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**THE DIOCESAN SCHOOL  
FOR CHRISTIAN STUDIES**

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**ACADEMIC YEAR 2010-2011**

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**CLASS DATES**

**FALL SEMESTER**

September 11, 25  
October 9, 23  
November 6, 20  
December 4, 18

**SPRING SEMESTER**

January 15, 29  
February 12, 26  
March 12, 26  
April 9, 16

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# DIOCESAN SCHOOL FOR CHRISTIAN STUDIES

## PURPOSE

The Diocesan School for Christian Studies was founded to reflect the Episcopal Church's focus on "mutual ministry" as the responsibility of all Christians under the one Baptism each of us shares in Christ. In Baptism, we are commissioned to "represent Christ and His Church" in all that we do.

The Diocesan School offers a wide variety of educational programs and training for service in the church and society, including the academic preparation for persons aspiring to the diaconate. Resources are provided for grounding persons in the Bible, Church History, Theology, Liturgy, Spirituality, Human Awareness and Understanding, Pastoral Care and other disciplines to prepare for ministry.

## DIOCESAN SCHOOL FOR CHRISTIAN STUDIES

### INTRODUCTION TO COURSES OF STUDY

The Diocesan School for Christian Studies offers a variety of courses to enhance the total ministry of the Church. All courses are open to lay and ordained persons, including those in discernment or process for Holy Orders. The School year consists of a Fall and a Spring semester with eight Saturdays in each semester. (See the “Three Year Core Curriculum” at page 9) The School calendar is planned so as not to conflict with major Diocesan events and programs.

An important focus of the Diocesan School is spiritual development through education, prayer and worship. Morning Prayer is offered at the beginning of each class day and is required for full-time students. Students are encouraged to sign up to be an Officiant or Reader at least once during the school year. Comment and instruction on conduct of the Daily Office is offered following each Morning Prayer service.

A Student may take up to four courses each semester. It is preferred that some courses be taken in their logical sequence (*e.g. Early Church History before Reformation Church History*). Instructors or the School Director may be contacted with any inquiries. To receive the Certificate of Completion, the courses of the Three Year Core Curriculum, including Scripture, History, Theology, Liturgy, Pastoral Care, Spiritual Journey, Diakonia, Homiletics, Women of the Bible, Basic Systematic and Moral Theology, Contemporary Society, Contours of Prayer, Spiritual Direction, Spiritual Gifts and Stephen Ministry, must be successfully completed with a passing grade in each course.

A significant amount of independent reading and study is expected of Diocesan School students in addition to attendance at each lecture/discussion period in the semester schedule. Most instructors will require writing of papers if a course is being taken for credit and, at the discretion of an instructor, exams may be given.

A student may elect to audit a course. If, during the course of the semester, a student elects to change from audit to credit or vice versa, the course instructor and the Director must be advised. Papers and exams will not be expected from a student who audits a course, and no credit will be given towards a Certificate of Completion. The cost of the course is the same for both credit and audit.

The grading system is “pass-fail”, with credit given only for passing grades. To receive a grade, tuition for each course must be paid in full and no more than two classes in any course may be missed during a semester. If a student does not complete all the work required for a course, the instructor may give a grade of “I” (Incomplete) rather than an “F”, if the student was passing the course, and there are (in the judgment of the instructor) valid reasons for the student’s non-completion of the work for the course. The last day an Incomplete may be changed to a final passing grade is four weeks after the end of the semester. If a student receives a final grade of Incomplete a Certificate of Completion from the Diocesan School will not be awarded. The course may be taken again.

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ANSWERS TO FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

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SPRING SEMESTER

January 15, 29  
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April 9, 16

Classes are one and one half hour in length. A twenty-minute break is scheduled between classes, and one hour is allotted for lunch. Refrigerator space is available for persons who wish to bring a bag lunch. Fast food restaurants are located near St. Mark's campus for those who prefer to purchase lunch.

Morning Prayer	8:00 a.m.
Period One	8:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.
Break	10:00 a.m. - 10:20 a.m.
Period Two	10:20 a.m. - 11:50 a.m.
LUNCH BREAK	11:50 a.m. - 12:50 p.m.
Period Three	12:50 p.m. - 2:20 p.m.
Break	2:20 p.m. - 2:40 p.m.
Period Four	2:40 p.m. - 4:10 p.m.

Location: All classes are held at St. Mark-the-Evangelist Episcopal School, 1750 East Oakland Park Boulevard, Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33334.

**Registration:**

Registration must be completed **TWO weeks** prior to the first class day of each semester.

A student may take up to four courses each semester by selecting one course in each time period. See Fall and Spring Course Schedules at Catalog pages 10 and 17.

Registration may be made online through the Diocesan School website at [www.dioschool.org](http://www.dioschool.org).

**Tuition Cost:**

The cost per course is \$125.00 and is non-refundable. The total cost of tuition for each course must be paid in full before credit for the course will be given at the end of a semester.

As of the Fall Semester 2010, there is no tuition cost for the Diaconal Colloquium course, which required for Year Two and Year Three students who are in the Diocesan process for Holy Orders.

**Tuition Payment:**

Payment may be made online with a credit card or by personal check payable to: The Episcopal Diocese of Southeast Florida. If paying by personal check, please be sure to indicate “Diocesan School” on the memo line of the check to assure proper processing.

If paying tuition by check, payment should be mailed to:

Accounting Department  
Episcopal Diocese of Southeast Florida  
525 NE 15<sup>th</sup> Street  
Miami, FL 33132

Tuition payments may be made in installments with the prior approval of the Administrator of the School. Please contact the Diocesan School Office at 561-254-4548 or by email at [dioschool@aol.com](mailto:dioschool@aol.com).

**Tuition Assistance:**

Tuition assistance may be available from the Diocese for persons officially in the ordination process. Please contact Archdeacon Thomas Bruttell at 561-656-0868.

Persons in discernment or in the Diocesan process for Holy Orders are encouraged to seek support and assistance from their home parish.

**Auditing Courses:**

All courses may be audited, which means a student attends lectures but is not be responsible for written assignments or exams. Intention to Audit a course is declared at Registration with the option to change during the semester.

If, during the semester, a student wishes to change from Audit to Credit or vice versa, notice of change must be given by the student to the course instructor and School Director.

The cost for auditing a course is \$125.00 which is the same cost as taking the course for credit.

**Text Books:**

The cost of text books is the responsibility of the student. They may be purchased online, or through Trinity Cathedral Gift Shoppe, 305-789-0074, or as otherwise noted in the course Textbook Listing at Catalog pages 30 and 31.

**Grades:** Grades are awarded for each course on the following basis:

High Pass (exceptional)

Pass (average)

Incomplete (missing more than two [2] classes or failure to complete all course work)

Fail

# DIOCESAN SCHOOL FOR CHRISTIAN STUDIES

## THREE-YEAR CORE CURRICULUM

### YEAR ONE

Fall:

<u>Period</u>	<u>Class</u>
1	The Spiritual Journey, Part 1
2	Old Testament 101
3	Church History 101
4	New Testament 101

Spring:

<u>Period</u>	<u>Class</u>
1	The Spiritual Journey, Part 2
2	Old Testament 102
3	Church History 102
4	New Testament 102

### YEAR TWO

Fall:

<u>Period</u>	<u>Class</u>
1	Diakonia and Lay Ministry
2	Homiletics
3	Basic Systematic and Moral Theology 201
4	Spiritual Gifts

Spring:

<u>Period</u>	<u>Class</u>
1	Required Title III Courses
2	Women of the Bible
3	Basic Systematic and Moral Theology 202
4	Diaconal Colloquium

### YEAR THREE

Fall:

<u>Period</u>	<u>Class</u>
1	Contemporary Society
2	Stephen Ministry, Part I
3	Liturgics (BCP)
4	Landscapes of the Christian Prayer Journey

Spring:

<u>Period</u>	<u>Class</u>
1	Spiritual Direction: Giving and Receiving
2	Practical Liturgics
3	Stephen Ministry, Part II
4	Diaconal Colloquium

See Course Descriptions for Fall Semester at pages 11-16 and for Spring Semester at pages 18-23. See Core Curriculum Textbook Listing at Pages 30-31.

**DIOCESAN SCHOOL FOR CHRISTIAN STUDIES**

**FALL SEMESTER COURSE SCHEDULE 2010**

(Three Year Core Curriculum)

<b>Class Period</b>	<b>YEAR ONE</b>	<b>YEAR TWO</b>	<b>YEAR THREE</b>
1. 8:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.	<u>The Spiritual Journey, Part 1</u>  Instructor: The Rev. Dr. Perry T. Fuller	<u>Diakonia and Lay Ministry</u>  Instructor: The Rev. Mimi Howard	<u>Contemporary Society</u>  Instructor: The Rev. Ronald Fox
2. 10:20 a.m. – 11:50 a.m.	<u>Old Testament 101 Contemporary Approaches To the Pentateuch</u>  Instructor: The Rev. Mimi Howard	<u>Homiletics</u>  Instructor: The Rev. William Stomski	<u>Stephen Ministry, Part 1</u>  Instructor: The Rev. Carol Hull
3. 12:50 p.m. – 2:20 p.m.	<u>Church History 101 Early Church History</u>  Instructor: The Rev. Dr. Robert “Bo” Shires	<u>Basic Systematic and Moral Theology 201</u>  Instructor: Ms. Maggie Kreuzberger	<u>Liturgics (BCP)</u>  Instructor: The Rev. William Stomski
4. 2:40 p.m. – 4:10 p.m.	<u>New Testament 101 Four and a Half Gospels</u>  Instructor: The Rev. John Tidy	<u>Spiritual Gifts</u>  Instructor: The Rev. Carol Hull	<u>Landscapes of the Christian Prayer Journey</u>  Instructor: Ms. Lauren Losson

See Course Descriptions for Fall classes at pages 11-16.  
See also the Textbook Listing at pages 30-31.

# DIOCESAN SCHOOL FOR CHRISTIAN STUDIES

## COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

FALL SEMESTER 2010

### YEAR ONE

**PERIOD 1 THE SPIRITUAL JOURNEY PART 1**  
**8:30-10:00 Instructor: The Rev. Dr. Perry T. Fuller**

This seminar is a spiritual formation experience rather than an information class. Participants will become more comfortable with, more conscious of, and more articulate about the movement of God in their lives. Dialogue will take place around presentations and personal reflection essays based on reading. Material from other spiritual traditions that illumines and complements Christian formation will be explored. Class participants will include persons seeking spiritual growth and exploration and also those who may be in discernment for Holy Orders.

Spiritual Journey, Part 1 and Part 2 are sequential courses.

**PERIOD 2 OLD TESTAMENT 101**  
**10:20-11:50 Contemporary Approaches to the Pentateuch**  
**Instructor: The Rev. Mimi Howard**

This course is intended to give students an understanding of non-literal ways of approaching Scripture, as well as a good knowledge and understanding of the Pentateuch (called the Torah in Hebrew Scriptures). Students will learn the major themes and stories in these five Books; consider the different covenants that are contained in these writings and the theological importance of each of the covenants; gain a working knowledge of the history of Israel from the Pre-history to the end of the Babylonian Exile; understand the principal theory (The Documentary Source Theory) that describes the different literary styles and theologies that are found in the Torah; and begin to develop the tools to engage in exegesis of the texts.

Old Testament 101 and 102 are sequential courses.

**PERIOD 3 CHURCH HISTORY 101**

**12:50-2:20 Early Church History**

**Instructor: The Rev. Dr. Robert “Bo” Shires**

A study of the emerging Church from its origins in Palestine to the Imperial Church through Medieval Christianity up to the eve of the Reformation. Special attention will be given to ecclesiastical and theological developments in England.

Church History 101 and 102 are sequential courses.

**PERIOD 4 NEW TESTAMENT 101**

**2:40-4:10 Four and a Half Gospels**

**Instructor: The Rev. John Tidy**

What is a gospel? What is the ‘good news’? Who were Matthew, Mark, Luke and John? What inspired them to write and what were the sources for their distinctive yet sometimes overlapping narratives? For whom did they write and by what authority? How did four (Matthew, Mark, Luke, John) and a half (The Acts of the Apostles – Luke’s second volume) gospels find their way into the canon of scripture? How do we engage critically with the gospels from a historical and literary perspective and hold to them as documents born of faith and for the nurturing of faith? These are the questions and themes addressed in this survey of the first five books of the New Testament, as they have drawn countless generations before us into an encounter with the Word made flesh and as they invite us to engage with the Christ of history and the Christ of faith, risen, ascended and glorified.

New Testament 101 and 102 are not required to be taken sequentially.

See YEAR TWO Course Descriptions on the pages following.

# DIOCESAN SCHOOL FOR CHRISTIAN STUDIES

## COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

FALL SEMESTER 2010

### YEAR TWO

#### **PERIOD 1    DIAKONIA AND LAY MINISTRY**

**8:30-10:00    Instructor: The Rev. Mimi Howard**

What is the historical, scriptural and theological basis for the diaconate? Part one of this course will review the origins of this “full and equal” order”; its development and its subsequent decline over the ages until its restoration in the 20<sup>th</sup> century. Other topics will include the place of the diaconate in the modern church, and considerations regarding qualifications and training, and responsibilities within the diocese and the parish. We will emphasize the importance of lay ministry and how the church can continue to empower the laity in their call to ministry.

#### **PERIOD 2    HOMILETICS**

**10:20-11:50    Instructor: The Rev. William Stomski**

In the frenetic and often confusing world in which we live, some within the Church are called to the audacious task of proclaiming God’s word through preaching. This course will explore the nature of preaching and the many challenges that face those who would proclaim the Word of God in our contemporary world. Through the preparation and delivery of sermons, participants will be encouraged to explore different styles and techniques of preaching as they seek to discover their own preaching “voice”.

#### **PERIOD 3    BASIC SYSTEMATIC and MORAL THEOLOGY 201**

**12:50-2:20    Instructor: Ms. Maggie Kreuzberger**

In this segment of the course, a systematic approach to the doctrines implicit in the Nicene Creed will be taken, introducing the students to the methods and terminology of theological discourse as they learn about the development of core Christian doctrines, their reformulations, and their practical connections to the living of the Christian experience.

## **PERIOD 4 SPIRITUAL GIFTS**

**2:40-4:10 Instructor: The Rev. Carol Hull**

This course is designed to help individuals discover God's vision for their life by discovering their spiritual gifts. It focuses on your God given spiritual gifts, possible ministries that use those gifts, education about spiritual gifts, calling, and discipleship, and motivation for ministry. The class is designed for laypersons as well as those considering ordination to the diaconate. As laypersons discover their gifts, they will be able to use those gifts in programs already in their congregations as well as explore and develop new areas of ministry.

For those considering ordination, the class is designed to help those in the diaconal track to explore and to develop their "bridge ministries". A bridge ministry is one where a person works outside the church in an area that interests them and where they are working with those in need. In doing that, Christ's love is brought into the world where people are at their most vulnerable. In addition to working in that area, the needs of those in that particular ministry are brought back into the churches in the hopes that others will be motivated to work in those areas. At the present time, the Diocesan School for Christian Studies is working with diaconal candidates to develop bridge ministries in the areas of Elder Care and Nursing Homes, Seafarers, Prison Ministry, Universities and Environmental and Social Justice issues.

Books may only be purchased through the Instructor and are \$20.50 per student.

See YEAR THREE course descriptions on the pages following.

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## COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

FALL SEMESTER 2010

### YEAR THREE

**PERIOD 1      CONTEMPORARY SOCIETY**  
**8:30-10:00      Instructor: The Rev. Ronald Fox**

This course will examine the major social trends, movements, and theologies which affect contemporary American society, in the context of world society. Racism, black theology, human sexuality, liberation theology, environmental issues, the drug culture and the challenges of cultural diversity will be discussed.

**PERIOD 2      STEPHEN MINISTRY, Part I**  
**10:20-11:50      Instructor: The Rev. Carol Hull**

This course is designed for the formation of the care-giver and will develop your sense of your own pastoral identity, and enrich your human awareness and understanding by developing your skills in listening to and recognizing feelings and emotions in others and by developing healthy skills in assertive behavior (establishing healthy boundaries). Stephen Ministers express God's care through their lives to others.

**PERIOD 3      LITURGICS (BCP)**  
**12:50-2:20      Instructor: The Rev. William Stomski**

This course examines the Book of Common Prayer, Occasional Services, and other Episcopal liturgical resources with particular interest in the theology of Anglican liturgy and its historical applications dating from the time of the Early Church to the present. Particular attention will be given to the role of the Deacon in each of these liturgies.

**PERIOD 4      LANDSCAPES OF THE CHRISTIAN PRAYER  
2:40-4:10      JOURNEY  
Instructor: Ms. Lauren Losson**

This third-year “last period/last class” in spirituality acts as a “bookend” to the first year introductory “Spiritual Journey” course for both laity and those on the diaconal/ordinal “track.” It is both a personal *and* small-group journey that revisits, illumines, and enlarges the various paths of prayer, in order to (re)recognize and (re)appreciate the various “shapes and contours” of the Christian prayer landscape.” Its objective is to help participants experience and deepen intimacy with the living, experiential God; to encourage them to undertake a more intentional “metanoia” of self and life through self-emptying; and a call to “lived prayer” that will help them build up the body of Christ, the Church, and ultimately help them effect positive change and God’s will in and for the world.

The course format will include a variety of four-fold (body, soul, mind, and spirit) “how-to” methods and means of praying, plus reflection upon “how do” these contours of the Christian prayer landscape affect the overall prayer journey. It also will implement ways in which individual participants are called to “be prayer” in the world today.

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**SPRING SEMESTER COURSE SCHEDULE 2011**

(Three Year Core Curriculum)

Class Period	YEAR ONE	YEAR TWO	YEAR THREE
1. 8:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.	<u>The Spiritual Journey – Part 2</u>  Instructor: The Rev. Perry T. Fuller	<u>Required Title III courses: Anti-Racism, Safeguarding God’s Children</u>  Instructor: Dr. Gay Outler	<u>Spiritual Direction: Giving and Receiving</u>  Instructor: The Rev. Nancy Wynn
2. 10:20 a.m. – 11:50 a.m.	<u>Old Testament 102 Kings, Prophets, and Wisdom Literature</u>  Instructor: The Rev. Mimi Howard	<u>Women of the Bible</u>  Instructor: The Rev. Patricia Masterman	<u>Practical Liturgics</u>  Instructor: The Rev. William Stomski
3. 12:50 p.m. – 2:20 p.m.	<u>Church History 102 Reformation and the Church of England</u>  Instructor: The Rev. Dr. Robert “Bo” Shires	<u>Basic Systematic and Moral Theology 202</u>  Instructor: Ms. Maggie Kreuzberger	<u>Stephen Ministry, Part II</u>  Instructor: The Rev. Carol Hull
4. 2:40 p.m. – 4:10 p.m.	<u>New Testament 102 The Letters of Paul</u>  Instructor: The Rev. John Tidy	<u>Diaconal Colloquium</u>  Instructor: Archdeacon Tom Bruttell	<u>Diaconal Colloquium</u>  Instructor: Archdeacon Tom Bruttell

See Course Descriptions for Spring classes at pages 18-23.  
See also the Textbook Listing at pages 30-31.

# DIOCESAN SCHOOL FOR CHRISTIAN STUDIES

## COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

### SPRING SEMESTER 2011

#### YEAR ONE

**PERIOD 1 THE SPIRITUAL JOURNEY, PART 2**  
**8:30-10:00 Instructor: The Rev. Dr. Perry T. Fuller**

Spiritual Journey, Part 1 is a pre-requisite for Part 2. This seminar continues the emphasis of Spiritual Journey, Part 1, as a spiritual formation experience rather than an information class. Participants will become more comfortable with, more conscious of, and more articulate about the movement of God in their lives. The emphasis of this semester will be entirely on exploring the lives, times, and work of Christian mystics through the ages. Each class member will be assigned a Christian mystic for depth exploration and presentation to the seminar for broader dialogue.

**PERIOD 2 OLD TESTAMENT 102**  
**10:20-11:50 Kings, Prophets, and Wisdom Literature**  
**Instructor: The Rev. Mimi Howard**

Old Testament 101 is a pre-requisite for 102. This course examines (1) the events and theology relating to the Conquest by Joshua, the creation of the United Kingdom, the division of the Kingdom after Solomon, the conquests by Assyria and Babylon, the Exile, and the period after the Exile up to the start of the Hellenistic Period (333 BCE); (2) the messages of the prophets who were active from the 8<sup>th</sup> Century BCE to the 5<sup>th</sup> Century BCE; and (3) selections from Israel's Wisdom Literature. Portions of the following books of the Bible will be studied: Joshua, Judges, Ruth, Samuel, Kings, Chronicles, Hosea, Amos, Micah, Isaiah, Jeremiah, Ezekiel, Ezra, Nehemiah, Jonah, Proverbs, Ecclesiastes and Job.

**PERIOD 3    CHURCH HISTORY 102**  
**12:50-2:20    The Reformation and the Church of England**  
**Instructor: The Rev. Dr. Robert “Bo” Shires**

Church History 101 is a pre-requisite for 102. This course studies the Protestant Reformation in Europe: its roots and various manifestations. Reflection on the concurrent events in England, and the development of the Anglican expression of Christianity in the 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> centuries.

**PERIOD 4    NEW TESTAMENT 102**  
**2:40-4:10    The Letters of Paul**  
**Instructor: The Rev. John Tidy**

Just a bundle of letters? Are they theological treatises or just pastoral and practical counsel? This introduction to the letters of the Apostle to the Gentiles offers a survey of Paul’s primary correspondence to young churches in Rome, Corinth, Galatia, Philippi, Colossae and Thessaloniki. Particular attention will be given to the religious, social, cultural and economic milieu of Paul’s missionary activity in an age of remarkable diversity that impacted both the burgeoning Christian communities in the gentile world and the Church in Jerusalem, and that provides the context for any study of the letters of Paul.

New Testament 101 is not a pre-requisite for 102.

See YEAR TWO course descriptions on the pages following.

# DIOCESAN SCHOOL FOR CHRISTIAN STUDIES

## COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

### SPRING SEMESTER 2011

#### YEAR TWO

#### **PERIOD 1    REQUIRED TITLE III CLASSES**

**8:30-10:00    Instructor: Dr. Gay Outler**

The canons read: “The formation process shall include sexual misconduct prevention training, training regarding Title IV of these canons, and anti-racism training.” The eight classes will be taught by different instructors and the amount of time for each subject will vary during this eight-week course.

#### **PERIOD 2    WOMEN OF THE BIBLE**

**10:20-11:50    Instructor: The Rev. Pat Masterman**

Enter into the feminine mystique of Biblical women who ‘walked their talk’ and in doing so, created footprints for future generations. This course will explore the lives of four women from the Hebrew Scriptures and four from the New Covenant Scriptures, using various forms of artistic mediums.

The only text required for this course is a NRSV Bible and occasional art supplies as indicated on the course syllabus.

#### **PERIOD 3    BASIC SYSTEMATIC and MORAL THEOLOGY 202**

**12:50-2:20    Instructor: Ms. Maggie Kreuzberger**

In this second segment of the course, we will explore the nature of Christian Ethics. The course is designed to inform the student of the means by which Christianity and the Anglican tradition determine moral teaching on contemporary issues.

## **PERIOD 4    DIACONAL COLLOQUIUM**

**2:40-4:10        Instructor: Archdeacon Thomas Bruttell**

Beginning with the Diocesan School Semester of September 2008 there will be new required course work for all those in the Diaconal Process commencing with the second and continuing through the third year of the curriculum. This course is titled “Diaconal Colloquium.” The purpose of the Colloquium is to guide and monitor the formation of diaconal nominees, develop ministry, and construct ‘ministry plans.’ During the first year of classes Diaconal nominees will outline a ministry plan. That plan will be reviewed, modified and monitored during the second year. Mentor assignments in the various ministry specializations will also be made in the first year.

In addition, ample time will be allowed at each class meeting for ministry plan assessment and community development. The course work will include various aspects of ministry such as congregational development, family/organizational systems, opportunities for ‘Safe-Guarding God’s Children,’ and ‘Anti-Racism,’ Stewardship, Outreach, and Evangelism training, to name but a few.

As of the 2010 Fall Semester, there is no tuition cost associated with this class. Students who are not diaconal nominees are not required to take this course in order to receive a Certificate of Completion.

See YEAR THREE course descriptions on pages following.

# DIOCESAN SCHOOL FOR CHRISTIAN STUDIES

## COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

### SPRING SEMESTER 2011

#### YEAR THREE

**PERIOD 1    SPIRITUAL DIRECTION: Giving and Receiving**  
**8:30-10:00    Instructor: The Rev. Nancy Wynen**

Every person of faith seeks a deeper relationship with God and a greater understanding of their faith. They have turned to a spiritual guide to help them on their journey. In this course we will explore the faith journey from the perspectives of both the seeker and those who are directors. We look into the ministry itself, and methods of discernment for seeker and guide. The course will include presentations, role playing, and case studies. Students will be asked to write short reflection papers on specific topics.

**PERIOD 2    PRACTICAL LITURGICS**  
**10:20-11:50    Instructor: The Rev. William Stomski**

This course trains the student in the conduct of worship as a deacon with emphasis on understanding the purpose of liturgical actions and ceremonies. Focus is put on the deacon's role at the Eucharist and other rites of the Church with opportunity to gain functional experience in each one. Vessels and vestments are identified and the proper use of hymnody is taught.

**PERIOD 3    STEPHEN MINISTRY, Part II**  
**12:50-2:20    Instructor: The Rev. Carol Hull**

This course is designed for the formation of the care-giver and will develop your sense of your own pastoral identity, and enrich your human awareness and understanding by developing your skills in listening to and recognizing feelings and emotions in others and developing healthy skills in assertive behavior (establishing healthy boundaries). Stephen Ministers express God's care through their lives to others.

## **PERIOD 4    DIACONAL COLLOQUIUM**

**2:40-4:10        Instructor: Archdeacon Thomas Bruttell**

Beginning with the Diocesan School Semester of September 2008 there will be new required course work for all those in the Diaconal Process commencing with the second and continuing through the third year of the curriculum. This course is titled “Diaconal Colloquium.” The purpose of the Colloquium is to guide and monitor the formation of diaconal nominees, develop ministry, and construct ‘ministry plans.’ During the first year of classes Diaconal nominees will outline a ministry plan. That plan will be reviewed, modified and monitored during the second year. Mentor assignments in the various ministry specializations will also be made in the first year.

In addition, ample time will be allowed at each class meeting for ministry plan assessment and community development. The course work will include various aspects of ministry such as congregational development, family/organizational systems, opportunities for ‘Safe-Guarding God’s Children,’ and ‘Anti-Racism,’ Stewardship, Outreach, and Evangelism training, to name but a few.

As of the 2010 Fall Semester, there is no tuition cost associated with this class. Students who are not diaconal nominees are not required to take this course in order to receive a Certificate of Completion.

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## LICENSURE FOR LAY MINISTRIES

### Resources for Rectors and Parishes

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# DIOCESAN SCHOOL FOR CHRISTIAN STUDIES

## Overview – Lay Ministries

The Diocesan School stands ready to assist Rectors in preparing lay persons for Licensed Lay Ministries. The licensed ministries are outlined below.

### Licensed Lay Ministries (Constitution and Canons, Title III, Section 3)

A confirmed communicant in good standing or, in extraordinary circumstances, subject to guidelines established by the Bishop, a communicant in good standing, may be licensed by the Ecclesiastical Authority to serve as Pastoral Leader, Worship Leader, Preacher, Eucharistic Minister, Eucharistic Visitor, or Catechist.

The Member of the Clergy or other leader exercising oversight of the congregation or other community of faith may request the Ecclesiastical Authority with jurisdiction to license persons within that congregation or other community of faith to exercise such ministries.

A person licensed in any Diocese under the provisions of this Canon may serve in another congregation or other community of faith in the same or another Diocese only at the invitation of the Member of the Clergy or other leader exercising oversight; and with the consent of the Ecclesiastical Authority in whose jurisdiction the service will occur.

### Eucharistic Visitor

According to Title III, Canon 4, Sec. 7 A Eucharistic Visitor is a lay person authorized to take the Consecrated Elements in a timely manner following a Celebration of Holy Eucharist to members of the congregation who, by reason of illness or infirmity, were unable to be present at the Celebration. A Eucharistic Visitor should normally act under the direction of a Deacon, if any, or otherwise, the Member of the Clergy or other leader exercising oversight of the congregation or other community of faith.

### Eucharistic Visitor Training

With the approval of the Bishop of our Diocese, and because of distance within the Diocese, the cost of travel, and other considerations, a new training process for Eucharistic Visitors has been developed, which includes standardized training materials used for consistency throughout the Diocese. The standardized materials are available through each of the Diocesan Deaneries and also may be downloaded through the Diocesan School web site at [www.dioschool.org](http://www.dioschool.org). Any questions may be addressed by email to the Diocesan School at [dioschool@aol.com](mailto:dioschool@aol.com) or by calling the Diocesan School office at 561-254-4548.

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There are two ways in which a Eucharistic Visitor may be trained:

- 1) The rector of any parish may train Eucharistic Visitors, provided the standardized training materials are used for consistency throughout the Diocese. A rector may schedule the one-day training session at the convenience of the parish. Upon completion, the rector may then recommend the trainees to the Bishop for licensing.
- 2) The Deaneries have been asked to establish Eucharistic Visitor training events on a deanery-wide basis. These one-day events will be publicized throughout the Deaneries and the standardized training materials will be used for consistency throughout the Diocese.

### License Renewal training is no longer required for Eucharistic Visitors

Eucharistic Visitors, who have served for three years as a Eucharistic Visitor, will no longer be required to attend a license renewal training program. Eucharistic Visitors in good standing, who continue to function in their ministry under the supervision of their rector, may be recommended to the Bishop for license renewal every three years.

### Other Lay Ministries

Training for the Lay Ministries of Pastoral Leader, Worship Leader, Preacher, Eucharistic Minister, Catechist, and Bible Study Leader is the responsibility of the local Rector or Deacon. To assist Rectors in determining the appropriate requirements for licensed ministries in their parishes, the Diocesan School Board has prepared a list of courses offered by the Diocesan School that Rectors may wish to use when considering a layperson for a licensed ministry. These Diocesan School courses are *only suggestions* and are offered as a service to Rectors. Some suggested courses may not be applicable in certain circumstances and additional courses may be helpful in others.

(Suggested courses for Lay Ministries are found on the pages following)

## Suggested Diocesan School Courses for Lay Ministries

Depending on the particular ministry, The Diocesan School Core Curriculum courses listed below are suggested for particular ministries.

See Three Year Core Curriculum Courses at Catalog pages 9-23.

1. Pastoral Leader is a lay person authorized to exercise pastoral or administrative responsibility in a congregation under special circumstances, as defined by the Bishop.

Recommended Courses: A Pastoral Leader is (by definition) not a deacon, and the requirements for this ministry will depend on the needs of the congregation for which the lay person is to act. The courses that appear appropriate for this ministry are: Spiritual Journey 1 and 2, Old Testament 101 and 102, New Testament 101 and 102, Contemporary Society, Church History 101 and 102, Basic Systematic and Moral Theology 201 and 202, Liturgics (BCP), Practical Liturgics, Stephen Ministry 1 and 2, Homiletics, Courses Required by Title III of the Canons, and Contours of the Christian Life of Prayer.

2. Worship Leader is a lay person, who regularly leads public worship under the direction of the Member of the Clergy or other leader exercising oversight of the congregation or other community of faith.

Recommended courses: It is assumed that a Worship Leader will also be a preacher to the congregation. The courses that appear appropriate are: Spiritual Journey 1 and 2, Old Testament 101 and 102, New Testament 101 and 102, Contemporary Society, Church History 101 and 102, Basic Systematic and Moral Theology 201 and 202, Liturgics, Practical Liturgics, Homiletics, Courses Required by Title III of the Canons, and Contours of the Christian Life of Prayer.

3. Lay Preacher is a lay person authorized to preach. Person so authorized shall only preach in congregations under the direction of the Member of the Clergy or other leader exercising oversight of the congregation or other community of faith.

Recommended courses: The courses that appear appropriate are: Spiritual Journey 1 and 2, Old Testament 101 and 102, New Testament 101 and 102, Contemporary Society, Church History 101 and 102, Basic Systematic and Moral Theology 201 and 202, Homiletics, Courses Required by Title III of the Canons, and Contours of the Christian Life of Prayer.

4. **Eucharistic Minister** (formerly known as Chalice Bearer) is a lay person authorized to administer the Consecrated Elements at a Celebration of Holy Eucharist. A Eucharistic Minister should normally act under the direction of a Deacon, Priest or other leader exercising oversight of the congregation or other community of faith.

**Recommended courses:** This training is by invitation of the Rector or priest-in-charge and is provided at the parish level.

5. **Catechist** is a lay person authorized to prepare persons for Baptism, Confirmation, Reception, and the Reaffirmation of Baptismal Vows, and shall function under the direction of the Member of the Clergy of other leader exercising oversight of the congregation or other community of faith.

**Recommended courses:** The courses that appear appropriate are Spiritual Journey 1 and 2, Church History 101 and 102, Basic Systematic and Moral Theology 201, and Contours of the Christian Life of Prayer.

6. **Bible Study Leader** is a person who leads group Bible Study or teaches courses in Scripture.

**Recommended courses:** Old Testament 101 and 102, New Testament 101 and 102, Church History 101 and 102 and Basic Systematic and Moral Theology 201 and 202.

#### **In Conclusion**

We hope these recommendations are helpful. The Diocesan School Board invites comments and suggestions, which may be sent by email to The Rev. Dr. Perry T. Fuller, Director of the Diocesan School, at [dioschool@aol.com](mailto:dioschool@aol.com) or to Mr. Thomas O'Brien, Chair of the Diocesan School Board, at [tgobrien@comcast.net](mailto:tgobrien@comcast.net).

#### **Registration for Diocesan School**

Registration for Diocesan School courses may be made through our web site at [www.dioschool.org](http://www.dioschool.org)

# Faith Is Caught More Than It Is Taught

## A Teacher's Guide to Faith Formation

**Faith Is Caught More Than It Is Taught** is a teacher/facilitator certification program within the Diocese of Southeast Florida designed to prepare group facilitators for all age levels – children, youth, adults and seniors. Do you lead or have you thought about leading a Bible Study, EFM, Sunday School, Youth Group, book forum, or the like? Your willingness to serve as the leader in one of these groups is your first step. The **Faith is Caught Program** is your next step in being a successful leader.

The Program is designed to help participants identify with their faith-walk, prayer life, *The Book of Common Prayer*, Bible stories, and the Catechism. It is an interactive learning tool for participants to understand teaching styles, learning styles, the “work” of art responses, curricula that exist in other parishes, the fundamentals of leading a group, and classroom/group management.

**This course is for the novice.** Having said “Yes” to leading a group, novice group leaders ask, “*Now what should I do?*” They feel called to lead the group and know it is the right thing for them to do, but some may have never led a group before. For novices, practical know-how is an enormous help. **This course is for understanding.**

**This course is also for veterans.** Some veteran group leaders feel that they have been leading groups “forever” and are starting to feel “burned out.” Some feel they were never properly prepared for the job, and have been doing the work because “someone had to do it.” **This course is for renewal.**

The facilitators for the **Faith is Caught Program** maintain attentiveness and a high level of energy within each participating group. This increases the “fun-factor” for all involved. The Program requires an evening and one full day for a total of 12 informative, interactive hours. Participants say that the time seems to pass all too quickly. The Program is conducted on Friday (6:30 PM – 10:00 PM) and Saturday (9:30 AM – 6:00 PM) and concludes with a commissioning liturgy.

Contact Krisan Lamberti at 305-858-5075 or by email at [MoonlightK@aol.com](mailto:MoonlightK@aol.com) for dates and locations of programs or to host a **Faith is Caught Program** within your parish.

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**TEXTBOOKS for CORE CURRICULUM**  
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**COURSE**

**TEXTBOOKS**

The Spiritual Journey – Parts 1 & 2  
Instructor: The Rev. Dr. Perry T. Fuller

*Soul Feast*, Marjorie J. Thompson

The Old Testament 101 and 102  
Contemporary Approaches to the  
Pentateuch (Fall); Kings, Prophets and  
Wisdom Literature (Spring)  
Instructor: The Rev. Mimi Howard

*The New Oxford Annotated Bible, 3<sup>rd</sup> Edition*, \$45

*Reading the Bible Again for the First Time*,  
Marcus J. Borg, \$14.95

New Testament 101 and 102  
Instructor: The Rev. John Tidy

*The New Testament: A Historical Introduction to the Early  
Christian Writings*, Bart D. Ehrman: Third Edition, OUP, 2004.

Church History 101: Early Church to  
Reformation  
Instructor: The Rev. Dr. Robert “Bo”  
Shires

*The Story of Christianity, Vol. 1.*, Justo L. Gonzales, New York:  
Harper Collins, 1985.

*A History of the Church in England.* J.R.H.Moorman,  
Harrisburg: Morehouse, 1980.

Church History 102: Reformation to  
ECUSA  
Instructor: The Rev. Dr. Robert “Bo”  
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*The Story of Christianity, Vol. 2.* Justo L. Gonzales, New York:  
Harper Collins, 1985.

*A History of the Church in England.* J.R.H.Moorman,  
Harrisburg: Morehouse, 1980.

*A History of the Episcopal Church.*, Robert Prichard, Harrisburg:  
Morehouse, 1999.

Contemporary Society  
Instructor: The Rev. Ronald Fox

*Toward 2015: A Church Odyssey*, Richard Kew, Roger White.

Stephen Ministry I and II  
Instructor: The Rev. Carol Hull

Texts for this year long course may only be purchased from the  
Instructor, \$54

Spiritual Gifts  
Instructor: The Rev. Carol Hull

Texts for this course may only be purchased from the Instructor,  
\$20.50

Diakonia and Lay Ministry  
Instructor: The Rev. Mimi Howard

*The Diaconate: A Full and Equal Order*, Barnett, James  
Monroe, Trinity Press International, 1995.

*Deacons in the Liturgy*, Plater, Ormonde Morehouse  
Publishing, 1992.

Required Title III Courses: Anti-Racism, Safeguarding God's Children  
Instructor: Dr. Gay Outler

*Seeing the Face of God in Each Other, A Manual for Anti-Racism Training and Action; developed by the Social Justice Department of the Episcopal Church Center.*

Liturgics: BCP (Fall) and Practical Liturgics (Spring)  
Instructor: The Rev. William Stomski

*The Book of Common Prayer, 1979.*

*Deacons in Liturgy, Plater, Ormonde Morehouse Publishing, 1992.*

Basic Systematic and Moral Theology 201 and 202  
Instructor: Ms. Maggie Kreuzberger

*An Introduction to Christian Theology, Justo Gonzalez.*

*Theology: The Basics, Alistair McGrath. or Introduction to Theology, Owen Thomas.*

*Ethics After Easter, Stephen Holmgren, The New Church's Teaching Series, Vol. 9 of 12, Cowley Publications, 2000.*

*Back to Virtue: Traditional Moral Wisdom for Modern Moral Confusion, Peter Kreeft, Ignatius Press, 1992.*

Women of the Bible  
Instructor: The Rev. Pat Masterman

*New Revised Standard Version.*

Homiletics  
Instructor: The Rev. William Stomski

*Homiletic: Moves and Structures. Buttrick, David. Philadelphia: Fortress Press, 1987*

Brueggeman, Walter. *Finally Comes the Poet: Daring Speech for Proclamation.* Brueggeman, Walter. Minneapolis: Fortress Press, 1989.

Landscape of the Christian Prayer Journey  
Instructor: Ms. Lauren Lowson

*The Call to Discernment in Troubled Times: New Perspectives on the Transformative Wisdom of Ignatius of Loyola.* Brackley, Dean. N.Y., Crossroads Publishing Co., 2004.

*Companions of Christ: Ignatian Spirituality for Everyday Living.* Silf, Margaret. Grand Rapids, Michigan, William B. Eerdmans Publishing, 2004.

Spiritual Direction: Giving and Receiving  
Instructor: The Rev. Nancy Wynen

*Spiritual Direction, Spiritual Companion.* Tilden Edwards, Paulist Press, NY, NJ, 2001.

Recommended Reading: *Spiritual Direction*, Henri Nouwen with M. Christensen & R. Larid, Harper, San Francisco, 2006.

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Kreuzberger, Ms. Maggie 10730 NE 2 <sup>nd</sup> Place Miami, FL 33161-7066	Work: 305-474-2433 Home: 305-758-0768 <a href="mailto:Magpie_link@yahoo.com">Magpie link@yahoo.com</a>	Basic Systematic and Moral Theology 201, Fall Basic Systematic and Moral Theology 202, Spring
Losson, Ms. Lauren G. 5751 Coach House Circle Apt G Boca Raton, FL 33486	Phone: 561-361-9247 <a href="mailto:losson088@comcast.net">losson088@comcast.net</a>	Landscapes of the Christian Prayer Journey, Fall

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