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## Sign Up to Study Abroad in Jamaica

It is not too late for students to participate in the new Study Abroad Program in Jamaica between semesters from Jan. 2-12, 2008.

The program will immerse students in the Jamaican culture by providing them with the opportunity to live with families and get to know the real Jamaica. Students will also participate in community activities and service learning projects during their stay.

“Jamaica is for those who want to develop a deeper understanding and appreciation of a culture very different from their own and learn how culture shapes their lives and views,” said Dr. Randy Soffer, Jamaica Study Abroad coordinator.

“The Jamaica experience will make it possible for them to examine their own beliefs, attitudes and prejudices—a valuable life lesson that is hard to learn in the classroom or by reading a textbook.”

The three-credit Jamaica Study Abroad Program is primarily targeted to education and MLA students; however, others may participate with academic advisor approval.

Interested students can go to the information meeting from 12:30-1:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 1, in Tiller Hall, Room 116.

For more information or to sign-up for the program, contact Dr. Soffer at [sofferr@stthom.edu](mailto:sofferr@stthom.edu) or 713-942-5922.

## Support the World Youth Day 2008 Group

Campus Ministry is holding a bake sale at the Chapel of St. Basil, the weekend of Oct. 27-28, to help raise money for UST students traveling to Sydney, Australia for World Youth Day 2008. The bake sale will be after the 5 p.m. Saturday Mass, as well as the 10:30 a.m., 8 and 9:30 p.m. Sunday Masses.

World Youth Day is an event that was inaugurated by Pope John Paul II for youth around the world. The 2008 World Youth Day will be July 15-20, culminating

with a Saturday vigil and Sunday morning celebration with Pope Benedict XVI.

The event is open to young people all over the world, providing them with an opportunity to build bridges of friendship and hope between continents, people and cultures.

A second collection will also be held during Masses at St. Basil the weekend of Nov. 11-12 to help raise funds for the pilgrimage.

To donate, contact Campus Ministry at 713-525-3588.



World Youth Day group left to right, back row: Elizabeth Elliot, Jennifer Monroy, Lianie Lizarraga, Prescilla Montemayor, Julio Morales, Megan Silva, Joanna Palasota; front row: Jennifer Callon, Kailey Posterick, Cimela Kidonakis, Allie Righthouse, Ivan Navarro, Sheena Byrne; students not pictured: Erik Aleman, Theresa Buren, Nick Montes and David Silva

## Check out the Doherty Library Book Sale



Doherty Library hosts its annual book sale beginning Oct. 24 through Oct. 28. Wednesday, Oct. 24 is open to UST faculty, staff and students only. Beginning Oct. 25, the sale is open to the public.

The sale will have a large number of history, literature, theology and philosophy titles. Hardback books are \$2; Paperback books are \$1.

### Book Sale Schedule:

- Oct. 24: 8 a.m.-11:30 p.m
- Oct. 25: 8 a.m.-11:30 p.m.
- Oct. 26: 8 a.m.-8:30 p.m.
- Oct. 27: 10:30 a.m.-8:30 p.m.
- Oct. 28: 1:30-11:30 p.m

## Alumni Showcase Artwork at Glassell Exhibit

Three UST alumni are getting a chance to spotlight their artwork in the inaugural Glassell Studio School Alumni exhibition, "Practice Makes Perfect: Repetition as a Form of Scholarship among Glassell Studio School Alumni," which runs until Nov. 2.

The exhibition features work from UST alumni artists Amy Lorino, Maureen McNamara and David Ubias. According to UST Associate Professor and Chair of

Fine and Performing Arts, Claire McDonald, the fact that three former students were chosen for the 10 featured artists speaks volumes for the program. "They rose to the top on their own merits," McDonald said.



Amy Lorino's "Covent Hall"

UST collaborates with the Glassell School of Art, Museum of Fine Arts Houston to offer a BA and BA/BFA major, a minor and elective courses in studio art.

Read the complete story at <http://www.stthom.edu/ArtExhibit>.

## SAVE THE DATE

### Give Blood, Give Life



A campus blood drive will be held from 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Monday, Oct. 22 and Tuesday, Oct. 23 in the Old Bookstore, Crooker Center. For more information or to schedule an appointment, contact JJ Durrenberger at 713-525-3108.

### Job Search Workshop



Come to the Job Search Workshop, Wednesday, Oct. 24, in the Career Center, second floor, Crooker Center. The event will take place in two sessions: noon-1:30 p.m. and 5-5:30 p.m. Learn the important elements of a good job search.

### Memorial Mass: Sgt. Kitowski



Join the University of St. Thomas family to celebrate the life of alumnus and soldier Sgt. Charles B. Kitowski III '98 with a Memorial Mass at 11 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 27, in the Chapel of St. Basil. A reception will follow the Mass in the Ahern Room, Crooker Center.

**Archbishop Daniel DiNardo** of the Galveston-Houston Archdiocese was named by Pope Benedict XVI as one of 23 new cardinals on Wednesday, Oct. 17.

He will be the first Roman Catholic bishop in Texas to be elevated to the rank of cardinal. Pope Benedict will elevate the prelates at a Vatican ceremony on Nov. 24.



Undergraduate catalogs are on sale now in the campus bookstore for \$1.





## Stop, Look and Listen

**S**top by from 12:30 -2 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 23, on the Crooker Patio; **look** at the poster artwork on alcohol awareness; **listen** to the sounds of Real Talk, an innovative band comprised of UST students. The event is sponsored by Counseling and Disability Services and Health Promotion and Wellness.

Students may bring their lunches outside and enjoy the weather; Counseling and Disability Services will provide free drinks and snacks. Students may also view the poster art gallery displayed along the windows of Crooker Center.

This event is being held in conjunction with National Collegiate Alcohol Awareness Week, Oct. 21-27.

Dr. Mark Nicholas, assistant professor of history, will also be on hand to provide information about the new substance-free social organization on campus called "CHEM-FREE."

Dr. Nicholas invites all interested students to stay sober, have fun and join "CHEM-FREE."

For more information about "CHEM-FREE," contact Dr. Nicholas at 713-525-2106 or nicholma@stthom.edu.



## The Next Steps in Iraq

**F**rederick Barton, co-director of the Post-Conflict Reconstruction Project and senior adviser of the International Security Program, Center for Strategic and International Studies, will discuss the next steps for the United States in Iraq, 12:30 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 24, in Ahern Room, Crooker Center. The event is free and open to the public, and is sponsored by the Center for International Studies and the World Affairs Council of Houston.

His lecture will examine both military options and the use of America's soft power in the region. How do we integrate soft and hard power into smart power to address current and future national security challenges?

A member of the CSIS Commission on Smart Power and a supporting expert to the Iraq Study Group and the Task Force on the United Nations, Barton is a regular writer, commentator and contributor to global public discussions.

For the past five years, he was a visiting lecturer at the Woodrow Wilson School at Princeton University, where he was the Frederick H. Schultz Professor of Economic Policy and lecturer on public and international affairs.



## Archbishop Miller Lecture

**J**ohn L. Allen, senior correspondent for the National Catholic Reporter will deliver the 2007 Archbishop J. Michael Miller Lecture at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 24, in Scanlan Room, Jerabeck Center. He will discuss "Megatrends in Catholicism: Ten Forces Turning the Church Upside Down." The lecture is free and open to the public, and is sponsored by Catholic Studies.

He is the author of five books on the Catholic Church, including "All the Pope's Men," "The Rise of Benedict XVI," and "Opus Dei" (all from Doubleday), and serves as senior Vatican analyst for CNN. His weekly Internet column, formerly "The Word from Rome" and now rechristened as "All Things Catholic" has a wide international readership. Allen's work is followed across the usual ideological divides in the church, and he speaks widely on Catholic affairs in the United States and around the world.

Allen is currently researching *Megatrends in Catholicism* and will share his insights into the Global South and its relationship with Roman Catholicism.

For more information, contact Sr. Paula Jean Miller at 713-525-6989.

## UST Named One of 21 Top Catholic Colleges

The University of St. Thomas has been named as one of 21 top Catholic colleges and universities by the Cardinal Newman Society. The listing will be published in *The Newman Guide to Choosing a Catholic College: What to Look for and Where to Find It*, which will be available, nationwide on Nov. 1.

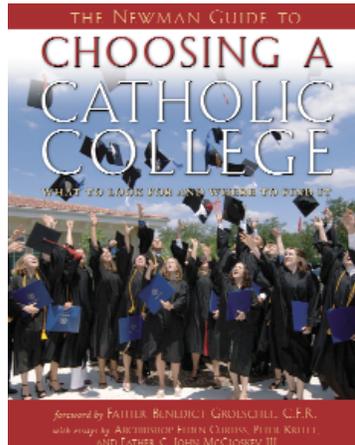
According to Guide editor, Joseph Esposito, "The University of St. Thomas is a gem of a small university. With dynamic leadership, it continues to strengthen its already impressive Catholic identity and academic programs. We are delighted to recommend UST to parents, students and guidance counselors."

Recommended colleges are grouped into three categories: "Joyfully Catholic," "Born from the Crisis" and "Fighting the Tide." UST was selected as a "Joyfully Catholic" school. The group is characterized by a Catholic identity that permeates all areas of campus life.

"Our University is committed to the dialogue of faith and reason, which our late pontiff John Paul II expressed so beautifully in his lifetime." University of St. Thomas President Dr. Robert Ivany said. "His inspired document *Ex Corde Ecclesiae* is the foundation for St. Thomas and its mission to prepare leaders of faith and character."

The Guide is the culmination of two years of research and interviews. Catholic colleges and universities are recommended based on which most faithfully live their Catholic identities and provide a quality undergraduate education. Each college profile examines the school's history, governance, curriculum, student life and community.

Those recommended represent the top 10 percent of Catholic colleges in the U.S. based on Catholic identity and cover a wide range of institutions in terms of history, size, location and academic focus.



## UST Knights of Columbus Honored at National Conference

The UST Knights of Columbus, Fr. Vincent J. Guinan Council 13940, was honored with three awards at the Knights of Columbus National College Conference, in New Haven, Conn.

Council 13940 received the Family Activity Award for its strong pro-life activities during the 2007 spring semester. The group also earned awards in Membership and Insurance gains. In addition, UST won a seat on the conference coordinating committee for 2008. The committee is responsible for planning and implementing the 2008 College Conference.

"The awards we received were not in recognition of the efforts of one individual but rather of the hard work and dedication of all the members in our council," said Grand Knight and senior history major Grover Green.

Members who attended the event were Green; Fr. Jack Whitney, chaplain and archives librarian; Sir Knight J.J. Durrenberger, chancellor, sophomore and Institutional Advancement staff member; and Sir Knight Clint Mendonca, past grand knight and senior psychology major.

"There is great enthusiasm in this young Council and a genuine desire to build up the members in solidarity and to challenge them to be effective witnesses of faith in our culture, especially in showing respect for the human person," said Cardinal-designate Daniel DiNardo, Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston.



Pictured from left to right: J.J. Durrenberger, Grover Green and Clint Mendonca

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