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Dehonian Spirituality

“The Word of God is going to take a heart of flesh to deify matter in some manner. Human love makes it beat; divine love fills it. It is in this Heart that mercy and truth have met, that justice and peace have embraced; it is the place of the eternal kiss between God and humanity.”

Leo John Dehon, SCJ, *Crowns of Love for the Sacred Heart I*, 1st Mystery, 3rd Meditation

Announcements



Congratulations Rev. Mr. Fernando Díaz Olazábal on your Diaconate Promises!
On December 04, Dcn. Fernando Díaz Olazábal, Diocese of Pensacola-Tallahassee made his diaconate promises during Mass. God bless Dcn. Fernando on his ministry!



ECS Certificate Ceremony

On December 05, the English and Culture Studies Program held a certificate ceremony and end-of-semester social to honor and say goodbye to the program's graduates. The graduates included:

- Rev. Robison de Souza Santos, Diocese of Guaxupé, Brazil
- Rev. Carlos Javier Gonzales Perechú, FMM, Missionary Fraternity of Mary, Guatemala
- Rev. Allynste Fontaine, Diocese of Hinche, Haiti
- Sr. Ramona Pandan, MCM, Missionary Congregation of Mary, Philippines
- Rev. Sac Nguyen, Archdiocese of Osaka-Takamatsu, Japan
- Mr. Ayi "Benedictus" Adjanoh, Diocese of Columbus, Ohio

Congratulations, graduates!



Staff and Faculty Colloquium

On December 04, Fr. Andrzej Sudol, SCJ, led a staff and faculty colloquium at SHSST. His talk was on Fr. Leo John Dehon's conversion and close relationship with God in the process of reformation of his religious congregation and charism. Through private reflection as well as small group sharing, SHSST staff and faculty

were able to better understand what it meant to be a “true Dehonian”. Thank you, Fr. Andrzej for your time and knowledge!



SHSST Christmas Lunch

On December 04, Sacred Heart Seminary and School of Theology had its annual Christmas Lunch. This year Rev. José González, Director of the Hispanic Ministry Preparation Program, and Sacred Heart seminarians helped us celebrate Las Posadas, a religious festival celebrated in Latin America, El Salvador, Mexico, Guatemala, Honduras, and by Latin Americans in the United States. Las Posadas commemorates the journey that Joseph and Mary made from Nazareth to Bethlehem.



Hanukkah Lunch Presentation

On December 03, Liran Gerassi, Director of The Lux Center for Catholic-Jewish Studies took the opportunity to discuss Hanukkah and the significance of lighting the Hanukkah candles during lunch.

Liran shared the story behind Hanukkah, its history, traditions, and spiritual significance. Together, the community explored the meaning of this beautiful holiday and its continued relevance to Jewish life and beyond. As part of the session, he lit the Hanukkah candles, providing a glimpse into this cherished tradition. Hanukkah starts on the evening of December 25 and ends January 02.

Thank you, Liran for this great opportunity!



Congratulations!

Sacred Heart is excited to announce two recently published book reviews by Very Rev. Vien Nguyen, SCJ, U.S. Provincial Superior of the Priests of the Sacred Heart and Lecturer of Scripture Studies:

- Nguyen, Vien. Review of *Redemptive Kingdom Diversity: A Biblical Theology of the People of God* by Jarvis J. Williams. *Review of Biblical Literature* (August 2024). https://www.sblcentral.org/API/Reviews/1001237_73136.pdf
- Nguyen, Vien. Review of *Deconstructing Racism: A Path Toward Lasting Change* by Barbara Crain Major and Joseph Barndt. *Catholic Biblical Quarterly* 86, no. 4 (October 2024): 823-825. <https://muse-jhu-edu.shsst.idm.oclc.org/article/940018/pdf>

In addition, Sacred Heart is honored to announce a recent book review by Dr. James Stroud, Associate Professor of Moral Theology:

- Stroud, James W. Review of *A History of Catholic Theological Ethics*, by James F. Keenan, S.J. *Nova et Vetera*, English edition, 22, no. 4 (2024): 1439-43.

Nova et Vetera is considered a premier journal in Catholic moral theology.

Congratulations, Fr. Nguyen and Dr. Stroud!

Looking Forward

Dec 13 Employee Christmas Evening Social

Jan 07-Jan 09 Preaching Conference

Jan 22 Christian Unity Evening Prayer

Feb 05 Day of Reflection (All School: Faculty & Staff off-campus)

Mar 05 Day of Reflection (All School)

Mar 19 Ministry of Lector & Board of Directors

Mar 30 & Mar 31 Spring Lux Center Public Lecture & Lux Center Morning Lecture

Apr 23 Easter Lunch & Student Council Appreciation

Apr 30 Employee Recognition

May 07 Grad/Admin Dinner

May 09 Commencement

May 14 Faculty Council Dinner

May 21 Board of Directors

May 23 End of Year Picnic

June 13-June 27 "In the Footsteps of Peter and Paul" Pilgrimage



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