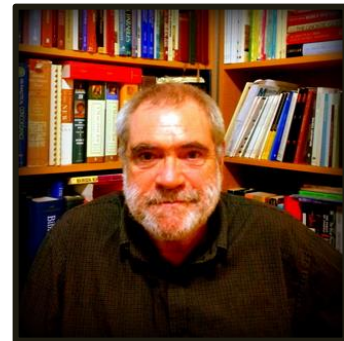




You are invited to join us for the  
43<sup>rd</sup> Annual Assembly  
of the  
Religious Brothers Conference  
July 18 – 21, 2014  
New Orleans, LA

## KEYNOTE SPEAKER

BR. MARK McVANN, F.S.C. is a Professor of Theology and Religious Studies at Saint Mary's College of California. He holds a Ph.D. from Emory University where he wrote his dissertation on the Gospel of Mark. He has been involved with editing *Listening* for more than twenty-five years, twelve of them as its editor-in-chief. Br. Mark is a widely published author whose work has appeared in *Listening*, *Biblical Theology Bulletin*, *Semeia*, *Estudios Biblicos*, among others, as well as in various volumes of biblical criticism, including *Handbook of Biblical Social Values* and *The Social World of Luke-Acts*. He teaches regularly as a visiting scholar at the Graduate Theological Union in Berkeley and lectures yearly on biblical and religious topics in Spanish and Portuguese in Peru and Brazil.



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## Assembly Schedule

<b>Friday</b>	3:00 hotel check-in begins	<b>Sunday</b>	3:00 – 4:30 business meeting
	5:30 opening prayer		5:30 liturgy
	6:00 dinner & opening remarks		6:30 reception
	7:00 introductions & social		7:30 annual banquet
<b>Saturday</b>	7:30 – 9:00 breakfast	<b>Monday</b>	7:30 – 9:00 breakfast
	9:00 morning prayer		9:00 morning prayer
	9:30 – 12:00 session I		9:30 – 11:30 session V
	12:00 lunch & siesta		11:45 – 12:30 feedback forum
	2:00 – 4:00 session II		12:30 Departure
	<i>Open evening for sightseeing</i>		
	7:00 – 8:30 evening program (optional)		
<b>Sunday</b>	7:30 – 9:00 breakfast		
	9:00 morning prayer		
	9:30 – 12:00 session III		
	12:00 lunch & siesta		
	1:30 – 2:30 session IV		

*Following Session II on Saturday participants are free to go sightseeing and dine out. We will not have an evening meal as a group.*

# Special Guests

This year the RBC welcomes **Sister Beth Fitzpatrick, O. Carm.** to our liturgy and banquet on Sunday. Sister Beth is the Vicar for Religious in the Archdiocese of New Orleans.

Our presider at liturgy on Sunday will be **Archbishop Gregory M. Aymond** of New Orleans. Bishop Aymond will also join us for our reception and banquet.

The music for our prayer services and our liturgy will be provided by a team from **Oregon Catholic Press.**

A representative from **NIX Conference Management Services** will join us in New Orleans to provide on-site management assistance for the assembly.

## Registration Information & Fees

Registration for this year's assembly will begin on **March 31, 2014.** All registrations must go through NIX Conference Management Services. Instructions for online registration can be found at [www.todaysbrother.com](http://www.todaysbrother.com). Those who wish to register by phone or mail or who wish to pay by check should call NIX at 1-800-266-0866. **Registration deadline is June 26.**

### **Early Bird Registration (April 15 – May 15)**

Assembly Fee & Meal Plan	300.00
Private Hotel Room (Friday, Saturday, Sunday)	300.00

### **Regular Registration (May 16 – June 26)**

Assembly Fee & Meal Plan	325.00
Private Hotel Room (Friday, Saturday, Sunday)	325.00

*Those who live in the New Orleans area and those who prefer to lodge elsewhere will have the option of registering and paying ONLY for the assembly fee and meal plan.*

## **Venue**

Convention Center Marriott  
859 Convention Center Way  
New Orleans, LA 70130  
Phone: 504-613-2888

Please note the street address—there is a second Marriott in the immediate area. Guests who wish to arrive up to three days early or stay up to three days later at the

hotel will have the option to do so at the rate of 99.00 per night plus tax. You will be able to reserve extra nights at the hotel during the registration process.

## **Internet**

Our rooms include complimentary Wi-Fi.

## **Transportation**

Shuttle service from the New Orleans airport is convenient, easy to use, and less expensive than a taxi. You may make a reservation ahead of time by calling 866-596-2699 or by visiting [www.airportshuttleneworleans.com](http://www.airportshuttleneworleans.com). You will need your flight information to make a reservation. You may also purchase a shuttle ride at the airport after your plane arrives for the same price. The published price for a round-trip shuttle ride from the airport to the Convention Center Marriott and back is 38.00. Gratuity not included.

## **Parking**

Hotel day parking rate: 10.00

Hotel overnight parking rate: 20.00

## **Sightseeing**

The French Quarter and other attractions are within walking distance of the hotel. Taxi service is also available. There is no evening meal on Saturday but there are a number of restaurants in the immediate vicinity as well as a restaurant inside the Marriott. Attendees are encouraged to make dinner plans for Saturday ahead of time and to check on reservation policies. The concierge at the hotel will also assist you with restaurant information.

## **Scholarships**

The RBC Board is offering a limited number of scholarships for Brothers who wish to join us this year but who may need financial assistance. All Brothers—including novices, those in temporary profession, and formation directors—are encouraged to apply. Contact our offices for more information.



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