



The Franciscan Institute

Summer 2018

Events

June 8-11, 2018 – Meeting at St. Isidore, Rome

Meeting at St. Isidore's in Rome. Introduction to the work of Alexander of Hales and preparations for 2019 Franciscan Institute Conference on Theologians before Thomas and Bonaventure.

BC will host Boyd Coolman, Richard Gaillardetz, and Stephen Brown. We will offer scholarships to theologians and graduate students to pursue summer study in Rome.

August 1-2, 2018 (special pre-colloquy event at BC's Connor Centre)

Boston College Historical Theology Colloquy with Drs. Lydia Schumacher and Boyd Taylor Coolman. This is an opportunity to develop a longer relationship with the scholars of historical theology and increase the visibility of the work of the Franciscan Institute. The FI will become a co-sponsor of the event. Dr. Jay Hammond will be invited to present a session on the Hexaemeron.

David Couturier and Jill Smith have been invited to the pre-conference colloquy at Boston College's Connor Centre, August 1-2, 2018 and to the Historical Theology's Colloquy at BC's Dover Retreat Centre in Dover, MA.

Participants at the Pre-Conference Colloquy:

Aaron Canty (St Xavier University) – Anselm's Influence on the Summa

Justin Coyle (Boston College) – Richard of St Victor in the Summa

Aaron Gies (Catholic University of America) – Biblical Exegesis in the Summa

Franklin Harkins (Boston College) – Predestination and Divine Love in the Summa

Justus Hunter (United Theological Seminary) – The Reason for the Incarnation in the Summa

Mary Beth Ingham (Graduate Theological Union/FST) – Mariology in the Summa

Ian Levy (Providence College) – Sacramental Penance in the Summa

Andrew Rosato (Thomas Aquinas College) – Atonement in the Summa

Jacob Wood (Steubenville) – Analogy Theory in the Summa

David Couturier (St. Bonaventure University) – The Franciscan Institute

Jill M. Smith (St. Bonaventure University) – The Franciscan Institute

Franciscan Institute Summer Conferences

2019 – The Theologians Before Aquinas and Bonaventure.

2020 – Franciscan Martyrs, Mission and Evangelization

2021 - Franciscan Spirituality and Prayer in the 21st Century

Franciscan Institute Seminars Information

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Master Classes

Jay Hammond PhD	Introduction to St. Bonaventure's Hexaameron	July 9-13 2018
Mary Beth Ingham PhD	Introduction to Duns Scotus	July 16-20, 2018
Gilberto Cavazos OFM	Clare's Process of Canonization: Liberation, Leadership and Spirituality	July 9-13, 2018

Classes for credit

Jean-Francois Godet-Calogeras **A Franciscan Approach to Health Care (3 credits)**

For teachers, students, administrators, practitioners...

A Franciscan Approach to Health Care

The Franciscan movement began eight hundred years ago with health care when Francis of Assisi and his early companions took care of people with leprosy who, because of their disease, had been forcibly excluded from contact with the human community.

This course will start to build a Franciscan perspective by exploring health care in medieval times and the response of the first Franciscans. With that perspective, it will then examine all aspects of contemporary health care. The class will be fairly interactive, using case studies to explore ethical and moral principles to be considered in the practice and delivery of health care.

In the course participants will evaluate, from a Franciscan perspective, the U.S. health care system and compare it with other models of health care. The overall goal of the course will be to understand the reality of health care in the U.S. and how a Franciscan approach can improve it.

David Couturier

Franciscan Pedagogy: Teaching the Way of Francis and Clare

(3 credits)

Advanced Certificate Online

June 15– July 31 2018

This online course will introduce Franciscan pedagogy to students interested in teaching foundational Franciscan courses across generational cohorts and to various groups, but especially to young adults (i.e. Millennials). This course will begin by discussing the major religious challenges facing millennial students today and the educational issues that ensue. The course will then focus on ways that teachers can familiarize their students with the social and cultural context that influenced the life, work and spirituality of Francis and Clare of Assisi. We will study the values and virtues that shaped the lives of Francis and Clare and how these achieved systematic expression in the thought of St. Bonaventure. Students of this course will develop ways to connect and apply key Franciscan insights to contemporary concerns.

Franciscan Institute Workshops



**Becoming Prayer, Becoming Presence: A Workshop for Secular Franciscans
July 13-15, 2018**

Becoming Prayer, Becoming Presence: St. Francis is often described as one who not so much prayed as became prayer! Following this path is to walk the way of transformation through prayer as taught by Francis, Clare and so many of the Franciscan saints. This workshop will look at renewing our sense of the Divine Presence in our lives and practical methods for establishing contemplative space as Franciscans today.

Brother Richard Hendrick is an Irish Capuchin Franciscan. For the past twenty years he has been teaching the practice of meditation in the Christian Contemplative Tradition and has evolved a number of programmes teaching Meditation and Mindfulness to young people through the Sanctuary Spirituality Centre in Dublin. He is currently Guardian of the Ards Friary and Retreat centre in Donegal in North West of Ireland

Br. Richard Hendricks, OFM Cap.

Contemplative Mindfulness

July 21, 2018

(held at St. Elizabeth Motherhouse)

The Path & Practice of Mindfulness in the Christian Contemplative Tradition: Mindfulness seems to be everywhere today but where does it fit in the Christian Contemplative Tradition? Many are surprised to discover that since the earliest days of the Church the practices of centered attention

or Mindfulness have been a central pillar of the contemplative path. This workshop will look at what Mindfulness is, where it came from and its practical place in our prayer life as a discipline for deepening our awareness of the Divine Presence.

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