

SECRETARY'S REPORT

THE SIXTY-SIXTH ANNUAL CONVENTION

The Catholic Theological Society of America held its sixty-sixth annual convention June 9-12 at the Fairmont Hotel in San Jose, California. The theme of the convention was "All the Saints." Registration took place from 1:00 to 4:30 p.m. and from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. on June 9th. The continuing group, Women's Consultation in Constructive Theology, held its session from 3:00-5:30 p.m. The 2011 Ann O'Hara Graff Award was presented to Joann Wolski Conn, Professor Emerita, Neumann University. At the opening session, CTSA President Mary Ann Hinsdale presided and Most Reverend Patrick J. McGrath, Bishop of San Jose, welcomed the convention participants. President Mary Ann Hinsdale led the opening prayer, assisted by Nancy Pineda-Madrid, cantor Bob Hurd and Susan A. Ross, accompanist. The ceremony included a brief memorial for six CTSA members who had died since the time of the last convention: Larry Boadt, CSP, Donald Gelpi, SJ, John Popiden, Alejandro Garcia-Rivera, Mary Milligan, RHSM, and John Farrelly, OSB. Prayers were also offered for theological colleagues and mentors who had died this past year: Bishop Francisco Claver, SJ, Thomas Dubay, SM, Raimundo Panikkar Alemany, José Comblin, David Fleming, SJ, and John Futrell, SJ. The first plenary address followed. The evening concluded with a reception. CTSA gratefully acknowledges Santa Clara University, Fairfield University, University of San Francisco, Saint Mary's College of California, and Holy Names University for subsidizing the event and for their gracious hospitality and generous support throughout the convention.

The business meeting took place in the late afternoon of Friday, June 10th. The president's reception for new and "newer" members followed the business meeting. A reception was also sponsored by Duquesne University for alumni/ae, students, and friends.

The convention's liturgy was celebrated in the late afternoon of Saturday, June 11, at the Cathedral Basilica of St. Joseph. CTSA member Paul Crowley, SJ, presided and President Mary Ann Hinsdale 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 Mary Ann Hinsdale read the citation for the John Courtney Murray Award, presented the plaque, medal, and check to James A. Coriden.

Morning prayer, led by Alexis Doval, Felicidad Oberholzer, or Jung Eun Sophia Park, SNJM, 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, The Jesuit School of Theology of Santa Clara University, Von Balthasar Society,

Theological Studies Editorial Consultants, Women's Seminar, CUERG and the conveners of program and research groups.

CONVENTION PROGRAM

Thursday Afternoon and Evening June 10, 2011:

3:00-5:30 Pre-Convention Session: *Women's Consultation in Constructive Theology*

"Who Are the Friends of God Today? Constructive Responses to Elizabeth Johnson's *Friends of God and Prophets*"

Co-conveners: Phyllis Kaminski, St. Mary's College, Notre Dame, IN
Elisabeth Brinkmann, College of New Rochelle

Moderator: Colleen M. Carpenter, Saint Catherine University

Presenters: Shawnee M. Daniels-Sykes, SSND, Mount Mary College
Janice A. Thompson, King's College
Jane Carol Redmont, Guilford College

4:30 - 5:00 Ann O'Hara Graff Memorial Award Presentation to
Joann Wolski Conn, Professor Emerita, Neumann University

5:00 - 5:30 Business Meeting

7:00-9:00 *Opening and First Plenary Session*

Presiding: Mary Ann Hinsdale, IHM, Boston College President, CTSA
Opening Prayer and Remembrances of Deceased Members

Welcome: Most Reverend Patrick J. McGrath, Diocese of San Jose

Opening Address: Maureen A. Tilley, Fordham University
"One Wholly Catholic: Sanctity in the Post-Apostolic Church"

9:00 p.m. *Reception*

Friday Morning, June 10, 2011

7:15-8:45 *Von Balthasar Society Breakfast*

8:30-8:45 Morning Prayer

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

Presiding: Bryan N. Massingale
Past President, CTSA

Address: Paul Lakeland, Fairfield University

"I Want to Be in That Number: Desire, Inclusivity, and the Church"

Respondent: Michelle Gonzalez Maldonado, Miami University

10:30-11:00 Coffee Break

11:00-12:45 *Concurrent Sessions*

1. Anthropology Topic Session

“Saintly Stories and Black Embodied Being: A Roundtable Discussion of the Work of M. Shawn Copeland”

Administrative Team: Michele Saracino, Colleen Griffith, Natalia Imperatori-Lee

Moderator: Colleen Griffith, Boston College School of Theology and Ministry

Presenters: Susan Abraham, Harvard Divinity School
“Sacred Bodies, Holy People: ‘Race’ in Shawn Copeland’s Theological Anthropology”
Mary Catherine Hilkert, OP, University of Notre Dame
“Enfleshing Subversive Freedom: Henriette Delille as Anthropological Subject”
Nancy Pineda-Madrid, Boston College School of Theology and Ministry
“‘Turning the Subject,’ Black Women’s Bodies and the Unsettling Contribution of M. Shawn Copeland”

Respondent: M. Shawn Copeland, Boston College

2. Moral Theology Topic Session I

Administrative Team: Kari-Shane Davis Zimmerman, David Cloutier, Lisa Sowle Cahill

Convener: Kari-Shane Davis Zimmerman, College of Saint Benedict

Moderator: David Cloutier, Mount St. Mary’s University

Presenter: Nancy M. Rourke, Canisius College
“The Ecology of Virtues: Wild Implications from a Catholic Environmental Virtue Ethic”

Respondent: Tobias Winright, Saint Louis University

3. Asian Theology Consultation

“Asian Saints: Their Contemporary Message”

Administrative Team: Joseph Cheah, Julius-Kei Kato, Michael McLaughlin

Convener: Joseph Cheah, Saint Joseph College, CT

Moderator: Julius-Kei Kato, King’s University College, University of Western Ontario

Presenters: Christina Astorga, Duquesne University Sophia Park, Holy Names University
Ruben Habito, Perkins School of Theology, Southern Methodist University

4. Invited Session

“The Saints in Popular Culture: Theological Explorations”

Convener/Moderator: Tom Beaudoin, Fordham University

Presenters: Michelle Gonzalez Maldonado, University of Miami
“Who is More Popular? Unofficial and Official Saints in Latino/a Catholicism”

Terrance Klein, Fairfield University
 “Holiness in Hollywood? Sanctity and the Cult of Celebrity”
 Michael Iafrate, University of St. Michael’s College
 “Saints and Saintliness in the Church of Punk Rock”

Respondent: Vincent Miller, University of Dayton

5. God/Trinity Topic Session
 “Trinity and Deification”

Administrative Team: Gill Goulding, CJ, Gloria Schaab,
 Aristotle Papanikolaou

Convener: Gill Goulding, CJ, Regis College, Toronto

Moderator: Gloria Schaab, SSJ, Barry University

Presenters: Christopher Collins, SJ, Boston College
 “The Saint and the Word: Transformed by Participation in
 Divine Communication”
 Gregorio Montejo, Marquette University
 “How the Light of Glory Participates in and Imitates Filiation:
 Trinity and Deification in Aquinas and Lonergan”

6. Spirituality of John Henry Newman Interest Group

Convener: John R. Connolly, Loyola Marymount University

Moderator: Edward Jeremy Miller, Gwynedd-Mercy College

Presenters: John T. Ford, CSC, The Catholic University of America
 “Newman’s *Apologia* as a Journal of his Conversions”
 Edward Enright, OSA, Merrimack College
 “The Role of the Prophets in Newman’s Spiritual Teaching:
The Parochial and Plain Sermons”
 Brian W. Hughes, University of Saint Mary, KS
 “Newman and the Communion of Saints”

7. Mary in Global and Contemporary Perspective Interest Group

Conveners: Dorian Llywelyn, Loyola Marymount University
 Wendy M. Wright, Creighton University

Moderator: Dorian Llywelyn, Loyola Marymount University

Presenters: Aurelie Hagstrom, Providence College
 “Mary as the Hospitality of God”
 Kathleen McManus, OP, University of Portland
 “Guadalupe and the Gospel”
 LaReine-Marie Mosely, SND, Loyola University, Chicago
 “Mary of Nazareth for a Vulnerable World”

8. Selected Session “Victorine, Dominican, and Franciscan: Medieval
 Approaches to Sainthood and the Christian Life”

Convener: Shawn Colberg, University of Notre Dame

Moderator: Rita George-Tvrtkovic, Benedictine University

Presenters: Franklin Harkins, Fordham University
 “*Schola virtutum*: Reading, Imitation of the Saints, and the

Christian Life at the Parisian Abbey of St. Victor"

Catherine Cavadini, University of Notre Dame

"From the Breast of the Father: St. Dominic as the Perfect Apostle"

Shawn Colberg, University of Notre Dame

"Bonaventure on Francis as Perfect Saint and Archetype of the Christian Life"

9. Practical Theology Topic Session

"The Saints and Tradition: A Distinctively Catholic Conversation in Practical Theology?"

Administrative Team: Lynn Bridgers, Susan Abraham, Bryan Froehle

Convener: Lynn Bridgers, St. Norbert College

Moderator: Bryan Froehle, St. Thomas University

Presenters: Theodore James Whapham, St. Thomas University
Odina Cortes, rmi, St. Thomas University

10. *Economic Justice for All* Twenty-Five Years Later Interest Group

"Insights and Oversights of *Economic Justice for All*"

Convener/Moderator: Mark J. Allman, Merrimack College

Presenters: Maria Teresa Davila, Andover Newton Theological School
Rebecca Todd, Peters, Elon University
Margaret Pfeil, University of Notre Dame

11. Selected Session

"Girardian Anthropology, Sanctification, and Imitation"

Convener: Grant Kaplan, St. Louis University

Moderator: Mark Miller, University of San Francisco

Presenters: Randy Rosenberg, Fontbonne University
"Incarnate Meaning and Mimetic Desire: Toward a Theology of the Saints"
Grant Kaplan, Saint Louis University
"Overcoming Romantic Pelagianism: Mimetic Theory's Contribution Hagiography"

Friday Afternoon, June 10, 2011

1:00-2:15 p.m. Women's Seminar Luncheon

1:15-2:15 p.m. Hearing of the Resolutions Committee

Presiding: Susan A. Ross, Loyola University, Chicago Vice-President, CTSA

2:30-4:15 p.m. **Concurrent Sessions**

1. Invited Session

"Scripting the Saints: A Conversation with Notable Authors"

Convener/Moderator: Lawrence Cunningham, University of Notre Dame

Presenters: Robert Ellsberg, Orbis Books
 Wendy M. Wright, Creighton University
 James Martin, SJ, *America* Magazine

2. Bioethics Topic Session

“Holiness, Poverty, and ‘All the Saints’: Seeking Justice in Health Care”

Administrative Team: Teresa Hinga, Ron Mercier,
 Mari Rapela Heidt

Moderator: Teresa Hinga, Santa Clara University

Convener: Ron Mercier, Saint Louis University

Presenters: Daniel Daly, St. Anselm College

“Transforming Structures of Vice into Virtue: The Witness of the Saints and Contemporary Health Care Distribution and Use”

William J. Buckley, Seattle University

“Can the Communion of Saints Help the Search for Justice in Dying Well (Enough), ‘In Abraham’s Arms, Where Lazarus is Poor No Longer’?”

Charles Camosy, Fordham University

“Dying in Community and with Dignity: Insights from the Case of Focolare’s Chiara Luce Badano”

3. Black Theology Consultation

Convener: LaReine-Marie Mosely, SND, Loyola University, Chicago

Moderator: Shawnee Marie Daniel-Sykes, SSND, Mount Mary College

Presenter: Bryan N. Massingale, Marquette University

“The Dark Night(s) of Malcolm X: Catholic Spirituality and African American Sanctity”

Respondent: Laurie Cassidy, Marywood University

4. Christ Topic Session

Administrative Team: Thomas G. Weinandy, OFM, Cap.,
 Patricia Walters, Elena Procario-Foley

Convener: Thomas G. Weinandy, OFM, Cap.

Moderator: Elena Procario-Foley

Presenters: Kelle Lynch-Baldwin, Ohio Dominican University

“Patrick of Ireland and Christ the King: Opportunities for Recovering a Tradition”

John Dunn, School of Theology, University of Auckland, New Zealand

“Women at the Cross: Christological Reflections”

5. Historical Studies Topic Session I

“Saint-Making by the Academy?”

Administrative Team: Daniel E. Doyle, Franklin T. Harkins, Helen Ciernick

Convener: Daniel E. Doyle, Villanova University

Moderator: Hans Christoffersen, Liturgical Press

Presenters: Phyllis Zagano, Senior Research Associate-in-Residence,
Hofstra University
Regis J. Armstrong, OFM, Cap., The Catholic University of
America Eileen C. Burke-Sullivan, Creighton University

6. Rahner Consultation

Convener: Paulette Skiba, Clarke College
Moderator: Jessica M. Murdoch, Villanova University
Presenters: Andreas R. Batlogg, SJ, Karl-Rahner-Archiv, Munich
"How Subversive are Saints Allowed to Be? Saints as
Trendsetters in Karl Rahner's Theology"
Peter Joseph Fritz, University of Notre Dame
"Between Center and Periphery: Mary and the Saints in
Rahner"
Leo O'Donovan, SJ, Georgetown University
"Where Are the Saints? Karl Rahner on Recognizing Holiness
in Time and Eternity"

7. Liturgy/Sacraments Topic Session

Administrative Team: Timothy Brunk, Lizette Larson-Miller, Rhodora
Beaton
Convener: Timothy Brunk, Villanova University
Moderator: Lizette Larson-Miller, Church Divinity School of the Pacific
Presenters: Katharine E. Harmon, University of Notre Dame
"Drawing the Holy and the Ordinary: Catholic Worker Artist
Adé Bethune"
Andrew Salzmänn, Boston College
"Remembering Saints Dangerously: The Liturgical
Commemoration of Non-Christians"
Ruth Meyers, Church Divinity School of the Pacific Daniel
Joslyn-Siemiatkoski, Church Divinity School of the Pacific
"Holy Women, Holy Men: Developments in the Theology of
Sainthood in the Episcopal Church"

8. Theology of Migration Interest Group

Convener: Linh Hoang, Siena College
Moderator: Kathryn Cox, College of St. Benedict and St. John's University
Presenters: Gemma Tulud Cruz, DePaul University
"In God We Trust: (Popular) Religion in the Context of
Migration"
Brett Hoover, Loyola University, Chicago
"The Rhythm of the Saints: Migration in a Pilgrim Church"
Sophia Park, Holy Names University
"A Reading of Cha's *Dictee* from a Postcolonial Diasporic
Perspective"

9. Theology and the Natural Sciences Topic Session

“Science and the Saint: Is Personal Holiness the Bond Between Science and Religion?”

Administrative Team: Ilia Delio, OSF, Richard Kropf, William Stoeger, SJ

Convener/ Moderator: Ilia Delio, OSF, Woodstock Theological Center,
Georgetown University

Presenters: Michael J. Dodds, OP, Dominican School of Philosophy and
Theology

“Science and the Making of Saints”

Heidi Russell, Loyola University Chicago

“Sanctity and Science: The Mysticism of Theologically
Engaging the Scientific World”

William A. Durbin, Independent Scholar

“Sanctity and the Scientist: A Matter of Virtue”

10. When the Magisterium Intervenes. . . Interest Group

Convener/Moderator: Richard Gaillardetz, University of Toledo

Presenters: Gerard Mannion, University of San Diego

“Magisterium as a Social Imaginary: Contemporary Contextual
Challenges and Future Ways Forward”

Colleen Mallon, OP, Aquinas Institute of Theology

“Gracious Resistance: Women Religious Charting an
Ecclesial Path”

11. Selected Session

“Soothsaying, Saints, and the ‘Signs of the Times’: A Debate about History
as a Source for Theological Ethics”

Convener: Laurie Johnston, Emmanuel College

Moderator: Christopher Vogt, St. John’s University, NY

Presenters: Thomas Harmon, Ave Maria University

“Scrutinizing the ‘Signs of the Times’: Reading History in
Light of the

Truth or Reading the Truth in History?”

Laurie Johnston, Emmanuel College

“Discerning God’s Action in the ‘Signs of the Times’: Congar
on Saints’ Lives as a Hermeneutical Key”

Respondent: Robert Daly, SJ, Boston College

Friday Evening, June 10, 2011

4:30-6:00 p.m. CTSA Business Meeting

Presiding: Mary Ann Hinsdale, Boston College, President, CTSA

Parliamentarian: Terrence W. Tilley, Fordham University

6:15-7:45 p.m. **Receptions**

President’s Reception for New/Newer Members

Saturday Morning, June 11, 2011

7:15-8:45 a.m. Breakfast Meeting: Karl Rahner Society

8:30-8:45 a.m. Morning Prayer

9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Exhibit Hall Open

9:00-10:30 a.m. **Third Plenary Session**

Presiding: John E. Thiel, Fairfield University, President-Elect, CTSA

Address: Christine Firer Hinze, Fordham University

“Over, Under, Around, and Through: Ethics, Solidarity, and the Saints”

Response: Christopher Vogt, St. John's University, NY

10:30-11:00 a.m. Coffee Break:

11:00 a.m.-12:45 p.m. **Concurrent Sessions**

1. Latin@ Theology Consultation

“Saints of the Prescribed and of the Proscribed: A Dialogue between Asian and Latin@ Theologians”

Convener /Moderator: Carmen Nanko-Fernández, Catholic Theological Union

Presenters: Orlando Espín, University of San Diego

“Juan Soldado, ‘Santa Muerte,’ and Other Border-Crossing Saints”

Jonathan Tan, Xavier University

“The Apotheosis of Righteous Folk Heroes in Chinese Popular Religion:

An Exploration of Boundary Crossings, Canonization, and Deification”

2. Selected Session “Towards an Epistemology of Sanctity”

Convener: Jessica M. Murdoch, Villanova University

Moderator: Anna Moreland, Villanova University

Presenters: Jessica M. Murdoch, Villanova University

“On the Relationship between Sanctity and Knowledge:

Holiness as an Epistemological Criterion”

Peter J. Casarella, DePaul University

“Communion of the Saints and the Epistemology of Holiness”

Maria Clara Lucchetti Bingemer, Pontifical Catholic University of Rio de Janeiro

“The Epistemology of Sanctity According to Simone Weil”

3. Comparative Theology Topic Session

“Bodhisattvas, Walis, and Sadhus: Saints in Other Traditions as Resources for Christian Comparative Theology”

Administrative Team: Pim Valkenberg, David Clairmont, Marianne Farina, CSC

Convener: Pim Valkenberg, Loyola University, Maryland

Moderator: David Clairmont, University of Notre Dame

- Presenters: Christian Krokus, University of Scranton
 “Reading al-Hallaj and John of the Cross to Understand Union with God and the Work of Christ”
 Thomas Cattoi, Jesuit School of Theology of Santa Clara University
 “Saints and Bodhisattvas: The Christian Call to Holiness and the Notion of ‘Pride of the Deity’ in Tibetan Buddhism”
- Respondent: John Sheveland, Gonzaga University
 “Sanctity as Solidarity: Gandhi, Catholic Social Teaching, and the Victims of History”

4. Catholic Social Thought Topic Session

- Administrative Team: Christopher Vogt, Judith Merkle, Tobias Winright
 Convener: Christopher Vogt, St. John’s University, NY
 Moderator: Tobias Winright, St. Louis University
 Presenters: Matthew A. Shadle, Loras College
 “Sanctity as the Goal of Human Development in Recent Catholic Social Teaching”
 Meghan Clark, St. Anselm College
 “Cultivating the Virtue of Solidarity: Charity, Justice, and Organization”

5. Selected Session “Church of Saints and Sinners: Ecclesiological Challenges Arising from Ecumenical Encounters”

- Convener/Moderator: Catherine Clifford, St. Paul University, Ottawa\
- Presenters: Scott Sharman, University of St. Michael’s College, Toronto
 “Ecumenical Hagiography: Ecclesiologies of Roman Catholic and Anglican ‘Saint-Making’”
 Pieter De Witte, Katholieke Universiteit, Leuven
 “The Church as *iustus et peccator*? Ecumenical Challenges for Roman-Catholic Ecclesiology”

6. Fundamental Theology/Method Topic Session

- Administrative Team: James F. Keating, Karen Alliaume, Craig Baron
 Convener: James F. Keating, Providence College
 Moderator: Karen Alliaume, Lewis University
 Presenters: Robert Imbelli, Boston College
 “You Alone Are the Holy One: The Christological Foundation of Holiness”
 Megan Anechiarico, Boston College
 “The Doctors of the Church as Authoritative Theological and Ecclesiological Sources”
 Todd Whitmore, University of Notre Dame
 “All the Living Saints: The Case for Ethnography in Theological Method”

7. Christianity and Judaism Consultation "Controversial Canonizations: Pius XII and Edith Stein"

Convener: Mary C. Boys, Union Theological Seminary, NYC
 Moderator: Mary Doak, University of San Diego
 Presenters: Kristin Colberg, University of Notre Dame
 Robert Krieg, University of Notre Dame

8. Historical Studies Topic Session II

Administrative Team: Daniel E. Doyle, Franklin T. Harkins, Helen Ciernick
 Convener: Helen Ciernick, Mt. Marty College
 Moderator: Daniel Doyle, Villanova University
 Presenters: Anthony C. Sciglitano, Jr., Seton Hall University
 "Charles Taylor: The Intervention of Sanctity in Narratives of Modernity"
 Richard Penaskovic, Auburn University
 "The Ecumenical Significance of J.H. Newman and the Oxford Movement"
 Massimo Faggioli, University of St. Thomas
 "From 'All the Saints' to 'All the Pope Saints'"

9. Spirituality Topic Session "Contemporary Models of Sanctity"

Administrative Team: Ray Maria McNamara, Peter Feldmeier, Marian Maskulak
 Convener: Ray Maria McNamara, University of Portland
 Moderator: Peter Feldmeier, University of Saint Thomas
 Presenters: Daniel J. Olsen, Loyola University, Chicago
 "Mary, Joseph, and a Bunch of Celibates: Hope for a Renewed Spirituality of Marriage without Canonization"
 Michon M. Matthiesen, Boston College
 "Jean-Pierre de Caussade's '*abandon á la divine providence*': The 'Short' and 'Easy' Path to Sanctity?"
 Respondent: Thomas McElligott, St. Mary's College of California

10. Invited Session "'My Body Broken for You': Rethinking Martyrdom, Discipleship, and Communion"

Convener/Moderator: Kevin Burke, SJ, Jesuit School of Theology of Santa Clara University
 Presenters: Sharon Thornton, Andover Newton Theological Seminary
 Fumitaka Matsuoka, Pacific School of Religion
 "'Facets of the Forming Crystal': Martyrdom through the Lenses of Protestant, Interfaith, and Feminist Experiences"
 Julia Prinz, VDMF, Verbum Dei Missionary Fraternity
 Kevin Burke, SJ, Jesuit School of Theology of Santa Clara University
 "'The Amulet of Mercy': Martyrdom, Discipleship, and Catholic Approaches to Mysticism and Politics"

11. Selected Session “The Postmodern ‘Saints’ of France”

- Convener: Colby Dickinson, Katholieke Universiteit, Leuven
 Moderator: Christopher Ruddy, The Catholic University of America
 Presenters: Colby Dickinson, Katholieke Universiteit, Leuven
 “Jean Genet versus *Saint Genet*: Seeking Redemption on the Edges”
 Phyllis Kaminski, Saint Mary’s College, IN
 “Holy Mary, Holy Desire: Luce Irigaray and Saintly Daughters”
 Petra Turner Harvey, University of Virginia
 “Jean-Luc the Great? The Academic Reception of a Marion Spirituality”

Saturday Afternoon, June 11, 2011

1:00-2:15 p.m. *Theological Studies* Editorial Consultants Luncheon

2:30-4:15 p.m. **Concurrent Sessions**

1. Catholicity and Mission Topic Session “Mission as a Call and Witness to Holiness”

- Administrative Team: Gemma Cruz, Mary McGlone, Elochukwu Uzukwu
 Convener: Gemma Cruz, DePaul University
 Moderator: Ruben Habito, Southern Methodist University
 Presenters: Stephen Bullivant, St. Mary’s University College, UK
 “Teachers and Witnesses: The New Evangelization and the Social Sciences”
 van Thanh Nguyen, Catholic Theological Union
 “‘Equipping the Saints’ (Eph 4:12): A Biblical Vision of Theological Education”
 Ruth J. Chojnacki, DePaul University
 “Decolonizing the Saints, Reclaiming the Land: Liberation Practice in Mexico’s Maya Highlands”

2. Von Balthasar Consultation “All the Saints: Holiness in the World and Theological Wisdom”

- Administrative Team: Barbara Sain, Peter Casarella, Nicholas J. Healy
 Convener/Moderator: Barbara Sain, University of Saint Thomas
 Presenters: Danielle Nussberger, Marquette University
 “‘Theologians and Saints: The Drama of Iconic Reflections”

3. Church-Ecumenism Topic Session “Who Are the Saints?”

- Administrative Team: Christopher Ruddy, Catherine Clifford,
 Margaret O’Gara
 Convener: Christopher Ruddy, The Catholic University of America
 Moderator: Joy Galarneau, Boston College

- Presenters: Elizabeth A. Johnson, Fordham University
“‘All the saints greet you’ (2 Cor. 13:13): Contributions to a Theology of Church”
Natalia M. Imperatori-Lee, Manhattan College
“More Than This: Saints and Church”
Susan K. Wood, Marquette University
“Communion of Saints and the Salvation of Non-Christians”
4. Intercultural/Transnational Pedagogies Interest Group
“The Differences that Difference Makes: Resourcing Intercultural and Transnational Pedagogies”
Convener: Jean-Pierre Ruiz, St. John’s University, NY
Moderator: Gilberto Cavazos-González, Catholic Theological Union
Presenters: Jonathan Tan, Xavier University
C. Vanessa White, Catholic Theological Union
Jean-Pierre Ruiz, St. John’s University, NY
5. Moral Theology Topic Session II “Saintly Life Today”
Administrative Team: Kari-Shane Davis Zimmerman, David Cloutier, Lisa Sowle Cahill
Convener: Kari-Shane Davis Zimmerman, College of Saint Benedict
Moderator: Lisa Sowle Cahill, Boston College
Presenters: Kent Lasnoski, Marquette University
“All the Married Saints: Canonizing Conjugal Life”
Judith Merkle, Niagara University
“Being Faithful: Do We Have a Compass in Postmodern Times?”
6. Selected Session “The New Forms of Martyrdom and Sainthood in Africa”
Convener: Cyril Orji, University of Dayton
Moderator: Paulinus Odozor, University of Notre Dame
Presenters: Teresia M. Hinga, Santa Clara University
Cyril Orji, University of Dayton
Marinus Iwuchukwu, Duquesne University
7. Catholic Theology and Global Warming Interest Group
“Confronting the Climate Crisis from Feminist and Sacramental Perspectives”
Convener: Jame Schaefer, Marquette University
Moderator: William George, Dominican University
Presenters: Anne Clifford, CSJ, Iowa State University
“Trees, Living Symbols of Peace and Hope: Wangari Maathai and Ecofeminist Theology”
Colleen Carpenter, St. Catherine’s University
“Climate Change and the Sacramental Imagination”
8. Reconciliation and Restorative Justice Interest Group
Conveners: William O’Neill, SJ, Jesuit School of Theology of Santa Clara University
Stephen Pope, Boston College

Presenter: Andrew Skotnicki, Manhattan College
 “The Last Judgment: Christian Ethics in a Legal Culture”
 Respondent: William O’Neill, SJ, Jesuit School of Theology of Santa Clara University

9. Selected Session “Communion of Saints in Christian-Muslim Dialogue”

Convener: Marianne Farina, CSC, Dominican School of Philosophy and Theology

Moderator: David Burrell, CSC, Uganda Martyrs University, Nkozi, Uganda

Presenters: Maura Hearnden, DeSales University
 “Marian Dimensions of Muslim-Christian Dialogue”
 Albertus Bagus Laksana, Boston College
 “All the Saints in One Spirit: Toward a Muslim-Catholic Understanding of *Communio Sanctorum*”

Respondent: Erik Ranstrom, Boston College

10. Selected Session “When the Saints Come Marching Out: Same-Gender Relationships as an Embodiment of Christian Holiness”

Convener: Vincent Pizzuto, University of San Francisco

Moderator: Paul Crowley, SJ, Santa Clara University

Presenters: Vincent Pizzuto, University of San Francisco
 James Nickoloff, College of the Holy Cross

Respondent: Gloria Schaab, Barry University

11. Creation/Eschatology Topic Session

Administrative Team: Eugene Finnegan, Natalie Weaver, Colleen Carpenter

Convener: Eugene Finnegan, Calumet College of St. Joseph

Moderator: John Shields, Calumet College of St. Joseph

Presenters: Wilma von Jess, Independent Scholar
 “The Saints at the End Time According to Charles Arminjon: Priest, Teacher, Preacher”
 William H. Johnston, University of Dayton
 “Invoking Saintly Intercession: A Dynamic of Love, a Symbolic Efficacy”

Respondent: John Shields, Calumet College of St. Joseph

Saturday Evening, June 11, 2011

6:00 p.m. **Eucharist**, Cathedral Basilica of Saint Joseph

7:15 p.m. **Reception**

8:00 p.m. **John Courtney Murray Award Banquet**

Sunday Morning, June 12, 2011

7:15-8:45 a.m. **Conveners’ Breakfast**

8:30-8:45 a.m. Morning Prayer

9:00-10:00 a.m. **Fourth Plenary Session: Presidential Address**

- Presiding: Susan A. Ross, Loyola University, Chicago
Vice-President, CTSA
- Address: Mary Ann Hinsdale, IHM, Boston College
President, CTSA
"Mary of Magdala: Ecclesiological Implications"
- 10:00 a.m. **Appointment of the New President**
Breakfast Reception/Coffee
- 11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. **Meeting and Luncheon: CTSA Board of Directors**

Local Arrangements Committee, San José, 2011

- Chair: Kristin Heyer, Santa Clara University
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JOHN COURTNEY MURRAY AWARD 2011

Our honoree this evening was born on November 27, 1932 in Hammond, IN. Significantly, he points out that November 27th was also the date in which the 1983 Code of Canon Law officially went into effect, an occasion he celebrates along with his birthday. The youngest of four sons, our award recipient attended Catholic grade and high school in Hammond. He spent his first two college years at Our Lady of the Lake Seminary run by the Crozier Fathers in Syracuse, IN since the Fort Wayne, IN diocese did not have its own seminary. He completed his B.A. in philosophy at St. Meinrad's where, as he tells it, "the monks taught me how to pray and how to think." The diocese then sent him to the North American College in Rome for theological studies at the Gregorian University. In 1957, he was ordained to the presbyterate of the new Diocese of Gary, Indiana. When the Gary diocese was split off from the Diocese of Ft. Wayne, the bishop told the rector of the North American College that as long as he was over there, to have him study canon law. So, after receiving the Licentiate in Sacred Theology in 1958, our honoree went on to receive his J.C.D. from the Gregorian in 1961, writing a dissertation on the indissolubility of marriage under the direction of Peter Huizing. And thus began a ministry which has lasted fifty years.

Returning to Gary, our honoree was named co-chancellor of the Diocese at the age of 29. He assisted in parishes and worked in the marriage tribunal until 1968 when he moved to Washington, D.C. to take up an appointment in the Theology Department at The Catholic University of America. He taught at CUA from 1968 – 1975, serving as Chair of the Department during his last two years. During this time, our awardee earned a civil law degree from Columbus School of Law at CUA and was admitted to the Bar of the State of Indiana and the District of Columbia in 1972.

When the newly established Washington Theological Union was in need of an Academic Dean in 1975 our honoree was selected. He held this position for twenty years from 1975-1995 and remains today at WTU as Professor of Church Law and Dean Emeritus.

During his twenty year term as Dean our award recipient encouraged his faculty to publish in refereed journals and raised the bar regarding the professional status of this former coalition of seminary professors. He received high praise from his colleagues with whom I spoke, who noted the encouragement he gave to women and younger faculty to become serious about scholarship, supporting their giving papers at conferences and suggesting their names as speakers or members of ecumenical consultations. An excellent administrator, our honoree receives outstanding marks for his consultative approach to decision-making and for treating people fairly.

An unsung hero in many ways, our awardee was responsible during the Post-Vatican II heyday for organizing the “Law for Liberty” symposia. This was a time when canonists were the “practical ecclesiologists” in the Church and stood in the forefront of renewal. For ten years, between 1966 and 1976, seven seminars brought together canon lawyers, biblical scholars, historians, liturgists and theologians, both Catholic and Protestant, to reflect on important ecclesial issues. Participants included such luminaries as James Gustafson, Barnabas Mary Ahern, CP, Eugene Burke, CSP, Ladislav Orsy, SJ, Hamilton Hess, and Bernard Lonergan, SJ—all of whom came together at the behest of our honoree who not only organized and chaired the symposia but saw to their eventual publication.

Despite his heavy administrative responsibilities, which included leadership positions in the Society of Canon Law, the Association of Theological Schools, the Executive Committee of the Washington Theological Consortium and coordinating the English translation of the 1983 Revised Code of Canon Law, our honoree’s own scholarly production is nothing short of amazing. He is the author, editor or co-editor of ten books, including his widely-used and award-winning *An Introduction to Canon Law* (rev. ed. Paulist Press, 2004), the award-winning reference book, the *New Commentary on the Code of Canon Law* (with John Beal and Thomas Green) which includes his own important commentary on the teaching function of the church, and *The Rights of Catholics in the Church* (Paulist Press, 2007).

He has contributed nineteen chapters to books dealing with what one might call the “three R’s” in canon law: rights, reception, reconciliation. He also authored

no fewer than 67 refereed articles. One notes a trajectory in his publications that give rise to a conclusion that some might at first consider an oxymoron, namely that the ministry of canon law (and our recipient regards the vocation of the canonist as *a ministry* in the church) can serve a prophetic function. From "Primacy of the Person in the Church," (1967) to "The Once and Future Church: A Communion of Freedom" (1971); Sexism and Church Law: Equal Opportunity and Affirmative Action"; (1977) "Human Rights in the Church: A Matter of Credibility and Authenticity" (1979); "The Reception of Ecumenical Accords in a World Church" (1989); "Lay Persons and the Power of Governance" (1999); "The Right of Catholics to Hold Meetings On Church Property: Canonical and Pastoral Issues" (2002); "The Synod of Bishops: Episcopal Collegiality Still Seeks Adequate Expression"; (2004); to the timely (given the business of this convention) "The Teaching Ministry of the Diocesan Bishop and Its Collaborative Exercise." (2008) and finally, "Holy Spirit and Church Governance" (2009).

On this Pentecost Eve one cannot help but notice how often the words "Holy Spirit" appear in his publications—words that one does not immediately associate with "law." Indeed, our honoree has lamented the canonical silence about the Spirit and that canon law is one of the places in the life of the church where an adequate pneumatology has yet to be expressed. He thus has continued to advocate that the inclusion of the Holy Spirit and the gifts of the Spirit must be given space and voice in the Church's rules of governance—the reason being that "they are essential realities in the life of the church, the very source and dynamic force of its life. Canon law, like any other legal system has a formative function as well as a regulatory one. Laws serve to remind the community of its own ways and values.

Our awardee is known for championing the underdog and being the "go-to" person when parishes are threatened with closure, when parish councils are unfairly abolished, for priests who have been sanctioned by bishops and countless pastoral cases dealing with marriage and divorce issues. Much more than an academic who is intellectually engaged in his discipline, he has continually been concerned with how one can make institutions more responsive to people's rights. That is his primary understanding of the law: a pastoral tool for insuring people's rights. The law is a means of protecting people. As one of his former colleagues told me, "he is a classic liberal, always taking the underdog's side." When I relayed this comment to our awardee, he responded, "Unfortunately, I never got anybody out of jail." Of course, taking on cases of due process does not always earned one high marks with some ecclesiastical authorities.

It has been a dozen years since the Society has given the John Courtney Murray award to a scholar whose discipline is canon law. The *kairos* of this present moment in the Church urges us to recognize once again a loyal CTSA member who, as disciple of Jesus and a canonist, is an interpreter of the Church's traditional discipline and simultaneously an advocate for a renewed discipline.

For his distinguished scholarship and tireless service to the academy and the Church, the Catholic Theological Society of America bestows the 2011 John Courtney Murray Award for Excellence in Theology upon James A. Coriden.

ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING

President Hinsdale called the meeting to order at 4:37 p.m. Terry Tilley served as parliamentarian. President Hinsdale asked for approval of a revision to the agenda to accommodate discussion of a Resolution which had been submitted by the deadline. The discussion would take place at the end of the meeting, after the action to receive the Reports from CTSA Committees. It was moved and seconded that approval be given and the motion carried.

Committee on Admissions

The Committee on Admissions for 2010-2011 consisted of Colleen Mallon, Chair, Carmen Nanko-Fernandez, Reid Locklin, and Gloria Schaab. Reid Locklin and Gloria Schaab will continue to serve on the committee next year. Two new members will be appointed by the CTSA president.

From approximately 91 applications returned during the year, the committee in its review determined that 88 qualified for membership, 49 for active membership and 39 for associate membership. One of the applicants for associate membership and two of the applicants for active membership were determined not to meet the criteria for membership at this time. Seven of the applicants for active membership had formerly been associate members. Twenty-seven (31%) of the new members, both active and associate, are women. Seven (8%) of the new Active members are from underrepresented races/ethnicities. Eight (9%) are from outside the United States.

The Admissions Committee recommended that the eighty-eight applicants whose names have been posted on the bulletin board outside the meeting be admitted to the Society.

The CTSA members present at the meeting approved the committee's recommendation by a voice vote. The president asked the new members who were present at the convention to stand and be recognized. They were greeted with a round of applause. The president then invited the new members and others who had been admitted to membership recently to a reception to be held immediately following the business meeting. Brief biographical entries and addresses of the new members are found in the addenda to the CTSA Directory contained in this volume of *the Proceedings*.

Report of the Nominating Committee

Tom Rausch, the chair of the Committee on Nominations, gave the committee report. The other members of the committee were Mary Catherine Hilkert and Edmund Chia. Mary Catherine Hilkert and Edmund Chia will continue to serve on the committee next year. The slate of nominees proposed by the committee follows:

For vice-president: Maria Pilar Aquino
 Richard Gaillardetz

For board members: Elena Procario-Foley
 Ruben Habito
 Kathleen McManus
 Christopher Ruddy

There were no nominations from the floor.

Richard Gaillardetz was elected vice-president. Elena Procario-Foley was elected to the board on the second ballot. Kathleen McManus was elected to the board on the third ballot. Secretary Mary Theresa Moser and treasurer Jozef Zalot were re-elected for a one-year term by acclamation later in the meeting. John Thiel becomes president for 2011-2012. Susan A. Ross becomes president-elect. The others who will continue to serve on the board of directors are Mary Ann Hinsdale, past president, Judith A Merkle, and Michael E. Lee.

Report of the President

President Mary Ann Hinsdale began by saying that her report would cover nine points.

Scholarships

She first reminded the members that last year the CTSA Board voted to use a portion of the CTSA's investment income to nurture future scholars by awarding up to 12 scholarships annually, as the market permits, to defray convention costs. Those eligible for these scholarships would include doctoral students, junior scholars and members presently unemployed or from institutions who do not provide sufficient funding to attend the convention. The eligibility criteria and the application form are on the CTSA website under the "convention" link. The deadline for scholarship applications to next year's convention is October 1st. This opportunity will also be announced in the President's fall letter and via the CTSA listserv. She especially urged that department chairs and graduate program directors make this opportunity known to their students and colleagues. She thanked Treasurer Joe Zalot, and board members Vincent Miller and Judith Merkle for their work on the selection committee and Executive Director Dee Christie for having served on the original proposal committee.

Proceedings

As announced last year the Board is continuing to move forward in making digital and electronic communications the norm for our Society. This year's *Proceedings* will be the last print copy that members will receive. The Board approved the digitization of the remaining fifty-nine volumes of the *Proceedings*. Digital copies of the *Proceedings* have been available in the "members only" section of the CTSA website for the past several years, under the link "current and past proceedings." The Board is still exploring the possibility of hosting the *Proceedings* on a university library website which might involve open access as

well the possibility of print-on-demand. Mary Ann was pleased to announce that Jonathan Tan has agreed to serve as the *Proceedings* Editor for three more years.

Executive Director Transition

Two years ago, Dee Christie informed the Board of her desire to retire following the June 2011 convention. In the fall of 2009 then-President Bryan Massingale appointed a subcommittee (Terry Tilley, John Thiel and Joe Zalot) to investigate possibilities for the future of the executive director position. At its June 2010 meeting, having been informed that Dee Christie's secretary was interested in applying for the position, the CTSA Board accepted the subcommittee's proposal to combine the current positions of Executive Director and the Secretary to the Executive Director, dependent upon the possibility of keeping the CTSA offices at John Carroll University. Thanks to the ministrations of Paul Lauritzen at JCU, she and other board members were able to work out an arrangement that they think would be of great benefit to all concerned. Ms. Mary Jane Ponyik, who currently serves as secretary to Dee Christie, will assume the position of Executive Director on July 1, 2011. Many members already know Mary Jane from her many years working at the convention registration desk. Dee Christie will stay on as a consultant to work with Mary Jane until the end of October.

President Hinsdale was delighted to report that Rev. Robert Niehoff, S.J., President of John Carroll University, approved the Board's proposal to continue housing the executive office of the CTSA at John Carroll. In return for this generous support, CTSA proposed to establish an annual lectureship at JCU to be given by the CTSA President or one of its officers. We mutually agreed further that it would be fitting to name this lectureship after the outgoing CTSA Executive Director, Dee Christie, as a way of honoring her long-term relationship with both JCU and the CTSA. The first annual "Dolores L. Christie Lecture" will take place at John Carroll on October 20, 2011. The CTSA's soon-to-be President John Thiel will give the first lecture on "Imagining Ourselves in Heaven." More details will be coming in the fall President's letter and on the website.

Puerto Rico Convention

Last year then-president Bryan Massingale reported that the Board was exploring the possibility of meeting in Puerto Rico. Mary Ann was now happy to report that in 2016 the CTSA *will* be meeting in Puerto Rico. The practical details are not completely worked out, but this exciting new adventure will take the CTSA another step in the recognition of the changing demographic of the American Catholic church.

Convention Structure Evaluation

When the revised convention structure was implemented in 2008, a preliminary review was mandated to take place after three years. The Board appointed an

ad hoc committee to undertake this review: Vice President Susan Ross, Board member Michael Lee, Former President Roger Haight and Rosemary Carbine, who served as Chair. They designed a survey which was disseminated via the list-serv using Survey Monkey. 127 members responded, which is a good response. The committee did extensive analysis of the data. Mary Ann proceeded to summarize the findings of their report which the Board received at its pre-convention Board meeting.

The 127 survey responses came from members with the following demographics.

- Nearly half of the responses (45.7%) came from members with over 15 years of membership, nearly one-third of responses came from members with 6-15 years of membership, and nearly one-quarter of the responses (22%) came from members with 0-5 years of membership.
- More than half of respondents (58.3%) attended the convention before 2008 every year, while nearly 20% of respondents attended the convention before 2008 every other year or occasionally.
- A solid two-thirds majority of respondents attended the 2008, 2009, and 2010 conventions, while only one-quarter to one-third of respondents did not attend the convention in the same years.
- Nearly three-quarters (74%) of all respondents expressed an intention to attend the 2011 convention.

The survey thus elicited responses from both longer term and shorter term members who attended the convention quite frequently and who intend to continue that pattern of attendance. This gave the Committee confidence in a reliable cross-section of members' views about the new convention structure.

Respondents to the survey rated various aspects of the convention, with the following results.

- Over half (58.2%) agreed that the new conference structure has resolved the recurring problem of insufficient convention space for programmatic needs, while more than one-third (37%) had no opinion.
- 75.6% agreed that the new conference structure has encouraged the engagement of a broad range of theological styles and sensibilities in convention sessions, while roughly 12% disagreed or had no opinion.
- Over half (56.6%) agreed that the new conference structure has increased the quality of interaction at the annual convention, while one-third (30.7%) had no opinion and 12% disagreed.
- Most respondents (86%) rated the overall program and topic sessions between average and excellent, a solid majority (77-79%) rated selected sessions, interest groups, and networking opportunities between average and excellent, and nearly three quarters of respondents (72.2%) rated the consultations similarly.

- Only small percentages of respondents rated these same areas (overall program, topic sessions, interest groups, consultations, and selected sessions) at below average. That percentage increased when respondents rated networking opportunities below average. Some respondents addressed this point in further detail in the open-ended questions, analyzed below.

A more extensive convention structure review was mandated to take place after five years, so that will be done in 2013. The Board was very pleased with the overall satisfaction, but they did have and will continue to have conversations about how the CTSA might better orient new members to the structure and how more seasoned members might mentor younger members. The board will explore other methods of communication, especially ways of communication which involve issues that cause emotional or visceral responses among colleagues. She reminded the membership that the best way for peer review of members' scholarly work to take place is by proposing sessions under the various Topic Session rubrics, interest groups, or select sessions. This way of proceeding might not always "strike while the iron is hot" but it can provide for more temperate discussion and analysis of neuralgic or contested issues.

Drawing for the Winner of the Book Certificate

As an incentive to participation in the survey, the board decided that respondents' names would be entered into a drawing. Before conducting that drawing, Mary Ann thanked the members of the committee, particularly Rosemary Carbine who put an enormous amount of work into the analysis of the data and its presentation to the Board. The board will make this information available on the website. Mary Ann asked the members to join her in thanking Rosemary, Susan Ross, Michael Lee and Roger Haight for all their hard work. Rosemary Carbine then drew the name of the winner of the \$50 gift certificate, Shawn Colberg of the University of Notre Dame.

Catherine Mowry LaCugna Award

The Catherine Mowry LaCugna award was given later in the meeting, but President Hinsdale wanted to report that the revisions which were suggested by the Award Committee last year resulted in an increase in quality and number of submissions. The Committee saw this as attributable to the changes in eligibility for the award that the Board made last year and the fact that graduate program directors at major doctoral granting institutions where there are CTSA members were encouraged to have their students or faculty apply. She reminded the members that the eligibility criteria are on the website and the deadline for submission for the next award is January 31, 2012.

Dialogues with Bishops

The next two issues on her report are intertwined and probably represent the most important work of the Board since the last convention.

The first was to report that in November the Presidential line (Bryan Massingale, John Thiel, Susan Ross and herself) had their annual meeting with the members of the Bishops' Committee on Doctrine, as they have been accustomed to doing almost every year. A representative of the College Theology Society was also invited to this gathering (this year, Brad Hinze, CTS President) as well as the CTSA liaison with the bishops committee, Roger McGrath. The representation from the Doctrine committee included the Committee chairman, then Cardinal-Elect Donald Wuerl, Archbishop Alan Vigneron of Detroit, Bishop Arthur Seratelli of Patterson, NJ, and Bishop Robert McManus of Worcester, MA. Tom Weinandy the Executive Secretary for the Secretariat on Doctrine also attended. The CTSA members read the US bishops 1992 statement on "The Bishop as Teacher" in preparation for an after-dinner discussion. Mary Ann said she would describe the discussion as "cordial but frank." It is clear that the bishops would like theologians and the CTSA to support them. Certainly, the CTSA wants to give support, but it is not realistic to expect that they would always agree on matters, especially strategies the bishops might undertake in the public arena. She added that here was no mention at the meeting of any review being undertaken about *Quest for the Living God*.

The second issue concerned the **Doctrine Committee Statement on *Quest for the Living God***.

On March 30th President Hinsdale received a call from a CTSA member at Fordham informing her that Elizabeth Johnson had received a 21-page "statement" from the USCCB Doctrine Committee dated March 24, 2011 which concluded that her book, *Quest for the Living God* (Continuum, 2007) contained "misrepresentations, ambiguities and errors that bear upon the faith of the Catholic Church as it is found in Sacred Scripture, and as it is authentically taught by the Church's universal magisterium."

Professor Johnson did not ask the CTSA Board to comment or intervene, but President Hinsdale received several emails from CTSA members, including several former CTSA presidents, urging the CTSA to respond. In consultation, first with the other presidential officers (John Thiel, Susan Ross and Bryan Massingale), two issues surfaced which in their estimation demanded a public response from them as Board members: a) the fact that Professor Johnson was never personally contacted before a 21-page critique was made public, something they saw as a failure to follow the Bishops own procedures as recommended in "Doctrinal Responsibilities"; and b) the misrepresentation of Professor Johnson's work, particularly the statement's claim that her writing "fails to take the faith of the Church as its starting point" and what they considered an incredible leap in logic which faulted her for holding the position that God is "unknowable" on the grounds that she maintained that our human words can never completely capture the divine

reality. They felt the entire document reflected an extremely narrow understanding of the task of theologians, and not to have responded would have been theologically irresponsible, no matter what one's preferred method of doing theology might be.

President-elect John Thiel and President Hinsdale composed several drafts of a response which was reviewed by Past President Bryan Massingale and Vice President Susan Ross and then circulated to the entire Board. The response was endorsed unanimously by the Board. They communicated with the Society via the listserv that the statement was not a statement of the Society, but of the Board, and explained why they had taken this action. The Board's response was posted on the CTSA website on April 8, 2011. A number of members communicated either via the listserv or with President Hinsdale personally. The vast majority of these responses were very positive. Elizabeth Johnson expressed her sincere gratitude to the Board.

Meeting with Canadian Bishops

President Hinsdale then reported that the presidential-line officers began a similar practice of meeting with the Commission on Doctrine of the Canadian Catholic Bishops Conference in 2009. It was such a pleasant and invigorating experience they thought they might be able to arrange such a meeting every two years. Scheduling was problematic this year, so they hope to meet with them next year. James Pambrun who has been the CTSA liaison with the Canadian Commission on Doctrine will be on sabbatical next Spring, so John Thiel will be making a new appointment in that role. Jim was not present at the convention, but she expressed her gratitude to him and former president Margaret O'Gara for facilitating this rewarding relationship.

Thank you to Departing Members of the Board

Finally, President Hinsdale thanked Vincent Miller and Kristin Heyer for their excellent service on the Board these past two years. A special word of thanks was also due to Bryan Massingale who as Past President did not just sit back and "look sagacious," but generously shared his wisdom in many difficult decisions. (Personal note: as anyone who has ever served in this position knows, one depends a great deal on the "oral tradition." I am deeply grateful to Bryan for being ever ready to share the fruit of his experience as President).

Report of the President-Elect

President-elect John Thiel expressed his gratitude to all who had worked with him to plan the convention, including Executive Director Dee Christie and her secretary, Mary Jane Ponyik, the members of the local arrangements committee chaired by Kristin Heyer, the Topic Session Coordinators, and Mary Ann Hinsdale. He encouraged the leaders of Topic Sessions, interest groups and consultations to

attend the Conveners Breakfast on Sunday morning, which will focus on the evaluation of and planning for the next convention.

Report of the Vice-President

Vice President Susan Ross spoke briefly about the theme for the 2012 convention in St. Louis, Sacramento and the Global Church. The Call for Papers and deadlines for submissions will be on the CTSA website.

Report of the Secretary

Secretary Theresa Moser reported that there are currently about 1,300 CTSA Active and Associate members on the listserv. She reminded the members to be sure to update their email addresses so they can continue to receive CTSA communications. She also reported that volumes 1-59 of the *Proceedings* are being digitized by Backstage Library Works this summer at a one-time cost to the CTSA of \$10,385. A complete set of the CTSA *Proceedings*, including the hard copies of volumes 1-59, is located in the CTSA archives at Catholic University.

Report of the Treasurer

Treasurer Jozef Zalot presented a few highlights of the Treasurer's Report, which is in the Appendix section of the *Proceedings*. He noted that the financial state of the CTSA is strong. There has been a minor change in the process for paying dues and convention costs. Members have the option of paying their membership dues and convention costs by credit card, using PayPal. The fee for PayPal transactions has been 3%, but the actual cost is 3.5%. So the rate will increase to 3.5%. The credit card fees are waived for members residing outside the U.S.

Report of the Executive Director

Executive Director Dolores (Dee) Christie reported that 375 CTSA members are registered for the convention. The 2012 convention will be held at the Hyatt Regency Riverfront Hotel in St. Louis, June 7-10. She has secured future sites for conventions in Miami (2013), Pittsburgh (2014), Milwaukee (2015), Puerto Rico (2016) and Albuquerque (2017). This being her last convention as Executive Director, she then recalled with a chuckle how 14 years ago she had received a telephone call from CTSA president William Thompson. In inviting her to accept the position, he described it as a "stepping stone to a college presidency."

As she began to move away from the podium, President Hinsdale surprised her by stepping forward and reading a citation from a framed letter (not a plaque) thanking Dee for her years of service to the CTSA members and gave her a travel voucher for a well-earned vacation. CTSA members responded warmly with a standing ovation.

Report of CUERG

Carmen Nanko-Fernandez gave the Report for the Committee for Underrepresented Ethnic and Racial Groups. She reported that this year CUERG is sponsoring the second session of an interest group on “Intercultural and Transnational Pedagogies in Theology & Religious Studies”. The topic for the first year, during the 2010 convention, was “The Differences that Difference Makes: Mapping Intercultural and Transnational Pedagogies.” Building on that theme, the topic this year is “The Difference that Difference makes: Resourcing Intercultural and Transnational Pedagogies.” The complete report is available in the Appendix of the *Proceedings*.

Report of the INSeCT Delegate

Catherine Clifford, CTSA’s delegate to the International Network of Societies of Catholic Theology, presented the report. She noted that the principal activities of the past year have been focused on preparations for the third international colloquium of INSeCT, to be held June 14-16 in Chicago. She thanked the CTSA members for the generous challenge grant of \$5,000 in support of the colloquium. The theme this year is “The Changing Face of Global Catholicism: Implications for Theology and Theological Education.”

During the colloquium, the Network Council, composed of the delegates from the three largest member societies, The European Society for Catholic Theology, The Brazilian Society, and the CTSA will meet to elect a new Executive, as well as review and possibly revise the administrative structure of INSeCT. Catherine announced that she will not seek a second term as President of INSeCT, but will serve another three years as CTSA delegate. She has also been nominated to serve as one of two vice presidents of INSeCT. In closing, since this will be her last three-year term, she asked the Board to begin considering her successor as CTSA delegate to INSeCT.

Presentation of the Catherine Mowry LaCugna Award

President Hinsdale presented the Catherine Mowry LaCugna Award, a plaque and a check, to Kimberly Baker for her essay, “Augustine’s Doctrine of the Totus Christus.” Following is the abstract of her essay, which first appeared in *Horizons* 37/1 (2010): 7-24:

This article proposes that Augustine’s doctrine of the *totus Christus*, the “whole Christ” with Christ as Head and the Church as Body, can serve as a resource for reflection on Vatican II’s vision of the Church as the sacrament of unity. It grounds the sacramental presence of the Church in the unifying love that transforms Christians into the Body of Christ. Sharing an identity with Christ, the Church joins in his mission of love in the world. This mission leads Christians to works of reconciliation and charity as they stand with Christ in solidarity with human need and suffering.

Action to Receive the Reports

President Hinsdale then asked for a motion to receive the Reports. The Reports were received by acclamation.

New Business: Resolution

Michael Buckley, S.J., had prepared a Resolution concerning the USCCB Doctrine Committee's review of CTSA member Elizabeth Johnson's book, *The Quest for the Living God*. Susan Ross, ex-officio chair of the Resolutions Committee, moved that the floor be open for discussion. Roger McGrath seconded the motion. After a serious and free discussion, Dee Christie called the question and moved that the Resolution (subject to minor editing by the Board) be adopted. Several members seconded the motion. The vote was taken by a show of hands. The motion passed by a count of 147 in favor, 1 opposed, and 2 abstentions.

The text of the Resolution, which has been posted on the CTSA website, follows:

CTSA Resolution, June 10, 2011

The Catholic Theological Society of America regrets deeply that the provisions established by the American Bishops in the document *Doctrinal Responsibilities: Procedures for Promoting Cooperation and Resolving Disputes Between Bishops and Theologians* were ignored in passing judgment on *Quest for the Living God* by Professor Elizabeth A. Johnson, C.S.J. These provisions came from the CTSA and from the Canon Law Society of America. After six years of deliberation, debate, and consensus, they were submitted to the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith and obtained its review and concurrence. Then they were presented to the entire body of American Bishops at the regular meeting of the conference and approved overwhelmingly for use in the United States. They were not imposed upon any diocese as an obligation of law but presented as careful provisions and directions in order to avoid precisely the situation in which we find ourselves.

In light of this, the CTSA recommends to the American Bishops that they establish a committee that would evaluate the procedures of the Committee on Doctrine that led to their statement.

Adjournment

President Hinsdale then expressed gratitude to Terry Tilley for his service as parliamentarian and invited new and newer members and Topic Area leaders to the President's reception after the Business meeting. The meeting adjourned at approximately 6:20 p.m.

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