

CONTINUING FORMATION RESOURCES

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*Unless otherwise indicated, the times listed are local time where the events are being held. New entries are posted in **RED**.*

A Bibliography of Materialism on Secularization in North America

Below is a partial list of articles, books, and digital materials that can help friars consider secularism and its impact on American society. Some of the articles were submitted by various friars. Friars are encouraged to suggest resources that could be helpful.

John L. Allen, Jr., "Pope Francis suggests the way to beat secularism is by 'out-loving' it." *Crux Now* (August 4, 2016). <https://cruxnow.com/analysis/2016/08/pope-believes-secularism-will-bested-loving/>

American Enterprise Institute, "Promise and peril: The history of American religiosity and its recent decline" (April 30, 2020.) <https://www.aei.org/research-products/report/promise-and-peril-the-history-of-american-religiosity-and-its-recent-decline/>

Ross Douthat, "Can the Meritocracy Find God?." *New York Times* (April 10, 2021). <https://www.nytimes.com/2021/04/10/opinion/sunday/religion-meritocracy-god.html>

Laurie Goodstein, "For Some Hispanics, Coming to America Also Means Abandoning Religion." *New York Times* (April 15, 2007). <https://www.nytimes.com/2007/04/15/us/15hispanic.html>

Sean Illing, "Religion without God: Alain de Botton on Atheism 2.0." *Vox* (February 14, 2018). <https://www.vox.com/conversations/2016/10/6/13172608/religion-lent-atheism-christianity-god-alain-de-botton>

Philip Jenkins, "How Quebec went from one of the most religious societies to one of the least." *Christian Century* (April 28, 2021). <https://www.christiancentury.org/article/notes-global-church/how-quebec-went-one-most-religious-societies-one-least>

Bob Smietana, "Gallup: Fewer than half of Americans belong to a church or other house of worship." *Religion News* (March 29, 2021). <https://religionnews.com/2021/03/29/gallup-fewer-than-half-of-americans-belong-to-a-church-or-other-house-of-worship/>

Fr. Robert J. Spitzer, S.J., Ph.D., "Confronting Secularism Today." United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB). <https://www.usccb.org/beliefs-and-teachings/how-we-teach/catechesis/catechetical-sunday/enlisting-witnesses/confronting-secularism-today>

Charles Taylor, *A Secular Age* (Harvard University Press 2007). For a complete bibliography of his works, please visit: <https://charlestaylor.net/>

Bryan Walsh, “America is losing its religion — and the effects will be long-lasting.” *Yahoo! News* (April 7, 2021). <https://www.yahoo.com/news/america-losing-religion-effects-long-093028404.html>

Phil Zuckerman, “Why America’s record godlessness is good news for the nation.” *Yahoo! News* (April 2, 2021). <https://news.yahoo.com/op-ed-why-americas-record-100647418.html>

Audible. An Amazon-owned company that provides thousands of book titles on an array of subjects that can be accessed by your computer, smartphone, tablet or other device. A subscription costs \$14.95/mo. For more information please visit their website: www.audible.com.

Boston College—School of Theology and Ministry
<https://www.bc.edu/schools/stm.html>

- STM Online: Crossroads—Affordable online courses for adult enrichment and faith formation. For more information, please visit: <https://www.bc.edu/content/bc-web/schools/stm/sites/crossroads/about.html>

CAPDOX—A very rich online resource of official and historical Capuchin documents, many translated into English from the original languages. For more information, please visit: <https://www.capdox.capuchin.org.au/>

Capuchin Retreat (Washington, MI)—Retreats and days of reflection.
<http://www.capretreat.org/>

Catholic Home Study—A ministry of the Vincentians and the Knights of Columbus. A resource for basic catechesis and review. Digital content is free, while a donation is requested for books. For more information please visit <https://www.catholicomestudy.org/>

Catholic Theological Union (Chicago, Illinois)—Seminars, workshops, courses.
www.ctu.edu

- Mark your calendar for these important events and programs (Unless otherwise noted, all courses and events will be held via ZOOM.):
- **25th Annual Joseph Cardinal Bernardin Jerusalem Lecture. *Jewish-Catholic Dialogue: Western and Middle East Views*. Featuring Pierbattista Pizzaballa, Latin Patriarch of Jerusalem. Available on YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ely0Jjd-RRk>**
- **Summer @ CTU.** Courses available in June, July and August 2021. Course titles include:
 - *Death and Afterlife: Liturgy and the Promise of Resurrection* (Rev. Richard Fragomeni).

- *Plagues, Pandemics, and Pastoral Care* (Rev. Mark Bradley, D.Min.).
- *Caste, Race, and the Catholic Church: Implications for Spirituality and Ministry* (C. Vanessa White, D.Min.). For more information and to register, please visit: <https://ctu.edu/summeratctu/>
- Learn@CTU--Updated free online audio and video presentations, as well as articles and essays at www.learn.ctu.edu.
- Online degree programs include the Master of Arts in Pastoral Studies (MAPS) and the Master of Arts in Hispanic Theology and Ministry. For more information about CTU's distance education programs, contact Recruitment via phone at (773) 371-5450 or via e-mail at recruit@ctu.edu. Several Master of Arts degrees now available 100% online:
 - Master of Arts in Pastoral Studies
 - Master of Arts in Liturgical Ministry
 - Master of Arts in Hispanic Theology
 - Ministry Master of Arts in Justice Ministry
 - Master of Arts in Biblical Ministry (some residency required)
- Biblical Studies Programs—For more information, contact Sr. Sallie Latkovich, CSJ via phone at (773) 371-5436 or via e-mail at CTUTravel@ctu.edu.
- Doctor of Ministry Program—For more information, please visit the website: <http://www.ctu.edu/DMin>
- Certificate Programs—A great way to develop additional expertise in a particular area of ministry.
 - Certificates are available in a variety of areas: Asian Pastoral Theology and Ministry; Biblical Spirituality; Black Theology and Ministry; Health Care Mission Leadership; Hispanic Theology and Ministry; Intercultural Studies; Interreligious Studies; Liturgical Studies; Mission Studies; Pastoral Studies; Spiritual Formation; Spirituality.
 - For more information, visit the website: <http://www.ctu.edu/academics/certificates>

Catholic University of America

- Online programs include masters degrees and/or certificates in Catechesis, Catholic Clinical Ethics, Canon Law (JCL), Certificate in Christian-Muslim Relations and D.Mins. in Evangelization, Spirituality, and Liturgical Catechesis.
- For more information, please visit the website: <https://www.catholic.edu/academics/online/index.html>

Center for Action and Contemplation (Albuquerque, NM). Founded by Richard Rohr, OFM, this center offers a variety of live and online programs, including the following courses: *Mary Magdalene: Apostle for Our Times*; *Interior Castle*; *Breathing Under Water: A Spiritual Study of the 12 Steps*; *Immortal Diamond: A Study in Search of the True Self*; *The Franciscan Way: Beyond the Bird Bath* and *Introductory Wisdom School*. Podcasts include Richard Rohr's *Another Name for Everything* (Love) and Fr. Rohr's homilies. Podcasts include Fr. Rohr's *Another Name for Everything*. For more information, please visit www.cac.org.

Center for Courage & Renewal. Founded by Parker Palmer, Rick & Marcy Jackson, the CCR's mission is "to create a more just, compassionate and healthy world by nurturing personal and professional integrity and the courage to act on it."

- ***Flourishing in Ministry: A Circle of Trust® Experience for Ministry Leaders.*** A 13-month online series of one and two-day retreats January 11, 2021 thru February 8, 2022. For more information and to register, please visit <http://www.couragerenewal.org/programs/> and click "Flourishing in Ministry."

Collegeville Institute. Includes information on writing workshops, vocation projects and access to *Bearings* magazine. **Resources for Faith and Writing include: *Rhythm and Balance (for Activists); How to Write During a Pandemic; and Writers: The Blank Page Must Become Your Cell.*** For more information, please visit their website: www.collegevilleinstitute.org

Durham University Centre for Catholic Studies

(UK)—<https://www.centreforcatholicstudies.co.uk/>

- **Research areas include: Receptive Ecumenism, History of Catholicism, and Catholic Social Thought and Practice.** <https://www.durham.ac.uk/research/institutes-and-centres/catholic-studies/research/>
- Franciscan Legacy Conference 2019 (5-7 November)—Features 10 audio presentations and over 20 papers available in PDF.
 - Audio presentations include:
 - Ilia Delio, OSF, "Living Creation Theology: Franciscan Contributions"
 - Mary Heimann, "Remembering St. Francis: Constructions and Deconstructions"
 - Mona Siddiqui: "Rethinking Hospitality in Christian-Muslim Encounter"
 - Papers include:
 - Dr. Brenda Abbot, "A Franciscan Ethic for Justice to Creation"
 - Mary Beth Ingham, CSJ, "Franciscan Curriculum: From Content to Pedagogy"
 - Bill Short, OFM, "Bartholomew of Pisa's *Liber de Conformitate*"
 - To access these resources, please visit the website: <https://www.dur.ac.uk/theology.religion/ccs/franciscanlegacy2019/>

Eastern Mennonite University—Offers a host of graduate certificate programs in a variety of areas, including Conflict Transformation, Peacebuilding, Transformative Leadership, and Trauma and Resilience in Educational Environments. For more information, please visit their website: <https://emu.edu/academics/degree-programs>

FORMED—Website sponsored by the Augustine Institute. Features a wide variety of media (books, hand-outs, videos, CDs/DVD's, etc.) in English and Spanish that can be purchased or accessed online via subscription. For more information, please visit their website: <https://formed.org>

Franciscan Intellectual Tradition—A rich online resource for the writings of Saints Francis and Clare and other foundational documents. For more information, please visit <https://www.franciscantradition.org/>

Franciscan Media—A source for a variety of resources, including online features like Saint of the Day, Meditations, *St. Anthony Messenger*, and a variety of books. Website features a Saint of the Day and Minute Meditations, which can be sent via e-mail every day. *Sunday Homily Helps* is a subscription service that provides a convenient and simple service for those who preach each weekend. For more information, please visit: <https://www.franciscanmedia.org/homily-helps>

Franciscan Pilgrimage Programs—Provide specialized programs for pilgrimages to Rome and Assisi, Central California Missions, and the Holy Land. For more information, please call (414) 427-0570 X223 or visit their website: <http://www.franciscanpilgrimages.com/index.html>

Franciscan School of Theology at the University of San Diego (Oceanside, CA), affiliated with the University of San Diego— www.fst.edu. For information on the new MTS—Franciscan Theology degree, please see our listing for the University of San Diego (below).

Franciscan University (Steubenville, OH)— www.franciscan.edu.

- “They That Hope” Podcast. A weekly dose humor and encouragement at a time when we could all probably use a little more. To listen, please download from your App Store or visit: <https://franciscan.edu/presidents-office/#podcast>

General Secretariat for Formation (OFM Cap.)— formatzione@ofmcap.org; www.ofmcap.org

Georgetown University Initiative on Catholic Social Thought and Public Life. Presents programs promoting substantive and civil dialog on some of the great issues facing the Church, nation and world today. Recent programs have included:

- *Voter Participation and the Common Good: Political Strategies, Moral Questions, Catholic Principles*
- *Young and Latino Leaders on Immigration: Continuing Challenges, New Urgency, Time for Action*
- *Owning Slavery, Pursuing Justice, Seeking Reconciliation: Lessons from Georgetown and the U.S. Jesuits*
- For more information and to view videos of past conferences, panel presentations, etc. please visit <https://catholicsocialthought.georgetown.edu/>

The Great Courses—Features a variety of subjects taught by some of the top professors in the world. Courses are available in video and audio downloads as well as DVD and audio CD formats and include a free guidebook. *New releases include: The Real History of Pirates and The Great Revolutions of Modern History.* For more information please visit their website: www.thegreatcourses.com, 1-800-832-2412.

Guest House (Lake Orion, MI) – www.guesthouse.org

- Licensed and certified residential treatment center that specializes in treating priests, religious, seminarians.
- Services include comprehensive evaluation, intensive in-patient treatment, three-phase continuing care and follow-up, and consultation for community leadership and formation personnel.
- Educational programs (presentations and workshops) available in a variety of topics, including addiction and risk management, addiction and trauma, and intervention.

Institute for Sexuality Studies—Provides a number of programs for personal and professional development in human sexuality for life and ministry. For more information, contact Dr. Kevin McClone (former friar) at (847) 920-0227 or visit the ISS website, www.issmclone.com.
Liturgy Training Publications—Features a variety of resources for parish and personal use. <https://www.ltp.org/>

Jesuit School of Theology of Santa Clara University. *Renewal in Mind, Body, and Spirit* Sabbatical Program. Available online or in-person (Berkeley, CA). Fall session (August 21-December 17, 2021): *New Wine, New Wineskins: Sabbath and Sabbatical*. Spring session (January 15-May 20, 2022): *Global Church/Planetary People*. To receive more information about the semester-long program or individual sabbatical programs, please register here: <https://slate.scu.edu/register/renewal>

Johnson Institute (Senior Adult Ministry)—“Creative Faith Formation for Boomers and Elders.” DVD programs include: *Even Better After 50*, *Redefining Retirement as a Spiritual Journey*, and *12 Keys to Spiritual Vitality: Powerful Lessons in Living Ageslessly*. For more information, please visit: <https://www.senioradultministry.com/collections/dvd-programs>

Josephite Pastoral Center (Washington, DC). Religious congregation with special mission to the Black Catholic community. The website features a variety of resources: <http://www.josephitepastoralcenter.org/>

Khan Academy. An online community of teachers and learners with a mission to “provide a free, world-class education for everyone, everywhere.” Features courses from elementary school to college level. For more information, please visit: <https://www.khanacademy.org/>

Learn 25 (formerly Now You Know Media)—Resource for a variety of audio and video programs in several formats (CD, DVD, MP3), including a number of Catholic and Franciscan topics. Presenters include Capuchin friars from the Province of St. Joseph. **New courses include: *The History of War: From Ancient Greece to the American Civil War* and *Thurgood Marshall: Mr. Civil Rights and the Fight for Racial Justice*.** For more information, please visit their website: www.learn25.com

Lighthouse Catholic Media—Books, CD’s and MP3’s on a variety of topics. They have two subscriptions services, a CD of the Month Club and a MP3 Download of the Month Club. **New releases include: *Cooking with the Saints* (book), and *The Dark Passages of Scripture* (MP3 or**

CD). For more information, please visit their website:

<https://www.lighthousecatholicmedia.org/store/releases>

Loyola University, Chicago

- Loyola ONLINE features a host of certificate, masters and doctoral programs. For more information, please visit: <https://www.luc.edu/online/index.shtml>
- The Joan and Bill Hank Center for the Catholic Intellectual Heritage— For more information on the following online programs, please visit: <https://www.luc.edu/ccih/> where you will be able to download the complete calendar.

Mexican American Catholic College (San Antonio, TX)—Office of Continuing Education for Ministry features a variety of continuing ed. and degree programs dedicated to pastoral ministry in the Mexican American community.

- Intensive Pastoral Spanish/English sessions for Summer 2021: July 6-30.
- For more information, please visit: <http://www.maccsa.org/>

Monasteries of the Heart—“an online movement sharing Benedictine Spirituality with contemporary seekers.” Includes a variety of videos, retreats, daily reflections, etc. Please visit <https://www.monasteriesoftheheart.org/>

National Leadership Roundtable on Church Management (Washington, DC)— Programs include Catholic Leadership 360, ChurchEpedia, Standards for Excellence and Toolbox for Pastoral Management. <http://www.theleadershiproundtable.org/TLR/default.asp>

Oblate School of Theology (San Antonio, TX)

- Graduate school of theology offering a variety of degrees, including M.Div., M.A (Theology), M.A. (Spirituality), M.A. (Pastoral Ministry), D.Min. and Ph.D.
- Forest Dwelling: Spirituality for Our Wisdom Years— Two-year certificate program includes an annual 2-week gathering, directed online study, small groups, spiritual direction, and regular contemplative practice. Directed by Ronald Rolheiser, OMI. For more information, please visit their website www.ost.edu/forestdwelling or call 210-341-1366.
- Sankofa Institute for African American Pastoral Leadership. Offers courses, lectures, symposia, workshops, etc. OST’s ATS-accredited degree programs (above) can include an emphasis on African-American Pastoral Leadership. For more information, please visit www.ost.edu/sankofa-institute
- Institute for the Study of Contemporary Spirituality, Oblate School of Theology, San Antonio, TX. Offers masters and doctoral-level degrees in Spirituality as well as a Spirituality and Healthcare Education Program. Specialty certificate programs include: De Mazenod Institute for Parish Renewal, Hispanic Summer Program and the Sankofa Institute for African American Pastoral Leadership. For more information please visit their website: <https://ost.edu/specialized-programs/>

- Ministry to Ministers Sabbatical Program—Especially designed for seasoned ministers, including those who have been in leadership. Fall (August-December) and Spring (January-May) sessions available. For more information, please visit www.ost.edu/mtm

Paulist Evangelization Ministries www.pemdc.org Features a variety of resources, including free webinars such as the *Living the Eucharist* series with Kenneth Boyack, CSP and Frank DeSiano, CSP.

Pontifical North American College (Rome) – www.pnac.org

- Institute for Continuing Theological Education—sabbatical programs
 - For more information, please visit: <https://www.pnac.org/icte/about-icte/>

Preaching and Evangelization Commission, Capuchin Province of St. Joseph.
<http://www.scatteringsseeds.org/> For more information, contact MJ Groark, OFM Cap., Coordinator, mjgroark@gmail.com

Religious Brothers Conference (RBC). For more information, please visit the RBC website: www.todaysbrother.com

Religious Formation Conference www.relforcon.org – This site has written, audio and video content for members and non-members alike.

Sacred Heart Major Seminary (Detroit, MI)—The major seminary for the Archdiocese of Detroit and used by a variety of other dioceses.

- *Growing in Sexual Integrity*. A FREE online course designed for the laity but also useful for anyone wishing to address these issues pastorally. Topics include sexuality in marriage, the single life, priesthood, LGBTQ, etc. For further information and to register, please visit. <http://explore.shms.edu/sexual-integrity>
- Video: *Gathering Up the Fragments: Pastoral Ministry in a Postmodern World* (Lay Ecclesial Ministry Series, Dr. Donald Wallenfang). To access the video, please visit: <https://mosaic.shms.edu/gathering-up-the-fragments-pastoral-ministry-in-a-postmodern-world>
- Alpha Online. Alpha is a program that many dioceses are using to invite people (especially but not exclusively young adults) to (re)engage with the faith. For more information and to register for SHMS' Alpha program, please visit: <http://explore.shms.edu/alpha>
- EQUIP Online Formation Program. Free courses that you can take at your own pace. Titles include: *Theology of Evangelization*. For more information, please visit: <https://equip.shms.edu/>
- Certificate in the Catholic Theology (for those who might want a refresher on some of the foundations of our faith; 6 courses, 13 credits online). For more information,

please visit the website: <https://www.shms.edu/content/certificate-catholic-theology>

- Licentiate in Sacred Theology in the New Evangelization—A “blended” program that is mostly online but also requires a 5-week residential summer session for each of 4 years. For more information, please visit the website: <https://www.shms.edu/stl>
- Post Graduate Certificate in the New Evangelization (15+ credits). For more information, please visit: <https://www.shms.edu/content/post-graduate-certificate-new-evangelization>

Sacred Heart School of Theology (Hales Corners, WI) – www.shsst.edu

- Provides academic preparation for seminarians of the Archdiocese of Milwaukee and a number of other dioceses. Offers a variety of semester-long courses for continuing education (credit or audit). For more information, contact Julie O’Connor, Registrar, at joconnor@shsst.edu.
- English as a Second Language (ESL) program. Focus on accent modification, reading, writing, listening, multicultural awareness and assimilation. For more information, please visit www.shsst.edu/esl

Saint Luke Institute (Silver Spring, MD)

- SLI provides evaluation, counseling and inpatient programs to address a variety of addictions and mental health and behavioral health issues. www.sli.org
 - Caritas Counseling Center—Provides therapy, assessments, education and skills-building. For more information, please visit www.caritas-sli.org
- SLI Connect—<https://www.sliconnect.org/> Features a wide variety of courses, workshops, articles, etc. in a variety of formats that focus on healthy human formation. They also have a set of archived webinars.
 - Webinar— *Cognitive Distortions: Conquering Your Inner Critic*. A. Mechelle Haywood, Psy.D. June 24, 2021, 1:00-2:00 PM Eastern.
 - Annual subscriptions. Please visit: <https://www.sliconnect.org/pricing/>
 - \$199 (individual)
 - \$750 (group of 2-100)
- Saint Luke Consultation Center (St. Louis, MO) – Evaluation, counseling, intensive outpatient programs for Catholic clergy and religious. For more information, please visit www.stlconsult.org
- Saint Luke Center (Louisville, KY)—Provides therapy, spiritual direction, leadership consultation, candidate assessments and educational programs. For more information, please visit www.stlukecenter.org

Saint John Vianney Center (Dowington PA)—The oldest treatment center for Roman Catholic clergy and religious in the USA (est. 1946). Provides a wide array of treatment and educational programs to address a variety of addictions and mental health and behavioral health issues, including alcoholism and other drug addictions, stress, depression, anxiety,

process addictions (gambling, pornography, etc.). For more information, please visit www.SJVCenter.org

School of Applied Theology (SAT), Oakland, CA. Sabbatical and summer continuing formation programs. For more information, please visit their website: <http://www.satgtu.org/>

Spanish Language Resources Available for Borrowing from the Continuing Formation Office*

- **Duolingo.com**—Online interactive exercises that help build vocabulary, pronunciation and grammar.
- **Rosetta Stone Español (Levels 1-5)**
- **Pimsleur Approach Spanish (Levels I-IV)**

*Thanks to Bill Hugo and Tony Scannell for making these available!

St. Anthony Spirituality Center (Marathon, WI)—Features a variety of day, evening and weekend programs, including retreats. Visit their website: www.sarcenter.com.

St. Bonaventure University Franciscan Institute (St. Bonaventure, NY)—For general information, visit www.sbu.edu/academics/schools/franciscan-studies or contact David Couturier, OFM Cap., Dean of School of Franciscan Studies, dcouturi@sbu.edu.

- **Franciscan Institute 2021**—For more information, please visit: [Franciscan Institute Programs & Conferences | St. Bonaventure University \(sbu.edu\)](http://www.franciscaninstitute.org)
 - *Lesser Ethics: Retrieving the Good Life in the Franciscan Tradition*. June 24 and 25, 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM (Eastern). Via Zoom.
 - *Secular Franciscan Conference—Living Franciscan Virtue in Our Contemporary World* (Benjamin Johnson, OFM Cap.). June 28-July 1, 7:30-9:00 PM (Eastern). Via Zoom.
 - *Master Class—The Spiritual Significance of St. Francis in the Theology of St. Bonaventure* (Dr. Luke Togni, Ph.D.). June 21-25, 10:00-11:30 AM (Eastern). Via Zoom.
 - *Master Class—From Leprosy to Covid-19: The Problem of Suffering in the Franciscan Theological Tradition* (Dr. Katherine Wrisley Shelby). July 6, 8, 13 and 15, 4:00-5:00 PM (Eastern). Via Zoom.
 - *Poor Clare Program—Care as Contemplation, Contemplation as Care* (Dr. Krijn Pansters). July 19-23, 2:30-4:00 PM (Eastern). Via Zoom.
- **Earlier Rule of 1221—Celebrating Our Life**, July 13-15, 2021.
- **The Padua Program**—Designed to help Franciscan institutions and ministries transmit the values of St. Francis and St. Clare to a new generation of lay leaders. It may also be helpful as a “train the trainers” program for those who work with our employees, volunteers and benefactors. *The next cohort for this one-year program will start this fall.*
 - 3-Day in-person sessions
 - 1-year access to online courses and resources
 - For more information, please visit www.paduaprogram.org

St. Joseph College (online programs). Based in Maine, this school offers a host of online certificate programs, including: Catholic Catechesis; Pastoral Ministry to Black Catholics; and Pastoral Ministry to Latino Catholics. For more information, please visit:

https://www.sjcme.edu/academics/areas_of_study/online/

St. Mary's Seminary and University Center for Continuing Formation (Baltimore, MD) – www.stmarys.edu/center

- Personal self-designed sabbatical programs.

St. Meinrad Seminary (St. Meinrad, IN). The Institute for Priests and Presbyterates features a variety of different programs, including Effective Pastoring, Encore Priests (pre-retirement workshops for priests over age 60), and the World Priest Program—Accent and Acculturation for Mission Priests. The seminary also has a variety of certificate programs, including: Certificate in Religious Fundraising, Certificates in Reflective Practices, and Certificate in Spiritual Direction. For more information, visit <https://www.saintmeinrad.edu/continuing-formation/>

- Stoking the Fire Mini-Sabbatical—ongoing formation for priests in mid-life. For more information, please visit www.saintmeinrad.edu/mini-sabbatical
- Certificate in Spiritual Direction—An 18-credit, 3-year program that includes course work, supervision, formation, regular spiritual direction and an annual retreat. For more information, please visit www.saintmeinrad.edu/spirit

St. Xavier University (New Orleans, LA)—Institute for Black Catholic Studies provides programs, particularly a Masters of Theology (M.Th.) degree, for those especially interested in ministering more effectively in the Black Catholic community. For more information, visit <http://www.xula.edu/ibcs/> or call (504) 520-7536.

University of Notre Dame.

- Notre Dame Preaching Academy—a one-year program that includes workshops, a retreat, personal coaching, personal enrichment, monthly peer learning gatherings. For more information, please visit <https://theology.nd.edu/martenprogram>

University of St. Mary of the Lake (Mundelein, IL)—The major seminary for the Archdiocese of Chicago and used by a variety of other dioceses. For more information, visit their Center for Continuing Formation: <http://www.stmarys.edu/the-center-for-continuing-formation/>

University of San Diego

- **Online Master of Theological Studies—Franciscan Theology.** In collaboration with the Franciscan School of Theology. For the curriculum and additional information, please visit: <https://onlinedegrees.sandiego.edu/masters-theological-studies/classes/>

Word on Fire Institute—A ministry that began with Bishop Robert Barron. Features a wide variety of media (videos, podcasts, books, DVDs, study kits, etc.) on Catholicism, scripture, evangelization and current topics, as well as the elegant and inspiring journal, *Evangelization*

and Culture. **Materials include all 12 episodes of *The Pivotal Players* on DVD.** The WOF podcast featuring Bishop Barron is available for download at <https://www.wordonfireshow.com/> For more information on the Institute and all of its resources, please visit their website: www.wordonfire.institute.org

VIDEOS RECOMMENDED BY THE FRIARS AND OUR PARTNERS IN MINISTRY

Ave Maria Professional Development Series for Parish Ministers. For more information, please visit their website: <https://www.avemariapress.com/webinars/parish/>

Work of the People—Films for Discovery and Transformation

- A variety of short films and film series to enhance your life of faith. Titles include:
 - *Allegiance to Empire: A 7 Session Series About Kingdom Citizenship*
 - *Grateful: A 6 Session Film Series with Diana Butler Bass*
 - *Hospitality & the Stranger: Welcoming the Company of the Divine*
- For more information, please visit their website: <https://www.theworkofthepeople.com/>

YouTube

- Sherry Weddell: *Intentional Discipleship*
 - Part I: <https://youtu.be/RF9Amil5YVE?t=253>
 - Part II: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1TDRqRb6EHA>

BOOKS RECOMMENDED BY THE FRIARS AND OUR PARTNERS IN MINISTRY

Thomas Acklin, OSB and Boniface Hicks, OSB

- *Spiritual Direction: A Guide for Sharing the Father's Love* (Emmaus Road Publishing 2017).
- *Personal Prayer: A Guide for Receiving the Father's Love* (Emmaus Road Publishing 2019).

Michelle Alexander, *The New Jim Crow: Mass Incarceration in the Age of Colorblindness* (The New Press 2012).

John M. Barry, *The Great Influenza: The Story of the Deadliest Pandemic in History* (Penguin Books 2018)

Mario Bartoli, *St. Clare: beyond the legend* (trans. Sr. Frances Theresa Downing, OSC) [St. Anthony Messenger Press 2010].

Margaret Benefiel, *The Soul of a Leader* (Crossroad 2008).

Gregory Boyle, SJ, *Tattoos on My Heart: The Power of Boundless Compassion* (Free Press 2010).

David Brooks

- *The Road to Character* (Random House 2015).
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