

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 9

All events in McKenna Hall unless otherwise noted.

12–5:00 p.m. Registration Check-In **FRONT DESK**

Note: Check-in will be available throughout the weekend.

1–2:15 p.m. Rising Scholar Colloquium Sessions*

AUDITORIUM | HOPE IN THE FACE OF EVIL

Michael Bradley (University of Notre Dame)

“Good and Evil in Heaven and Hell”

Alex Roth (University of Notre Dame)

“The Sorrowful Mother as a Beacon of Hope in Response to the Problem of Evil”

Timothy Troutner (University of Notre Dame)

“The Scandal of the Supernatural and the Origin of Evil: The Dramatic Structure of Nature and Grace in the Fall of the Angels”

Chair: Santiago Legarre (Universidad Católica Argentina)

ROOM 200 | THE LAW INSCRIBED ON OUR HEARTS

Devin Buckley (Duke University)

“Deconstructing Deconstruction: Implicit Categories of Good and Evil in Postmodern Literary Criticism”

Chase Padusniak (Princeton University)

“*Piers Plowman*’s Pastoral Good and Evil”

Kathryn Wales

“Breaker of Horses: Conflict and Transformation in Homer’s *Iliad*”

Chair: Ernest Morrell (University of Notre Dame)

JOYCE ROOM, MORRIS INN | CHALLENGES TO THE COMMON GOOD

Patrick Brown (Princeton University)

“Bonding, Bridging, and Blocking: Social Capital and the Human Tendency to Exclude”

Pilar Calva (Corazon Puro)

“The Law Protects the Right to Life In Mexico vs U.N. Committees and OAS Recommendations Against the Right to Life”

Timothy Reilly (University of Notre Dame)

“Is There Evil in Communities of Practice? A Critical Reflection on Scholarship in the Learning Sciences”

Chair: Martijn Cremers (University of Notre Dame)

CARMICHAEL ROOM, MORRIS INN | TILL WE HAVE FACES

Weronika Janczuk

“The Heart as Locus: Advancing Ethical Experience in the Thought of John Paul II and Edith Stein”

Kristóf Oltvai (University of Chicago)

“Good without Being?: Personhood, Communion, and Evil in Jean-Luc Marion’s Theology”

Jimmy White (University of Notre Dame)

“‘Straining toward what lies ahead’ (Phil 3:13): Perfection as a Permanent Journey of Following in Gregory of Nyssa’s *De Vita Moysis*”

Chair: Rev. Greg Haake, C.S.C. (University of Notre Dame)

** Papers chosen from among submissions in response to the Call for Papers.*

HESBURGH ROOM, MORRIS INN | EVER ANCIENT, EVER NEW: FROM AUGUSTINE TO NEWMAN

Robert McFadden (University of Notre Dame)

“Newman’s Augustine: Imagining the Common Good”

Robert Wyllie (University of Notre Dame)

“Political Evil and Pagan Virtue in City of God”

Chair: Peter Casarella (University of Notre Dame)

2:30–3:45 p.m. Rising Scholar Colloquium Sessions*

AUDITORIUM | REEXAMINING LIBERALISM

Amy Chandran (Harvard University)

“Theodicy, Nominalism, and the Theological Roots of Liberalism”

Pawel Figurski (University of Warsaw)

“A History of Misconception: Secular Ideologies and Sacralization of Political Power”

Kevin Scott (University of Notre Dame)

“Must Rational Animals Be Consistently Rational Animals? Exceptionless Moral Norms in Finnis and Foot”

Christina Bambrick (University of Texas at Austin)

“Considering the Possibility (and Desirability) of Liberal Virtues”

Chair: Gladden J. Pappin (University of Dallas)

ROOM 200 | THE EVIL BEFORE ME

Colin Devine (Yale University)

“Kant on Sentimentality and Radical Evil”

Rev. Jorge Pujol (Pontifical University of the Holy Cross)

“Social Media: The Risks of a Morality Based on Appearances and Not in Righteousness”

Anna Anderson (American Principles Project)

“The Failed Saints and Fallen Monks of William Faulkner”

Chair: Bharat Ranganathan (University of Notre Dame)

JOYCE ROOM, MORRIS INN | THE COMMON DOCTOR

Michael Altenberger (University of Notre Dame)

“Thomas Aquinas and the Special Virtue of Vengeance”

Martin Beers (University of Notre Dame)

“St. Thomas Aquinas on Understanding Good and Evil through Knowledge of Sensible Contraries”

Mark Hoipkemie (University of Notre Dame)

“Common Good and Social Evil: A Thomistic Perspective”

Chair: William Mattison (University of Notre Dame)

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CARMICHAEL ROOM, MORRIS INN | WHENCE EVIL?

Nevin Climenhaga and Dustin Crummett (University of Notre Dame)

“Multiverse Theodicies Imply Inductive Skepticism”

Tobias Flattery (University of Notre Dame)

“Theism and the Nature of Evil: A Plea for Privation Theory”

Jude Galbraith (University of Notre Dame)

“Good, Evil, and Artificial Agents: Limitations of the Natural/Moral Distinction”

Chair: Nicholas Teh (University of Notre Dame)

HESBURGH ROOM, MORRIS INN | THE QUOTIDIAN STRUGGLE

Robert Lisowski, C.S.C. (University of Notre Dame)

“Considering Good and Evil through the Philosophy of Gabriel Marcel and the Resulting Pastoral Implications”

Andrew Lynn (University of Virginia)

“Enchanting Economics: The Secular Theodicies of Late Capitalism”

Sandra Polania-Reyes (University of Notre Dame)

“Prosocial Behavior, Heterogeneity, and Incentives: Lab-in-the-Field Experimental Evidence from the Local Commons”

Chair: Ricardo Calleja (University of Navarra)

5:15 p.m.

Opening Mass

BASILICA OF THE SACRED HEART

Celebrated by Rev. Terrence Ehrman, C.S.C. (Center for Ethics and Culture Chaplain)

6:15–8:00 p.m.

Registration Check-In

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8:00 p.m.

Josef Pieper Keynote Lecture: “Is the God of the Old Testament Evil?”

AUDITORIUM

Gary Anderson (University of Notre Dame)

Chair: O. Carter Snead (Notre Dame Center for Ethics and Culture)

9:30–10:30 p.m. Opening Reception

ATRIUM

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 10

8:00 a.m. Continental Breakfast
ATRIUM

9:00–10:15 a.m. Colloquium Sessions*

AUDITORIUM | CALLED TO COMMUNION

Mary Anne Case (University of Chicago)
“Trans Formations in the Vatican’s War on ‘Gender Ideology’”

Pia de Solenni (Diocese of Orange, CA)
“Battle of the Sexes”

Ryan Anderson (Heritage Foundation)
“Responding to the Transgender Moment”

Chair: Francesca Murphy (University of Notre Dame)

LOWER LEVEL | MORALITY AND SOCIAL CONTROL IN CRIMINAL LAW

Marc de Girolami (St. John’s University)

Cecelia Klingele (Wisconsin Law)

Meghan Ryan (Southern Methodist University)

John Stinneford (University of Florida)

Chair: Rick Garnett (Notre Dame Law School)

ROOM 104 | THE STORIES WE TELL

Rev. Robert Gahl (Pontifical University of Holy Cross)
“Good Stories about Evil: Dramatic Narrative and Human Flourishing”

Steven Knepper (Virginia Military Institute)
“Racine’s *Phaedra* and the Tragedy of the Divided Self”

Michael West (Columbia University)
“How Shakespeare’s Not-Quite-Good and Not-Quite-Evil Characters Make Him a Bad Teacher”

Chair: Tom Hoopes (Benedictine College)

ROOM 112 | BUILDING UPON NATURE

Ricardo Calleja (University of Navarra)
“Artificial Practical Reason: A Review of Moral Experiments on Self-Driving Cars”

Jason Eberl (Marian University)
“Can Prudence Be Enhanced?”

Alex Pitts (Maitre de Chai)
“La Lutte Raisonnée: Exploring the Evils and Virtues of Winemaking”

Chair: Brett Robinson (Notre Dame McGrath Institute for Church Life)

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ROOM 114 | ECCLESIOLOGICAL REFLECTIONS ON THE DOMESTIC CHURCH

Mark Cherry (St. Edward's University)

"Centrality of the Christian Family: Confronting Evil and Sustaining the Common Good"

Christina Strafaci (University of Mary-Tempe)

"Corruption to Healing in the Hearts of Fatherless Daughters"

Joseph Rice (Princeton Theological Seminary)

"Ecology and the Family in Recent Papal Teaching"

Chair: Rev. Terrence Ehrman, C.S.C. (University of Notre Dame)

ROOM 200 | A JUDGMENT OF REASON

Daniel De Haan (Cambridge University)

"The Ontogeny of Synderesis: Biopsychosocial Transformations in the Moral Development of Children"

Rev. John Young, C.S.C. (Yale University)

"Continuing Cultivation of the Human Heart"

Jose A. Bufill, MD, FACP (Partner, Michiana Hematology-Oncology, P.C.)

"The Criminal Mind and the Moral Imagination"

Rev. Nickolas Becker, O.S.B. (College of St. Benedict)

"Conscience and Virtue in the Thought of John Henry Newman"

Chair: Pete Hlabse (Notre Dame Center for Ethics and Culture)

ROOM 202 | POLITICS IN A FALLEN WORLD

Brett Bourbon (University of Dallas)

"Acts of Power and Necessity"

Guillaume de Thieulloy (Institute France Renaissance)

"Is Parliament Able to Define Good and Evil?"

Thomas Smith (Villanova University)

"Where's the Good in Political Life? A Christian Thought Experiment"

Jenna Storey (Furman University)

"Pierre Manent on the Challenge of Living Politically"

Chair: Patrick Deneen (University of Notre Dame)

ROOM 210 | WHO IS MY NEIGHBOR?

Lambert Nieme (Pope St. John XXIII National Seminary)

"Good and Evil: In the Heart of Human Suffering in Africa"

Bharat Ranganathan (University of Notre Dame)

"Moral Demandingness and Obligations to Special Relations and Self"

Ilaria Schnyder (University of Notre Dame)

"Lampedusa: Spark of Good or/and Evil"

Chair: Jessica Keating (Notre Dame Office of Human Dignity and Life Initiatives)

ROOM 212 | PHYSICIAN, HEAL THYSELF

Lauris Kaldjian (University of Iowa Carver College of Medicine)

“Altruism, Justice, and the Healthcare Professional’s Struggle with Evil”

Tom McGovern (Catholic Medical Association)

“Suffering Patients, Suffering Doctors: How Can Good Prevail?”

Bryan Pilkington (Fordham University)

“Patients and Practitioners: Good, Evil, and the Practice of Medicine”

Chair: Rev. James Foster, C.S.C. (University of Notre Dame)

ROOM 214 | STANDARDS OF JUDGMENT

Hon. Thomas More Donnelly (Cook County Circuit Court)

“Heartlessly Un-Natural Law and the Recovery of Humanness: Discovering Desiderative Deliberation”

Rev. John Paul Kimes (Center for Ethics and Culture Raymond of Peñafort Fellow)

“The Proper Medicine: Justice as the Cure for Evil”

Andrew Sepielli (University of Toronto)

“An Error Theory of Error Theories”

Chair: Nicole Garnett (Notre Dame Law School)

10:45 a.m.–12:00 p.m. Concurrent Sessions

AUDITORIUM | AFFECTING EVIL

Jacqueline Rivers (Harvard University)

“Social Scientists and Values: Scholarly Objectivity or Passionate Advocacy?”

William Evans (University of Notre Dame)

“Guns and Violence: The Enduring Impact of the Rise of Crack Markets on Young Black Males”

Chair: Joseph Kaboski (University of Notre Dame)

LOWER LEVEL | “FROM THE HEART COME FORTH WORDS AND DEEDS THAT DEFILE”

John Finnis (Notre Dame Law School; Center for Ethics and Culture Senior Distinguished Research Fellow)

Chair: Rev. Justin Brophy, O.P. (University of Notre Dame)

12:15–1:15 p.m. Lunch

BALLROOM, MORRIS INN

1:30–2:45 p.m. “From Grammar to Metaphysics, From Adjectives to Evils”

AUDITORIUM

Alasdair MacIntyre (Center for Ethics and Culture Senior Distinguished Research Fellow)

Chair: O. Carter Snead (Notre Dame Center for Ethics and Culture)

3:15-4:30 p.m. Concurrent Sessions

AUDITORIUM | “WHEN IS POVERTY A VIRTUE AND WEALTH A VICE? THE STRUGGLE BETWEEN GOOD AND EVIL IN THE CONSCIOUSNESS OF CONTEMPORARY NIGERIAN CHRISTIANS”

Bishop Godfrey Onah (Diocese of Nsukka, Nigeria)

Chair: Rev. Paulinus Odozor, C.S.Sp. (University of Notre Dame)

LOWER LEVEL | “JESUS WEPT: MISERICORDIA IN AUGUSTINE, AQUINAS, AND MALICK”

John O’Callaghan (University of Notre Dame)

Chair: Jennifer Martin (University of Notre Dame)

5:15 p.m. Mass

BASILICA OF THE SACRED HEART

6:15-7:45 p.m. Dinner

BALLROOM, MORRIS INN

8:00 p.m. “The Tyranny of the Moderns”

AUDITORIUM

James Hankins (Harvard University)

Chair: Gladden J. Pappin (University of Dallas)

9:30-10:30 p.m. Reception

ATRIUM

10:00 p.m. Young Adult Reception

SORIN’S, MORRIS INN

Note: Please bring conference nametag for entry.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 11

8:00 a.m. Continental Breakfast
ATRIUM

9:00–10:15 a.m. Colloquium Sessions*

AUDITORIUM | BY MAN SHALL HIS BLOOD BE SHED: ON THE DEATH PENALTY

Joseph Bessette (Claremont McKenna College)

Edward Feser (Pasadena City College)

Gerard Bradley (University of Notre Dame)

John O'Callaghan (University of Notre Dame)

Chair: Matthew Franck (Witherspoon Institute)

LOWER LEVEL | MORALITY AND MODERNITY

Jennifer Donnelly (Terra Foundation for American Art)

“The Good, the Bad, and the Ugly (Art): Questions of Quality and Morality in Modern Visual Culture”

Michal Luczewski (Centre for the Thought of John Paul II)

“Bringing (D)evil Back In: Neutralization of the Demonic and Transition to Modernity”

Benjamin Storey (Furman University)

“Pascal, Christianity, and Moral Relativism”

Chair: Anthony Monta (University of Notre Dame)

ROOM 104 | INSTITUTIONAL EVIL

Todd Hartch (Eastern Kentucky University)

“Ivan Illich and the Mystery of Evil”

Michael Stevens (Cornerstone University)

“Protean Evil in Soviet Russia: Wrestling the Shape-Shifting Shadow in Bulgakov, Solzhenitsyn, and Grushin”

David Tubbs (The King's College; 2017–18 James Madison Program Ann and Herbert W. Vaughan Visiting Fellow)

“The Goodness of Union and the Evil of Bondage”

Chair: Sherif Girgis (Princeton University)

ROOM 112 | THE FULFILLMENT OF OUR DEEPEST DESIRES

Gwendolen Adams (Bardstreet Creative, Founder)

“Story-Telling: Moral Formation and Agape”

Andrew Hayes (University of St. Thomas)

“The Furnace and the Chasm: Good, Evil, and the Question of Universal Restoration in the Theological Poetry of Ephrem the Syrian”

Adrian Reimers (University of Notre Dame)

“Can Anyone Not Want Heaven?”

Chair: Colum Dever (University of Notre Dame)

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ROOM 114 | ‘WHAT WOULD YOU HAVE ME DO?’

Richard Doerflinger (Center for Ethics and Culture Public Policy Fellow)

“Warming the Frozen Heart: Self-Deception and Self-Sacrifice in Disney’s *Frozen*”

Peter Nguyen (Creighton University)

“Against Titanism: The Martyrdom of Alfred Delp”

John Sehorn (Augustine Institute)

“What Is a Prophet? Prophecy and Theodicy in Origen of Alexandria”

Anna Moreland (Villanova University)

“Fragility of Consciousness”

Chair: Rev. Augustine Reisenauer, O.P. (University of Notre Dame)

ROOM 200 | WE STAND OR FALL TOGETHER

Giulio De Ligio (Catholic University of Paris / EHESS)

“Blind Giants? Relativism and the Standards of the Common Good”

Brad Lewis (Catholic University of America)

“Is the Common Good Obsolete?”

Jennifer Miller (Notre Dame Seminary, NOLA)

“An Incarnational Solidarity: In the Light of Scripture and the Impetus of Tradition”

Chair: Michael Moreland (Villanova Law School)

ROOM 202 | SPEAK NO EVIL

Thomas Berg (University of St. Thomas)

“Irony and American Religious Freedom Issues”

Holly Hamilton-Bleakley (University of San Diego)

“Good Speech, Evil Speech, and Human Flourishing”

Jim Stoner (Louisiana State University)

“Good and Evil Grown Together: The Argument for Freedom of Speech”

Chair: Melody Wood (University of Notre Dame)

ROOM 210 | CODIFYING THE GOOD

Gil Bailie (Fellowship of Catholic Scholars)

“The Enthusiastic Assent of the Catholic Conscience”

Jeffrey Bishop (Saint Louis University)

“Ruling Out Evil? Nazi Doctors and the Metaphysics of the Good”

Bernard Bourdin (Institut Catholique du Paris)

“Can Politics Have Something to Say Theologically in Terms of Distinguishing Good from Evil?”

Chair: Mary Keys (University of Notre Dame)

ROOM 212 | OBJECTIFYING EVIL

Pilar Calva Mercado (Universidad Anahuac Medical School)

“Synthetic Embryos: Manipulating Cells and Manipulating Language”

Margaret Hogan (University of Portland)

“Intellectual Evil: Its Causes and Cure”

Susan Waldstein (Ave Maria University)

“Loss of the Good in Natural Sciences”

Chair: Alyson Cox (Notre Dame Center for Ethics and Culture)

ROOM 214 | EMPTY PROMISES: SIN, ORIGINAL AND UNORIGINAL

Robert Barry (Providence College)

“Adam’s Children: Human Nature, Evolution, and the Transmission of Original Sin”

Catherine Deavel (University of St. Thomas)

“Language and Loves: Naming and Knowing Evil”

Randall Smith (University of St. Thomas)

“Rescuers and Murderers: Why Ordinary Men and Women Do Extraordinary Good or Evil”

Chair: Rev. John Paul Kimes (Notre Dame Center for Ethics and Culture Raymond of Peñafort Fellow)

10:45 a.m.–12:00 p.m. Concurrent Sessions

AUDITORIUM | THE HEART OF DARKNESS

Sr. Ann Astell (University of Notre Dame)

“Cut to the Heart: Compunction in Henry James’ ‘Altar of the Dead’”

Vera Profit (University of Notre Dame)

“Lying as a Sign of Individual Evil in Oscar Wilde’s *The Picture of Dorian Gray*”

Chair: David O’Connor (University of Notre Dame)

LOWER LEVEL | “VIRTUOUS EVILDOERS”

Gilbert Meilaender (Center for Ethics and Culture Paul Ramsey Fellow)

Chair: Susan Collins (University of Notre Dame)

12:15–1:15 p.m. Lunch

BALLROOM, MORRIS INN

1:30–2:45 p.m. Concurrent Sessions

AUDITORIUM | “GETTYSBURG AND THE GETTYSBURG ADDRESS”

Jonathan Lear (University of Chicago)

Chair: Sean Leadem (Duquesne University)

LOWER LEVEL | DEPICTING EVIL

Elizabeth Lev (Pontifical University of the Angelicum) and Thomas Williams (University of St. Thomas)
“Good and Evil in Art: Chiaroscuro from Caravaggio to Mel Gibson”

Randy Boyagoda (University of St. Michael’s College, University of Toronto)
“What Is Evil? Is It Really a Clown?”

Chair: Mary Ann Glendon (Harvard University)

3:15–4:30 p.m. Concurrent Sessions

AUDITORIUM | “WHEN EVIL BECOMES VIRTUAL: CYBERSPACE, FAILING MEDIA, AND THE HOAX OF THE ‘HOLOCAUST OF TUAM’”

John Waters (Irish *Independent*)

Chair: David Quinn (Iona Institute)

LOWER LEVEL | OBSCURING THE GOOD

John Haldane (University of St. Andrews)
“Art and Depravity”

Abe Schoener (Scholium Wines)
“Baudelaire: The Aesthetic Experience of Disgust”

Chair: Rev. William R. Dailey, C.S.C. (Newman Center for Faith and Reason)

5:00 p.m. Closing Mass

BASILICA OF THE SACRED HEART

6:30–7:45 p.m. Dinner

BALLROOM, MORRIS INN

8:00 p.m. De Nicola Family Lecture: “Machiavelli on Necessary Evil”

AUDITORIUM

Harvey Mansfield (Harvard University)

Chair: O. Carter Snead (Notre Dame Center for Ethics and Culture)

9:30–10:30 p.m. Closing Reception

ATRIUM