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# ARCHDIOCESE OF ATLANTA



## Memo

**Date:** May 13, 2024

**To:** Priests

**From:** Father Pedro Poloche, STL, JCL, director, Ongoing Formation of Priests

**Re:** 2024 Convocation of Priests registration to open Monday, July 1

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Plans are underway for the Archdiocese of Atlanta Convocation of Priests scheduled for September 9-12 at Lanier Island Resort in Buford, Georgia. The convocation is a valuable opportunity for us to come together as a presbyterate to hear an inspiring message and enjoy meals and fellowship with one another.

This year's convocation program is entitled, "The Priesthood and the Heart of Christ," presented by Sister Miriam James Heidland, SOLT and Fr. John Burns, a priest of the Archdiocese of Milwaukee.

As St. John Vianney reminds us, "The priesthood is the love of the heart of Jesus." Priestly identity, the anchor to our priestly activity, relies upon a deep knowledge of the heart of Jesus.

Through consideration of three aspects of Christ's identity—beloved Son of the Father, brother to the disciples and Divine Bridegroom—we will prayerfully welcome the Holy Spirit to help renew our zeal for the priesthood and the renewal of the church.

As in past years, the Serra Club of Atlanta will sponsor the day of recreation on Monday, September 9, followed by a reception and dinner. You will receive further information directly from the Serra Club in July.

Online registration will open Monday, July 1, so please watch your email for the official invitation letter and registration link.

We hope that you will plan to join us in September!