



Charity & Truth in Ministry: ***Our Call to Service***

**Keynote Speaker: Fr. Louis Brusatti,
Professor and Theologian at St. Edward's University
Friday, April 30 - Saturday, May 1**

Keynote Speaker: Fr. Louis Brusatti, Dean of Humanities at St. Edward's University in Austin, Texas, speaking on Pope Benedict's third encyclical, *Caritas in Veritate*.

Workshops Include:

- Working on Reentry
- Recruitment, Retainment, and Formation of Volunteers
- Models of Effective Engagement of Parishioners
- Advocacy 101 and Faithful Citizenship
- Ministering to Families of the Incarcerated
- Raising Money for Ministry
- Immigration Reform: A Catholic Perspective
- Theology of Justice and Peace: Engaging the Hispanic Community

Who Should Attend:

- Criminal Justice Ministers
- Catholic Charities Staff
- St. Vincent de Paul Society Members
- Parish Social Ministers
- Parish Ministry Coordinators and Volunteers
- Priests, Deacons, Religious, and Laity involved in Social Ministry
- Persons interested in learning more about Catholic Social Teaching

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APRIL 30 - MAY 1, 2010
HILTON AUSTIN AIRPORT HOTEL, AUSTIN, TEXAS

All are welcome.

For more information, or to request additional copies of the registration brochure, please contact Becky Sierra at 512-339-9882 or visit www.TXcatholic.org.

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Dean of Humanities at St. Edward's University in Austin, Texas

Fr. Louis Brusatti will provide insight and reflection on *Caritas in Veritate*, Pope Benedict's third encyclical. The encyclical links charity and truth in the pursuit of justice, the common good, and authentic human development. In doing so, the Pope calls all men and women to think and act anew.

SCHEDULE

FRIDAY APRIL 30, 2010

- 1:30 pm-3:00 pm **Opening Prayer and Welcome -**
Our Call to Ministry,
presented by Fr. Louis Brusatti
- 3:00 pm-3:30 pm **Break**
- 3:30 pm-5:00 pm **Workshops**

Working on Reentry

Presented by Carol Lockett, Executive Director,
Bexar County Detention Ministries, Inc.,
Gerald Garrett, Deputy Director,
Re-entry and Reintegration Division, TDCJ

Raising Money for Ministry

Presented by Scott Whitaker, Director of Stewardship,
Diocese of Austin

Theology of Justice and Peace: Engaging the Hispanic Community

Presented by Fr. Peter Ruggere MM
Diocese of El Paso TEPEYAC Pastoral Training Center

Models of Effective Engagement of Parishioners

Presented by Rachel Lustig, Director,
Parish Social Ministry, Catholic Charities USA

5:30 pm-6:30 pm **Panel Discussion/Networking
Session - Representatives from Catholic Charities,
Criminal Justice and Parish Social Ministry and Social
Action ministries will briefly discuss their ministry areas.
Participants will then answer discussion questions at
their table and reflect on the common call to serve in their
ministry areas. Table representatives will present their
discussions at the end of the session.**

7 pm-8:30 pm Dinner
More Comments/Facilitation
by Fr. Louis Brusatti

SATURDAY, MAY 1, 2010

- 7:30 am **Daily Mass**
- 8:00 am-8:30 am **Continental Breakfast**
- 8:30 am-10:00 am **Workshops**

Ministering to Families of the Incarcerated,
Presented by Liz Disco Sherer, Associate National
Executive Director, South Central Region of St.
Vincent de Paul, Falba Turner, Mentor Director,
Seedling's Promise

Recruitment, Retainment, and Formation of Volunteers

Presented by Rachel Lustig, Director, Parish Social
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Immigration Reform: A Catholic Perspective

Presented by Deacon Joe Rubio, Ph.D., Vice President,
Community Relations and Advocacy, Catholic
Charities, Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston

Advocacy 101 and Faithful Citizenship

Presented by the Texas Catholic Conference

10:15 am-11:30 am **Legislative Issues Panel - Texas
Catholic Conference staff will discuss their work and
specifically their advocacy on behalf of Charity and Justice
Issues.**

11:30 am-12:15 pm **Wrap-up/Call to Action by
Fr. Louis Brusatti**

12:15 pm-12:30 pm **Closing Prayer/Adjournment**
*Boxed lunches will be provided and participants are
welcome to continue collaboration and discussion on
working together in ministry and the common call to serve.*

1:30 pm **Health Care Reform Report—
Tentative Pending Congressional Action - Anne
Dunkelberg, from the Center for Public Policy Priorities,
will discuss the implementation opportunities and challenges
we face in Texas regarding Health Care Reform.**

REGISTRATION FORM

PRINT CLEARLY

(This information will be used for nametags)

Name: _____

Title: _____

Organization: _____

Address: _____

City/ST: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Your Ministry:

Catholic Charities

Parish Social Ministry

Social Action/Advocacy

Criminal Justice Ministry

Other - please indicate: _____

Priests: Would you like to concelebrate Mass on Saturday? (circle one)? **Yes No**

Deacons: Would you like to assist Mass on Saturday (circle one)? **Yes No**

Please indicate your availability to assist in the liturgy:

Lector

Gift bearer

Musical Accompaniment

Please select one workshop topic that you are interested in attending from each box:

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Would you like to receive the free Texas Catholic Conference email newsletter, the *Texas Catholic Voice* (circle one)? **Yes No**

Please indicate any dietary needs or accessibility needs below:

Registration

\$125 before April 15, 2010

\$135 after April 15, 2010

Registration fee does not include hotel room.

Registration deadline is April 23, 2010.

Refunds will not be available after April 15, 2010.

For more information, contact Becky Sierra at (512) 339-9882, or via email at Becky@txcatholic.org.

Full payment must be enclosed. Please make checks payable to **Texas Catholic Conference.**

Please Mail to:

Becky Sierra,
Texas Catholic Conference,
PO Box 13285,
Austin, TX 78711,
(512) 339-9882.

HOTEL INFORMATION

Participants may obtain rooms at the Hilton Austin Airport Hotel for \$92 per night for a single or double room.

The hotel is located at 9515 New Airport Drive, Austin, TX 78719.

You may call the hotel at 512-385-6767 or visit them online at www.austinairport.hilton.com.



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