SECRETARY'S REPORT THE FIFTY-SIXTH ANNUAL CONVENTION

The Catholic Theological Society of America held its fifty-sixth annual convention June 7-10, 2001 at the Hyatt Regency Hotel, Milwaukee, Wisconsin. The theme of the convention was "Missio Ad Gentes." Registration took place from 1:00 to 5:00 p.m. and from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. on June 8. A special preconvention session on faculty grants was held from 1:15 to 3:15 p.m. The continuing group, the Women's Seminar in Constructive Theology, held its session from 3:30 to 6:30 p.m.

At the opening session, the Most Reverend Rembert Weakland, O.S.B., welcomed the convention participants to Milwaukee and offered the opening prayer. The first plenary address followed. The evening concluded with a reception. CTSA gratefully acknowledges Alverno College, Cardinal Stritch University, Marquette University, Mount Mary College, St. Francis Seminary, Sacred Heart School of Theology for subsidizing this event and for their gracious hospitality

and generous support throughout the convention.

Since the one resolution submitted for consideration by the convention prior to the deadline given in the bylaws elicited no discussion, the Hearing of the Resolutions Committee session on Friday afternoon, June 8, was devoted to a panel presentation and discussion of the *mandatum*. Vice president Jon Nilson introduced the panelists: Daniel R. Finn, M. Theresa Moser, Terrence Tilley and James Coriden. Discussion followed. The business meeting took place in the late afternoon of Friday. The president's reception for new members followed the business meeting. A special session on *Dominus lesus* took place Friday evening

from 8:30 to 10:30 p.m.

The convention's eucharistic liturgy was celebrated in the late afternoon of Saturday June 9, at Old St. Mary's Church. The Most Rev. Rembert Weakland, O.S.B. presided and CTSA President Kenneth Himes gave the homily. Following the liturgy, a reception and the convention banquet were held at the Hyatt Regency Hotel. Toward the end of the meal, President Himes read a tribute to Bishop Raymond A. Lucker and, in the name of the CTSA, presented him with a plaque on the occasion of his retirement. The plaque was accepted for Bishop Lucker, who was not able to be present. Next, President Himes read the citation for the John Courtney Murray Award and presented the plaque and medal to Agnes Cunningham, S.S.C.M. The presence of William Frederick, a silversmith from Chicago who has designed and crafted the John Courtney Murray Award medal for over twenty-five years, received special acknowledgment by the assembly. Mr. Frederick is this year's recipient of the prestigious Hans

Christensen Sterling Silversmith's Award from the Society of American Silversmiths. Following dessert, local arrangements coordinator Robert Masson introduced the Gospel Choir from All Saints Catholic Church in Milwaukee who led the members of the society in a spirited Gospel sing.

Morning prayer was held from 8:30 to 8:45 a.m. on Friday and Saturday. On various days throughout the convention there were special receptions, breakfasts, or other meetings, for such groups as the Karl Rahner Society, *Theological Studies* Board of Editorial Consultants, alumni of the Jesuit School of Theology at Berkeley and the Catholic University of America, the Women's Seminar in Constructive Theology and the conveners of continuing and developing groups. A discussion on the *mandatum* was held following the convention on Sunday afternoon, June 10.

CONVENTION PROGRAM

Thursday, June 9

1:15-3:15 Special Session

Topic: Faculty Grants Seminar

Presenter: John T. Ford, The Catholic University of America

3:30-6:30 Women's Seminar in Constructive Theology. Continuing Group.

Topic: "The Cross, Suffering and Women:

Perspectives on Embracing Travail"

Conveners: Elena G. Procario-Foley, Iona College

Jane C. Redmont, Graduate Theological Union Moderator: Maura Ryan, University of Notre Dame

Presenter: Cynthia Crysdale, The Catholic University of America

Respondents: M. Shawn Copeland, Marquette University

Donna Teevan, Seattle University
7:30-9:30 Opening and First Plenary Session

Moderator: Kenneth Himes, Washington Theological Union,

President, CTSA

Welcome & Prayer: Most Rev. Rembert Weakland, Archbishop of Milwaukee

¹Regarding Group Sessions: Members are welcome to attend any group session. Those designated "Continuing" have program spaces assured on an ongoing basis, reviewed when the convention structure is reviewed. "Developing" groups are in the process of discerning appropriateness for becoming Continuing, and are assured a place on the program, with annual review, for three years. A "Research" group also has program space for up to three years if it determines this to be useful. The above groups must have their status approved by the Board of Directors. Groups designated "Select" are chosen by the Program Committee from members' proposals for a given year. Those designated "Invited" appear on the program in a given year at the invitation of the President-elect.

Address: Michael Amaladoss, Vidya Jyoti School of Theology, New Delhi "Jesus and the Pluralism of Religions"

Respondent: William Burrows, Managing Editor, Orbis Books 9:30 Reception

Friday Morning, June 8

9.00-10.30 Group Meetings

Mission in the United States. Invited Group.
 "The New Evangelization and the North American Context"
 Convener: Robert Imbelli, Boston College
 Presenter: Francis Cardinal George, Archbishop of Chicago

Respondent: Paul Baumann, Executive Editor, Commonweal

2. Controversy Surrounding Pius XII's Humani Generis. Select Group. "Humani Generis After Fifty Years"

Convener: Michael Slusser, Duquesne University
Presenter: Joseph A. Komonchak, The Catholic University of America

3. Black Catholic Theology Symposium (Continuing Group) and *Theological Studies*

"The Catholic Reception of Black Theology"

Conveners: M. Shawn Copeland, Marquette University Michael Fahey, Editor-in-Chief, *Theological Studies*

Moderator: Jamie T. Phelps, Loyola University Chicago Presenters: James H. Cone, Union Theological Seminary

M. Shawn Copeland, Marquette University

Respondents: Miguel Diaz, St. Vincent de Paul Regional Seminary Michael Fahey, S. J., Marquette University Elizabeth Johnson, C.S.J., Fordham University

4. Hispanic/Latino Theology. Continuing Group. "Evangelizing the Evangelizers"

Convener: Roberto S. Goizueta, Boston College

Presenter: Orlando O. Espín, University of San Diego

"An Intercultural Theology of Tradition and Popular Catholicism."

5. Christology. Continuing Group.

"Christology in a Global Context: Questions and Insights"

Convener: Tatha Wiley, St. John's University, Collegeville Presenter: John Pawlikowski, Catholic Theological Union

"Christology in the Context of the Jewish-Christian Dialogue"

6. Communion Approach to Mission. Select Group.

Conflicts on Mission: Toward Mutual Understanding and Reconciled Practice

Convener: Thomas Hughson, Marquette University

Presenters: Mary Ehle, Creighton University

"Universalist (Ratzinger) vs. Contextual (Boff)

Communion Missiologies: A Mediating Position (Hilberath)"

Ralph Del Colle, Marquette University

"Catholic vs. Pentecostal Missiologies:

Toward Reconciliation by Catholic Reception of Baptism in the Spirit"

Thomas Hughson, Marquette University

"Proselytism vs. Common Witness:

Lonergan's Dialectic and Ecumenical Hope"

7. Ecclesiology. Continuing Group.

"The Church's Mission and Interreligious Dialogue"

Convener: Susan K. Wood, St. John's University, Collegeville

Moderator: Catherine Clifford, University of St. Michael's College, Toronto

Presenter: John Borelli, NCCB Secretariat for Ecumenical and Interreligious Affairs

"Continuing Questions on Interreligious Dialogue and Mission"

8. Social Dimensions of Healthcare Ethics in Canada/U.S. Research Group. "The Healing Mission of Christ and the Church"

Convener: Mark Miller, St. Paul's Hospital, Saskatoon

Moderator: Regina Wolfe, St. John's University, Collegeville

Presenter: Jack Gallagher, Institute for Health Care and Organizational Ethics

9. Ex Corde Ecclesiae & Communion Theologies. Select Group.

"Ex Corde Ecclesiae: Its Implementation

and the Supporting Theologies of Communion"

Convener: Elena G. Procario-Foley, Iona College

Moderator: Margaret Pfeil, St. Joseph's University, Philadelphia

Presenters: Edward J. Miller, Gwynedd-Mercy College

"Some Critiques on using 'Communio' to Advance the Program of Ex Corde Ecclesiae"

J. Augustine DiNoia, NCCB Secretariat for Doctrine and Pastoral Practices "The Ecclesiology of Communion and Catholic Higher Education"

Elena G. Procario-Foley, Iona College

"Implementation, the Trinity and Christian Feminism"

Dennis Doyle, University of Dayton

"Communion Ecclesiology, Mandatum, and Prudential Judgments"

11:00-12:30 Second Plenary Session

Moderator: Margaret Farley, Yale Divinity School, Past President, CTSA

Address: Stephen Bevans, Catholic Theological Union

"Wisdom from the Margins: Systematic Theology

and the Missiological Imagination"

Respondent: Jeanette Rodriguez-Holguin, Seattle University

Friday Afternoon, June 8

1:15-2:15 Hearing of the Resolutions Committee

Special Session on the Mandatum

Presiding: Jon Nilson, Loyola University of Chicago, Vice President, CTSA

Panel: Daniel R. Finn, M. Theresa Moser, Terrence Tilley, and James Coriden

2:30-4:15 Group Meetings

1. Black Theology. Invited Group.

"Liberation and Communion as the Raison d'être of Missio Ad Gentes"

Conveners: Jamie T. Phelps, O.P, Loyola University of Chicago

M. Shawn Copeland, Marquette University

Moderator: Stephanie Mitchem, University Detroit-Mercy

Presenter: Jamie T. Phelps, Loyola University Chicago

"Liberation and Communion as the Raison D'être of Missio Ad Gentes"

Respondents: Donald L. Gelpi, Jesuit School of Theology at Berkeley

Susan Ross, Loyola University of Chicago James Okove, Catholic Theological Union

Joseph A. Komonchak, The Catholic University of America

2. Yves Congar Ecumenical Colloquium. Developing Group. "Congar on "Missio Ad Gentes""

Convener: Mark E. Ginter, St. Meinrad School of Theology

Moderator: Ernest R. Falardeau, Diocese of Albuquerque

Presenters: Thomas Raymond Potvin,

College Dominicain de Philosophie et Theologie

"A Catholic Perspective"

Paul Lehninger, Wisconsin Lutheran College

"A Protestant Perspective"

Alexander Golitzin, Marquette University

"An Orthodox Perspective"

3. Theology and the Natural Sciences. Continuing Group.

"God After Darwin: Doing Theology in the Light of Evolution"

Convener: William R. Stoeger, Vatican Observatory Research Group Moderator: William R. Stoeger, Vatican Observatory Research Group

Presenter: John F. Haught, Georgetown University

"Evolution and Divine Providence"

Respondents: Michael H. Barnes, University of Dayton

Anne M. Clifford, Duquesne University

Anthony J. Godzieba, Villanova University

Stephen P. Happel, The Catholic University of America

4. Theology of Edward Schillebeeckx. Select Group.

"Missio Ad Gentes: The Contribution of Edward Schillebeeckx"

Convener: Brian D. Berry, College of Notre Dame of Maryland

Presenters: Heather A. Chappell,

University of St. Michael's College, Toronto

"Mercy & Metanoia in the Theology of Edward Schillebeeckx: Conversion By Mercy and For a Practice of Mercy." Kathleen McManus, University of Portland
"Schillebeeckx, Humanity, and What is Known in Suffering."
Diane Steele, St. Mary College, Leavenworth, KS
"Salvation and Mission in a Religiously Pluralistic World."

5. Hans Urs von Balthasar Society. Continuing Group.

"Trinitarian Love and Christian Hope"

Conveners: David L. Schindler, John Paul II Institute for Studies of Marriage and the Family

Peter Casarella, The Catholic University of America

Moderator: Peter Casarella, The Catholic University of America

Presenter: Margaret Turek, University of Dallas

"Dare we hope that 'everyone will be saved' (1 Tim 2:4)? On Von Balthasar's Trinitarian Grounds for Christian Hope"

Respondent: Paul J. Griffiths, University of Illinois at Chicago

6. Comparative Theology. Continuing Group.

"Evangelization and Conversions Reconsidered in Light of the Contemporary Controversy in India"

Convener: Francis X. Clooney, Boston College

Moderator: Nancy Hawkins, St. Bernard's Institute, Rochester

Presenters: Judson Trapnell, College of St. Benedict/

St. John's University, Collegeville

"The Controversy and its Theological Implications"

Michael Amaladoss, Vidya Jyoti School of Theology, New Delhi "An Indian Christian Assessment"

Anantanand Rambachan, St. Olaf College

"A Hindu Assessment"

7. Social Economics and Catholics Ethics. Select Group.

"Social Economics & U.S. Catholic Ethics: Renewing a Vital Partnership"

Convener: Christine Firer Hinze, Marquette University

Presenters: John Davis, Marquette University

Daniel R. Finn, St. John's University

Barbara H. Andolsen, Monmouth College

Stephen Martin, Seton Hall University

8. Trinitarian Theology. Continuing Group.

"Bruce Marshall's Trinity and Truth: Discussion and Response"

Convener: Nancy A. Dallavalle, Fairfield University

Moderator: James Buckley, Loyola College in Maryland

Presenters: John E. Thiel, Fairfield University

"Portraying the Persons Pragmatically: Bruce Marshall's Trinity and Truth"

Frans Jozef van Beeck, Loyola University of Chicago

"Who determines the language of truth and why?— Trinity and Sprachregelune" Respondent: Bruce Marshall, St. Olaf College

Renaissance & Modern Theology. Continuing Group.
 "Salvific Faith apart from Faith in Jesus Christ.
 The Theology of the Salamanca School in the 16th Century

and Its Resonance in the Twentieth Century"

Convener: William McConville, Siena College

Presenter: Thomas O'Meara, University of Notre Dame

10. World Church Theology. Developing Group. "Missio Ad Gentes: The Asian Context"

Conveners: Gerald M. Boodoo, Xavier University of Louisiana, New Orleans Phillip Linden. Xavier University of Louisiana, New Orleans

Moderator: Camilia McPherson, Independent Scholar, East Aurora, NY

Presenter: Leo Kleden, Jakarta, Indonesia

"Missio ad Gentes: An Asian Way of Mission Today"

Respondent: Paul Varuvel, Diocese of Kattar, Tamil Nadu, India

11. Thought of John Henry Newman. Continuing Group.

"Foundations for Belief and Unbelief in Newman's Thought"

Conveners: Edward J. Miller, Gwynedd Mercy College

Kevin Godfrey, Alvernia College

Presenters: Edward Enright, Villanova University
"Newman and Justification: Sermons on Romans

and Contemporary Ecumenical Dialogues"

James Keating, Pontifical College Josephinum "Newman and the conscience as Missionary"

Robert Christie, DeVry Institute

"Familial Love: The Root of Newman's Fundamental Theology"

4:30 Business Meeting

6:15 President's Reception for New Members

8:30-10:00 Special Session

"Dominus Iesus: A Panel Discussion"

Moderator: John Pawlikowski, Catholic Theological Union

Panelists: Paul Griffiths, University of Chicago

Francis X. Clooney, S.J., Boston College

Robert a. Cathey, McCormick Theological Seminary

Mary C. Boys, Union Theological Seminary

Saturday Morning, June 9

7:15-8:45 Breakfast Meeting: Karl Rahner Society

Convener: Melvin Michalski, St. Francis Seminary, Wisconsin Presenters: Melvin Michalski, St Francis Seminary, Wisconsin

"Rahner: Complete Works-Significant Contributions"

Michael G. Parker, Crossroad Publishing "Rahner: Complete Works—What has been achieved?"

9:00-10:30 Third Plenary Session

Moderator: Peter C. Phan, The Catholic University of America, President-Elect, CTSA

Address: Margaret Guider, Weston Jesuit School of Theology "Moral Imagination and the *Missio Ad Gentes*"

Respondent: Bryan N. Massingale, St. Francis Seminary, Milwaukee

11:00-12:30 Group Meetings

1. Latino/a Theology. Invited Group.

"Missio ad Gentes" in the context of Latino/a Catholicism

Convener: Orlando O. Espín, University of San Diego

Presenters: Miguel H. Diaz, St. Vincent de Paul Regional Seminary "Missionary Activity as Epiphany:

Sacrament and Sacramentality in U.S. Latino/a Catholicism."
Gary Riebe-Estrella, Catholic Theological Union

"Missio ad Gentes: Who are the 'Gentes' to whom U.S. Latinos/as are sent?"

2. Theology and Ecology. Select Group.

"Created Cocreators and the Environment"

Convener: Joseph A. Bracken, Xavier University

Presenter: Philip Hefner, Lutheran School of Theology, Chicago Respondent: Greg J. Zuschlag, Jesuit School of Theology at Berkeley

3. Eschatology. Select Group.

"Is Our Faith in Vain? Meeting Paul's Challenge to the Corinthians" Convener: Jean Liddell, St. John's Seminary, Camarillo, Calif. Presenters: Jean Liddell, St. John's Seminary, Camarillo, Calif. Anthony J. Godzieba, Villanova University

Respondent: Leo Lefebure, Fordham University

4. Mission to Exiles, Refugees and Immigrants. Select Group.

" 'To all those scattered throughout' (1 Pet 1:1). A theology and spirituality for a redemptive ministry and call to mission

to exiles, refugees, and immigrants in the United States"

Convener: Alicia C. Marill, Barry University Presenter: Alicia C. Marill, Barry University

Respondent: Allan F. Deck, S.J., Loyola Institute of Spiritual Life

5. Catholic Social Teaching. Continuing Group.

"Catholic Social Teaching as Missio Ad Gentes" Conveners: William P. George, Dominican University

Thomas J. Poundstone, St. Mary's College of California, Moraga

Moderator: Margaret Pfeil, St. Joseph's University, Philadelphia

Presenters: Young Mi Angela Pak, St. Mary's College of California, Moraga "Catholic Social Teaching as Missio ad Gentes"

William P. George, Dominican University
"International Law: A Neglected Aspect of Missio Ad Gentes?"

6. Early Christian Theology. Continuing Group. "The Early Church's Missio Ad Gentes"

Convener: Alexis Doval, St. Mary's College of California, Moraga

Presenters: Michael Slusser, Duquesne University

"Did the Early Christian Mission to the Jews Really Succeed?"

Francine Cardman, Weston Jesuit School of Theology

"Martin of Tours, Gregory the Great, and Models of Mission: ad or contra gentes?"

7. Medieval Theology. Continuing Group.

"From the Abbey to the World"

Convener: Michael Gorman, The Catholic University of America

Moderator: Mark Johnson, Marquette University

Presenters: Marie Anne Mayeski, Loyola Marymount University

"Boniface, Leoba and German Ecclesiology:

A Ninth-Century Exemplar of Missio Ad Gentes"

Dennis D. Martin, Loyola University of Chicago

"Constructing Lay Theology in the Late Middle Ages:

Vita Christi and VitaMariae as Building Blocks"

8. Missiology and Mission Theology

"Missio ad Gentes: The Interfaith Dialogue—

Beliefs Articulated and Lived"

Convener: Louis McNeil, Georgian Court College

Moderator: Jeanne Evans, Marymount Manhattan College

Presenters: Francis X. Clooney, Boston College

"Missio Ad Gentes: Reason, Rhetoric and Revelation in Roberto de Nobili"

Angelyn Dries, Cardinal Stritch College

"The Experience of American Catholic Missioners"

9. Spirituality. Continuing Group.

"Spirituality and U.S. Cultures"

Convener: Mary Frohlich, Catholic Theological Union

Presenters: Timothy Muldoon, Mt. Aloysius College

"A Generation of Postmoderns:

The Spirituality of Young Adult Catholics"

Gilberto Cavazos-Gonzalez, Catholic Theological Union

"The Spirituality of Inculturation: The U.S. Hispanic Challenge"

Respondent: Michel Andraos, Catholic Theological Union

10. Method in Theology Continuing Group Lakeshore A

"Rahner and Lonergan on the 'Natural-Supernatural' Distinction"

Convener: M. Shawn Copeland, Marquette University

Moderator: Richard M. Liddy, Seton Hall University

Presenter: J. Michael Stebbins, Gonzaga University
"Rahner and Lonergan on the 'Natural-Supernatural' Distinction:
Where the Differences Lie, and Why They Matter"

Saturday Afternoon, June 9

2:30-4:15 Group Meetings

1. Asian Theology. Invited Group.

"Ethics, Culture, and Spirituality: Collision and Collaboration.

The Phenomenon of Filipino People Power"

Convener: Peter C. Phan, The Catholic University of America

Moderator: Leo Lefebure, Fordham University

Presenter: Christina A. Astorga, Ateneo de Manila University

Respondent: James Bretzke, Jesuit School of Theology at Berkeley

2. Ecumenism and the Missio Ad Gentes. Select Group. "Changing Prospects and Hopes for Ecumenism"

Convener: Bradford Hinze, Marquette University

Presenters: Michael Fahey, Marquette University

Bernd Jochen Hilberath, University of Tübingen

Margaret O'Gara, University of St. Michael's College, Toronto Jeffrey Gros, NCCB Office of Ecumenical & Interreligious Affairs

3. Missio Ad Gentes in El Salvador, Select Group.

"Missio Ad Gentes in El Salvador:

The Witness & Legacy of Four American Churchwomen"

Convener: Kevin F. Burke, Weston Jesuit School of Theology

Presenters: Rose Gorman, Fairfield University

"Speaking Credibly About Resurrection: A Praxis of Nonviolence"

Eileen Fagan, Fairfield University

"Allowing the Waters of Hope and Liberation to Flow:

A Contemporary Interpretation of Martyrdom"

Margaret Pfeil, St. Joseph's University, Philadelphia

"Martyrdom as Reverse Mission:

The Impact of the U.S. Churchwomen in the United States"

4. Communication Theology. Continuing Group.

"Music as an Expression of Theology and Communication"

Convener: Frances Forde Plude, Notre Dame College, Cleveland

Moderator: Eileen Crowley-Horak, Union Theological Seminary, New York

Presenter: Tom Boomershine, United Theological Seminary,

Dayton/Lumicon Productions

"Music as Theology for the Digital Age"

Respondent: Thomas Beaudoin, Boston College

5. Catholic Studies. Select Group.

"Missio Ad Gentes & the Academy: Programs in Catholic Studies" Convener: Thomas F. Ryan, St. Thomas University

Presenters: Mary Ann Hinsdale, Boston College

"Programs in Catholic Studies: Evangelizing or Colonized?"

Nancy A. Dallavalle, Fairfield University

"Catholic Studies and Preaching to the Choir:

Lessons from Women's Studies"

Vincent J. Miller, Georgetown University

"Deconstructing Disciplines:

The Relationship between Theology and Catholic Studies"

6. Muslim-Christian Interreligious Dialogue. Select Group.

"Interreligious Conversations as Da'wa-An Invitation

for Comparative Study and Praxis among Muslims and Christians"

Convener: Marianne Farina, Boston College

Presenters: Most Rev. Theotonius M. Gomes,

Auxiliary Bishop of Dhaka, Bangladesh

David B. Burrell, Notre Dame University

7. Moral Theology. Continuing Group.

"Sports, Ethics, and the Development of the Christian Character"

Conveners: William Barbieri, The Catholic University of America

Daniel Cowdin, Salve Regina University

Moderator: Daniel Cowdin, Salve Regina University

Presenters: F. Clark Power, Notre Dame University

"Sports as Moral Education"

Rebekkah D. Brodhacker, Notre Dame University

"Athletes of Christians? Religious Identity and College Sports"

8. Sacramental & Liturgical Theology. Continuing Group.

"Liturgy & Evangelization"

Convener: Bruce Morrill, Boston College

Moderator: Shawn Madigan, College of St. Catherine

Presenters: Thomas Rausch, Loyola Marymount University

"Liturgy & Evangelization in the North American Context"

Mark Wedig, Barry University

"Evangelization, Inculturation, and the RCIA"

Respondent: Shawn Madigan, College of St. Catherine

9. Missio Ad Gentes & Humanity's Paschal Identity. Select Group.

"Human Suffering Opens Mission Paths"

Convener: James H. Kroeger, Loyola School of Theology, Manila

Presenters: Larry Lewis, Maryknoll Society Coordinator

of Formation Program for China Church Personnel

Lance P. Nadeau, Kenyatta University, Nairobi, Kenya

10. North American Contextual Theologies. Continuing Group.

"Theology and Inculturation: Principles and Methods"

Conveners: Robert Lassalle-Klein, Jesuit School of Theology at Berkeley

Nancy Pineda-Madrid, Graduate Theological Union

Moderator: Robert Lassalle-Klein, Jesuit School of Theology at Berkeley

Presenter: Rogert Haight, Weston Jesuit School of Theology "Theology and Inculturation: Principles and Methods"

Respondent: Peter C. Phan, The Catholic University of America

11. Karl Rahner Society. Continuing Group.

"Karl Rahner and Missio Ad Gentes"

Convener: Melvin Michalski, St. Francis Seminary, Milwaukee

Moderator: Jennifer Rike, University of Detroit Mercy

Presenters: William Clark, Weston Jesuit School of Theology

"The Authority of Local Church Communities:

Perspectives from the Ecclesiology of Karl Rahner"

David Coffey, Marquette University

"The Spirit of Christ as Entelechy"

Conrad Gromada, Ursuline College

"How Would Karl Rahner Respond to Dominus Iesus?"

John Perry, St. Paul's College, University of Manitoba "Ripalda and Rahner: 400 Years of Jesuit Reflection on Universal Salvation"

6:00 Eucharist

7:15 Reception

8:00 John Courtney Murray Award Banquet

Sunday Morning June 10

9:00-10:30 Follow-up Seminars

Discussion of Michael Amaladoss's paper
 Moderator: Dawn Nothwehr, Catholic Theological Union

 Discussion of Stephen Bevans' paper Moderator: Mary Kaye Nealen, University of Great Falls

 Discussion of Margaret Guider's paper Moderator: Robert Krieg, University of Notre Dame

11:00–12:00 Fourth Plenary Session: Presidential Address Moderator: Jon Nilson, Loyola University of Chicago, Vice President, CTSA Address: Kenneth Himes, Washington Theological Union, President, CTSA

12:00 Appointment of the New President

TRIBUTE TO BISHOP RAYMOND A. LUCKER

Raymond A. Lucker grew up in St. Paul, Minnesota and was ordained to the priesthood in 1952.

His first assignment was as assistant director of the Confraternity of Christian Doctrine for the Archdiocese of St. Paul. In the fall of 1957, he was appointed professor of catechetics at the Saint Paul Seminary, and was asked to begin a Ph.D. in education at the University of Minnesota. In January 1958, he was also appointed Archdiocesan Director of CCD. Before he could complete the dissertation, on the church-state controversy regarding released time for religious education of students in public schools, he was sent by his Archbishop to Rome to pursue a doctorate in theology. From 1964 to 1966 he was immersed in the excitement of Rome during and after Vatican II. He completed his S.T.D. writing on the aims of religious education in the early church and their significance for the U.S. catechetical movement.

Returning to the faculty of St. Paul Seminary and still serving as Director of CCD, Lucker was asked to serve as Superintendent of Schools as well. This was during a crucial decade for Catholic schools because of the influx of lay teachers and administrators who sought training in religious education.

In 1968, while continuing his administrative work, Lucker returned to the incomplete Ph.D. dissertation in education. However, in 1969 he was asked by Cardinal John Dearden, first president of the NCCB, to go to Washington to head up the new Dept. of Education for the U.S. Catholic Conference. That same year, in the midst of his new work in Washington, Lucker completed his second dissertation and received a Ph.D. from the University of Minnesota.

Recalled to the Archdiocese of St. Paul in 1971 he was made an auxiliary bishop, while serving as pastor of two parishes. In February 1976 he was

installed as Bishop of the Diocese of New Ulm.

For twenty-five years in New Ulm, Bishop Lucker continued his service to people both within and outside the diocese. He served as a delegate to the International Catechetical Congress in Rome in 1971, and as a delegate to the Roman Synod in 1977. He served on the Administrative Committee of the National Conference of Catholic Bishops and on committees of the conference on Latin America, Evangelization, the Diaconate, Laity, the Catechetical Directory and Charismatic Renewal.

In 1981 he was the first bishop in the U.S. to appoint pastoral administrators as leaders of parishes. That same year he coauthored with Bishop Victor Balke, a pastoral letter on the role of women in the church. He has served as President of Pax Christi in Minnesota, as Episcopal Advisor to the National Conference of Catechetical Leadership, the National Association of Lay Ministry and was a founder of the Catechetical Forum.

Besides his scholarly writing two volumes of his pastoral reflections have been published. A popular speaker, Bishop Lucker has addressed hundreds of national and diocesan conferences and symposia. Raymond Lucker has been a regular attendee at CTSA conventions, and has been an unofficial liaison of the Society to the NCCB on issues regarding bishops and theologians. He has never shirked from raising hard questions and has been enormously supportive of the task of theologians. The insights—personal, theological and practical—which he has shared at our conventions over the years are treasured by those of us who have been fortunate enough to be in attendance. We are grateful for his support, encouragement and good cheer.

Bishop Lucker's commitment to the church he loves, his continuing theological study and reading, the simplicity of his lifestyle in community, and his spirituality, especially in time of illness, illustrate how the promotion of religious education and evangelization have been integrated into a life of theological study and service which has enriched the people of God.

For this reason we are proud to pay tribute this evening to Bishop Raymond A. Lucker.

+ + + JOHN COURTNEY MURRAY AWARD, 2001

The last time the CTSA met in Milwaukee our honored colleague was in the position I am tonight. As the president of the CTSA in 1978, our honoree was capping years of service to this Society. A member of the board of directors beginning in 1969, our dedicated colleague served as secretary from 1970 to 1976, was elected vice president in 1976 and then served on the board as president-elect, president, and past president, a total of eleven consecutive years of service as an officer of the CTSA. Along the way our honoree broke down barriers without rancor or fanfare. The first woman to serve on a CTSA committee, the first woman elected to the board of directors, the first woman secretary, the first woman vice president and president.

Born in Yorkshire, England she became a naturalized U.S. citizen in 1944 during her formation period with the Congregation of the Servants of the Holy Heart of Mary, a religious community she continues to serve generously. Originally interested in pursuing graduate studies in English literature at St. Louis University, she switched to biblical studies at Marquette University. Then, as a native of England might say, she "crossed the pond" to study at the University of Lyons where she earned an S.T.L. in moral theology and an S.T.D. in patristics.

A lifelong educator, she has taught at several institutions, on various levels, from grammar schools to graduate schools, but she has long been identified with the University of St. Mary of the Lake and the School of Theology of the Seminary at Mundelein. In 1992 she was made professor emeritus after a distinguished career as professor and chair of the Department of Church History.

Over the decades she has been a regular contributor to *Chicago Studies*, *Concilium* and *Communio*, in addition to six books, more than forty essays and chapters in other journals, encyclopedias and books, and over a dozen translated

works. Despite the volume of scholarship, our honoree has given time to committee work for the National Conference of Catholic Bishops, research projects of the Canon Law Society of America, and participated in the Roman Catholic-

Methodist Dialogue.

Throughout her career she has demonstrated a wonderful blend of critical thought, profound spirituality and lively personality. Generations of seminarians have been taught about the dignity and equality of women by her example, as well as by her history lessons. Generations of priests and religious have benefited from her calm wisdom and joyful spirit in continuing education workshops and lectures. Generations present and to come in the CTSA owe her gratitude for leading the way for women in this Society.

For her distinguished life of service and achievement the Catholic Theological Society of America is pleased to present the John Courtney Murray Award

to Agnes Cunningham.

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ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING

President Kenneth Himes called the annual business meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. on Friday, June 9, 2000. Timothy O'Connell served as parliamentarian.

Committee on Admissions

Gerald Boodoo, chair of the committee, presented the report. The other members of the committee were Mary V. Maher, Ronald Mercier, Cristina Traina and Mary Ann Hinsdale, the secretary of the CTSA, ex officio. Ronald Mercier and Cristina Traina will continue to serve on the committee next year.

From approximately one hundred fifteen initial inquiries during the year, one hundred ten applications were returned. In its review the committee found that all one hundred ten qualified for membership; seventy-five for active membership and thirty five for associate membership. Fourteen of the applicants for active membership had formerly been associate members. Four applicants were former members who were reinstated. Forty-one of the new members, both active and associate, are women. The Admissions Committee recommended that these one hundred ten applicants whose names were posted on the bulletin board outside the meeting room be admitted to the Society. The CTSA members present at the business meeting approved the committee's recommendation by a voice vote. The president asked new members who were present at the convention to stand to be recognized. They were greeted with a round of applause. The new active members were invited to come forward to participate in the elections. The president then announced that a reception for all new members would be held in the Manager's Suite immediately following the business meeting. Brief biographical entries and addresses of the new members are found in the directory update contained in the Appendix to this volume of the Proceedings.

Committee on Nominations

Roger Haight, chair of the Committee on Nominations gave the committee report. The other members of the committee were John Boyle and Elena Procario-Foley. Procario-Foley will continue to serve on the committee next year. John Boyle has resigned from the committee, so the President will appoint two new members to this committee, one of whom will be a past president of the CTSA. The slate of nominees proposed by the committee follows:

—for vice president: M. Shawn Copeland, Marquette University Terrence Tilley, University of Dayton

-for secretary: Mary Ann Hinsdale, Boston College

-for treasurer: Roger McGrath, Our Lady of Grace Parish, Somerdale NJ

—for board members: Francis Clooney, Boston College Richard Gaillardetz, University of Toledo Jean Porter, University of Notre Dame Thomas Shannon, Worcester Polytechnic Institute

There were no nominations from the floor. M. Shawn Copeland was elected vice president. Francis Clooney was elected to the board on the second ballot. Thomas Shannon was elected on the third ballot. Mary Ann Hinsdale was reelected secretary by acclamation. Roger McGrath was reelected treasurer by acclamation.

Peter Phan becomes the new president for 2001–2002. Jon Nilson becomes the president-elect. The others who will continue to serve on the board of directors are Kenneth Himes as past president, Bradford Hinze and Sandra Schneiders as board members.

President's Report

1. President Kenneth Himes narrated the events concerning the *mandatum* since the 2000 convention. In conversation with William Loewe, President of the College Theology Society, and the CTSA Board, he responded to the request of Msgr. Dennis Schnurr, then secretary general of the NCCB, asking for a list of names of persons who might serve as possible consultants to the NCCB on the *mandatum*. In the end, one person from the CTSA slate, Daniel Finn of St. John's, Collegeville, and one person from the CTS alate, Terry Tilley of the University of Dayton, were selected. The report of the CTSA's ad hoc committee on the *mandatum* was completed in late August and received by the CTSA president on September 11, 2001. The report was then sent to members of the board, posted on the website and hard copies sent to Archbishop Pilarczyk and members of the committee working on the guidelines concerning the *mandatum*. President Himes formally thanked Daniel Finn, John Boyle, Lisa Cahill, James Coriden, Robert Krieg, M. Theresa Moser and the late James Provost for their excellent work and invited them to stand and receive the thanks of all those present.

After an initial report from our representative, President Himes wrote Archbishop Pilarczyk, with copies to the other members of the NCCB committee, laying out his dissatisfaction with the consultation process that initially was being utilized by the committee, but received no reply. The decision of the Pilarczyk committee to promote local meetings between bishops and the theologians in their dioceses caused the board to alter its plan of sponsoring regional gatherings of theologians as was announced last year. Instead, with the assistance of the Executive Secretary, Dee Christie, a special January mailing was put together in conjunction with the College Theology Society that provided the membership of both societies with a substantial packet of material: the ad hoc committee report on the *mandatum*, a chronology of events related to *Ex Corde Ecclesiae*, a sheet of FAQs on canonical matters, a set of proposed "talking points" for discussion with the bishop, a copy of the guidelines proposed by the Pilarczyk committee, as well as a cover letter signed by both William Loewe of the CTS and Kenneth Himes. This packet of materials was also sent to each bishop of the NCCB.

During the last six months, at the request of the Pilarczyk committee, meetings between ordinaries and theology faculties in a diocese have been held around the country. Reports suggest that most meetings were cordial, modestly informative and achieved some lessening of tensions. At the same time, several reports indicate that the meetings were more polite than substantive and that in some cases bishops did not respond directly to the specifics of some questions.

On May 30 President Himes represented the CTSA at a meeting held at St, John's Center, Plymouth, Michigan, which was sponsored by the Pilarczyk committee. The purpose of the meeting was to bring together those bishops who would be implementing the application of Ex Corde Ecclesiae in their diocese. Msgr. John Strynkowski of the NCCB and Rev. Dennis Dease, President of the University of St. Thomas and member of the board of directors of the Association of Catholic Colleges and Universities, were also present. Himes made the following four points in his remarks:

1. The conscience of a theologian who does not apply for the *mandatum*, or who refuses one that is offered, ought to be respected. Nonpossession of a *mandatum* must not be equated with a theologian's failure to be in communion with the church.

2. Because canon 812 indicates a *mandatum* is a matter between the theologian and the appropriate church authority, there should be no reason for a bishop to inform any university official which faculty members have or have not received a *mandatum*.

3. It would be a serious source of tension between bishops and theologians if an effort were made to have the *mandatum* incorporated into the bylaws of a school as a requirement for faculty.

4. There is a lack of clarity concerning the object of the mandatum as this is stated in the guidelines.

The entire text of President Himes' remarks is available on the CTSA website.

In another exchange of letters between Bishop Joseph Fiorenza, president of the NCCB and President Himes it was made clear that third-party "watchdog" groups like the defunct website *mandata.org* should receive no support or cooperation from the bishops.

At its preconvention meeting the CTSA board of directors decided to initiate conversations with the ACCU in an effort to establish a clear understanding between presidents and theologians about the role of school administrators and trustees with regard to the *mandatum*. In addition, the research and publications committee will look for ways to promote study of the nature of theology and how the practice and aims of theology are shaped by different settings: the university as distinct from seminary, graduate school as distinct from undergraduate, theology as distinct from catechetical ministry.

2. Daniel Finn reviewed the process of developing the guidelines for implementing the mandatum and reported that the bishops would most likely vote affirmatively on the guidelines at their upcoming meeting.

3. President Himes reported that plans for a CTSA history to be completed in time for the sixtieth anniversary are still in place, though we have not yet recruited an historian to write it. He noted that we have fairly good electronic data resources and encouraged the membership to offer suggestions for this project.

4. President Himes noted that the electronic online CTSA Directory will be up and running this summer and that a "hard copy" will be available by the end of the calendar year. We will go to press by October 20, 2001, so please make sure your entry is correct.

5. The president expressed the board's concern to find ways for new members to more quickly participate in the life of the CTSA. To facilitate this process, he is asking the conveners of the continuing seminars to provide the secretary with the necessary information about how seminars are organized and whom to contact about becoming involved. This information will be posted on the website. The board has decided that groups that do not provide the information will not be in the program.

6. Himes announced that this year's recipient of the Ann O'Hara Graff Memorial Award, given by the Women's Seminar in Constructive Theology, is Susan Ross.

7. Alex Garcia-Rivera, chair of the committee on underrepresented groups, has agreed to facilitate a mentoring program for promising graduate students and new members. If you are willing to serve as a mentor, please contact him at agarcia@jstb.edu.

8. President Himes introduced Richard Sparks, C.S.P., as the editor of the *Proceedings*. He invited Sparks to say a few words about the process of submitting copy for the Proceedings. Sparks stressed that the timeline for publi-

cation necessitates a rigorous deadline of July 2 and that he is looking for a precis rather than a meeting report.

9. The President invited Anne Patrick, vice president of INSeCT, to report on the work of the network of theological societies. Patrick had been the CTSA representative to this group but is completing her five-year term. Bradford Hinze has been appointed to succeed her.

10. President Himes announced that, in the name of the CTSA, he wrote a letter of congratulations to Avery Dulles, SJ, on the occasion of his elevation to

the College of Cardinals. Himes read the response that he received.

11. The President briefly reviewed a number of decisions that the board arrived at during the last few days: a) the encouragement of conversations between society members and ACCU members so that our thinking on the mandatum can be communicated to presidents and trustees; b) there is money available for research projects that can be used to promote writing on the nature of theology in the university setting. This is important since many bishops only have studied theology in a seminary context. The purpose of this research is to promote conversation about the nature and task of theology in the university.

President-Elect's Report

President-Elect Peter Phan thanked the many people who assisted in making the convention work so smoothly: the local arrangements committee (Robert Masson, Trish Lewis, Trisha Sullivan, and Joseph Russell), the registration team (Dee Christie, Helen Ciernik, Eileen Fagan, Jamie Manon, Paula Hudach, Jonathan Tan and Kerry McDonald) and those who organized the convention prayer.

Vice President's Report

1. Vice President Jon Nilson announced that the theme for the 2002 convention, to be held June 6-9 in Philadelphia at the Adams Mark Hotel is "The Signs of the Times." The plenary speakers for the meeting will be Michael Himes, Barbara Hilkert Andolsen, David Robinson, S.J. and the Presidential Address by Peter Phan. Cardinal Bevilaqua will welcome the CTSA to Philadelphia. The "call for papers" announcement is in the convention folders and is available on the CTSA website (http://ctsa.bc.edu/ctsa). Nilson reminded the membership of the policy that, ordinarily, an individual is not to give more than one presentation or response in a given convention.

2. The following resolution was submitted to the Resolutions Committee

prior to the deadline specified in the bylaws:

Whereas Avery Dulles is a scholar whose theological writings have enriched his colleagues and a wider readership;

Whereas in his teaching over many decades he has served as mentor and guide to generations of students;

Whereas he has been a dedicated an irenic voice in the work of ecumenism;

Whereas Avery Dulles has served with distinction as President of this Society and has been honored by this Society with its Spellman Award for Distinguished Achievement;

Therefore, be it resolved that the members of the Catholic Theological Society of America do honor and acclaim our colleague, Avery Dulles, S.J., upon his being named a Cardinal of the Roman Catholic Church.

A resolution which was received after the deadline concerning the encouragement of bishops' conferences to promote the work of the Holy Spirit among all religious traditions did not receive enough votes to have it placed on the agenda.

Secretary's Report

1. Mary Ann Hinsdale urged members to visit the CTSA website and examine the online directory. An electronic form can be found there for updating or providing information. She also encouraged members who are not yet on the CTSA listserv (discussion list) to email her to be put on the list. There are approximately 514 members on the listserv as of today. The list's primary purpose is communication between the board and the membership and to facilitate discussion among members. It is a moderated list to ensure that only members have access. Hinsdale asked for the Society's patience while we make the list and the directory operational. Once the directory information is deemed to be complete, a password will be put into use. This will be a general password that will be communicated to CTSA members.

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Roger McGrath referred members to the financial report and balance sheet that was included in their convention folders. He drew attention to the dues income which was only \$3600 for last year and reminded members to pay their dues. The budget that the board will be looking at in October will probably involve a dues increase in order to help us meet expenses.

Executive Secretary's Report

- 1. Dolores Christie, Executive Secretary, noted that the office move to John Carroll University has gone well. She reminded members to let their institutions (libraries) know about this move. With regard to membership: associate members need to inform Mary Ann Hinsdale when they have defended their dissertation and she will process the change in your membership status. If you have retired, notify Dee Christie. There is a reduced membership rate for retirees. Paula Hudach, who is present at the convention, is Dee's new assistant.
- 2. The Adams Mark Hotel in Philadelphia is not a downtown hotel, so this will be something of an experiment. The hotel has promised shuttle busses for excursions to the downtown area.
 - 3. In 2003 the convention will be at the Westin Hotel in Cincinnati, Ohio.

With no other business to be addressed, President Himes thanked his colleagues for their reports and those who stood for election. The business meeting of the fifty-sixth annual convention was adjourned at 6:09 p.m.

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