

Saturday, 4 October 2025

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FESTIVAL OF THE WORD

Purpose:

The Catholic Preaching Institute hosts an annual "festival" celebration at Saint Charles Borromeo Seminary to showcase the theory and practice of compelling preaching ... and to bring to life the Seminary's motto: exiit qui seminat ~ "he went forth who sows."



The festivals will engage church leaders, prominent speakers, local clergy, seminarians, and lay faithful in a variety of events that highlight the ongoing proclamation of the Word of God. All sessions are open to the public with free admission.

SCHEDULE:

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12:00 – 1:00	arrival / guest registration	
1:00 – 1:15	welcome & overview of the festival	THOMAS DAILEY, O.S.F.S. – Saint Charles Seminary Director of the Catholic Preaching Institute
1:15 – 2:15	Prospective Preachers	a competitive award program featuring students from M.Div. granting seminaries in the Philadelphia region
2:30 – 3:30	Concurrent Seminars	connecting the sacred Word to fields of interest and/or realms of communication
	a "scholarly" word, with	(Leader not yet confirmed)
	a "proclaimed" word, with	(Leader not yet confirmed)
	an "artistic" word, with	<u>DAN TARRANT</u> – founder of Personally Catholic Films
	a "digital" word, with	(Leader not yet confirmed)
3:45 – 4:45	Keynote Presentation	(Speaker not yet confirmed)
4:45 – 5:00	conclusion / wrap-up	THOMAS DAILEY, O.S.F.S. – Saint Charles Seminary Director of the Catholic Preaching Institute
5:15 – 6:15	anticipated Sunday Mass	Celebrant – to be determined Homilist – to be determined
6:30	departure	

All events to take place on the campus of Saint Charles Borromeo Seminary, 1400 Evans Road, Ambler PA 19002.