UNDERGRADUATE COURSE DESCRIPTION

Term: Fall 2013
Instructor: Rev. John Laurance, S.J.
Course #: THEO 4340
Section: 101
Course Title: Sacraments & Christian Life

Description:

This course begins by examining the place the church's sacramental liturgy has within the whole of salvation history and the church's overall witness and activity in the world. Next students are taken through an overview of the history and meaning of each of the traditional seven sacraments in the life of the church: Baptism, Confirmation, Reconciliation, Holy Orders, Eucharist, Marriage, and the Anointing of the Sick. Ecumenical differences will be noted and investigated, especially in regard to the two dominical sacraments: Baptism and Eucharist. Special attention will be placed on the Eucharist as the center of Christian ecclesial life, along with some of its accompanying liturgical symbols.