



Summer Franciscan Zoom Lectures

June 18 DR. GARRETT GALVIN, OFM

Franciscan Contemplative Prayer: Prayer for a Busy People in the World

Franciscan Contemplative Prayer was developed for those fully engaged in the world. Franciscans have helped lay people to pray daily in the midst of the distractions of business and family life. While contemplation can sound suitable only for a monastery, Franciscans have worked with lay people for centuries to give them the tools for contemplative prayer. We will focus on how suited this rich tradition is for the 21st Century.

July 2 DR. THOMAS NAIRN, OFM

Pope Francis' Integral Ecology and the Consistent Ethic of Life: Calls for a Wider Moral Vision

As we celebrate the fifth anniversary of the Encyclical, *Laudato Si'*, this talk will compare some contours of the encyclical with the Consistent Ethic of Life espoused by the late Cardinal Joseph Bernardin. Rather than discussing the content of both programs, I will discuss three commitments demonstrated by both churchmen: (1) respect for the other, (2) appreciation of complexity, and (3) awareness of the action of the Holy Spirit, and show how these commitments lead both to a "wider moral Catholic vision."

July 16 DR. DARLEEN PRYDS

Ongoing Conversion and the Role of Emotions in Franciscan Spirituality: Franciscan Joy

In the popular imagination Franciscan spirituality is often reduced to cute and sentimental depictions of the animal-loving Francis. But looking closely at the spiritual path of ongoing conversion that Francis took, along with the paths forged by Clare and many lay affiliates, we find there was always a gravitas to the joy Franciscans experienced. This talk contrasts Franciscan joy and mere cheerfulness in the final installment to a work on the emotional range in the Franciscan tradition. The purpose of my work on emotional range in the Franciscan tradition is to explore the role various emotions have in the process of ongoing conversion and to rescue the Franciscan spiritual tradition from the pitfalls of mere quaintness and cuteness.

July 30 DR. MAUREEN DAY

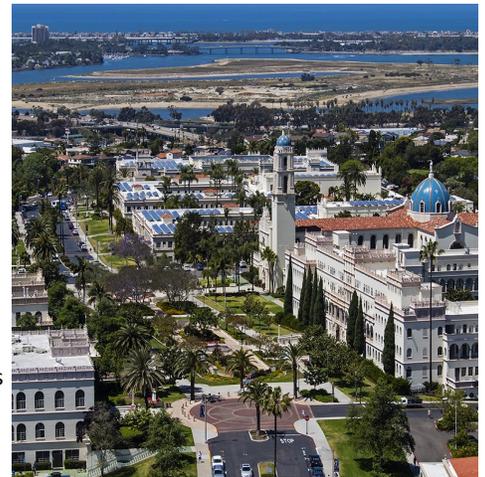
Young Adult Catholics: Why Questions are Better Than Answers

A growing number of studies are examining Catholic young adults and they are all reporting the same results: young adults are leaving in droves. However, when these studies are examined more closely, they offer a more interesting story than the "leaving in droves" narrative provides. This talk will explore the ways people are studying young adults, lift up important takeaways from these studies, and distill a set of questions to craft a ministry for Catholic millennials and iGens.

August 13 DR. JOSEPH CHINNICI, OFM

What Makes Pope Francis so Franciscan and Why Now?

A timely new wind is blowing in the Church and society in the person of Pope Francis and in the Franciscan family. What makes this Franciscan message so important for today? A consideration of three themes in the writings of Pope Francis and how they converge with the practices and insights dominant in the Franciscan tradition serves to illuminate our own "moment" and task in the contemporary world. Tune in and find out!



SCHEDULE

Each 40-minute lecture will be followed by a 20-minute discussion period. It will be delivered online and synchronously, beginning at 7:00 P.M. PDT.

FORMAT

Each lecture has a unique Zoom link. Registrants will be sent an email within 24 hours in advance of the lecture.

COST

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