



DUKE Catholic

WINTER 2012

NURTURING CATHOLIC LEADERS

Casting Nets into the Deep

Over the past year the Duke Catholic Center staff and advisory board recognized the importance of planning for the Duke Catholic Center's future. We realized the need for a strategic plan that would guide the growth of the DCC over the next 3 – 5 years. As a result, the DCC staff worked in conjunction with its Advisory Board, student leaders, and an external facilitator to solicit feedback

and articulate that future vision. Multiple focus groups were convened, with a broad range of constituencies engaged, including students, board members, faculty, staff, university and diocesan officials, as well as other interested local representatives. The information gathered was then processed by the Advisory Board and ratified the final version of the plan at its meeting on September 14, 2012.

The fundamental approach of the strategic plan is simple: Reach more students on campus through



Mark Pustejovsky (black shirt) '13, guides freshman retreaters in discussing their new college faith life during Freshman Beach Weekend Retreat

welcoming engagement which will then provide the Holy Spirit an opportunity to “move where he wills” in bringing these young people into greater celebration of their faith. We want to cast a wider net into deeper water. We believe that we have an established Catholic presence on the campus of Duke University, but one which has yet to realize

its fullest potential. The image of a funnel has been used as a metaphor, challenging the DCC to cast a wide net in the hopes that this will invite more and more Catholics into a deeper communion with Christ and the Church.

We envision a future where the 20% of Duke Catholics who are currently engaged grows to 40% engagement by 2017. A wider net in deeper water: that will mark our efforts in the next three to five years. We are confident that these efforts will net us a great catch!

You're invited!

Look at the specifics of our strategic plan at: <http://catholic.duke.edu/about/mission.php>



A goal without a plan *is just a wish.*

—Antoine de Saint-Exupéry

As I write this, the Powerball lottery jackpot is up to \$425 million. I am tempted to buy a ticket just for kicks—crazier things have happened. But fear not, I am not basing the financial future of the Duke Catholic Center on lottery winnings! That is wishful thinking. Instead, we are all about goal oriented thinking here at the DCC, and heaven is our ultimate destination. No wishes for that, but some very definite plans!

The Advisory Board of the DCC knows with the author above, that goals without plans are just wishes. We are excited by our recently approved Strategic Plan that will guide our community's growth in the Gospel for the next 3-5 years. A link to the full copy of the Plan is in this newsletter. We have worked hard to listen to our constituents and have made plans that will prepare us to face the challenges that come with reaching for lofty goals. We realize that charting growth in the spiritual life can be difficult, but we are confident that we will know and be known on campus by the fruits of our labors; fruits that we will try to track. We

will use those statistics to give thanks to God for blessings, and to encourage ourselves where growth is still needed. We will try to keep all of you posted as well.

“Man plans and God laughs!”- my brother-in-law. While we have some definite plans for our growth, we also realize that we must be flexible to adapt in the next few years to emerging needs and situations that we have yet to fully appreciate. As such, this is just a plan—it is not the Gospel. There is already a great plan for us to follow—the example of Christ that calls us all each day to greater heights. We join all of you in not just wishing to do that, but rather, planning on it!



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By the Numbers

**over same period in 2011-2012 Academic Year*

Average attendance at...

Sunday Mass.....	458
	<i>*up 10%</i>
Holy Hour.....	28
	<i>*up 28%</i>
Tuesday Night Dinner.....	75
Catholicism and Coffee.....	24
	<i>*up 50%</i>
Game Day Cookout.....	200
	<i>*up 354%</i>
Family Weekend Brunch.....	400
Beach Weekend Retreat.....	71
Awakening Retreat.....	67

Duke Catholic Center Advisory Board

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Jessica Ordax '14, passes out ice cream on the quad to freshman during Freshman Orientation Week.

In the Spirit of Giving



For the second year in a row, the Duke Catholic Center participated in the Duke Wellness Center's Thanksgiving Drive. The Thanksgiving Drive provides Duke Students the opportunity to put together food baskets for families in need on Thanksgiving. The Duke Catholic Center collected money during a Sunday second collection. Then, a team of students went out to buy the all the food items essential for a hearty Thanksgiving meal—turkey, potatoes, vegetables, stuffing and dessert. In total, the Duke Catholic Center students created ten baskets delivered to ten families in Durham on Thanksgiving Day!

SPRING 2013

Wish List

We are blessed by your support! Here are some ways that you can support the ministry of the Duke Catholic Center:

- \$400 Baccalaureate Crosses for graduating seniors
- \$400 Chairs for Easter Morning Mass at Duke Gardens
- \$1,000 Two Busy Students Retreat
- \$1,800 Easter Brunch food for 200 people
- \$2,300 New Computer for Music Director
- \$4,000 Duke Parking Passes for 5 Staff Members
- \$12,000 Awakening Retreat Spring Semester



Christian Krebs, '14 and Marilyn Lapu, '14 after Sunday morning Mass



Over 400 Students, Parents and Family Members Attend Catholic Center Family Weekend Mass and Brunch.

ALUMNUS REFLECTS ON FAITH LIFE AFTER DUKE

We love catching up with alumni and recently we've caught up with Fernando Boschini, T'04. Fernando and a group of his peers worked diligently to put together the very first Duke Awakening Retreat in 2003. They left a legacy at the Duke Catholic Center as Awakening retreats over the past nine years have changed the lives of hundreds of students. We asked Fernando to reflect on his faith life after Duke.

WHAT ADVICE YOU WOULD GIVE TO YOUR UNDERGRAD SELF?

Prioritize your life from day one:

1. God.
2. Relationships.
3. Study.
4. Recreation.

Don't let campus life take away the focus from your overall goal in life, which should be:

1. To get to heaven.
2. To help others get to heaven.
3. To strive to be the best in your current vocation (student).
4. To relax and enjoy the ride.

WHAT DID DUKE NOT PREPARE YOU FOR IN YOUR LIFE AND CAREER?

I must say that, overall, Duke prepared me well for life and career. Academically Duke offers a top-rate education and opportunities that are second to none. And in terms of life, the opportunities provided by the Newman Center (as the Catholic Center was called in my day) helped to shape my goals to be a complete person, meaning not just well educated, but well formed in Catholic conscience, character, and virtue.

WHAT IS THE MOST CHALLENGING ASPECT OF YOUR FAITH AS A 30-YEAR-OLD?

I would have to say that the most challenging thing is the same that it has always been; namely, that many of my peers (whether it was in college or today) seem to be disinterested in faith and virtue. I think in college it is easy to recognize that many students are often seeking pleasure and enjoyment. Well, after college, pleasure and enjoyment are replaced by success and comfort. Of course I am generalizing, but overall, there are few people who live each day with the conviction that there is life beyond this world. It's this general loss of Christian virtue in society that most often challenges me. That is why there is a dire need for what the Church has termed the New Evangelization.



After leaving Duke, Fernando attended medical school at University of California, Davis. In 2010, he began his Radiology residency at the University of North Carolina. He and his wife Rachel were blessed with their first daughter, Maria Lucia, in April of 2012.

BLAST from the past

Thanks to all of the feedback we received from alumni we were able to identify every person in the July "Blast from the Past" photos. We heard from: Mark Estrada, T'86; Christi Burchyns Laumakis, T'91; Carolyn McCracken Silvey, T'92; Fernando Boschini, T'04; Margaret Morales, T'08; Armando Huringa, T'06; and Christine Lim, T'07.



April 6-7, 1985, after Easter Mass. (L-R): Chris Megargee T'87, Isa de Milde T'85, above her is Cindy Granroth T'85, Fr. Burke, Jennifer Davila T'86, below her Mary Shafter P'85.



December 8, 2004, Feast of the Immaculate Conception Mass in the Bryan Center Von Cannon Room. Lisa de Obaldia, T'07, Alison Troy MD'07, Sara Monti, T'06.



Who are these girls and what are they doing?



Natalie Ferguson, T'14; Kirsten Osbourne, T'14; Amy Wigger, T'13; and Kelly Schuering, T'13 gather on the quad during the Catholic Center Game Day Cookout

Look for us online!



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Mass Schedule

SUNDAY MASS

11am, Goodson Chapel (Divinity School)

9pm, Duke Chapel

DAILY MASS

MON: 12pm, Duke Chapel Crypt

TUES: 5:45pm, Falcone-Arena House

WED: 5:15pm, Goodson Chapel (Divinity School)

THURS: 11:30am, Yoh Football Center,
2nd Floor, Team Meeting Room