



## Continuing Education and Enrichment (C&E) Programs

**Associate Director: Sr. Eva Marie Lumas, S.S.S., D.Min.**

The C&E and Enrichment Programs provide ongoing education and formation for laywomen and men and pastoral ministers in Black Catholic communities. The areas of study center on the development of the whole person: spirituality, psychologically and emotionally. By offering 1-week courses, the C&E Programs help participants explore new ministry interests; learn new skills; or engage in reflection on life's realities. The C&E Programs offer a unique opportunity for individuals to grow in their understanding of Black Catholicism and its impact, not only on the wider Church, but also on themselves.

### WEEK ONE: JUNE 27 - JULY 1, 2016

#### **THE ELDER'S RETREAT: RENEWED - REVIVED - READY**

*Retreat Director: C. Vanessa White, D.Min.*

Elders (age 55+) are invited to a week of prayer, reflection, discussion, recreation and renewal. Come celebrate the legacy of elders in the Black Catholic community. Let the Spirit revive, renew and keep you ready to share the wisdom that continues to sustain our community.

#### **BLACK THEOLOGY: Prelude, Prologue, & Prolegomenon**

*Rev. Dwight Webster, Ph.D.*

An introduction to the God-talk of Blacks in the U.S. from their African ancestors to their American descendants and to the foundations of their various religion-cultural expressions with respect to sources and norm.

#### **SAVED BUT STILL SEARCHING: The Spiritual Journey of African American Youth**

*Rev. R. Tony Ricard, M.Th., M.Div.*

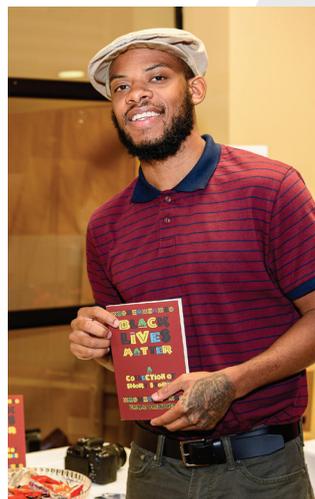
We have all been given the gift of Salvation. Although they have been saved, the faith journey of African-American Youth is often a perilous road. This course explores that journey and how we can better assist our youth to stay on the path to the "Heavenly City."

#### **PASTORING IN THE AFRICAN AMERICAN COMMUNITY**

*Rev. Freddy Washington, C.S.Sp., D.Min.*

*Rev. Manuel Williams, C.R., M.Div., Th.M.*

This course explores Black identity from historical, pastoral and individual viewpoints as a preparation for more effective ministry in the Black community.



### WEEK TWO: JULY 4 - JULY 8, 2016

#### **BUILDING INTERCULTURAL COMPETENCE FOR MINISTERS**

The USCCB & IBCS will offer Building Intercultural Competence for Ministers. This 1st time offering of BICM will address issues of particular interest for African American Catholic ministry: How to reach Black Catholics in a multicultural context? What are best practices for ministry within the African diaspora? Appreciating the Catholic experience through other eyes:

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#### **DOING SOCIAL JUSTICE: Constructing a New Normal** *Kimberly Lymore, D.Min.*

Scripture and tradition call people of faith to act for justice. We will explore this radical call to participate in making this broken world a "beloved community". We will explore the Church's social justice tradition, as well as some new social justice movements like #blacklivesmatter.

#### **MUSIC AS MINISTRY: The Why, What and When of Music in the Church**

*Malcolm Speed, B.A.*

Why is music such an important ministry in the church? What is the historical significance of music? What role will it play in the future of liturgical ministry? How can and should it be incorporated into worship? These questions will be discussed in detail and answered.

#### **THE BLACK PSYCHOLOGY PARADIGM**

*Brian L. Turner, Ph.D.*

This course will examine the fundamental psychological status of persons of African descent living in the United States. We will examine the past, present, and future dynamics of the Black Psyche.

#### **DRAMA: Expressions of Black Belief, Faith and Culture**

*Sister Sandra Helton, S.S.N.D.*

This course will explore the role of dramatic art in liturgy, and ministry. Students will examine the Biblical role of the arts, focusing on specific principles and practices in dramatic arts and Black Catholics.

#### **THE PRACTICE OF MERCY**

*Rev. Manuel Williams, C.R., M.Div., Th.M.*

Pope Francis has declared this the Year of Mercy. It calls us to a fuller embrace of the Lord, our brothers and sisters, and ourselves. We will explore the enduring spiritual heritage and persistent socio-economic hardships that call us to be vigilant advocates and instruments of mercy.

### WEEK THREE: JULY 11 - JULY 15, 2016

#### **CHURCH HYMNODY: What are Hymns? Why are They Essential to Worship?**

*Malcolm Speed, B.A.*

This course will validate the absolute importance of hymns for worship. It will offer suggestions for including hymns in every Sunday worship service. Historical information for many of the popular hymns will be shared, including the importance of singing every verse of a hymn!

#### **BLACK PSYCHOLOGY: The Black Family**

*Brian L. Turner, Ph.D.*

The mental state of many African Americans is closely tied to their innate learning or genetic environment (i.e., what they have learned, for good or ill, without knowing that they have learned it). This course will examine issues central to the structure and function of the black family.

#### **FAITH FORMATION: A Conversion Experience**

*Kaffy Babineaux-Belvin, M.Ed.*

Faith formation involves more than the mind - it must capture the heart, enliven the spirit and ennoble a people's behavior. Drawing on the encounter of St. Philip and the Ethiopian in Acts 8:29-31, this course will explore faith formation as a spiritual journey, and catechists/religion teachers as companions and guides.

#### **TAKING BACK WHAT THE DEVIL STOLE:**

##### **Reclaiming Our Young Adults**

*Ansel Augustine, D.Min.*

Why are young adults "leaving" the church? We will explore some historical and current social issues to answer the question. We will also explore some innovative historic and contemporary strategies for addressing this important pastoral issue.

#### **PASTORAL LEADERSHIP: A Collaborative Ministry**

*Rev. Manuel Williams, C.R., M.Div., Th.M.*

This course helps understand the concept of exercising pastoral leadership in parochial communities as service and ministry as opposed to merely authority and power. This course will help participants not only to cultivate the skills and practices enabling them to meet people in their lived experiences of church, but also to foster ethical, pastoral, collaborative, and inclusive behaviors.



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"the leg of a hen"  
symbol of mercy  
and nurturing