

ST. CHARLES 2019 EVENTS



6:00 p.m. ∞ Thursday
January 10, 2019

Sister Alicia Torres
Sister, Chef and Mission

Sr. Alicia Torres, F.E., is a member of the Franciscans of the Eucharist of Chicago, a religious community that serves the poor. In 2015, she entered and won a “Chopped” competition on the Food Network and donated the prize money to the Mission of Our Lady of Angels. She is a delightful, sought-after speaker. Presently, she teaches Religion in a Chicago inner-city Catholic School along with working at the Mission. Sr. Alicia holds a MDiv from Mundelein Seminary and received her MA in Teaching from Dominican University.



6:00 p.m. ∞ Wednesday
February 13, 2019

Fr. David Peck
A Wall Street Hail Mary

As Pastor of St. John Neuman Church, Fr. Peck has followed an interesting map from a career on Wall Street to the priesthood. A constant in his journey has been the presence of prayer. What is a meaningful prayer life, what does it look like, and how do we develop the habit of talking with God in the midst of our busy and hectic schedules? Ultimately, what impact and values can we expect from having relevant prayer in our lives? Fr. Peck will share his insights to these questions from his own unique background.



6:00 p.m. ∞ Thursday
March 21, 2019

Dr. Mario Enzler
I Served a Saint

Dr. Mario Enzler has had a diverse academic and professional formation. After finishing his studies in Milan, he joined the Pontifical Swiss Guard and served under St. John Paul II for three years. Following this, he joined UBS and worked in investment banking and corporate finance. Currently, he teaches at the Busch School of Business and Economics at the Catholic University of America and is Headmaster at New England Classical Academy, a private, non-profit school in the Catholic tradition, which he helped found in 2009.

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6:00 p.m. ∞ Thursday
April 11, 2019

Susan Conroy
My Time with St. Teresa of Calcutta

Susan Conroy made her first trip to Calcutta to work with Mother Teresa and the Missionaries of Charity in 1986. Upon returning to the U.S., Mother Teresa requested that Susan stay in the Order’s convent in the South Bronx, New York, in contemplation of the religious life. She, subsequently, saw Mother Teresa and corresponded with her for eleven years until Mother’s death in 1997. Before being called Home to God, Mother Teresa gave Susan permission to write a book about her experiences.



6:00 p.m. ∞ Tuesday
May 7, 2019

Fr. Chase Hilgenbrinck
Uncompromising Greatness: Fr. Chase’s Pilgrimage from Professional Soccer to the Priesthood of Jesus Christ

Fr. Chase grew up in Bloomington, IL. He was a high school All-American and played soccer at Clemson. After graduating in 2004, he signed with the Chilean League’s first division. He later signed with the Colorado Rapids and the New England Revolution in U.S. Major League Soccer and left it all to enter the seminary. He was ordained a priest for the Diocese of Peoria in 2014. After two years in Hispanic ministry and high school chaplaincy, Fr. Chase became the Assistant Chaplain at St. John’s Catholic Newman Center at the University of Illinois.



6:00 p.m. ∞ Thursday
June 13, 2019

John Abbate
Invest Yourself: Daring to be Catholic in Today’s Business World

John Abbate is an owner-operator of McDonald’s restaurants throughout Central California, and has built a successful career investing in the iconic golden arches and in real estate. His most successful investment, however, has been in his Catholic faith, which has transformed his life into one of self-giving rather than self-serving. John holds a BBA in Economics from the University of San Diego, an MBA from the University of Notre Dame’s Mendoza School of Business, and a Master of Arts in Catholic Theology from the Augustine Institute.

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6:00 p.m. ∞ Thursday
July 11, 2019

Multi-Chapter Event

Legatus members from multi-chapters in the region will gather for an evening filled with worship, fellowship and a dynamic speaker. Details to be announced at a later date.



6:00 p.m. ∞ Thursday
August 8, 2019

Msgr. Steve Knox
Thirty Years and Counting: Changes Experienced as a Priest and Catholic

Msgr. Steve Knox was ordained a priest for the Diocese of Rockford in 1989. As an Associate Pastor, Pastor, and Director of Diocesan College Campus Ministries over the past thirty years, he has witnessed the highs and lows of being Catholic and a priest in an increasingly complex world. Msgr. Knox sees his role as a “general practitioner of the soul.” He has served as a Strategic Planning Committee Member for the “State of Catholic Education” and the Diocesan Advisory Priest Council that advises the Bishop in difficult matters – all of which adds to his perspectives on change in the Catholic Church.



6:00 p.m. ∞ Thursday
September 5, 2019

Fr. Dave Pivonka
Walking the Camino: 500 Miles with Jesus

Fr. Pivonka, TOR, is an evangelist who speaks at conferences, retreats and parish missions around the U.S. and world. For twenty years Fr. Pivonka has also been leading pilgrimages around the world to some of the holiest and most important sites in Christian faith. He spends most of his time helping others come to know God’s love for them through his preaching, writings, CD’s and other spiritual outreaches. Fr. Pivonka is the Director of Franciscan Pathways which is an evangelistic outreach of his Franciscan Community.

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6:00 p.m. ∞ Thursday
October 17, 2019

Mike McCartney
Lead with FIRE

Legatus Board of Governor and Genesis Legatus chapter member, Mike McCartney, is an executive coach to senior leaders for success on the human side of business. He speaks on leadership nationwide, including many Legatus Chapters across the country. With his signature Legatus talk, "Lead with FIRE: Faith, Integrity, Responsibility, Enthusiasm," Mike engages the audience and encourages them to truly go out and study, live and spread the faith as the mission of Legatus calls us to do.



6:00 p.m. ∞ Thursday
November 14, 2019

Msgr. Thomas Dempsey
The Honor to Serve

After 49 years as an Associate Pastor, Pastor, and teacher in the Diocese of Rockford, Msgr. Dempsey embarked upon a new career as an ambassador for the poorest of the poor. His "retirement" for the last eight years has consisted of traveling monthly to various parishes throughout the U.S. sharing God's message of ministering to those in third-world countries. From Haiti, Jamaica and back, he has learned what it truly means to be poor and how life-changing miracles occur when people care for others. Most importantly, Msgr. Dempsey will identify ways for all of us to make a difference as ambassadors and experience "the honor to serve."



6:00 p.m. ∞ Thursday
December 12, 2019

Kendra Von Esh
God Found Me

Kendra Von Esh was an executive in Corporate America for nearly 20 years and is now an author and speaker for the Catholic faith. Kendra moved from work as an obsession to a transformed life in faith. She marvels at how "God found me." Kendra has identified the game changers necessary to reframe, reorganize, and reprioritize one's business and personal goals. Her story creates the framework of the journey from the Corporate suite to God's suite.

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To study, live and spread the Faith in our business, professional and personal lives.

Study:

Ongoing education is at the heart of Legatus. We are matching members, who have a thirst for knowledge, with the most profound and convincing body of religious knowledge in the history of human thought.

Live:

Translating the teachings of Christ and the social teaching of the Church into practical applications helps our members become eminently pragmatic about their faith.

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