



# Memo

**Date:** July 3, 2017  
**To:** Priests  
**From:** Monsignor Jim Schillinger, Director, Ongoing Formation of Priests  
**Re:** Update #1 - Ongoing Formation Opportunities

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Please see the updated list of various ongoing formation opportunities being offered around the U.S. and abroad.

This list is not exhaustive and will be updated to keep you aware of available events and programs. If you know of any additional opportunities, please send me the information.

The last two pages of the document provide information on funding ongoing formation opportunities.

Thank you.

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## **Resources for Ongoing Formation**

### **SLIconnect**

**Website:** <http://www.sliconnect.org>

**Cost:** Free

This is the St. Luke Institute online education resource. Archbishop Gregory has arranged for a group membership allowing priests of the Archdiocese to have full access to SLI webinars and other resources that provide practical information for healthy life and ministry. With more than 60 hours of content and more being added monthly, this is an outstanding resource. The content is excellent, very well presented, and quite relevant to those of us in ministry. Topics such as managing stress, healthy boundaries and ministerial effectiveness, challenging personalities, integrating psychological and spiritual health, preventing burnout, and more. Access is free for all priests of the Archdiocese. To register, go to [www.sliconnect.org](http://www.sliconnect.org) and use the group access code 3471-894.

### **National Federation of Priests' Councils (NFPC)**

**Website:** <http://www.nfpc.org>

#### **2018 National Convocation of Priests**

**April 23-26, 2018**

The 2018 National Convocation of Priests marks the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the NFPC. It will be held in Chicago, Illinois. More information will be shared when it is available.

### **National Organization for the Continuing Education of Roman Catholic Clergy (NOCERCC)**

**Website:** <http://www.nocercc.org>

#### **2018 Annual Convention**

**February 5-8, 2018**

The 2018 Annual NOCERCC Convention will take place February 5-8, 2018, in Orange, California. This year's convention will be taking a look at priestly ongoing formation in midlife. More information about this convention will be shared as soon as it is available.

**Pontifical North American College**  
**Institute for Continuing Theology Education (ICTE)**  
**Rome, Italy**

**Website:** <https://www.pnac.org/ictc/about-ictc/>

The following modules can be taken individually or in a series:

**Module 1: The Art and Architecture of Rome and the Papal States: Saint Peter and His Successors**

**September 4-September 29, 2017**

Cost: \$5,600 (excluding travel costs)

- Mass at the tomb of Saint Peter
- Tours of the great Papal Cities of Anagni, Viterbo, Orvieto, Spoleto, and Perugia
- General Audience with Pope Francis
- Tour of the Vatican Museum
- Five-Day Retreat in Rome
- Visit to the Vatican's Mosaic Studio

**Module 2: The Saints of Rome: Saint Peter and His Companions**

**October 2-October 20, 2017**

Cost: \$4,500 (excluding travel costs)

- Mass and tours at the tombs of Saints Peter and Paul, Catherine of Siena, Ignatius of Loyola, Philip Neri among others
- Scavi Tours at Saint Peter's and San Clemente
- Tour of the Catacombs
- Visits to Vatican Dicasteries

**Module 3: The Life of the Priest: Saint Peter and His Brothers**

**October 23-November 17, 2017**

Cost: \$6,000 (excluding travel costs)

- Five-day Retreat in Ars, France with Fr. Jacques Philippe
- Presentations with the Catholic Leadership Institute
- Mass at the Tomb of Saint Peter
- Presentations on Preaching, Canon Law, Lectio Divina
- Visits to Vatican Dicasteries

**St. Mary's Seminary and University  
Center for Continuing Formation  
Baltimore, Maryland**

**Website:** <http://www.stmarys.edu/the-center-for-continuing-formation/clergy-programs>

**Human Resources in the Contemporary Parish**

**August 7-August 10, 2017**

Cost: Free (excluding travel and lodging costs)

Open to men entering third theology, fourth theology, newly ordained and international priests, this conference is devoted to focusing on human resource issues in the parish.

**St. Vincent de Paul Regional Seminary  
Boynton Beach, Florida**

**Website:** <http://www.svdp.edu/>

**Recently Ordained Workshop**

**November 13-16, 2017**

Cost: \$350

For priests in their first five years. More information will be shared as soon as it is available. If you have any questions, please contact Monsignor Schillinger.

**Priest Winter Institute**

**January 28-February 2, 2018**

Cost: \$725 (excluding travel costs)

More information on this event will be shared as soon as it is available.

**University of Notre Dame  
Notre Dame, Indiana**

**Website:** <http://martenprogram.nd.edu>

**"To Set the Earth on Fire": Effective Catholic Preaching**

**July 24-26, 2017**

Cost: \$200 early bird, \$250 after June 1 (excludes travel and lodging costs)

The Notre Dame 2017 Preaching Conference will address the practical side of Catholic preaching: What is preaching effectiveness? How do we do it? What is the difference between satisfactory preaching and really good preaching? If the intended effect of our preaching is to bring people into an encounter with God, how do we do that? Re-energize your preaching; inspire and learn from fellow preachers; refresh and renew your spirit through three days of camaraderie and prayer on the beautiful Notre Dame campus.

## **Annual Allowance for Ongoing Formation**

These pages highlight just a few of the many outstanding ongoing formation opportunities available to priests throughout the U.S. and abroad. Programs like these, along with the various activities coordinated by our own Committee for Ongoing Formation of Priests, are an invaluable resource for the life and ministry of the individual priest and the larger presbyterate.

In an effort to encourage an active participation in programs like these, the Archdiocese of Atlanta offers every active priest a generous annual allowance to support him in his efforts toward ongoing priestly formation. The funding limit for diocesan priests is \$2,500 and \$1,875 for religious. These funds are provided by his parish/ministry (50%) and the Archdiocese (50%).

To access these funds, the priest must first submit a completed "Application for Funding" (final page of this document) to the Director of Ongoing Formation of Priests. This application provides an explanation of the proposed program or conference along with an estimate of all related costs. Applications must be received no less than six (6) weeks prior to the beginning of a program or conference. The ongoing formation director will review the request and in a timely manner will communicate his decision to the applicant. If approved, the priest will need to submit all related receipts to the ongoing formation director *after* he has attended the event. Reimbursement checks can then be issued. Again, the amount reimbursed comes from the priest's parish/ministry (50%) and the archdiocese (50%).

**ARCHDIOCESE OF ATLANTA  
ONGOING FORMATION OF PRIESTS  
APPLICATION FOR FUNDING**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parish/Ministry: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**Description of Program**

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Dates: \_\_\_\_\_

Place: \_\_\_\_\_

Registration Fee: \_\_\_\_\_

Room and Board: \_\_\_\_\_

Transportation: \_\_\_\_\_

Amount of Financial Assistant Sought: \_\_\_\_\_

**Personal Coverage**

Will your assignment be covered while you are away? \_\_\_\_\_

If yes, by whom? \_\_\_\_\_

How do you expect this program will aid your ministry? \_\_\_\_\_

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Signature of Applicant

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

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