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University-wide Theme for 2016-2017: *Live the Truth in Love: Service*

Mission programs for 2016-2017

Service in the context of the Characteristics of Franciscan Higher Education:

Throughout the year, we are offering opportunities to reflect on *Service in the context of the Characteristics of Franciscan Higher Education*. The Association of Franciscan Colleges and Universities developed the statement on the *Characteristics of Franciscan Higher Education* to assist the 24 institutions to develop a common understanding of the basics of our Catholic Franciscan tradition.

During the Fall 2016 semester, 44 faculty members, 86 staff members, and 44 administrators participated in one of the 18 sessions offered. The Spring 2017 semester will provide 12 additional sessions. To date, 43 faculty members, 24 staff members, and two administrators have registered for these sessions. If you did not attend a session in the Fall, please contact Sr. Mary Ann McCarthy at mccarthm@neumann.edu to register. To view the *Characteristics of Franciscan Education* documents, visit the [NIFS website](#).

Sessions for faculty and staff from all academic divisions (Arts and Science, Nursing and Health Science, Education and Human Services, Continuing Adult and Professional Studies, Business and Information Management) will be offered on January 31 (Nursing faculty only in the Devine Hospitality Suite) and February 1 through 3, 2017 in the Assisi Room 314BMB. Lunch will be provided.

Tuesday from 11:30 to 12:30

Wednesday from 12:40 to 1:40

Thursday from 1:00 to 2:00

Friday from 11:30 to 12:30

Alternatively, **Faculty and staff from all academic divisions** may choose to gather for Conversation and Tea in the Ministry House from 2:30 to 4:00 PM on one of the following dates: February 7 or February 24.

Service Opportunities for All

During our *Tea & Conversations*, there was a suggestion that we encourage participation in Service during the second semester. Please visit the [Service-Learning and Community Engagement website](#) for volunteer opportunities or contact [Megan Camp](#).

Online self-paced course on the Franciscan tradition

The Association of Franciscan Colleges and Universities (AFCU) is offering a new resource for faculty and staff who wish to incorporate elements of the Franciscan Intellectual Tradition (FIT) into their teaching or ministry. This course will allow faculty and staff members to identify key elements of the FIT, to locate and utilize FIT resources, understand ways to incorporate the FIT in specific courses and programs, and develop learning activities. The course is self-paced and is in the form of a PowerPoint presentation. You can access the course [here](#). If you wish to discuss the course please contact Sister Pat Hutchison.

Publishing "in the Catholic Franciscan Tradition"

One of the strategic goals of the Neumann Institute is to encourage scholarship related to our identity as a Catholic institution in the Franciscan tradition. Please consider attending a luncheon on February 23rd from 1 to 2 pm in the Assisi Room 314BMB to explore ideas and publishing opportunities in Catholic and Franciscan journals.

To register email Sister Mary Ann McCarthy.

Interfaith Programs

One of the suggestions from our recent Middle States visit was that we increase our efforts to foster interfaith understanding and dialogue. In response to this suggestion we are pleased to promote the following program at the Franciscan Spiritual center:

Interfaith Dialogue

How does your faith tradition express the common values of Joy, Mercy, Compassion?
In what rituals of your faith tradition are these values most concretely reflected?

March 16, 2017
7:00 PM to 8:30 PM
Panel Members:
Rabbi Linda Potemken,
Pastor John Inghram,
Imam Cheblie,
Sr. Julie Keegan
Franciscan Spiritual Center



Please register at least two weeks before the program by contacting Sr. Mary Ann at mccarshm@neumann.edu

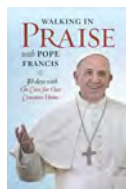
Special Note: if you have a suggestion for an interfaith program, please contact Sr. Pat Hutchison at hutchisp@neumann.edu

Lenten Soup and Sharing

For the past several years, the Lenten Soup and Sharing opportunities have focused on Care for Creation. This year there will be three Soup and Sharing sessions from 12:30 to 1:30 in the Library classroom. The sessions and topics follow:

March 10: Revisiting Laudato Si: Awakening the Spirit

Presenter: Jenelle Abnett, Ph.D.
Assistant Professor of Education



March 24: Dial Down the Heat!

NIFS Committee will lead discussion of Catholic Climate Covenant's 2016-2017 program



April 7: Fair Trade: More than Chocolate and Coffee

Presenter: Patrick McKenzie
Director of Campus Ministry



Franciscan Spiritual Center 20th Anniversary Celebration Programs

We are pleased to support participation in the following special programs at the Franciscan Spiritual Center. Dr. Janet Massey chairs the Anniversary Committee and Sr. Mary Ann serves on the committee.

Please register through Sr. Mary Ann McCarthy at least one month prior to the program because spaces are limited.

Annual Charism Day Turn My Heart

March 19, 2017
1:00 p.m. 4:00 p.m.
Marty Haugen



Concert

Friday, May 12, 2017
Our Lady of Angels Chapel
7:00 p.m.—8:30 p.m.
Andrea Likovich OSF,
Barbara Jaffee, & OLA Choir



An Evening with the Brothers of Taizé

Friday, June 2, 2017
Our Lady of Angels Chapel
7:00 p.m.—8:30 p.m.
Brother John
Light Refreshments will follow.



Other Franciscan Spiritual Center Programs of Interest

Celtic Spirituality

5:30 to 9:00 (dinner)
6:30 to 9:00 (without dinner)
March 13, 2017
Carmel Boyle

The Environmental Benefits of Locally Grown Organic Food

April 24, 2017
7:00 PM to 8:00 PM
Joanne Rosenbaum and Margaret Lilley

Peace and All Good
as we begin another academic semester!

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