



Exciting opportunities!

Do you like to engage people in conversation? Do you have a passion for the mission of the School of Theology-Seminary? Do you have experience in recruitment and admissions? If so, you may be interested in applying for the Director of Admission position at the SOT·Sem. Interested applicants can view a position description and application instructions [online](#).

February 27, Saint Mary's Basilica, 8:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Theology Day featuring Fr. Anthony Ruff, OSB. Fr. Anthony's presentation is titled "Sing to the Lord: How the U.S. Bishops Write a Document on Church Music." The presentation is free and includes lunch. Registration is required. To register please call Bernadette Dunn 320-363-2839 or e-mail bdunn@csbsju.edu.

March 18, Naples, Florida, Theology Day. 9 a.m.-3:30 p.m. at La Provence Community Room, 4151 Gulf Shore Boulevard North, Naples. Fr. Anthony Ruff, OSB, is the featured speaker. This event is free, and lunch is provided. Registration is required! Please e-mail bdunn@csbsju.edu or call 320-363-2839 to register.

March 23, Saint John's Abbey Church, 8 p.m.: His Eminence Walter Cardinal Kasper will receive the Pax Christi award and give the Godfrey Diekmann, OSB, Lecture. Cardinal Kasper is the president of the Pontifical Council for Promoting Christian Unity and president of the Commission for Religious Relations with the Jews. The award and lecture are open to the public.

May 27-30, National Association for Lay Ministry, 33rd Annual Conference, Crowne Plaza, St. Paul. This might be an opportunity for SOT·Sem alums to gather and share ministry stories. Let us know if you plan on attending! bdunn@csbsju.edu.

Sharing a Gift

One of our alums recently sent us a poem he wrote after watching the inauguration of President Barack Obama. The poem is in the Japanese form known as Haiku.

"The Inauguration of Barack Obama"

The torch has been passed
We the people have spoken
President Barack

Mister Lincoln smiles
Doctor King's dream coming true
Hope blossoms anew

A new challenge ours
Divisions must now end
We must work as one

Hope has been renewed
Yet now the work has to start
Change takes much effort

So let us now all
Roll up our sleeves and labor
To restore dignity

May God bless our land
May God bless our President
With wisdom and strength

-A Monk of Saint John's Abbey

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