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FADICA 36th Annual Meeting to Discuss Church Renewal and Future

The 36th Annual Meeting of FADICA scheduled for early 2012 is occurring near the fiftieth anniversary of the opening of Vatican Council II.

It is for this reason that the event, scheduled for February 2-3, in Bonita Springs, FL, will offer a look at the renewal of Catholic life from the perspective of religious philanthropy.

“Much of FADICA’s history is interwoven with the church’s effort to respond to this historic event,” said Francis J. Butler, FADICA’s president, in announcing the conference.

“Because we represent foundations and donors that work to advance everything from parish renewal to social justice, this anniversary holds special significance for FADICA,” Mr. Butler added.



Speakers and panelists slated to present reflections on the Council’s impact over the last half century include John Carroll University Professor Edward Hahnenberg and Dr. Massimo Faggioli of the University of Turin, author of the book, *The Bishop and the Council*. Dr. Nicolas P. Cafardi of Duquesne University, a canon and civil lawyer, will team up with Notre Dame’s Dr. M. Cathleen Kaveny on the Council’s scorecard in effectuating lay participation in church life.

Among the distinguished guest speakers will be Cardinal Donald Wuerl, Archbishop of Washington, who will speak on *The New Evangelization and Renewing the Catholic Faith*. Archbishop Wuerl recently was chosen by Pope Benedict XVI to lead the discussion among the world’s bishops meeting in Rome next fall outlining a new outreach effort by the church to spread the Catholic faith.

“We hope to use this extraordinary occasion to reflect on FADICA’s nearly four decades of collaboration,” Mr Butler said. “In a spirit of renewal,” he added, “we will map out FADICA’s next chapter.” The philanthropic association was founded in 1976 to facilitate ongoing education for FADICA’s members whose charitable donations support Catholic-sponsored work.

Over decades FADICA has sponsored numerous conferences. Often their underlying premise has been that philanthropy that expands participation in Catholic life, also deepens generous behavior while advancing institutional mission.

CALENDAR

FADICA 36th Annual Membership Meeting
The Spirit of Renewal: Vatican II and the Future of Catholic Philanthropy
The Hyatt Regency
Bonita Springs, FL
February 2-3, 2012

FADICA Spring Board of Directors Meeting and Symposium on: *A Vibrant Future Unfolds: Developing Hispanic Leadership in the Home Missions*
The Charleston Place
Charleston, SC
May 10-11, 2012



Federal Government Fails to Renew Grant to Catholic Migration and Refugee Program at USCCB to Prevent Human Trafficking

Through a contract with the Department of Health and Human Services/Office of Refugee Resettlement (HHS/ORR), the U.S. bishops' office of Migration and Refugee Services delivers social services to foreign national victims of human trafficking.

It is estimated by the U.S. government that over 17,000 victims of human trafficking enter the country each year.

A contentious battle between the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services and the USCCB got underway in late September following a decision of HHS not to award further contracts to the Migration and Refugee Services of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops. The dispute centers on new requirements for grantees that they provide abortion and contraceptive services.

The previous government contract, first awarded in 2006, aimed to provide housing, counseling and other services to victims of human trafficking who are held in workplaces through force or fraud.

This time grants were awarded to competitor organizations with lower scores than the MRS proposal.

From April 2006 to September 2010, USCCB's subcontractors served 1,833 survivors of trafficking, including 51 child victims of trafficking, and 420 of their family members.

The Vatican Calls for Reforms of the Worldwide Financial and Monetary Systems

A Vatican document issued by the Pontifical Council for Justice and Peace called for the gradual creation of a "world political authority" with broad powers to regulate financial markets and rein in the "inequalities and distortions of capitalist development."



The document, released October 24, said the current global financial crisis has revealed "selfishness, collective greed and the hoarding of goods on a great scale." A "supranational" authority, it said, is needed to place the common good at the center of international economic activity.

The 41-page text was titled, *Toward Reforming the International Financial and Monetary Systems in the Context of Global Public Authority*, restates traditional social teaching of the church. The teaching maintains that economic processes should be for the benefit of humanity and not the other way round. In making the case for a global authority, the document said the continued model of nationalistic self-interest seemed "anachronistic and surreal" in the age of globalization.



New CRS Chief Brings Strategic Planning Skills

Carolyn Woo, Dean of the Mendoza College of Business at the University of Notre Dame, takes over the helm at Catholic Relief Services January 1. CRS President, Ken Hackett, whose 18 year term quadrupled CRS revenues to just over \$900 million per year, is planning to retire in December.



FADICA Launches New Website Resource for Catholic Philanthropy

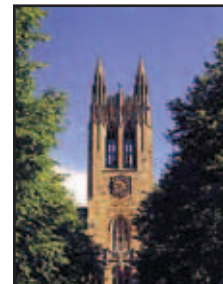
In early December, FADICA launches a new website with an improved design, updated content and a more sophisticated online bookstore.

The website provides documentation of FADICA's history, current news items on Catholic philanthropy and links to Catholic funding resources, thus servicing not only FADICA members but also individuals seeking resources in Catholic philanthropy.

Through this web platform at www.fadica.org, FADICA members have exclusive access to the member directory, meeting registration, as well as minutes and proceedings of FADICA meetings and symposia.

Boston College Receives \$200,000 Grant to Conduct a National Study on Hispanic Ministry

Over the next decade, the Catholic Church in the United States will experience a major demographic shift as Hispanics become the ethnic majority. This transition will have significant implications for parish ministries and other church-related services. Currently, less than a third of Catholic parishes (about 5,500) offer some form of Hispanic ministry.



Dr. Hosffman Ospino at Boston College's School of Theology and Ministry will lead the National Study of Catholic Parishes with Hispanic Ministry. With grant support from a member foundation of FADICA, which prefers to remain anonymous, the study will examine the impact of the increasing Hispanic presence in parishes across the country. It will also identify trends for Hispanic parish ministries, leadership and religious education.

The two-year study which began this fall, will be conducted by a research team that includes sociologists, anthropologists, demographers, theologians, educators, and other leaders who have experience with the Hispanic community.

Ultimately, this study will offer vital information to assist the planning of Catholic ministries and the allocation and development of resources so the church can respond to this new reality impacting its life on all levels.



Church and Foundation News

Peter's Pence Worldwide Collection Down

The Vatican announced this year that worldwide revenues from the annual Peter's Pence appeal to the Catholic faithful dropped by 18 percent during 2010. This amounted to a decline of some \$14.8 million out of a total collected of \$67.7 million. No explanation was offered for the steep drop. The funds are used to support the external charities of the Holy Father.

Knights of Columbus Opens Shrine Dedicated to Blessed John Paul II Former Pope John Paul II Cultural Center Sold for \$22.7 Million

A \$75 million monument to the legacy of the late Pope John Paul II in Washington, DC, and financed in large part through loans of the Archdiocese of Detroit, has been purchased by the Knights of Columbus. The sale represents at least a \$34 million loss for the archdiocese whose former archbishop led construction efforts for the Center. The Center never caught on as a tourist attraction and think tank.

Publication Resources

"Catholicism" TV Series

Produced by Word on Fire Ministries and written and hosted by Fr. Robert Barron, the ten-part series aired October and November represents a breathtaking and nearly flawless global tour of Catholicism in its multifarious dimensions. It is accompanied by a 300-page book, *Catholicism: A Journey of the Heart*, published by Doubleday, 2011.

From Aspirations to Action: Solutions for America's Catholic Schools

Proceedings from the Leadership Roundtable's 2011 annual meeting. Includes summary of recent achievements, conference presentations, discussion commentary, and recommendations for strengthening Catholic schools. Available at www.nlrcm.org.

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