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Dear Colleague:

I am writing to you to ask your help in identifying one of your promising graduate students in Scripture as the 2009-10 Lawrence E. Boadt Professorship in Scripture Studies for EPS (Education for Parish Service).

The Boadt Professorship affords a unique teaching opportunity for an upcoming generation of Scripture scholars who are doctoral candidates and exhibit commitment to the lay vocation and mission.

In addition to teaching one Scripture course for EPS, each year’s scholar will give a public lecture about his or her research, to which a senior Scripture professor will respond. EPS will offer the prestige of the appointment as The Lawrence E. Boadt Professor of Scripture, and a teaching stipend higher than EPS would normally offer a doctoral candidate.

EPS will consider nominations from candidates at universities within commuting distance of EPS certificate programs, which are held in the Archdiocese of Washington, and the Dioceses of Arlington, VA, and Bridgeport, CT.

Paulist Father Father Larry Boadt has a long-standing relationship with EPS as a Professor of Old Testament, spiritual pilgrimage guide, trustee, academic programs committee chair, and, most recently, as EPS Board of Trustees Chair. The professorship was funded by an endowment by EPS benefactors Margaret and James Johnston.

EPS is a certificate-based theological education program for lay Catholics. Begun in 1978, EPS’s mission is to build on the firm foundation of Church teaching to provide adult lay Catholics with a solid intellectual and spiritual grounding for their faith, so they can understand, live and share it in their homes, parishes, community and workplaces. More information on EPS is available on our website: http://eps.trinitydc.edu.

Deadline for applications is May 15, 2009. An application form is enclosed and you are welcome to distribute it to your students along with this explanation. Candidates should contact EPS President Dr. Margaret McCarty for further information and an application form at (202) 884-9021 or mccartym@trinitydc.edu.

Thank you for distributing this letter to your colleagues and students. We look forward to receiving their applications for the 2009-10 Lawrence E. Boadt Professorship in Scripture Studies for Education for Parish Service (EPS).

Sincerely,

Dr. Margaret McCarty
EPS President