



ST. RAYMOND DE PEÑAFORT

RACIAL JUSTICE LEARNING GROUP

Learning to actively promote racial tolerance, to overcome prejudices, and to resist discrimination is a re-education process for many of us. Becoming aware of where we can grow in our call to love one another as God loves us, can allow God to help heal and change us. With God, we can open our hearts to hearing and heeding this call.

CONTINUE LEARNING MORE ABOUT OUR AMERICAN STORY: THE GREAT MIGRATION

As we come to the end of this year's Black History Month, we will continue to learn and reflect on another chapter of our American story as a way to better understand our country as it is today. Learning about our nation's history may be difficult and even upsetting. We should not move away from this history because it is uncomfortable. In fact, we should move toward it because it is uncomfortable.

Last month, we learned about the history and impact of Jim Crow laws in the US after the end of the Civil War and Reconstruction. This month, we will be learning about the motivations and the positive and negative consequences (both immediate and long-lasting) of the Great Migration, a period between 1910 and 1970 that saw dramatic shifts in the demographics within our country, especially in northern cities like Chicago.

During our meeting we will be watching, pausing, and discussing two videos, "The Great Migration" and "The Red Summer of 1919." in which Clint Smith, an author and writer for The Atlantic, walks us through the historical context of this time in our history.

**"WE CANNOT TOLERATE OR
TURN A BLIND EYE TO
RACISM OR EXCLUSION IN
ANY FORM AND YET CLAIM
TO DEFEND THE
SACREDNESS OF EVERY
HUMAN LIFE."**

Pope Francis, 2020

**WE MEET
FROM 8 - 9:15 PM
ON ZOOM**

**UPCOMING MEETINGS:
FEBRUARY 28**

MAR 28 . APR 25 . MAY TBD

Please join your fellow parishioners as we learn together!

**WANT TO
LEARN MORE?**

WATCH:

"THE GREAT MIGRATION:
CRASH COURSE BLACK
AMERICAN HISTORY #24" (13 MIN)
CLINT SMITH

<https://youtu.be/Woh63FIFDBk>

"THE RED SUMMER OF 1919:
CRASH COURSE BLACK
AMERICAN HISTORY #25" (13 MIN)
CLINT SMITH

https://youtu.be/Q_1Zwm8N_vo



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