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# REDEMPTORIS MATER

DIOCESAN MISSIONARY SEMINARY - DALLAS, TX - USA



*Newsletter*

# SEMINARY



Bishop Kevin Farrell, Bishop Charles Grahamann, Fr. Fernando Carranza and Father Alan McDonald



The Redemptoris Mater seminaries were born thanks to the inspiration of St. Pope John Paul II as an answer to the New Evangelization. The very first one was opened in Rome, the diocese of the Holy Father. The aim was to create seminaries that are international with vocations coming from different nations around the world i.e. men who feel the call to be missionary priests, where upon ordination they are available to go wherever the local Bishop sends them.



Entrance



Dinning Room



Library



Chapel

As an international missionary seminary, we have seminarians from all over the world such as; the United States, Mexico, Dominican Republic, Costa Rica, Colombia, Brazil, Spain, Italy, Croatia, India, and Poland, as well as priests ordained from England, Italy, Colombia and the United States.

# ACTIVITIES



As a part of our formation, we organize various public events throughout the year. During the summer break, we celebrate our Annual Family Festival, where there are all kinds of activities for the family. It is always a very joyful event where we celebrate the importance of the family in society.



Also, during the Christmas break we put on Christmas Concerts in different parishes around the Diocese. It is always a very festive experience where we gather with the people of the Diocese to rejoice at the birth of our Lord.



FAMILY FESTIVAL

CHRISTMAS CONCERTS



# ORDINATIONS



Daniel Rendon's Priestly Ordination  
Presided by Bishop Kevin Farrell,  
Cathedral Shrine Our Lady of Guadalupe.  
2016



Javier Diaz's Diaconal Ordination Presided by Bishop Kevin Farrell. 2016

## MISSION



## GREAT MISSION OF DALLAS



Every year during the Easter season after the celebration of the Easter vigil, our seminarians, together with the communities of the Neocatechumenal Way go out on mission to the streets and parks of Dallas to announce the Gospel. There, we announce the Good News and share our experiences, proclaiming what the Lord has done with us in our lives.

These seminaries are Diocesan and also Missionary in character, so that the seminarians as well as the priests are ready to serve the Diocese of Dallas, as well as to be sent wherever there is a need for the New Evangelization, to reach those who do not know the faith or have lost it; or to be instruments of the “*Implantatio Ecclesia*”, in order to establish the Church where it is disappearing or no longer exists.



Because our seminary is international and missionary, each year there is a convivence in Porto San Giorgio, Italy, where young men from all over the world offer themselves willingly to go anywhere there is a need for the New Evangelization. It is in this convivence that the new seminarians are assigned to the different Redemptoris Mater seminaries around the world.

## PORTO SAN GIORGIO, ITALY

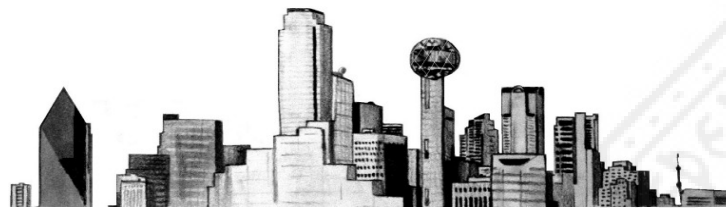
In the last convivence, which took place in September of 2016 we were assigned five new seminarians who joined us in our mission here in Dallas. We are happy to welcome Angelo Calderon, Isaac Velez, Joao Francisco, Fabian Viracacha and Sebastian Ramirez to our seminary.





The Diocesan and Missionary “Redemptoris Mater” Seminaries are erected by diocesan Bishops, in agreement with the international Responsible Team of the Way and are governed by the current norms for the formation and incardination of diocesan clerics and according to their own Statutes , in fulfilment of the Ratio fundamentalis instructionis sacerdotalis. In them the candidates find participation in the Neocatechumenal Way, a specific and basic element of their formative itinerary and, at the same time, are prepared for a genuine presbyteral choice of service to the entire people of God in the fraternal communion of the presbyterate.

*From the Statutes of the Neocatechumenal Way, Article 18, 1.*



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