SECRETARY’S REPORT—
THE SIXTY-NINTH ANNUAL CONVENTION

The Catholic Theological Society of America held its sixty-ninth annual convention June 5–8 at the Manchester Grand Hyatt in San Diego, California. The theme of the convention was “Identity and Difference, Unity and Fragmentation.” Registration took place from 1:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. and from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. on June 5th. The continuing group, Women’s Consultation in Constructive Theology, held its session from 3:00–5:30 p.m. The 2014 Ann O’Hara Graff Award was presented to M. Shawn Copeland of Boston College. At the Opening Session, CTSA President Richard Gaillardetz presided and Msgr. Steven Callahan, Vicar General and Judicial Vicar of the Diocese of San Diego welcomed the convention participants. President Richard Gaillardetz led the opening prayer and remembrance of deceased members. The ceremony included a brief memorial for ten CTSA members and theological colleagues who had died recently: Sr. Elisabeth Brinkmann, R.S.C.J.; Rev. John Dunne, C.S.C.; Rev. Patrick Granfield, O.S.B.; Sr. Delores Greeley, R.S.M.; Br. Jeffrey Gros, F.S.C.; Rev. Zachary Hayes, O.F.M.; Rev. John McKenna, C.M.; Rev. Robert Nugent, S.D.S.; Rev. William Stoeger, S.J.; and Terry Nichols. The first plenary address followed. The evening concluded with a reception. CTSA gratefully acknowledges Boston College; Loyola Marymount University; and the University of San Diego for generously supporting this event. CTSA thanks these institutions along with the President’s Office and Marquette University for subsidizing this event and for their gracious hospitality and generous support throughout the entire convention.

The business meeting took place in the late afternoon of Friday, June 7th. The president’s reception for new and newer members followed the business meeting. A reception was also sponsored by the Catholic Theological Society of America.

The convention’s liturgy was celebrated in the late afternoon of Saturday, June 7, at Our Lady of Guadalupe. CTSA member Fr. Thomas Rausch, S.J., presided and President Richard Gaillardetz gave the reflection. Following the liturgy, a reception and the convention banquet were held at the Manchester Grand Hyatt. Toward the end of the meal, President Richard Gaillardetz read the citation for the John Courtney Murray Award and presented the plaque, medal, and check to John Pawlikowski, O.S.M.

Jennifer Rodriguez was the liturgist and musician for Thursday’s memorial service and for Saturday’s Eucharist. On various days throughout the convention there were special receptions, breakfasts, or other meetings for such groups as the Karl Rahner Society, von Balthasar Society, the Jesuit School of Theology of Santa Clara University, Theological Studies Editorial Consultants, Women’s Seminar, CUERG, and the conveners of programs and research groups.
CONVENTION PROGRAM

Pre-Convention, Thursday, June 5, 2014

9:00 a.m.– 4:30 p.m.  CTSA Board Meeting

1:00 – 4:30 p.m.  Registration

6:00 – 7:00 p.m.  Registration

12:30 – 5:30 p.m.  Pre-Convention Sessions

12:30 – 3:00 p.m.  *Comparative Theology: 25th Anniversary Event*

Convener: Rita George-Tvrković, Benedictine University

Presenters: Francis X. Clooney, Harvard University
            James L. Fredericks, Loyola Marymount University
            Daniel A. Madigan, Georgetown University

Respondent: Marianne Farina, Dominican School of Philosophy and Theology

3:00 – 5:30 p.m.  *Women’s Consultation on Constructive Theology*

“Contemporary Feminist Intercultural Theologies”

Conveners: Rosemary P. Carbine, Whittier College
            Paulette Skiba, Clarke University

Moderator: Rosemary P. Carbine, Whittier College

Presenter: Maria Pilar Aquino, University of San Diego

“Feminist Intercultural Theology: Strategies for Transformation”

Presenter: Gemma Tulud Cruz, Australian Catholic University

“Border Crossings: Women on the Move and Intercultural Feminist Theology”

4:30 – 5:00 p.m.  Ann O’Hara Graff Memorial Award Presentation

The 2013 Ann O’Hara Graff Award was presented to M. Shawn Copeland, Boston College

5:15 – 5:30 p.m.  Business Meeting

Women’s Consultation in Constructive Theology Steering Committee

Conveners: Rosemary P. Carbine
            Paulette Skiba, Clarke University

Treasurer: Rose M. Beal, Saint Mary’s University, Treasurer

Members: Rhodora E. Beaton, St. Catherine University
        Julia Brumbaugh, Regis University
        Colleen M. Carpenter, St. Catherine University
        Rebecca Berru Davis, Graduate Theological Union
Thursday Evening, June 5, 2014

7:00 – 9:00 p.m.  **Opening and First Plenary Session**

Presiding: Richard Gaillardetz, Boston College
President, CTSA

Opening Prayer and Remembrance of Deceased Members
Welcome: Msgr. Steven Callahan,
Diocese of San Diego

Address: Anthony J. Godzieba, Villanova University

‘... And followed him on the way’ (Mk 10:52):
*Identity, Difference, and the Play of Discipleship*

9:00 p.m.  Reception
Donors: Boston College, Loyola Marymount University,
University of San Diego

*The CTSA is grateful for the generous support of these programs and institutions.*

Friday Morning, June 6, 2014

7:15 – 8:45 a.m.  Von Balthasar Society Breakfast

7:15 – 8:45 a.m.  Jesuit School of Theology of Santa Clara Breakfast

Open to faculty, current students and graduates of SCU, JST-SCU, the former JSTB
and the GTU

8:30 – 8:45 a.m.  Morning Prayer

9:00 – 5:00 p.m.  Exhibits Open

9:00 – 10:30 a.m.  Second Plenary Session

Presiding: Susan Ross, Loyola University
Past President, CTSA

Address: Paul J. Griffiths, Duke University

*Theological Disagreement: What It Is & How To Do It.*

Respondent: Michele Saracino, Manhattan College
10:30 – 11:00 a.m.  Coffee Break

11:00 a.m. – 12:45 p.m.  Concurrent Sessions

1. The Decree on Ecumenism: Its 50th Anniversary - Invited Session
   “A Fresh Look at Unitatis Redintegratio

   Moderator:  Mary Ann Hinsdale, I.H.M., Boston College
   Presenters:  Massimo Faggioli, University of St. Thomas
               Michael Root, Catholic University of America

2. The Extraordinary Form - Selected Session

   “Extraordinarily Fragmenting?: An Inquiry into the Ecclesial Effects
   of the Re-introduction of the Mass in the Extraordinary Form”
   Convener:  Daniel Olsen, St. Xavier University
   Moderator:  Daniel Olsen, St. Xavier University
   Presenters:  Rev. James G. Sabak, O.F.M., Providence College
               Timothy Brunk, Villanova University

3. Philippine Theology - Selected Session
   “Philippine Voices on Identity and Difference: Conversations with Other
   Theologies”
   Presenters:  Karen B. Enriquez, Xavier University, Ohio
               Catherine Punsalan-Manlimos, Seattle University
               Patricia Panganiban-Lambino, Ateneo de Manila
               University

4. Historical Studies - Topic Session I
   “Catholic Theology and the Theological Tradition”
   Convener:  Kristin Colberg, College of Saint Benedict/Saint John’s
               University
   Moderator:  Daria Spezzano, Providence College
   Presenter:  Brian E. Daley, S.J., University of Notre Dame
               “On Theology as Biblical, Historical and Systematic:
               Can We Do One without the Others?”
   Presenters:  Boyd Taylor-Coolman, Boston College
               “Why Karl Rahner and Pius XII Agree that All Catholic
               Theology is Necessarily Historical Theology”

5. Practical Theology – Topic Session
   Convener:  Brett C. Hoover, Loyola Marymount University
   Moderator:  Ted Whapham, St. Thomas University, Florida.
   Presenters:  Angela Senander, University of St. Thomas, Minn.
               “Leadership Practices of Francis, Bishop of Rome”
               Elsie Miranda, Barry University
               “Orthopraxis and the Restoration of Catholic Identity: A
               Covenanted Journey”
Respondent: Dr. James Heft, S.M., University of Southern California

6. Spirituality - Topic Session
   Convener: Thomas McElligott, St. Mary’s University, Calif.
   Presenter: Colleen Carpenter, St. Catherine University
   “Knowing the Ground Beneath our Feet: A Spirituality of Placemaking”
   Presenters: Elizabeth Antus, University of Notre Dame
   “Why Batter My Worthless Heart? How Toxic Shame Disrupts Sarah Coakley’s Account of Spiritual Vulnerability”
   Daniel Dion, Rivier University
   “The ‘Nones’: Options for Unity of Spirituality and Secularity”

7. African Panel & Discussion - Selected Session
   “Identity and Difference: Unity and Fragmentation”
   Convener: Emmanuel Katongole, University of Notre Dame
   Moderator: Cyril Orji, University of Dayton
   Presenters: Elochukwu Uzukwu, Duquesne University
   Teresia Mbari Hinga, Santa Clara University
   Emmanuel Katongole, University of Notre Dame

8. Thought of Bernard Lonergan - Interest Group
   “Various Applications of Lonergan’s Thought”
   Convener: John Dadosky, Regis College
   Moderator: Mark Miller, University of San Francisco
   Presenters: Joseph Ogbonnaya, Marquette University
   “Towards a More Indigenous Catholicism: Gill Goulding, C.J., Regis College, University of Toronto
   “In Defiance of Fragmentation: The Dynamic Imperative of Kenotic Love”
   John Dadosky, Regis College, University of Toronto
   “Has Vatican II been Hermeneutered? Recovering and Developing its Theological Achievements”

9. Christianity and Judaism - Consultation
   Convener: Todd Walatka, University of Notre Dame
   Moderator: John Pawlikowski, Catholic Theological Union
   Presenter: John Connolly, University of California Berkeley
   “From Enemy to Brothers”
   Respondent: Aaron Gross, University of San Diego

10. Beyond Trento: North American Moral Theology in a Global Church—Interest Group
    Conveners: Bryan Massingale, Marquette University
Reports: Secretary’s Report

Kristin Heyer, Santa Clara University

Presenters: Anna Floerke Scheid, Duquesne University
Bryan Massingale, Marquette University

Respondent: Lúcas Chán, Trinity College Dublin

11. Yves Congar, O.P.: Legacy and Future Directions - Interest Group
“Identity and Reform”

Convener: Rose Beal, Saint Mary’s University, Minn.
Moderator: Rose Beal, Saint Mary’s University, Minn.
Presenter: Daniel Rober, Fordham University
“Reappropriating Congar’s Conditions for Authentic Reform in Today’s Ecclesial Context”

Respondent: Julia Brumbaugh, Regis University

Friday Afternoon, June 6, 2014

1:00 – 2:15 p.m. Women’s Consultation Luncheon

2:30 – 4:15 p.m. Concurrent Sessions

1. Moral Theology - Topic Session II
Convener: Daniel Daly, Saint Anselm College
Moderator: Elizabeth Antus, University of Notre Dame
Presenters: Kevin McCabe, University of Notre Dame
Mary Roche, Holy Cross College
Jennifer Beste, College of St. Benedict, Minn.
“Disability and the Challenge of Difference”

“Honoring Difference in the Moral Formation of Children and Young People”

2. Henri De Lubac - Selected Session
“Apocalypticism and Mysticism at the End of Modernity: New Studies on Henri de Lubac”
Convener: Andrew Prevot, Boston College
Moderator: Peter Casarella, University of Notre Dame
Presenters: Joseph Flipper, Bellarmine University
Andrew Prevot, Boston College
Patrick Gardner, University of Notre Dame

3. Catholic Social Thought - Topic Session
“‘Glocal’ Justice: Three Case Studies and their Implications for Contemporary Catholic Social Thought”
Convener: Laurie Johnston, Emmanuel College
Moderator: Conor Kelly, Boston College
Presenters: 
Min-Ah Cho, St. Catherine University
“Weaving Fragmented Bodies: Catholic Social Thought in a Global Context through Nonviolent Activism in Jeju, South Korea”
Patrick Flanagan, St. John’s University
“Opening a ‘Pandora’s Box’: The Importance of Labor Unions in the Digital Age”
Terence McGoldrick, Providence College

4. Creation and Eschatology - Topic Session
Convener: Ernesto Valiente, Boston College School of Theology and Ministry
Moderator: Brian Robinette, Boston College
Presenters: Heidi Russell, Institute of Pastoral Studies, Loyola University Chicago
“And God Saw that It was Good: Complexity and Unity from Creation to the End Times”
Daniel Minch, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven
“The Fractured Self and the Primacy of the Future: Edward Schillebeeckx and the Eschatological Horizon”

5. Fundamental Theology and Method - Topic Session
Convener: Stephen Okey, Saint Leo University
Moderator: Stephen Okey, Saint Leo University
Presenters: Brad Rothrock, Boston College School of Theology and Ministry
“Christian Postures toward the World: Authenticity and Credibility in a Secular Age”
Cathal Doherty, S.J., Boston College School of Theology and Ministry
“Superstition and ‘The Scandal of Particularity’: Maurice Blondel and the Enlightenment Critique of the Christian Religion”

6. God/Trinity - Topic Session
Admin. Team: Anthony Godzieba,
Anthony Keaty,
Nancy Dallavalle
Presenters: Neil Ormerod, Australian Catholic University
“Processions, Relations, and Created Participations in the Divine Nature”
Manuel A. Cruz, Belmont University
“The Trace of God: Difference, Non-Identity, and Revelation”
7. Black Catholic Theology - Consultation
“The Triune God as a Theological Response to the Church Confronting and Resolving Community Fragmentation and Violence”
Session 1 of 2 in cooperation with the Consultation on Hispanic Latino/a Theology
Admin. team: LaReine-Marie Mosely
C. Vanessa White
Shawnee Daniels-Sykes

Presenters
Neomi DeAnda, University of Dayton
“If We Do Not Know Our Histories, then We are Unlikely to Repeat Them: A Historical Violent Silencing of Human Bodies in Relationship to the Trinity”
Shawnee Daniels-Sykes, S.S.N.D., Mount Mary Univ.
Jamie Phelps, Xavier University, La.
“The Theology of Communion and Its Implications for the Church’s Continued Mission in Diverse and Cultural Contexts”

8. von Balthasar - Consultation
“The Anatomy of Misremembering: Cyril O’Regan on von Balthasar and Hegel”
Convener: Barbara Sain, University of St. Thomas
Moderator: Danielle Nussberger, Marquette University
Presenters: Rodney Howsare, DeSales University
Anthony C. Sciglitano, Seton Hall University
Respondent: Cyril O’Regan, University of Notre Dame

9. Discipleship and Sustainability - Interest Group
Convener: Erin Lothes Biviano, College of St. Elizabeth, N.J.
Moderator: Erin Lothes Biviano, College of St. Elizabeth, N.J.

Commentaries circulated prior to the convention (available at http://www.ctsa-online.org/discipleship_commentaries.html) by: Meghan Clark, St. John’s University; David Cloutier, Mount St. Mary’s University; Christine Firer Hinze, Fordham University; Erin Lothes Biviano, College of Saint Elizabeth; Richard Miller, Creighton University; Christiana Z. Peppard, Fordham University; Nancy Rourke, Canisius College; Jame Schaefer, Marquette University; and Matthew Shadle, Marymount University. Response to project by Dan DiLeo, Catholic Climate Covenant.
10. Thomas Aquinas - Interest Group

“Thomas Aquinas, Common Doctor: Whether and How”

Conveners: Holly Taylor Coolman, Providence College
Michon Matthiesen, Providence College
Moderator: Anna Moreland, Villanova University
Presenters: Bruce Marshall, Southern Methodist University
James Keenan, S.J., Boston College
Nicholas Lombardo, O.P., Catholic University of America

11. Asian/Asian-American - Consultation

“Tapping the Riches of Asian Religions for Christian Spirituality”

Convener: Christina A. Astorga, Gonzaga University
Moderator: Carolyn Chau, King’s University College
Presenters: Roger D. Haight, S.J., Union Theological Seminary
Jonathan Y. Tan, Australian Catholic University
“Review of ‘Zen and Spiritual Exercises’”
“Roman Catholic Charismatic Renewal in Asia: Identity and Difference, Unity and Fragmentation”
Respondent: Ruben L. F. Habito, Perkins School of Theology

Friday Evening, June 6, 2014

4:30 – 6:00 p.m. CTSA Business Meeting
Presiding: Richard Gaillardetz, Boston College
President, CTSA
Parliamentarian: Timothy O’Connell, Loyola University Chicago
6:15 – 7:45 p.m. President’s Reception for New/Newer Members
6:15 – 7:45 p.m. Liturgical Press Reception

Special Session
8:00 – 9:00 p.m. Open Forum Discussion of the Committee on Diversity Report
Presiding: Richard Gaillardetz, Boston College
Panel: Holly Taylor Coolman, Providence College
Peter Casarella, University of Notre Dame
Shawnee Daniels-Sykes, S.S.N.D., Mount Mary University
Saturday Morning, June 7, 2014

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. Exhibits Open

9:00 – 10:30 a.m. Third Plenary Session

Presiding: Susan K. Wood, S.C.L., Marquette University
President-Elect, CTSA

Address: Christina Astorga, University of Portland
“All Ethics is Social Ethics: From a Liberationist, Feminist, and Global Optic”

Respondent: Christopher P. Vogt, Saint John’s University, N.Y.

10:30 – 11:00 a.m. Coffee Break

11:00 a.m. – 12:45 p.m. Concurrent Sessions

1. Religion and Society - Invited Session
“De Lubac, De Certeau and Us: Theological Method and The Challenge of Unity in Three Different Cultural Ecologies”

Moderator: Neomi DeAnda, University of Dayton
Presenter: Vincent J. Miller, University of Dayton
Respondent: Kevin Ahern, Manhattan College

2. The 25th Anniversary of the UCA Martyrs - Invited Session
“Blood and Ink: The Untold Story of Ignacio Ellacuria, Jon Sobrino, the UCA Martyrs—Theological Vision for a Global Church”

Conveners: Robert Lassalle-Klein, Holy Names University
Kevin Burke, S.J., Jesuit School of Theology of Santa Clara University

Moderator: Kevin Burke, S.J., Jesuit School of Theology of Santa Clara University

Presenter: Robert Lassalle-Klein, Holy Names University

Respondent: Kevin Burke, S.J., Jesuit School of Theology of Santa Clara University

Convener: Paul Crowley, S.J., Santa Clara University  
Moderator: Brian P. Flanagan, Marymount University  
Presenters: Amanda Osheim, Loras College  
             Joseph Komonchak, Catholic University of America  
Respondent: Archbishop John R. Quinn, Emeritus, San Francisco

4. Catholic Social Ethics - Selected Session
“From Comfort and Ambition to Unity across Difference: The Challenges of Solidarity”

Convener: Raymond Ward, Barry University  
Moderator: Christine Firer Hinze, Fordham University  
Presenters: Meghan J. Clark, St. John’s University  
           Raymond Ward, Barry University  
           “An Obligation to be Uncomfortable: The Challenge of Solidarity”
           “The University in Solidarity: Policies on Wealth, Immigration Status and Academic Preparedness”

5. Anthropology - Topic Session
“Engaging Whiteness”

Convener: Karen Teel, University of San Diego  
Moderator: Nichole Flores, Saint Anselm College  
Presenters: Katie Grimes, Boston College  
           Elisabeth T. Vasko, Duquesne University  
           Andrew Prevot, Boston College  
           “Breaking the Body of Christ: The Sacraments in a Habitat of White Supremacy”
           “Confessing Whiteness? Re-thinking Sin-Talk in the Context of White Supremacy”
           “Beyond White Privilege: Toward an uncensored, Subaltern, and Aporetic Theological Response to the Crises of Race and Racism”

6. Christology - Topic Session

Convener: Kelle Lynch-Baldwin, Diocese of Fairbanks  
Moderator: Colleen Carpenter, St. Catherine University  
Presenters: Todd Walatka, University of Notre Dame  
           Michael Lee, Fordham University  
           “The Principle of Mercy: Jon Sobrino and the Catholic Theological Tradition”
           “The Christology of Oscar Romero: Imitation of Christ as Preferential Option for the Poor”
7. Historical Studies - Topic Session II
“Wisdom from the Past: Can Premodern Theology Teach Us Anything (At All)?”
Convener: Marian Maskulak, St. John’s University, N.Y.
Moderator: Shawn Colberg, College of Saint Benedict/Saint John’s University
Presenters: David Whidden, Our Lady of the Lake College
“‘The Theology of Play and the Play of Theology in Thomas Aquinas’”
Gilles Mongeau, S.J., Regis College, University of Toronto
“‘Mystery on the ‘Move’: Aquinas’s Theological Method as Transforming Wisdom’”
Robert J. Barry, Providence College
“‘Heresy and Error: Learning to Really Listen to the Other’”

8. Moral Theology - Topic Session I
Convener: Daniel Daly, Saint Anselm College
Moderator: Ramón Luzárraga, Benedictine University, Ariz.
Presenters: Emily Reimer-Barry, University of San Diego
“‘Unity and Fragmentation: A Comparative Analysis of the Theo-Ethical Methods Employed by the U.S. Bishops and Nuns on the Bus’”
Presenter: Dana Dillon, Providence College
“‘Toward Truth as One: The Spirituality of Unity in a Divided Guild’”

9. Globalization - Interest Group
Convener: Gemma Tulud Cruz, Australian Catholic University
Moderator: Daniel Finn, St. John’s University, Collegeville
Presenters: Robert Schreiter, C.P.P.S., Catholic Theological Union
“‘Cultures and Globalization: Challenges to Theology’”
Peter Phan, Georgetown University
“‘Globalization and Its Impact on the Understanding of Religion, Church, and Theology’”
David Hollenbach, S.J., Boston College
“‘State Sovereignty and the Human Rights of Refugees in Catholic Perspective’”

10. Theological Hermeneutics and Critical Theories - Interest Group
“Fifty Years after the Council”
Convener: Bradford E. Hinze, Fordham University
Moderator: Anthony J. Godzieba, Villanova University
Presenter: John E. Thiel, Fairfield University
“‘The Aesthetics of Tradition and Styles of Catholic Theology’”
Presenter: Dominic Doyle, Boston College School of Theology and Ministry
“From Dialectic to Disjunction: A Paradigm Shift in Catholic Interpretations of Secularism”
Susan Abraham, Loyola Marymount University
“Decolonial Hermeneutics: The Persistent Critique of the Border”

11. Comparative Theology - Topic Session
Convener: Rita George-Tvrtković, Benedictine University
Moderator: Bede Bidlack, St. Anselm College
Presenters: Scott Steinkerchner, Edgewood College
“Eckhart and the Lotus”
Thomas Cattoi, Jesuit School of Theology of Santa Clara University
“Reading Religious Texts Interreligiously: A Joint Exploration of Santideva’s Bodicaryavatara and Ignatius’ Exercises”
Respondent: Kevin Johnson, Boston College

Saturday Afternoon, June 7, 2014

12:50 – 2:15 p.m. Theological Studies Editorial Consultation Luncheon
1:00 – 2:15 p.m. CUERG Luncheon
2:30 – 4:15 p.m. Concurrent Sessions

1. Doing Theology in Fragments - Selected Session
“Doing Theology in Fragments. ‘The Fragment’ in Theological Method and Epistemology”
Convener: Judith Gruber, Loyola University New Orleans
Moderator: Mara Brecht, St. Norbert College
Presenters: Brent Little, Loyola University Chicago
Jennifer Newsome Martin, University of Notre Dame
Judith Gruber, Loyola University New Orleans

2. Mediated Presence - Selected Session
“Unity and Fragmentation in Digital Communion”
Conveners: Stephen Okey, Saint Leo University
Moderator: John Edwards, Villanova University
Presenters: Jana Bennett, University of Dayton
Stephen Okey, Saint Leo University

3. Bioethics/Healthcare - Topic Session
Convener: Charles C. Camosy, Fordham University
Reports: Secretary’s Report

Moderator: Andrea Vicini, S.J., Boston College School of Theology & Ministry

Presenters:
1. Daniel J. Daly, Saint Anselm College
   “A Theoretical and Applied Approach to the Institutional Conscience of the Catholic Hospital”
2. Gerard Mannion, Georgetown University
   “Catholic Identity and Difference from Phoenix to Galway: What Has a Fragmented Teaching Church Learned about Morality and Magisterium Today?”
3. Thomas A. Nairn, Catholic Health Association and Regina Wolfe, Catholic Theological Union
   “Unity and Fragmentation in End of Life Care”

4. Catholicity and Mission - Topic Session
   “From the Heart of the World Church: Catholicity, Mission and Catholic Higher Education”

Convener: Margaret Eletta Guider, O.S.F., Boston College School of Theology and Ministry

Presenters:
1. Iheanyi Enwerem, O.P., Dominican Institute, Nigeria
2. Susan Abraham, Loyola Marymount University
   “Catholic Convent School Education and the Nation-State”
3. O. Ernesto Valiente, Boston College School of Theology and Ministry
   “The University as Agent of Social Transformation: The Case of the UCA in El Salvador”

5. Church and Ecumenism - Topic Session

Convener: Brian P. Flanagan, Marymount University
Moderator: Christiaan Jacobs-Vandegeer, Australian Catholic University

Presenters:
1. Stephen Bevans, Catholic Theological Union
2. Edmund Kee Fook Chia, Australian Catholic University
   “The 2013 WCC Assembly in Busan, Korea—Reflections of Two Participants”

Respondent: Cheryl Peterson, Trinity Lutheran Seminary

6. Liturgy/Sacraments - Topic Session

Convener: Steve Rodenborn, St. Edward’s University
Moderator: Jonathan Tan, Australian Catholic University

Presenters:
1. Judith M. Kubicki, CSSF, Fordham University
   for David N. Power, OMI, Catholic University of America
   “Service of the Poor and Worship: Ecumenical Differentiation and Convergence”
2. Andrew Skotnicki, Manhattan College
“Liturgical Rubrics and the Hermeneutics of Need”
David Farina Turnbloom, Boston College
“An Eaten Church: Celebrating the Eucharist as Fragments”

7. Theology and Science - Topic Session
Convener: Matthew Ashley, University of Notre Dame
Moderator: Celia Deane-Drummond, University of Notre Dame
Presenter: Steven Battin, University of Notre Dame
“The Problem of Intergroup Disunity: A Non-Theological Model for Addressing the Problem Theologically”
Chau Nguyen, O.P., Catholic University of America

8. Hispanic Latino/a Theology - Consultation
“The Triune God as a Theological Response to the Church Confronting and Resolving Community Fragmentation and Violence,” Session 2 of 2 in cooperation with the Black Catholic Theology Consultation
Admin. team: Ramón Luzarrága, Cecilia Gonzalez-Andrieu

Presenters: Carmen Nanko Fernandez, Catholic Theological Union
*Una Carrera Manchada por el Pecado: Baseball and the Construction of Race Martyrs”*
Bryan Massingale, Marquette University
“Sexual Racism and Violence”
Nichole Flores, St. Anselm College
“Justice and the Image of God: Sexual Abuse of Migrant Women and Trinitarian Theology”

9. Karl Rahner - Consultation
“Rahner and Ecumenism Today: Is Unity Still ‘An Actual Possibility’?”
Administrator: Mark Fischer

Convener: Jon Nilson, Loyola University Chicago
Moderator: Jon Nilson, Loyola University Chicago
Presenters: Catherine Clifford, St. Paul University, Ottawa
Richard Lennan, Boston College
Jill Raitt, University of Missouri

10. Receiving Vatican II - Interest Group
Convener: Robert Imbelli, Boston College
Christopher Ruddy, Catholic University of America
Moderator: James F. Keating, Providence College
Presenter: William Portier, University of Dayton
“Signs of the Times: Then and Now”
Respondent: Laurie Johnston, Emmanuel College

11. Theologies Responsive to Islam - Interest Group
   Convener: Daniel Madigan, S.J., Georgetown University
   Moderator: Marianne Farina, C.S.C., Graduate Theological Union
   Presenters: Sidney Griffith, S.T., Catholic University of America
   "The ‘Sunnah of Our Messengers’: The Qur’an’s Paradigm for Messengers and Prophets; a Reading of Surah XXVI al-Shu’ara,”
   Wilhelmus (Pim) Valkenberg, Catholic University of America
   “A Prophet and More than a Prophet: Continuity and Discontinuity in Understanding Jesus in the light of the Qur’an.”
   Leo D. Lefebure, Georgetown University
   “Catholic Theology of Revelation in Dialogue with Islam: Dei Verbum and the Qur’anic Paradigm of Prophecy”

Saturday Evening, June 7, 2014

5:30 p.m. Eucharist at Our Lady of Guadalupe
6:45 p.m. Reception
7:30 p.m. John Courtney Murray Award Banquet

Sunday Morning, June 8, 2014

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: Bradford E. Hinze, Fordham University
Vice-President, CTSA

Address: Richard Gaillardetz, Boston College
President, CTSA
“The ‘Francis Moment’: A Kairos for Catholic Ecclesiology”

10:00 a.m. Appointment of the New President
10:15 a.m. Breakfast Reception/Coffee

11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Meeting and Luncheon: CTSA Board of Directors

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JOHN COURTNEY MURRAY AWARD 2013

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Our recipient is a proud native of the city of Chicago who was raised by two factory workers as an only child. As a longstanding citizen of Chicago, our awardee has frequently patronized the arts there and has a particular love for theatre and dance.

Our awardee joined the Servites in 1958, after which he studied in Northern Ireland for several years before returning to Chicago and concluding seminary studies at Mundelein. He later received a Ph.D. in social ethics at the University of Chicago where he was involved in early studies on the role of religious, racial, and ethnic prejudice in American culture. He was one of the founding faculty members of the Catholic Theological Union in 1968 and has taught social ethics there ever since. For a number of years our recipient was also the director of the Cardinal Bernardin
Center at the CTU. He has participated in the Council on Foreign Relations in New York, a premier foreign policy think tank, and is also a member of the religious leaders group of the World Economic Forum.

The biblical scholar John Dominic Crossan first introduced our honoree to the field of Jewish-Christian studies. Crossan and church historian Martin Marty both encouraged our awardee to consolidate and expand on the important developments introduced by Vatican II’s Declaration on the Church and Non-Christian Religions, Nostra Aetate. In the many years that have followed he has done that and far more, becoming an internationally respected figure in the field. This distinguished member of our society has served for many years as an advisor to both the USCCB Committee on Catholic-Jewish Relations and the Christian-Jewish Committee for the National Council of Churches. He served for six years as the President of the International Council of Christians & Jews (ICCJ). He is a founding member of the Christian Scholars Group on Jewish-Christian Relations and he serves on the Board of Directors of the Parliament of the World Religions and the National Advisory Council of the United States Committee for the World Conference of Religions for Peace. His expertise extends beyond inter-faith dialogue to ecumenism as he served for several years as a member of the US Presbyterian-Reformed-Roman Catholic Dialogue.

Our honoree has been named to the United States Holocaust Memorial Council by three US presidents. The list of awards he has received is remarkable. Here are but a few: “The Righteous Among the Nations Award” from the Holocaust Museum in Detroit; the Raoul Wallenberg Humanitarian Award from The American Jewish Committee; the “Person of the Year” Award from the Polish Council of Christians and Jews; The Nostra Aetate Award from the Archdiocese of Chicago; the Eternal Flame Award from St. Leo University and the American Jewish Committee. He also has an honorary doctorate from Hebrew Union College in Cincinnati.

An accomplished academic, our JCM award recipient has published countless articles and book chapters and has either authored or edited over fifteen books including: The Challenge of the Holocaust for Christian Theology and Christ in the Light of the Christian-Jewish Dialogue. His most recent title is Restating the Catholic Church’s Relationship with the Jewish People: The Challenge of Super-Sessionary Theology (Mellen, 2013). Rabbi Michael Balinsky has observed that our award recipient “has opened doors for many Christians in general and Catholics in particular to appreciate and have deep respect for the vitality of Judaism. [He] is unafraid to ask difficult questions of himself, his fellow clergy, his Jewish dialogue partners and his sacred texts on their portrayal of Jews and Judaism. He is a friend who has stood and continues to stand with the Jewish community as he has led and fostered new depths in the theology of the Church’s understanding Of God, Torah and Israel.”

Our award recipient has been an inspiration for at least two generations of scholars, pastors, ministers and rabbis who wish to further Jewish-Christian relations. It is a great honor and privilege for me to introduce this year’s recipient of the John Courtney Murray Award, Rev. John Pawlikowski.
ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING

President Gaillardetz called the meeting to order at approximately 4:30 p.m. Timothy O’Connell served as parliamentarian.

Committee on Admissions

Stephen Bevans, Chair, presented the Report of the Committee on Admissions. The Committee on Admissions for 2013–14 was Steve Bevans (2012–14), Mary Doak (2012–2014), Angela Senander (2013–15), Shawnee Daniel-Sykes (2013–15), and Natalie Kertes Weaver (ex officio). Fifty-four applicants applied for associate membership, and fifty-three were determined to have met the criteria for membership. The one candidate who was not approved for associate membership requires submission of additional paperwork for consideration as she is applying for membership with the D. Min. degree. Fifty-one applicants applied for active membership, and all were determined to have met the criteria for membership. A total of 104 new members were approved this year.

The Admissions Committee recommends that the one hundred and four applicants, whose names were posted on the bulletin board outside the meeting hall, be admitted to the Society.

The CTSA members present at the meeting approved the committee’s recommendation by acclamation. 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 invited the new active members to vote in the nominations election. Brief biographical entries and addresses of the new members are found in the appendices to the CTSA Directory contained in this volume of the Proceedings.

Report of the Nominating Committee

Daniel Finn, the chair of the Committee on Nominations, gave the committee report. The other members of the committee were Margaret Guider and Maria Pilar-Aquino, who will continue to serve on the committee next year. Dan reported briefly on the processes of the committee, noting that the committee is intended to operate independently of the Board in its selections and deliberations. Dan also noted that the committee is dependent on the membership for recommending nominees. There were no nominations from the floor. The slate of nominees proposed by the committee follows:

For Vice-President: David Hollenbach
William Loewe

For board members: J. Matthew Ashley
Mary Jo Iozzio
Julius Kei Kato
Phyllis Zagano
David Hollenbach was elected Vice-President in the first round. No one was elected to the board on rounds one or two. Matt Ashley was elected to the Board on the third ballot. Mary Jo Iozzio was elected to the board on the fourth ballot. CTSA Secretary Natalie Weaver was re-elected by acclamation for a one-year term later in the meeting, and Treasurer Jozef Zalot was re-elected for a one-year term, also by acclamation. Susan Wood becomes President for 2014-2015. Brad Hinze becomes President-Elect. The others who will continue to serve on the board of directors are Richard Gaillardetz, Past President, and Dawn Nothwehr and Paulinus Odozor, board members.

Report of the President

President Richard Gaillardetz thanked those who had stood for election and proceeded to give his own report, highlighting several matters.

The Board’s initiative to encourage positive interaction between theologians and local bishops through a $500 grant to sponsor a bishop/theologian dinner is going well. Six grant proposals came in last year and three dinners have already taken place. President Gaillardetz encouraged these to continue.

President Gaillardetz commented on the Report on Theological Diversity and encouraged the membership to attend the special panel discussion to be held Friday, June 6 at 8:pm.

President Gaillardetz also shared that this past fall the Board received a brief from a Society member providing extensive documentation on the issue of white privilege in our structures and practices. A Board committee was convened to review this document. The ad hoc committee will bring a set of proposals to the Board meeting for its October 2014 gathering in Chicago.

President Gaillardetz further reported that it has been the custom to have a dinner meeting with CTSA, CTS, and the Bishops Committee on Doctrine as well as a Study Day in the spring. The dinner has been discontinued at the bishops’ request, but the Study Day will continue. Also, the position of liaison between the CTSA Board and the bishops is going to be eliminated, and the CTSA President will now act as the liaison between the bishops and the CTSA.

Report of the President-Elect

President-elect Susan Wood expressed her gratitude to all who had worked with her to plan the convention, including the members of the local arrangements committee of the University of San Diego: Chair, Orlando Espín; Susan Paulik Babka; Mary Doak; Karen Teel; and Emily Remier-Barry. Also, she thanked Elaine Biollo, convention photographer.

Susan reminded all administrative teams to update their rosters by the Conveners Breakfast on Sunday morning.
Reports: Secretary’s Report

For this year’s convention, 34% of the presenters were women compared with 42% last year. 28% were from under-represented groups as opposed to 20% last year. Two additional sessions occurred this year, including a preconvention meeting celebrating the 25th anniversary of the Comparative Theology Group and a panel on theological diversity that occurred Friday evening.

Susan Wood gave a brief report on the Study Day in the fall of 2013 at which she gave the presentation for CTSA on Francis and the New Evangelization. Also in attendance were Brad Hinze and Meghan Clarke.

Susan concluded with generous thanks to Mary Jane Ponyik for her service as executive director.

Report of the Vice-President

Vice-President Brad Hinze reported that the 70th annual convention will be held at the Hyatt Regency in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, June 11–14, 2015. The convention theme is “Sensus Fidelium,” and the plenary speakers will be Jerome P. Baggett of the Jesuit School of Theology at Berkeley and Santa Clara University; John J. Burkhard of Washington Theological Union; a three person panel consisting of Maria Clara Luchetti Bingemer of Pontificia universidade Catolica Rio de Janeiro, Gemma Tulud Cruz of Australian Catholic University, and Anna Arabome, a doctoral student of Duquesne University. For all people involved in topic sessions, Brad invited them to explore the topic of the sensus fidelium. The Call for Papers is available online and a hard copy is also available at this meeting.

Report of the Secretary

Secretary Natalie Kertes Weaver reported that the transition process had gone smoothly and thanked Theresa Moser and Mary Jane Ponyik for their assistance in the transition year. She assured the members that her work in the Secretary’s office is moving along smoothly.

Natalie also reported on data about the new members of the CTSA. Thirty-five (34%) of the new applicants, both active and associate, are women. A substantial number of active membership applicants do not report ethnicity, and no associate membership applicants are asked to report ethnicity. Of those applying for active membership who did report ethnicity, six reported ethnicity from underrepresented racial or ethnic populations. Ten applicants hold doctoral degrees from European universities; six from Canadian universities; one from Puerto Rico; and one from Australia. Other degrees are from United States doctoral programs, with significant representation from Boston College, Marquette University, Duquesne University, Catholic University of America, Fordham University, Loyola University Chicago, and Notre Dame University. Two applicants hold the D. Min. degree, and five hold either a Th.D., a D. Phil., or an S.T.D. Several applicants also hold multiple doctoral degrees.
Natalie reminded all members to be sure to update their email addresses, contact information and list of professional achievements on the website.

*Report of the Treasurer*

Treasurer Jozef Zalot presented his report, noting up front that the CTSA is in strong financial shape. Joe directed the membership to review the investments and expenses sheets that were distributed. Joe highlighted that CTSA funded $55,000 worth of projects last year. As of the close of the business day preceding the Friday Business meeting, $576,692.00 was in the investment. Because we have a substantial investment, the CTSA Board established and approved guidelines for funding requests at the Thursday Board meeting. This year, CTSA donated funds to support the expansion of convention scholarships, to INSeCT, and to subsidize CUERG’s luncheon.

Lastly, Joe reported that an individual approached the Board with a query about our fossil fuel investments. The Board has charged Joe to ask CBIS: 1) what percentage of their investments are “fossil fuel” companies and 2) whether CBIS would be willing to create a fossil free portfolio. Joe will report on these answers in the October 2014 Board meeting.

Joe also noted that we ran an operating deficit of $20,000 last year, but our investment revenues more than compensate for this deficit. Joe explained in the Q/A that followed his comments that this deficit reflects the donations the Board made in 2014 and clarified that if we were running a genuine deficit, we would not give gifts. The deficit/revenue reporting structure is a standard accounting structure but does not reflect financial difficulty for CTSA.

Joe also took questions as follows:

**Q. Should the printing line be removed?**  A. Yes.

**Q. We cannot continue to run with a deficit.**  A. The deficit included the cost of the conference scholarships. The deficit is just a way of reporting. It does not reflect a genuine deficit. We would not, for example, fund scholarships or INSeCT if we were running a genuine deficit.

**Q. Should we have so much money?**  A. Our investments have grown and we have not had to draw on them. Also, money is necessary in case something were to happen at a meeting, for example. It acts as an insurance policy. Also, the CTSA has decided to use our investments as an endowment. We are not trying to grow it as high as possible but to take earnings and use them in appropriate ways.

**Q. What is a fossil free and how would we determine divestment?**  A. We are only in a research phase.  
**Q Q. Who makes financial decisions about investments?**  A. Financial decisions are made by the Board.

Members comment: We need financial solvency to negotiate with hotels for our current meetings.

**Q. Should we not also consider other moral issues (foreign free, gun free, etc.)?**  A. This kind of information is available on the CBIS website. The Board will consider making available on the website the CBIS information about our investments.
Report of the Executive Director

Executive Director Mary Jane Ponyik reported that over 409 CTSA members are registered for the convention and 68% of these are attending the John Courtney Murray Banquet. Sixteen publishing houses attended and five posted an ad. She expressed her gratitude to Orlando Espin of the University of San Diego, who has been an incredible chairperson of the Local Arrangements Committee. She also thanked all the student volunteers.

Mary Jane reminded the members to update their contact information on the website. CTSA members are often sought for professional engagements, lectures, CTSA convention matters, and it is important that the contact information is up to date.

Executive Director Ponyik then announced that the CTSA is contracted for future conventions as follows:

- 2015 Milwaukee, Hyatt Regency ($135), June 11–14
- 2016 San Juan, Puerto Rico, June 9–12

Members are encouraged to visit the CTSA website and also the Authors’ Corner. In the Author’s Corner, members will find recently published books, along with an abstract written and submitted by current CTSA members. To submit a book for posting, click on the Authors’ Corner link found on the CTSA home page and complete a submission form.

Mary Jane also reported that we have a presence on Twitter. We have 71 followers at present and two hashtags: #CTSA2014 and #CTSANMQ. Thanks to Meghan Clarke and Steve Okoye. Mary Jane also noted that we are doing electronic conference evaluations this year in order to be more ecologically responsible. Also, Mary Jane reminded the membership of gratuity guidelines for house cleaning staff.

Finally, Mary Jane thanked the membership for their continued warm welcome to the position of Executive Director.

Report of CUERG

Natalia Imperatori-Lee, (outgoing) co-chair, presented the report. Current CUERG members included Andrew Prevot, Boston College; Karen Henriquez, Xavier University; Sebastian Madathummuriyil, Duquesne University; Jessica Murdoch, Villanova University; C. Vanessa White, Catholic Theological Union; Cecilia Gonzalez-Andrieu, Loyola Marymount University; Sophia Park, co-chair, Holy Names University, Ramón Luzárraga, Benedictine University (incoming) co-chair.

On behalf of the committee, Natalia expressed thanks to MT Dávila and Mark Miller for their service to CUERG and to the CTSA, in particular for their help in shepherding the committee’s transition in membership.
Natalia shared that once again this year, the Black Catholic Theology and Hispanic/Latino/a Theology consultations joined to collaborate on two sessions. Entitled “The Triune God as a Theological Response to the Church Confronting and Resolving Community Fragmentation and Violence,” these sessions are scheduled for Friday afternoon and Saturday afternoon.

Natalia also shared that the CUERG luncheon would take place on Saturday, June 7. The costs of this year’s luncheon were offset through a generous grant from the Board, for which the members of CUERG were most grateful. It is their hope that this financial support will continue in future years. As always, Natalia warmly invited all who have an interest in advancing the work of scholars of color in the Catholic academy to participate in the luncheon. She also thanked Mary Jane Ponyik for her tireless work to make this event a reality each year.

Natalia related that this year CUERG continued work on a mission statement. They remain committed to ensuring the Society’s success in increasing the participation of CTSA members from underrepresented groups on leadership teams and steering committees, as well as on the Board. They were heartened by the presence of scholars of color, as well as some international scholars, throughout the program this year and continue to encourage the greater visibility of and collaboration with these and many other scholars from underrepresented groups, not only on the convention program, but in every capacity throughout the society.

Finally, Natalia concluded that giving this report was her final act as Co-Chair of CUERG, and thus expressed her deep gratitude to John Thiel for asking her to serve in this capacity, as well as to Susan Ross and Rick Gaillardetz for their support of CUERG’s activities. She also thanked Mary Jane Ponyik for her support and expressed enthusiasm for opportunities to collaborate with CUERG’s efforts in the coming years.

Report of the INSeCT Delegate

Nancy Pineda-Madrid, the INSeCT Delegate, presented the report. She thanked Dr. Cathy Clifford for mentoring her into her responsibilities as an incoming INSeCT Vice President. She also thanked Dr. Susan Ross and the CTSA Board for asking her to serve as the INSeCT delegate and anticipated being officially elected as the INSeCT Vice President at the summer the 2014 Network Council Meeting.

She noted that INSeCT was founded in 1996 to provide a forum for exchange and support between Catholic theology societies around the world. The Network Council (all Catholic society presidents) meets every three years. Since its inception all such meetings have been held in either the US or in Europe. For the first time in INSeCT’s history, Nancy shared that they will be meeting this year in the global south in Belo Horizonte, Brazil, hosted by the Brazilian Catholic society, SOTER. The theme for the meeting is “The Nature, Function, and Location of Theology with Particular Attention to Overcoming Abuse of Power in Church and Society.” This
theme was selected at the last Network Council Meeting held at De Paul University in Chicago (2011).

INSeCT has worked hard at recruiting society presidents and emerging scholars to attend this summer’s meeting, and they now have 36 confirmed attendees. They have representation from South America, Asia, Africa, Australia, Europe and North America and funds to cover the travel expenses of those who have requested it.

At the Network Council Meeting 3 years ago (2011), 24 scholars attended and of those 24, 12 were from the US. This summer they will have 36 attendees: 4 are from Asia; 5 from Africa; 1 from Australia; 5 from Europe; 7 from North America; and 14 from South America. Of the 7 from North America: 2 from US; 2 from Mexico; 2 from Canada; and 1 from Guatemala. Of the 36 attendees 9 are women: 3 from South America; 3 from North America; 2 from Asia, 1 from Africa, and none from Europe.

The two keynote speakers will be Fr. Friedrich Bechina, F.S.O., current Undersecretary of the Congregation for Catholic Education (Holy See), and Fr. Peter Hughes Fitzgerald, S.S.C., Executive Secretary for Justice and Solidarity, CELAM.

INSeCT is very grateful to CTSA for its contribution of $10,000, which will be used to cover the travel expenses for several attendees. Nancy further acknowledged that 3 Catholic societies in the US made contributions (CTSA, ACHTUS, and BCTS). In addition, they are grateful to SOTER, which is providing accommodations, meals and local transportation for all attendees. Many other foundations and universities also contributed to make this summer’s Network Council meeting possible.

Nancy reminded the membership that we can find out more about INSeCT membership, aims, and objectives at http://insecttheology.wordpress.com.

Presentation of the LaCugna Award

Karen Alliaume, Chair, presented the report of the Catherine Mowry LaCugna Award Committee, whose members include David Cloutier and Roberto Goizueta.

The committee received eleven strong submissions and selected from among them Michael Peppard’s essay, “Paul Would Be Proud: The New Testament and Jewish-Gentile Respect.” The committee members felt that this essay met the award criteria creatively and expertly, and Karen Alliaume gave a brief synopsis of the essay.

President Gaillardetz then presented the Catherine Mowry LaCugna Award, a plaque and a check, to Michael Peppard.

By Michael Peppard, Fordham University
In the fifty years since Nostra Aetate, Catholic theological scholarship on the Bible has been increasingly influenced by Jewish scholars. The 2011 publication of The Jewish Annotated New Testament, in which fifty Jewish scholars of the New Testament provide running commentary and explanatory essays, has been a culmination of that trend. This article reflects on Jewish-Catholic relations over these years with respect to New Testament interpretation and theology. Its guiding questions are: what were the conditions of Jewish-Gentile respect in the time of the New Testament, and how does our rediscovery of those relate to our contemporary conditions of Gentile-Jewish respect? Whereas “Gentile inclusion” was a central generative force of the New Testament itself, the essay argues that a kind of “Jewish inclusion”—Gentile hospitality to Jewish interpretations of that very text—has been a hallmark of recent scholarship. But the opportunities of this renewed relationship also bring new challenges for cultivating respect, and the latter part of the essay addresses four of these contemporary topics: the lack of outreach to the pews; the unpredictability of Jewish readings of the New Testament; movements attempting to ban circumcision; and the Jewish challenge to Christian soteriology. In most instances, the apostle Paul’s faithful yet ultimately apophatic stance toward Jewish-Gentile relations still serves as a model for Catholics in dialogue with Jews about New Testament theology.

Action to Receive the Reports

The reports were received by acclamation.

Adjournment

There being no new business, President Gaillardetz adjourned the meeting at approximately 6:00 p.m.

Natalie Kertes Weaver
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