

IGNATIUS BRADY LECTURE
Bonaventure and the Centrality of Love

Ilia Delio, OSF, PhD

Friday, July 14, 2017

7:30 pm

The Ignatius Brady Lecture is funded by the St. John the Baptist Province (Cincinnati, OH) in memory of an illustrious member of the province who was one of the most outstanding scholars of Franciscan thought in the twentieth century.

Ilia Delio, OSF, PhD, is a Franciscan Sister of Washington, DC who holds a doctorate in Pharmacology from the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey (UMDNJ) Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences and a doctorate in Historical Theology from Fordham University. She has written extensively in the area of Franciscan theology, with a particular emphasis on the theology of Bonaventure. She lectures nationally and internationally in Franciscan theology/spirituality with a particular focus on integrating Franciscan theology and contemporary questions. She is a member of the Commission for the Franciscan Intellectual Tradition that is sponsored by the English Speaking Conference of Friars Minor and recently held the Department Chair of Spirituality at Washington Theological Union. Delio is currently a senior fellow at Woodstock Theological Center, Georgetown University, where she concentrates in the area of science and religion. She is the author of *A Franciscan View of Creation* (Franciscan Institute Publications, 2003).

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FRANCIS: HIS LIFE AND CHARISM - SFS 520

June 26 - July 7 (9:00 am - 11:40 am)(2 credits) This course will provide an introduction to the life and times of Francis of Assisi. It will also examine his distinctive spiritual vision, as well as his impact on the medieval Church through the vast movement of evangelical renewal initiated by him. Based on his writings, and early as well as significant modern biographies, this course is designed to meet the needs of the beginning student in Franciscan studies (**Dr. Joshua Benson**)

SURVEY OF FRANCISCAN HISTORY - SFS 501

July 10 - July 28 (9:00 am - 11:40 am)(3 credits). This course examines the development of the evangelical movement initiated by Francis of Assisi. It will concentrate on the internal developments in the three Franciscan Orders as they attempted to respond to the changing situation of the Church and society throughout history. It will end with a consideration of the major issues faced by the Franciscan movement today.

(**Dominic Monti, OFM**)

FOUNDATIONS OF FRANCISCAN SPIRITUALITY - SFS 556

June 26 - July 14 (1:00 pm - 3:40 pm) (3 credits)

Beginning with an investigation of the nature of Christian spirituality and related hermeneutical and methodological issues, this course will examine the various expressions of Franciscan spirituality, its particular symbols and practices, as well as its approach to the choice of poverty, chastity and obedience. The central focus will be given to an understanding of Franciscan life as a "life of penance," as this was understood and lived by Francis and Clare, and the men and women of the various branches of the Franciscan family. A schematic historical survey of the tradition will serve to underline the creativity of the Franciscan tradition of spirituality, as well as its possible distortions and excesses. Prerequisite: SFS 525.

(**Br. Daniel Klimek, TOR**)

ST. BONAVENTURE ON TRUTH, BEAUTY AND GOODNESS

PHIL 405-02

July 4-22 (9:00 am - 11:40 am)

(3 credits) The course asks the question, is there a uniquely Franciscan Philosophy that best captures the spirit of St. Francis. The course will argue that St. Bonaventure's philosophical system is a unique attempt to idealize the spirit and practice of the Early Minorites as found, in part, in Francis' Admonitions. Specifically the course will study the role in Bonaventure's work on the transcendental: Goodness, Truth, and Beauty as rooted in the theology of the word and its implication for the understanding of language. Attention will be paid to both the Platonic origin of the transcendentals in Plato, Augustine and Anselm, along with their contemporary expression in Hans-Georg Gadamer.

(Dr. Anthony Murphy)

THE HOLY SPIRIT AND THE CHURCH IN BONAVENTURE AND POPE FRANCIS - SFS 564

July 10-28 (1:00 pm - 3:40 pm)(3 credits)

After discussing the ecclesial context within which Bonaventure formulated his theology, this course will examine the role that the Holy Spirit plays within his ecclesiology and compare / contrast that with the role the Holy Spirit plays ecclesiology after Vatican II, especially as evidenced in Pope Francis' discourses. **(Sr. Marie Kolbe, Zamora, OSF, STD)**

FRANCISCAN ROUNDTABLE

July 11, 13, 17, 19 (no credits)

The Franciscan Roundtable is designed to help Franciscan women and men in their early years of Formation articulate how what they are learning about Franciscan life and values impacts their daily lives. By assessing their personal and communal strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats (SWOT), participants engage in conversation with their cohorts about how best to live a Franciscan life in the 21st century.

(Lake Herman, O.F.M., Cap.)

FRANCISCANS AND HEALTH CARE - SFS 564

July 10-28 (9:00 am - 11:40 am) (3 credits)

This course is designed to offer students an understanding of the centrality of MISERICORDIA and compassion in the delivery of health care. This course meets the needs of those in health care services.

(Jean Francois Godet Calogeras)

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THE WORKS AND WORLDS OF SAINT BONAVENTURE

JULY 12-15, 2017

The Franciscan Institute at St. Bonaventure University will host a major international conference dedicated to the intellectual heritage and contemporary significance of Saint Bonaventure.

Keynote Speakers

Sacraments: Healing unto Glory

J. A. Wayne Hellmann, OFM Conv.

The Actuality of Saint Bonaventure's Thought

Emmanuel Falque

SECULAR FRANCISCAN CONFERENCE

THE TESTAMENT OF ST. FRANCIS: PASSAGES FOR THE
SECULAR FRANCISCAN JOURNEY TODAY

July 21-23

David B. Couturier, OFM. Cap.

One of the stories about St. Francis of Assisi relates how a brother watched the saint in prayer, and heard him pray the words, “Who are you, Lord, and who am I?” These two questions are fundamental to the Christian life and the Franciscan vocation.

This course will explore how we come to our Franciscan identity and how we develop as a Franciscan person. Using Franciscan sources, the Secular-Franciscan rule, and contemporary psychology, we will discuss the stages of spiritual transformation and the fundamentals of Franciscan spirituality. We will focus our attention on two books, Jacques Dalarun's *The Canticle of the Creatures: Francis of Assisi Reconciled* (2016) and David B. Couturier's *The Four Conversions: A Spirituality of Transformation* (2017) both from Franciscan Institute Publications (www.franciscanpublications.com).