

REGISTRATION FORM

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Rev. William J. Young Social Justice Conference
Jerabeck Center - 4000 Mount Vernon
Houston, Texas 77006

Name: _____

Title: _____

Organization: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone Number: _____

Fax: _____

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Special Dietary Requests: _____

Fees

Individual Registration \$35.00
Lodging at UST Guinan Hall Dorm \$90.00
(single occupancy for 2 nights)

Please send registration form and check to:

Catholic Charities - The Young Institute
2900 Louisiana Street, Houston, Texas 77006

**For additional information or special
arrangements call Debbie Fernandez
at 713.525.3812**

DEADLINE FOR REGISTRATION IS MAY 15, 2008
MEALS ARE NOT GUARANTEED FOR REGISTRATIONS
RECEIVED AFTER THE DEADLINE DATE.

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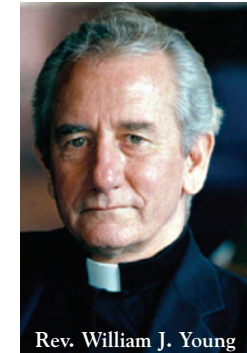
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Rev. William J. Young

Rev. William J. Young Institute Social Justice Summer Conference

"Solidarity in an Election Year"
June 4,5 and 6, 2008

Jerabeck Center
4000 Mount Vernon
Houston, Texas



Rev. William J. Young Social Justice Institute University of St. Thomas

The UST Social Justice Institute is named after Rev. William J. Young (1929-2006), who throughout his ministerial career served tirelessly for the cause of social justice both at the University of St. Thomas and throughout the Houston-Galveston (TX) region.

Under Father Young's leadership, since the mid-1980s, the University in collaboration with the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston and Catholic Charities of Galveston-Houston has presented numerous programs on a variety of subjects including homelessness, multiculturalism, women in the Church, and health care.

In 2004, the Young Institute began as an annual summer conference which would bring together academics and social justice practitioners on a pressing social justice issue within the Catholic Social Tradition. Based on the success of these conferences, the Institute has now evolved into a year-round entity organization offering forums and community outreach on the basis of Catholic Social Teaching.

Summer Conference

At the Summer Conference, everyone is invited to join in a civil deliberation on matters that particularly affect those on the margin of political, social, and economic structures.

The Summer Conference provides a wonderful opportunity for networking between those involved in social justice ministry or social justice activism in the community-at-large.

The Conferences's deliberations are informed by both the Papal encyclicals on social justice and the seven principles of Catholic Social Teaching articulated by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops. This year's conference will particularly highlight the recently released pastoral letter by the USCCB, "Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship: A Call to Political Responsibility."

A three-hour credit course at the University of St. Thomas (JUST/POSC 4306: Catholic Political and Social Thought) will be offered in conjunction with the conference. For more information and registration details, contact Prof. John Francis Burke at 713-525-3814 or jfburke@stthom.edu

This Year's Conference "Solidarity in an Election Year"

Wednesday, June 4, 2008, 7pm
Opening Reception

Thursday June 5, 2008
Plenary and Breakout Sessions, 9am-5pm

Friday, June 6, 2008
Plenary and Breakout Sessions, 9am-5pm

Key Speakers & Topics Include:

Immigration and the Eucharist

Rev. Daniel G. Groody, CSC,
Director, Center for Latino Spirituality and Culture
University of Notre Dame

The Catholic Vote

Prof. David C. Cochran
Department of Political Science
Loras College

Grassroots Engagement in Justice and Peace

Rev. Robert Holmes, CSB
Basilian Coordinator for Peace and Justice

Communities of Salt & Light

Ms. Rachel Lustig
Director of Parish Social Ministry
Catholic Charities USA

Spirituality, Cultural Identity and Peace Building

Rev. Juan Molina
Catholic Relief Services

Other Topics Include:

- Faithful Citizenship
- Poverty is Not a Family Value
- Micro-Credit Financing
- Life Issues
- Communication Skills for Social Justice Activism
- Federal, State, and Local Priorities

His Eminence Daniel N. Cardinal DiNardo will serve as the principal celebrant of the Mass that will conclude the conference.

**Future Conferences - Save the Date:
June 3-6, 2009 "Poverty in the U.S.A."**

Contact information:

If you have any questions, please call Deborah Fernandez at 713.525.3812 or e-mail fernanda@stthom.edu

Participation

Participation enables you and your organization to infuse and expand your ministry and/or professional activity with the principles of social justice articulated in Catholic Social Teaching.

As a participant you receive:

- The program and handouts from the breakout sessions.
- Access to the electronic documents through the conference web site.
- Your meals (breakfast & lunch) for Thursday and Friday.
- If you select lodging, it includes Wednesday night and Thursday night in a single-occupancy UST dormitory room.

The Summer Conference is a great experience. You have the opportunity to share your passion for social justice with like-minded people from across the region and the country. It provides a networking opportunity to connect organizations and individuals that share interests. You will be exposed to opportunities and resources that you will not find elsewhere.

The education you gain through participation in the Conference will increase your grasp of the issues presented in light of Catholic Social Teaching.. Ultimately, the Conference sessions will provide you with information, techniques and examples to take back to your organizations. This year's Conference will assist you in applying the social justice principles to the issues of the 2008 election.

We look forward to welcoming you as a participant at the Young Institute Summer Conference!

For more information visit us at:

www.theyounginstitute.org or e-mail us at info@theyounginstitute.org

