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SAVE THE DATE FOR THE 2010 ANNUAL CLERGY CONFERENCE: Monday, November 29 – Wednesday December 1

We are sending this reminder out NOW so you can be sure to save the date AND because if you will want \$ from the Continuing Education Committee this gives you to have the necessary info!

You are invited to the 2010

CLERGY CONFERENCE

"a gathering for Clergy to build up community among clergy of the diocese"

Monday noon – Wednesday noon, November 29 – December 1

Theme: "THE CHURCH AND NEW MEDIA: NEW WAYS TO SHARE THE GOOD NEWS"

Keynote speaker: The Rev Matthew Moretz, creator of "Father Matthew Presents"

Introduction to our Keynoter's presentations

A kind of cultural revolution has begun, and its name is "new media." The Internet is awash with writing and video that anyone can put online for anyone with a computer to view. The growing presence of this "new media" marks a sea change in our world akin to the Gutenberg press before the Reformation. "New media," both abundant and free, is disrupting the business models of formerly firm "old media" such as book publishers, Hollywood, newspapers, and cable. "New media," without geography or boundaries, will serve to alter forever how culture is transmitted from person to person. What does this sea change mean for the Church, one of the oldest mediums around?

Join the Rev. Matthew Moretz, a pioneer in new media for the Episcopal Church, as he explains the fundamentals of this cultural shift in clear and approachable terms. He will explain what the coming of "new media" means for the Episcopal Church and his visions for the future of our church in this frontier of human interactions. He will also introduce the mechanisms behind his online video series "Father Matthew Presents" ([www.fathermatthewpresents.com](http://www.fathermatthewpresents.com)) which serves as an introduction to Episcopal life and teaching using the modes of "new media." And, finally, he will present a beginners' tutorial and workshop for church leaders to develop the tools and skills publish their own "new media" on the Internet. (more info about our keynoter is at the end of this email)

Location: St Francis' Retreat House (3918 Chipman Rd, Easton, PA) You can see it and get driving directions at <http://www.stfrancisretreathouse.org/>

Cost: NO INCREASE FROM LAST YEAR! room with common bath is \$230; one with shared bath is \$280; and one with private en suite bath is \$330. Rooms are filled by the order in which reservations come in, so to get your choice reserve early!

Cost includes: room, all meals, beverages and snacks from lunch Monday through lunch Wednesday, speakers & program expenses. (All beverages Mon & Tues evening included)

The Conference Schedule will be somewhat different this year, details will follow -- but please note the

Keynote Speaker will make his first presentation Monday afternoon!

By popular demand, we'll bring back Jonathan Bowen, St Luke & the Epiphany's phenomenal musician, to lead music during worship and evening fellowship time

In keeping with Pennsylvania Clergy Conference tradition, participation in any activity is up to you. In keeping with our theme we encourage everyone to be there for the full time of the conference (but it is a fixed price regardless.) This conference can count toward Continuing Education hours.

#### 2010 CLERGY CONFERENCE REGISTRATION

(Please use this form, fill it in and mail with full payment to "ECAP" and memo "Clergy Conference" sent c/o The Rev Thomas Wand, 31 Kleyona Avenue, Phoenixville, PA 19460-2538.)

Name Name preferred on name tag:

Phone Email

Address

Special dietary needs:

Room \_\_\_\_with common bath is \$230

\_\_\_\_ with shared bath is \$280

\_\_\_\_ with private en suite bath is \$330.

Rooms will be assigned by order of receipt of Registration, so register early to be sure you get your preference!

Note we have to keep the price fixed at a per person rate, even if you choose to share a room or cannot stay the entire time. If you will need a double, please send in your registration with the other person.

Please let us know if you need a room with nearby elevator.

This event is eligible for supporting grants through the Diocesan Continuing Education Committee. Please be sure to submit applications by noon, Thursday, August 26th. Applications forms are available to download from the diocesan website at <http://www.diopa.org/assets/downloads/Application-Cont-Ed-Grant-2010.pdf> and should be sent to Jill Mathis, Continuing Education, Episcopal Diocese of PA, 240 South Fourth Street, Philadelphia, PA 19106. If you have questions about Continuing Education grants, please contact The Rev. Dr. Jean Mather, committee chair, by phone at 215-844-7274 or 215-843-2649 or by e-mail at [jmatherphila@juno.com](mailto:jmatherphila@juno.com) .

Supporting grants may also be available through the Clergy Wellness Fund. Contact The Rev Christine Ritter at DIOPA for details.

Please, contact these people if you need to - we don't want anyone to miss the conference due to financial considerations!

For Registration Questions, contact Tom Wand at [thoscwand@aol.com](mailto:thoscwand@aol.com) or 610/935-1830.

For Other questions, try Sunny Hallanan at [stjamese@verizon.net](mailto:stjamese@verizon.net) or 610/489-7564.

The Rev. Matthew Moretz was ordained as an Episcopal priest in 2006 and is the Curate at Christ's Church, Rye, New York. His life as an Episcopalian began at the Church of Good Shepherd in Augusta, Georgia. He discerned a call to the priesthood after his undergraduate work at Davidson College, and then received his MDiv from General Seminary. While working in Yonkers, New York during his first ordained position, he created "Father Matthew Presents", an internet video blog where he presents the treasures of Christianity one video at a time. He is excited about communicating the wisdom and tradition of the Church through the new genres and technologies of our day. Matthew is married to Melanie, a clinical psychologist and professor at

Yeshiva University.

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