

ATHENAEUM OF OHIO

MOUNT ST. MARY'S SEMINARY OF THE WEST * LAY PASTORAL MINISTRY PROGRAM * SPECIAL STUDIES DIVISION

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2017 AUTUMN SEMESTER COURSE OFFERINGS

Seminary: August 28 – December 15, 2017 - LPMP: August 23 – December 18, 2017

**SPECIAL NOTE: Evening classes will not be held on Labor Day, September 4.
Classes will not be held during Mid-Term Break, October 20 – 29.
LPMP classes will be in session on October 21.
Day classes will not be held on the Feast of the Immaculate Conception, December 8.**

MOUNT WASHINGTON CAMPUS: GRADUATE DIVISION

Lay Pastoral Ministry Division

LPB 301 OLD TESTAMENT SCRIPTURES

Rev. Timothy Schehr

2 Credits

Saturdays, Aug. 26 – Nov. 4

9:30 a.m. – 12:10 p.m.

Overview of the Old Testament studies the geographic and cultural background from which the literary record of the Hebrew faith experience emerged and grew. In this context the literature of Pentateuch, Prophets and Wisdom is explored.

LPH 302 CHURCH HISTORY: KEY ISSUES & ERAS

Rev. David Endres

2 Credits

Mondays, Aug. 28 – Nov. 6

7:00 p.m. – 9:40 p.m.

This course surveys the development of the Church from the first through the twentieth century. Particular attention will be paid to the distinguishing characteristics of the Church in each of the major eras of its history, discussing key issues and tensions, important figures, and significant developments in Catholic thought, piety, and practice.

***LPP 305 THE ART OF EFFECTIVE COMMUNICATION**

Mrs. Vivien Finnigan

1 Credit

Wednesdays, Nov. 8 – Dec. 13

7:00 p.m. – 9:40 p.m.

This course focuses upon the inter-personal communication skills required of effective pastoral ministers, particularly in stressful situations. Skills are explained, demonstrated, and practiced in each of four major course content areas: 1) reflective listening, 2) assertion, 3) problem solving, and 4) conflict management. The personal spirituality of the pastoral minister is presented as the foundation upon which these interpersonal communication skills and competencies are based and out of which they naturally flow. *Prerequisites: LPMP students or permission of LPMP Director.*

***LPP 306 COMMUNICATION IN THE DIGITAL WORLD**

Mr. Sean Ater

1 Credit

Thursdays, Nov. 9 – Dec. 14

7:00 p.m. – 9:40 p.m.

This course will explore the challenges and opportunities of modern Church communications and help students articulate a theology of communication for mission and evangelization. This course will include: social media policies, effective use of communication tools such as websites, social media, podcasts and live streaming; internal parish communication systems and strategies for evangelization and faith sharing online. This course will be rooted in Catholic teaching on evangelization and communication and focused on best practices for parish applications. *Prerequisites: LPMP students or permission of LPMP Director.*

***LPP 451 PRAYING WITH SCRIPTURE FOR PASTORAL MINISTERS**

Rev. Timothy Schehr

1 Credit

Saturdays, Nov. 11 – Dec. 16

9:30 a.m. – 12:10 p.m.

This course will focus on the ways in which Scripture can serve as a foundation for personal and public prayer. It will help students explore their own pathways to Scriptural prayer and offer practical resources and approaches for helping others incorporate scripture into a life of prayer. *Prerequisites: LPMP students or permission of LPMP Director.*

***LPS 302 CHRISTOLOGY**

Rev. Robert Jack

2 Credits

Thursdays, Aug. 24 – Nov. 2

7:00 p.m. – 9:40 p.m.

The purpose of this course is to introduce the student to Jesus Christ as seen through the lens of sacred scripture and apostolic tradition. This course includes a treatment of the historical development of the church's knowledge of Jesus Christ through the ecumenical councils and patristic writers. Attention will also be given to issues such as the historicity of the gospels, Jesus' self-knowledge as God and his mission as universal redeemer (soteriology). This course will also include a basic introduction to Mary the mother of God and her significance in relation to her son. *Prerequisite: LPB 302.*

***LPS 350 FOUNDATIONS OF LAY ECCLESIAL MINISTRY**

Rev. Robert Hater

2 Credits

Wednesdays, Aug. 23 – Nov. 1

7:00 p.m. – 9:40 p.m.

This course will explore the nature and source of ministry rooted in baptism and the sacraments of initiation. It will focus specifically on the call, response and preparation for lay ecclesial ministry and the place of lay ecclesial ministry in the modern Catholic Church. Students will explore the four pillars of formation as described by the USCCB and examine the personal, professional and spiritual qualities and requirements for lay ecclesial ministry in today's Church. It will foster discussion of the personal, spiritual and ecclesial faith dimensions of ministry formation and reflection upon a theology of ministry as rooted in service. *Prerequisites: LPMP students or permission of LPMP Director.*

***LPS 414 CATHOLIC SOCIAL DOCTRINE**

Dr. Ken Craycraft

2 Credits

Tuesdays, Aug. 29 – Nov. 7

7:00 p.m. – 9:40 p.m.

Catholic Social Doctrine addresses the broad scope of how the Church lives in, and interacts with, the various cultural, social, legal, and political realities in which it finds itself. This course will begin with the biblical foundation of the Church's social teaching, as examined through the great teachers of the Church. We will then turn our attention to the chronological development of Catholic Social Doctrine, from Pope Leo XIII's groundbreaking encyclical, *Rerum Novarum*, through Pope Benedict XVI's *Caritas in Veritate*. Our goal will be to articulate a coherent understanding of how and why Catholic Social Doctrine is the means by which the Church transcends and subordinates all politics to itself. *Prerequisites: CL 230 or LPS 403 or permission of instructor.*

***LPS 420 EVANGELIZATION & MISSION FOR PASTORAL MINISTERS** Mondays, Nov. 20 – Dec. 18
 Dr. Susan McGurgan/Rev. Robert Hater 1 Credit 7:00 p.m. – 9:40 p.m.
 This course will explore evangelization as the fundamental mission of the Church and the essential mission of the laity. It will be rooted in scripture and ecclesial documents and focused on practical applications in community and family life. Students will study key documents on evangelization and the new evangelization and discuss best practices in outreach, evangelization, faith sharing and personal witness. *Prerequisites: LPMP students or permission of LPMP Director; LPB 302 and LPS 350.*

Mount St. Mary's Seminary and Special Studies Division

- B 306 WISDOM LITERATURE & PSALMS** Tuesdays and Thursdays,
 Mr. Marco Mulattieri October 3 – Dec. 14
 2 Credits 8:00 a.m. – 9:15 a.m.
 This course presents the text and content of the Biblical Wisdom Tradition and the Biblical Psalms in relation to their roots in the Hebrew and Greek religions and cultures, as well as their significance for use in our time. Emphasis will be placed on their integrative quality in the growthful orientation of the human person and as a means to involvement in liturgy and personal prayer.
- B 321 BIBLICAL HERMENEUTICS & PENTATEUCH** Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays
 Dr. Matthew Genung Aug. 28 – Dec. 15
 3 Credits 8:55 a.m. – 9:45 a.m.
 This course consists in two parts, the first treating Biblical Hermeneutics, and the second consisting in an introduction to reading the Pentateuch. This course will investigate Sacred Scripture, its extent and nature as both the word of God and words of men. The questions of inspiration, truth, and methods of interpretation will be investigated in relation to a variety of literary genres from both the Old and New Testament, in order that the student may understand some fundamentals of interpreting the Bible. In the second part of the course, in order to become familiar with the Pentateuch, the content, structure and scope of each of these foundational books will be analyzed. Particular interpretative problems will be investigated in order to understand the role of some historical-critical and synchronic methods of biblical interpretation, and to begin to enter more deeply into the meaning of some Pentateuchal texts.
- B 331 HISTORICAL THEMES & WISDOM LITERATURE** Tuesdays and Thursdays,
 Mr. Marco Mulattieri Aug. 29 – Dec. 14
 3 Credits 8:00 a.m. – 9:15 a.m.
 This course presents the text and content of the Biblical Wisdom Tradition, the Biblical Psalms and the historical books of the Bible in relation to their roots in the Hebrew religion and culture, as well as their significance for use in our time. This group of books covers almost the entire story of Israel since their establishment in the Land of Canaan up to the time of Jesus Christ. Given the variety of content, the class will try to 1) understand the context of each of the historical/wisdom books of the Bible, along with the literary genres of the Psalms; 2) appreciate the poetic and narrative features in them; 3) understand the themes and theologies of each book. Special emphasis will be put on the mutual influence of Wisdom literature and Psalms. A written paper is required on the interpretation of one psalm, chosen by the student in accord with the professor.
- B 358 CATHOLIC EPISTLES** Mondays and Wednesdays,
 Dr. Matthew Genung Aug. 28 – Dec. 13
 2 Credits 8:00 a.m. – 8:50 a.m.
 An introduction to the epistle to the Hebrews and the epistles of James, Peter and Jude (who wrote them, where, when and why) and to the thought expressed by these writings.
- B 452 GOSPELS OF MARK & MATTHEW** Tuesdays and Thursdays,
 Dr. Matthew Genung Aug. 29 – Dec. 14
 3 Credits 9:20 a.m. – 10:35 a.m.
 Discussion of the origin and purpose of these two gospels (who wrote them, where, when and why), followed by detailed examination of them, section by section, side by side. Comparison of the two will make clear the distinctive character of each gospel.
- *CL 234 CATHOLIC SOCIAL DOCTRINE** Tuesdays, Aug. 29 – Dec. 12
 Dr. Ken Craycraft 3 Credits 10:40 a.m. – 11:55 a.m.
 Catholic Social Doctrine addresses the broad scope of how the Church lives in, and interacts with, the various cultural, social, legal, and political realities in which it finds itself. This course will begin with the biblical foundation of the Church's social teaching, as examined through the great teachers of the Church. We will then turn our attention to the chronological development of Catholic Social Doctrine, from Pope Leo XIII's groundbreaking encyclical, *Rerum Novarum*, through Pope Benedict XVI's *Caritas in Veritate*. Our goal will be to articulate a coherent understanding of how and why Catholic Social Doctrine is the means by which the Church transcends and subordinates all politics to itself. *Prerequisites: CL 230 or LPS 403 or permission of instructor.*
- *CL 236 CATHOLIC SEXUAL ETHICS** Mondays and Wednesdays,
 Rev. Steven Beseau Aug. 28 – Dec. 13
 2 Credits 8:55 a.m. – 9:45 a.m.
 The course seeks to provide an overview of the Catholic moral teaching regarding human sexuality. The course examines the view of human sexuality and marriage found in contemporary society, and then it examines the understanding of human sexuality and marriage in the Scriptures and Tradition, interpreted by the Magisterium. There will be specific treatments of the virtue of chastity and sins against chastity and responsible parenthood (birth regulation and reproductive technologies). Special attention will be given to Magisterial documents, including *Gaudium et spes* and *Humanae vitae*. *Prerequisites: CL 230 or LPS 403.*
- CL/S 350 THEOLOGY OF THE BODY** Thursdays, Aug. 31 – Nov. 16
 Mrs. Emily Macke 2 Credits 7:00 p.m. – 9:40 p.m.
 In response to the degradation of the dignity of the human person, St. John Paul II proposed an "adequate anthropology." In his Theology of the Body, the late Holy Father offered his reflections on the meaning of the body and the human person, love, relationality, redemption, gender, marriage, celibacy for the Kingdom and fruitfulness, stemming from the rich tradition of the Church. This course aims to explore the thought of St. John Paul II, particularly as it is articulated in the Wednesday catecheses known as "Theology of the Body." The course seeks to cultivate a profound realization of what is meant by the "imago Dei," and how this identity rooted in one's Creator and Redeemer manifests itself in vocation and morality.

CL/S 455	THEOLOGY OF MARTYRDOM Rev. Paul Keller, OP This course will study the essence of Christian martyrdom as the act by which a person gives his/her life even to death as a witness to the truth of Christianity and the Person of Jesus Christ. It will take into account the meaning and value of martyrdom as well as the characteristic features of Christian martyrdom (as distinct from non-Christian martyrdom), and the Church's assessment of acts of martyrdom. An essential component of the course will be the study of the lives of the martyrs and how their lives and deaths verify the Church's theology of martyrdom.	2 Credits	Mondays, Aug. 28 – Nov. 6 7:00 p.m. – 9:40 p.m.
H 340	REFORMATION & MODERN CHURCH HISTORY Rev. David Endres A survey of the history of the Catholic Church from the sixteenth through twentieth centuries, including the Protestant Reformation, the Catholic Counter-Reform and the Council of Trent, the French Revolution, the First and Second Vatican Councils, and the threats posed by modernism and totalitarianism. The course will discuss key issues and tensions, important figures, and significant developments in Catholic thought, piety, and practice. This course will be offered every other year and forms part of the historical core of the curriculum.	3 Credits	Mondays and Wednesdays, Aug. 28 – Dec. 13 9:50 a.m. – 11:05 a.m.
L 251	BIBLICAL GREEK I Mr. Marco Mulattieri This course provides the student with the opportunity to gain fundamental knowledge about the structure and syntax of New Testament Greek. Pronunciation and reading will be emphasized. This course is intended to serve as a foundation for Biblical Greek II.	2 Credits	Mondays and Wednesdays, Aug. 28 – Dec. 13 2:30 p.m. – 3:20 p.m.
L 261	SPANISH I Mrs. Susan Renner Spanish I is an introductory course for initial development of reading/listening comprehension and spoken/written expression while understanding basic grammatical structures (i.e. present verb tense). The content will enable students to develop essential vocabulary and accurate pronunciation. It is a starting point for knowledge of Hispanic culture and recitation of common Catholic prayers in Spanish.	2 Credits	Tuesdays and Thursdays, Aug. 29 – Dec. 14 3:30 p.m. – 4:20 p.m.
*L 363	SPANISH III Mrs. Susan Renner Spanish III content will build on the fundamental skills of the previous levels to improve functional communication in modes of reading, writing, speaking and listening. Students will develop additional vocabulary and learn more advanced grammar (i.e. past and future verb tenses) within the context of expanded pastoral Spanish and Hispanic culture. <i>Prerequisites: L 261, L 262 or permission of the instructor.</i>	2 Credits	Mondays and Wednesdays, Aug. 28 – Dec. 13 3:30 p.m. – 4:20 p.m.
LS 231	THEOLOGY OF LITURGY Rev. Paul Keller, OP An introduction to the study of the liturgy of the Church concentrating on its meaning and purpose for the Church's worship of God as expressed in <i>Sacrosanctum concilium</i> , the Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy of the Second Vatican Council. This course will explore the anthropological, historical, and theological foundations of Catholic liturgy. A special emphasis will be the development of the Mass and its parts. This investigation also will consider topics such as art, environment and architecture, music, and rubrical discipline through an examination of the Church's official documents pertaining to these matters.	3 Credits	Tuesdays and Thursdays, Aug. 29 – Dec. 14 9:20 a.m. – 10:35 a.m.
*LS 235	THEOLOGY OF THE EUCHARIST Rev. Paul Keller, OP A presentation of the central sacrament of the Christian dispensation, including biblical, patristic, and doctrinal foundations for the theology of the Eucharist. Special consideration will be given to medieval developments of Eucharist theology, particularly that of St. Thomas Aquinas, author of the Corpus Christi Mass and Office. Other elements to be studied include, sacrifice, communion and ecclesial dimensions of the Eucharist, personal grace, as well as challenges, historical and modern, to transubstantiation theology. A separate practicum course on the celebration is required for candidates to the priesthood. <i>Prerequisites: LS 231, LS 232.</i>	3 Credits	Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, Aug. 28 – Dec. 15 8:55 a.m. – 9:45 a.m.
*LS 242	LITURGICAL PRACTICUM II: MASS & CHANT Fr. Ryan Ruiz/Ms. Mary Catherine Levri This course teaches the candidate for priesthood how to celebrate the Mass of Pope Paul VI. Emphasis is placed on gaining a familiarity with the rubrics of the Mass for the celebrant. Successful completion of the practicum entails, in part, creating a video recording of the student wherein he demonstrates his liturgical expertise. <i>Prerequisite: LS 235.</i>	2 Credit	Tuesdays and Thursdays, Aug. 29 – Dec. 14 9:20 a.m. – 10:35 a.m.
LS 252	LITURGICAL MUSIC & VOCAL SKILLS Ms. Mary Catherine Levri This course provides both a practical background in the fundamentals of music, including the reading of musical notation as well as keyboard and vocal production, and a theological-historical background in the Church's heritage of liturgical music. Readings will include papal legislation on sacred music written in the past three centuries as well as various theological writings on the nature of liturgical music.	3 Credits	Tuesdays and Thursdays, Aug. 29 – Dec. 14 10:40 a.m. – 11:55 a.m.

- P 220 PRINCIPLES OF CATECHESIS** Fridays, Sept. 1 – Dec. 15
Ms. Joan Kingsland 2 Credits 8:00 a.m. – 9:45 a.m.
This course intends to explore the catechetical mission of the Church in a pastoral-theological context. Its main content is derived from pastoral reflection on central issues of catechesis along with practical guidelines for responding to them. The student will be asked to be familiar with at least one of the major documents of the Church regarding its catechetical mission in the world. Connected with this course, and central to it, is a practicum (as part of seminary field education) that includes an immersion in a parish RCIA program or teaching in a Catholic high school in the Archdiocese of Cincinnati.
- P 234 PASTORAL ADMINISTRATION** Tuesdays, Aug. 29 – Dec. 12
Rev. Larry Tharp 3 Credits 2:00 p.m. – 4:40 p.m.
The course provides an introduction to financial issues relevant to pastoral administration with particular emphasis upon: maintenance of financial records, budgeting, employee contracts, development procedures, use of computers, legal and canonical considerations. Attention will be given to methods of financial planning. The course further addresses issues relevant to pastoral administration of a parish including management of the physical plant (church, school, grounds, etc); personnel management; canonical issues related to administration (temporal goods), and pastoral planning. Additionally, there will be a treatment of ministerial ethics.
- P 240 THEOLOGY OF PREACHING** Mondays and Wednesdays,
Rev. Ryan Ruiz Aug. 28 – Dec. 13
3 Credits 9:50 a.m. – 11:05 a.m.
This basic course will focus on the tools for preaching in a Eucharistic context with an emphasis on scriptural exegesis, analysis of the assembly to ensure the homily's relevance to life, theology, narrative style, and praxis. It begins with an exploration of the theology of Catholic preaching in the Tradition, including the Fathers, the *Catechism* and documents such as *Fulfilled In Your Hearing* and the new bishops' document, *Preaching the Mystery of Faith*. An important outcome for each student will be the development of his own operative theology of preaching in light of the course material, his own study and development as a preacher, individual life experiences, and visions for preaching. Students will also explore and utilize various methods and techniques for planning, writing, and preaching homilies in an environment which encourages experimentation and risk-taking.
- *P 241 PREACHING AT SUNDAY MASS** Thursdays, Aug. 31 – Dec. 14
Rev. Ryan Ruiz 3 Credits 2:00 p.m. – 4:20 p.m.
This addresses preaching in the context of Sunday Mass and focuses on preaching as integrated with the whole theological curriculum and the use of principles of biblical exegesis and interpretation, catechesis, communication theory as well as all of the verbal and non-verbal practical skills related to effective public speech. While assigned to parishes, preachers will work with teams of parishioners in examining and reflecting upon the scriptures and in the evaluation of their preaching and will be supervised by a pastor. The course also investigates the spirituality and the identity of the diocesan priest as preacher. This course briefly examines the history and tradition of Catholic preaching. The course will also devote time to examining the new bishops' document, *Preaching the Mystery of Faith*. The course delves into the issues of catechesis and doctrine in homiletics and the approaches and forms that catechetical preaching can take to address the instructional needs of the Catholic faithful while striving to deepen their faith. Students will also come to an understanding of the congregation's unmet needs, hopes and expectations in Catholic preaching by examining recent scholarship and research in the Archdiocese of Cincinnati.
Prerequisite: P 240.
- PH 310 PHILOSOPHY FOR THEOLOGICAL STUDIES** Tuesdays, Aug. 29 – Nov. 7
Dr. David Foster 2 Credits 7:00 p.m. – 9:40 p.m.
In the life of the Church grace builds on nature; likewise theology builds on philosophy. This course helps students be better students of theology and more effective teachers of the faith. In the first part of the course, we consider the nature of philosophy, how theology has used philosophy, and something of its early history. In the second part, we illustrate how theologians have used philosophy by studying the relation of Augustine to Plato, and of Aquinas to Aristotle. In the final part, we consider the drama of the separation of faith and reason in modern and contemporary philosophy and the different theologies thus inspired.
- S 225 CHRISTIAN ANTHROPOLOGY** Mondays and Wednesdays,
Dr. Alan Mostrom Aug. 28 – Dec. 13
3 Credits 9:50 a.m. – 11:05 a.m.
Human beings are by their very nature relational beings. They relate to the material world, spiritual world, to one another and ultimately to God. The course will study the nature of the human person as created in the image and likeness of God, wounded by original sin, and raised up in the grace of Jesus Christ to become children of God through divine adoption. It will utilize the existential personalism of Pope John Paul II's *Theology of the Body*.
- *S 233 ECCLESIOLOGY I: THE CHURCH** Tuesdays and Thursdays,
Rev. Benedict O'Cinnsealaigh Aug. 29 – Dec. 14
3 Credits 8:00 a.m. – 9:15 a.m.
A study of the Christian Church as the Mystical Body of Christ, the Bride of Christ, and the People of God called to evangelize. Time is devoted to the Church's communion-mission in the midst of the world, her liturgical structure, the role of the hierarchy vis-à-vis the laity, the question of salvation outside of the Church's visible boundaries, her traditional four marks, and her universal call to holiness. Sacred Scripture and magisterial texts serve as the framework for the theological material discussed. *Prerequisite: S 230.*
- S 239 MARIOLOGY & ESCHATOLOGY** Tuesdays and Thursdays,
Rev. Robert Jack Aug. 29 – Dec. 14
3 Credits 8:00 a.m. – 9:15 a.m.
All creation moves to fulfillment in Jesus Christ. It is the purpose of this course to study the "Last Things" of the Christian life: death, judgment, heaven, hell, purgatory. Secondly, Mary, the Virgin Mother of God, will be studied from the Biblical, historical and magisterial perspectives to show that she is truly the eschatological icon of the church and the fulfillment of Christian life.

***S 241 CHRISTOLOGY** Tuesdays and Thursdays,
 Dr. Alan Mostrom Aug. 29 – Dec. 14
 3 Credits 10:40 a.m. – 11:55 a.m.
 This course will examine the person of Jesus Christ from two perspectives. The first will be a scriptural and patristic background focusing on the conciliar period 431-787 AD. It will describe the saving activity of Jesus Christ (soteriology). The course will also address the nature of the hypostatic union of Jesus Christ, addressing his knowledge and consciousness of himself as the Son of God. There will also be an introduction to Christological spirituality. *Prerequisite: S 240.*

Mount St. Mary's Seminary Pre-Theology Courses

L 281 LATIN I Tuesdays and Thursdays,
 Mr. Marco Mulattieri Aug. 29 – Dec. 14
 3 Credits 2:00 p.m. – 3:15 p.m.
 An introduction to ecclesiastical Latin, including basic vocabulary, basic noun and verb forms, and simple sentence structures; examining the place of Latin in Christianity and in Western culture, and memorizing traditional Latin prayers.

***L 283 ADVANCED LATIN** Mondays, Aug. 28 – Dec. 11
 Mr. Marco Mulattieri 1 Credit 8:00 a.m. – 8:50 a.m.
 Further study of ecclesiastical Latin, including expanded vocabulary and additional forms and structures, with emphasis on reading a variety of Latin liturgical texts, and maintaining proficiency in Latin. *Prerequisites: L 281-282 or permission of instructor.*

LS 252 LITURGICAL MUSIC & VOCAL SKILLS Tuesdays and Thursdays,
 Ms. Mary Catherine Levri Aug. 29 – Dec. 14
 3 Credits 10:40 a.m. – 11:55 a.m.
 This course provides both a practical background in the fundamentals of music, including the reading of musical notation as well as keyboard and vocal production, and a theological-historical background in the Church's heritage of liturgical music. Readings will include papal legislation on sacred music written in the past three centuries as well as various theological writings on the nature of liturgical music.

PH 203 LOGIC Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays,
 Deacon Tracy Jamison Aug. 28 – Dec. 15
 3 Credits 8:00 a.m. – 8:50 a.m.
 This course is an introduction to the science and art of formal and material logic as pursued in the Aristotelian tradition. The theory and practice of traditional logic helps active participants to develop their critical and analytical abilities and to reason clearly and validly in the pursuit and defense of truth and goodness in all the sciences. The perennial wisdom of Aristotelian logic is compared and contrasted with the computational power of modern symbolic logic in order to appreciate the value of each paradigm and to explore possible points of integration. The realist epistemology advanced by Aristotle is introduced insofar as it entails a theory of linguistic meaning.

***PH 207 METAPHYSICS** Tuesdays and Thursdays,
 Deacon Tracy Jamison Aug. 29 – Dec. 14
 3 Credits 9:20 a.m. – 10:35 a.m.
 This course is a systematic introduction to the metaphysical science that developed in the context of the Christian faith under the influence of the philosophical works of Plato and Aristotle and was given a definitive expression in the synthesis of St Thomas Aquinas. This synthesis has undergone further refinements over the centuries and has become the metaphysics most closely associated with the Catholic intellectual tradition. We will examine this philosophical tradition critically and assess its plausibility and defensibility. Metaphysics, broadly speaking, can be defined as the study of the fundamental structure of reality with regard to its ultimate causes. The topics that we will cover include form and matter, substance and accident, act and potency, essence and existence, subsistence and subject, being and becoming, being as such, being as separable from matter, soul and body, intellect and will, personhood, causal explanation, the principles of reason, the principles of change, the analogy of being, the transcendental properties of being, and the nature of scientific and metaphysical demonstration. *Prerequisites: PH 203 and PH 209.*

PH 208 NATURAL THEOLOGY Tuesdays and Thursdays,
 Dr. David Foster Aug. 29 – Dec. 14
 3 Credits 10:40 a.m. – 11:55 a.m.
 "Ever since the creation of the world His ...divine nature has been understood ... through the things He has made" - Paul to the Romans. This course considers the existence and attributes of God insofar as they can be known by reason. It is particularly beneficial for anyone who plans to study theology. Four main topics are considered. The first is what the human person can know about God by reason alone. The second is how this question has been answered by prominent thinkers throughout history. This topic includes the history of arguments for the existence of God. The third is the attributes of God. The fourth part is a review of what the Church has taught on these questions.

PH 210 ANCIENT PHILOSOPHY Tuesdays and Thursdays,
 Dr. David Foster Aug. 29 – Dec. 14
 3 Credits 8:00 a.m. – 9:15 a.m.
 This course serves as both an initiation into philosophical thinking and the early history of philosophy. Attention is given first to the nature of philosophy and its relation to theology. Then the story is told of the origins of Western philosophy from Thales to Socrates, culminating in the astonishing achievements of Plato and Aristotle. The pace shifts as we study philosophy's development in Hellenistic thought including Epicureanism, Stoicism, Skepticism, Neo-Platonism. In the final part we consider the reaction of Jewish and Christian thinkers to Greek philosophy including Philo, Justin Martyr, Origen, Tertullian, and Augustine.

PH 212 MODERN PHILOSOPHY Mondays and Wednesdays,
 Deacon Tracy Jamison Aug. 28 – Dec. 13
 3 Credits 9:50 a.m. – 11:05 a.m.
 This course is an overview and analysis of the intellectual development of modern metaphysics and epistemology in the Western tradition from the beginning of the 17th century to the end of the 19th century. Among the permanently influential philosophical theories advanced in the modern era are those of Descartes, Hobbes, Spinoza, Malebranche, Leibniz, Locke,

Berkeley, Hume, Reid, Rousseau, Kant, Hegel, Bentham, Mill, and Kierkegaard. These are the theories that have shaped our modern Western culture and its typical mentalities and attitudes. We will endeavor to understand these representative theories and their perennial attractiveness and to appreciate how the systematic implementation of these theories has had enormous consequences for good or evil in the modern world and has significantly determined how people in the West think about human nature, moral law, the Church, the State, and the existence and nature of God.

S 261 CATECHISM: PRAYER Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays,
 Rev. Paul Ruwe Aug. 28 – Dec. 15
 3 Credits 8:55 a.m. – 9:45 a.m.
 This course is designed for seminary students who are in the pre-theology program at Mount St. Mary's Seminary. It explores the basic aspects of Christian prayer, the human and theological dimensions of spirituality, and its practical consequences. This course is intended to connect with the students' philosophical study as well as serve as part of the introduction to the seminary theology program.

S 263 CATECHISM: LITURGY AND SACRAMENTS Tuesdays and Thursdays,
 Rev. Thomas McQuillen Aug. 29 – Dec. 14
 3 Credits 8:00 a.m. – 9:15 a.m.
 As an introduction to the liturgy and sacraments, the central aim of this course is to convey a thorough understanding of Part Two (1066-1690) of the *Catechism of the Catholic Church* within the context of Sacred Scripture and the Catholic Church's interpretative tradition. This will involve a view to the cosmos and human action which assesses the integration of word, matter, and deed in the public worship of the triune God.

LAY PASTORAL MINISTRY DIVISION CERTIFICATE COURSES:

Mt. Washington Campus

LPC 123 JESUS, THE CHRIST OF FAITH Saturdays, Aug. 26 – Nov. 4
 Deacon Michael Cassani 2 Units 9:30 a.m. – 12:10 p.m.
 Jesus Christ, the model for all ministry, will be studied beginning with biblical sources, through the development of the dogma of the Church - including an investigation of trends. The relationship between Christology and spirituality will be explored.

LPC 124 CHURCH HISTORY Tuesdays, Oct. 3 – Dec. 12
 Dr. Susan McGurgan 2 Units 7:00 p.m. – 9:40 p.m.
 This course will provide an overview of the history of the Catholic Church. It is designed to equip the lay ecclesial minister with an understanding of the events, movements, theologies and people that have influenced the development and structure of the Church. This course will encourage participants to reflect on what the Church has been, what it is, and what our future challenges might be, in light of our history.

LPC 130 ECCLESIOLOGY Saturdays, Nov. 11 – Dec. 16
 Rev. Steve Walter 1 Unit 9:30 a.m. – 12:10 p.m.
 This course provides a basic introduction to the nature of church including its theology, mission, catholicity and relationship to the world. It will examine a variety of models for church as well as the relationship between local and universal Church.

LPC 131 EVANGELIZATION & SOCIAL MEDIA Thursdays, Nov. 9 – Dec. 14
 Mr. Sean Ater 1 Unit 7:00 p.m. – 9:40 p.m.
 This course will be rooted in Catholic teaching on evangelization and communication and focused on best practices for parish applications. It will provide an introduction to communication and evangelization through digital and social media. Students will be introduced to key documents, best practices and practical tips on modern communication for mission and ministry.

Good Shepherd (Montgomery)

LPC 110 CATECHISM OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH Saturdays, Aug. 26 – Sept. 23
 Deacon Amado Lim 1 Unit 9:30 a.m. – 12:10 p.m.
 This course provides an introduction to the *Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC)* as a resource for ministry and personal growth. It introduces the student to the history, development and organization of the CCC, the relationship of the Catechism to other catechetical documents and provides a foundation for LPC 115 Basic Doctrine.

LPC 115 BASIC DOCTRINE Saturdays, Sept. 30 – Dec. 16
 Ms. Mary Bellman 2 Units 9:30 a.m. – 12:10 p.m.
 This course will investigate the basic teachings of our tradition as noted in the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*. Participants will develop an appreciation for the function of doctrine and the process of theology through which doctrines develop in the Roman Catholic Tradition.

LPC 121 INTRODUCTION TO THE OLD TESTAMENT (hybrid/online) Saturdays, Sept. 30 – Dec. 16
 Mr. Eric Wolf 2 Units 1:00 p.m. – 3:40 p.m.
 This course will provide an overall introduction to the sacred history of the people of Israel, and the literary record of their experience. Key themes of revelation, election, covenant, exodus, law, sin and salvation will be studied. Among topics discussed are the composition of the books of the Old Testament, biblical inspiration, canonicity, and interpretation of scripture. Two in-class sessions will be held at Good Shepherd on two Saturdays in October (10/7 and 10/14).

LPC 125 PASTORAL COMMUNICATION Saturdays, Aug. 26 – Sept. 23
 Dr. Thomas Giordano 1 Unit 1:00 p.m. – 3:40 p.m.
 This course focuses on the communication skills required of ministers in pastoral settings. Particular emphasis is placed on the ability to communicate effectively through listening, assertion, facilitation, conflict management, leadership and responding to stress situations. Application of these skills to group interactions, and practice of these skills are important elements of this course.

Sacred Heart (McCartyville)

LPC 110 CATECHISM OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH

Deacon Hal Belcher

1 Unit

Saturdays, Aug. 26 – Sept. 23

9:30 a.m. – 12:10 p.m.

This course provides an introduction to the *Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC)* as a resource for ministry and personal growth. It introduces the student to the history, development and organization of the CCC, the relationship of the Catechism to other catechetical documents and provides a foundation for LPC 115 Basic Doctrine.

LPC 115 BASIC DOCTRINE

Ms. Denise Warnecke

2 Units

Saturdays, Sept. 30 – Dec. 16

9:30 a.m. – 12:10 p.m.

This course will investigate the basic teachings of our tradition as noted in the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*. Participants will develop an appreciation for the function of doctrine and the process of theology through which doctrines develop in the Roman Catholic Tradition.

LPC 121 INTRODUCTION TO THE OLD TESTAMENT

Ms. Joan Dunn

2 Units

Saturdays, Aug. 26 – Nov. 4

1:00 p.m. – 3:40 p.m.

This course will provide an overall introduction to the sacred history of the people of Israel, and the literary record of their experience. Key themes of revelation, election, covenant, exodus, law, sin and salvation will be studied. Among topics discussed are the composition of the books of the Old Testament, biblical inspiration, canonicity, and interpretation of scripture.

LPC 125 PASTORAL COMMUNICATION

Deacon Gregory Bornhorst

1 Unit

Saturdays, Nov. 11 – Dec. 16

1:00 p.m. – 3:40 p.m.

This course focuses on the communication skills required of ministers in pastoral settings. Particular emphasis is placed on the ability to communicate effectively through listening, assertion, facilitation, conflict management, leadership and responding to stress situations. Application of these skills to group interactions, and practice of these skills are important elements of this course.

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Certificate Courses: ~~\$230.00~~ **\$115.00** per 5 week unit

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Registrations received after Friday, August 9, 2017 must be accompanied by a late registration fee of \$40.00

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