

The Fifth Year [2011 - 2012]

In addition to participating in advocacy efforts across the Gulf South States and continuing to publish articles in the JustSouth Quarterly, E-newsletter, and other external publications, JSRI fellows gave the following presentations:

Summer 2012

August 27, 2012—Mikulich—Where Y'at Race, Whiteness and Economic Justice? A Map of White Complicity in the Economic Oppression of People of Color—Chapter Six in Mark Allman, ed., *The Almighty and the Dollar: Reflections on Economic Justice for All* (released by Anselm Academic).

August 23, 2012 - Dr. Sue Weishar and Fr. Fred Kammer worked with the Diocese of Jackson to prepare for legislative hearings on immigration legislation in Jackson, MS.

August 20, 2012 - Dr. Alex Mikulich was featured in Kerry Weber's America Magazine blog "[Poverty, Unions, Race and the Bishops' Labor Day Statement](#)."

June 22, 2012—Kammer—The Scriptural Roots of Contemporary Faithjustice—Loyola 2012 Alumni College, New Orleans, LA. Presentation to alumni on the Jewish and Christian Scriptural roots of the work for justice and peace in the context of higher education.

June 11-16, 2012— Fr. Fred Kammer—Co-Facilitated Cycle Two of Ministry of Management Seminar sponsored on the Loyola campus by the New Orleans Jesuit Province. Presentations on decision-making, boards of directors, and Ignatian leadership.

Spring 2012

May 12, 2012—Weishar—Impact of Anti-Immigration Legislation in Louisiana, Mississippi, and Alabama—Metairie, LA. Address to deacons from the Episcopal Diocese of Louisiana.

May 7, 2012—Weishar—Understanding the Context of Post-Katrina Migration to New Orleans—Duchesne House, New Orleans. Address to student volunteers from the University of Las Vegas.

April 24, 2012—Kammer—Human Rights and Dignity in Catholic Social Thought—Catholic Charities Leadership Circle in Houston, TX. Presentation on Catholic social thought, human rights and dignity, and the application to the work of Catholic Charities leaders.

March 28, 2011—Kammer—Not Just “Jesus and Me”: The Social Dimensions of the SPIRITUAL EXERCISES in Lenten series sponsored by University Ministry at Loyola. Reflections on the social and apostolic dimensions of the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius.

March 8, 2012—Mikulich—Usury and Interest in the Christian Tradition—Address to Family Impact Seminar on Predatory Payday Lending in Louisiana.

March 7, 2012—Weishar—Post-Katrina Immigration to New Orleans—Duchesne House, New Orleans, LA. Address to student volunteers from the University of San Diego.

March 1, 2012—Mikulich—Diminishing All of Us: The Death Penalty in Louisiana—white paper on the death penalty in Louisiana, coauthored with Sophie Cull.

Winter 2011-2012

February 29, 2012—Kammer—People of Faith and Anti-Immigration Legislation—Address to participants at the second annual Catholic Day at the Capitol in Jackson, MS. Application of Catholic social thought and the scriptures to pending anti-immigrant legislation in Mississippi.

February 12, 2012—Kammer—The Common Good and Health Care Reform—Catholic Health Association Physician Leader Forum in Washington, DC. Development and content of the concept of the common good and its applicability to U.S. health care reform.

February 8, 2012—Weishar—Immigration Answers for Diocese of Houma Priests—Houma, LA. Addressed questions from Houma Priests Council, including their concerns regarding proposed immigration enforcement legislation on their ministries. Attended by 40 priests of the Diocese of Houma and their bishop.

January 26 and 27, 2012—Weishar--Our Immigrant Heritage and Today's Immigrant—Academy of Our Lady High School, Marrero. Presentation to eight classes as part of school's social justice awareness program.

January 12-14, 2012—Kammer—Scripture, Social Justice, and the Jesuit Volunteer—Reorientation retreat for regional Jesuit Volunteers in Leakey, TX. Foundations in Scripture and Catholic Social Thought and application to the work of the volunteers.

January 11, 2012—Weishar—History of Migration to New Orleans-- Duchesne House, New Orleans, LA. Address to student volunteers from the University of Dayton.

December 8, 2011—Kammer—Respecting the Dignity and Potential of Each Human Person—Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of New Orleans Leadership Team. Training on human dignity in the context of contemporary Catholic social thought.

December 4, 2011—Kammer—Bringing Justice to the City—University of Notre Dame, South Bend, IN. Address on poverty and compassion to Urban Plunge students at Notre Dame University.

Fall 2011

November 2, 2011—Weishar—Building Social Capital Through International Education—University of Louisiana at Lafayette. Guest Speaker for 25th Anniversary Celebration of Phi Beta Delta, Honor Society for International Scholars, an organization co-founded by Dr. Weishar in 1997.

October 23, 2011 — Kammer — Care for the Poor: Challenges of Our Time — Collaborative Sponsor Formation Program in Chicago, IL. Role of Catholic health care institutions and leaders in social responsibility and advocacy for health care reform.

October 13, 2011 — Mikulich — The Hidden Border of Whiteness and Immigration — Race, Illegality, and Immigration Panelist for Imprisoned, Forgotten, and Deported Conference.

September 17, 2011 — Kammer — Building the City of God: Catholic Perspectives on Life in Louisiana — St. Joseph Spirituality Center, Baton Rouge, LA. Reflection on the 2009 Human Development Report on Louisiana and its implications for living an integral and responsible Christian life.