

Friday, June 5

- 1:00 p.m. **Participants begin arriving**
Mary Hall, Lower Level
- 5:00 p.m. **Social**
Great Hall Courtyard (Centenary Room, Quadrangle 264 in case of rain)
- 6:00 p.m. **Dinner**
Centenary Room, Quadrangle 264
- 7:15 p.m. **Opening Welcome**
Thomas M. Landy, Director, Collegium
Dr. Joseph DesJardins, Associate Provost and Academic Dean
- 8:00 p.m. **Evening Prayer**
Saint John's Abbey Church

Saturday, June 6

Objectives for the Day:

- A. During the week we'll discuss many things about what Catholic intellectual and spiritual traditions have to offer. But we begin the week with a focus on experience. Two elements of the program -- the morning introductions today and the afternoon mentor presentations tomorrow -- launch a week-long process aimed to help participants identify and articulate their own goals, hopes, and challenges in their careers and faith lives. A primary aim of Collegium is to give participants the opportunity to further develop their own sense of vocation. That process entails paying attention to experience and knowing our particular talents and greatest hopes, but is enriched and even made possible by relating to the hopes and histories of others. Whatever promise there is for Catholic higher education or Catholic intellectual life depends in the largest part on the community's ability to nourish that sense of vocation.
- B. The week's major presentations offer perspectives on the traditions and future of Catholic intellectual life, outlining some elements of the "Catholic imagination" and exploring what contribution it might make to our work and our institutions. For us or for our institutions to be Catholic is to take part in a tradition but also to develop and re-shape it at times in light of the Gospel. Today's major presentation discusses the place of the intellectual life in the church today, in terms of both opportunities and challenges.
- C. Taken together, the interweave of inductive and deductive approaches is aimed to help participants discern how best to shape and reshape their own vocation given their particular hopes, talents, and opportunities. Prayer and spirituality offer us a final means -- essential to the religious life -- of recognizing our hopes and fears and discerning our own vocation, beginning with reflection on who we are and where we have been.

7:30 a.m. **Breakfast**
Sexton Commons – Br. Willie's Pub

7:45 a.m. **Mentor/Spiritual Director/Director working breakfast**
Sexton 200

9:00 a.m. **Small groups**
Quadrangle rooms 252, 254, 261, 347, 349, 360, 361, 365
This discussion serves as an opportunity to introduce yourself briefly to your group. Since our shared reflections often bring up questions of commitment and belonging, we ask participants to say something about:

- What is most important to you?
- In what ways in your work environments, disciplines, and elsewhere in your life to you feel that you fully "belong"?
- Where might you feel left out or marginalized?
- Where might you hold yourself at a distance?

- 11:15 a.m. **Break**
Centenary Room, Quadrangle 264
Coffee, tea and cold drinks are available.
- 11:30 a.m. **Major Presentation – “Words to Learn By”**
Tom Landy
Centenary Room, Quadrangle 264
- 12:30 p.m. **Lunch**
Sexton Commons – Br. Willie’s Pub
- 2:15 -
3:45 PM **Small group discussions**
Quadrangle rooms 252, 254, 261, 347, 349, 360, 361, 365
Discussion about major presentation and readings.
- 4:00 p.m. **Prayer/Spirituality -- “Remembrance and Spirituality”**
Saint Benedict’s Chapel, (located in Saint John’s Abbey Church)
- 5:00 p.m. **Common Worship**
Saint Benedict’s Chapel, (located in Saint John’s Abbey Church)
- 6:00 p.m. **Dinner – “Dinner for the Disciplines”**
(Tent cards are set up at each table to give participants in different disciplines a chance to meet one another. No formal discussion required!)
Sexton Commons – Br. Willie’s Pub
- 7:30 p.m. **Babette’s Feast**
Art Center Auditorium
- 9:15 p.m. **Post-Film Discussion & Reception**
Tom Landy
Art Gallery Foyer

Sunday, June 7

Objectives for the Day:

- A. Over the next several days, discussion will center on three major claims about Catholic intellectual life: that it is christocentric, sacramental, and communitarian. The discussion is not meant to be comprehensive or conclusive, but to be compelling, i.e., to help participants see what might be naturally Catholic about the intellectual life.
- B. Today's major theme, the sacramental worldview, develops from last night's film, "Babette's Feast." The theme, which incorporates Catholicism's "analogical imagination" and its belief in the ability of creation to mediate God's presence in the world, provides a fertile starting point for understanding how faith and intellectual life can be mutually enriching.
- C. Prayer/Spirituality moves toward the theme of discernment, but begins by focusing on how we might look for God's call in our own lives, work, desires, and imagination.

7:30 a.m. **Breakfast**

-9:00 a.m. *Sexton Commons – Br. Willie's Pub*

8:15 a.m. **Mentor/Spiritual Director/Director working breakfast**

-9:00 a.m. *Sexton 200*

10:30 a.m. **Eucharist**

St. John's Abbey Church (with St. John's community)

12:00 Noon **Lunch**

Sexton Commons – Br. Willie's Pub

1:45 p.m. **Small Groups**

Quadrangle Rooms 252, 254, 261, 347, 349, 360, 361, 365

DVD - Rev. Michael Himes – Boston College, Department of Theology: "Finding God in All Things: A Sacramental World View and the Difference it Makes in Catholic Belief and Institutions"

3:30 p.m. **Break**

Centenary Room, Quadrangle 264

Coffee, tea and cold drinks are available

3:45 p.m. **Small groups**

Quadrangle rooms 252, 254, 261, 347, 349, 360, 361, 365

Discussion of readings and themes of the day.

5:00 p.m. **Prayer/Spirituality – "Where Do We Look for God? Where Does God Look for Us?"**

Emmaus Hall Chapel

6:00 p.m. **Dinner**

Sexton Commons – Br. Willie's Pub

7:45 p.m.

Mentor Presentations

Two mentors tell the story of their call as intellectuals and Christians: how they see a mesh between the spiritual and intellectual in their work and everyday lives; what fueled their sense of vocation early in their studies and careers; and how they see their role as teachers *of* the church and/or teachers *for* the church.

John Neary, Karen Eifler

Sexton Commons – Br. Willie's Pub

8:30-10:00

p.m.

Social (optional) Open mic night!

Sexton Commons – Br. Willie's Pub

Monday, June 8

Objectives for the Day:

- A. Today's discussion turns to Jesus. Following on Saturday's theme of the church's need to read the signs of the times and to grow, change, and develop, Pelikan's book shows some of the many ways Jesus has come to be understood in different cultural contexts in the history of Christianity. The goal is to broaden participants' understanding of who Jesus is and the many ways he has been interpreted.
- B. The conversation also focuses on what difference a christocentric world view makes in intellectual life. In a workplace culture that privatizes and compartmentalizes faith, how do we discuss or conceive of Jesus in relation to our work? Is Jesus relevant to teaching and research?
- C. While the Catholic imagination is arguably very world- and culture-affirming in most of its history, the tradition has been enriched and often prodded by prophets who saw cultures more in need of repair than affirmation. The discussion today examines this prophetic-sacramental dialectic, and focuses on how we and our institutions need to take on these functions today.
- D. The morning will provide opportunities for participants to meet and talk with other participants in similar disciplines.

7:30 a.m. **Breakfast**
Sexton Commons – Br. Willie's Pub

Mentor/Spiritual Director/Director working breakfast
Sexton 200

8:45 a.m. **Morning Prayer**
Emmaus Hall Chapel

9:15 a.m. **Disciplinary Perspectives**
The first of two opportunities to meet in disciplinary groupings. Topics to consider are: 1) Identify three points where faith/spirituality intersect (positively or negatively) with your discipline; 2) How do we begin to think about addressing religion and ethics in ways suitable to your discipline and own sense of vocation?

Humanities A (English, Foreign Languages & Literatures, Classics, Visual & Performing Arts) *Quadrangle room 252 (Eva Hooker, Facilitator)*

Humanities B (History, Philosophy, Religious Studies, Theology, Culture Studies) *Quadrangle room 254 (David Gentry-Akin, Facilitator)*

Social Sciences *Quadrangle room 261 (Rodger Narloch, Facilitator)*

Biological and Physical Sciences *Quadrangle room 347 (Maura Tyrell, Facilitator)*

Professional Education *Quadrangle room 361 (Carl Jylland-Halverson, Facilitator)*

Please note: If you think you belong with a different group for this discussion, speak to Tom.

- 10:30 a.m. **Break**
Centenary Room, Quadrangle 264
 Coffee, tea and cold drinks are available.
- 10:45 a.m. **Small groups -- Images of God: Who Do We Say Jesus Is for the World?**
Quadrangle rooms 252, 254, 261, 347, 349, 360, 361, 365
 Participants are asked to prepare by reading three chapters of their choice from Jaroslav Pelikan's *Jesus Through the Centuries*. The groups will discuss the variety and meaning of those interpretations. Which images do they find compelling? What makes some "Catholic"?
- 12:00 p.m. **Lunch**
Sexton Commons – Br. Willie’s Pub
- 2:00 p.m. **Buses depart for College of Saint Benedict**
Parking lot beside Sexton Commons
- Bottled water and cold drinks will be available upon arrival at Haehn Campus Center in the Atrium*
- 2:30 p.m. **Shusaku Endo, Flannery O’Connor – Alumni Hall**
Hildegard of Bingen, Mary Douglas – O’Connell’s
Matteo Ricci , Charles Taylor – Murray 001
Georg Mendel, Sor Juana Inés de La Cruz – Murray 002
Discussion - “A World in Need of Redemption”
 While the Judeo-Christian account of creation begins with a sacramental worldview—with reminders that “God saw the world, and it was good”—we also have to acknowledge the many more examples of evil in the world than most of us can face. How do we face up to the realities of evil? What are we positioned and called to do about it as teachers and scholars? What do we each want to do?
- 3:45 p.m. **Prayer/Spirituality -- “God of Great Desires, God of Great Surprises”**
Oratory, Sacred Heart Chapel
- 5:00 p.m. **Eucharist**
With the Monastic Community of the College of Saint Benedict
Sacred Heart Chapel
- 6:30 p.m. **Reception & Dinner**
Theresa Reception Center
- 8:00 p.m. **Buses return to Saint John’s University**
In front of Sacred Heart Chapel
- 9:00-11:00 p.m. **Social (optional) Open mic night II !**
Sexton Commons – Br. Willie’s Pub

Tuesday, June 9

RETREAT & REFLECTION DAY

Objective for the Day:

This day provides an opportunity to explore one of the major spiritualities operative in Catholic colleges and universities, or simply to develop more fully the explorations begun in shorter sessions earlier in the week. Workshops include Family, Faith & Intellectual Life, Ignatian, Benedictine, Franciscan, and Christian feminist spiritualities. A brief description of each spirituality, a program for the day, and a sign-up sheet will be posted on Saturday. Space is limited for each retreat.

- 7:30 a.m. **Breakfast**
Sexton Commons – Br. Willie’s Pub
- Mentor/Spiritual Director/Director working breakfast**
Sexton 200
- 8:30 a.m. **Morning Prayer/Lectio Divina**
Saint John’s Abbey Church
- 9:00 a.m. **Retreats**
Benedictine – Jeffrey Kaster – *Quadrangle Room 252*
Franciscan – Fr. Steven McMichael – *Quadrangle Room 261*
Ignatian – Martin Kelly – *Quadrangle Room 347*
Family, Faith & Intellectual Life – Megan Fox-Kelly – *Quadrangle Room 349*
- 9:00 a.m.-
4:45 p.m. **Saint John’s Abbey Church is available for individual reflection.**
- 12:00 p.m. **Lunch**
Sexton Commons – Br. Willie’s Pub
- 4:45 p.m. **Eucharist –**
Emmaus Hall Chapel
- 6:00 p.m. **Dinner**
Picnic - Wimmer Hall Picnic Area (Sexton Commons in case of rain)
- 8:00 p.m. **Poetry Reading – (optional) Fireside Lounge, Sexton Commons**
Note :Participants should bring a favorite poem or reading to share
- 8:00-10:00
p.m. **Social (optional)**
Sexton Commons – Br. Willie’s Pub

Wednesday, June 10

Objectives for the Day:

Today's discussion focuses on the church's understanding of its role in the world since Vatican II, and introduces some of the ways Catholic social thought has tried to formulate a more just vision of society.

- 7:30 a.m. **Breakfast**
Sexton Commons – Br. Willie's Pub
- Mentor/Spiritual Director/Director working breakfast**
Sexton 200
- 8:30 a.m. **Morning Prayer**
Saint John's Abbey Church
- 9:00 a.m. **Prayer/Spirituality – “Discernment and Discipleship”**
Saint John's Abbey Church
- 10:00a.m. **Major Presentation –Catholic Social Thought**
Christine Firer-Hinze, Fordham University
Centenary Room, Quadrangle 264
Coffee, tea and cold drinks will be available.
- 12:00 p.m. **Lunch**
Set up special lunch to continue conversation
- 2:00 p.m. **Small Groups**
Quadrangle rooms 252, 254, 261, 347, 349, 360, 361, 365
Discussion of readings and consideration of the shaping of institutions and the prophetic-sacramental dialectic and its role in Catholic higher education.
- 4:00 p.m. **Evening in Minneapolis/St. Paul**
-Buses depart from parking lot in front of Sexton Commons
-Drop-off will be at the Mall of America first, then in the city (for people interested in “uptown” bookstores, it is a 10-minute cab ride from bus drop location).
- Return:** *Bus will depart Mall of America at 9:00 PM, then in the city at 9:15. Please plan to be at drop-off locations 15 minutes before departure time.*

For those remaining on campus:

5:00 p.m. **Eucharist**
St. John's Abbey Church (with Saint John's community)

5:30 p.m. **Dinner**
Sexton Commons – Br. Willie's Pub

Thursday, June 11

Objectives for the Day:

- A. Today we focus even more concretely on living out a Christian vocation through the intellectual life in both the Catholic college or university and the secular university. This discussion also focuses on the variety of institutional models and of realizing Catholic identity on campus.
- B. We begin to bring closure to the week and to discuss opportunities to follow through on this experience.

7:30 a.m. **Breakfast**
Sexton Commons – Br. Willie’s Pub

Mentor/Spiritual Director/Director working breakfast
Sexton 200

8:30 a.m. **Morning Prayer**
Saint John’s Abbey Church

9:15 a.m. **Disciplinary Perspectives**
Since we live in an age of academic assessment, we can use this time to assess what student learning objectives we desire for students who finish the individual courses we teach and who graduate from our departments. 1) In light of the needs of your students and the issues you have considered this week, what would you put on a list of student learning objectives for one or two specific courses that you teach? 2) Are there content areas that need to be re-emphasized? Outcome goals that you would have your department revisit in light of your specific departmental and institutional mission?

Humanities A (English, Foreign Languages & Literatures, Classics, Visual & Performing Arts) *Quadrangle Room 252* (Jody Ziegler - Facilitator)
Humanities B (History, Philosophy, Religious Studies, Theology, Culture Studies) *Quadrangle Room 254* (John Neary - Facilitator)
Social Sciences *Quadrangle Room 261* (Tom Landy - Facilitator)
Biological and Physical Sciences *Quadrangle Room 347* (Maura Tyrrell - Facilitator)
Professional Education *Quadrangle Room 361* (Karen Eifler - Facilitator)

10:15 a.m. **Break**
Centenary Room, Quadrangle 264
Coffee, tea and cold drinks are available.

10:30 a.m. **Small groups**
Quadrangle rooms 252, 254, 261, 347, 349, 360, 361, 365
Discussions of readings.

- 12:00 p.m. **Lunch**
Sexton Commons – Br. Willie’s Pub
- 1:30 p.m. Photos – *Saint John’s Abbey Church (outside) or Centenary Room, Quadrangle 264 or (depending on weather)*
- 1:45 p.m.-
3:00 p.m. **Small Groups - “Thinking of Home”**
Quadrangle rooms 252, 254, 261, 347, 349, 360, 361, 365
- How can I make a difference in my institution, classroom or discipline?
(participants may want to bring syllabi)
 - Maintaining balance in my life: What practices can I take home to make room for a spiritual life? What do I need to give up to make room in my life?
- 3:15-
4:15 p.m. **Prayer/Spirituality -- “Being Sent”**
Small groups will offer each other a departing blessing during this session.
Emmaus Hall Chapel
- 4:15 -
5:15 p.m. **Eucharist –**
Emmaus Hall Chapel
- 6:30 p.m. **Social**
Great Hall Courtyard
- 7:15 p.m. **Closing Dinner**
Great Hall

Friday, June 12

6:00 a.m. **Breakfast to go**
-9:00 a.m. *Mary Hall, lower level*

6:30 a.m. **Checkout and preparation for airport departure**
- 11 a.m.