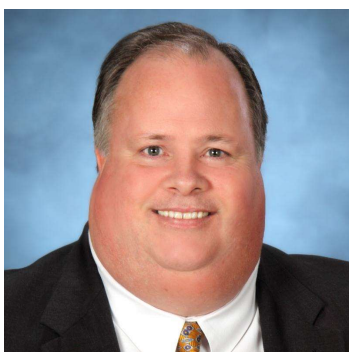


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Sponsorship NEWS

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Dear Administrators,

In his spiritual writing, **Rev. Ronald Rolheiser, OMI**, reminds us that times of “ascension” in our lives (those times of change when we say goodbye to the past and hello to the future) should be times of prayer and celebration. At these times, Rolheiser recommends we look back with gratitude, as we move forward in faith. This is at the heart of the Marianist characteristic of Educating for Adaptation and Change.

In solidarity with our brothers and sisters at St. Laurence College, as they join the Le Chéile Schools Trust, let us pray in **gratitude** for all who helped faithfully facilitate this strategic change. Let us pray in **thanksgiving** for all of the Marianists and lay collaborators who have devotedly served St. Laurence College over the years. And let us pray for **continued blessings** upon the students, faculty and staff of St. Laurence College. May the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit be glorified in all places through the Immaculate Virgin Mary. Amen.

In peace of Christ,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Dan". The signature is fluid and cursive.

Dan Donnelly, director
Office of Sponsorship

St. Laurence College joins Le Chéile Schools Trust

As part of its long-term succession plans in Ireland, the Marianist Province of the United States is passing the control and operation of St. Laurence College in Dublin, Ireland to a new Patron. The process has been completed, with St. Laurence transferring into the [Le Chéile Schools Trust](#).

“This is an exciting and positive milestone in St. Laurence College’s long and distinguished participation in furthering Marianist and Catholic education in



Ireland over the past 50 years," noted **Rev. Oscar Vasquez, SM**, provincial for the Marianist Province of the United States. "The Marianists were determined to preserve St. Laurence's unique Marianist-influenced educational focus and its Catholic ethos into the future. Becoming a member of the Le Chéile Schools Trust will achieve this."

While St. Laurence College will no longer be a part of the Marianist network of sponsored ministries, the Marianists will continue to play an active role in the future success of St. Laurence College through

membership on the Board of Management and ongoing collaboration with the College's staff.

The Marianists in Ireland have been a part of St. Laurence College from the very beginning and they will remain involved with the school as long as this is feasible. The Province will continue to have an on-going supportive relationship with St. Laurence College via the LIFE program and other program offerings from the Office of Sponsorship.

Registration now open for formation programs

The Office of Sponsorship is pleased to invite you to participate in the following formation opportunities offered this summer and fall.



Teaching as Ministry Workshop

June 11 -13, 2019

Bergamo Center for Lifelong Learning, Dayton, OH

If you would like to understand Marianist education as a ministry and want to strengthen the Marianist character of your school, you should participate in the Teaching as Ministry (TAM) workshop. TAM is designed for teams of two or three teachers, administrators or staff members who have not previously participated in the TAM experience and have at least one year's experience in Marianist education.



Head to Heart: Marianist Spirituality Workshop

November 4 - 6, 2019

Marianist Retreat & Conference Center, St. Louis

This workshop teaches ways to live Marianist spirituality in everyday experiences. It provides practical applications to deepen the expression of the Marianist charism within a Marianist-sponsored ministry. The workshop is designed for all lay collaborators in Marianist-sponsored schools and retreat centers.



Marianist Administrators Conference

October 20 - 22, 2019

Sheraton Chalet Westport, St. Louis

The Marianist Administrators Conference (MAC) is a great opportunity to gain professional and spiritual insights and to network with leaders from other Marianist-sponsored ministries. Participants include presidents and principals of sponsored schools and directors of sponsored retreat centers.

[Click here](#) for more information or to register for any of these programs.

Garrido to be keynote speaker at MAC

Tension is a part of every normal learning community. How we choose to manage the tension, however, will either fragment our communities or mature them, enabling schools and retreat centers to more fully live their Marianist mission. — Ann Garrido



Nationally renowned Catholic author and presenter, **Ann Garrido** will be the keynote speaker at this October's Marianist Administrators Conference. Speaking out of her own experience as an administrator and conflict mediator, Garrido will share a framework for understanding the conflicts present in ministry today and concrete practices to constructively engage the tough conversations that need to be had.

MAC participants will receive a copy of Ann's newest book, *Redeeming Conflict: 12 Habits for Christian Leaders*.

2019 Mission Integration Visits

The Mission Integration Planning and Contact Cycle plays a vital role in the collaborative relationship the Marianist Province has with its sponsored schools and retreat centers. Here is a list of ministries that will be visited this winter/spring as part of the four-year mission integration contact cycle:

Year Two Visitation from a representative of the Office of Sponsorship:

- Chaminade College Preparatory School (St. Louis, Missouri)
- Colegio San Jose (San Juan, Puerto Rico)
- Daniel J. Gross High School (Bellevue, Nebraska)
- St. Mary's High School (St. Louis, Missouri)
- St. Vincent–St. Mary High School (Akron, Ohio)

Year Four Visitation and Evaluation by a Peer Review Team:

- Chaminade Julianne Catholic High School (Dayton, Ohio)
- Chaminade College Preparatory (Chatsworth and West Hills, California)
- Saint Louis School (Honolulu, Hawaii)

Prayers for Marianist-sponsored ministries

We encourage those at our sponsored ministries to incorporate these two prayers as part of the hiring process for new administrators:

[Prayer for Guidance and Support](#) - For those who are hiring new leaders.

[Prayer of Solidarity](#) - To support our colleagues who are hiring new leaders.

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