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Events

- 1/17 - Storytelling for Social Justice
- 1/18 - Study Abroad Info Session
- 1/18 - RHA: Trivia Night
- 1/19 - Swing Dance Club
- 1/20 - Suicide Awareness and Prevention Training

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Did You Know?

Moraga depends on volunteers to serve on all of its boards, committees, and commissions. In 2017, there will be openings on the Audit and Finance Committee (two), Design Review Board (two), Local Sales Tax Oversight Committee (four), Park and Recreation Commission (four) and Planning Commission (four). If interested, please complete the appropriate board, committee or commission application and questionnaire, and submit a letter of interest and your resume to the Town Clerk's Office, 329 Rheem Boulevard, or email the Town Clerk by 5 p.m. on Jan. 26. For more information, visit www.moraga.ca.us.

Do you have a little-known tidbit or story about Saint Mary's? Send it to **Campus News**.

Higher Education and the Work of Democracy

Provost Beth Dobkin addresses the Saint Mary's community about supporting a healthy democracy and principled participation as we begin a week bracketed by Martin Luther King Jr. Day and the presidential inauguration. "As long as isolation and ignorance prevail, we will struggle to identify a collective longing and acquire the knowledge and skills that sustain a vibrant democracy."



Honoring Martin Luther King Jr.



In recognition of the Martin Luther King Jr. national holiday, "Penny for Your Thoughts, Exploring Personal Stories of Crossing Cultural and Racial Barriers," with Diane Ferlatte and Erik Pearson, kicks off RADIUS, January Term's first arts festival tonight, 7-9 p.m. in the Soda

Center. The **campus-wide festival** features performances by students, faculty, and world-renowned artists Anna Halprin and Rhodessa Jones.

Faculty Awarded SMC Research Grants



Ten faculty members have received SMC Faculty Research Grants, in the third year of the program that awards \$7,500 to \$9,000 annually. **Come celebrate faculty research, scholarship, and creative activity** at Saint Mary's and honor the 10 recipients (including Vidya Chandrasekaran, above left), as well as the winners of the Annual Faculty Awards Feb. 17, 5-7 p.m. at Hagerty Lounge in De La Salle

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Lasallian Reflections



For the week of **Jan. 17.**

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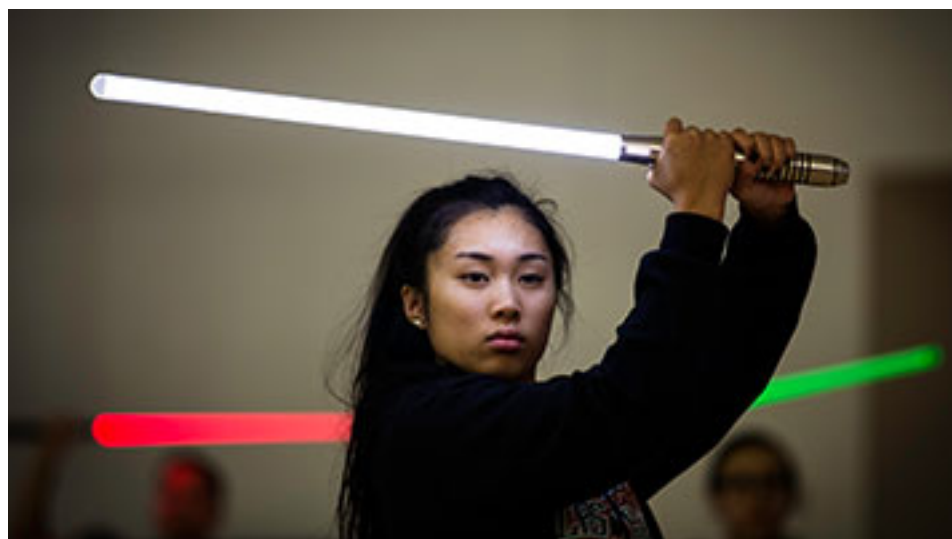
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Alumni Awards Dinner

Join us Saturday night, 5–8 p.m. at the Soda Center, to celebrate six outstanding Gaels (including faculty member Raina León MFA '16, right) for their contributions to the College and their communities. Staff and faculty are invited to use the promo code VIP15 for \$15 off the ticket price. Read [event details](#), [award-winner bios](#), and [RSVP](#).



View from Jan Term



Justina Jew '20 finds the force during Lightsaber Day in the Jan Term class, "Fencing and Swords in History and Popular Culture." Students learned how to use 38 lightsabers under the tutelage of a fight choreographer last week.

SMC in the News

- [ABC7, NBC Bay Area News](#) interview SMC's Alexandra LaGatta about end of drought.

Go Gaels

Saint Mary's Men's Tennis Opens Season with Hot Start

On the first day of the spring season, [the men's tennis team displayed dominance](#), as the team defeated American River CC, 6-1, and Sonoma State, 7-0 at the Timothy Korth Tennis Complex this weekend.



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- [SMC Gaels on Twitter](#)

Religious Services

- Sunday Mass in the Chapel is at 11 a.m. and 8 p.m.
- Daily Mass takes place Mon.-Thurs., 5:15 p.m., and Fri. at 7 a.m.
- Sacrament of Reconciliation is Sun., 7-7:45 p.m., or by appt.
- St. Giles Episcopal Eucharist is each Sunday at 9 a.m.

Religious Services Schedule

Let us remember that we are in the holy presence of God.