Popes, and Protestants**

Instructor: Mr. Jim McGill

This course meets at the University of Dallas campus in Irving on either Tuesday mornings from 9:30-11:30 or on Wednesday evenings from 7:00-9:00. The course begins on September 14, 2010 and runs for 30 weeks.

## **Catholic Biblical School**

### **Mondays**

1<sup>st</sup> Year Spanish, 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.  
University of Dallas, Irving

Advanced, English, 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.  
Our Lady of Queen Peace Church, Wichita Falls, TX

Advanced, English, 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.  
St. Joseph Church, Richardson

### **Tuesdays**

1<sup>st</sup> Year, English, 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.  
University of Dallas, Irving

2<sup>nd</sup> Year, English, 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.  
St. Mark Church, Denton

Advanced, English, 9:30am - 11:30am  
St. Luke Church, Irving

Advanced, English, 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.  
St. Ann Church, Coppell

Advanced, Spanish, 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.  
University of Dallas, Irving

### **Wednesdays**

1<sup>st</sup> Year, English, 9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.  
University of Dallas, Irving

Advanced, English, 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.  
St. Rita Church, Dallas

Advanced, Spanish, 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.  
Santa Mónica, Dallas

### **Thursdays**

1<sup>st</sup> Year, English, 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.  
St. Phillip the Apostle Church, Lewisville

2<sup>nd</sup> Year, English, 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.  
University of Dallas, Irving

1<sup>st</sup> Year Spanish, 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.  
Buen Pastor, Garland

Advanced, English, 9:30am -11:30am  
All Saints Church, Dallas

Advanced, English, 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.  
Prince of Peace Church, Plano

Advanced, Spanish, 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.  
Santo Jesús, Fort Worth

### **Saturdays**

1<sup>st</sup> Year, English, 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.  
Jesus the Good Shepherd Church, Monroe, LA

2<sup>nd</sup> Year, English, 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.  
The Catholic Center, Shreveport, LA

### **Online**

1<sup>st</sup> Year, English  
Online

2<sup>nd</sup> Year, English  
Online

Advanced, English  
Online



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## Upcoming Events Calendar

### Fall 2010

#### Catholic Biblical School

**June-September**

*Various Locations (see website)*

#### Introduction to the Bible Workshops

**June-August**

*Various Locations (see website)*

#### Graduate Student Orientation

**August 20, 2010**

*UD - Gorman Faculty Lounge*

#### Catholic Biblical School Orientation - Year One

**September 11, 2010**

*University of Dallas*

#### Catholic Biblical School Orientation - Year Two & Advanced

**September 18, 2010**

*University of Dallas*

#### UDMC Presidential Reception

**October 21, 2010**

*Adolphus Hotel*

#### UD Ministry Conference

**October 22-23, 2010**

*Dallas Convention Center*

#### Landregan Lecture

**November 6, 2010**

*UD - Lynch Auditorium*