

THE REVEREND AL McKNIGHT AWARD

June 15, 2022

“Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt,
you shall raise up the foundations of many generations;
you shall be called the repairer of the breach,
the restorer of streets to live in.”

Isaiah 58:12

The members of the Joint Conference select, on special occasions, to honor the life and ministry of Fr. Al McKnight, C.S.Sp., a tireless and exemplary apostle of justice and reconciliation.

An award in his name has been bestowed on an individual, a community, or an institution that reflects the call to announce good news to the poor; release to the captives; recovery from the blindness of injustice, fear and hopelessness; and the proclamation of the Lord’s favor on those who seek righteousness in their lives and justice in this world.

CRITERIA FOR NOMINATION

Nominations for this award will be solicited from the members of the National Black Catholic Clergy Caucus, The National Black Sisters’ Conference, the National Association of Black Catholic Seminarians, during those years designated as a Joint Conference year session.

All nominations should be submitted by **June 15** of the designated year, and will be reviewed by an Award Committee, named by the Joint Conference Planning Committee.

The criteria:

Notable public commitment to service to the poor, the marginalized, the abandoned and oppressed;

Leadership efforts toward the building or continuance of programs or institutions dedicated to the improvement of the society;

Bearing witness to the prophetic call to “speak truth to power”;

The ability to “celebrate in the midst of sorrow, to hope in the depths of despair and to fight for freedom in the face of all obstacles” (excerpt from What We Have Seen and Heard)

Submitted by Joint Conference Father Al McKnight Standing Committee
Sister Magdala Marie Gilbert, OSP, Friar Douglas McMillian, OFM Conv., Father Joseph A. Brown, SJ

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NOMINATION FORM

NAME OF NOMINEE:

ADDRESS:

PHONE AND E-MAIL:

STATUS:

NUMBER OF YEARS IN RELIGIOUS LIFE: _____

MEMBERSHIP IN NBCCC _____ NBSC _____ NABCS _____

19 _____ through 20 _____

CONTRIBUTIONS TO ORGANIZATION: _____

ON SEPARATE SHEET:

PLEASE PROVIDE A BIOGRAPHICAL STATEMENT ABOUT NOMINEE, AND NAME OF **ONE REFERENCE** WHO COULD PROVIDE ADDITIONAL INFORMATION. BRIEFLY STATE SIGNIFICANT CONTRIBUTIONS THIS PERSON HAS MADE AS A MODEL OF THE SPIRIT, COURAGE AND SPIRITUAL CHARISMA OF FATHER AL MCKNIGHT.

Signature

***All nomination forms must bear the signature of an NBCCC, NBSC, and NABCS member.**

Deadline for nominations – JUNE 15, 2022

Please submit your ballot by June 15, 2022 to NBSC Office via one of the following:

Email: NBSC@nbsc68.com

or

Fax to 202-529-1620

or

National Black Sisters Conference
Father Al McKnight Award
415 Michigan Avenue NE – Suite 102
Theological College - McCormick Pavilion
Washington, DC 20017

All mailed must be post marked no later than

JUNE 15, 2022

Thanking you in advance,

Father Joseph A. Brown, SJ
Friar Douglas McMillan, OFM Conv.
Sister Magdala Marie Gilbert, OSP - Chair