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### **A Blueprint for Responsibility: Responding to Crises with Collaborative Solutions**

The 2010 Annual Meeting of the National Leadership Roundtable on Church Management

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The Wharton School at the University of Pennsylvania

Jon M. Huntsman Hall (3730 Walnut Street, Philadelphia)

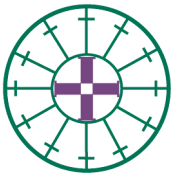
#### **High-ranking Catholic Church officials, lay experts to address financial, sex abuse crises**

Catholic Church officials and lay experts will address the twin crises facing the Catholic Church in the United States at the 2010 annual meeting of the National Leadership Roundtable on Church Management later this month in Philadelphia. The conference, "A Blueprint for Responsibility: Responding to Crises with Collaborative Solutions," will offer ideas to strengthen the Church as it encounters new revelations of clergy sexual abuse across the globe, as well as address the precarious situation in which Catholic organizations find themselves as a result of the worldwide economic collapse.

A panel addressing the sex-abuse crisis, and the lessons learned from the US response, will include the Most Rev. Blase Cupich, bishop of Rapid City and chair of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops' (USCCB) Committee on Protection of Children and Young People; Teresa M. Kettelkamp, the executive director of the USCCB Secretariat of Child and Youth Protection; Diane Knight, chair of the USCCB National Review Board; and Kathleen McChesney, CEO of Kinsale Management Consulting and founding director of the USCCB Office for Child and Youth Protection, who was the highest ranking woman in the history of the FBI.

"The expertise and knowledge captured in this panel is truly unprecedented and the discussion will offer a thorough and comprehensive understanding of how the Church in the United States responded to the sex abuse crisis over the past decade," said Kerry Robinson, executive director of the Leadership Roundtable. "Anyone interested in understanding the policies that work toward ending sex abuse and how they apply to all segments of society will learn a great deal from this panel."

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An array of Catholic business leaders will offer their thoughts and ideas on the financial situation facing the Church, including ways to ensure that organizations remain worthy of philanthropic generosity through the adoption of best financial practices. Presenting at the conference are Jack Connors, founding partner and Chairman Emeritus of Boston-based Hill, Holliday, Connors, Cosmopolos, Inc., a full-service marketing communications company; John Kaneb, chairman of HP Hood LLC, and a partner of the Boston Red Sox; and Dr. Paul Schervish, director of the Center on Wealth and Philanthropy at Boston College. Alan Rappaport, chair of GuideStar, will lead a workshop on a pooled-investment strategy pilot program.

Jesuit priest Jim Martin, culture editor of *America* magazine and a former executive at General Electric, will deliver a talk entitled "Joy in the Face of Adversity: Learning from the Saints," and John Allen, senior correspondent for National Catholic Reporter and CNN Vatican analyst, will address the need for greater collaboration within the global Church.

Catholic Relief Services and the Most Rev. Dale Melczek with the Diocese of Gary, IN, will each be presented with the 2010 Leadership Roundtable Best Practices Award.

A panel of Leadership Roundtable trustees, including Dr. Chuck Geschke, co-founder of Adobe software, and Dr. Carol Fowler, director of personnel for the Archdiocese of Chicago, will update the Leadership Roundtable members on the ongoing work of the organization.

The meeting will be held at the Wharton School at the University of Pennsylvania in Philadelphia, June 24-25.

The Leadership Roundtable is an organization of laity, religious, and clergy working together to promote excellence and best practices in the management, finances, and human resource development of the Catholic Church in the U.S. through the greater incorporation of the expertise of the laity. It brings together leaders from the worlds of business, finance, academia, philanthropy, non-profit organizations, and the Church to serve the Catholic Church in the United States. The Leadership Roundtable serves the Church through its Standards for Excellence program; ChurchEpedia, a collection of best practices; and consultancy services, which have assisted several archdioceses, dioceses, and religious communities across the country. For more information, visit [www.TheLeadershipRoundtable.org](http://www.TheLeadershipRoundtable.org).

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