

Welcome

**Fill Your Cup –
A Call to
Spirituality**

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Program Outline

- The Call of the Laity
- The Call to Spirituality
- Precious Blood Spirituality
- Lay Associations and the USC

The Call of the Laity

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The Call of the Laity

- 1. The Call of
the Laity**
2. The Call to
Spirituality
3. Precious
Blood
Spirituality
4. Lay
Associations
and the USC

Church Documents

Elements of Lay Formation

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The Call of the Laity

1. **Church Documents**
2. Elements of Lay Formation

Church Documents

- Lumen Gentium
- Apostolicam Actuositatem
- Christifideles Laici

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The Call of the Laity

1. Church Documents
2. **Elements of Lay Formation**

Elements of Formation

- Universality
- Specificity
- Secularity
- Integration
- Mission
- Formation

The Call to Spirituality

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The Call to Spirituality

1. The Call of the Laity
2. **The Call to Spirituality**
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Developing a Spirituality

Motivational Way

Tradition Interprets the World

The World Deepens the Tradition

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The Call to Spirituality

Terminology

Spiritualities

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The Call to Spirituality

1. **Terminology**
2. Spiritualities

Terminology

Theology
Religion
Devotion
Spirituality

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Terminology

1. **Theology**
2. Religion
3. Devotion
4. Spirituality

1. Theology

- “Faith seeking understanding”
St. Anselm
- A reflection upon the resources for Christian life as found in the scriptures and the Tradition of the Church.

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Terminology

1. Theology
2. **Religion**
3. Devotion
4. Spirituality

2. Religion

- A form of belief
- It is the social, institutionalized expression of our faith

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Terminology

1. Theology
2. Religion
3. **Devotion**
4. Spirituality

3. Devotion

- “An act of the virtue of religion whereby we offer to God the worship due Him.” *St. Thomas*

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Terminology

1. Theology
2. Religion
3. Devotion
4. **Spirituality**

4. Spirituality

- Gives us motivation to grow in our love of God
- Shapes our prayer life and our ministry

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The Call to Spirituality

1. Terminology
2. **Spiritualities**

Various Spiritualities

- A. Non-Christian
- B. Christian
 - Catholic
 - Protestant
- C. Precious Blood

Precious Blood Spirituality

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Precious Blood Spirituality

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**A spirituality that is
well-founded,
well-documented
and saturates the
life of the Church.**

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**Authoritative Sources
Gasparian Spirituality
Precious Blood
Communities
CPPS Today**

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Precious Blood Spirituality

1. **Authoritative Sources**

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3. Precious Blood Communities
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Authoritative Sources:

- Bible
- Fathers of the Church
- Church Documents
- Liturgical Texts
- Devotional Practices
- Symbols: Covenant, Cross, Cup
- Our Lady of the Precious Blood

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Authoritative Sources

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6. Symbols
7. Our Lady of the Precious Blood

Well-founded and well-documented

1. Bible

Blood in the OT
Blood in the NT

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Well-founded and well-documented

2. Fathers of the Church

- Ignatius of Antioch
- Clement of Rome
- Justin, Martyr
- Melito of Sardis
- Irenaeus
- Tertullian



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3. Church Documents

Pius IX – *Redempti Sumus*, 1849

Feast of Precious Blood to universal church

Pius X – Feast to July 1st for the CPPS

Pius XI – July 1st, First Class Feast, 1934

Pius XII – *Cum Proxime Exeat*, 1949

John XXIII – *Inde a primis*, 1960

Approved Litany of the Precious Blood
for universal church

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4. Liturgical Texts

Eucharistic Liturgy

Liturgy of the Hours

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6. Symbols
7. Our Lady of the Precious Blood

Saturates the Life of the Church

5. Devotional Practices

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Seven Offerings
Litanies of the Most Precious Blood
Chaplets

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6. Symbols

Path to Glory

- A. Covenant
- B. Cross
- C. Cup

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7. Our Lady of the Most Precious Blood



**– St. Gaspar's
Madonna**

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Precious Blood Spirituality

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- 2. Gasparian Spirituality**
3. Precious Blood Communities
4. CPPS Today

Gasparian Spirituality

- St. Gaspar
- Missionaries of the Precious Blood

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Gasparian Spirituality

St. Gaspar

Missionaries of
the Precious
Blood

St. Gaspar del Bufalo

Apostle of the Precious Blood



- Founded the Missionaries of the Precious Blood – a Society of Apostolic Life united by the bond of charity
- Opened the gates of an ardent devotion to the Most Precious Blood of Jesus
- Founded the C.P.P.S. to renew the faith among priests, religious and laity

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Gasparian Spirituality

St. Gaspar

**Missionaries of
the Precious
Blood**

Missionaries of the Precious Blood

- Society of Apostolic Life
- 3 Pillars
- Ven. John Merlini
- Fr. Francis Brunner

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Missionaries of the Precious Blood

1. **Society of Apostolic Life**
2. 3 Pillars
3. Ven. John Merlini
4. Fr. Francis Brunner

Society of Apostolic Life

Societies of Apostolic Life resemble institutes of consecrated life. Their members, without taking religious vows, pursue the apostolic purpose proper to each society. (Canon 731,1)

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Missionaries of the Precious Blood

1. Society of Apostolic Life
2. **3 Pillars**
3. Ven. John Merlini
4. Fr. Francis Brunner

Three Pillars

- Community Life
- Spirituality
- Bond of Charity

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Missionaries of the Precious Blood

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2. 3 Pillars
3. **Ven. John Merlini**
4. Fr. Francis Brunner

Ven. John Merlini

The Saint of Every-Day Life



- Companion of St. Gaspar
- Guide and support of Maria DeMattias
- 3rd Moderator General of the Missionary Society of the Precious Blood
- Expanded the Missionaries to France, Switzerland and the US

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Missionaries of the Precious Blood

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4. **Fr. Francis Brunner**

Fr. Francis de Sales Brunner



- First foreign missionary in the community
- Brought CPPS missionaries from Switzerland to the US in 1843
- Ministered to the German-speaking immigrants in Ohio

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Precious Blood Communities

- Sisters Adorers
- CPPS Sisters of Dayton
- CPPS Sisters of O'Fallon

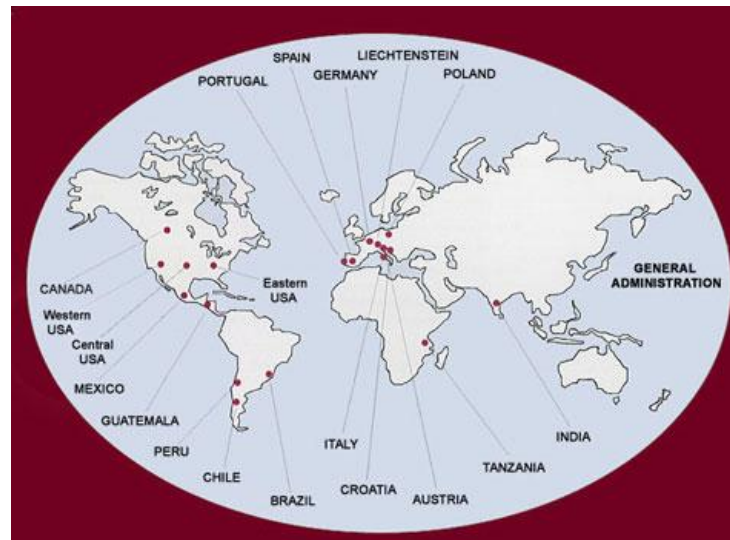
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- **Foundations in Canon Law**
- **The USC**
- **The USC Atlantic Region**

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Lay Associations and the USC

1. **Foundations
in Canon
Law**
2. The USC
3. The USC
Atlantic
Region

Foundations in Canon Law

In the Code of Canon Law provision is made for “associations of the faithful” which, among other things, are called to promote the spiritual development of the laity.

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Lay Associations and the USC

1. Foundations in Canon Law
2. **The USC**
3. The USC Atlantic Region

Unio Sanguis Christi(USC)

- Historical Background
- General Statutes
- Regional Statutes

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The USC Atlantic Region

1. Foundations
in Canon Law
2. The USC
3. **The USC
Atlantic
Region**

Dimensions of the USC

Devotional
Ministerial
Apostolic

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Dimensions of the USC

1. **Devotional**
2. Ministerial
3. Apostolic

1. Devotional

Prayer Apostolate –
Members are invited to
enrich their lives through
prayer, as individuals and in
groups.

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Dimensions of the USC

1. Devotional
2. **Ministerial**
3. Apostolic

2. Ministerial

The USC member becomes engaged in parish ministries and social life motivated by the Spirituality of the Blood of Christ.

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Dimensions of the USC

1. Devotional
2. Ministerial
3. **Apostolic**

3. Apostolic

Engaged with CPPS
Community

Lay Missionary Program

Auxiliary Missionary

Invitation to Join the USC

**Sign up for Formation Program
Incorporation in August
in Niagara Falls, Canada**

Thank You