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The Pierre Toussaint Scholars Program (PTSP) and the Office of Black Ministry (OBM) are proud to announce the incoming class of Pierre Toussaint Scholars -17 college-bound, student-leaders of diverse cultural, ethnic and national backgrounds; from various high schools (Catholic, public, and private schools), and members of various Archdiocesan parishes. These new scholars were chosen from an applicant pool of very talented, very involved high school seniors, based upon three major criteria: academic excellence, involvement in the church community, and engagement in service to others.

The following student-leaders constitute our incoming Pierre Toussaint Scholars for the 2021-22 academic year:

1. **Ms. Brianna A.** – *Columbia University – New York, NY*  
(St. Luke’s Church, Bronx / The H.S for Math, Science & Engineering @ CCNY)
2. **Mr. Martin A.** – *Amherst College – Amherst, MA*  
(St. Luke’s Church, Bronx / Church Farm School, PA)
3. **Ms. Brooke B.** – *Spelman College – Atlanta, GA*  
(Sts. Philip & James Church, Bronx / School of the Holy Child, Rye)
4. **Mr. Anthony B.** – *Binghamton University – Binghamton, NY*  
(St. Luke’s Church, Bronx / Democracy Prep Charter High School, Bronx)
5. **Ms. Eden B.** – *Marymount Manhattan College – New York, NY*  
(St. Raymond’s Church, Bronx / Preston High School, Bronx)
6. **Mr. Xavier C.** -  
(St. Charles Borromeo Church, Harlem / Mount St. Michael Academy, Bronx)
7. **Ms. Thailand D.** – *SUNY Albany – Albany, NY*  
(St. Charles Borromeo Church, Harlem / Repertory Company HS for the Theatre Arts)
8. **Mr. Joseph G.** – *Fordham University – Bronx, NY*  
(St. Clare of the Assisi, Bronx / Cardinal Spellman High School, Bronx)
9. **Ms. Christy N.** – *St. John’s University – Queens, NY*  
(St. Nicholas of Tolentine Church, Bronx / Academy of Mount St. Ursula, Bronx)
10. **Ms. Amber Lyric P.** – *Syracuse University – Syracuse, NY*  
(St. Charles Borromeo Church, Harlem / Leman Manhattan Preparatory School, NYC)
11. **Ms. Katherine Q.** - *John Jay College – New York, NY*  
(Church of the Assumption Church, Peekskill / Peekskill High School)
12. **Mr. Daniel R.** – *Baruch College – New York, NY*  
(Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Harlem / All Hallows High School, Bronx)

13. **Mr. Curtis S. – College of Mount Saint Vincent – Bronx, NY**  
(St. Raymond's Church, Bronx / St. Raymond High School for Boys, Bronx)
14. **Ms. Misa Love S. –**  
(St. Charles Borromeo Church, Harlem / Repertory Company HS for Theatre Arts, NY)
15. **Ms. Sophia S. –**  
(Holy Family Church, Staten Island / St. Joseph Hill Academy, Staten Island)
16. **Ms. Janay S. – University of Miami – Coral Gables, FL**  
(St. Charles Borromeo Church, Harlem / Columbia Grammar & Preparatory School, NY)
17. **Mr. Alexander W. – Fairfield University – Fairfield, CT**  
(St. Barnabas Church, Bronx / The Loyola School, NYC)



These new scholars will join 65 continuing P.T. Scholars (on both the undergraduate & graduate/professional school levels). The P.T. Scholars attend over 45 different colleges and universities around the country, studying in a variety of majors, including: education, medicine, law, engineering, theology (preparing for the priesthood), public health, dance, etc. Scholars come from over 45 different parishes throughout the Archdiocese, where they continue to be actively involved in various ministries.

We are also pleased to announce that a number of our P.T. Scholars have completed their course of studies and have graduated this spring. **One of our Pierre Toussaint Scholars was just ordained to the Priesthood for the Archdiocese of New York - FATHER WESBEE VICTOR.** He is currently engaged in a summer assignment at Holy Name of Jesus Church in Manhattan, before returning to The Theological College, in Washington, D.C., for an extra year of studies to complete his Licentiate (S.T.L.) in Moral Theology!



### **PTSP Questions & Answers:**

1. **What is the primary purpose of the Pierre Toussaint Scholars Program (PTSP)?**  
*The primary purpose of the PTSP is to support the continued development of mature 21<sup>st</sup> century leaders for our Church and communities - i.e. leaders for TODAY & tomorrow.*
2. **Is the PTSP a financial aid program?**  
*NO; the PTSP is a leadership-development, service program; sponsored by Church, inspired by the Good News; and focused on evangelization in a modern world. There is a financial award, which is renewable for continued years of study, based upon the scholar meeting the basic requirements of the program.*
3. **How is the PTSP supported?**  
*The PTSP is supported by: The Cardinal's Annual Stewardship Appeal; Catholic Charities; Black & Indian Mission Fund, Daniel Rudd Fund of the National Black Catholic Congress, the Annual Gala, and the generous support of individuals, organizations, partner schools and parish communities.*

