

News Release

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Father General Peter-Hans Kolvenbach Visits Cleveland
October 4th and 5th

The Very Reverend Peter-Hans Kolvenbach, S.J., will visit Cleveland and Saint Martin de Porres High School this Wednesday, October 4th and Thursday, October 5th. Father Kolvenbach is the 29th and current Superior General of the Society of Jesus, the largest religious order of the Roman Catholic Church.

Father Kolvenbach will arrive in Akron on Wednesday, and will visit Walsh Jesuit High School prior to visiting John Carroll University where he will speak with John Carroll University leadership and give an address to Board Members of Jesuit Institutions and Saint Martin de Porres High School representatives. On Thursday morning, Father Kolvenbach will visit Saint Martin de Porres High School where he will listen to a presentation given by Saint Martin's President, Richard F. Clark and meet students, faculty, administration and staff.

"It is an honor to have Fr. Kolvenbach visit our city and our school. The Detroit Province has been incredibly supportive of Saint Martin de Porres High School and to be included in the General's visit is another way the Jesuit order continues to support our mission here," said Mr. Clark.

Father Kolvenbach was elected Superior General during the 33rd General Congregation of the Society of Jesus. On February 2, 2006, Father Kolvenbach, informed members of the Society of Jesus, that with the consent of Pope Benedict XVI, he intends to step down in 2008, the year he will turn 80.

Saint Martin de Porres High School is endorsed by the Detroit Province of the Society of Jesus and the Sisters of the Humility of Mary, in addition to the Cassin Education Educational Initiative Foundation and the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation.

St. Martin de Porres High School is part of the Cristo Rey Network of schools, and is dedicated to transforming urban Cleveland one student at a time through an innovative college preparatory curriculum rooted in the development of habits of mind and spirit, a unique partnership with the business community reflected in our Corporate Work Study Program and a caring, Catholic community.