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Patristic, Medieval and Renaissance Studies Conference
October 21-23, 2022



Through the Cross

FEATURING

Khaled Anatolios
University of Notre Dame

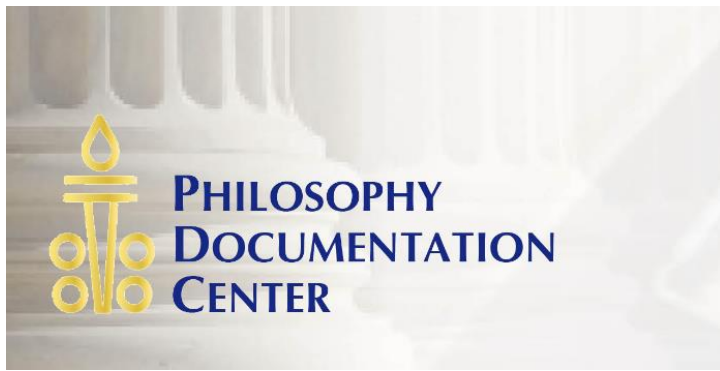
Author of *Deification through the Cross: An Eastern Christian Theology*

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Rachel J.D. Smith
Villanova University
Author of *Excessive Saints*



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Augustinian Studies is a peer-reviewed scholarly journal devoted to the study of the life, teachings, and influence of Augustine of Hippo. Since 1970 it has published articles from a variety of disciplines and perspectives including philosophy, theology, and history, as well as article-length reviews of appropriate publications. Each volume includes the annual Saint Augustine Lecture delivered at Villanova University. Although the primary focus of the journal is the study of Augustine himself, articles illuminating aspects of Augustinian studies more broadly conceived are also included when they contribute to the understanding of Augustine's life or thought.

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Dear Friends and Colleagues,

Welcome to the 47th annual Patristic, Medieval, and Renaissance Studies Conference! While COVID is still with us, and perhaps will be for some time, it is very good to be gathering under more or less normal circumstances. While we all did the best we could to keep the collegial fires burning over Zoom and behind masks, there is no proper substitute for gathering and conversing over the questions that matter to us. We are fortunate as well to have the opportunity to include those who cannot travel to be with us, and we ask for everyone's patience and engagement as we navigate the technological transitions in our sessions.

As I have said, an academic conference, when it works well, moves beyond the exchange of ideas and the credentialing 'rite of passage.' It fosters a kind of friendship, a community of mind and heart. By fostering long-term relationships with contributors and societies, by centering the conference around a plenary theme, and by inviting all our participants to enter into a deeper engagement with our invited plenary guests, we aim for a fellowship of study, in which academic rigor is not sacrificed in the name of collegiality but fostered by it. In short, we aim for the kind of intellectual fellowship captured so aptly by St. Augustine:

There were joys to be found in the company of friends which powerfully captivated my mind – the charms of talking and laughing together and kindly giving way to each other's wishes, reading elegantly written books together, sharing jokes and delighting to honor one another, disagreeing occasionally but without rancor, as a person might disagree with himself, and lending piquancy by that rare disagreement to our much more frequent accord. We would teach and learn from each other, sadly missing those who were absent and blithely welcoming them when they returned. Such signs of friendship sprang from the hearts of friends who loved and knew their love returned, signs to be read in smiles, words, glances, and a thousand gracious gestures. So were sparks kindled and our minds were fused inseparably, out of many becoming one. This is what we esteem in our friends.

These words were brought to my mind a few years ago on Saturday night of the PMR, and I shared them with the "faithful remnant" who stayed for our Sunday roundtable. They have become for many of us both invocation and benediction, and I share them with you now as a token of gratitude for the work you have already done in preparation, and perhaps as a pledge of the good things that lie in store this weekend.

We are delighted this year to welcome Khaled Anatolios, the John A. O'Brien Professor of Theology at the University of Notre Dame, and, in a first for our PMR community, we welcome one of Villanova's own, Rachel J.D. Smith, Associate Professor of Theology & Religious Studies here at our hosting University. We have invited both to the PMR this year in the wake the publication and reception of their two rich, engaging, and pathbreaking books. Khaled's *Deification through the Cross* and Rachel's *Excessive Saints*, each in their own way, break down the boundaries between disciplines and approaches that have continued to haunt our fields. Historical and systematic, East and West, spirituality and theology, devotion and reflection – these binary oppositions dissolve and remix in these two remarkable books. I have asked Khaled and Rachel to share with us their thoughts, both retrospective and prospective, in the wake of their books' reception, under the banner of our plenary theme, *Through the Cross*. How do we think about the Cross in our traditions? What is the relationship between suffering and joy, justice and love, imitation and vicarity, deification and brokenness? These are questions that these two books can address, and they are questions that unite many, many of contributions at this year's PMR. I hope we may have a rich conversation that renews our attention to both suffering and grace in a world that can seem so blind to both.

We are also pleased to welcome back the *Creative Fidelity* community, which for several years has helped us bridge "the P, the M, and the R" with our perennial constructive human concerns. We hope you will have a chance to check it out. We also welcome the ongoing participation of the Boston College community in particular. The Boston Colloquy in Historical Theology and the PMR have a rich history of collaboration, and

Professor David Hunter of BC has been deeply involved and supportive of both, this year bringing two excellent panels to our PMR community. We welcome this year the participation of the Franciscan Institute with a panel organized by Luke Togni, Research Scholar at the Institute, with a fascinating panel on Bonaventure and his sources. You will also notice that we are pleased to include several presenters who will join us virtually this year, and we welcome them as sharers in our conversation.

As always, we are grateful to Dr. Adele Lindenmeyr, Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, Fr. Kevin DePrinzio, OSA, Vice President for Mission and Ministry, and Dr. James Wetzel, Director of the Augustinian Institute for their continual support of our endeavors. I want to thank the planning committee for their assistance as well. On behalf of Villanova University and its College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, I welcome you back to another year of the PMR. *Ad multos annos!*

Kevin L. Hughes, PhD
PMR Conference Director

ABOUT the PATRISTIC, MEDIEVAL, AND RENAISSANCE STUDIES CONFERENCE

A Tradition of Scholarship

Villanova University has established an international reputation through its Patristic, Medieval, and Renaissance Studies Conference (PMR) for forty-six years. Finding its natural center in philosophy, theology, and intellectual history, but extending its reach to the breadth of study in the disciplines, the PMR holds a unique place in the scholarly community. Its strength has been to see itself as complementary to, rather than in competition with, larger conferences like Kalamazoo, the Oxford Patristics Conference, or the Medieval Academy. The PMR meets a need in the academic community for *working space*. According to founding director Thomas Losoncy, the PMR was intended to be a place where scholars come to “roll up their sleeves,” to work through new ideas, to experiment and push the envelope in their various fields. The PMR’s early legacy is preserved in a long-running series of published proceedings, from the 1970s to the 1990s, testimony to its consistent success. In recent years, we have been heartened to see articles and monographs come to fruition from the seed of work begun here at the PMR. (Please footnote us!)

The PMR Today

Over the last decade and a half and more, we have built on the strengths of the past while stepping forward to develop the strengths of a new generation of scholarship. Scholarship in the study of Late Antiquity has expanded and matured, including but not limited to the traditional study of patristics. In like fashion, Medieval and Renaissance/Early Modern studies have also evolved; now the lines between intellectual and cultural history, between theology, philosophy, art, literature, poetry, and culture have fused or overlapped. Lastly, the fixed methodological bounds between the past and the present seem less credible. Such emergent complexity has mandated an interdisciplinary and dialogical approach that the PMR has endeavored to inculcate. Theology and philosophy provide centers of gravity in these conversations, but all the humanities and social science disciplines contribute essentially to the work of scholarly discernment that will illuminate both the past and future of these traditions of faith and culture.

In this 47th year, the PMR keeps its tradition: The conference offers an open call for papers and keeps its primary focus as a “working conference,” in which feedback and dialogue are central, and in which the great mix of disciplines and areas enriches our study. Our dialogue extends into the plenary sessions, as “tents of meeting” to draw our various conversations together. To this rich fare for the intellect, we add the seasoning of good food and fellowship, and we hope all will leave on Sunday both sated and with appetites whet for next year.

The PMR and Villanova University

The PMR is only one of many initiatives at Villanova University that aim to bridge the disciplines, to foster historical, theological, and philosophical study, and to speak to contemporary context. The Augustinian Institute, under the direction of James Wetzel, aims to bring the highest quality scholarship on Saint Augustine together with the cultivation of an Augustinian ethos that can touch every area of study. Similarly, the Humanities Department and the Center for Peace and Justice Education at Villanova center interdisciplinary conversations upon fundamental human questions. Villanova's doctoral program in Theology is dedicated to the intersections of theology, spirituality, and culture in an interdisciplinary mode. The Eleanor H. McCullen Center for Law, Religion, and Public Policy, under the direction of Michael Moreland, JD, PhD, sponsors discussions of highly sensitive issues with both rigor and fair-mindedness. And Villanova's new Center for Political Theology, under the direction of Vincent Lloyd, Ph.D., has already contributed significantly to a broad and deep theological engagement in the world. These and many other Villanova initiatives have provided exemplary cases of the way in which engagement across disciplines and traditions has become a significant – even essential – dimension of scholarly life in the 21st century. The PMR conference is pleased to be part of Villanova's ongoing engagement with the best traditions of scholarship and the pressing questions of our time.

CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

October 21 – 23, 2022

The Inn at Villanova University

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2022

***Please note: (VR) denotes a virtual presentation**

8:00 AM: CHECK-IN

SESSION I: 8:30 AM – 10:00 AM

- 1. Late Medieval Critiques of the *Actio-Contemplatio* Dichotomy**
Room 108
Organized by Erin Risch Zoutendam
Chair: Christopher Neyhart, Villanova University

What Would Jesus Contemplate? Mendicant Interpretations of Luke 10:38-42
Erin Risch Zoutendam, Duke University

Meister Eckhart, Max Weber, and the Economic Exegesis of Mary & Martha
Sean Hannan, MacEwan University

Wir sind alle Kinder: Martin Luther's Early Critique of Contemplation (1513-1523)
(VR) Samuel J. Dubbelman, Lutheran Theological Seminary, Hong Kong.

2. Origen and His Theology

Room 115

Organized by David Hunter, Boston College

Chair: Sujit Thomas, Villanova University

Attention to Scripture as Attention to Christ: Origen's use of προσοχή in his *Homilies on the Psalms*

Jean-Paul Juge, Boston College

Christian Pedagogy in Origen's Commentary on the Gospel of Matthew

Emily Turner, Boston College

Contemplation and Justice in Origen's Theology of Community

Austin Foley Holmes, Boston College

3. Early Medieval Devotion: Liturgy, Hagiography, Prayer

Room 114

Chair: Jessica Pagan, Villanova University

'Always be diligent in consecrating by the sign of the holy cross.' Liturgical Rubrics, the Eucharist, and Theology in the Early Middle Ages

Tyler Sampson, Catholic University of America

The Cross Remains: A Carolingian Meditation on the Wounds of Christ

(VR) June Ann Greeley, Sacred Heart University

The Function of the *Vita S. Swithuni Episcopi et Confessoris* and the *Miracula S. Swithuni vis à vis* the Norman Conquest

Sarah Caroline Nixon, Villanova University

4. The Victorines & Their Influence: Theology & Exegesis

Room 120

Chair: Kyle Hubbard, Saint Anselm College

The Natural World within the Economy of the Incarnation in Hugh of St. Victor

Katherine Wu, University of Notre Dame

'*Crucis hec religio*': An Articulation of the Tropological-Mystic Understanding of the 'Through the Cross' in the Exordium of the Brethren of the Holy Cross

Glen Lewandowski, Brethren of the Holy Cross: Augustinian Canons Regular of the Order of the Holy Cross

5. Saint Anselm: Sacrifice, Satisfaction, Salvation

Room 119

Chair: Christopher Denny, Saint John's University

The Logic of Sacrifice in *Cur Deus Homo*

(VR) Matthew Messer, University of Notre Dame

The Beautiful Logic of Satisfaction in Anselm of Canterbury's *Cur Deus Homo*

(VR) J. Columcille Dever, Creighton University

Redeeming Creation through the Cross: Anselm and the Cosmic Scope of Salvation

(VR) David Whidden, Franciscan Missionaries of Our Lady University

**6. Ancient Theologies, Present Concerns
Room 218**

Chair: Connor Ritchie, Villanova University

Mediating Athanasius and Modern Biblical Studies: Soteriology and Anthropology in Genesis 1-11
Nathan Preuhs, Villanova University

The Sleeping Behemoth: Christian Israelology
Ellen Charry, Princeton Theological Seminary

Unlikely Augustinian? From Creation Theology to Ecological Theology
Abel Aruan, Boston University

Session II: 10:15 AM – 12:15 PM

**7. Creative Fidelity: Spiritual Exercises Then & Now (1)
Room 119**

Organized by Paul Camacho, Villanova University

Chair: Erik Van Versendaal, Magdalen College of the Liberal Arts

From Metaphysics to Mysticism: Metaxological Theopoetics as Theory and Invitation
Ryan Duns, SJ, Marquette University

Temptations of Thought: Philosophy as a Way of Being in Thomas Aquinas and Ferdinand Ulrich
Rachel Coleman, Assumption University

Five Blighted Ways of Seeing
Steven Knepper, Virginia Military Institute

**8. Origen and his Latin Patristic Reception
Room 115**

Organized by David Hunter, Boston College

Chair: Michael Ennis Villareal, Harvard Divinity School

The Mediation of Christ and the Oneness of God
Christopher McLaughlin, Boston College

Free Will and the Specter of Origen in the Pelagian Controversy
Jordan Parro, Boston College

Pelagius against Origen
Trevor Rickenbrode, Boston College

**9. Thomas Aquinas: the Natural Law
Room 108**

Organized by Mark Shiffman, Villanova University

Chair: Dartanyan Edmonds, University of Notre Dame

Aristotle and Roman Law in ST I-II Question 94
J.J. Mulhern, University of Pennsylvania

Platonic *Thumos* and Thomas on the Irascible

Mark Shiffman, Villanova University

Is a Theological Politics Possible? Two Views of St. Thomas on Natural Law

Patrick Jones, Catholic University of America

10. Figuring the Cross in Late Antiquity

Room 120

Chair: Anna Petrin, Marywood University

Through the Lens of the Cross: Christological Typology in the *Centos* of Proba and Eudocia

Lauren Heilman, Villanova University

Stigmatization and Transfiguration: The Cross and Christian Experience in the Macarian Writings

Daniel Edwards, Marquette University

Bearing the Cross of Virtue: John Cassian and ‘Mystical Castration’

Galina Krasskova, Fordham University

11. Eastern and African Christianities in the Middle Ages and Early Modernity

Room 114

Chair: Dennis Hou, Rutgers University

‘O Light-Enshrouded Sign’: the Figure of the Cross in St. Gregory of Narek’s *Encomium of the Holy Cross*

Michael Papazian, Berry College

The Crucifixion and the Armenian Alexander Romance

Earnestine Qiu, Princeton University

Deification in the Medieval Copto-Arabic Writing of Ibn Sabbā

Benjamin Zakhary, University of Notre Dame

Asceticism and Spiritual Combat in Early Modern Ethiopian Orthodox Hymns on the Cross

Liza Anderson, General Theological Seminary

12. Theology and Culture in Late Antiquity

Room 218

Chair: Stevie Henry, Thomas Jefferson University

The Spanish Upbringing of the Emperor Theodosius and its Importance

Thomas Brauch, Central Michigan University

The Cross in the Theology of Nestorius of Constantinople

Joshua McManaway, University of Notre Dame

Sin and Atonement in Cyril of Alexandria and Some Eastern Contemporaries

Anthony Bibawy, Coptic Monastery of Saint Shenouda

Symbol and Image in Dionysius and Plato

Chungsoo Lee, Antiochian House of Studies

LUNCH: 12:15 PM – 1:45 PM

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SESSION III: 1:45 PM – 3:45 PM

13. Creative Fidelity: Spiritual Exercises, Then and Now (2)

Room 119

Organized by Paul Camacho

Chair: Paul Camacho, Villanova University

When a Good Man Falls

Ian Clausen, Villanova University

Nonviolent Soteriology as Spiritual Exercise

Jennifer Kendall Sanders, Saint Louis University

The Joy of Delivery: Socratic Dialogue as a Discipline in Hope

Erik Van Versendaal, Magdalen College of the Liberal Arts

Disciplina philosophiae: Patristic, Monastic, and Contemporary

Gregory Floyd, Seton Hall University

14. Anselm and His Modern Readers

Room 115

Chair: Chungsoo Lee, Antiochian House of Studies

Kenosis Requires Justice: Defending Anselm from His Modern Soteriological Critics

Christopher Denny, St. John's University

Atonement in a Trinitarian Key: The Reception of Anselm's *Cur Deus Homo* in the Work of Matthias Scheeben

Dartanyan Edmonds, Jr, University of Notre Dame

'Christus Victor'? Reassessing Gustaf Aulen's Reading of Medieval Atonement Theories

Daniel Waldow, St. Francis University

'Remembering, Understanding, and Loving the Supreme Good': Humanity's Doxological End in the Theology of Saint Anselm

David Mahfood, Johnson University

15. Ethics and Exemplarity in Saint Augustine

Room 114

Chair: Sean Hannan, MacEwan University

Augustine and Seneca on Model Teaching

Stevie Henry, Thomas Jefferson University

Cruciform Humor in Augustine's Confessions: The Conversion of Victorinus
Helena Tomko, Villanova University

'I no longer delight in anything in this life': The Life of Monica and Dimensions of the Cross in Augustine
Robert Parks, Ohio Dominican University

16. Crossing Boundaries: Byzantine Theology
Room 108
Chair: Andrij Hlabse, University of Notre Dame

Kassiani's Hymns on the Nativity: Deification Theology in Middle Byzantine Hymnography
Milanna Fritz, University of Notre Dame

From Gods of Wood to the Cross of History
Dennis Hou, Rutgers University

An Ensemble of Contingencies: The Illuminative Relationship of the Cross to the Questions, Why Death? Why Life?
Timothy Kelleher

***De Patre Principaliter*: The Medieval Reception of an Augustinian Formula in East and West**
Michael Petrin, Marywood University

17. Saint Bonaventure in Conversation
Room 120
Chair: Luke Togni, The Franciscan Institute, Saint Bonaventure University

Divine Light and the Incarnation in the Work of Robert Grosseteste and Saint Bonaventure
Dorothy Chang, Fordham University

Saint Bonaventure on the Role of Philosophy in Explaining God
Carl Vater, Saint Vincent College

Loving God through the Cross: Saint Bonaventure's Contribution to the Augustinian Tradition
Kyle Hubbard, Saint Anselm College

Conversion and the Cross in Lonergan and Bonaventure
John Steichen, Boston College

18. Cross-Cultural Deifications
Room 218
Organized by Ephrem Reese, OP, Catholic University of America
Chair: Brad Boswell, Princeton University

The Deification Controversy of Cyril of Alexandria and Nestorius of Constantinople
Andrew Hofer, OP, Dominican House of Studies

Cappadocian Views of Sanctity in Scripture and the Church
Carl Vennerstrom, Augustine Institute

The 'Sudden' as a Key to Deification in Greek, Syriac, and Latin Christianity
Ephrem Reese, OP, Catholic University of America

4:15 PM – 6:00 PM: Session IV | PLENARY ADDRESS

Room 115

Khaled Anatolios

John A. O'Brien Professor of Theology
University of Notre Dame

*Author of **Deification through the Cross: An Eastern Christian Theology***

“Doxological Contrition and the Meaning of the Cross”

6:00 PM – 7:30 PM: COMPLIMENTARY WINE AND CHEESE RECEPTION

Mansion Bar

Participants will make their own dinner plans.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2022

***Please note: (VR) denotes a virtual presentation**

8:00 AM: CHECK-IN

(for Saturday arrivals)

SESSION V: 8:30 AM – 10:30 AM

19. The Theology of Saint Maximus the Confessor

Room 119

Chair: Joshua Wong, University of Notre Dame

The Charismatic Ecclesiology of St. Maximus the Confessor

Mac Stewart, Catholic University of America

20. Saint Bonaventure, Reader of Saint Albert

Room 115

Organized by Luke Togni, Franciscan Institute, Saint Bonaventure University

Chair: Boyd Taylor Coolman, Boston College

The Background of Bonaventure as a Reader of Albert

Luke Togni, Franciscan Institute, Saint Bonaventure University

Between Albert and Bonaventure: Jean Gerson on the Speculative and Practical Character of Mystical Theology

Sam Baudinette, University of Chicago Divinity School

Sensing Beatitude: Bonaventure's Reliance on Albert the Great's Account of Glorified Sense Perception

John Kern, Pepperdine University

'Hypostasis' in the Christologies of Albert the Great and the *Summa Halensis*

Andrew Belfield, Saint Bonaventure University

**Note: This session will feature shorter papers (10 min.) followed by longer discussion.*

21. Thomas Aquinas: The Cross and the Cruciform

Room 114

Chair: Ephrem Reese, OP, Catholic University of America

Thomas Aquinas on the Beauty of the Cross

Vincent Birch, Catholic University of America

The Charity of the Cross in Silence and Speech, according to Thomas Aquinas

Zane Chu, Regis College, University of Toronto

Sharing in Woundedness: A Thomistic Account of Cruciform *Misericordia*

(VR) Katherine Ellis, Baylor University

Cruciform Wisdom: Aquinas and *Sapientia Christi* in 1 Corinthians

T. Adam Van Wart, Ave Maria University

22. Theology of Saint Augustine

Room 218

Chair: Mark Weedman, Johnson University

Augustine and the Physics of Resurrection: A Case Study in Doctrine and Conceptual Schemes

Brad Boswell, Princeton University

Theology of History through the Cross: A Re-examination of Augustinian Providentialism in *The City of God*

Dennis Wieboldt, Boston College

Prosper's *de vocatione omnium gentium*: A Most Faithful and Unusual Defense of Augustine

Alexander Hwang, Holy Family University

Participation, Imitation, and Martyr Veneration in Augustine's Theology

Matthew Esquivel, Southern Methodist University

23. Split Session:

(a) Gregory of Tours; (b) Theology and Theological Reception in Early Modern Christianity

Room 108

23a. Gregory of Tours: Theology & Pastoral Care

Chair: Cathy Bodin, McDaniel College

Building Faith: Gregory of Tours' Use of Church Design as a Vehicle of Pastoral Care

Mattheis Lorimor, University of Illinois

The Seven Sleepers of Ephesus: History as Cosmological Pattern in Gregory of Tours

Caitlyn Pauly, Pontifical John Paul II Institute

23b. Theology and Theological Reception in Early Modern Christianity

Chair: Ian Clausen, Villanova University

'Christ's Kingdom lies in the Spirit': The Holy Spirit in John Calvin's Doctrine of Atonement

Sarah Killam, McGill University

Montaigne's Response to Augustine's Confessions

Margaret Matthews, Villanova University

24. Mystical Bodies, Mystical Rites

Room 120

Chair: Jessica Pagan, Villanova University

Hildegard on Bodies, Architecture, and *Viriditas*

Jennifer Wang, Villanova University

Julian of Norwich *in Practicum*: Insights for Sex as a Mystical Experience

Ashley Krautkremer, Gonzaga College High School

The Doxological Contrition of St. Gertrude the Great

Marie Schramper, Southern Methodist University

The Hours of the Cross in Gertrude the Great of Helfta's *Spiritual Exercises*: Liturgical Tradition, Imagination, and Invention

Marie Grogan, Chestnut Hill College

Session VI: 10:45 AM – 12:15 PM

25. Images of Salvation in Verse and Visual Art

Room 119

Chair: Marie Grogan, Chestnut Hill College

Real and Symbolic Crosses in Altichiero's Oratory of Saint George in Padua (1379-1384)

Mary D. Edwards, Pratt Institute

MS Harley 2253 – Redemption History in 40 Lines

Martha Oberle

26. Alexandrian Theology: Clement and Origen

Room 108

Chair: Christopher McLaughlin, Boston College

Materialism as Materialurgy in Clement, *Protrepticus* 5

Brayden Hirsch, Boston University

Gods Ascending: The Witch of Endor in Origen's Spiritual Hermeneutic

(VR) Ryan Haecker, University of Cambridge

Techniques for Translating the Teacher: Rufinus and Jerome in the Origenist Controversy

Michael Ennis Villareal, Harvard Divinity School

27. The Grace of Christ: Nicaea, Christology and Anthropology

Room 115

Chair: Alexander Hwang, Holy Family University

Et tamen Dominum confitetur et Regem, quem videt supplicii sui esse consortem: Luke 23:39-43 in the Late Antique Controversies on Grace

Raul Villegas Marin, Universidad de Barcelona

The Tome of Leo as Exegesis of Nicaea

Jonathan Gaworski, Catholic University of America

Post-Chalcedonian Questions on the Corruptibility of Christ's Flesh

Andrew Mercer, Southern Methodist University

28. Early Modern Scholasticisms

Room 114

Chair: Margaret Matthews, Villanova University

The Right of Migration and *ius gentium* in the Spanish Scholastics

(VR) Antonio Lemos, University of Notre Dame

Is the Message of the Cross Foolishness? Jesus's Suffering and Death, Anti-Theodicy, and Leibnizian Consequentialism

(VR) Josh Merlo, University of Buffalo

29. Rhineland Mystics and their Influence

Room 218

Chair: Erin Risch Zoutendam, Duke University

Detachment, Vulnerability, Temptation, and Learning from Failure: Major Themes in Meister Eckhart's *Talks of Instruction*

William Kuncken, Villanova University

The Aesthetics of *Descensus ad inferos* in Tauler and Bosch

He Li, Duke University

Crucifying the 'ich': The Way of the Cross in the *Theologia Germanica*

Benjamin Crosby, McGill University

30. Syriac Christian Theology

Room 120

Chair: Michael Petrin, Marywood University

The Greatness of John the Baptist: Ephrem of Nisibis on Election
Charles Rivera, Wake Forest University

Theology of the Cross in Isaac of Antioch's *Memra* on the Faith
Andrew Tucker, Saint Louis University

Theology of Performance: Internal Differentiation in Jacob of Sarug
Alex Lopez, Catholic University of America

LUNCH: 12:15 PM – 1:30 PM

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Session VII: 1:30 PM – 3:30 PM

31. Saint Augustine's Exegetical Theology
Room 108
Chair: Michael Cameron, University of Portland

The Therapeutic Gospel for the Traumatic World: Stigmata domini Iesu Christi in corpore as the Crown of Victory
(VR) Jimmy Chan, Carey Theological College

Jesus' Passion in Augustine of Hippo
Mark Weedman, Johnson University

32. Thomas Aquinas: Christ, Salvation, Deification
Room 114
Chair: Vincent Birch, Catholic University of America

Satisfaction and Healing: Aquinas' Innovation of Anselm's Theory of the Atonement and its Resonances with the Soteriology of St. Maximus the Confessor
Joshua Wong, University of Notre Dame

The Role of the Church in Deification according to Thomas Aquinas' Biblical Theology
(VR) Liam Farrer, Regis-St. Michael's Faculty of Theology, University of Toronto

Manifesting the Divine Goodness: Aquinas's Doxological Soteriology
Shaun Evans, University of Notre Dame

***Instrumentum divinitatis, exemplum humanitatis*: How Maximus the Confessor's Dyotheletism Influences and Illumines Thomas Aquinas's Teaching on Christ's Humanity as Divine Instrument**
Andrij Hlabse, University of Notre Dame

33. Early Christianity

Room 115

Chair: Carl Vennerstrom, Augustine Institute

The 'Cross' in Early Christian Polemic: How Polycarp, Ignatius, and the New Testament Mutually Illuminate One Another

Paul Hartog, Faith Baptist Theological Seminary

Breaking the Mold: Re-examining the Use of Pauline Allusions for Interpreting the *Treatise on the Resurrection*

Jordan Swanson, University of Texas at Austin

Cross as Crane and Tree: Two Early Metaphors of Cross in the Epistles of Ignatius of Antioch

Sujit Thomas, Villanova University

Cruciform Prayer: The Event of the Cross in the Early Hagiopolite Liturgy

Anna Petrin, Marywood University

34. Mystical Theologies: The Heart, Suffering, and Love

Room 120

Chair: Jennifer Wang, Villanova University

Hesychius, the Heart, and the Jesus Prayer

Christopher Neyhart, Villanova University

Affliction as the Depths of Love: Hadewijch on the Mysterious Nature of Theodicy and Paternity

Barrie Bliss, Boston College

Balā': Sufis, Prophets, and the Trial of Suffering

John Zaleski, Loyola University of Maryland

Saving Dereliction: Khaled Anatolios and John of the Cross on Doxological Contrition, the Dark Night, and Eucharistic Devotion

Benedict Shoup, University of Notre Dame

35. Medieval Irish Theology & Culture

Room 218

Chair: Martha Oberle

The Tri-dimensional '*Navigatio Sancti Brendani*'

Cathy Bodin, McDaniel College

Eriugena's Christ and Cross

Connor Ritchie, Villanova University

The *Signum Crucis* and the Jesus Prayer, Protecting Pilgrims in St. Patrick's Purgatory in the 12th through the 15th Centuries

Charles G. Kim, Jr., Saint Louis University

36. Creative Fidelity: Spiritual Exercises, Then and Now (3)

Room 119

Organized by Paul Camacho, Villanova University

Chair: Helena Tomko, Villanova University

Democratizing Contemplation: Centering Prayer and the Emergence of ‘Spiritual but not Religious Christianity’

Matthew Riddle, Villanova University

The Mystical Capacity of the Person in Henri de Lubac

Kathleen Cavender-McCoy, Marquette University

Affectivity, Feelings, and Self-Appropriation: The Notion of Discernment in St. Ignatius & Lonergan

Sean Epelde Vietri, Boston College

Refiguration in *Benjamin Minor*: Reading Richard of St. Victor with Paul Ricoeur

Robin Landrith, Boston College

4:00 PM – 5:45 PM: Session VIII | PLENARY ADDRESS

Room 115

Rachel J.D. Smith

Associate Professor of Theology & Religious Studies

Villanova University

Author of *Excessive Saints*

“Suffering Presence: Representation through the Cross in Thirteenth-century Mystical Hagiography”

5:45 PM – 6:15 PM: VIGIL MASS in the Roman Catholic tradition

Room 119. *All are welcome.*

A Time to Celebrate

The 47th Annual International

Patristic, Medieval, Renaissance Studies Conference

5:45 PM – 7:00 PM: BANQUET RECEPTION AND CASH BAR

First floor atrium. *For ticket holders only.*

7:00 PM – 9:00 PM: BANQUET BUFFET

Room 201. *For ticketholders only.*

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 23, 2022

ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION WITH PLENARY SPEAKERS

10:00 AM – 12:00 PM

Room 115. All are welcome.

Through the Cross
An Open Conversation
with Khaled Anatolios
and Rachel J.D. Smith



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