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Solidarity Gathering Today at 4 P.M.



As we approach the joy of the holidays, it is hard to be confronted with the tragedy and violence of recent global events. In solidarity with all the people and countries (France, Lebanon, Iraq, and Russia) who have been faced with sudden and senseless loss of life, Mission and Ministry has organized a gathering at the doors of the Chapel today at 4 p.m. This brief gathering will remember and honor the innocent people who have lost their lives and be a sign of peace for our human family.

Nominations Open for Staff Distinction Awards

The Staff Council and the Human Resources Department have officially launched the [Staff Distinction Awards](#), a new annual recognition program that will award five staff members \$3,000 each for performance and contributions that support the College. The five award categories are: Customer Service, Inclusive Excellence and Building SMC Community, Innovative Solutions Award, Leadership, and Pillar of Strength. Nominations close Jan. 22.

New Chief Diversity Officer Announced

Saint Mary's has named Tomas Gomez-Arias as the institution's inaugural Chief Diversity Officer (CDO). Gomez-Arias, a marketing and global business professor who teaches in the School of Economics and Business Administration (SEBA), will serve as the College's executive diversity and inclusion strategist.



Emergency Building Coordinators Needed

The Incident Management Team will hold a campus-wide

Debate and Speech team won the First Place Sweepstakes award for Small Schools after three days and over 41 hours of tournament competition at the Pat Kennedy Memorial Invitational, hosted by the University of the Pacific. This was the fall's largest tournament with over 100 competitors representing 35 schools from eight states. Participating students include Maya Szafraniec, Andrei Satchalin, Carmen Terlaje, Miranda Rowley, Samantha Edmondo, Elisa Rapadas, Travis Root, and Luke Perez.

Do you have a little-known tidbit or story about Saint Mary's? Send it to **Campus News**.

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emergency drill on Thursday, Dec. 17. In preparation for the drill and ongoing emergency preparedness, the College is seeking Building Coordinators for a number of key buildings, including Brother Jerome West, Garaventa, the Rheem campus, and more. [See the Building Coordinator List](#) to learn if your building needs a coordinator. Volunteer by contacting Director of Health and Safety Safa Toma.

Faculty and Staff Giving Drive Kicks Off



Great things are happening at Saint Mary's, and the philanthropic support from our faculty and staff makes it all possible! During the Fall Faculty and Staff Giving Drive, Nov. 17–Dec. 1, [employees are encouraged to continue being part of what's possible at SMC by making a gift of any size to any area of the College they choose.](#)

U.S. Poet Laureate to Speak at CILSA Conference



U.S. Poet Laureate [Juan Felipe Herrera](#), the son of migrant farm workers, is the featured guest speaker at the Leadership for Social Justice Conference "Living Truths: Migrating Voices" on Saturday, Nov. 21. The conference focuses on

issues such as the politics of immigration in the United States, the refugee crisis in Europe, and preparing college students to address these critical issues.

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The Associated Students hosted Gael Spirit Day on Veterans Day

last week, celebrating everyone wearing SMC clothing with free food.

SMC in the News

- [U.S. News Taps SEBA's Terence Pitre for Insight on Wearable Tech Investing](#)
- [KCBS Reports on Upcoming Campus Visit by U.S. Poet Laureate Juan Felipe Herrera](#)
- [Contra Costa Times Talks to Theater's Rebecca Engle About Fall Play *Chaste*](#)
- [SF Chronicle Spotlights SMC Student's Effort to Promote Healthy Eating Habits](#)

Go Gaels

Men's Basketball Coaches and Players Appreciate Fans

The well-deserved reputation of McKeon Pavilion as one of the nation's most supportive college basketball venues was on full display Friday night for the Saint Mary's men's basketball team's season opener. With very few seats available in the courtside student section, [the enthusiastic Gael Force was instrumental in helping Saint Mary's overcome a sluggish start](#) before it rolled to a 24-point victory over local Division II San Francisco State.



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Religious Services

- Sunday Mass in the Chapel is at 11 a.m. and 8 p.m.
- Daily Mass takes place Mon., Tues., & Thurs., 5:15 p.m., Wed. at 12 noon, and Fri. at 7 a.m.
- St. Giles Episcopal Eucharist is each Sunday at 9 a.m.

[Religious Services Schedule](#)

Let us remember that we are in the holy presence of God.