

ROMAN CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF CHARLESTON OFFICE OF ETHNIC MINISTRIES

Newsletter

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HIGHLIGHTS FROM

Roman Catholic Diocese of Charleston

2019 Black Catholic Heritage Celebration

<https://youtu.be/DaJkInGCCbl>



Speaker: Fr. Manuel Williams, C.R., CFRE, Th.M.

You're Invited

*Lenten Day of
Retreat with
Soul*

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Saturday March 16, 2019
10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Rock Hill Oratory
434 Charlotte Ave
Rock Hill, SC 29730

Guided By Sr. Roberta Fulton, SSMN

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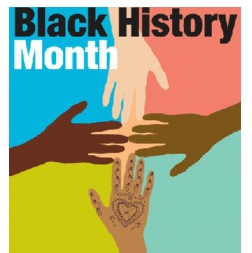


open wide our hearts

Approved by the U.S. bishops during their Fall 2018 General Assembly, *Open Wide Our Hearts: The Enduring Call to Love - A Pastoral Letter Against Racism* asks us to recall that we are all brothers and sisters,

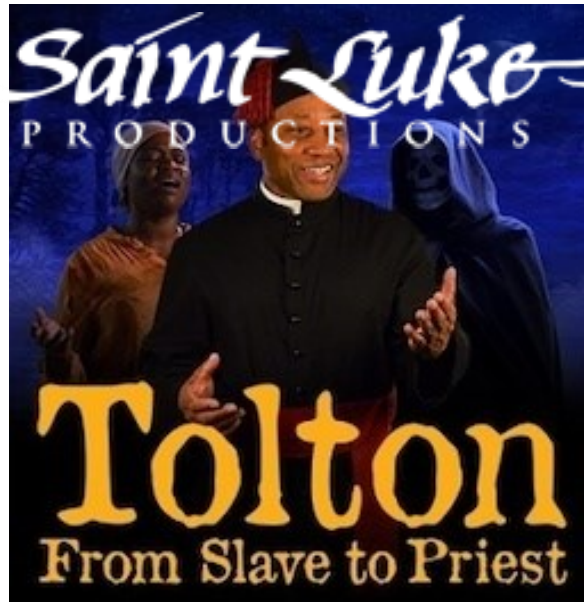
all equally made in the image of God. Read the full text and check out the educational resources and parish resources that were created to accompany the pastoral letter against racism. Download the letter here.

<http://www.usccb.org/issues-and-action/human-life-and-dignity/racism/upload/open-wide-our-hearts.pdf>



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The Office of Ethnic Ministries is working on bringing this production to our Diocese the week of June 5-12. If you are interested in hosting this in your city/parish or school. Please contact Kathleen Merritt at the Office of Ethnic Ministries. We need 5 locations in order for the tour to come to our Diocese. We have an interest in Charleston, Aiken, Rock Hill and Columbia. Therefore we need 1 more locations or sites to come aboard. If interested call asap. To learn more about the play visit :

<https://www.stlukeproductions.com/>

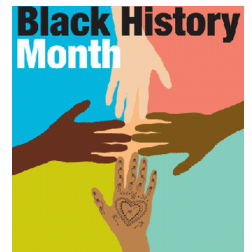
February is Black History Month; Ways to Celebrate

<https://youtu.be/Sah9yPupT-E>

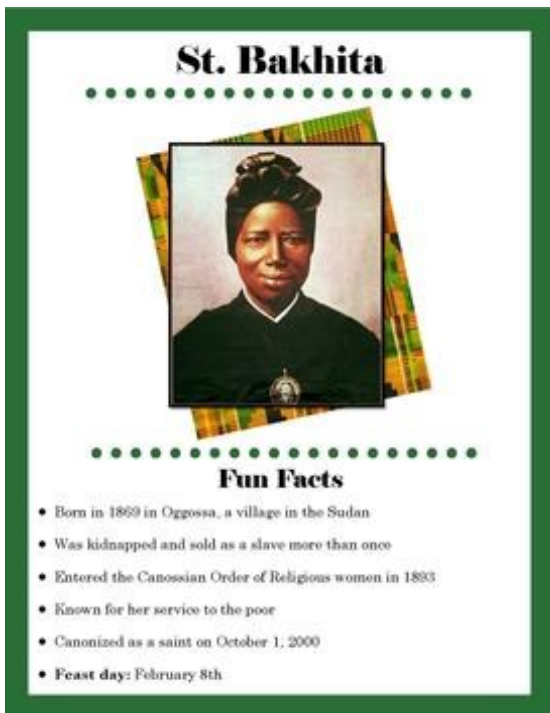


The theme for Black History Month 2019 follows "Black Migrations" honoring African Americans in motion -- as they moved from the farm to the cities, and from poverty to the national stage in business, politics, literature and the arts. .

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Black Saints Posters

Download the posters here

<https://www.dropbox.com/sh/p37h0uytr8suptu/AAAd7CdUmOJb6Ud0ecg5Pxala?dl=0>

“An Afternoon in the Upstate with the Roman Catholic Diocese of Charleston”

T V Christmas Special is on You Tube at

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCR_eSxFBVn0pBjj2Y0aOapQ

“An Afternoon in the Upstate with the Roman Catholic Diocese of Charleston”. Tune in for Singing, storytelling and a Christmas message from Bishop Robert E. Guglielmone, Bishop of Charleston. Fr. Jay Scott Newman and Fr. Michael Okere will also join us and share the good news. Our cooking segment, “Sister Act 2 in the Kitchen”, with Sr. Pamela Smith and Sr. Roberta Fulton will provide you with two delicious and easy one pot recipes. Fr. Patrick Tuttle OFM, will share our traditional Christmas Story, “If I Were a Goose”. The St. Anthony of Padua Catholic School choir will perform a special Christmas song. And Karl Rogozenski, Regional Coordinator for Upstate Catholic Charities, will walk us through a segment of “Catholics in Action”. Our Co-hosts are Lillie Golden and Ted Phaeton.



Sister Act 2 in the Kitchen with Sr. Roberta Fulton,SSMN and Sr. Pamela Smith, SSCM.



Interview with Fr. Jay Scott Newman, Pastor of St. Mary’s in Greenville , S.C.



Interview with Fr. Michael Okere, Pastor of St. Martin de Porres in Columbia, S.C.



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Diocese of Charleston Office of Ethnic Ministries
204 Douthit Street, A1
Greenville, SC 29601

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Saturday March 16, 2019
10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Rock Hill Oratory
434 Charlotte Ave
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Guided By Sr. Roberta Fulton, SSMN

REGISTRATION DEADLINE MARCH 8, 2019

Lenten Day of Retreat with Soul

You are invited to a day of peace guided by Sister Roberta Fulton, SSMN, Assistant Director for the Evangelization of Black Catholics. Because of its peaceful nature, the Oratory is an environment in which you may feel that God is truly present and grace abounds.



Sr. Roberta Fulton, SSMN

The day includes a light welcome snack and lunch. There will be faith-sharing presentations as to how God is with us through it all. You will also have time for group and individual prayer, reflective input, meditation and periods of silence.

The day will end with a Prayer Celebration that will include sharing the blessings of the day.

The fee is \$10.00 for the day.



Discover a place of prayer at the Oratory in Rock Hill, SC

Lenten Day of Retreat with Soul

Agenda

Registration/Welcome
10:00 am - 10:20 am

Gathering Prayer
10:25 am - 10:45 am

Reflection Presentation: Faith that Endures
11:00 am - 11:30 am

Personal Meditation-
11:30 am - 11:45 am

Group Sharing-
11:45 am - 12:15 pm

Lunch- 12:30 pm - 1:15 pm

Reflection Presentation- Prayer at the Crossroads
1:20 pm - 1:50 pm

Meditation-
2:00 pm - 2:15 pm

Group Sharing-
2:15 pm - 2:35 pm

Commissioning/Prayer
2:35 pm - 3:00 pm

Lenten Day of Retreat with Soul

Registration

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____

Phone _____

Email _____

Parish _____

____ # of people X \$10.00 = \$ _____

Make Checks payable to :

Diocese of Charleston

Mail to:

Ethnic Ministries

204 Douthit Street

Greenville, SC 29601

For more information: call 864-331-2627; email rmcnamara@charlestondiocese.org or fulton@charlestondiocese.org





SAVE THE DATE

St. Martin de Porres Catholic School in Columbia, S.C., Annual Fundraising Gala will be held on Saturday, April 27, 2019 at St. Joseph's Catholic Church Parish Center. The Center is located on 3600 Devine Street, Columbia, SC at 7:00 p.m.

Support Catholic Education in and for the Black Community



What We Have Seen and Heard : A Reflection and Dialogue on Peace. A Parish , School, and Community Event.

This is a gathering in response to the recent racial turmoil in our country that has put a spotlight on the “racial divide” that exists in American. This interactive experience is being facilitated by Kathleen Merritt and the staff with the Office of Ethnic Ministries. The dialogue will focus on a pastoral letter written by Bishop Edward K. Braxton of Belleville, Ill.—The Racial Divide in the United States: A Reflection for the World Day of Peace 2015.

If you are interested in hosting one of these gatherings in your parish, please contact the Office of Ethnic Ministries and we will come out and facilitate the dialogue and assist you with the planning.

Looking for happy, loving, fulfilling relationships?

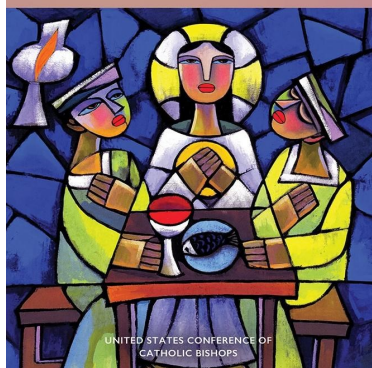


Just ask us.
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Tune in to “A Ministry Moment” every Monday Morning at 7:10 a.m. in the upstate on radio channel 107.3 FM. During the Tom Joyner in the Morning Show. Or follow us on the web at <http://sccatholic.org/ministry-moment>.

Encountering Christ in Harmony

A Pastoral Response to Our Asian and Pacific Island Brothers and Sisters



Encountering Christ in Harmony - A Pastoral Response to Our Asian and Pacific Island Brothers and Sisters

The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops during its Plenary Assembly in June 2018, approved as a formal statement,

[Encountering Christ in Harmony: A Pastoral Response to Our Asian and Pacific Island Brothers and Sisters.](#)

"The goal of this response is to make Asian and Pacific Island Catholics feel at home, both in the Church and in the United States, while being able to preserve the richness of the spiritual and cultural backgrounds that they bring as contributing member of the Body of Christ. Our hope is that it will be utilized by Catholic dioceses, parishes, and small faith communities in the United States to develop their own plans of action and pastoral outreach to Asian and Pacific Islanders in the United States."

Order your personal copy today at USCCB's [online store](#), call 1-800-235-8722, or email css@usccb.org. Remember to use product code number 7-576 when placing your order.



PHOTOS GALLERY

FILIPINO SINULOG-SANTO NIÑO FESTIVAL

AT ST. MARY MAGDALENE CHURCH, SIMPSONVILLE SC



THE SINULOG-SANTO NIÑO FESTIVAL, AN ANNUAL CULTURAL AND RELIGIOUS FESTIVAL TYPICALLY HELD ON THE THIRD SUNDAY OF JANUARY IN CEBU CITY, IS ONE OF THE BIGGEST FESTIVALS ON THE PHILIPPINE CALENDAR HONORING THE SENOR SANTO NIÑO OR THE CHILD JESUS. THIS IS THE FIRST TIME THAT THE FILIPINO CATHOLICS COMMUNITY AT ST. MARY MAGDALENE CHURCH CELEBRATES THIS EVENT. THE FESTIVAL INCLUDES THE PROCESSION OF THE SANTO NIÑO STATUES TO THE ALTAR, THE CELEBRATION OF A MASS, AND A RECEPTION AT THE PARISH ACTIVITY CENTER.



Happy Lunar New Year
Photos of the Celebration

Our Lady of La Vang Church, Greer SC
February 3rd 2019

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Our Lady of La Vang Church, Greer SC
February 3rd 2019

St. Anne Church, Rock Hill SC
February 10th 2019

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https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCR_eSxFBVn0pBij2Y0aOapQ/featured?disable_polymer=1



<https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLMG0gthkywWacWJF4yKbSUcpgd9uamCKE>

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What We Have Seen and Heard, A Reflection on Peace

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