

ACC Newsbriefs - March 30, 2007

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<http://www.archdiocese.la>

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L.M.U. Extension is offering the following workshops and courses in April and May:

"Wisdom Walk: Spiritual Practices to Nourish the Soul" will examine, through the world's greatest spiritual traditions, wisdom practices that assist people with life's challenges, nourish people's spiritual lives, and broaden people's appreciation of diverse spiritual traditions. Taught by Sage Bennet, Ph.D., this class will meet Wednesdays, April 4, 7, 18, and 25, from 7:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. Cost is \$175.00. More information on this course is at:

<https://www.lmu.edu/extension/catalog.aspx?id=3029>

"Genesis' Creation-Fall Narrative: Breathing New Life into the Human-Divine Dance." As a way to reclaim the Genesis account, this course will re-examine the creation-fall narrative revealing a compassionate portrayal of God through three particular lenses: as a creation myth, as a scriptural text, and as a template for the human-divine relationship. Taught by Mr. Vincent Olea, a Master of Divinity student who has designed an innovative Confirmation program that incorporates scripture, ritual and catechesis, this class will meet Friday, April 13, from 7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.; and Saturday, April 14, from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Cost is \$75.00. More information on this course is at:

<https://www.lmu.edu/extension/catalog.aspx?id=2942>

"The Power of Intuition and Positive Energy to Heal" will explore energy, creativity, and the rhythms of existence, and how their interconnection awakens an inner voice that can harness the positive and dispel the negative. Taught by Dr. Judith Orloff, M.D., this class will meet Saturday, April 14, from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Cost is \$85.00. More information on this course is at:

<https://www.lmu.edu/extension/catalog.aspx?id=3030>

"Prayer Ways in the Christian Tradition" will review the personal and communal disciplines of a number of prayer practices, including centering prayer, lectio divina, body prayer, the Psalms, the labyrinth, mandala coloring, and devotional prayer. Taught by Sr. Gretchen Hailer, R.S.H.M., this class will meet on Saturday, April 21, from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Cost is \$40.00. More information on this course is at:

<https://www.lmu.edu/extension/catalog.aspx?id=3070>

"Step 4: Personal Inventory, From Fear to Freedom" is a day of reflection on Alcoholics Anonymous' Step 4, which focuses on resentments that people carry; how to remove them; and fears and issues concerning sex. The goal of these processes is coming to a freedom from the bondage of self. Taught by Mr. Herb Kaighan, this class will meet on Saturday, April 28, from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Cost is \$60.00. More information on this course is at:

<https://www.lmu.edu/extension/catalog.aspx?id=2941>

"DeMello Spirituality Retreat." Led by facilitators from the DeMello Center at Fordham University, New York, this weekend retreat will explore the spirituality of the late Jesuit priest Anthony DeMello, S.J. It will be held at the Serra Retreat Center in Malibu from Friday, May 18, through Sunday, May 20. Cost is \$280 per person for a single room; \$230 per person for a double room; \$170 per person for a commuter (four meals, no room). More information on the retreat is at:

Single room: <https://www.lmu.edu/extension/catalog.aspx?id=2946>

Double room: <https://www.lmu.edu/extension/catalog.aspx?id=3020>

Commuter: <https://www.lmu.edu/extension/catalog.aspx?id=3021>

For more information about the offerings of L.M.U. Extension, especially its Center for Religion and Spirituality, please call (310) 338-2799, or access:

<http://www.lmu.edu/extension/religion>

2. Mount St. Mary's College: Informational Meetings on Graduate Religious Studies Program, Friday, May 4, and Thursday, May 7, in South Pasadena

Beginning in the fall semester, the Graduate Religious Studies Department of Mount St. Mary's College will offer classes for its Master of Arts degree in Religious Studies at Holy Family Parish in South Pasadena. Applications for admission are currently being accepted. Informational meetings will be held at the parish on Friday, May 4, at 10:00 a.m., and on Thursday, May 7, at 7:00 p.m. Full-time employees of the Archdiocese of Los Angeles receive a 35% tuition reduction. For more information, please call Ms. Shelly Nicholas at (213) 477-2799, or access:

<http://www.msmc.la.edu>

3. Rosary Bowl: Representatives Needed for Preparatory Holy Hours and at Rosary Bowl, Saturday, May 19, in Pasadena

Holy Cross Family Ministries, along with Family Theater Productions, and in collaboration with the Archdiocese of Los Angeles, invites all to a public recitation of the rosary on Saturday, May 19, from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., at the Rose Bowl in Pasadena. This event is free and open to the public. The theme is: "A World at Prayer is a World at Peace: A Rosary Celebration, The Rosary Bowl." Cdl. Mahony will preside over the evening of prayer and music, which is expected to be the largest public recitation of the rosary in Southern California in the past 50 years.

Individuals and prayer groups are asked to do Holy Hours of adoration in front of the Blessed Sacrament for the success of the Rosary Bowl prior to the event.

In addition, representatives are still needed from various countries to lead the prayer (one Our Father or one Hail Mary) in various languages. Countries still needing representation are as follows:

Australia
Cambodia
China (Mandarin)
Ethiopia
Fiji
Germany
Ghana
Guam
India
Kenya
New Guinea
New Zealand
Polynesia
Russia
Senegal
Sudan
Syria
Tahiti
Tonga

If interested, please contact Luna at (310) 204-5584 or at:

<mailto:pinkx14@aol.com>

Finally, parishes are invited to bring their parishioners to this event.

For more information about the Rosary Bowl, please call (800) 874-0999 or access:

<http://www.rosarybowl.org>

4. United States Conference of Catholic Bishops/Pro-Life Secretariat: "Word of Life" for May

The Pro-Life Secretariat of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops issues the "Word of Life," general intercessions and bulletin announcements that promote the cause and gift of life. The issue for May 2007 (available in Word format, not in PDF) is available in both English and Spanish. Find May's issue in English at:

<http://www.usccb.org/prolife/liturgy/WOLMay2007English.doc>

and in Spanish at:

<http://www.usccb.org/prolife/liturgy/WOLMay2007Spanish.doc>

Other Important Items and Continuing Events:

5. United States Conference of Catholic Bishops/Pro-Life Secretariat: "Word of Life" for April: Now Available in Word Format as Well as PDF

The Pro-Life Secretariat of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops issues "Word of Life," which contains bulletin announcements and general intercessions that educate and promote the cause and gift of life. It is issued each month in English and Spanish, and this month both in PDF and Word format. Find April's issue in English in PDF at:

<http://www.usccb.org/prolife/liturgy/WOLApril2007Eng.pdf>

and in English in Word format at:

<http://www.usccb.org/prolife/liturgy/WOLApril2007English.doc>

Find April's issue in Spanish in PDF at:

<http://www.usccb.org/prolife/liturgy/WOLApril2007SP.pdf>

and in Spanish in Word format at:

<http://www.usccb.org/prolife/liturgy/WOLApril2007Spanish.doc>

For an archive of past issues, please access:

<http://www.usccb.org/prolife/liturgy/wolarchive.shtml>

6. L.M.U. Extension: "African American Ministry Series" Concludes Saturday, April 14, in Los Angeles

"African American Ministry Series," which focuses on the history of the African American Churches and the contributions of African American Catholics to the church in the U.S., will conclude on Saturday, April 14. Fr. Cyprian Davis, O.S.B., Ph.D., will teach the course "History of African American Contributions to the Catholic Church in the U.S." from 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Cost is \$85 per person. More information about Fr. Davis' course is at:

<https://www.lmu.edu/extension/catalog.aspx?id=3077>

For more information about the offerings of L.M.U. Extension, please call (310) 338-2799 or access:

<http://www.lmu.edu/extension/religion>

7. Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet: Volunteer Week Open to Single Women, Sunday, May 20, through Saturday, May 26, in San Francisco; Applications Due Sunday, April 15

The Sisters of St. Joseph invite single women ages 18 through 35 who are interested in religious life to spend a week volunteering with the sisters in San Francisco. The week will be from Sunday, May 20, through Saturday, May 26, and will include serving homeless men and women in San Francisco, as well as time to reflect and share on the participants' daily experience of ministry. Space is limited; application packets must be completed and returned by Sunday, April 15. For more information, and to receive an application packet, please contact Sr. Jan Husung, C.S.J., at (310) 889-2117, or at:

<mailto:vocations@csjla.org>

8. Office for Worship: Liturgical Formation Day, Saturday, April 28, in Chatsworth

The Office for Worship is offering a Liturgical Formation Day for all liturgical ministers in the Archdiocese. Workshops in English will include: Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, Lector Enrichment, Pastoral Care of the Sick, Art and Environment, Liturgical Spirituality, and Altar Server Coordinators. Spanish workshops will include: Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion and Lectors. The event will take place on Saturday, April 28, from 9:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., at St. John Eudes Parish in Chatsworth. Cost is \$15 per person for registrations received through Wednesday, April 11; \$25 per person after, if space is available. Registration flyer, including the schedule of workshops and presenters, is available at:

http://www.archdiocese.la/news/pdf/news_852_LiturgicalFormationDayEnglish.pdf

9. Office for Worship: Enrichment Day (in Spanish) for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, Saturday, May 5, in Los Angeles

The Office for Worship is sponsoring a day of enrichment and formation in Spanish for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion. It will include theological, spiritual, liturgical, and practical perspectives, with references to the General Instruction of the Roman Missal as it relates to this ministry. The ministry of communion to the sick will not be discussed in this instruction. The class will be held on Saturday, May 5, beginning at 9:00 a.m., at the Cathedral of Our Lady of the Angels in Los Angeles. The cost is \$15 per person for payments received on or before Friday, April 27. Class size is limited to 600. If capacity is reached before April 27, no additional registrations will be accepted. For a registration form, please access:

http://www.archdiocese.la/news/pdf/news_863_EMHCflyerspanish.pdf

La Oficina del Culto Divino organiza un día de enriquecimiento en español para los Ministros extraordinarios de la Sagrada Comunión, el sábado, 5 de mayo, en Los Angeles.

La Oficina del Culto ofrece un día de enriquecimiento en español para los Ministros extraordinarios de la Sagrada Comunión. Este taller incluirá los aspectos teológicos, litúrgicos y espirituales, al mismo tiempo que prestará atención a los aspectos prácticos de la distribución de la Eucaristía en las misas parroquiales. No se dará instrucción para el ministerio de

la comunión a los enfermos. La instrucción tendrá lugar el sábado 5 de mayo, empezando a las 9:00 de la mañana y termina a las 2:00 de la tarde, en el Centro de conferencias de la Catedral de Nuestra Señora de Los Angeles. El costo del taller son \$15 por persona si se recibe antes del viernes, 27 de abril. El salón tiene una capacidad de 600 personas. Si se logra tal capacidad, no se aceptarán más registraciones.

10. Mount St. Mary's College: Summer 2007 Courses for Graduate Religious Studies

The Graduate Religious Studies Department at Mount St. Mary's College announces its courses for Summer.

RST 219: Advanced Studies in Scripture. This three-part course will offer classes in the following scriptural topics.

"Women in the New Testament," taught by Dr. Laurie Wright-Garry, Saturday, June 9, and Sunday, June 10, 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

"Paul's Letter to the Philippians and Letter to the Galatians," taught by Sr. Karen Elliott, C.P.P.S., Monday, June 11, through Wednesday, June 13, 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., with the remaining six hours taught on-line.

"The Gospel of Mark and the End of Days: A Reading of Mark through the Lens of Apocalyptic Eschatology," taught by Dr. David Sanchez, Monday, June 18, through Friday, June 22, 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

RST 246: Biomedical Ethics, will be taught by Fr. Philip Keane, S.S., from Monday, July 9, through Thursday, July 27, 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. (Mondays through Thursdays only). This course will be a survey of major issues in contemporary health care ethics, including: beginning of human life; nutrition/hydration; and ethics of research and genetics.

For more information, access the College's website at:

<http://www.msmc.la.edu/pages/4411.asp>

11. Spirituality Center: Now Accepting Applications for its Institute in Retreat/Spiritual Direction; New Year Begins in September

The Institute in Retreat/Spiritual Direction is now accepting applications for its 23rd year, which begins in September 2007. The Institute is a program sponsored by the Spirituality Center, and is open to those who would like to explore the concept of spiritual direction or who would like formal preparation leading to the ministry of direction. For further information, including a descriptive brochure, please call the Spirituality Center at (213) 747-6508.

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Due to the Easter Triduum, there will be no ACC Newsbriefs next Friday (Good Friday, April 6). The next issue will be posted on Friday, 13 April.

May you, your friends, family, and community enjoy many blessings this Holy Week and Easter Season.

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