SPRING 2020
LECTURES,
PRESENTATIONS &
DISCUSSIONS

Saint Thomas More
The Catholic Chapel & Center at Yale University
The Reverend Richard R. Russell Lecture

**Sunday, January 19th / 6pm Dinner & Lecture**

Peter Phan, Ph.D.

Asian-American Christians: A Blessing for American Christianity?

Peter C. Phan, is the inaugural holder of the Ignacio Ellacuria Chair of Catholic Social Thought at Georgetown University. His research deals with the theology of icon in Orthodox theology, patristic theology, eschatology, the history of Christian missions in Asia, and liberation, inculturation and interreligious dialogue. Professor Phan is the recipient of the John Courtney Murray Award, the highest honor bestowed by the Catholic Theological Society of America for outstanding achievement in theology. He is the author and editor of over thirty books and has published over 300 essays. His award-winning writing has been translated into thirteen languages and has received many awards.

Black History Month Lecture

**Thursday, February 20th / 6pm Dinner & Lecture**

Sr. Patricia Chappell, S.N.D.deN.

Is Building the Beloved Community an Impossible Dream?

Patricia Chappell, a Sister of Notre Dame de Namur, is the first African American Executive Director of Pax Christi USA, the National Catholic Nonviolent Peace and Justice Movement located in Washington, DC. She holds a M.S.W. from the Catholic University of America and is a licensed social worker in the Washington, DC. She was trained by Crossroads in anti-racism training and organizing and serves as the national co-chair on her community’s anti-racism team.

The Judge Guido Calabresi Fellowship in Religion & Law

**Sunday, February 23rd / 6pm Dinner & Lecture**

U.S. District Judge John G. Koeltl

Religion & Judging

John George Koeltl is a judge of the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York in Manhattan. He earned his J.D. degree from Harvard Law School, where he was an editor of the Harvard Law Review. He was appointed United States District Judge for the Southern District of New York in 1994, Koeltl served as an Assistant Special Prosecutor of the Watergate Special Prosecution Force (Department of Justice) and was a partner with Debevoise & Plimpton until his appointment to the bench. Judge Koeltl is a former member of the Advisory Committee on Civil Rules and the Committee on Court Administration and Case Management of the Judicial Conference of the United States.

The Jeanie Graustein Lecture on Environmental Justice

**Sunday, March 1st / 6pm Dinner & Lecture**

Fr. Brian Pierce, O.P.

Clay, Breath & Flowing River

Brian Pierce, OP, is a Dominican Friar of the Province of St. Martin de Porres. In the 1990’s Fr. Brian was part of the team of Dominican friars sent to Honduras to found a new community of preachers in the Diocese of San Pedro Sula. There he worked in barrios and mountain villages with men and women living with HIV-AIDS. He also spent time in a contemplative ashram dedicated to Christian mysticism and interreligious dialogue. Fr. Pierce frequently gives preaching workshops, mostly in Latin America, and is the author of numerous books including We Walk the Path Together: Learning from Thich Nhat Hanh and Meister Eckhart (Orbis Books, 2005), Praxis y Predicación (Editorial Bonum, 2008), and Jesus the Prodigal Son (Orbis Books, 2016).

The Morehouse House Lecture

**Sunday, April 26th / 6pm Dinner & Lecture**

Fr. Patrick J. Ryan, S.J.

The Call to Jihad and the Lure of Prosperity: Polarities in Contemporary Islam and Christianity in Africa

Patrick J. Ryan, S.J., is the Laurence J. McGinley Professor of Religion and Society at Fordham University. He earned his B.A. and M.A. degrees at Fordham and a Ph.D. in the comparative history of religion from Harvard University. At Fordham, Fr. Ryan taught Middle Eastern Studies, held the Loyola Chair in the Humanities and served as Vice President for University Mission and Ministry. He is the author of numerous articles and books including: When I Survey the Wondrous Cross: Scriptural Reflections for Lent (Paulist, 2004) and Amen: Jews, Christians and Muslims Keep Faith with God (Catholic University of America Press, 2018).

Events, Panel Discussions & Presentations

**Sunday, February 9**

6pm Dinner & Discussion

Interfaith Panel on Scripture

Renowned Yale Divinity School scholars from different faiths will share insights on Scripture. The panel includes Harold Attridge 97 M.A.H., Ph.D., an American New Testament scholar known for his work in New Testament exegesis; John Collins, Ph.D., Holmes Professor of Old Testament Criticism and Interpretation and Joel Baden 99 Ph.D., Professor of Hebrew Bible.

**Sunday, February 16th**

6pm Dinner & Discussion

Catholic Faculty Series: Life as a Scholar & a Believer

Maria Lourdes Sabé-Colom

Senior Lector I of Spanish at Yale University

**Sunday, March 29th**

6pm Silent Auction, Soup, Wine & Song

Join us for a delightful evening of delicious food, a silent auction and music by some of Yale’s finest a capella groups – all to benefit STM’s social justice programs.

**Sunday, April 19th**

6pm Dinner & Presentations

Student Reflections on Alternative Spring Break Trips & ESTEEM

Hear from students who participated in STM’s Alternative Spring Break & ESTEEM trips.

**Sunday, May 3rd**

6pm Dinner & Presentations

Senior & Grad Student Presentations

Hear highlights from graduating students about their research and professional aspirations.
Contemporary Conversations & Book Signings

February 6th
6pm Conversation at the Golden Center, Reception to follow at Mory’s

Caylin Louis Moore

A Dream Too Big: The Story of An Improbable Journey from Compton

Caylin Louis Moore grew up in the Compton, Carson, and South Central Los Angeles area of California. After undergraduate studies at Texas Christian University, he went on to become a 2017 Rhodes Scholar and a recent graduate of the University of Oxford in England where he earned his master’s degree. Caylin aspires to become a university professor, and is currently applying to doctoral programs in sociology. A Dream Too Big is his eye-opening, inspirational story proves that, contrary to what others told him on his journey, there is no such thing as a dream too big.

April 2nd
6pm Conversation and Reception at the Golden Center

John Loughery

Dorothy Day: Dissenting Voice of the American Century

John Loughery is a teacher, art critic, historian, Pulitzer Prize-nominated and Edgar Award-winning biographer based in New York City. He is the co-author with Blythe Randolph of the first full authoritative biography of Dorothy Day, American icon, radical pacifist, Catholic convert and activist whom Pope Francis I compared to Martin Luther King Jr. and Abraham Lincoln.

The Sacred Paschal Triduum

Thursday of the Lord’s Supper | April 9, 2020 | 8pm
Friday of the Passion of the Lord | April 10, 2020 | 8pm
Easter Vigil in the Holy Night | April 11, 2020 | 8pm
Easter Sunday Mass | April 12, 2020 | 10am