

REFLECTING ON EXPERIENCES OF RACISM IN THE CATHOLIC CHURCH

- A Listening Session -

Monday, April 29, 7-9 p.m.

LISTENING PANEL:

Most Reverend Shelton J. Fabre
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Most Reverend William E. Lori
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“It is time to acknowledge the many times when the Church has failed to live as Christ taught — to love our brothers and sisters. Acts of racism have been committed by leaders and members of the Catholic Church — by bishops, clergy, religious, and laity — and her institutions. We express deep sorrow and regret for them. We also acknowledge those instances when we have not done enough or stood by silently when grave acts of injustice were committed. We ask for forgiveness from all who have been harmed by these sins committed in the past or in the present.”

OPEN OUR HEARTS WIDE – THE ENDURING CALL TO LOVE
U.S. CONFERENCE OF CATHOLIC BISHOPS, NOVEMBER 2018

“Wherever the people of God are suffering is where I belong, at their side, listening, sharing compassion, and discerning how the Holy Spirit is calling me to take action.”

THE JOURNEY TO RACIAL JUSTICE
MOST REV. WILLIAM E LORI, JANUARY 2019

LISTENING SESSION ON RACISM
April 29, 2019; 7-9 p.m.
LeClerc Auditorium, Notre Dame of Maryland University

CALL TO ORDER

Sherita Thomas, Moderator
*Board Chair, Black Catholic Ministries
Archdiocese of Baltimore*

OPENING SONG

St. Bernardine Church Choir
Deitrick Goodwin, Director

OPENING PRAYER

Most Rev. Denis J. Madden
*Chair, Archdiocesan Workgroup on Racism
Archdiocese of Baltimore*

WELCOME

Dr. Marylou Yam, President
Notre Dame of Maryland University

OPENING REMARKS

MOST REV. SHELTON J. FABRE, CHAIR
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RESPONSE CARD INSTRUCTIONS

Moderator
Please leave cards in the baskets at the back of the auditorium.

INTRODUCTION OF SPEAKERS

Moderator

After each presentation, please join the choir in singing the responsorial refrain.

RESPONDING REMARKS

Most Rev. William E Lori
Archbishop of Baltimore

CLOSING PRAYER

See prayer card

Rev. Raymond Harris, Jr., Pastor
Holy Family Parish

CLOSING SONG

St. Bernardine Church Choir

Please join us after the program for light refreshments in the auditorium lobby.

We are deeply grateful to our presenters from the Archdiocese of Baltimore for their courage, honesty, and gracious spirit in sharing their personal stories.

Carole Norris Greene

*Syndicated columnist on race relations;
former Catholic News Service associate editor
St. Gabriel Parish, Baltimore*

Rev. William Guri, C.Ss.R.

St. Mary's Parish, Annapolis

Sister Cora Marie Billings, R.S.M.

Community Volunteer

Bernard Franklin, Ph. D.

Vice President of Student Life, Mount St. Mary's University

Katharina Acosta

St. Mary's Parish, Annapolis

Deacon Seigfried Presberry

*Director, Archdiocesan Prison Ministry;
St. Mark's Parish, Catonsville and St. Ambrose Parish, Baltimore City*

Ludiya Abdalla

Notre Dame of Maryland University, '21

Dr. A. Skipp Sanders

*Former Executive Director, Reginald F. Lewis Museum
St. Vincent de Paul Parish, Baltimore City*



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Thank you for your participation in this inaugural event organized by the Archdiocese of Baltimore Workgroup on Racism. Please remember to drop off your completed Response Card in the baskets at the back of the auditorium, or you can also send in your comments online at www.archbalt.org/racism.

*“I give you a new commandment: Love one another. As I have loved you,
so you also should love one another.”*

JOHN 13:34

RESOURCES

Open Wide Our Hearts – the Enduring Call to Love
USCCB pastoral letter on racism and other resources
www.usccb.org/racism

The Journey to Racial Justice
Archbishop William E. Lori’s pastoral letter on racism
www.archbalt.org/racism

Archdiocese of Baltimore Office of Black Catholic Ministry
www.archbalt.org/black-catholic-ministry

Archdiocese of Baltimore Office of Hispanic Ministry
www.archbalt.org/hispanic-ministry

The National Black Catholic Congress
www.nbccongress.org

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