



# A SPRING AWAKENING

A Social Justice Immersion Experience

**March 23 - March 27, 2026**  
**Chicago, IL**

## INFORMATION SHEET

### Travel

**Are You Flying to Chicago?** If you are able, plan on flying into Midway Airport. O'Hare Airport is about 2 hours away from CTU.

There are no airport shuttles available at either airport. To get to our hotel, plan to use taxis, Lyft, Uber, or public transportation. Cost will vary. .

### Housing

A bank of rooms has been reserved at :

Hyatt Place, Chicago South, 5225 S Harper Ave, Chicago, IL

YOU DO NOT NEED TO CALL THE HOTEL TO MAKE RESERVATIONS.

Parking is available at the hotel - daily rate is \$40.00 .

### Cost

**All participants are asked to pay a registration fee of \$100.00.** Scholarships are available. For more information about scholarships, please contact Vicky Otto at [votto@pbspiritualityinstitute.org](mailto:votto@pbspiritualityinstitute.org).

**If paying by check:** Make checks payable to Precious Blood Spirituality Institute  
Mail to: Vicky Otto, Precious Blood Spirituality Institute, P.O. Box 197, Liberty, MO 64069

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## Over for Tentative Schedule

# **Tentative Plan for our Experience**

## **Subject to Change**

### **Monday, March 23, 2026**

Our time together begins with prayer, social time, and dinner at Catholic Theological Union (CTU). We'll meet one another, review the plan for the days ahead and address any questions.

### **Tuesday, March 24, 2026**

We begin the day with breakfast and Mass at CTU, followed by panel discussions and group reflection on the immigration crisis in the United States. After lunch, we head to the New Life Center to participate in various service activities. We will join the community at the Center for dinner and return to CTU for shared reflection and closing prayer.

### **Wednesday, March 25, 2026**

The day begins with breakfast at CTU, an exploration of environmental and resource concerns that call us to a deeper responsibility for caring for the earth, followed by a conversation about a farm project in Chicago. We then travel to the Precious Blood Ministry of Reconciliation for lunch and a session with Fr. Dave Kelly about restorative justice, hope, and radical hospitality. The visit includes a tour of the facilities and time with staff and program participants. We return to CTU for dinner, shared reflection, and closing prayer.

### **Thursday, March 26, 2026**

The day begins with breakfast and Mass at CTU, followed by a panel presentation inviting us to explore the lived experiences and concerns of our LGBTQ+ brothers and sisters. After lunch, we travel to the well-known Center on Halsted, a place of welcome and advocacy that has supported LGBTQ+ health, wellness, and other cultural enrichment since 1973.

We return to CTU for our last evening together to close our time with ritual and joyful celebration, sharing a festive dinner that honors the relationships formed and the experiences that have shaped us throughout our time together.