



Dear Friends and Colleagues,

Kind greetings and welcome back to another semester at Loyola! We have set a wonderful calendar for the coming year and our Hank Center team is truly excited to bring an excellent array of programs and events from farm to table. From marking the 500th anniversary of Martin Luther's 95 theses this fall to marking 50 years since the globally convulsive year of 1968 in the spring, CCIH continues to provide programming that expands scholarship, advances engagement, and deepens appreciation for the Catholic intellectual and artistic heritage.

Three events to highlight in this newsletter. We begin the fall term on September 28 with another installment in our "Catholicism in Dialogue" series. *I Was a Stranger: Student Stories of Religious Hospitality* is a timely colloquium that seeks to integrate the moral heart of religious identity with the political challenges of cultivating the common good. On the Feast of St. Francis (October 4), CCIH welcomes author and entrepreneur Aaron William Perry who has organized a session called *Sacred Sustainability: Life Hacking a Living Tradition*. Aaron's hands-on workshop will bring to life many of the principles celebrated in Pope Francis's landmark encyclical *Laudato Si'*. On October 18, CCIH welcomes a broad array of Christian thinkers and leaders to *That We May All Be One: Reformation and the Spirit of Christian Unity*. We mark the 500th anniversary of Luther's famous "post" with a day-long symposium that examines historic divisions that emerged from Reformation controversies-- as well as points of theological, cultural, and pastoral unity among Christians.

We also begin year four of the *Teilhard de Chardin Fellowship in Catholic Studies*. Funded through the generosity of the Loyola Jesuit Community, this endowed chair is a semester-long fellowship for scholars and artists from across the disciplines whose work intersects with the rich intellectual, artistic, and historical tradition of Roman Catholicism. This fall, we welcome fiction writer, Uwem Akpan. In addition to teaching a course on writing, Mr. Akpan will also deliver his much anticipated *Teilhard* lecture on November 9.

Finally, there is an empty chair at CCIH. After five years of stellar service as Director of CCIH, Fr. Mark Bosco, SJ, has accepted

a post at Georgetown University. While we will miss Fr. Bosco's creativity, collegiality, and quick laugh, we wish him all the best. It's good to know that CCIH has a friend in Washington DC.

I encourage you to attend as many events as you can as most are free and open to the public, and to check out the books on our recommended reading list. Also, please visit our [webpage](#) regularly as we begin another year of engaging, interrogating, and celebrating Roman Catholic thought and culture at Loyola University.

Warmest Regards,

Dr. Michael P. Murphy

FAREWELL  
FR. MARK BOSCO



CCIH says farewell to Mark Bosco, S.J., who served as Director of the Center for five years. We thank Fr.

Bosco for his excellent service and wish him the best in his exciting new leadership role as Vice President for Mission and Ministry at Georgetown University. Please read our [full farewell letter to Fr. Bosco](#).



**CATHOLICISM IN DIALOGUE 2017**

**Thursday, September 28**

3:00 - 5:00 PM

**McCormick Lounge, Coffey Hall**

Loyola University Chicago

1032 W. Sheridan Rd.

Chicago, IL 60660

What are the faces of hospitality in the world today? What are the challenges that religious traditions face that might be unusual or unique in the world? How do these traditions envision welcoming in a manner distinct from other secular, political, or religious approaches?

For this fall's *Catholicism in Dialogue* program, CCIH joins forces with [Campus Ministry](#) and the [Department of Theology & Religious Studies](#) to offer students a year-long experience of hospitality titled "There Are No Strangers Here." Our September 28 event, *I Was a Stranger: Student Stories of Religious Hospitality*, kicks off the proceedings and brings together student representatives of Loyola's major faith communities, focusing first on Judaism and Christianity. Students will share their personal experiences of welcome in their faith communities and will be engaged by respondents and by the community in attendance. After the presentations, students will be available to discuss their respective traditions in more detail during a time of casual conversation and refreshments. All are welcome.

***This Event is Free and Open to the Public.***

2017 Fall Semester  
The Pierre Teilhard de  
Chardin, S.J. Fellowship in  
Catholic Studies at LUC

AWARD-WINNING



[UWEM AKPAN](#)



Akpan will teach a course on fiction writing as storytelling and deliver the **Pierre Teilhard de Chardin public lecture:**

November 9, 2017  
3:30 - 5:30 PM

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2017 Fall Semester  
FACULTY READING  
GROUP



G. K. Chesterton



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FAITH, SCIENCE, AND ETHICS COLLOQUIUM

# SACRED SUSTAINABILITY: LIFE HACKING A LIVING TRADITION

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## COLLOQUIUM

**Wednesday, October 4**

3:30 - 5:30 PM

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On the Feast of St. Francis (October 4th), author and social entrepreneur, [Aaron William Perry](#), will explore the interconnected themes of sustainability, health, and well-being. Following both the spirit of St. Francis of Assisi and the practical agenda laid out by Pope Francis in his encyclical *Laudato Si'*, Perry will discuss methods that cultivate humility, an ethic of stewardship, awe and appreciation, and intentional acts that deliberately aim to heal our world. The goal is not only to raise awareness in both a scientific and spiritual sense, but also to suggest ways that economic markets might also flourish if they move in the direction of care, compassion, stewardship, and regenerative sustainability. This event is co-sponsored by the [Institute of Environmental Sustainability](#).

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SYMPOSIUM

# THAT WE MAY ALL BE ONE REFORMATION AND THE SPIRIT OF CHRISTIAN UNITY

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## SYMPOSIUM

**That We May All Be One: Reformation & the Spirit of Christian Unity**

Marking 500 years of Martin Luther's 95 Theses

**Wednesday, October 18**

9:00 AM - 5:30 PM

companion to his publication, *Heretics*, Chesterton's *Orthodoxy* has become a classic of Christian apologetics.

In recognition of GKC's great appeal on PBS, we will also read two Fr. Brown mysteries.

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On October 31, 1517, Reverend Father Martin Luther, Master of Arts and Sacred Theology, and ordinary lecturer therein at Wittenberg, posted 95 theses on the door of the Castle Church. The door functioned as a bulletin board for various announcements related to local academic and church affairs. However, due in large part to the recent invention of the printing press, this "post" was "heard around the world" in a relatively short time. To mark the 500th anniversary of the Reformation-and to place the events in conversation with the Catholic Reformation-CCIH has invited Christian thinkers and leaders to discuss not only the historic divisions that emerged from the reformation controversies, but also, and more importantly, to explore points of shared theological, cultural, and pastoral concerns. This event will conclude with a 16th century setting of vespers and features [Martin Marty](#), [Jon Sweeney](#), [Susan Ross](#), [Robin Lovin](#), [Aana Vigen](#), [Jon Nilson](#), [John Armstrong](#), [Craig Mueller](#), [Ellen Wondra](#), [John Paul Salay](#), and more.

*This Event is Free and Open to the Public.*

## CONTROVERSIAL CONVERSATIONS

### Faith and Public Life

**Thursday, October 26**

6:00 PM, Piper Hall, LSC

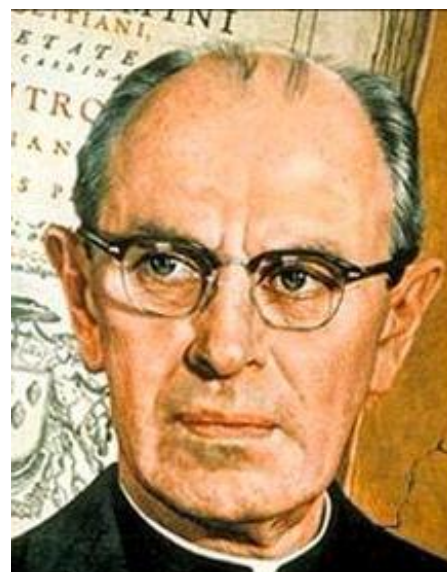
**Thursday, November 16**

6:30 PM, The Den, Damen Student Center,  
LSC

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Student discussions on faith and public life with [Dr. Miguel Diaz](#), John Courtney Murray University Chair in Public Service and Ambassador to the Holy See, Retired.

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John Courtney Murray, SJ

### Faith in Focus Film Series

#### *The Ultimate Sacrifice*



Documentary about Juozas Vitkus, a Lithuanian officer who resisted Russian occupation in 1994. Post film discussion led by special guest speaker, Fr. Gintarus Vitkus, S.J., grandson of Col. Vitkus & Jesuit Provincial of Lithuania & Latvia.

**October 24, 6:00 PM**  
**Damen Cinema**  
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## ANDALUSIA IN ANDALUCIA

### An International Conference on Flannery O'Connor

This past summer, the Hank Center, along with Universidad Loyola Andalucía, held an international



conference on the American short story writer and novelist Flannery O'Connor (1925-1964). Andalusia in Andalucía focused on engaging the literary vision of O'Connor's stories and the critical reception of her work in light of Spanish Baroque aesthetics, the literary grotesque, and the Catholic imagination. The conference featured a riveting plenary address by Mexican-American author Richard Rodriguez, as well as an insightful and personal speech by the renowned Spanish novelist, poet, and critic Andrés Trapiello.

The conference also hosted an energetic round table discussion between Gretchen Dobrott, Esther Navío and Cristina Sánchez-Andrade on the subject of translating O'Connor into Spanish, and featured a full complement of paper and panel presentations given by international O'Connor scholars. Southern hospitality was alive and well in Andalucía as the leadership of Universidad Loyola Andalucía organized several superb excursions for conference attendees: up close and personal visits to historical and cultural sites in Andalucía and Córdoba, many beautiful meals, and excellent fellowship. The Hank Center is profoundly grateful to ULA-- and to everyone who made this conference a success. Abrazos!



## RECOMMENDED READING

Each month CCIH will recommend new and notable books that integrate, interrogate, and celebrate the Catholic intellectual and artistic tradition.

[\*Age of Anger: A History of the Present\*](#) (2017)

By Pankaj Mishra

Mishra takes a long look at the origins of the great wave of paranoid hatreds that bewilder and terrify us in today's world. Exposing how the promises of modernity—freedom, prosperity, stability—represent broken promises for all but global elites, Mishra explores how those excluded have become increasingly susceptible to demagogues. While not a text in the Catholic intellectual tradition, Mishra takes the religious dimension seriously and questions secularism with insight and alacrity.

[\*Faith and Resistance in the Age of Trump\*](#) (2017)

Edited by Miguel A. De La Torre

Featuring an essay by LUC's own [Miguel Diaz](#), John Courtney Murray University Chair in Public Service, this book offers reflections from notable religious leaders and scholars about the political and confessional crises that currently threaten not only our republic, but also our most deeply held religious claims and values.

[\*The Jesuits & Globalization: Historical Legacies & Contemporary Challenges\*](#) (2016)

Edited by Thomas Banchoff & José Casanova

What do the Jesuits tell us about globalization, and what can globalization tell us about the Jesuits? Banchoff and Casanova present a multidisciplinary exploration into what we can learn from the historical and contemporary experience of the Society of Jesus.

[\*The Ninth Hour: A Novel\*](#) (2017)

By Alice McDermott

Set in 1940s/50s Catholic Brooklyn, this novel weaves the story of one Irish immigrant family

Catholic Minds,  
Catholic Matters

*G.K. Chesterton: Prophetic  
Voice in the Public Square*



Chesterton scholar, [Fr. Ian Boyd](#) of Seton Hall University will explore the contemporary resonance of G.K. Chesterton's prophetic voice.

November 2

3:30 - 5:30 PM

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through three generations. Revealing along the way a wholly individual and universal understanding of the human condition, the story tests the limits of love and sacrifice, of forgiveness and forgetfulness. Alice McDermott is not only a gifted novelist, but a leading practitioner of the Catholic Imagination.

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[\*Rebel in the Ranks: Martin Luther, the Reformation, and the Conflicts That Continue to Shape Our World\*](#) (2017)

By Brad S. Gregory

Just in time for the 500th Anniversary of the Reformation, Notre Dame Historian Brad Gregory examines the complicated legacy of Martin Luther and how his unintended yet epochal movement continues to shape the world today.

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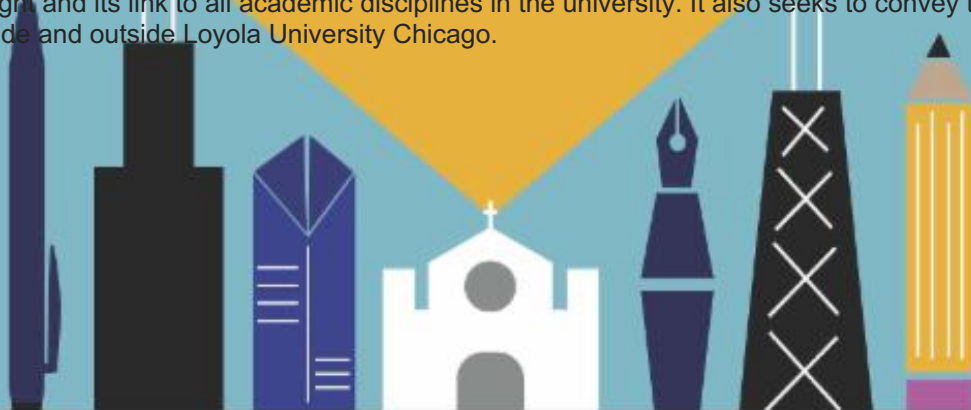
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## About the Center

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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