

All ministers who go to another diocese need an adequate preparation in matters regarding their human formation, orthodoxy of doctrine, and the apostolic style of life. Those who are going to a diocese in another nation to announce the Gospel, moreover, must receive a special formation. That is, they must know the culture and religion of that people; they must value highly the language and customs; they must acquire practice in the language, along with understanding of the social conditions, habits and customs; finally, they must carefully study the moral order and deepest convictions which that people, according to its sacred traditions, has formed for itself about God, the world and man.

Congregation for the Clergy, *Norms for the Cooperation of the Local Churches Among Themselves and Especially for a Better Distribution of the Clergy in the World*, March 25, 1980, no. 25



“I was a stranger and you welcomed me.”

For more information about the Program of Enculturation in Support of International Priests in Canada go to www.spicf.ca

Or contact Mary Smith
msmit324@uwo.ca
1-519-432-1824 ext. 284
or toll free 1-866-548-9649

A special thank you is extended to the Assembly of Catholic Bishops of Ontario for their financial support.



A PROGRAM OF ENCULTURATION IN SUPPORT OF THE
MINISTRY OF INTERNATIONAL PRIESTS IN CANADA

“I was a stranger and you welcomed me.”

ABOUT THE PROGRAM

"I Was a Stranger and You Welcomed Me" is a three-week program of enculturation in support of the ministry of international priests in Canada. The program's goal is to provide priests with an opportunity to learn more about the Church and culture in the Canadian context.

The program consists of a variety of presentations and workshops led by area experts and is designed to foster a learning community as participants work through five distinct areas of focus.

1. The Canadian Experience
2. Accent Clarity
3. Pastoring in the 21st Century
4. Sacramental and Liturgical Practices
5. Pastoral Concerns

Topics covered under these areas include:

- Multiculturalism
- Families
- Political, health, and legal systems
- Team ministry
- Diocesan policies
- Finances
- Leadership and governance
- Marriage
- RCIA
- Baptism
- Catholic schools
- Hospitals
- Youth ministry

There will also be many opportunities to build a network of friendships, as well as time for personal and communal prayer, reflection and worship.

The program will be conducted on adjoining campuses of St. Peter's Seminary and King's University College.

The program begins on the morning of Monday May 30 with an opening ceremony and concludes on the morning of Friday June 17 with a social and certificate ceremony.

Invitation to participate in the program is usually made by a diocesan bishop or leader of a religious community.

**Deadline for Registrations
February 28, 2011**

**The cost for this program is
\$2875.00.**

The registration fee includes course materials, accommodations, and all meals.

Limited bursaries are available.



Institute for Catholic Formation at St. Peter's Seminary

ICF supports the theological, ministerial, pastoral, catechetical, and liturgical life of the Church by providing formation, ongoing educational, and worship opportunities for the Roman Catholic Diocese of London.



St. Peter's Seminary

Inspired by the love of God, St. Peter's Seminary serves the Church in Canada and beyond as the Roman Catholic Seminary of the Diocese of London, providing an integrated program of spiritual, human, intellectual and pastoral formation and discernment for those preparing for priestly ministry according to the heart of Christ. The Seminary also provides an integrated program for those preparing for the permanent diaconate and lay ministry, and for those seeking to enrich their faith education.

Thank you to our partners



Cross Cultural Learner Centre
CCLC is a community organization that exists to provide settlement services and support to newcomers and to promote intercultural awareness and understanding.



King's University College
King's is a Catholic University College committed to the ongoing creation of a vital academic community animated by a Christian love of learning and the pursuit of Truth.



Assembly of Catholic Bishops of Ontario
The purpose of the ACBO is to elaborate and coordinate the pastoral activity common to the particular Churches of the province.