SECRETARY'S REPORT

THE FIFTY-FOURTH ANNUAL CONVENTION

The Catholic Theological Society of America held its fifty-fourth annual convention 10-13 June, 1999, at the Hyatt Regency Miami, Miami, FL. The theme of the convention was "Development of Doctrine." Registration took place from 1:00 to 5:00 p.m. and from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. on June 10. A special preconvention session, "The Nature and Authority of Doctrine: A Search for Common Ground," was held from 1:30 to 3:00 p.m. and the continuing group, the Women's Seminar in Constructive Theology, held its session from 3:15 to 6:15 p.m.

At the opening session, the Most Reverend John C. Favalora, Archbishop of Miami, welcomed the convention participants to Miami. Reverend Monsignor Franklyn M. Casale, President of St. Thomas University, offered the opening prayer. The first plenary address followed. The evening concluded with a reception. CTSA gratefully acknowledges Barry University, Blessed Edmund Rice School for Pastoral Ministry, St. Leo's College, St. Thomas University, and St. Vincent de Paul Regional Seminary for subsidizing this event.

Since there were no resolutions submitted for consideration by the convention, the Hearing of the Resolutions Committee on Friday afternoon, June 11, was cancelled. The business meeting took place in the late afternoon on Friday. The President's reception for new members followed the business meeting.

The convention's eucharistic liturgy was celebrated in the late afternoon of Saturday, June 12, at Gesu Church. CTSA President Robert Schreiter served as presider and homilist. The convention banquet followed the liturgy. Toward the end of the meal, President Schreiter read the citation for the John Courtney Murray Award and presented the plaque and medal to Ladislas Örsy, S.J.

Morning prayer was held from 8:30 to 8:45 a.m. on Friday, Saturday and Sunday. On various days throughout the convention there were special receptions, breakfasts, or other meetings, for such groups as the Women's Seminar, the Karl Rahner Society, the Theological Studies Board of Editorial Consultants, Herder and Herder Theological Advisory Board and the conveners of continuing and developing groups. A faculty grants seminar sponsored by the Association of Theological Schools was held following the convention on Sunday afternoon, June 13.

CONVENTION PROGRAM

Thursday, June 10

1:30-3:00 Special Session

Topic: "The Nature and Authority of Doctrine:

A Search for Common Ground" (I)

Moderator: Robert P. Imbelli, Boston College

Presenters: Avery Dulles, Fordham University

"Catholic Doctrine: Between Revelation and Theology"

Richard A. McCormick, University of Notre Dame "Moral Doctrine: Stability and Development"

Women's Seminar in Constructive Theology, Continuing Group1 3:15-6:15 Topic: "Reconsidering Sacramentality: A Conversation with M. Catherine

Hilkert and Susan A. Ross"

Conveners: Susan M. St. Ville, University of Notre Dame

Susan M. Simonaitis, Fordham University

Moderator: Mary T. Stimming, Dominican University

Presenters: M. Catherine Hilkert, University of Notre Dame

Susan A. Ross, Loyola University of Chicago

6:15-7:15 Reception: Women's Seminar in Constructive Theology

7:30-9:30 Opening and First Plenary Session

Moderator: Robert J. Schreiter, Catholic Theological Union, CTSA President

Welcome: Most Rev. John C. Favalora, Archbishop of Miami

Opening Prayer: Rev. Monsignor Franklyn M. Casale, President, St. Thomas University, Miami

Address: John E. Thiel, Fairfield University

"Perspectives on Tradition"

Respondent: Barbara Hilkert Andolsen, Monmouth University

9:30 Reception

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. Groups designated "Select" are selected 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.

Friday Morning, 12 June

9:00-10:30 Group Meetings

1. "Strangers in a Strange Land:

Christian Responses to Migrants and Refugees." Invited group.

Moderator: William C. Spohn, Santa Clara University

Presenters: Richard J. Ryscavage, Jesuit Refugee Service/USA

Thomas Chobolla, Secretariat for Pastoral and Community Services, Archdiocese of Los Angeles

William R. O'Neill, Jesuit School of Theology at Berkeley

2. "The Lutheran-Catholic Joint Declaration on Justification by Faith: An Instance of Development of Doctrine." Select group.

Moderator: Jeffrey J. Gros, Secretariat for Ecumenical and Interreligious Affairs, National Conference of Catholic Bishops

Presenters: Margaret O'Gara, University of St. Michael's College Michael Root, Trinity Lutheran Seminary

3. Communication Theology. Continuing group.

"Ecclesial Reception, Communication, and the Development of Doctrine" Convener: Bernard R. Bonnot, Unda-USA and the Odyssey Channel

Moderator: Mary McCormick, St. Mary Seminary, Cleveland

Presenter: Richard R. Gaillardetz, University of St. Thomas, Houston

"Ecclesial Reception in the Development of Doctrine"

Respondents: Francis Forde Plude, Notre Dame College, Cleveland

"Interactive Communication Technologies and Reception"

Paul A. Soukup, Santa Clara University

"Walter Ong's Insights and the Process of Reception"

4. Medieval Theology. Continuing group.

"Development of the Doctrine of Salvation in the Middle Ages"

Convener: Michael Gorman, St. Francis Xavier University, Antigonish, Nova

Presenters: Joan M. Nuth, John Carroll University

"Development of Doctrine in Julian of Norwich's Showings"

Matthew Levering, Boston College

"Aquinas and the Medieval Debate about Christ's Saving Work"

5. Moral Theology. Continuing group.

"The Development of Moral Doctrine"

Conveners: Brian F. Linnane, College of the Holy Cross

Maura A. Ryan, University of Notre Dame

Presenter: Jean Porter, University of Notre Dame

"From General Principle to Concrete Norm:

The Case of Contraception (Again)"

Respondents: Michael P. Moreland, Boston College Cristina L. H. Traina, Northwestern University 6. The Thought of John Henry Newman. Developing group. "Newman on Development: Testing Newman's Tests" Convener: Edward Jeremy Miller, Gwynedd-Mercy College Presenters: Thomas R. Potvin, Dominican School of Theology, Ottawa "Preservation of Type: What Is Christianity's Type or Idea?" Robert L. Kinast, Center for Theological Reflection, Tampa "Practical Theology: A Test Case for Newman's Tests" Edward Enright, Villanova University "Newman's Tests of Development: Some 19th-Century Protestant Critics"

7. Practical Theology. Continuing group. "Practical Theology and Theological Education" Convener: Michael P. Horan, Loyola Marymount University, Los Angeles Moderator: Mark F. Fischer, St. John's Seminary, Camarillo, CA Presenter: Thomas H. Groome, Boston College "The Pedagogical Challenges Posed by Practical/Pastoral Theology" Respondents: Mark L. Poorman, University of Notre Dame

Gaile M. Pohlhous, Villanova University

8. Karl Rahner Society. Continuing group.

"Rahner and the Development of Doctrine"

Convener: Melvin E. Michalski, St. Francis Seminary

Moderator: Ann R. Riggs, Marquette University

Presenters: Mary E. Hines, Emmanuel College

"A Rereading of Rahner's Work on Doctrine

in the Light of Today's Questions"

Paul G. Crowley, Santa Clara University

"Newman, Rahner, and the Problem of Ecclesial Pluralism"

Richard Lennan, Catholic Institute of Sydney

"Rahner's Theology of the Priesthood and the Development of Doctrine"

 Theology and the Natural Sciences. Continuing group.
 "The Significance of Scientific Cosmology for Christology"
 Convener: William R. Stoeger, Vatican Observatory Research Group, University of Arizona

Presenter: Zachary J. Hayes, Catholic Theological Union "Cosmic Christology"

Respondent: David S. Toolan, America

10. Hans Urs von Balthasar Society. Continuing group. "The Church in America and the New Path to Solidarity" Convener: Peter J. Casarella, Catholic University of America Moderator: Alejandro García-Rivera, Jesuit School of Theology at Berkeley Presenter: Peter J. Casarella, Catholic University of America "Ecclesia in America: Path to Solidarity" Respondent: Lorenzo Albacete, St. Joseph's Seminary, Dunwoodie 11:00-12:30 Second Plenary Session

Moderator: Mary Ann Donovan, Jesuit School of Theology at Berkeley, CTSA Past President

Address: Francine Cardman, Weston Jesuit School of Theology "The Praxis of Ecclesiology: Learning from the Donatist Controversy" Respondent: George P. Schner, Regis College, Toronto School of Theology

Friday Afternoon, 11 June

2:30-4:15 Group Sessions

 "The Nature and Authority of Doctrine: A Search for Common Ground" (II). Special session.

Moderator: Robert P. Imbelli, Boston College

Dialogue with: Avery Dulles, Fordham University, and Richard A. McCormick, University of Notre Dame

2. Catholic Social Teaching. Continuing group.

"Social Sin: A Contested Concept in Catholic Social Teaching"

Convener: William P. George, Dominican University

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

Presenters: Rosemarie E. Gorman, Fairfield University

"Segundo: Structural Sin and Original Sin"

Margaret R. Pfeil, University of Notre Dame

"Correlating the Social Dimensions of Sin and Reconciliation"

3. Yves Congar: Ecumenical Colloqium. Developing group.

"Congar on Authentic Expressions of the Faith"

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

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

Presenter: Susan M. Brown, King's College, London, Ontario

"Congar and the Development of Doctrine: A Catholic Perspective"

Respondents: Stanley S. Harakas, Archbishop Iakovos Professor of Orthodox Theology, Emeritus, Holy Cross Greek Orthodox School of Theology

"An Orthodox Response"

Frank Macchia, Southeastern College of the Assemblies of God "A Pentecostal Response"

4. "Doctrine in the City: Teaching Theology in an Urban Context." Invited group.

Convener: Thomas F. Ryan, St. Thomas University, Miami Moderator: Mary Carter Waren, St. Thomas University, Miami

Presenters: Thomas F. Ryan, St. Thomas University, Miami

"The Promise of Miami's Cultural Tapestry:

Theological and Pedagogical Reflections"

Kay A. Read and Dennis P. McCann, DePaul University

"The DePaul-Birmingham (UK) Project: An International Perspective on Theology and Religious Studies in the City" Michael P. Horan, Loyola Marymount University, Los Angeles "Pedagogical Strategies for the City"

 Christology. Continuing group.
 "Christologies of the Second Vatican Council"
 Convener: Michael E. O'Keeffe, St. Xavier University, Chicago Presenter: Robert A. Krieg, University of Notre Dame
 "Christological Aspects of the Second Vatican Council"

6. Sacramental and Liturgical Theology. Continuing group. "The Communion Rite as Ecclesial Act" Convener: Bruce T. Morrill, Boston College Moderator: Gary A. Macy, University of San Diego Presenters: Jill Raitt, University of Missouri at Columbia "Sacramental Transformation and Eucharistic Communion: Pursuing Augustine's Insight in History"

Pursuing Augustine's Insight in History'
Thomas J. Scirghi, Fordham University

"A New Attitude of Mind: Intercommunion and the Domestic Church"

7. "The Bible and the Bodies of Women: Development of Doctrine, Definitive Teaching, and the Case of Loisy." Select group. Convener: Ellen M. Leonard, University of St. Michael's College Moderator: Susan M. St. Ville, University of Notre Dame Presenters: Ellen M. Leonard, University of St. Michael's College Mary Rose D'Angelo, University of Notre Dame

8. Spirituality. Continuing group.

"Religious Experience and the Development of Spiritual Teaching: Thérèse of Lisieux and Dorothy Day"

Convener: Joan M. Nuth, John Carroll University
Moderator: Stephen T. Krupa, John Carroll University
Presenters: Mary E. Frohlich, Catholic Theological Union
"Desolation and Doctrine in Thérèse of Lisieux and in Postmodern Culture"
Leon Hooper, Woodstock Theological Center
"Dorothy Day's Interpretation of Thérèse of Lisieux"

Theological Anthropology. Continuing group.
 "Incarnation and Human Embodiment

as Ground for Theological Anthropology"

Convener: Susan Windley, University of St. Thomas, St. Paul Moderator: Ted Ulrich, Catholic University of America Presenters: Diane Schneider, St. Mary's University, Winona "The God of Illness and Wholeness"
Michael Stoeber, Catholic University of America "Suffering and Spiritual Development"

Hispanic/Latino Theology. Continuing group.
 "Possible Contributions of Afro-Cuban Religion
 to Catholic Theology of Grace: An Interreligious Dialogue"
 Convener: Roberto S. Goizueta, Loyola University, Chicago
 Presenter: William Ramos, Florida International University
 Lukumi Religion: Possibilities for Dialogue"
 Respondent: Orlando O. Espín, University of San Diego

4:45-6:15 Business Meeting

6:15-7:15 President's Reception for New Members

8:30-10:00 Special Session.

In Honor of the 10th Anniversary of the Deaths
of the University of Central America Martyrs.

Sponsored by the North American Contextual Theology. Continuing Group.
"The Love That Produces Hope: The Thought of Ignacio Ellacuría"
Convener: William R. O'Neill, Jesuit School of Theology at Berkeley
Moderator: Kevin F. Burke, Weston Jesuit School of Theology
Presenters: Maria Pilar Aquino, University of San Diego
Gustavo Gutiérrez, Bartolome de las Casas Institute
(Gutiérrez' paper read by James B. Nickoloff, College of the Holy Cross)
Roger D. Haight, Weston Jesuit School of Theology
Robert A. Lassalle-Klein, Jesuit School of Theology at Berkeley

Saturday Morning, 12 June

7:15-8:45 Breakfast Meeting: Karl Rahner Society
Convener: Melvin E. Michalski, St. Francis Seminary
Presenter: George Dennis O'Brien,
President Emeritus, University of Rochester
"Sex before God"

9:00-10:30 Third Plenary Session

Moderator: Margaret A. Farley, Yale University Divinity School, President-Elect, CTSA

Address: John T. Noonan, U.S. Court of Appeals, Ninth Circuit "Experience and the Development of Doctrine"

Response: M. Cathleen Kaveny, University of Notre Dame Law School

11:00-12:30 Group Sessions

Renaissance/Modern Theology. Continuing group.
 "Doctrinal Development and the Tübingen School"
 Convener: Robert A. Krieg, University of Notre Dame
 Moderator: John E. Thiel, Fairfield University
 Presenters: Michael J. Himes, Boston College
 "J.S. Drey and J.A. Möhler on Doctrinal Development
 Grant Kaplan, Boston College
 "Historical Revelation and Living Tradition in J.E. Kuhn"
 William E. McConville, Siena College
 "F. A. Staudenmaier on Dogmatic Development"
 Respondent: Donald J. Dietrich, Boston College

"The Faith/Morals Distinction and the Development of Moral Doctrine." Select group.

Convener: Michael J. Baxter, University of Notre Dame
Presenters: John R. Berkman, Catholic University of America
"The Faith/Morals Distinction and the History of Catholic Moral Theology"
Joseph E. Capizzi, Catholic University of America
"'Faith and Morals' in Modern Theology, Vatican II to Present"
Respondents: James T. Bretzke, Jesuit School of Theology at Berkeley
Paul J. Wojda, University of St. Thomas, St. Paul

Early Christian Theology. Continuing group.
 "Doctrinal Development in the Early Church"
 Convener: Alexis J. Doval, Saint Mary's College of California, Moraga Moderator: Dolores L. Greeley, St. Louis University
 Presenters: Robert J. Daly, Boston College
 "Development, Evolution, Devolution:

Evolution: Theology from its Origins to Berenger of Tours"

Eucharistic Theology from its Origins to Berenger of Tours"
Mary Ann Donovan, Jesuit School of Theology at Berkeley
"Later Theology and an Early Text: Revisiting Adversus haereses III

Ecclesiology. Continuing group.
 "Protecting the Faith: Ad Tuendam Fidem"
 Convener: Susan K. Wood, Saint John's University, Collegeville Presenters: Michael A. Fahey, Marquette University
 "The Context of Ad Tuendam Fidem"
 Ladislas M. Örsy, Georgetown University
 "Ad Tuendam Fidem: A Canonical Interpretation"

Trinitarian Theology. Continuing group.
 "The Immanent-Economic Distinction"
 Convener: Nancy A. Dallavalle, Fairfield University
 Moderator: Anthony Keaty, St. John's Seminary, Brighton
 Presenters: David M. Coffey, Marquette University

"A Critical Analysis of Catherine LaCugna's God for Us:

'Revisiting the Framework of Trinity'"

Ralph G. Del Colle, Marquette University

"Immanent-Economic Distinction: A Doxological Query"

Elizabeth Groppe, University of Notre Dame

"Responses to the Critiques of Catherine LaCugna's Analysis of the 'Immanent-Economic Trinity' Paradigm"

6. "The Theology of Edward Schillebeeckx: Implications for Understanding the Development of Doctrine." Select group.

Convener: Daniel P. Thompson, Fordham University

Moderator: Mary T. Stimming, Dominican University

Presenter: Daniel P. Thompson, Fordham University

"Schillebeeckx and the Development of Doctrine:

Historical Periods, Postmodernity and the Translation of Experience"

Respondent: Elena G. Procario-Foley, Iona College

7. "Spirituality and the Development of Doctrine." Select group.

Convener: Robert C. Christie, De Vry Institute

Moderator: Anne-Marie R. Kirmse, Fordham University

Presenters: William V. Dych, Fordham University

"The Role of Experience in Doctrinal Development

in the Theology of Karl Rahner"

Robert C. Christie, De Vry Institute

"Holiness in John Henry Newman's Theory of Doctrinal Development"

Andrew Tallon, Marquette University "Rousselot and Quasi-Intention"

8. "Development and Truth: Is 'Development' the Issue?" Select group.

Convener: Paul G. Crowley, Santa Clara University

Moderator: Mary E. Hines, Emmanuel College

Presenters: Bradford E. Hinze, Marquette University

"Ecclesial Repentance and Doctrinal Development: A Dialogical Model"

Jack A. Bonsor, Santa Clara University

"The Unity of Truth and the Fractured Christian Church"

Stephen Schloesser, Stanford University

"Development, Bisociation, Mimicry?

Neo-Thomism and the Invention of Tradition"

9. Health Care Issues in the U.S. and Canada. Research group.

"The Mission of Catholic Health Care"

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

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

"The Mission of Catholic Health Care: Facing the Challenges"

Mark C. Miller, Redemptorist Bioethics Consultancy for Western Canada "Core Values of Health Care: Stewardship, Ethics, and Mission"

10. "Scholasticism: Cross-cultural and Comparative Perspectives— New Insights into the Catholic Scholastic Tradition?" Select group. Convener: Francis X. Clooney, Boston College Moderator: Paul J. Griffiths, University of Chicago Presenter: José I. Cabezón, Iliff School of Theology "Scholasticism—The Book and Its Theological Rationale" Respondents: Lois Malcolm, Luther Seminary, St. Paul Thomas P. Rausch, Loyola Marymount University, Los Angeles David M. Williams, Boston College

Saturday Afternoon, 12 June

2:30-4:15 Group Sessions

- "Christian Doctrine in the Caribbean: Development?" Select group.
 Convener: Gerald M. Boodoo, Xavier University of Louisiana
 Moderator: Philip Linden, Xavier University, New Orleans
 Presenters: Gerald M. Boodoo, Xavier University of Louisiana
 "Doctrine and its Development in a Forced Theological Context"
 Jason Gordon, Regional Seminary of St. John Vianney, Trinidad
 "Cultural Collisions, Religious Freedom, and Development of Doctrine
 in the Caribbean"
- Comparative Theology. Continuing group.
 Topic: "Theological Anthropology: Hindu/Buddhist Practice"
 Convener: Bradley J. Malkovsky, University of Notre Dame
 Moderator: Ted Ulrich, Catholic University of America
 Presenter: Francis X. Clooney, Boston College
 "In the Light of Her Face: Hindu Goddess Worship and Human Nature—
 What Christians Can Learn from It"
 Respondent: Susan M. Windley, University of St. Thomas, St. Paul
- Development of Doctrine and the Jews. Select group.
 "Vatican II on the Jews: A Dramatic Example of Theological Development"
 Conveners: M. Christine Athans, St. Paul Seminary, St. Paul
 John T. Pawlikowski, Catholic Theological Union
 Moderator: Ronald E. Modras, St. Louis University
 Presenters: M. Christine Athans, St.
 "The Historical Context—Anti-Judaism and Anti-Semitism"
 John T. Pawlikowski, Catholic Theological Union
 "Vatican II and Beyond"
- Respondent: Ronald E. Modras, St. Louis University
 "The Diocesan Synod: A Means to Develop Doctrine." Invited group. Convener: Catherine T. Nerney, Chestnut Hill College Moderator: Richard R. Gaillardetz, University of St. Thomas, Houston

Presenter: Remi J. De Roo, Bishop Emeritus of Victoria, BC "The Diocesan Synod: A Means to Develop Doctrine"

Respondent: Thomas P. Rausch, Loyola Marymount University, Los Angeles

5. Genetics. Research group.

"The Engineering and Patenting of Human Genes: Anthropological, Moral, and Theological Considerations"

Convener: M. Cathleen Kaveny, University of Notre Dame

Moderator: Thomas A. Shannon, Worcester Polytechnic Institution

Presenters: David F. Kelly, Duquesne University
"The Engineering and Patenting of Human Genes:

Anthropological and Moral Considerations"

James J. Walter, Loyola University, Chicago

"Theological Considerations"

6. "Jesus Symbol of God: A New American Christology." Select group. Moderator: Elizabeth A. Johnson, Fordham University

Presenters: Mary Catherine Hilkert, University of Notre Dame

William P. Loewe, Catholic University of America

Respondent: Roger D. Haight, Weston Jesuit School of Theology

7. Missiology and Mission Theology. Continuing group.

"Syncretism or Development of Doctrine?

When Rites, Symbols, and Language Meet"

Convener: Louis McNeil, Georgian Court College

Moderator: Carl F. Starkloff, Regis College, Toronto

Presenters: Carl F. Starkloff, Regis College, Toronto

Robert J. Schreiter, Catholic Theological Union Gideon Goosen, Australian Catholic University, Sydney

8. Method in Theology. Continuing group.

"Doctrinal Pluralism in a Postmodern Context"

Convener: J. Michael Stebbins, Woodstock Theological Center

Moderator: Tatha Wiley, St. John's University, Collegeville

Presenter: Paul F. Lakeland, Fairfield University

"Doctrinal Pluralism and Other Truths:

The Fourth Dimension of Conversion"

Respondents: Nancy C. Ring, LeMoyne College

Anthony J. Godzieba, Villanova University

9. Theology as a Collaborative Project. Continuing group.
"Perfecting Sodomy:

The History of a Category from Antoninus to Alphonsus"

Convener: Paul Giurlanda, St. Mary's College of California, Moraga

Moderator: Jack A. Bonsor, Santa Clara University

Presenter: Mark D. Jordan, University of Notre Dame

"Perfecting Sodomy:

The History of a Category from Antoninus to Alphonsus"

10. "Globalization and Catholic Morality." Invited group. Convener: Kenneth M. Weare, St. Patrick's Seminary, Menlo Park, CA Moderator: James T. Bretzke, Jesuit School of Theology at Berkeley Presenters: Kenneth M. Weare, St. Patrick's Seminary, Menlo Park, CA "Evolving Ethical Reactions to the Transnational Economy" Alejandro R. García-Rivera, Jesuit School of Theology at Berkeley "The Implications of Transnational Technology"

5:15 Eucharist: Gesu Church

7:00 Reception

7:30 John Courtney Murray Award Banquet

Sunday Morning, 13 June

9:00-10:30 Follow-up Seminars

Exploration of John E. Thiel's paper: "Perspectives on Tradition."
 Moderator: James R. Pambrun, Saint Paul University, Ottawa
 Opening the conversation: Barbara Hilkert Andolsen, Monmouth University

Exploration of Francine J. Cardman's paper: "Developing Ecclesiology:
 Virtue in the Life of the Church"
 Moderator: Anne M. Clifford, Duquesne University
 Opening the conversation: George P. Schner, Regis College,
 Toronto School of Theology

Exploration of John T. Noonan's paper:
 "Experience and the Development of Doctrine"
 Moderator: Diana L. Hayes, Georgetown University
 Opening the conversation: M. Cathleen Kaveny,
 University of Notre Dame Law School

11:00-12:00 Fourth Plenary Session: Presidential Address Moderator: Kenneth R. Himes, Washington Theological Union, CTSA Vice President Address: Robert J. Schreiter, Catholic Theological Union, CTSA President

"Development of Doctrine in a World Church"

12:00 Appointment of the New President

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JOHN COURTNEY MURRAY AWARD, 1999

As the twentieth century ends, there is little doubt that the most important theological event for the Roman Catholic Church in these past hundred years has been the Second Vatican Council. Both the Council itself and the interpretation of it in the subsequent thirty-five years have shaped nearly everything that Catholic theologians have undertaken. The theological history of this century is rightly divided into preconciliar and postconciliar periods.

This year's honoree has taken a leading role in interpreting the meaning and the consequences of that great Council. His writings and his thought have been especially appreciated on account of their unique positioning at the intersection of theology and canon law. For it has been at this juncture that the theological vision of the Council has stood to be implemented, and its implications interpreted to the broader Church.

This year's honoree has carried out this task exemplarily. His own theological education took place before the Council in Rome and in Leuven. His teaching career began at the time of the Council at the Gregorian University in Rome, and led him on to Fordham University, the Catholic University of America, and Georgetown University. In a dozen books, and more than three hundred articles and reviews, he has explored a wide range of topics in his discipline, from the relationship of theology and law itself and the role which law plays within the Church, to the implementation of law in religious life, the sacraments (especially penance, orders, and matrimony), and the teaching office of the Church.

He has been a teacher and a mentor to more than a generation of students, and has done much to encourage men and women to serve the Church as canonists. He is also much sought after as a general lecturer. He has written for his colleagues and peers, and also for the general public. Theologians look to him to understand canonical implications of a theological issue; canonists turn to him for theological dimensions of canonical legislation.

His service to the theological and canonical guilds has been enormous. The enthusiasm and energy which he has brought to his work, the profound insights into issues he has probed, and his ready wit which so often puts things in perspective have been inspirational to many and a gift to us all.

For his distinguished scholarship and tireless service to the academy and the Church, the Catholic Theological Society of America bestows the 1999 John Courtney Murray Award for Theology upon Ladislas M. Örsy, S.J.

ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING

President Robert J. Schreiter called the annual business meeting to order at 4:45 p.m. on Friday, June 11, 1999. Timothy O'Connell served as parliamentarian.

Committee on Admissions

Brian Linnane presented the report on the Committee on Admissions. The other members of the committee were Janet Ruffing (Chair), Daniel Cowdin, and the secretary of the CTSA. Daniel Cowdin will continue next year.

From approximately one hundred initial inquiries during the year, eighty-nine applications were returned. In its review the committee found that eighty-seven were qualified for membership; fifty-five for active membership and thirty-two for associate membership. Fifteen of the applicants for active membership had formerly been associate members. Five applicants were former members who were reinstated. Eighteen of the new members, both active and associate, are women.

The committee recommended that these eighty-seven applicants 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 president then invited the new members to a reception to be held in the presidential suite immediately following the business meeting. Brief biographical entries and addresses of the new members will be found in the directory update contained in this volume of the Proceedings.

Committee on Nominations

Robert Krieg, chair of the Committee on Nominations gave the committee report. The other members of the committee were Mary Ellen Sheehan and Roger Haight. Sheehan and Haight will continue to serve on the committee next year, with Sheehan serving as chair. The nominees proposed by the committee were:

—for Vice President: Peter C. Phan, Catholic University of America Susan A. Ross, Loyola University of Chicago

-for Secretary: Mary Ann Hinsdale, College of the Holy Cross

—for Treasurer: Roger McGrath, Theological College, Washington D.C.

—for Board Members: Bradford E. Hinze, Marquette University Robert P. Imbelli, Boston College Joan M. Nuth, John Carroll University Susan K. Wood, Saint John's University, Collegeville, MN

There were no nominations from the floor. Peter C. Phan was elected Vice President. Robert P. Imbelli was elected to the Board on the third ballot. Since none of the three remaining candidates received a majority on the fourth ballot,

the Chair announced that only the two highest candidates would be on the fifth ballot. Elizabeth Johnson raised a point of order concerning the understanding of whether the numbering of ballots started over in the election of the second board member, in which case this should not be considered a fourth ballot and the third nominee would not be dropped. The chair asked for a ruling from the parliamentarian who said that the Constitutions state "if no majority be obtained after three ballots, the two candidates with the highest number of votes on the third ballot shall alone be eligible for the fourth ballot." In his interpretation, the constitution is ambiguous concerning whether the number of ballots refers to the election of each board member or the total number of ballots held for board members. One could interpret that we were beyond a third ballot in the election of the second board member. In the parliamentarian's judgment, it was up to the Chair to make a ruling. At this point, Joan Nuth graciously withdrew from the election. On the fifth ballot there was a tie between the two remaining candidates, Hinze and Wood. Susan Wood was elected on the sixth ballot. Mary Ann Hinsdale was reelected secretary by acclamation. Roger McGrath was reelected treasurer by acclamation.

Margaret Farley becomes the new president for 1999–2000. Kenneth Himes becomes the president-elect. The others who will continue to serve on the board of directors are Robert Schreiter as past president, Anne Clifford and Roberto Goizueta as board members.

President's Report

1. President Robert Schreiter reviewed the participation of CTSA in the Ex Corde Ecclesiae implementation discussions. The CTSA Board had instructed him to contact other professional theology societies in order to work together in responding to the bishops' discussion of implementation guidelines. Thus, he reactivated the committee established in 1994, which consisted of James Provost, Monika Hellwig, and Roger McGrath. Four other professional societies were contacted (the Catholic Biblical Association, the Canon Law Society of America, the College Theology Society and the American Catholic Historical Association). Given the canonical considerations involved in the implementation guidelines, the CLSA thought it should speak singly. The ACHS was in a leadership transition. In early February, at a meeting of Association of Catholic Colleges and Universities, Cardinal Francis George gave a talk that generated the idea of introducing an alternate document on implementation guidelines. The ACCU drafted such a document. Roger McGrath convened a group made up of representatives of the three societies originally contacted by President Schreiter. They discussed and endorsed the ACCU alternative. This document is available on the ACCU and the CTSA webpages.

 President Schreiter introduced Monika Hellwig, President of the Association of Catholic Colleges and Universities, who gave an update on the state of the discussions concerning the revised implementation guidelines that had been discussed at the November 1998 bishops' meeting. Dr. Hellwig expressed her gratitude to CTSA for its involvement in facilitating the discussion of an alternative proposal. The ACCU proposal has been circulated to other learned societies, college and university boards of trustees, presidents, and bishops. For the most part, it has been gratefully received. Dr. Hellwig and Rev. Charles Currie, S.J., President of the Association of the Jesuit Colleges and Universities, met unofficially with Vatican officials and were enlightened and encouraged by the information they received in these discussions. She reminded the CTSA members that only fifty-seven U.S. dioceses had colleges or universities and that the ACCU would appreciate assistance in continuing the conversations with bishops over issues stemming from Ex Corde Ecclesiae. At the same time, it is important to avoid contributing to the impression created by the popular press that there are fiercely oppositional stances between bishops and university presidents. A brief question and answer period followed Dr. Hellwig's report.

3. President Schreiter reminded the CTSA members of the CTSA's involvement in the International Network of Societies of Catholic Theology (INSeCT). Anne Patrick is the CTSA liaison and members are encouraged to keep posted on the network's activities via the INSeCT web page which is linked to the CTSA webpage.

President-elect's Report

1. President-elect Farley reported that 490 persons were registered for the convention. She reviewed the structure of the convention, noting that an explanation sheet had been included in the convention mailing and convention folder. There are twenty-three continuing groups, two developing groups, four research groups, ten select groups, and five invited groups. Every effort has been made to ensure a broad representation of speakers and respondents and to work toward the goal of welcoming all voices to our deliberations. Farley noted that the conveners are the "backbone" of this and every convention and she thanked them for their responsible planning and organizing. She introduced the editor of the CTSA Proceedings, Michael Downey, and complimented him on the achievement of getting the 1998 Proceedings out before Thanksgiving of the same year. The assembly showed its gratitude to Dr. Downey with a round of applause. President-elect Farley reminded those responsible of the June 28th deadline for Proceedings copy if we are to continue such expeditious publication.

Margaret Farley singled out for special thanks the CTSA Executive Secretary, Dolores Christie, and Joseph Ianonne, chair of local arrangements, for their work on this convention. She also expressed the society's gratitude to: the registration assistants (Eileen Fagan, Kristin Brantman, and Lisa Graham); those who coordinated worship (Susan Loretta for the morning prayer and Mary Tindall for Saturday's Eucharistic liturgy); Tom Ryan of St. Thomas University, who provided us with guides to Miami, and Mark Wedig of Barry University, who made the alternate housing possible.

President-elect Farley reminded all that the Association of Theological Schools (ATS) would be holding its grant workshop following the convention. The contact for the workshop is John Ford.

2. Regarding her future commitments and hopes as incoming President of CTSA, Margaret Farley stated that "the CTSA is committed to facilitate theological scholarship and teaching, and to serve the church and, with and in the church, to serve the world." She sees our meetings as "working" meetings, "not simply presentations and responses, or even of discussion, primarily," but a time in which "we work together as colearners, engaged in a work that extends beyond ourselves." To this end, Farley repeated her own commitment to facilitating the speaking and hearing of all voices among us—across spectrums of age, discipline, perspective, gender, and institutional, geographical, and cultural context. She noted that the Board has begun some new initiatives in relation to underrepresented ethnic groups and she will do her best to support these. Finally, she described her role as one of helping to make it possible for all of us to fulfill our responsibilities to one another, the church, the academy, and the world. The convention is one of those places where the church does some of its thinking.

Vice President's Report

1. Vice President Kenneth Himes reported that no resolutions were approved by the Resolutions Committee for the business meeting. There were no resolutions from the floor. There was also no report from the Research and Publications Committee.

2. The fifty-fifth annual convention will be held at the Fairmont Hotel in San Jose, CA from June 8-11, 2000. The theme of the convention will be "Catholicism and Public Life." Proposals for select groups are encouraged to take up any aspect of the theme, e.g., Catholicism and the arts, Catholicism and popular culture, role of church-affiliated institutions, historical case studies on the church's engagement with society, public theology.

Plenary speakers include: John Haughey of Loyola University of Chicago ("A Catholic Spirituality for Public Life"), Mary E. Hines of Emmanuel College ("Catholic Ecclesiology and a Public Church"), and Michael Perry, a professor of law at Wake Forest University ("Theological and Religious Discourse in the

Public Square").

In an effort to involve more participation in the convention, Vice-President Himes encouraged members of the society to limit themselves to one appearance on the program. This is especially the case for presenters and respondents. Paul Crowley, University of Santa Clara, has graciously agreed to chair the local arrangements committee. An effort will be made to provide preconvention events that capitalize on the location of the convention, an area which is at the heart of both "Silicon Valley" and the historic California missions.

Secretary's Report

1. Secretary Mary Ann Hinsdale, in her capacity as ex officio member of the Admissions Committee, noted an increase in both active and associate members this year. This reverses a downward trend over the last three years. She again encouraged associate members to "upgrade" their membership status upon completion of their doctoral dissertations. A reminder appears on the dues renewal form sent out from the Executive Secretary. However, the actual upgrading of membership is handled by the secretary, Mary Ann Hinsdale, who processes applications and maintains the members' biographical files. Hinsdale then reviewed the kind of doctoral degrees and the demographics concerning theological schools which have produced new active members.

2. Progress on updating the CTSA Directory proceeds apace and it is expected that a new directory will be available next year in both print and electronic form. However, the number of persons who have not returned forms is disappointing. A list of all those who have not yet returned Directory update forms has been posted on the convention message board. June 30, 1999, is the last possible date for inclusion in the new directory.

3. The CTSA webpage continues to improve. This year, in addition to the convention program, convention readings, registration materials, and "call for papers" for next year's convention, hyperlinks to ten convention papers were provided. Given technical and time constraints, the secretary prefers to provide links to members' own homepages (either personal or institutional) as a means of circulating drafts of convention papers, rather than posting individual papers on the server at Holy Cross. Following the example of the Karl Rahner Society's homepage (housed at Marquette University), she recommends that papers be posted in PDF ("portable document file") format which, when downloaded through the use of Adobe Acrobat, will ensure proper formatting of footnotes and diagrams. The secretary noted that a "members' bulletin board" is available on the webpage. "Links" to other professional societies and theological resources will be added soon. She estimates that 50 percent of the membership applications, as well as many directory updates, came in by means of the "on line" application form this year.

4. Despite the availability of the web, it is still useful to have a membership brochure. The CTSA brochure is being updated with more recent photos and will be sent out to graduate deans this fall. Please contact the secretary if you would like a supply of brochures or membership applications.

Treasurer's Report

1. Treasurer Roger McGrath reported that the CTSA's financial condition continues to be good. A comparative financial report of fiscal years 1997 and 1998 was made available to all members in attendance and is appended to these Proceedings. Members will note that a new method of reporting has been adopted in order to have a more standard way of reporting and to better reflect actual

expenses. In addition, the society now operates with a budgeting process, and budget approval is an annual item on the Board's agenda.

2. Acting upon the suggestion made to the Board at last year's business meeting, the Treasurer investigated the matter of adopting a socially responsible investment policy. The Board has directed him to put together a CTSA policy and to shift the management of our portfolio to the Christian Brothers' Investment Services. In response to John Pawlikowski, who raised a question regarding the use of this particular service, the treasurer noted that he will be reporting back to the Board on this matter in the fall.

Executive Secretary's Report

Executive Secretary, Dolores Christie, reported that dues collection had improved considerably with the practice of including billing notices in the fall mailing. Since Proceedings are only being mailed out to members in good standing (paid up dues for the current year), she encouraged members to send in dues before October 1st if they wanted to receive the Proceedings in a timely fashion. She reminded the members that it is the CTSA policy to keep members with unpaid dues on the mailing list for three years, after which they are designated as "lapsed" and are dropped from the rolls. The secretary, Mary Ann Hinsdale, will inform such members of their lapsed status and acquaint them of the process for reinstatement if so desired. All dues payments and changes of address should be sent to the Executive Secretary's office (Dee Christie at Ursuline College, 2550 Lander Road, Pepper Pike, OH 44124). All membership requests (application or reinstatement should be sent to Mary Ann Hinsdale (Holy Cross College, Worcester, MA 01610).

With no other business to be addressed, the president entertained a motion to adjourn. The business meeting of the fifty-fourth convention was adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

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