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## PCMR Newsletter

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### MARK YOUR CALENDAR

The next PCMR  
Committee Meeting  
will be on February 19, 2018 at  
7:00 p.m. at the  
Pastoral Center.

Please call to confirm your  
attendance 215-587-3540

### Pope Francis says:

"**HELP ONE ANOTHER**

**THIS IS WHAT JESUS TEACHES US.**

**THIS IS WHAT I DO.**

**AND I DO IT**

**WITH MY HEART."**

- POPE FRANCIS



## Cultural Heritage

Saturday **MASS 2018**  
March 17

Share the Journey with Migrants and Refugees

Native American, Asian, African, European, Caribbean, and Brazilian Catholics  
in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia welcome all to join us in this celebration!

**One Faith  
Many  
Cultures  
One Family**

PRINCIPAL CELEBRANT & HOMILIST

**Archbishop Charles J. Chaput, O.F.M. Cap.**

**Procession - 2:00 p.m. • Mass - 2:30 p.m.**

Cathedral Basilica of SS. Peter & Paul | 18th Street & Benjamin Franklin Parkway | Philadelphia, PA 19103

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## PCMR EVENTS

# !Congratulations!



*---Pope Francis has awarded papal honors to a beloved member of our PCMR community in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia; these honors are reserved for people who have shown dedication and outstanding service to the Church and the community.*

*Among others is our beloved **Mr. Chinh Dinh**. He received the Medal Cross Pro Ecclesia et Pontifice.*



*This Medal was established in 1888 by Pope Leo XIII and it is the highest honor awarded to those who excel in their missionary service to the communities; they represent the dedication and effort of many members of our communities.*

*We are very proud of **Mr. Chinh Dinh** for having been selected to receive this honor.*



# Catholic Social Ministry Gathering

Sr. Philo, Theresa, and Matt took part in the annual Catholic Social Ministry Gathering (CSMG) in Washington DC. It was an energizing and inspiring few days learning more about the social teachings of the Church on topics like immigration, domestic poverty, international development, and concern for the environment. On the last day we went to Capitol Hill to meet with the representatives of Senators Casey and Toomey and 3 of our local Reps to advocate for church positions on these important matters. DACA in particular was something that we stressed during the advocacy component. It felt like both a blessing and challenge to make sure that we better witness to our Catholic faith in the public sphere. This is critical with so much debate about the fate of various components of immigration in our country.

***Let's all pray and reflect on what we can do to better stand with and advocate for all immigrants!***





# PCMR EVENTS



## 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Asian and Pacific Island Catholics Marian Pilgrimage

### Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception

400 Michigan Avenue, N.E., Washington DC 20017

**Saturday, May 5, 2018**

2:00 pm. – 4:00 p.m.

Confession 12:00 p.m.

Procession and Call to Prayer 1:00 p.m.

Rosary 2:00 p.m.

Holy Mass 2:30 p.m.

**Celebrant and Homilist**

**Most Reverend Oscar A. Solis, D.D.**

*Bishop of Salt Lake City*

*Chairman, USCCB Subcommittee on*

*Asian And Pacific Island Affairs*

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**Participating Communities :** Bangladeshi • Burmese • Cambodian • Chinese • Filipino • Indian • Indonesian  
Japanese • Korean • Laotian • Lebanese • Montagnard • Pakistani • Samoan • Sri Lankan • Thai • Vietnamese

**Sponsored by**

The Asian and Pacific Catholic Network (APCN)

In collaboration with

The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops'  
Secretariat of Cultural Diversity in the Church

# PCMR EVENTS

**Friendly  
Reminder**

## ANTHEM AND THE OFFICE FOR CULTURAL MINISTRIES

*(Office for Pastoral Care for Migrant and Refugees, Office for  
Hispanic Catholics, Office for Black Catholics.)*

**Invites you:**



### *Meeting to discuss youth and young adult ministry.*

**Whom:** PCMR priests, Youth and young adult ministers & leaders within your community.

**When:** February 27, 2018  
7:00 p.m.

**Where:** Archdiocesan Pastoral Center Auditorium

*We want to serve your communities. There are many exciting plans underway, and your communities play a vital role in the mission. We are looking forward to working together.*

*Thank you for your service to the Lord and the Church. Join us in our daily prayer for the youth and young adults of this Archdiocese, that they may know the mercy and love of God deep within their hearts.*



# ARCHDIOCESAN EVENTS



## Archdiocese of Philadelphia 2018 Information Night for the Permanent Diaconate



Are You Called to Be a Deacon? The Archdiocese of Philadelphia will be sponsoring an information night on Thursday, April 19, 2018, at Saint Charles Borromeo Seminary for men between the ages of 29 and 55 who believe that they may be called to ordained ministry. The application process takes approximately one year, and for those admitted, formation at Saint Charles Borromeo Seminary involves six years of study. Classes are held one to two nights per week and follow a college semester calendar. In addition, there are workshops on approximately eight Saturdays spread throughout the academic year. A weekend retreat is required each summer. If married, it is the reasonable expectation that a candidate's wife will attend as many classes and functions with her husband as possible.

A deacon is an ordained member of the clergy in the Catholic Church, who is called to be a minister of the Word, a minister at the Altar, and a minister of Charity. While all baptized persons are called to share in the mission of Jesus Christ according to the gifts of the Holy Spirit, a permanent deacon, who may be married, is a member of the clergy and shares in the hierarchy of the Sacrament of Holy Orders.

A deacon's ministry entails proclaiming, preaching and teaching God's Word, assisting the bishop and priest at the Liturgy, assisting at funerals, ministering to the sick and dying, leading the community in prayer and in sacramental liturgies, baptizing, witnessing marriages, and exercising administrative leadership in the Church.

A deacon is a witness to his office in a permanent, public, and prominent way. When serving at the altar, a deacon is vested in an alb, stole and dalmatic. When engaging in ministry in the community, he dresses in clerical attire, but he wears a gray clerical shirt with a Roman collar, instead of the black shirt worn by priests and bishops. Through the Sacrament of Holy Orders, the deacon is configured to Christ the Servant. It is Christ the Servant who acts through the ministry of the deacon.

*Learn More...*

**2018 Permanent Diaconate Information Night (REGISTRATION REQUIRED)\***

Thursday, April 19, 2018, 7 PM

Saint Charles Borromeo Seminary - Vianney Auditorium

100 East Wynnewood Road

Wynnewood, PA 19096

To register or for more information, email Laura Nimmons at  
[lnimmons@archphila.org](mailto:lnimmons@archphila.org)

*\*If married, those attending the Information Night must do so with their wives.*

# ARCHDIOCESAN EVENTS



2017-2018

## Archdiocese of Philadelphia INSTITUTE FOR CHRISTIAN INITIATION

*Sponsored by the Office for Divine Worship*

Pastors • Priests • Deacons • Christian Initiation Coordinators • Teams • Catechists • Liturgical Musicians

This Institute is a comprehensive, in-depth, and practical seminar, exploring the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults, including:

- Liturgical and theological reflections on the steps and periods
- Demonstrations of liturgical rites
- Plans for practical parish implementation
- Discussion of pastoral and canonical concerns
- Models for catechetical formation sessions

### PRESENTER

REVEREND GERALD DENNIS GILL  
DIRECTOR, OFFICE FOR DIVINE WORSHIP

9:00 AM-3:00 PM

ARCHDIOCESAN PASTORAL CENTER AUDITORIUM  
*Morning Refreshments and Lunch will be provided.*

### \*PLEASE BRING

THE RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS  
TO EACH SESSION

*A certificate of completion is awarded to those participants  
who complete all three sessions.*

### Session I

Saturday, October 21, 2017

Overview of Adult Christian Initiation  
and Period of Precatechumenate

### Session II

Saturday, January 13, 2018

Rite of Acceptance and the Period of the Catechumenate  
Rite of Election and the Period of Purification and Enlightenment

### Session III

Saturday, March 3, 2018

Sacred Paschal Triduum and the Period of Mystagogy  
Reception of Baptized Christians into Full Communion

### Snow Date

Saturday, April 7, 2018

### INSTITUTE FOR CHRISTIAN INITIATION REGISTRATION FORM

Parish \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Cost: \$100 per person \_\_\_\_\_ # of Participants X \$100

Send registration form and check made payable to:

REGISTRATION DEADLINE:  
OCTOBER 13, 2017

### NAMES OF PARTICIPANTS (PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY)

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Total Payment = \_\_\_\_\_

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Institute for Christian Initiation  
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Philadelphia, PA 19103



# ARCHDIOCESAN EVENTS

## Concerts

at the

## Cathedral Basilica

## 2017–18 Season

Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul

Tickets at [CathedralPhilaConcerts.org](http://CathedralPhilaConcerts.org)

### Cantus | October 28, 2017 | 8:00pm

The "intellectually, emotionally, and musically rich" (Star Tribune) men's vocal ensemble opens the 2017-18 season with their trademark warmth and vocal blend.



### Westminster Williamson Voices

November 19, 2017 | 3:00pm

James Jordan and the Grammy-nominated ensemble return with a diverse and inspiring program showcasing their rich palette of choral colors.

### Christmas at the Cathedral

December 10, 2017

3:00pm

Bring the whole family for our holiday celebration of carols and the traditional music of Christmas. Resounding brass add to the spectacle as voices rise in celebration of the festive season!



### The Same Stream

February 3, 2018 | 8:00pm

James Jordan returns with the superb Philadelphia ensemble in a program exploring some of today's most notable choral composers.



### Beethoven's Ode to Joy

March 18, 2018 | 2:30pm

The Mendelssohn Club of Philadelphia and Symphony in C join forces to perform Beethoven's epic Symphony No. 9

### Chanticleer

April 28, 2018 | 8:00pm

The renowned ensemble returns with "Upon this Rock," a program of transcendent prayers, psalms of happiness, and paens of praise in music by Dufay, Poulenc, Weelkes, and others.

### Philadelphia Boys Choir & Chorale

May 23, 2018 | 7:30pm

The Emmy-winning and Grammy-nominated ensemble closes the season with a celebration of spirituality and Americana.

