

# News from the Chair

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**Last issue this academic year.**

## **Prof. Dr. Bärbel Beinhauer-Köhler to Speak on VISUAL CULTURES OF WORLD RELIGIONS Tuesday, April 21, 3.30 – 5.00 pm Raynor Library Conference Center, Suite A**

Since religious rituals and practices have been recognized to contain an aesthetic as well as an emotional dimension, visual experiences have become an important topic in religious studies. Perspectives of viewing the divine differ between religions based on theological presumptions and rituals. For example, Hindus practice darshan which means an exchange of gazes between anthropomorphic and zoomorphic gods and believers, the Near Eastern monotheistic tradition in contrast displays many rules to represent God in a perceivable form that still hides the divine's true essence. Thus even though there is a difference in the modality of representation, many religions rely on visual aids in seeking the experience of the divine. This presentation will guide us through some theoretical and methodological questions while showing relevant examples from the visual cultures in world religions. Professor Beinhauer-Köhler is from Johann Wolfgang Goethe-Universität, Frankfurt am Main, Germany.

## **Dr. Patrick Carey To Give Kelly Chair Lecture April 16 in DS 105:**

### **CATHOLIC SOCIALISM IN THE USA, 1895-1920**

During the first two decades of the twentieth century, Socialism had its greatest impact in American society, and some Catholics, clerical as well as lay, found the Socialist critiques and proposals for economic reforms attractive. This lecture focuses on those Catholic Socialists who tried either to reconcile their Catholicism with their Socialism or to separate their religious beliefs from their economic theories. Although Catholic Socialism was a minor episode in American Catholic history, it demonstrates that Socialism was an internal as well as an external threat to Catholic theories of social justice, and helps to explain the avalanche of anti-Socialist Catholic literature in the United States.

## THEO 1 Teaching Workshops Continue

Dr. Deirdre Dempsey, Director of the undergraduate program, is assuming leadership in orienting new THEO 1 instructors. The Department of Theology hosted a lunch on March 24th for everyone who will be teaching Theo 1 next Fall, as well as to the grad students and recent Ph.D.'s who will be teaching second level classes.

Finding out more about what academic preparation these students have had is a help to THEO 1 instructors. Dr. Ellen Eckman and Dr. Kathleen Cepelka, both from the College of Education spoke about high school curricula. Dr. Cepelka was principal at Catholic Memorial for a number of years, and addressed the Catholic high school curricula. Dr. Eckman is very knowledgeable about the public high school curricula, having spent some years at Nicolet. The presentation gave a good idea of what high school classes our students will have had before coming to Marquette.

## Upcoming Events

April 9-13	Easter holiday
April 16	Kelly Chair Lecture, Dr. Patrick Carey
April 21	Lecture on World Religions
April 23	Departmental Meeting
May 5-10	Final examinations
May 12	Departmental Meeting
May 17-18	Baccalaureate and Commencement

## Faculty News

Fr. Robert Doran and Ph. D. student Jeremy Blakewood have both been selected to give papers at the West Coast Methods Institute, an annual Lonergan-oriented workshop, at Loyola Marymount University, April 16-18. Fr. Doran's is "The Four Entia Supernaturalia: Expanding the 1957 Hypothesis with Earlier Course Notes," and Jeremy Blackwood's is "Sanctifying Grace, Elevation, and the Fifth Level."

Fr. Robert Doran published Robert M. Doran, 'Discernment and Lonergan's Fourth Level of Consciousness,' *Gregorianum* 89:4 (2008) 790-802

Fr. Alexander Golitzin addressed the Jewish Roots of Christian Mysticism Seminar Thursday, March 19 on "The Vision of Dorotheus: An Early Christian Example of Heavenly Journey"

Dr. Michel Barnes will give the Yves Simon lecture on "Desire in a World of Bad Habits: Augustine on Faith and Virtue" April 3, at the University of Chicago Divinity School. The next day he will give an introduction on Benedict's Trinitarian theology and lead a discussion on selections from a number of his writings, including *Deus Caritas Est* at the Lumen Christi Institute at the University of Chicago.

David Schultenover announces the arrival of his edited volume, *The Reception of Pragmatism in France and the Rise of Roman Catholic Modernism, 1890-1914* (Washington, D. C.: Catholic University of America Press, 2009).

## Massingale Receives "Faculty STAR" Award

Fr. Bryan Massingale was one of six faculty who received the "Faculty STAR" award "for positive and lasting effects within the Marquette community through means of teaching." The awards are based on resident student nominations and a student review board. The St. Joan of Arc Chapter of the National Residence Hall Honorary recognizes those faculty members who have positively affected the lives of the students in the residence halls and university apartments and those who have come into the residence halls or apartments for programming.