



From the Desk of Fr. Mark Bosco, S.J.

Dear Colleagues and Friends,

As the Hank Center moves into its final month of programming for the semester, the Christian community continues its journey through Lent into Easter. In my course this week, students are discussing the poetry of Denise Levertov. One of her poems, "Primary Wonder," struck me more profoundly than usual as a Lenten reminder:

*Days pass when I forget the mystery.
Problems insoluble and problems offering
their own ignored solutions
jostle for my attention, they crowd its antechamber
along with a host of diversions, my courtiers, wearing
their colored clothes; cap and bells.*

And then

*once more the quiet mystery
is present to me, the throng's clamor
recedes: the mystery that there is anything, anything at all,
let alone cosmos, joy, memory, everything,
rather than void: and that, O Lord,
Creator, Hallowed One, You still,
hour by hour sustain it.*

(*The Collected Poems of Denise Levertov*. New York: New Directions, 2013)

Levertov's poem reminds us of the mystery at the heart of our being, that we are, indeed, something and not nothing. May we be moved by wonder in the month ahead.

On April 6, join us as we literally wonder about Beauty. The annual *John Courtney Murray Forum*, a student-led interdisciplinary program, will witness to the importance of beauty in Christian spirituality.

On April 18, we turn our attention to another kind of witness when we welcome Chicago's Cardinal Blase Cupich to campus to give the *Cardinal Bernadin Common Cause Lecture*, a new annual lecture sponsored by both the Hank Center and the Loyola University Jesuit Community. Cardinal Cupich will speak about the Christian witness to hope—a witness that is so important for our nation and our world today.

And finally, please join me in congratulating Dr. Frank Fennell, emeritus professor of English and former dean of the College of Arts and Sciences. We honor him this Friday, March 31, with Loyola's *Living Tradition Award*, for his lifelong service to the Catholic intellectual life of Loyola University. Ad Majorem Dei Gloriam!

All the best,
Fr. Mark Bosco, S.J.

Spiritual and Cultural Pilgrimage to Spain



June 26 - July 6, 2017

Join Loyola University Museum of Art on a Spiritual Cultural Pilgrimage to Spain. Follow in the footsteps of St. Ignatius of Loyola under the Leadership of Fr. Mark Bosco, S.J., Ph.D., director of the Center for Catholic Intellectual Heritage, Dr. Natasha Ritsma, Curator of the Loyola University Museum of Art, and Kathleen Beaulieu, Board Member of the Loyola University Museum of Art.

Follow [this link](#) to learn more about the travel itinerary, prices, and to book your travel.

Medieval Movie Night

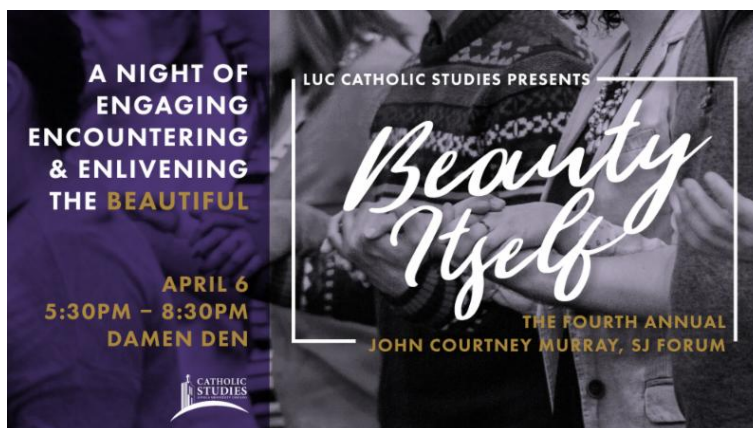
The Sorceress



Monday, April 3
6:00PM-8:30PM

Crown Center Auditorium
Loyola University Chicago
1032 W. Sheridan Rd.
Chicago, IL 60660

John Courtney Murray, SJ Forum: *Beauty Itself*



Thursday, April 6
5:30PM-8:30PM

The Den, Damen Student Center
Loyola University Chicago
1032 W. Sheridan Rd.
Chicago, IL 60660

The fourth John Courtney Murray, SJ, student-led, student-centered forum will focus on the celebration of beauty as it is experienced through the lens of the Catholic Intellectual Tradition. Beauty - one of the original imaginings of God - discloses truth and goodness in the world, enlivens the arts, engages the intellect, and directs the soul. Join a variety of voices as we both reflect on and unpack our evening's three main parts: *Beauty in the Unbeautiful*, *Searching for Lasting Beauty*, and *Beauty in Relationships*.

Event is free and open to the public.

Cardinal Bernadin Common Cause Lecture

Called to Witness

CCIH is co-sponsoring the Medieval Studies Program's screening of *The Sorceress*, inspired by the account of a 13th-century Dominican inquisitor, Stephen of Bourbon, concerning a rather unusual healing cult in France. An historical introduction will take place before the film and discussion will follow after.

Event is free and open to the public. Please RSVP to Dr. Gross-Diaz at tgross@luc.edu.

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Thursday, April 18
Lecture 4:00PM-5:30PM
Reception 5:30PM-6:00PM

McCormick Lounge, Coffey Hall
Loyola University Chicago
1032 W. Sheridan Rd.
Chicago, IL 60660

The Hank Center for the Catholic Intellectual Heritage, in collaboration with the Loyola University Jesuit Community, sponsors its inaugural Cardinal Bernardin Common Cause lecture this April 18. The lecture offers a Catholic prelate each year a platform to engage Loyola's community in common cause with the Church on issues facing us today.

The Common Cause Lecture is named after Joseph Bernardin, Cardinal Archbishop of Chicago from 1982 to 1996, for his influential work toward Church reform after the Second Vatican Council through his Catholic Common Ground Initiative. Bernardin further sought to address social issues, especially in developing his "Seamless Garment Ethic of Life." He also worked toward ecumenism and interfaith dialogue throughout his life.

In honor of Cardinal Bernardin's legacy, Cardinal Blase Joseph Cupich, Archbishop of Chicago, will address our common ground in a time of division. How do we bear witness to hope and encourage others to live and defend the faith?

Cardinal Cupich is the current Archbishop of Chicago, installed in 2014, after previously serving as Bishop of Rapid City and Spokane. He received his doctorate in Sacred Theology at the Catholic University of America. Pope Francis elevated Cupich to Cardinal this past fall. He has upheld Cardinal Bernardin's call for a "consistent ethic of life" for all people.

Event is free and open to the public.

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About the Center

The Joan and Bill Hank Center for the Catholic Intellectual Heritage exists to help faculty and students recognize and research Roman Catholic thought and its link to all academic disciplines in the university. It also seeks to convey that thought to other audiences inside and outside Loyola University Chicago.

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