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Edmund Rice Education Beyond Borders Sponsors Lead School Conference In Johannesburg, South Africa



**Sr. Ona
Bessette,
CND**

Four intrepid members of Edmund Rice Christian Brothers North America Schools sojourned to Johannesburg, South Africa to take part in the first Lead School Conference sponsored by Edmund Rice Education Beyond Borders, October 13 – 18, 2015.

Through a variety of visits to Christian Brother Schools across the country: immersion into the Soweto Township, conversations with a former prisoner on Robbins Island, time at Liliesleaf Heritage Center, we encountered the many realities of South Africa. This is a land of many struggles and deep hope for a future of equality for all. Professor Jonathan Jansen of the University of the Free State,

eloquently expressed his hope and dreams for his beloved land in the following words:

"My South Africa is the first-year university student in Bloemfontein who took all the gifts she received for her birthday and donated them – with permission of the givers – to a home for children in an AIDS village. It is the people hurt by racist acts who find it in their hearts to publically forgive the perpetrators. It is the group of farmers in Paarl who started a top school for the children of farm workers to ensure they got the best education while their parents toiled in the vineyards My South Africa is that little white boy at a decent school in the Eastern Cape who decided to teach the black boys in the community to play cricket, and to fit them all out with the togs required to play the gentleman's game. It is the two black street children in Durban, caught

on camera, who put their spare change in the condensed milk tin of a white beggar ... My South Africa is a man who went to prison for 27 years and came out embracing his captors, thereby releasing them from their impending misery ..."

Inspired by such words, from across the Edmund Rice Education world, 84 passionate educators from 12 diverse and rich cultures came to forge deeper bonds and plan for the growth of Edmund Rice Education Beyond

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For Christians, "getting a life" means finding our meaning and "center" in God's great love and peace, and then acting from the wisdom and generosity of spirit that comes of this communion. It was in their deep desolation that Jesus appeared to his friends. God is with us always, but when we lack hope and things seem at their worst, we may best be able to perceive God's presence.

Beth Porter
Richmond Hill, ON



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Compassion and liberation
in the spirit of
Jesus and Edmund

Borders. By the end of the conference, the assembly had identified action plans and key organizers of the initiatives. Much more will be shared in the coming months. All schools in the ERCBNA Network are invited to become involved in the programs.

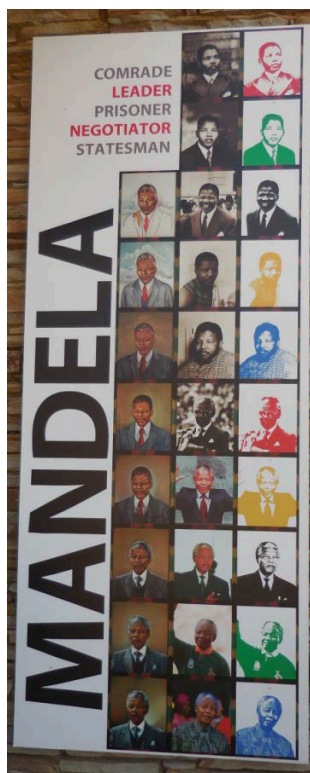
Mr. Jim Antos, Brother Dan Casey and Mr. Mich DesLauriers have shared their views about the experience. You can catch their passion about the experience and their hope for EREBB in the following excerpts from their reflections:

Mich DesLauriers – St. Thomas More Collegiate:

“Hello everyone, *how are you?* How often do we utilize this phrase without thinking about it and truly caring about the response? In Africa, their phrase is *sani bonani* which means ‘we see you’ – it is about seeing, acknowledging and affirming those greeted. ‘It is seeing the divine in the other.’ This is an amazing concept and I experienced and appreciated this in meeting the people of South Africa. The strong hospitality they displayed and their devoted commitment to family values humbled me. I am proud that we emphasize the values of a welcoming Christian community at St. Thomas More Collegiate. I recognized how important this aspect is and the impact it has on our community.



(l to r) Mitch DesLauriers, Jim Antos, Sr. Ona, Br. Dan Casey



The conference theme was *Ubuntu – I am because you are* – a concept stated by

many South African leaders, such as Nelson Mandela and Archbishop Desmond Tutu. During our time together, the Lead Schools of the Edmund Rice Network looked at how we can put this concept into practice. One of our guest speakers spoke of *Ubuntu* as ‘the hospitality of education.’ I really like this concept. I also learned there are 280 Edmund Rice schools spread out over 25 countries, with 50% of them being co-ed. I have had the privilege of visiting a number of Christian Brothers’ schools, mainly in the United States, and now in South Africa. Without exception I have always felt the warmth, welcome, and charisma of Blessed Edmund Rice in all of those schools.

A guest speaker, Dr. Mangena, was an activist during the Apartheid Era and at one time shared a jail cell with Nelson Mandela. He challenged us to be a ‘little Pope Francis in our communities.’ A non-Catholic, Dr. Mangena has great admiration for Pope Francis and, like many of us, sees him as a living example of the Gospel message.

As we concluded our conference together, we became more determined than ever to continue the work started by Edmund Rice over 200 years ago. The legacy of the Christian Brothers lives on in the men and women to whom the torch has been passed. Our dream is to extend this vision beyond our walls

and to connect, where possible, with the greater Edmund Rice network around the world to provide support for and to be advocates for justice and liberation.

The trip to South Africa far exceeded my expectations and I thoroughly enjoyed all aspects of the program from the immersion experience in learning about the South African people through the story of Apartheid; to visiting a CBC school, Mt. Edmund in Pretoria, and to gathering as one community with a shared vision during our conference. I would encourage all of you to plan for and attend the next conference in Kolkata, India, in October. 2016.”

Jim Antos – Br. Rice High School, Chicago:

“It never ceases to amaze me the impact that Edmund Rice has had on the world and the poor and the marginalized in particular. The spiritual feeling approached euphoric as I looked into the eyes of the students, teachers and administrators we met in South Africa. They had safety concerns and some economic woes but their overall outlook was so positive and upbeat; especially the kids. They were relatively happy and if they had underlying concerns, they were not readily evident even though I probably projected my feelings/concerns on them.



The conference itself gave me ideas about what can be done in my/our small part of the world. Initially, the ideas may be charity-related rather than advocacy but I feel that small steps need to be taken in order to effect what we at Br. Rice can accomplish. Within a week I addressed the faculty/staff about my experience while presenting a few of the pictures I took during the week. I also made a short presentation to our student body at an assembly just to ‘prime the pump.’

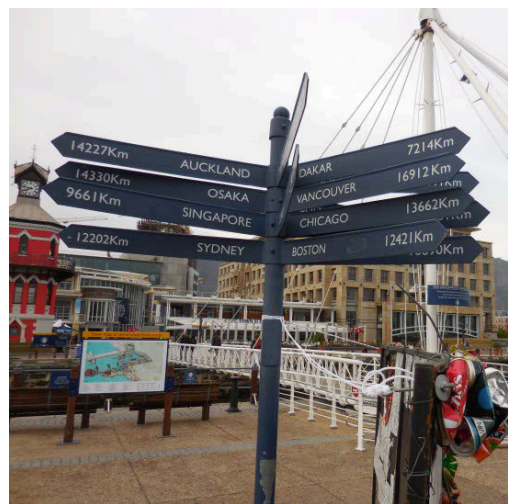
As of this moment we will have a ‘dress-down’ day for the Ruben Center in Kenya for the purpose of raising enough funds to sponsor two student tuitions for the year. Presently, each student has a \$500.00 bill for his/her tuition and room and board for the year; thus \$1,000 is our goal.

In order to highlight Edmund Rice's feast day we will have an added "food component" for the school community. I have made arrangements with our cafeteria service to research meals of Edmund's time in Ireland, prepare the food and sell it to those ‘brave enough to try it.’ Hopefully, the food component, along with Mass and our evening Spring Awards Assembly, will make it a more special day.

Lastly, I have made it known that I would like Br. Rice to sponsor a mini-reverse immersion experience for a teacher and two students from one of the visited South African schools; male high school students for a week. Admittedly, I do not know how to go about this but I sensed support for this from my colleagues here.”

Dan Casey, CFC – Damien Memorial School:

“Within hours of arriving at the Edmund Rice Education Beyond Borders conference near Johannesburg, the eighty-some perfect strangers felt like close friends. Though I didn't stop to analyze it then, I've since concluded that this happened because the occasion gathered people with a common mission, a common commitment, and a common purpose: reinvigorating



and advancing what it means to be an Edmund Rice school in the interest of building a better world. Many of the details of what happened next are in the conference's final document, but the one outcome that sticks with me is the group's commitment to advocacy. We at Damien will soon appoint an Advocacy Coordinator who will coordinate the advocacy efforts already in place and see what can be next. What's especially exciting about this movement toward advocacy is that the schools in North and Latin America are already on their way, especially through what has emerged from this year's ACTION workshop and the school leaders' retreat and supported by the province's Mission Frère initiative. I look forward to this new direction in Edmund Rice ministry in the Americas and *Beyond Borders*."

CHRISTIAN BROTHERS TORONTO COMMUNITY

Etobicoke, ON

An "Unusual" Gathering for Dinner

On Thursday, March 3rd, a group of "Canadian" Brothers met at the Brothers' Residence in Etobicoke, Ontario, for a wonderful get together and dinner prepared by Brothers Gabe McHugh and John Buckingham. It was a delight to be together with Brothers Barry Lynch and John Holden. John, missioned to the African Province, is in Canada recuperating from illness. The Brothers enjoyed the afternoon and evening together, sharing our stories of the past and the present realities of life as Brothers.



(l to r): Brothers John Holden, Barry Lynch, Bill Carrothers, Sean Whitty (on the left) and Gabe McHugh (on the right), and John Buckingham

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***Iona Receives \$2.5 Million Grant for Residence Hall
State Grant Adds to Major Campus Enhancements***

Iona College has received \$2.5 million in a capital grant to support construction of its new North Avenue Residence Hall, announced the New York State's Higher Education Capital (HECap) Matching Grant Program Board in a public meeting on Thursday, February 4.

"We thank the State of New York, our elected officials who supported the grant proposal, and the Iona team of trustees, faculty and administrators who organized the grant submission," said Iona President Joseph E. Nyre, Ph.D. "It is certainly great news for the College but even better news for the students we serve, now and in coming years."

"This grant helps us complete an important addition to campus, our second new residence hall in four years," President Nyre added.

Dan Konopka, director of sponsored grants and programs and coordinator of the Iona proposal, said, "This grant from the state underscores how our students, faculty and programs continue to move the world. These investments are the fuel for realizing our future."

Sixty-two applications were received from private, not-for-profit colleges and universities across the state, requesting a total of \$64.5 million. For a project to be considered for funding, an application needed to score a minimum of 70 out of 100. Of the 62 applications received, 29 achieved the minimum score of 70 to receive grant funding, which totaled \$35.5 million.



**Architectural rendering of North Avenue
Residence Hall**

Iona broke ground on its second new residence hall last spring and plans to open its doors for students in the 2016 fall semester. Part of the College's efforts to help revitalize North Avenue and to meet a growing demand for campus apartment style living, the North Avenue Residence Hall will add approximately 310 spaces to on-campus housing – as well as provide additional North Avenue commercial space on the ground level. See more about the residence hall [online](#).

This grant follows the College's recent announcement of its largest gift in institutional history and a matching challenge from Mr. Robert LaPenta to nearly triple the size of its business school. It is part of the Iona Forever

comprehensive fundraising campaign, which since its public launch in September 2016 has been raising funds to ensure affordability by elevating student scholarship support, to invest in faculty and new academic programs, and to ensure model learning and living environments on its campus.

About Iona College: Founded in 1940, Iona College is a four-year private, coeducational institution of learning in the tradition of the Edmund Rice Christian Brothers and American Catholic higher education. Located just 20 miles from Midtown Manhattan, it is a diverse community of learners and

scholars dedicated to academic excellence and the values of justice, peace and service. Iona is highly accredited, offering undergraduate degrees in liberal arts, science, and business administration, as well as Master of Arts, Master of Science and Master of Business Administration degrees and numerous advanced certificate programs. Iona College is the second largest private sector employer in New Rochelle.



Join your classmates for Reunion Weekend 2016!

The weekend's highlights include the Jubilarian Mass, Golden Gaels Dinner, Reunion BBQ, Steps in Tradition Heritage Tours, and the premier event that you won't want to miss - the Reunion Gala and Awards Ceremony. Visit Reunion Central for a full listing of events and to register.

<http://www.ionaconnection.com/s/1551/index.aspx?sid=1551&gid=1&pgid=630>

Register by April 22, 2016, to avoid the \$15 registration fee.

All guests should register by May 6, 2016, to guarantee special seating requests.



From the Iona College Community

FRONT ROW (l-r): Brothers Jerry Johnson, Robert Novak, Eugene O'Brian, Paul Mendy, Kenneth Chapman, Joseph Morgan & Harry M. Dunkak.

BACK ROW (l-r): Brs. Kevin Devlin and Joseph A. Cussen.

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Mission and Immersion Experiences
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GUADALUPE REGIONAL MIDDLE SCHOOL

Brownsville, TX

Guadalupe Regional Middle School, along with the Brownsville community, came together for the 79th Annual Charro Days Fiesta to celebrate what makes Brownsville unique: its location on the border with Mexico and the rich cultural heritage enjoyed by Brownsville's residents.

Brownsville residents and visitors dressed in the traditional costumes of Mexico and honored the Mexican cowboys -- the Charros.

On Tuesday, February 23rd, GRMS students led by Mrs. Alma Martinez and Lili Martinez '05, participated in the annual Entre Amigos dance showcase hosted at Kenmont Montessori in Brownsville. The showcase was held for elementary-middle school grades of the various private schools in the city to celebrate Charro Days. The event features traditional Mexican music, dances, costumes, and other traditions representing various regions of Mexico.

Professional folkloric dancers from Ciudad Victoria, the capital city of the Mexican state of Tamaulipas, gave a stunning performance to GRMS students, faculty, and parents on the campus courtyard on Wednesday, February 24th. Men and women danced and sang song after song, changing costumes and narrating to the delight of cheering students.

On Saturday, February 27th, GRMS students waved to thousands of people from their float in Grand International Parade traveling through Historic Downtown Brownsville. GRMS held their annual Charro Days Parade Viewing Party Fundraiser right on the parade line.

Watch a video of GRMS at <https://youtu.be/1lztQORiN7c>

Can you spot Brother Dave Concannon in the video?



(l to r): Brothers Tom LeJeune, Arthur Williams, Donatus McCormack, and Kevin Griffith (Province Leader)



In the parade, on the float

Two GRMS Students Qualify for State History Competition



Miss Amanda Pertierra (teacher) stands on stage next to Daniela and America. Presenting together, two GRMS students placed second at the regional competition for National History Day on Saturday, February 13th, at UTGRV in Edinburg, Texas.

America (8th Grade, pictured right) and Daniela (8th Grade, pictured center) qualified to present at the state competition in Austin this April.

"From the beginning, America and Daniela showed great initiative in working to make the best website possible," said Social Studies teacher, Miss Pertierra (pictured Left). "It's so wonderful when we can see students rewarded for effort. Already, they are discussing ways to improve the project for state competition. I am excited to see where they go next."

After eight weeks of research and an afternoon of presentations in front of community judges at

GRMS, six students went on to participate in the regional competition under the direction of Miss Pertierra. Another GRMS group earned third place at the competition, just shy of qualifying for state competition.

UTRGV Provides Teachers-in-Training as Evening Tutors at GRMS

The evening study hall at GRMS just received a boost. Under the direction of veteran GRMS teacher, Mrs. Patricia Flota, GRMS holds an evening study hall twice a week for students who need a quiet place to study or extra help with their homework. UTeach Brownsville, a program of UTGRV, has matched five math and science tutors to GRMS to support kids through mid-May.

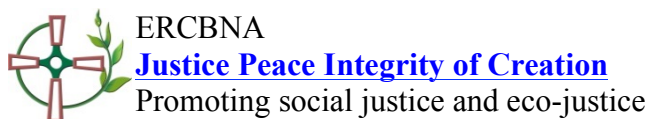
"The UTRGV tutors have set fire at GRMS," said Ms. Lupita Alvarado, GRMS Principal. "The success is evident when you see close to half of the student body attending tutorials after school."

UTeach is an innovative teacher preparation program that allows mathematics and science majors to receive teacher certification while earning a degree in mathematics or science. This nationally-acclaimed program was developed at The University of Texas at Austin and has been replicated throughout the country.

"I think the evening study hall tutors are good - great, actually," said Jackie, 8th grader. "I am making advancements in math. I went to visit Med Tech because I am thinking about going there for high school. After meeting me, they said I would probably be placed in Geometry next year as a



freshmen even though it's a 10th grade class. Math is challenging, but I know I can make it because the tutors at evening study hall are helping me get better and maybe ahead."



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BROTHER RICE HIGH SCHOOL

Bloomfield Hills, MI

Brother Rice Announces Partnership with GroupClique



Brother Rice is proud to announce their partnership with GroupClique, a new networking solution. GroupClique provides Brother Rice with a unique and innovative way to bring students, parents, and alumni together through a closed digital platform that enables organizations to create an effective micro community where members can more easily connect and support each other both socially and in business.

Co-founder and Brother Rice alumni, Ajay Chawla was inspired to create GroupClique, by his ongoing relationship with the school and the support and networking opportunities that he has experienced through its alumni and parent community since his graduation. "Supporting my school and community has always been important to me and I wanted to create a way to make it easier for all of us to support each other in our endeavors."

The GroupClique platform will allow Brother Rice to provide its micro community many benefits including the ability to easily and efficiently communicate with other students, alumni and parents. For example, Brother Rice student GroupClique members can have greater access to the Brother Rice community, potentially helping them find a summer job or internship opportunity, locate a mentor or even market their business ideas to trusted individuals. "We believe this is cutting edge technology for schools and we are very excited to be the first to implement it," said Tim Keaton, Brother Rice Chief Marketing Officer. "We are encouraging our entire community to join GroupClique and take advantage of the numerous resources and benefits it offers."

Brother Rice High School is a Catholic college preparatory school for young men. Inspired by the Essential Elements of a Christian Brother Education, the school fosters the spiritual, intellectual, cultural and physical development of its students. The Brother Rice Community promotes excellence

through an environment conducive to life-long personal growth, responsible moral choices and critical thinking. For more information or to donate in support of this effort please visit www.brrice.edu

Brother Rice High School Celebrates 15 Student Athletes on National Signing Day

Bloomfield Hills, MI, February 3, 2016 – Brother Rice High School honored its student athletes who plan to take their athletic careers to the next level. Fifteen seniors in six sports took the opportunity to sign or go definite with their plans to attend and compete for colleges and universities in nine different states after graduating from Brother Rice High School. The group of seniors signing today include three from the Brother Rice Varsity Football team, five from the Varsity Lacrosse team, three Varsity Baseball players, two Soccer players, one Varsity Hockey player and one Squash player.

“We are very proud and excited for this group of seniors. They exemplify the long history of academic and athletic success we have here at Brother Rice. These young men have made an impact in the Brother Rice community and we look forward to following the contributions they will make at their respective institutions” said Athletic Director Jeff Calcaterra.

Associate Athletic Director and Head Varsity Football Coach Dave Sofran introduced the group of seniors signing Letters of Intent:

Tommy Liesveld	(Football)	Saginaw Valley State University, MI
Michael Birkenhauer	(Football)	Northwood University, MI
Jeff Timko	(Football)	Central Michigan University, MI
James Scane	(Lacrosse)	Robert Morris University, PA
Morgan Macko	(Lacrosse)	Bellarmino University, KY
Cole Hyde	(Lacrosse)	Mercyhurst University, PA
Brian Cosgrove	(Lacrosse)	Fairfield University, CT
Luke Cappelto	(Lacrosse)	University of Maryland Baltimore (UMBC), MD
Mitchell Tyranski	(Baseball)	Michigan State University, MI
Preston Pilat	(Baseball)	Northern Kentucky University, KY
Karl Kauffmann	(Baseball)	University of Michigan, MI
Cameron Panley	(Soccer)	University of Cincinnati, O
Nate Tremonti	(Soccer)	Seton Hall University, NJ
Jaret Koger	(Hockey)	
Charlie Beauregard	(Squash)	Colby College, ME

Brother Rice High School Principal Michael Segvich, CFC, was delighted with both the academic and athletic accomplishments of these impressive young men. “These student athletes have worked hard both on and off the field while here at Brother Rice. They have learned how to compete in the classroom and in their sport. I see great things for them in the future.”

Brother Rice Names 2016 Athletic Hall of Famers

Brother Rice High School is pleased to announce the selection of the newest members of the 2016 Athletic Hall of Fame.

Four graduates will join the 17 individuals and two teams that comprise the Brother Rice Athletic Hall of Fame instituted in 2008. Kevin Smith



'77 (Basketball), Dave Yarema '82 (Football), Derek Moscovic '92 (Wrestling) and Matt Parrish '98 (Swimming) join the Athletic Hall of Fame and will be honored and recognized on February 20 at Fifth Avenue Sports & Entertainment in downtown Royal Oak.

Tickets to the Athletic Hall of Fame can be purchased by contacting Brother Rice Alumni Director, Dan McGrath (mcgrath@brrice.edu) or (248) 833-2016, in the Brother Rice Alumni Office. Tickets are available on a limited basis for \$25 per person, which includes food and drink specials. A cocktail reception will start at 7 p.m. followed by the event program at 8 p.m. Fifth Avenue Sports & Entertainment is located at 215 W. Fifth St., Royal Oak, MI 48067.

Hope to see you there!

ST. LAURENCE HIGH SCHOOL

Burbank, IL

Viking Report President's Highlight



Dear St. Laurence Community,

St. Laurence is proud to announce a 1:1 initiative with iPads for the class of 2020. Using various apps and iBooks, teachers at St. Laurence will create interactive course materials to keep their students engaged. Giving students access to iPads will also allow teachers to better adapt to students' unique needs and abilities. St.

Laurence faculty feel the iPad technology will give the St. Laurence students ready access to incredible amounts of information. The faculty regard themselves not only as providers of knowledge but also as facilitators in helping students navigate and analyze information. We look forward to launching this initiative and building upon its success.

Go Vikings!

James C. Muting, '73
Principal

Faculty Spotlight Nancy Ploskonka, Geometry



"I had a very good friend teaching at St. Laurence when I graduated from college. He told me about a Math opening in October because a teacher was on a medical leave. I started here the next week and I haven't looked back. Coincidentally, I received a call from Queen of Peace, my alma mater, a week later. Fortunately, I had already taken the position at St. Laurence. I am currently teaching sophomore Geometry. I am also the coordinator for the school Manna program, which is a wonderful program for parents to earn money toward tuition.

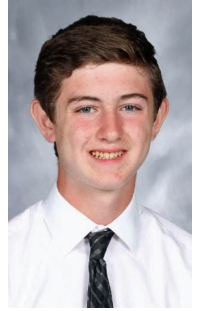
For the last 42 years, the St. Laurence community has been a family for me. I have met so many wonderful people who have touched my life. I have been privileged to touch the lives of so many young men. I only hope I have affected a fraction of the students who have affected me."

Nancy was also nominated as Teacher of the Year by a former student who went on to play in the NFL, Tim Grunhard '86.

Student Spotlight

Dennis McCarthy, a Junior

Dennis, a Junior from St. Mike's in Orland Park, excels both in and outside of the classroom. While boasting a 4.78 GPA, Dennis is also a member of the Varsity Soccer team, National Honors Society, leadership committee and Sports Media, to name a few. Dennis attended the ACTION Leadership Workshop in St. John's, Florida in September. From that experience Dennis, along with two of his classmates, began the W.H.I.P. (We Help Impoverished People) Club. They are a student-run service organization that is taking the initiative to help individuals in need. Keep up the good work, Dennis!



Jericho House, Wainfleet, Ontario

Jericho House Youth Leadership, Justice & Spirituality Center is an ecumenical and interfaith retreat center in the Catholic tradition. An ideal location for retreats, meetings, conferences, and seminars.

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Summer Retreats

Retreat 1: ST. LAWRENCE FRIARY BEACON, NY

WHEN: JULY 6 - 10, 2016

COST: 320.00 US

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Br. Sean Whitty, cfc

4219 Constance St,

New Orleans, LA 70115

THEME: **MEETING GOD IN TIMES
OF TRANSITION AND CHANGE**



WHAT: An Elder Brother is still growing, still with potential and whose life continues to have within it promise for, and connection to the future.

FACILITATOR: **BROTHER WAYNE J. FITZPATRICK, M.M., M.A., M.S., C-GCM**

Retreat 2: JERICHO HOUSE, 10845 RATHFON RD, PORT COLBOURNE, ONTARIO

WHEN: JULY 26 - JULY 31, 2016 (Participants are asked to arrive for dinner at 6:00 pm on **July 26, 2016**)

COST: \$375.00 CAN or \$300.00 US

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10845 Rathfon Rd,

Port Colbourne, ON, L3K 5V4

CANADA



THEME: **THE HEART OF FRANCIS: THE HEART OF YOU**

WHAT: Already our new Pope is changing the Church, changing the world, changing our lives. He reveals to us the divine beauty of our human hearts - and of all creation. Touched by a new vision, a new way of seeing and of being, we are set free to live more abundantly, more hopefully, more joyfully.

FACILITATOR: **FATHER DANIEL O'LEARY**

Retreat 3: SIENA RETREAT CENTER 5635 Erie St, Racine, WI 53402

WHEN: JUNE 27 – JULY 1, 2016
(Participants are asked to arrive on the evening of June 26)

COST: \$385.00 US
Make cheques payable to MT SION COMMUNITY
Mail check to:
Br. Sean Whitty, cfc
4219 Constance St
New Orleans, LA 70115




THEME: *COME TO BE REFRESHED!*

WHAT: This is a personal retreat experience. Retreatants may choose Sr. Helen to guide their retreat experience if they wish. There will be Daily Shared Prayer, Eucharist and Night Prayer together.

DIRECTOR: *SISTER HELEN CAHILL, OP*

Blessed Edmund Rice Prayer Cards

<p>Pray for us</p>  <p>Founder of the Christian Brothers and the Presentation Brothers</p>	<p>Will be remembered in the daily Mass and devotions of the Christian Brothers' communities and share in the prayers and good works of the Congregation of Christian Brothers around the world.</p> <p>Requested by: _____</p> <p>Address: _____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face shine upon you and be gracious to you; the LORD turn his face toward you and give you peace.</p> <p>_____</p> <p>for the Christian Brothers</p>
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Blessed Edmund Rice Prayer Cards are a beautiful way to assure loved ones of your prayerful support. Our Prayer Card is a singular expression in honor of some special occasion or at a sorrowful time for a bereaved relative or friend.

The benefactor's donation (payable to the Christian Brothers Foundation) benefits the ministries of the Christian Brothers.

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God's Call.



We connect with
the poor and the
marginalized in
our world.

We share and reflect
our experiences in
the light of the
Gospel.

We find our hearts
transformed.

We are Christian
Brothers.

*What we do with
our hearts affects
the whole universe.*



In the tradition of Blessed Edmund Rice, the founder, the Congregation of Christian Brothers is an international community of vowed religious brothers living and praying in community and missioned by the Church for Christian education. The men the Christian Brothers seek to join with them are Catholic men who sense a call to live in fraternal community and who wish to minister in the educational apostolates of the Church, especially to youth. They are men with the religious inspiration and dedication necessary to live a life of consecrated celibacy and who, through vows of poverty and obedience, place their gifts, talents, and possessions at the disposal of the community in order to meet the needs of God's people. Please contact one of the Brothers listed above.

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