



The Aquinas Center for Theological Renewal

The St. Paul Center for Biblical Theology

Aquinas the Biblical Theologian

February 7-9, 2019 Ave Maria University Ave Maria, Florida

Program

Thursday, February 6

Mass is offered at 7:30 a.m, 12:00 p.m., and 5:00 p.m. at Ave Maria Catholic Church and at 8:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. in Guadalupe Chapel located in Xavier Hall.

12:00 – 8:00 p.m. Registration, *Prince Building*, *Outside of the O'Bryan Performance Hall*

2:30 – 4:00 p.m. Concurrent Session 1: [Moderator: James Prothro] *Ballroom Section 1*

Joel R. Gallagher, *The Catholic University of America*, "We are Saved by Love': Teaching the Soteriology of Thomas Aquinas"

Daniel Garland, *Ave Maria University*, "Lord, Liar, or Lunatic?: Aquinas on the Divinity of the Johannine Christ" **Ross McCullough**, *George Fox University*, "The Problem of Evil and the Gratuity of Grace: Does Innocent Suffering Require the Incarnation?"

Concurrent Session 2: [Moderator: Andrew Kuenstle] Ballroom Section 2

Chase J. Cloutier, *The Catholic University of America*, "In Search of an 'Existential Christology': Aquinas and Kasper on Christ's Human Experience"

Michael De Salvo, *Ave Maria University*, "The Fruit of the True Body Received': The Unity of the Church and the Duality of Christ's Natures"

Daniel Waldow, *Duquesne University*, "Christ the King: Aquinas' *De Regno* and the Social Ramifications of the Incarnation"

Concurrent Session 3: [Moderator: Gideon Barr] Ballroom Section 3

Cathal Doherty, SJ, *University of San Francisco*, "Christology and Sacrament: on the necessary distinction of opus operatum and opus operantis"

Fr. Robert Garrity, *Ave Maria University*, "Aquinas' Experiential-Mystical Christology as a Source for Spiritual-Theological Renewal Today"

Steven Duby, *Grand Canyon University*, "Christ's Divinity and the Drama of the Economy"

4:30 – 6:00 p.m.

Concurrent Session 4: [Moderator: Michael Dauphinais] *Ballroom Section 1*

Roger Nutt, *Ave Maria University*, "*Christus est unum simpliciter*: On Why the '*Secundarium*' of the Fourth Article of Thomas Aquinas's *De Unione Verbi Incarnati* is not a Numerically Second *Esse*"

Fr. John Emery, OP, *Universidad del Norte Santo Tomás de Aquino*, "A Christology of Communication: Christ's Charity according to Thomas Aquinas" **Gerald Boersma**, *Ave Maria University*, "The Spiritual Senses in Aquinas's Christology"

Concurrent Session 5: [Moderator: Bradley Cypher] Ballroom Section 2

Mark Foudy, *Boston College*, "Efficient instrumental causality in the Christology of Thomas Aquinas as presented in his *Postilla Super Psalmos*"

James Prothro, *Ave Maria University*, "Rise, Sit, and Judge: New Testament Reception of Psalm 110 and Thomas's Christological Exegesis"

Fr. Mike Johns, *Diocese of Little Rock*, *AR*, "St. Thomas Aquinas and Raymond Brown on John 15:15"

Concurrent Session 6: [Moderator: Fr. Robert Garrity] Ballroom Section 3

Randall Johnson, *The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary*, "Christ and the Principle of Alternative Possibilities"

Fred Sanders, *Biola University*, "Sonship Sent and Lived: Trinitarian Mission and the Mysteries of the Life of Jesus" **Sarah Kaiser**, *Ave Maria University*, "The Humility of Christ"

Concurrent Session 7: [Moderator: Aaron Henderson] Prince Building Classroom 114

Catherine Yanko, *The Catholic University of America*, "Reverencing the Defects of Christ: A Thomistic Inquiry of the Reception of Christ's Salvific Act"

James Kelly, *Boston College*, "Jesus, 'Parable of God:' The Christology of James Martin, S.J."

Daniel Lendman, *Ave Maria University*, "The Efficient Causality of the Resurrection of Christ as Universal Head of All Mankind"

6:00 – 7:15 p.m. Dinner: Guests are welcome to enjoy dinner at their

leisure, on their own.

7:15 p.m. Opening Conference Welcome [Fr. Andrew Hofer, OP;

President Christopher Ice; Roger Nutt]

O'Bryan Performance Hall

7:30 – 8:45 p.m. Plenary Session 1: [Moderator: Roger Nutt]

O'Bryan Performance Hall

Nathan Eubank, University of Notre Dame, "The Merit

of Christ"

Fr. Guy Mansini, OSB, Ave Maria University, "The

Authority and Charity of Christ"

Friday, February 7

Mass is offered at 7:30 a.m, 12:00 p.m., and 5:00 p.m. at Ave Maria Catholic Church and at 8:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. in Guadalupe Chapel located in Xavier Hall.

8:00 a.m. Registration, *Prince Building, Outside of the O'Bryan*

– 5:00 p.m. *Performance Hall*

8:30 – 10:00 a.m. Concurrent Session 8: [Moderator: Michael De Salvo]

Ballroom Section 1

Michael Dauphinais, Ave Maria University, "The Universal Christ is the Particular Jesus and Vice Versa: What Fr. Richard Rohr Might Learn from St. Thomas" Fr. Simon Francis Gaine, OP, Blackfriars, Oxford, "Must an incarnate divine person enjoy the beatific vision?" John Rziha, Benedictine College, "The Human Nature as Instrument of the Divine Nature in Christ"

Concurrent Session 9: [Moderator: Tyler Pellegrin] Ballroom Section 2

Aaron Henderson, *Ave Maria University*, "The Christological Implications of a False Identification of Original Sin and Pure Nature"

Cody Feikles, *Cardinal Gibbons High School*, "The Danger of Admitting to Faith in Christ"

Daniel Fitzpatrick, *Holy Apostles College and Seminary*, "Cause and the Liturgy: Toward Reform of the Reform"

Concurrent Session 10: [Moderator: Kara Logan] Ballroom Section 3

T. Adam Van Wart, *Ave Maria University*, "An Incarnational Grammar: Leontius of Byzantium & Aquinas on the Christological Use of Concrete & Abstract Terms" **David Whidden**, *Franciscan Missionaries of Our Lady University*, "Aquinas and Anselm on the Satisfaction of Christ"

David Mahfood, *Johnson University*, "Christ, God's Satisfying Self-Utterance: Anselm's Theology of Atonement in Light of His Doctrine of God"

Concurrent Session 11: [Moderator: Daniel Waldow] Prince Building Classroom 114

David Moser, Southern Methodist University, "Instrumentum divinitatis: How Aquinas Resolved a Problem in Two-Energies Christology" **Veronica Arntz**, Marguette University, "Defending the Christology of St. Thomas Aquinas's Sacramental Theology in Discussion with Karl Rahner's Theology"

Plenary Session 2: [Moderator: Fr. Guy Mansini, OSB] 10:30 – 11:45 a.m. O'Bryan Performance Hall

> **Brant Pitre**, Augustine Institute, "Thomas Aquinas and the Jewish Roots of Jesus' Divine Identity in the Synoptics" Paul Gondreau, Providence College, "'No More Docetism!': Aquinas on Christ's Male Sexuality as Integral to His Full Humanity"

Lunch: Lunch is available to purchase in the Bob 11:45 a.m. Thomas Student Union Cafeteria. The Private Dining - 1:30 p.m. Room is reserved for conference participants.

Plenary Session 3: [Moderator: Gerald Boersma] 1:30 - 2:45 p.m. O'Bryan Performance Hall

> Fr. Anthony Giambrone, OP, École biblique et archéologique française de Jérusalem, "Primitive Christology as Ancient Philosophy" **Oliver Crisp**, *University of St. Andrews*, "Christ, the Divine Idea"

Concurrent Session 12: [Moderator: Fr. Dominic Langevin, OP] Ballroom Section 1

> **Michael Barber**, Augustine Institute, "Jesus and the Priesthood of Peter: Isaiah 22 and Aquinas' Exegesis of Matthew 16:19"

Jon Kirwan, University of St. Thomas, "The Priesthood of Christ and the Crisis of the Priesthood: Garrigou-Lagrange and Jacques Maritain on the Disputed Legacy of the French School"

Fr. Reginald Lynch, OP, University of Notre Dame, "Cajetan on Christ's Priestly Sacrifice"

Concurrent Session 13: [Moderator: John O'Neill] Ballroom Section 2

Christopher Cleveland, Independent Scholar, "The Lord of Grace: The Grace of Christ in Aguinas" **Brendan Case**, Baylor University, "Christ as Justifier and

3:00 - 4:30 p.m.

the Reasons for the Incarnation: Reading Aguinas with Robert Grosseteste"

Bradley Cypher, *Ave Maria University*, "In Defense of Miracles: A Thomistic Apology for Christ's Divinity"

Concurrent Session 14: [Moderator: Fr. Joseph Lugalambi] Ballroom Section 3

Fr. Peter Gautsch, OP, *Providence College*, "Capital Glory: The Transfiguration of Christ and the Beatific Vision of the Blessed"

Fr. Charles Rochas, *Emmanuel School of Mission*, "The Beatific Vision of the Earthly Christ According to Saint Thomas Aquinas"

Fr. Matthew Hysell, OP, *Dominican University College*, "Christ's Beatific Vision and the (Intellectual) Gifts of the Holy Spirit in Aquinas: How the Incarnate Word's Created Knowledge is Truly/Perfectly Human"

Concurrent Session 15: [Moderator: Michael Picard] Prince Building Classroom 114

Jordan Haddad, Notre Dame Seminary Graduate School of Theology, "Is It Fitting to Think that Christ Suffered From Illness and Disease? Re-Examining Thomas' Thesis in Light of the Developments of Microbiology" Jeffrey Baynham, The Catholic University of America, "Christ the Teacher in the Johannine Commentaries of Augustine and Aquinas"

Steven Long, Ave Maria University, "TBA"

5:00 – 6:30 p.m. Keynote Speaker: [Moderator: Michael Dauphinais] *O'Bryan Performance Hall*

Bruce Marshall, *Southern Methodist University*, "God Almighty in the Flesh: Christology and the Crisis of Faith"

6:30 – 7:30 p.m. Cocktails [Speakers Only]

Bob Thomas Student Union Private Dining Room

7:30 – 8:30 p.m. Dinner [Invite Only]
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Saturday, February 8

Mass is offered at 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. at Ave Maria Catholic Church and at *11:15 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. in Guadalupe Chapel located in Xavier Hall.

7:00 a.m. Registration, *Prince Building, Outside of the O'Bryan*

– 5:15 p.m. *Performance Hall*

8:00 – 9:30 a.m. Concurrent Session 16: [Moderator: Jeffrey Walkey] *Ballroom Section 1*

Hans Boersma, *Nashotah House*, "Spirituality and Beatific Vision: The Transfiguration in Aquinas and Palamas"

Michael Waldstein, Franciscan University of Steubenville, "Who is 'Who' in 'But who do you say I am'? The Anti-Sabellian Strand in St. Thomas's Christology" Fr. Sebastian Walshe, O.Praem, St. Michael's Abbey, "The Analogy of the Word of God as a Principle of Biblical Interpretation in Aquinas"

Concurrent Session 17: [Moderator: Daniel Lendman] Ballroom Section 2

Dutton Kearney, *Hillsdale College*, "Aquinas on the Mystical Body of Christ"

Andrew Jaeger and **Jeremy Sienkiewicz**, *Benedictine College*, "*Mysterium Fidei*: Analytic Christology and the Tower of Babel"

John Kern, *Boston College*, "Charismatic Head, Charismatic Members: Albert the Great and Thomas Aquinas on Christ's *Gratia Gratis Data*"

Concurrent Session 18: [Moderator: Sarah Kaiser] Ballroom Section 3

Andrew Kuenstle, *Ave Maria University*, "Aquinas' Account of Sacrifice in Christ's Passion"

Joshua Lim, *University of Notre Dame*, "An Encyclopedic Pico della Mirandola?: Re-Thinking Saint Thomas's Teaching on Christ's Infused Knowledge"

Mark Heffley, *Ave Maria University*, "Chalcedonian Morality: Thomistic Ontology and Moral Theology"

Concurrent Session 19: [Moderator: Mary Parker] Prince Building Classroom 114

John O'Neill, *Ave Maria University*, "The Primacy of Christ as the Author of Sanctification: A Plausible

Thomistic Alternative to Scotus and the Salmanticences on the Motive of the Incarnation"

Eric Mabry, *Christ the King Seminary*, "*Habeat Esse Creatum*: The Mystery of Christ's Being and the Christology of Thomas Aquinas"

Luke Murray, St. Lawrence Institute for Faith and Culture, "In haereticis revincendis': Cornelius A Lapide's Commentary (1614) on Romans"

9:45 – 11:00 a.m.

Plenary Session 4: [Moderator: T. Adam Van Wart] O'Bryan Performance Hall

Fr. Dominic Legge, OP, *Dominican House of Studies*, "The Remedy for Confused Kenoticism: Aquinas as a Kenotic Theologian"

Matthew Ramage, *Benedictine College*, "Putting the Last Adam First: Aquinas, Ratzinger, and Human Origins in Light of Kenotic Christology"

11:15 a.m.

Mass, Guadalupe Chapel Celebrant: Fr. Romanus Cessario, OP, Ave Maria University

11:15 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Lunch: Lunch is available to purchase in the Bob Thomas Student Union Cafeteria. The Private Dining Room is reserved for conference participants.

12:30 – 1:45 p.m.

Plenary Session 5: [Moderator: Fr. Andrew Hofer, OP] O'Bryan Performance Hall

Fr. Dominic Langevin, OP, Dominican House of Studies, "Christological Falsehood and Sacramental Truth: Intention and Faith in the Sacramental Minister"

Daria Spezzano, Providence College, "Is Jesus Judgmental? Aquinas on Christ as Eschatological Judge"

2:00 – 3:30 p.m.

Concurrent Session 20: [Moderator: Fr. Reginald Lynch, OP] Ballroom Section 1

John Sehorn, *Augustine Institute*, "Christ's Miracles and the Christian Faithful According to St Thomas Aquinas" **Fr. Andrew Hofer**, **OP**, *Dominican House of Studies*, "Thomas Aquinas on Christ's Judgment of the Theologian's Work"

Ivan Bodrozic, *University of Split*, "Saint Thomas Aquinas' Intrepretation of the Fifth-Century Christological Crisis"

Concurrent Session 21: [Moderator: Alexandria Fountain] Ballroom Section 2

Daniel W. Houck, *John Leland Center for Theological Studies*, "Aquinas on the Sinlessness of Christ" **Jane Sloan Peters**, *Marquette University*, "Cyril of Alexandria's Exegetical Contribution to Thomistic Christology"

Corey Stephan, *Marquette University*, "'*Medium tenens*': *Summa Theologica* III, Q. 2, A. 6 & the Transcendence of Orthodoxy"

Concurrent Session 22: [Moderator: Brett Feger] *Ballroom Section 3*

Austin Stevenson, *University of Cambridge*, "Personal Identity and Hypostasis: The Christological Crisis of 'Personhood'"

Fr. Peter Totleben, OP, *Pontifical College Josephinum*, "The Foundations of Fittingness: Necessity and Contingency in the Economy"

Andrew Gertner Belfield, *Boston College*, "That Christ is One: Some Thirteenth-Century Considerations"

Concurrent Session 23: [Moderator: Alex Posada] Prince Building Classroom 114

Rev. Jason Pickard, *University of Otago*, "The Exact Imprint of His Nature': Thomas Aquinas and the Reformed Departure (?) from a Two Nature Christology" **Wichael Wahl** Providence College, "The Supreme Model

Michael Wahl, *Providence College*, "The Supreme Model of Perfection': Aquinas on the Fullness and Growth of Christ's Virtue"

Susan Waldstein, Franciscan University of Steubenville, "The Two Births of Christ in Aquinas and Charles de Koninick"

5:15 – 6:30 p.m. Keynote Speaker: [Moderator: Steven Long] *O'Bryan Performance Hall*

Fr. Thomas Joseph White, OP, *Angelicum*, "The Trinitarian Consciousness of Christ"

6:30 p.m. Closing of the Conference [Fr. Dominic Legge, OP]

O'Bryan Performance Hall

6:45 p.m. Dinner: Guests are welcome to enjoy dinner at their leisure, on their own.

Sunday, February 9

Mass is offered at 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., 12:30 p.m., and 7:30 p.m. at Ave Maria Catholic Church and at 11:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. in Guadalupe Chapel located in Xavier Hall.

CONFERENCE MISSION:

"But who do you say that I am?" At the decisive turning point in the Gospel, Jesus asks this question. Simon Peter answers correctly at first, but is soon corrected when he protests the revelation of the Cross. Christians in every age are called to confess right faith in Jesus, who suffered, died, and rose for our salvation. This conference considers a wide range of scriptural, historical, and systematic attempts at answering Jesus' question and engages in the thinking of Thomas Aquinas on it. His teaching on Christ reflects a master of the sacred page who attended adroitly to the scriptural narrative of Christ's actions and sufferings, pioneered in the West the recovery of ancient conciliar teaching, innovated in his Christological pedagogy, and elucidated Trinitarian, anthropological, sacramental, moral, and eschatological dimensions of Christology. Studying the mystery of Christ in dialogue with Aquinas can assist us in today's crisis of Christology.



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