

**MARQUETTE UNIVERSITY
DEPARTMENT OF THEOLOGY**

M.A. Bibliography

SCRIPTURE AREA (updated 20-Mar-2008)

BOTH TESTAMENTS

- Brown, Raymond E., Joseph A. Fitzmyer, and Roland E. Murphy, eds. *The New Jerome Biblical Commentary*. Englewood Cliffs, N.J.: Prentice Hall, 1990. pp. xviii + 1430 + 1431-75 (Index).
A one-volume Bible commentary with supporting essays. This is not *required reading as a whole*. But it is a reference work that all students should be familiar with. Please consult the index and the commentaries on the various biblical books mentioned in the questions below.
- McKenzie, Steven L., and Stephen R. Haynes, eds. *To Each Its Own Meaning: An Introduction to Biblical Criticisms and Their Application*. Rev. ed. Louisville, KY.: John Knox, 1999.
Highly acclaimed method-by-method study. Specialists describe and demonstrate the various methods of biblical criticism.
- “On the Reading of Scripture.” Special issue of *Communio* 13 (1986): 280-377.
Various Roman Catholic perspectives; note esp. the articles by I. de la Potterie; R.A. Kereszty; P. Roose; and D. Farkasfalvy.
- Pontifical Biblical Commission. *The Interpretation of the Bible in the Church*. Subsidia Biblica 18. Rome: Pontifical Biblical Institute, 1995.
A clear statement of the Roman Catholic Church’s commitment to the scholarly study of scripture in the service of the Church’s teaching and pastoral ministries.
- Reventlow, Henning Graf. “History of Theology (Biblical).” Pp. 483-505 in *The Anchor Bible Dictionary*, vol. 6. Edited by D. N. Freedman. New York: Doubleday, 1992.
- Young, Frances M. “Conclusion and Retrospect.” Pp. 285-99 in Young, *Biblical Exegesis and the Formation of Christian Culture*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press; 1997; repr. Peabody, Mass.: Hendrickson, 1997.

OLD TESTAMENT/HEBREW SCRIPTURES

- Alter, Robert. *The Art of Biblical Narrative*. New York: Basic, 1981. 1995 pp.
An illustration of narrative-critical approaches to the study of the Hebrew Bible.
- Blenkinsopp, Joseph. *A History of Prophecy in Israel*. Rev. ed. Philadelphia: Westminster, 1983. 287 pp.
An overview of the prophetic writings, including their historical context, literary development, and social location.
- Dever, William G. “Artifacts, Ecofacts, and Textual Facts: How Archaeology Today Can Illuminate the World of the Bible.” Pp. 1-36 in Dever, *Recent Archaeological Discoveries and Biblical Research*. Seattle/London: University of Washington Press, 1990.
An evaluation by one of the most important archaeologists in the U.S. of the at times uneasy relationship between archaeology and biblical studies and the proposal of a new paradigm for that relationship.

- Collins, John J. *Introduction to the Hebrew Bible*. Minneapolis: Fortress, 2004. 613 pp.
Introduction to the books of the Hebrew Bible/Old Testament and an assessment of current scholarship.
- Matthews, Victor, and Don C. Benjamin. *Old Testament Parallels: Laws Stories from the Ancient Near East*. Rev. ed. New York/Mahwah, N.J.: Paulist, 1991.
A collection of ancient near eastern documents (material from the Nuzi archives, the stories of Gilgamesh, the Enuma Elish stories, the stories of Adapa, the Law Code of Hammurabi, to name a few) that shed light on some of the Old Testament texts. More accessible than the venerable "A.N.E.T." (*Ancient Near Eastern Texts*).
- Wright, Addison G., Roland E. Murphy, and Joseph A. Fitzmyer. "A History of Israel." Pages 1219-52 in Raymond E. Brown, Joseph A. Fitzmyer, and Roland E. Murphy, eds., *The New Jerome Biblical Commentary*. Englewood Cliffs, N.J.: Prentice Hall, 1990.
A comprehensive account of the critical issues involved in reconstructing Israel's history.
- G.W.E. Nickelsburg, *Jewish Literature between the Bible and the Mishnah: A Historical and Literary Introduction* (2nd edition; Fortress Press, 2005).
- J.J. Collins, "Introduction: Towards the Morphology of a Genre," *Semeia* 14 (1979), 1-19.

NEW TESTAMENT

- Brown, Raymond E., *The Community of the Beloved Disciple*. New York: Paulist, 1979. 204 pp.
The standard reconstruction of the development of the Johannine community and literature.
- _____, *An Introduction to the New Testament*. Anchor Bible Reference Library. New York/London: Doubleday, 1996.
Like the *New Jerome Biblical Commentary* (see above), not to be read cover-to-cover. But this is an invaluable resource for studies in all aspects of New Testament criticism.
- Dunn, James D. G. "Prologue" (pp. 1-26); "Adam" (pp. 79-101); "Israel" (pp. 500-532); "Ethics in practice" (pp. 670-712); and "Prolegomena to a Theology of Paul" (pp. 713-37); in Dunn, *The Theology of Paul the Apostle*. Grand Rapids, Mich.: Eerdmans; Cambridge, U.K.: Eerdmans, 1998.
The books as a whole is a magisterial summary of Paul's thought, with rich bibliography. The five sections listed here chiefly concern Paul's letter to the Romans.
- Koester, Helmut. *Introduction to the New Testament, vol. 1: History, Culture and Religion of the Hellenistic Age*. Rev. ed. Berlin: De Gruyter; New York: Fortress, 1998. 428 pp.
A comprehensive survey of the hellenistic era, designed to provide a working context for New Testament studies. To be read with an eye for the principle themes and movements, rather than as a textbook whose facts are to be learned.
- Kümmel, Werner Georg. *Introduction to the New Testament*. 17th rev. ed. Nashville: Abingdon, 1975. 629 pp.
A detailed analysis of the formation of New Testament writings with a section on each book; concluding sections on the canon and text criticism. To be read selectively, in response to the M.A. questions.
- Meeks, Wayne A. *The First Urban Christians: The Social World of the Apostle Paul*. New Haven: Yale University Press, 1983. 299 pp.
A pioneering exploration of the social setting of Paul's life and letters, and its importance for exegesis.

HISTORICAL AREA *(updated 26-Oct-2009)*

PRIMARY SOURCE MATERIAL

Marquette History of Theology. Most recent edition made available electronically to Marquette students by contacting the Theology Office. Ca. 1,000 pp. Table of Contents available for viewing by prospective students online at <http://www.marquette.edu/theology/theologygraduateformsanddocuments.shtml>.

Pelikan, Jaroslav. "Some Definitions." In The Emergence of the Catholic Tradition (100-600), vol. I: The Christian Tradition, pp. 1010. Chicago: University of Chicago Press, 1971. BT21.2.P42. Helpful for an initial orientation. Pelikan sees history of *doctrine* as broader than Harnack's history of *dogma*, but not so broad as history of *theology*.

Church History

The student is advised to study at least one general history of the church.

Recommended:

McManners John, ed. The Oxford History of Christianity, Oxford University Press, 1990; 1993, 2002, paperback ed., 770 pp. Owen Chadwick, A History of Christianity, London, New York: Weidenfeld & Nicholson, St. Martin's Press, 1995, 1997.

Other such church histories include Kee, Howard Clark et al. Christianity: A Social and Cultural History. New York: Macmillan, 1991. viii, 792. Dowley, Tim et al, Introduction to the History of Christianity. Minneapolis: Augsburg Fortress 1995, 2000. G.R. Evans, ed., The Medieval Theologians. London: Blackwell, 2001. Peter Brown, The Rise of Western Christianity, Oxford: Blackwell, 1996; 1997; revised 2003. David L. Edwards, Christianity: The First 2000 Years, London: Cassell, 1997; or the following 3-volume set: Hinson, E. Glenn, The Early Church: Origins to the Dawn of the Middle Ages. Nashville: Abingdon, 1996. 365 pp. BR160.H56 1996; Volz, Carl A. The Medieval Church: From the Dawn of the Middle Ages to the Eve of the Reformation. Nashville: Abingdon, 1997; Miller, Glenn T. The Modern Church: From the Dawn of the Reformation to the Eve of the Third Millennium. Nashville: Abingdon, 1997. 304 pp (for the Enlightenment see below).

History of Doctrine and Theology

What is required for the M.A. comprehensive examination is familiarity with major developments and leading theological authors from the close of the New Testament period to the beginning of the nineteenth century (i.e., through the Enlightenment). This will require familiarity with and use of some recent works of reference as well as narrative presentations. Both encyclopedia articles and narrative histories will serve as necessary companions to the selected primary sources in the Marquette History of Theology.

Recommended:

Cunliffe-Jones, Hubert and Drewery, Benjamin, eds. A History of Christian Doctrine. 1978, Edinburgh: Clark, pb. 1997x, 601 pp. A collective work attempting to cover the history of doctrine and *theology*. Not all essays in Cunliffe-Jones are *required* reading, but one should be familiar with the matter of the first 310 pages (by G.W.H. Lampe on patristic, Kallistos Ware on Byzantine, David Knowles on medieval, and E. Gordon Rupp on late medieval theology). Include also Ware's "A Note on Theology in the Christian East: The Eighteenth to Twentieth Centuries," pp. 453-57.

González, Justo L. A History of Christian Thought. Nashville: Abingdon, 1987. BT21.2.G6 1987. Vols, 2 and 3 for theology in the Middle Ages, Reformation, Confessional Orthodoxy, Pietism.

For the Enlightenment:

Sheehan, Jonathan, *The Enlightenment Bible* (Princeton: 2005)
Sorkin, David, *The Religious Enlightenment* (Princeton: 2008)

SYSTEMATICS/THEOLOGICAL ETHICS (updated 17-Feb-2010)

SYSTEMATICS

The purpose of this portion of the M.A. Examination is to insure that students are familiar with central issues and essential terminology in contemporary Systematic Theology. At the very least, the M.A. student should be able to demonstrate a basic understanding of the nature of theology, revelation, and Christology in Christian theology, and should be able to discuss some examples of serious theological literature and topics. The scope of contemporary theological discussion and the number of potential current and historical theological conversation partners is vast. The bibliography and the groupings below represent an admittedly limited and pragmatic selection. The aim of this bibliography is to provide an ecumenically sensitive reading list for the examination that is manageable both for students who have completed M.A. course work at Marquette and for students coming to the Ph.D. Program with M.A. or M.Div. degrees from other institutions. The examination questions are based on this list of readings, but the student can draw from other texts by these chosen theologians.

General Resources

Fiorenza, Francis Schüssler and Galvin, John P., eds. Systematic Theology: Roman Catholic Perspectives, eds. Francis Schüssler Fiorenza and John P. Galvin. 2 vols. Minneapolis: Fortress, 1991. BX1751.2.S888.

Ford, David F. The Modern Theologians: An Introduction to Christian Theology in the Twentieth Century. Rev. ed. Cambridge: Blackwell, 1997. xviii, 772 pp. BT28.M59 1997.

Group I

Lonergan, Bernard. Method in Theology. Toronto: University of Toronto Press, 1990 or Minneapolis: Seabury, 1979. BR118.L65 1979. "Christology Today: Methodological Reflections," A Third Collection: Papers. F.E. Crowe, S.J., ed. New York/Mahwah: Paulist, 1985. BX891.L645 1985. pp. 74-99. The Way to Nicea: The Dialectical Development of Trinitarian Theology. Philadelphia: Westminster, 1976. xxxi, 142 pp.

Pannenberg, Wolfhart. Systematic Theology. Vol. 1, pp. 1-61, 119-257; and vol 2. pp. 277, 396, 397-464. Grand Rapids, Michigan: Eerdmans, 1991. BT75.2.P2613 1991.

Rahner, Karl, Foundations of Christian Faith, pp. 1-321. Minneapolis: Seabury, 1978 or New York: Crossroad, 1982. xv, 470 pp. BT75.2.R3313; "Current Problems in Christology," Theological Investigations 1: 149-200; "The Concept of Mystery in Catholic Theology," TI 4:36-73; "The Theology of the Symbol," TI 4:221-52; "Two Basic Types of Christology," TI 13:213-223. New York: Crossroad, 1982/1983. BX1751.2.R313.

Tillich, Paul. Systematic Theology. Chicago: The University of Chicago Press, 1951-1963. Vol. 1, pp. 1-159; and vol. 2, pp. 78-180, BT75.T56.

Group II

Balthasar, Hans Urs von. The Glory of the Lord. San Francisco: Ignatius, 1989. Vol. 1, pp. 17-45, 117-257, 301-570. BT78.B2613 1989. Mysterium Paschale: The Mystery of Easter. Edinburgh: T & T Clark, 1990. xii, 297 pp. BV55.B34 1990.

Barth, Karl. Church Dogmatics, vol. 1. pt. 1, pp. 3-347; vol. 4. pt. 1, pp. 3-357; vol. 4. pt. 2, pp. 3-377. Edinburgh: T & T Clark, 1936-1977. BT75.2.B2813.

Moltmann, Jürgen. Theology of Hope. New York: Harper & Row, 1967, pp. 1-138. BT821.2.M6313 1967b; The Way of Jesus Christ: Christology in Messianic Dimensions San Francisco: Harper, 1990, pp. 1-150, 313-341. BT202.M55213 1990.

Group III

Liberation Theology: Gutiérrez, Gustavo. A Theology of Liberation. Maryknoll, NY: Orbis. 1998 (1973). xlvii, 264 pp. BT83.57.G88313; Sobrino, Jon Jesus the Liberator: A Historical-Theological View. Maryknoll, NY: Orbis, 1993. ix, 308 pp. BT202.S62413.

Black Theology: Cone, James. A Black Theology of Liberation. Maryknoll, NY: Orbis, 1986 (1970) xxii, 154 pp. BT82.7.C666 1986; God of the Oppressed. Maryknoll, NY: Orbis, 1997.

Feminist Theology: LaCugna Catherine Mowry, ed. Freeing Theology: The Essentials of Theology in Feminist Perspective. San Francisco: Harper, 1993. BT83.55.F744 1993. Essays by Anne Carr, Sandra Schneiders, Mary Catherine Hilkert, Catherine LaCugna, and Elizabeth Johnson. Pp. 5-137.

Group IV

Lossky, Vladimir. The Mystical Theology of the Eastern Church. Crestwood, NY: St. Vladimir's Seminary Press, 1976 (1957). BV5082.L6 1957. Chapters 1-4, 11; Orthodox Theology: An Introduction. Crestwood, NY: St. Vladimir's Seminary Press, 1978. BX320.2 L6713. pp. 95-118.

THEOLOGICAL ETHICS

1. History of Theological Ethics

John Mahony, *The Making of Moral Theology: A Study of the Roman Catholic Tradition* (Oxford: Clarendon, 1987) pp.1-36

Charles Curran, *Moral Theology at the End of the Century* (Milwaukee, WI: Marquette University Press, 1999).

Samuel Wells, *Improvisation: The Drama of Christian Ethics* (GrandRapids, MI: Brazos Press, 2004), pp. 11-44.

2. Scripture and Ethics

William Spohn, *What Are They Saying About Scripture and Ethics?* (New York: Paulist, 1984)

Richard Hays, *The Moral Vision of the New Testament: Community, Cross, New Creation: A Contemporary Introduction to New Testament Ethics* (San Francisco: Harper, 1996)

3. Natural Law

Lisa Cahill, "Natural Law: A Feminist Reassessment," in *Is There a Human Nature* (ed. Leroy S. Rouser; Notre Dame, Ind.: University of Notre Dame Press, 1997)

The New Dictionary of Catholic Social Thought (ed. Judith Dwyer; Collegeville, Minn.: The Liturgical Press, 1994)

4. Catholic Social Teaching

Bernard Brady, *Essential Catholic Social Thought* (Maryknoll, NY: Orbis, 2008)

Pope Leo XIII, *Rerum Novarum* ("The Condition of Labor"; 1891)

Pope Paul VI, *Populorum Progressio* ("On the Development of Peoples"; 1967)

Pope John Paul II, *Sollicitudo Rei Socialis* ("On Social Concern"; 1987)

*The above encyclicals can be found in: John J. O'Brien and Thomas A. Shannon, eds. *Catholic Social Thought: the Documentary Heritage* (Maryknoll, NY: Orbis, 1992)

5. Womanist Ethics

Stacey Floyd-Thomas, *Mining the Motherlode: Method in Womanist Ethics* (Cleveland, OH: Pilgrim Press, 2006)

6. Liberationist Ethics

Alejandro Rejon, "Fundamental Moral Theory in the Theology of Liberation," pp. 210-221 in *Mysterium Liberationis: Fundamental Concepts in Liberation Theology* (ed. Ignacio Ellacuria and Jon Sobrino; Maryknoll, NY: Orbis, 1993).

Jon Sobrino, *The Principle of Mercy: Taking the Crucified People from the Cross* (Maryknoll, NY: Orbis, 1994).
Bryan N. Massingale, "The Scandal of Poverty: 'Cultural Indifference' and the Option for the Poor in Post-Katrina," pp. 55–72 in *Faithful Citizenship: Principles and Strategies to Serve the Common Good*, Journal of Religion and Society Supplement Series 4 (2008). <http://purl.org/JRS>

7. Sexuality

Lisa Sowle Cahill, *Sex, Gender & Christian Ethics* (Cambridge/New York: Cambridge University Press, 1996).

8. Peace

Roland Bainton, *Christian Attitudes Toward War and Peace: A Historical Survey and Critical Evaluation* (New York: Abingdon, 1960; Eugene, OR: Wipf and Stock, 2008).