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Don Bosco Cristo Rey High School

**Fr. Abraham Feliciano, SDB** Receives *Golden Apple* Award

Congratulations to **Fr. Abraham Feliciano, SDB**, theology faculty member and director of faith formation and youth ministry. He has been selected as one of ten Golden Apple Award recipients at this first annual archdiocesan awards ceremony.

The award will be granted by **Archbishop Donald Wuerl** at a dinner on May 7, for demonstrating an outstanding commitment and witness to Gospel values in a Catholic school in the Archdiocese of Washington. The award is offered in only four dioceses around the country and includes a \$5,000 prize and golden apple.

In reflecting on his nearly eight years of teaching and sixteen years of youth ministry experience, Fr. Abe pointed to the example of St. John Bosco as his guide and said, "St. John Bosco held as one of his maxims that 'Education is a matter of the heart, not the mind.' Consequently, I make every effort as a Salesian priest to foster a positive, kind and healthy relationship with each person in my charge. It is my aim to let them know that I am not merely there to teach a subject, but rather to teach and learn alongside real persons – them! Moreover, I want them to know that I believe in them, in their God-given gifts and talents, in their goodness, and in the plan that their loving God has prepared for each and every one of them."

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