

News from the Chair

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Wade Scholar: Jean-Marie Hyacinthe Quenum, S.J.

The Wade Scholar in the Department of Theology this year is Jean-Marie Hyacinthe Quenum, S.J., from the West Africa Province of the Society of Jesus.

Departmental Convocation

All faculty, graduate students, and undergraduate theology majors are invited to a departmental convocation Sept. 4, 3:30-5:00 in the Raynor Conference Center. Dr. Susan K. Wood, SCL, Chair, will give the address: "Theology at this Time in this Place."

Exchange Program with Goethe University in Frankfurt

Marquette is hosting our first faculty and student exchange with Goethe University at Frankfurt. Dr. Gesche Linde will be in residence Sept. 12- 22 and will give a lecture, "Signs, Science and Theology: Does Theology Belong in the Modern University?" Sept. 18. In addition, she will be making presentations in Dr. Robert Masson's and Dr. Rossi's classes during that week. Patrick Sperber will be here for eight weeks primarily to investigate with Dr. Therese Lysaught the possibilities for research topics in bioethics, and Martina Pumrova will be here for the academic year. Martina will be preparing a paper under Dr, Robert Masson's direction on metaphor and religious understanding.

Faculty Exchange: Dr. Robert Masson Visits Goethe University

Dr. Robert Masson's visit to Goethe University June 9 -26 was the first official faculty exchange following earlier informal visits by Fr. Philip Rossi and Dr. Irfan Omar. On June 24, he delivered a lecture at the University's Institute for Philosophy of Religion entitled 'Analogy as Higher-Order Metaphor.' Earlier, on June 12, his presentation for Goethe's theology students was entitled "Is there any Saving God? "Exercises in Metaphoric Meaning."

Frankfurt Research Proposal

Plans are underway for a joint research project between the faculties of Marquette and Goethe University: “Metaphor: Theories – Application – Critique” culminating in a small, focused research conference in November 2009. The core researchers will be members of the Evangelical and Catholic faculties at Goethe, the theology faculty at Marquette, and hopefully some members from the departments of literature and philosophy. The objective is a publication by 2110 edited by Dr. Robert Masson. Dr. Markus Wriedt is seeking funding for the conference from German sources. At present, participants include: Stefan Alkier (Evangelical Faculty, Goethe): on metaphor and translation; Gesche Linde: (Evangelical Faculty, Goethe) A Semiotic Theory of Metaphor; Stephen Long (Marquette Theology Faculty); Robert Masson (Marquette Theology Faculty): Metaphoric Process and Dialogue; Philip Rossi (Marquette Theology Faculty): Metaphor in a Secular Age; Wenzel, Knut (Catholic Faculty, Goethe); Markus Wriedt (Evangelical Faculty, Goethe).

Promotion and Tenure Deadlines

*Dr. Jame Schaefer and
Dr. Andrei Orlov
apply for promotion
and tenure.*

September 8-18
September 19
September 22-25

September 25
September 26
September 29-30
October 1

Faculty Review files
Faculty Letters to the Chair due
Advisory Committee review the
files and faculty letters
Advisory Committee letters due
Chair writes letters
Pagination and duplication of files
Delivery of files to the Dean’s
Office

Upcoming Events

Aug 21	Dept Planning Mtg 7:45-3:00
Aug 22	New Student Picnic, Arrupe House, 5:30
Aug 25	Classes Begin
Sept 4	Departmental Convocation, Raynor Conference Center 3:30-5:00
Sept 11	Departmental meeting
Sept 18	Dr. Gesche Linde, “Science, Signs, and Theology: Theology's Place in the Modern University” AMU 254, 4:00 Emory Clark 111, 4:00
Sept 25	Rev. Robert Doran, SJ, “The Non-Violent Cross: Lonergan and Girard on Redemption” Cudahy 001, 4:00

Doerr Chair Lecture to Address the Law of the Cross and Redemption

Rev. Robert Doran, S.J., professor and Emmett Doerr Chair in Catholic Systematic Theology, will present “The Non-Violent Cross: Lonergan and Girard on Redemption” for the annual Doerr Chair Lecture on Thursday, Sept. 25, at 4 p.m. Bernard Lonergan's notion of the law of the cross will be related to Rene Girard's notion of mimetic violence, to determine the extent that Girard has illuminated both the evils from which we are redeemed by the law of the cross and the good that results from that redemption.