

## SECRETARY'S REPORT

### THE FIFTY-FIFTH ANNUAL CONVENTION

The Catholic Theological Society of America held its fifty-fifth annual convention June 8-11, 2000, at the Fairmont Hotel, San Jose, California. The theme of the convention was "Catholicism and Public Life." Registration took place from 1:00 to 5:00 p.m. and 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. on June 8th. A special pre-convention session on "The Ethics of Wow!" was held from 1:15 to 3:15 p.m. at the Tech Museum of Innovation across the street from the hotel. 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 Patrick McGrath, Bishop of San Jose, welcomed the convention participants to San Jose and offered the opening prayer. The first plenary address followed. The evening concluded with a reception. CTSA gratefully acknowledges the Catholic Community at Stanford, the Dominican College of San Rafael, the Dominican School of Philosophy and Theology, the Franciscan School of Theology, the Graduate Theological Union, Holy Names College, the Jesuit School of Theology at Berkeley, St. Patrick's Seminary, St. Mary's College of California, the University of San Francisco, and the University of Santa Clara for subsidizing this event and for their gracious hospitality and generous support throughout the convention.

Since there were no resolutions submitted for consideration by the convention, the Hearing of the Resolutions Committee session on Friday afternoon, June 9, was canceled and the time was devoted to a discussion of the recently received Vatican *recognitio* concerning the application of *Ex Corde Ecclesiae* to the United States with the members of the *ad hoc* Committee on the Implementation of *Ex Corde Ecclesiae*. The business meeting took place in the late afternoon on Friday. The president's reception for new members followed the business meeting. A special session on "The Achievement of Richard McCormick" took place Friday evening from 8:30 to 10:00 p.m.

The convention's eucharistic liturgy was celebrated in the late afternoon of Saturday, June 10, at the Mission Santa Clara. Before the liturgy, Rev. Paul Locatelli, S.J., President of the University of Santa Clara, welcomed the CTSA to the Santa Clara campus. The Rev. Charles E. Curran presided and CTSA President Margaret Farley gave the homily. Following the liturgy, a reception and the convention banquet were held at the Fairmont Hotel. Toward the end of the meal, President Farley read the citation for the John Courtney Murray Award and presented the plaque and medal to Michael J. Buckley, 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 Karl Rahner Society, *Theological Studies* Board of Editorial Consultants, Herder and Herder Theological Advisory Board, alumni of the Catholic University of America, 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 11.

### CONVENTION PROGRAM

*Thursday, June 8*

1:15-3:15 *Special Session*

Topic: "The Ethics of Wow!"

Leaders: Margaret McLean and Thomas Shanks,

Markkula Center for Applied Ethics, Santa Clara University

3:30-6:30 *Women's Seminar in Constructive Theology*. Continuing Group.<sup>1</sup>

Topic: "*Ex Corde Mulieris*: Insights into Catholicism and Public Life"

Conveners: Elena G. Procario-Foley, Iona College

Jane Redmont, Graduate Theological Union

Moderator: Antoinette Gutzler, Fordham University

Presenters: Barbara Andolsen, Monmouth University

"Feminine Names for 'God' and Public Theology"

Frances Forde Plude, Notre Dame College, Cleveland

"Feminism and the Cultural Change Process:

A Communication Theology Perspective"

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

Moderator: Margaret A. Farley, Yale University, President, CTSA

Welcome & Prayer: Most Reverend Patrick McGrath, Bishop of San Jose

Address: John Haughey, Loyola University of Chicago

"Connecting Vatican II's Call to Holiness with Public Life"

Respondent: Joann Wolski Conn, Neumann College

9:30 *Reception*

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<sup>1</sup>Regarding 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.

## Friday Morning, June 9

## 9:00-10:30 Group Meetings

1. Moral Theology. Continuing Group.  
 "Beyond Revisionism: The Question of Moral Formation"  
 Conveners: Maura Ryan, University of Notre Dame  
 Daniel Cowdin, Salve Regina University  
 Moderator: William Spohn, Santa Clara University  
 Presenters: Timothy O'Connell, Loyola University of Chicago  
 James Keating, Pontifical College Josephinum  
 Cynthia Crysdale, Catholic University of America
2. Criteria for Catholic Theology. Continuing Group.  
 "St. Augustine and Johann B. Metz on Catholicism and Public Life"  
 Convener: Matthew L. Lamb, Boston College  
 Moderator: Sara Butler, Mundelein Seminary  
 Presenters: Michael P. Foley, Boston College  
 "Civic Mindedness in the Early Works of St. Augustine"  
 Matthew L. Lamb, Boston College  
 "Political Theology: J. B. Metz's Apocalyptic  
 in the Light of Augustine and Aquinas"
3. Hispanic/Latino Theology. Continuing Group.  
 "Hispanic/Latino Theology as a Challenge to the Public/Private Dichotomy"  
 Convener: Roberto S. Goizueta, Boston College  
 Presenters: Michelle Gonzalez, Graduate Theological Union  
 "Transcending the Convent: The Theological Contribution  
 of Sor Juana Ines de la Cruz"  
 Chris Tirres, Harvard University  
 "The *Via Crucis* as a Challenge to the Public/Private Dichotomy"
4. Practical Theology. Continuing Group.  
 "Practical Theology and the Languages for Communal and Public Discourse"  
 Convener: Michael Horan, Loyola Marymount University  
 Presenter: Maureen O'Brien, Duquesne University  
 "Religious Language in Public Conversation:  
 The Contribution of Practical Theology"  
 Respondent: Stephen Pope, Boston College
5. "Families as Agents in Catholic Public Life." Select Group.  
 Convener: Florence Caffrey Bourg, College of Mount St. Joseph  
 Presenters: Julie Hanlon Rubio, St. Louis University  
 "The Public Vocation of Christian Parents"  
 Florence Caffrey Bourg, College of Mount St. Joseph  
 "Cultivating Moral Vision in a Constituency:  
 Family as a Missing Link in Bernardin's Consistent Life Ethic"  
 Respondent: Thomas Massaro, Weston Jesuit School of Theology

6. Yves Congar Ecumenical Colloquium. Developing Group.  
 "Congar's Developing Understanding of the Mission of the Laity"  
 Convener: Mark Ginter, St. Meinrad School of Theology  
 Moderator: Michael Hoonhout, Catholic University of America  
 Presenter: Ramiro Pellitero, University of Navarre  
 "A Catholic Perspective"  
 Respondents: Richard K. Eckley, Houghton College  
 "A Protestant Perspective"  
 Paul Waisanen, St. Herman Orthodox Church, Oxnard CA  
 "An Orthodox Perspective"
7. Christology. Continuing Group.  
 "Constructing Public Christologies Today"  
 Convener: Michael O'Keeffe, St. Xavier University, Chicago  
 Presenters: William M. Thompson, Duquesne University  
 Sixto Garcia, St. Vincent dePaul Regional Seminary, Boynton Beach  
 "How Public Can a Dangerous Memory Be?"  
 Constructing Public Christologies in the USA Today"  
 Respondent: Pamela Kirk, St. John's University, Jamaica, NY
8. Theology and the Natural Sciences. Continuing Group.  
 "Aesthetics and Theology and Science"  
 Convener: William R. Stoeger, Vatican Observatory Research Group,  
 University of Arizona  
 Presenter: Alex R. Garcia-Rivera, Jesuit School of Theology at Berkeley  
 "Light from Light: An Aesthetics Approach  
 in the Science and Religion Dialogue"  
 Respondent: Zachary Hayes, Catholic Theological Union
9. Cultural Critique and Spiritual Renewal:  
 The Writings of Louis Dupré. Select Group.  
 Convener: George P. Schnier, Regis College, Toronto  
 Presenters: William O'Neill, Jesuit School of Theology at Berkeley  
 George P. Schnier, Regis College, Toronto  
 Respondent: Cyril O'Regan, University of Notre Dame
10. Missiology and Mission Theology. Continuing Group.  
 "The Continuing Committee on Common Witness:  
 Witnessing Together in the Coming Millennium"  
 Convener: Lou McNeil, Georgian Court College  
 Moderator: Jeanne Evans, St. Peter's College  
 Presenters: Robert Schreiter, Catholic Theological Union  
 "The Work of the Continuing Common Witness"  
 Carl Starkloff, Institute for Jesuit Studies, St. Louis, MO  
 "Church as the Model of the Multicultural Common Good"  
 Mary McGlone, St. Louis, MO  
 "Human Rights: Cultural Issues in Building Solidarity"

## 11. New Forms of Communication and Theology. Invited Group.

Convener: Francis J. Buckley, University of San Francisco

Presenters: Francis J. Buckley, University of San Francisco

David Robinson, University of San Francisco

Paul Soukup, Santa Clara University

Angela Ann Zukowski, University of Dayton

11:00-12:30 *Second Plenary Session*

Moderator: Robert J. Schreiter, Catholic Theological Union,

Past President, CTSA

Address: Mary E. Hines, Emmanuel College

"Ecclesiology for a Public Church: The U.S. Context"

Respondent: Donna Geernaert, Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops

*Friday Afternoon, June 9*1:15-2:15 *Special Session*

"Discussion of the Vatican *recognitio* of the NCCB's "Application  
of *Ex Corde Ecclesiae* to the United States"

Presiding: Margaret A. Farley, CTSA President

Members of the CTSA *ad hoc* Committee

on the Implementation of *Ex Corde Ecclesiae*:

Daniel R. Finn, St. John's University, Collegeville, Chair pro tem

James Coriden, Washington Theological Union

Theresa Moser, University of San Francisco

James Provost, Catholic University of America

2:30-4:15 *Group Meetings*

## 1. "Ecclesial Participation in Public Policy." Invited Group.

Moderator: Kenneth Weare, St. Patrick's Seminary

Presenter: Archbishop William J. Levada, Archdiocese of San Francisco

Respondent: John Langan, Georgetown University

## 2. Sacramental and Liturgical Theology. Continuing Group

"Catholic Liturgy and Public Life"

Convener: Bruce Morrill, Boston College

Moderator: Vincent Miller, Georgetown University

Presenters: David W. Fagerberg, Concordia College, Moorhead, MN

"Liturgy as Icon: Public Witness in a Pluralistic World"

Bruce Morrill, Boston College

"Worship in a Catholic Institutional Context: The Academic Campus"

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

## 3. Medieval Theology. Continuing Group.

"Experience and Science in Medieval Theology"

Convener: Michael Gorman, Catholic University of America

Presenters: William Stevenson, University of St. Thomas, St. Paul, MN

"Understanding, Certitude, and the Ordering of Trinitarian Questions  
in the *Summa Theologiae*"

- Gregory LaNave, Catholic University of America  
 "The Subalternation of Theology according to St. Bonaventure"
4. Spirituality. Continuing Group.  
 "The Discipline of Spirituality: Fundamental Issues"  
 Convener: Mary Frohlich, Catholic Theological Union  
 Moderator: Bruce H. Lescher, Jesuit School of Theology at Berkeley  
 Presenters: Diana Villegas, Acton, MA  
     "What Does Spirituality Study? A Fresh Look"  
     Michael Downey, St. John's Seminary, Camarillo  
     "Bringing Methodological Form  
     to the Study and Teaching of Spirituality"  
     Mary Frohlich, Catholic Theological Union  
     "Spiritual Discipline, Discipline of Spirituality:  
     Revisiting Questions of Definition and Method"
  5. Christian Identity and the Communication of Ethics. Select Group.  
 Convener: Paul Lakeland, Fairfield University  
 Moderator: Paul Lakeland, Fairfield University  
 Presenter: Robert Gascoigne, Australian Catholic University, Sydney  
 Respondent: James Byrne, St. Mary's University College,  
     Strawberry Hill, U.K.
  6. Method in Theology. Continuing Group. .  
 "History in Catholic Theology"  
 Conveners: M. Shawn Copeland, Marquette University  
     J. Michael Stebbins, Woodstock Theological Center  
 Moderator: James Keating, Providence College  
 Presenter: Robert M. Doran, Regis College, Toronto  
     "System and History: Issues in Method"
  7. "Undergraduate Theological Education and the Public Church." Select Group  
 Convener: Susan A. Ross, Loyola University of Chicago  
 Presenters: Denise Lardner Carmody, Santa Clara University  
     Patricia O'Connell Killen, Pacific Lutheran University  
     Terrence Tilley, University of Dayton
  8. U.S. and Canada Health Care Ethics. Research Group.  
 "Catholic Health Care and Public Policy"  
 Convener: Regina Wentzel Wolfe, St. John's University, Collegeville  
 Moderator: Mark Miller, St. Paul's Hospital, Saskatoon  
 Presenters: Melody Isinger, Duquesne University  
     "Health Care and Public Policy: A Canadian Perspective"  
     Ronald Mercier, Regis College, Toronto  
     "Health Care and Public Policy: Foundational Issues"
  9. Communication Theology. Continuing Group.  
 "Media Practice and Religious Imagination"  
 Convener: Frances Forde Plude, Notre Dame College, Cleveland  
 Moderator: Bernard R. Bonnot, Unda-USA and the Odyssey Channel

Presenter: Kathryn E. Tanner, University of Chicago  
 "Cultural Contest and Theological Communication"

Respondent: Mary Hess, Boston College

10. North American Contextual Theologies. Continuing Group.

"How We Wrote, *From the Heart of the People*:"

*Latino/Latina Explorations in Catholic Systematic Theology—  
 An Example of North American Contextual Theology*"

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

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

Presenters: Miguel Díaz, St. Vincent DePaul Regional Seminary

Orlando Espín, University of San Diego

Roberto Goizueta, Boston College

Respondent: Nancy Piñeda-Madrid, Graduate Theological Union

11. Genetics. Research Group.

Ethical Issues in the Use of Human Embryonic Stem Cells

Convener: Thomas Shannon, Worcester Polytechnic University

Moderator: Thomas Shannon, Worcester Polytechnic University

Presenters: James J. Walter, Loyola Marymount University

"Pluripotent Stem Cell Research: a Descriptive and Critical Analysis"

Thomas A. Shannon, Worcester Polytechnic Institute

"Stem Cell Research: Micro and Macro Ethical Issues"

4:30-6:15 *Business Meeting*

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

8:30-10:00 *Special Session*

"The Achievement of Richard McCormick"

Moderator: Charles E. Curran, Southern Methodist University

Presenters: Richard Gaillardetz, University of St. Thomas, Houston

"McCormick on the Moral *Magisterium*"

Richard Gula, Franciscan School of Theology

"McCormick on Moral Norms"

Anne E. Patrick, Carleton College

"McCormick on Medical Ethics"

*Saturday Morning, June 10*

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

Convener: Melvin E. Michalski, Saint Francis Seminary, Milwaukee

Presenter: Richard Miller, Boston College

"Karl Rahner on Naming God"

9:00-10:30 *Third Plenary Session*

Moderator: Kenneth R. Himes, Washington Theological Union,

President-Elect, CTSA

Address: Michael Perry, Wake Forest University, School of Law

"American Catholics and American Politics"

Respondent: Leslie Griffin, Santa Clara University, School of Law

11:00-12:30 *Group Meetings*

1. "Public Theology and Postmodernity." Invited Group.  
 Moderator: Robert J. Schreiter, Catholic Theological Union  
 Presenter: Michael Scanlon, Villanova University  
 Respondent: Michael J. Himes, Boston College
2. "Common Witness: Proselytism and Social Witness  
 in Catholic and Pentecostal Theological Reflection." Select Group.  
 Convener: Jeffrey Gros, National Conference of Catholic Bishops  
 Presenters: Cecil Robeck, Fuller Theological Seminary  
 Ralph Del Colle, Marquette University
3. Black Catholic Theology. Continuing Group.  
 "A Public Theology, Black and Catholic"  
 Convener: M. Shawn Copeland, Marquette University  
 Presenters: M. Shawn Copeland, Marquette University  
 Diana L. Hayes, Georgetown University
4. Thought of John Henry Newman. Continuing Group.  
 "Newman's Public Persona"  
 Convener: Edward Jeremy Miller, Gwynedd-Mercy College  
 Presenters: John R. Connolly, Loyola-Marymount University  
 "Newman's Response to Anti-Catholicism of 1850 England"  
 John Ford, Catholic University of America  
 "Newman's Letter to Norfolk: On Being Publicly Catholic"  
 Kevin Godfrey, Alvernia College  
 "Using Christian Discernment to Enhance Pluralistic Discourse"  
 Edward Jeremy Miller, Gwynedd-Mercy College  
 "Research Update on Newman vis-à-vis *Ex Corde Ecclesiae*"
5. Theology as a Collaborative Enterprise. Continuing Group.  
 "The Church, Sexuality and Public Policy"  
 Convener: Paul Giurlanda, St. Mary's College of California  
 Presenter: Jon Fuller, Boston University School of Medicine  
 "The Catholic Church, Homosexuality and Cognitive Dissonance"
6. Catholic Social Teaching. Continuing Group.  
 "Bringing Catholic Social Teaching into the Business World"  
 Convener: Thomas J. Poundstone, St. Mary's College of California  
 Moderator: William P. George, Dominican University  
 Presenter: J. Michael Stebbins, Woodstock Theological Center  
 "An Experimental Approach to the Formation  
 of Managers and Professionals"  
 Respondents: Christine Firer Hinze, Marquette University  
 Manuel Velasquez, Santa Clara University
7. "Oscar Romero as a Source for Public Theology." Select Group.  
 Convener: J. Matthew Ashley, University of Notre Dame  
 Moderator: Margaret Guider, Weston Jesuit School of Theology



- Presenters: Kevin Burke, Weston Jesuit School of Theology  
"Becoming a Good Shepherd: Romero's Witness  
to an Ecclesiology from Below"  
Margaret Pfeil, St. Joseph's University, Philadelphia  
"Sin Revealed in Death: Romero's Contribution  
to the Magisterial Discourse on Social Sin"  
J. Matthew Ashley, University of Notre Dame  
"Contemplation in Prophetic Action: Romero's Challenge  
to Privatized Spirituality"
8. Early Christian Theology Group. Continuing Group.  
"Early Catholicism and Public Life"  
Convener: Alexis Doval, St. Mary's College of California  
Moderator: Dolores Greeley, St. Louis University  
Presenter: John C. Cavadini, University of Notre Dame  
"At the Limits of the Civic Imagination: Martyrs and Heroes  
in the City of God"
9. "Promoting the Common Good Together:  
Catholics and Ecumenical Lobbying in Canada." Select Group.  
Convener: Susan M. Brown, King's College, London, Ontario  
Presenters: Catherine Clifford, University of St. Michael's College, Toronto  
"Anglicans, Catholics and the Common Good"  
Eileen Scully, Canadian Council of Churches, Toronto  
"How Churches Discern a Common Voice"  
Richard Haughian, Catholic Health Association, Ottawa  
"Health and Social Policy Advocacy: Issues Bring Us Together"
10. Ecclesiology. Continuing Group.  
"Trinitarian Ecclesiologies of Communion"  
Convener: Susan K. Wood, St. John's University, Collegeville  
Moderator: Juliann Heller, St. John's University, Collegeville  
Presenters: William G. Rusch, National Council of Churches  
"The Relation of Authority and Mission in Recent Ecumenical Texts:  
An Overview"  
Dennis Doyle, University of Dayton  
"Communion Ecclesiology and Frameworks of Inclusion"
11. Church and Ecology. Invited Group.  
Convener: Joseph Bracken, Xavier University  
Presenters: Walter Grazer, U.S. Catholic Conference  
"Historical/Doctrinal Issues"  
Joseph Bracken, Xavier University  
"Philosophical Issues"  
Deborah Blake, Regis University  
"Ethical Issues"

*Saturday Afternoon, June 10**2:30-4:15 Group Meetings*

1. "Neglected Themes in Common Good Theory." Select Group.  
 Convener: Brian Stiltner, Sacred Heart University  
 Presenters: Christopher Steck, Georgetown University  
     "Christian Witness and the Common Good:  
     The Spirit's Expansion of the Christ Event"  
     Maria Malkiewicz, University of Notre Dame  
     "Giving an Account of Our Hope: Spiritual Resources  
     for Sustaining Political Commitment"  
     Brian Stiltner, Sacred Heart University  
     "Will Eschatology Be Relevant to Social Action  
     in the Third Christian Millennium?"
2. "The Use of the Computer in Teaching." Invited Group.  
 Convener: Mary Ann Hinsdale, College of the Holy Cross  
 Presenters: Mary Ann Hinsdale, College of the Holy Cross  
     Mark Johnson, Marquette University  
     Stephen Schloesser, Boston College
3. "The Church and Organized Labor." Invited Group.  
 Moderator: Patricia A. Lamoureux, St. Mary's Seminary, Baltimore  
 Presenters: Eugene J. Boyle, Chair, Interfaith Council on Religion, Race,  
     Economic and Social Justice, Santa Clara County  
     James McEntee, Director, Office of Human Relations, Santa Clara County  
     Marion Steeg, Staff Director, South Bay Labor Council, AFL-CIO
4. Renaissance and Modern Theology. Continuing Group.  
     "Revisiting Americanism"  
 Convener: William McConville, Siena College  
 Presenter: William Portier, Mount St. Mary's College  
     "In Search of a Public Theology:  
     From Phantom Heresy to Americanist Tradition"  
 Respondent: Dennis Doyle, University of Dayton
5. Trinitarian Theology. Continuing Group.  
     "The Trinity and Ecclesiologies of Communion"  
     [Joint Session with Ecclesiology]  
 Convener: Anthony Keaty, St. John's Seminary, Brighton, MA  
 Moderator: M. John Farrelly, St. Anselm's Abbey, Washington, DC  
 Presenters: Bradford E. Hinze, Marquette University  
     "The Shift to a Trinitarian Ecclesiology in the Twentieth Century"  
     Jamie T. Phelps, Loyola University of Chicago  
     "Communion Ecclesiology: Implications for the Church  
     in the Postmodern World of the Third Millennium"
6. World Church Theology. Developing Group.  
     "Catholicism and Public Life in the 'South' "

Convener: Gerald Boodoo, Xavier University of Louisiana  
Moderator: Gerald Boodoo, Xavier University of Louisiana  
Presenters: Jason Gordon, University of the West Indies, Trinidad  
"Catholicism and Public Life in the Caribbean"

Jack Davis, Chimbote, Peru  
"Catholicism and Public Life in Peru"

7. Comparative Theology. Continuing Group.  
"Rome, Issues of Orthodoxy, and the Future of Comparative Theology"  
Convener: Bradley Malkovsky, University of Notre Dame  
Moderator: Francis Clooney, Boston College  
Presenters: Thomas Forsthoefel, Mercyhurst College  
"Fides et Ratio and the Future of Comparative Theology"  
Paul J. Griffiths, University of Chicago  
"Comparative Theology and the Church"  
Respondent: James Fredericks, Loyola Marymount University

8. "Theological Implications of the Church's Teaching on Homosexuality."  
Select Group.  
Convener: James B. Nickoloff, College of the Holy Cross  
Moderator: James B. Nickoloff, College of the Holy Cross  
Presenters: Roger Haight, Weston Jesuit School of Theology  
Susan A. Ross, Loyola University of Chicago  
Mary Ellen Sheehan, University of St. Michael's College, Toronto

9. Karl Rahner Society. Continuing Group.  
"Rahner, Catholicism, and Public Life"  
Convener: Melvin E. Michalski, Saint Francis Seminary, Milwaukee  
Moderator: Thomas M. Kelly, Saint Anselm College  
Presenter: Carmichael Peters, Santa Clara University  
"A Rahnerian Reading of Black Rage"  
Respondent: Bryan N. Massingale, Saint Francis Seminary, Milwaukee

10. Hans Urs von Balthasar Society. Continuing Group.  
"Balthasar and American Catholic Social Ethics"  
Convener: David L. Schindler, John Paul II Institute  
Presenter: Michael Baxter, University of Notre Dame  
"The Virtues of Basket Weaving:  
Reconceiving Incarnational and Eschatological Humanism"  
Respondent: Joseph Komonchak, Catholic University of America

5:15 *Eucharist: Mission Santa Clara*

7:00 *Reception*

7:30 *John Courtney Murray Award Banquet*

*Sunday Morning, June 11*

9:00-10:30 *Follow-up Seminars*

1. Discussion of John Haughey's paper:  
Moderator: Roger McGrath, CTSA Treasurer

2. Discussion of Mary Hines's paper:  
Moderator: Robert Imbelli, Boston College
  3. Discussion of Michael Perry's paper:  
Moderator: David Hollenbach, Boston College
- 11:00-12:00 *Fourth Plenary Session: Presidential Address*  
Moderator: Peter Phan, Catholic University of America, Vice President, CTSA  
Address: Margaret A. Farley, Yale University, President, CTSA  
"The Church in the Public Forum: Scandal or Prophetic Witness?"
- 12:00 *Appointment of the New President*

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#### JOHN COURTNEY MURRAY AWARD, 2000

The individual we honor tonight is an extraordinary contributor, precisely as a theologian, to the church and the academy. His service to church leaders, to the theological community, to students, is in many ways unparalleled. Moreover, this theologian's articulation of Christian belief and hope, spoken out of and back into the community of faith, is matched by the healing word he has offered to many who stand outside of and even against the community. He belongs to a long line of theologians who do not shrink from addressing the deepest aspirations of cobelievers and the deepest objections of those who question religious faith of any kind.

Born into a family that traveled a great deal when he was young, his early education took place in schools from California to Japan to New Jersey. Entering the Society of Jesus in 1949, he began his college undergraduate work at the University of Santa Clara and completed it with a degree in philosophy from Gonzaga University in Spokane, Washington. Following this, he earned graduate degrees in philosophy from Gonzaga and licentiates in philosophy and theology from the Pontifical Faculties of St. Michael's and of Alma College in California. These were followed by a further graduate degree in theology from the University of Santa Clara and a doctorate in the Analysis of Ideas from the University of Chicago.

Tonight's honoree has taught at the University of Chicago, Gonzaga University, the Jesuit School of Theology at Berkeley (and the Graduate Theological Union), the University of Notre Dame, and since 1992 at Boston College, where he holds the Canisius Chair in Systematic Theology. He has also been welcomed as a visiting professor at the Pontifical Gregorian University in Rome, and as a visiting fellow at Cambridge University. The author of five books and more than sixty published essays, he is the recipient of many academic awards; and he has delivered more than a dozen named lectures around the world. He will soon present the D'Arcy Lectures at the University of Oxford.

Internationally respected as a scholar and teacher, this theologian has also gained a reputation for his spiritual wisdom and for his brilliant prudential guidance in matters of the church. Called upon as adviser to bishops, he served for three years as the Executive Director of the National Conference of Catholic Bishops

Committees on Doctrine and on Pastoral Research and Practices. His service on countless editorial committees, boards of trustees for leading Catholic universities, pontifical commissions, advisory boards, and national and international academic committees is legendary. In his current capacity as Director of the Jesuit Institute at Boston College, he provides inspiration and energy for collaboration among scholars from all over the world, even as he assists students not only in academic studies but in spiritual discernment. Our own Catholic Theological Society of America elected this theologian as its vice president in 1989, and its president in 1991.

The intellectual and pastoral concerns of tonight's honoree have therefore been multiple, ranging from the origins of modern atheism to the transformation of church structures; from spirituality in the traditions of Ignatius Loyola and John of the Cross to requirements for contemporary higher education, both Catholic and secular; from the religious significance of the physical sciences to the meaning of priestly ministry; from matters of conscience to the parameters of human freedom. We know him as a colleague whose power of mind brings insight and elegance to our communities of learning, and whose power of heart reminds us of our calling and the persistent courage that it requires.

In this year 2000, the Catholic Theological Society of America is proud to present the John Courtney Murray Award for distinguished achievement in theology to Michael J. Buckley, S.J.

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#### ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING

President Margaret A. Farley called the annual business meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. on Friday, June 9, 2000. Timothy O'Connell served as parliamentarian. President Farley called to mind the recently deceased members of the Society and said a few words about William Dych, S.J., Frederick Jelly, O.P., and Rev. Richard A. Marzheuser. She asked John Langan, S.J. to say a few words about Richard McCormick, S.J. President Farley also noted the passing of Arthur McGovern, S.J., who, though not a CTSA member, contributed greatly to our scholarly discussions.

#### *Committee on Admissions*

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

From approximately one hundred fourteen initial inquiries during the year, one hundred eight applications were returned. In its review the committee found that one hundred seven were qualified for membership; sixty-four for active membership and forty-three for associate membership. Eight of the applicants for active membership had formerly been associate members. Three applicants were former members who were reinstated. Twenty-eight of the new members, both active and associate, are women.

The committee recommended that these one hundred 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 Garden Room 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*

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

- for Vice President: Robert J. Daly, Boston College  
Jon Nilson, Loyola University of Chicago
- for Secretary: Mary Ann Hinsdale, College of the Holy Cross
- Treasurer: Roger McGrath, Diocese of Camden
- for Board Members: Bradford E. Hinze, Marquette University  
Sandra M. Schneiders, Jesuit School of Theology Berkeley/GTU  
John Thiel, Fairfield University  
James J. Walter, Loyola Marymount University

There were no nominations from the floor. Jon Nilson was elected Vice President. Sandra Schneiders was elected to the Board on the second ballot. Bradford Hinze was elected on the fourth ballot. Mary Ann Hinsdale was reelected secretary by acclamation. Roger McGrath was reelected treasurer by acclamation.

Kenneth Himes becomes the new president for 2000–2001. Peter Phan becomes the president-elect. The others who will continue to serve on the board of directors are Margaret Farley as past president, Robert Imbelli and Susan Wood as board members.

#### *President's Report*

1. President Margaret Farley alerted the members that several CTSA offices would be moving to new locations this September. The Executive Secretary's office will be located at John Carroll University in Cleveland. The Secretary's office will be moving to Boston College and the Treasurer's office will be moving to Nazareth House, a house of priestly formation for the Diocese of Camden. Farley expressed the society's gratitude to these institutions for their support of the CTSA and said that an official announcement of the moves would be forthcoming in the September mailing.

2. President Farley recapped the remarks she made during the discussion of issues connected with *Ex Corde Ecclesiae: An Application for the United States*, which took the place of the Hearing of the Resolutions session. She noted that, while the CTSA had asked the bishops to speak with theologians before taking their vote last September, they did not do so. The bishops did express the desire to

dialogue with theologians about the implementation of the Vatican approved application, however. She noted that the Vatican *recognitio* was dated May 3 but had only become available this week. In anticipation of the *recognitio* the CTSA had appointed a new *ad hoc* committee whose particular task is to address the issue of the *mandatum*. This committee consists of: John Boyle (Chair), Lisa Cahill, James Coriden, Daniel Finn, Robert Krieg, Theresa Moser, James Provost. Dan Finn is serving as Chair *pro tem*. President Farley called upon Bishops Raymond Lucker and Richard Sklba to share their personal reflections on the U.S. bishops' discussion of the implementation document at their meeting last November. Monsignor John Strykowski, Assistant Secretary for Catholic Education and Campus Ministry for the NCCB/USCC, also spoke about the process that will now take place. He explained that Bishop Fiorenza will appoint a committee Chair, who will contact the CTSA and CLSA for names of theologians to serve on a committee to work out the process for the *mandatum*. Strykowski, a CTSA member since 1965, has been working with Bishop Leibrecht on the implementation of *Ex Corde Ecclesiae*.

President Farley announced that the Board took action in its preconvention meeting to host regional meetings of chairs of departments of Religious Studies and Theology in order to facilitate dialogue about the implementation of *Ex Corde Ecclesiae*, the *mandatum*, and to explore the possibility of regional dialogues with bishops. The CTSA will underwrite these gatherings and provide expertise and assistance as needed. In response to questions from the membership, Farley explained that, although the initial invitations to the regional dialogues will be sent to department chairs, others could be delegated to attend. The Board believes that the dialogue which will occur at these meetings will have intrinsic value in themselves. There are no plans at present to collect information at the meetings, but incoming president Ken Himes will look into this.

President Farley invited Daniel Finn, chair *pro tem* of the *ad hoc* Committee on the Implementation of *Ex Corde Ecclesiae*, to speak. Finn noted that the major change in what was submitted by the bishops and what is in the *recognitio* concerns a footnote on the portability of the *mandatum*. The *ad hoc* committee does not intend to engage the issue of whether the *mandatum* is a prudent move on the part of the church, but will address such questions as: who is bound by it? what is it? what is the process for obtaining it? what is meant by "communion with the church"? Other issues, such as the limits of self-disclosure, the scope of inquiry made, and the use of "Doctrinal Responsibilities," will also be examined. In response to the objection voiced by one member, that the committee not assume that the *mandatum* is a "settled issue," Finn explained that the committee intends to make clear in its document the difficulties many theologians have with the *mandatum*. President Farley also responded that this issue is not closed as far as the Board is concerned and ought to become part of the regional dialogues.

3. President Farley invited Anne Patrick, vice president of the International Network of Societies for Catholic Theology (INSeCT) and CTSA delegate to this organization, to give a brief report. Patrick reported that the INSeCT Network

Council met in its first full gathering since its 1996 foundation at Leuven, Belgium, August 7, 1999, during the triennial gathering of the Conference of Catholic Theological Institutions (COCTI). During this meeting the delegates officially welcomed five more societies to the Network, bringing the total number of ordinary members to eleven, with several other organizations either in the category of extraordinary members or "groups in contact" with INSeCT. The delegates unanimously reelected the president (Peter Hünemann) and vice presidents (Marcio Fabri dos Anjos and Anne E. Patrick) to second three-year terms. Patrick expressed gratitude for the support of the CTSA for INSeCT and regretted that the Steering Committee meeting and workshop which was to be held during this convention had to be cancelled. However, the resources saved will be put to good use in 2001 when the committee meets at Graz. Also, tomorrow, there will be a luncheon for several representatives of INSeCT constituent societies who are at the CTSA convention.

Other developments that Patrick noted: INSeCT finally gained official registration as a not-for-profit organization this past fall; at the request of Rev. Dr. Peter I. Gichure of St. Thomas Seminary, Nairobi, CTSA provided materials (Constitutions and Bylaws and the 50th anniversary *Proceedings*) to assist in the development of a Catholic theological society in Kenya; CTSA will send greetings and best wishes to Brazil's SOTER, which is hosting other South American Catholic theological societies at Belo Horizonte, BRAZIL, July 24-28, 2000, to consider the theme "Prospects for Latin American Theology"; the INSeCT web page (hosted at Tübingen) was updated this past winter. It is linked to the CTSA web page.

President Farley noted that Robert Gascoigne of the Australian Theological Society was in attendance and asked him to stand and be recognized.

4. President Farley reminded all who contribute to the CTSA *Proceedings* that the absolute deadline is June 26, 2000. She announced that Michael Downey, who has given the CTSA three years of elegant work, will end his tenure as *Proceedings* editor this summer. Beginning with the 2001 issue, the new editor of the *Proceedings* will be Richard Sparks. Sparks is currently pastor of Holy Spirit Parish, Newman Hall, of the University of California, Berkeley.

#### *President-Elect's Report*

1. President-elect Kenneth Himes announced that buses for Mission Santa Clara would leave any time after 4:00 p.m. This bus service has been provided by the generosity of Paul Locatelli, S.J., the President of Santa Clara University. Himes reminded the membership to fill out the brief questionnaire found in their convention folders. He singled out for special thanks Dee Christie, the CTSA Executive Secretary, who labors long and hard to make our conventions work smoothly, and the members of the local arrangements committee: Paul Crowley (Chair, University of Santa Clara), Paul Giurlanda (St. Mary's, Moraga), Paul Fitzgerald (University of Santa Clara), and Jane Redmont (GTU).



2. As a clarification, President-elect Himes assured CTSA members that the fact that he does not teach in a college/university context will not affect his vigilance concerning their particular circumstances and need to be represented in the *Ex Corde Ecclesiae* implementation discussions.

3. President-elect Himes reminded all that John Ford will be leading the faculty grant seminar sponsored by the Association of Theological Schools following the convention.

#### *Vice President's Report*

1. Vice President Peter Phan announced that the theme for the 2001 convention, to be held June 7-10 in Milwaukee, will be "Theology and the Church's Mission, *Ad Gentes*." There are ten open spaces for select groups and the deadline for submissions for the "Call for Papers" is Monday, September 25, 2000. Please submit five copies of your proposal. The plenary speakers for the convention will be: Michael Amaladoss, S.J. (India), "Proclaiming the Gospel of Jesus in a Multireligious Context; Stephen Bevans, S.V.D. (Catholic Theological Union), "Doing Systematic Theology in the Context of Missions"; and Margaret Guider, O.S.F. (Weston Jesuit School of Theology), "Doing Moral Theology/Ethics in the Situation of Mission." William Burroughs and Brian Massingale have agreed to be respondents thus far.

2. The Vice President invited James Walter to give the report from the Research and Publication Committee. Walter noted that the committee also includes Peter Phan, *ex officio*, Mary Hines, Sara Butler, and Richard Sparks. This committee exists to aid research and publication by members of the society. The committee is open to two types of projects: group projects and individual projects. For group projects, whereby a number of individuals come together in the hope of producing a published work, the committee has limited funds to help with meetings, phone, photocopying, etc. For individual projects, the committee is able to offer monies toward a subvention, but it is expected that an individual already has a publisher. The committee will be meeting tomorrow and is considering two proposals that have been submitted.

#### *Secretary's Report*

1. Secretary Mary Ann Hinsdale announced that, since she is moving to Boston College to become Director of its Institute for Religious Education and Pastoral Ministry, the CTSA web page will be relocated to a server at Boston College. She expects the transition to occur by Labor Day. There will be a forwarding mechanism on the current CTSA web page located at Holy Cross that will automatically send browsers to the new web site. She expressed her appreciation for the support Boston College has promised to the CTSA.

2. The electronic version of the CTSA Directory will be completed this summer and, hopefully, will be up and running by September. Information about obtaining a printed Directory will be available in the September mailing. Members who have moved, or need to update their Directory listing in any way, are encouraged to inform *both* the Secretary and the Executive Secretary. Directory

updates may be done online by using the active member application form at <http://www.bc.edu/ctsa>. Please indicate that you are submitting a *directory update* when sending the form.

#### *Treasurer's Report*

Treasurer Roger McGrath referred members to the financial report and balance sheet that was included in their convention folders and reported that the CTSA was in excellent financial shape.

#### *Executive Secretary's Report*

Executive Secretary Dolores Christie reported that 336 persons had preregistered for the convention and that a total of 385 are in attendance. She announced that next year's convention will be at the Milwaukee Hyatt hotel. The room prices have been kept low and she is hopeful that Midwest Airlines will offer CTSA members a discount. The Executive Secretary encouraged attendees to visit the book exhibits.

With no other business to be addressed, President Farley thanked her colleagues for their reports and entertained a motion to adjourn. The business meeting of the fifty-fifth annual convention was adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

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