



# BCTS

## BLACKCATHOLIC THEOLOGICAL SYMPOSIUM

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### **Black Catholic Theological Symposium elects new leadership.**

October 14, 2011 - The Black Catholic Theological Symposium, a national interdisciplinary theological association of Black Roman Catholic Scholars from the United States, Africa and the Caribbean, held their 22<sup>nd</sup> annual meeting at Marquette University on October 6 – 9, 2011. During their gathering the membership elected new officers. We are pleased to announce the new leadership for the organization.

CONVENER	Dr. C. Vanessa White	Catholic Theological Union
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The term of office is three years.

The Black Catholic Theological Symposium is the only interdisciplinary theological association of Roman Catholics of African descent in the United States. Reconvened in 1991 by Sr. Dr. Jamie T. Phelps, OP, it is celebrating its 20<sup>th</sup> year as a reconstituted organization of Black Roman Catholic Scholars. Full Membership to the BCTS is open to Roman Catholics of Black African descent holding doctoral degrees in theological or theologically related disciplines (history, spirituality, sociology, psychology, education, anthropology). Associate and Affiliate memberships are also available by invitation. Members of the BCTS are currently professors at universities and seminaries as well as activist/scholars ministering in diverse environments and locations. The BCTS meets annually for intellectual examination and critical discussion of topics and themes relevant to the life of Black Catholics.

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