

TEN THINGS TO KNOW ABOUT THE BCI JULY 2016

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### 1. LET US PRAY

### A prayer for "Renew My Church"

Lord Jesus, you speak to us today, as you spoke to holy men and women who have gone before us. In every age and in our own time, you call to us and say: *Renew My Church*.

Pour out the gift of your Holy Spirit upon us, and so enable us

to hear you clearly

to listen to each other attentively

to imagine our future boldly

to discern your direction wisely

to persevere in your holy will courageously

to stay together in charity

to surrender own plans readily

to embrace the greater good

to hand on your gifts to future generations.

May we remain in the holy company of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the apostles, and all the saints. May their example and presence inspire us with patient confidence in the work of your grace. We ask this of you who live and reign with the Father in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen

### LORD, HEAR OUR PRAYER!

Please submit all prayer request to <a href="mailto:BCI@archchicago.org">BCI@archchicago.org</a>.

### 2. SAVE THE YEAR

### **BCI the SECOND YEAR**



Climate Justice Conference ALL SOULS DAY Nov. 2, 2016



The Gala Nov. 13, 2016



CIVIL RIGHTS Commemoration Jan. 13, 2017

Black Catholic RETREAT June 16, 2017

Black History Project - Month of February Black Catholic History Project - Month of November

### 3. THE NEXT OPPORTUNITY TO JOIN THE BCI

### The National Black Catholic Congress

Archdiocese Chicago

Day of Reflection



September 24th Our Lady of Sorrows Basilica

> Bishop Joseph Perry Vice President of the NBCC

> > Father Michael Trail Chicago Convener

ACT JUSTLY, LOVE GOODNESS, AND WALK HUMBLY WITH YOUR GOD.

Come, learn, sign up to be an Archdiocesan delegate to this national church gathering. Let's make our future!

# SAVE the DATE

The National Black Catholic

# Congress X99

The Hyatt Regency Orlando, Florida For updates and information, go to: www.nbccongress.org



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### 4. HONOR, HONOR, UNTO THE DYING LAMB

Hmmmm. The Pastoral Center now has
two "Westside" Black Catholics working for
"Southside" Black Catholics.
This really is
RENEW MY "ONE" CHURCH.

Speaking of pastoral, the Catholic Theological Union Augustus Tolton Pastoral Ministry Program has a new and third director.

The unofficial announcement was made at the BCI Retreat. Here is a rare glimpse of the past, present and future with Jesus standing behind them, leaning to the future! He is so cool!



### Here is the official announcement.



#### **ANNOUNCEMENT**

To the CTU Community,

It is with great pleasure that I announce the appointment of Dr. Kimberly Lymore as the new Director of the Augustus Tolton Pastoral Ministry Program.

As many of you know, Kimberly comes to us as an alumna of CTU where she obtained her MDiv, and of McCormick Seminary where she received a DMin. She has extensive experience in pastoral ministry and I look forward to working with her in continuing to strengthen the Tolton Program here at CTU.

Mont R. Francis, and Rev. Mark R. Francis, CSV

President June 20, 2016

### 5. ON THE AIR

Deacon John Cook hosts this weekly half-hour program that



explores a wide range of topics relevant to Chicago's Black and Catholic communities. Deacon Cook serves at St. Felicitas Parish in Chatham and is very involved in oand overseeing youth programs in the Bronzeville neighborhood.

Tune in and Call in 312.255.8408

Let's talk about:

**Make Them Hear You!** 

### 6. SOCIAL ACTION



# Who is My Neighbor?

Discipleship in the Year of Mercy

### Archdiocese of Chicago

St. Xavier University - July 17-21, 2016

Full Registration: \$500 includes tuition, lodging & most meals.

Commuter Registration: \$275 full week tuition.

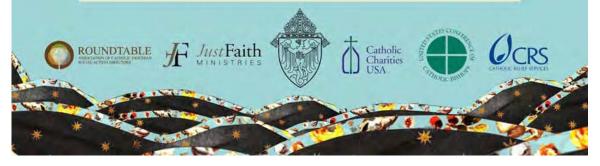
Daily Cost: \$35 Sunday half-day & \$60 per full day.

See website for Financial Aid & Discounted Registration details.

The **Social Action Summer Institute** (SASI) offers a transformational experience including field immersion site visits, presentations and sessions with national and local leaders connected with Chicago's frontline efforts in racial, social, criminal and economic justice.

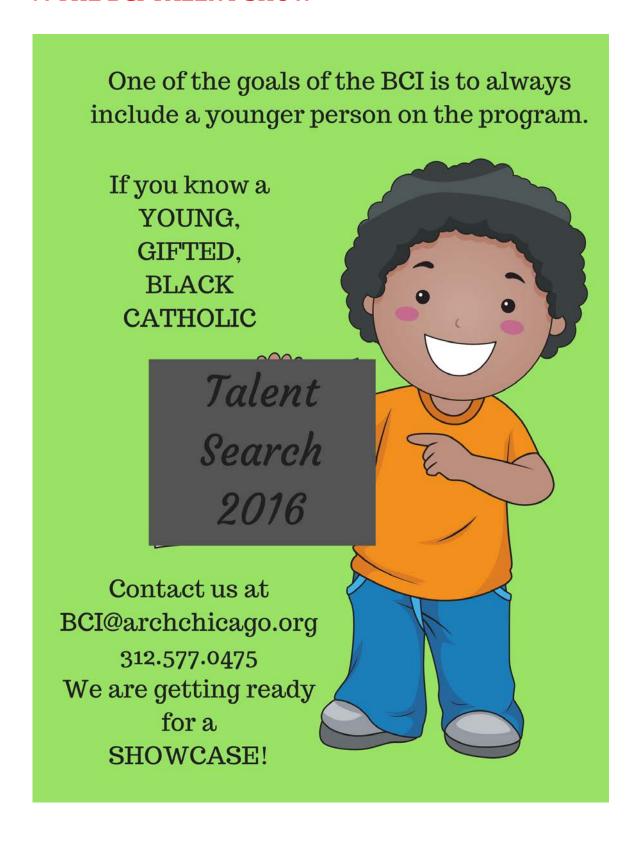
SASI provides spiritual formation, professional development and advocacy training for diocesan and parish social action ministers, leaders, clergy and seminarians, and creates a forum to explore social issues in the light of scripture, Church teaching and theology.

www.ChicagoPeaceAndJustice.org/SASI



**OPENING KEYNOTE: FR. PFLEGER** CLOSING KEYNOTE: BISHOP BRAXTON

### 7. THE BCI TALENT SHOW



### 8. THE CAUSE OF FR. TOLTON

# RACING FOR FR. AUGUSTUS TOLTON



Hosted by the Tolton Ambassadors of Chicago

# JOIN US ON SATURDAY, SEPT. 17, 2016 6 to 11 p.m.

Hawthorne Race Course 3501 S. Laramie, Stickney, IL

COST: \$50 PER PERSON

#### ENJOY:

- ➤ 2-HOUR BUFFET
- RACING FORM (SCRATCH SHEET)COMPLIMENTARY VALET PARKING
- ➤ PRIVATE DINING IN TURF SUITE
  - ➤ FELLOWSHIP

This event supports the canonization cause for Fr. Tolton. For more information contact:

Angela Hicks 201-364-5854 Michelle Tines 312-213-3851

### 9. PARISH LIFE AND FORMATION EVENTS

The BCI received the following announcements from parishes, schools and organizations for the purpose of sharing information and invitation.

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### From St. Martin DePorres

Saint Martin de Porres Church Joins with The Chicago Police Department's 15<sup>th</sup> District C.A.P.S.

"100 Blocks/100 Churches" A Gathering of Community Residents and Churches

Every Wednesday during
June & July from
6:00 to 7:00pm at the corner of:

## Laramie & Adams

Join with us on Wednesday

Evenings as

we work and pray together to

make our community a safer place

to live and grow

for all of our residents.

\*\*\* Show Unity By Wearing A Red

Shirt \*\*\*

From St. Benedict the African east



### From the African National Eucharistic Congress



#### **Third African National Eucharistic Congress**

August 5-7, 2016

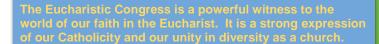
Pre ACCCRUS Convention for Clergy and Religious
August 3-5, 2016

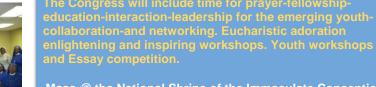
Catholic University of America Pryzbyla University Center 620 Michigan Avenue, NE, Washington, DC 20064



Responding to the New Evangelization: The African Catholic Family, A Gift to the Church in America

- Most Rev. Shelton J. Fabre, Bishop of the Diocese of Houma-Thibodaux, Speaker
- Cardinal Laurent Monsengwo Pasinya, Archbishop of Kinshasa, Celebrant and Speaker
- Most Rev. Joseph Perry, Auxiliary Bishop of Chicago, Celebrant





Mass @ the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception-Crypt Church, Washington, DC-Sunday, August 7<sup>th</sup> @ 10 am

> For more information and to register http://tinyurl.com/zr7qcdm











Jubilee Year of Mercy

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### 10. THE BCI AND YOU

All are welcome to bring ideas and gifts to this collective work of baptizing, matrimony and anointing, this effort of kujichagulia, umoja and imani. This is a meeting of the seven sacraments of the church and the seven principles of Kwanzaa. This is a meeting of the church. That is what makes it and us truly catholic. Stay tuned, stay close, get involved, walk together and don't you get weary! There's a great camp meeting in the Promised Land. Believe that you are in the camp.



Someone asked the question...

RED is for the blood of the people

BLACK is for the community of the people

GREEN is for the growth of the people

## **Be a FOUNTAIN**



not a drain