Archimandrite Alexander [Golitzin] Elected as Bishop of the Bulgarian Diocese

At Saint Sergius of Radonezh Chapel, October 4, 2011, the members of the Holy Synod of Bishops of the Orthodox Church in America elected Archimandrite Alexander [Golitzin] to the vacant See of Toledo and the Bulgarian Diocese. He was nominated for the vacant see at the diocese’s Fifth Congress-Sobor held in Toledo, OH on Saturday, June 9, 2011.

A native of Saint Innocent Church, Tarzana, CA, Archimandrite Alexander received a BA in English from the University of California at Berkeley and an M.Div. from Saint Vladimir’s Seminary. He spent seven years pursuing doctoral studies at Oxford University in England under His Eminence, Metropolitan Kallistos [Ware]. During this time, he also spent two years in Greece, including one year at Simonos Petras Monastery on Mount Athos.

After receiving his D.Phil. in 1980, he returned to the U.S., where he was ordained to the diaconate in January, 1982, and to the priesthood two years later. In 1986, he was tonsured to monastic orders. He served OCA missions in northern California and headed the Diocese of the West’s mission committee. In 1989, he took a teaching position at Milwaukee’s Marquette University in the Theology Department, a position that he holds today.

The Bulgarian Diocese includes 19 parishes and missions and one monastery.

Reverend William Kelly, S.J., Receives O'Donnell Civic Achievement Award

Rev. William J. Kelly, S.J. was presented with the 2011 William F. O'Donnell Civic Achievement Award in recognition of his many contributions to Milwaukee and its Irish community, by the Ancient Order of Hibernians, Milwaukee Division.

“Reverend William J. Kelly, S.J., has dedicated his life to the service of God as professor of theology at Marquette University, as a teacher and author of significant works of theological scholarship, and in ongoing work in support of the mission and ideals of the university. In 1999, in honor of his many years of faithful service in the Jesuit tradition, the Presidential Chair at Marquette University was renamed the Reverend William J. Kelly, S.J. Chair in Catholic Theology.

Just as importantly, Father Kelly has engaged the Milwaukee community. For more than 26 years, his encouragement and enthusiasm as chaplain to the Marquette University men’s basketball team have been an integral part of its success. His ongoing support of, and service to, the Ancient Order of Hibernians, Milwaukee Division, continues to animate the division and to preserve its mission of service. Since its refounding nearly 25 years ago as a result in part of his inspiration and efforts, Father Kelly has worked tirelessly to support the division and its principal charities, reminding the members of the ideals to which they are committed.”

Doug Smith, President
AOH, Milwaukee Division
Marquette Scripture Project, 
Fall 2011

READINGS OF THE DIVINE NAME (EXODUS 3:13-15)
You are invited to attend sessions of the Marquette Scripture Project. It is an interdisciplinary, ecumenical gathering of persons who seek “to deepen our understanding of the normative import of Holy Scripture across the disciplinary areas of biblical studies, historical theology, ethics and systematic theology. In the context of an ecclesiastically and religiously diverse theology department we view reading and reflecting on Scripture as a fundamental ecumenical activity.”

For more information see http://muscriptureproject.wordpress.com/. We incorporate spiritual disciplines with intellectual exploration.

The focus of our fall, 2011 gatherings will be Exodus 3:13-15. We will examine interpretations ancient, modern and postmodern. Our first session will be held Wed., Sept. 14th, Noon to 1 pm in Raynor library when we pray through this passage using lectio divina. Participants should be aware that our Scripture study throughout the semester will include prayer. Interested participants will be sent brief texts interpreting Exodus 3:13-15 prior to each session.

The remaining schedule is:
- Wed. Nov. 30th: Noon to 1 p.m. Raynor library, room (tba)
- Wed., Dec. 7th: Noon to 1 p.m. Raynor library, room (tba)

If you have any questions, please contact Steve Long: d.stephen.long@marquette.edu.

Graduate Publications


Dr. Terrence Rynne Receives Peace Educator Honor

The Wisconsin Institute for Peace and Conflict Studies has selected Dr. Terrence Rynne (Ph.D., Marquette University, 2006), adjunct professor in the Marquette University Theology Department, as the 2010-2011 Dick Ringler Distinguished Peace Educator. The award is presented annually to a Wisconsin faculty or staff member who has made an outstanding contribution to teaching or studying war, peace and/or global cooperation. Rynne is the author of Gandhi and Jesus: The Saving Power of Nonviolence. Professor Michael Duffey of the Theology Department and Patrick Kennelly of the Marquette University Center for Peacemaking nominated Rynne for this honor. Rynne and Duffey are co-founders of the Center for Peacemaking. The award was presented at the Institute’s fall conference on October 21, 2011 at Cardinal Stritch University. For more information about the conference you can contact the Center at peacemaking@marquette.edu.

Alumna Receives Vatican II Award

Shawnee M. Daniels-Sykes, SSND, Ph.D. (Ph.D. 2007) received the Vatican II Award from the Archdiocese of Milwaukee for Service in Society on Tuesday November 8, 2011 at 7pm at the Cathedral of Saint John the Evangelist.

Grants & Scholarships

Paul Monson received the American Benedictine Academy Monastic Studies Grant ($1,150), Schwyz and Einsiedeln, Switzerland. Project: Study of the pastoral theology of Martin Marty, O.S.B, (1834-1896) as found in his unpublished sermons and letters in the archives of Einsiedeln Abbey, Switzerland. He also received the Catholic Theological Society of America Conference Scholarship ($1,000) for the CTSA Annual Convention in St. Louis, MO, June 7-10, 2012, to present “Sacramentum and Stabilitas in American Benedictine Monasticism.”
Graduate Presentations

Marquette students gave presentations at the Fourth Annual Student Symposium on Science and Spirituality presented by the Religion and Science Student Society of the Zygon Center for Religion and Science, October 21, 2011:

**Christopher Brenna**, “The Ecological Vision of the Green Patriarch.”


**Andrew Kuzma**, “A Return to Medieval Piety: A Response to Factory Farming from Saint Bonaventure.”


Other presentations:


Faculty Activities


Faculty Activities, continued


**Dr. Andrei Orlov** published "Concealed Writings": Jewish Mysticism in Slavonic Pseudepigrapha (Flaviana; Moscow-Jerusalem: Gesharim, 2011) [in Russian].


**Dr. Jame Schaefer** presented “Water from a Catholic, Christian Perspective—Ritual, Theology, and Social Teaching" at The Earth Speaks: Water, a Sacred Gift of Life Interfaith Conference, Siena Retreat Center, Racine, October 17. She edited, introduced, and contributed an essay in Confronting the Climate Crisis: Catholic Theological Perspectives, Marquette University Press, 2011. Her essay is “Solidarity, Subsidiarity, and Preference for the Poor: Extending Catholic Social Teaching in Response to the Climate Crisis” (389-425).

Dr. Schaefer chaired Session on Ethical Issues in Engineering Biological and Ecological Systems, Workshop in Applied Philosophy, Northeastern University, Boston, October 1; presented “Modeling the Human Person in an Age of Technology," Inaugural Lecture of Theology and Technology Lecture Series, Dominican University, River Forest, Illinois, September 15; convened “Confronting the Climate Crisis from Feminist and Sacramental Perspectives," Culminating Session of the Catholic Theology and Global Warming Interest Group, Annual Meeting of the Catholic Theological Society of America, San Jose, California, June 11.


**Service Recognition**

Congratulations and gratitude, to the following department members who were recently recognized for their years of service at Marquette:

Rev. Robert M. Doran, S.J. – Five years
Dr. Mark F. Johnson – Fifteen years
Dr. Ulrich L. Lehner – Five years
Ms. Gale Prusinski – Thirty years
Ms. Patricia Psuik – Ten years
Rev. David Schultenover, S.J. – Ten years
Dr. Daniel C. Maguire – Forty years

**Upcoming Events**

**Political Theologies Seminar**
Book discussion on Michael Gillespie’s Theological Origins of Modernity. November 10, 12:30-2:00 pm in Raynor Conference Room 301.

Nathan Willowby will be giving a short presentation on the book, titled "We Found Modernity’s Family Tree, Should We Cut it Down or Build an Embassy?" and following will be a discussion of the book. http://politicaltheologiesseminaratmarquette.wordpress.com/