The Metropolitan Andrey Sheptytsky Institute presents

Hidden Fountain

Thinking and Living with the Patristic Heritage





At the heart of the Eastern Christian tradition is the first millennium of Christianity. This period, its figures, and its controversies determine the theology, worship, and spirituality that Eastern Christians are submerged in today. MASI's 2022 Study Days dives deep into this wellspring and offers a community of prayer and fellowship guided by these sacred texts under the direction of world class speakers and scholars of Early The activities will take place on the campus of the University of St. Michael's College, Sheptytsky's home at Windle House, and the Pontifical Institute of Medieval Studies. Beyond the keynote speakers, we will have a full array of workshop presenters to talk about faith, prayer, politics, and more from the perspective of the springtime of early Christianity. For the full schedule, please see sheptytskyinstitute.ca as we add all the up-to-date information.



Description

Study Days • July 15-17, 2022

Workshop speakers, worship opportunities, and in-person community.

The perfect antidote to isolation!





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Rev. Dr. John Behr **University of Aberdeen** "Reason Persuading **Necessity: Gregory of Nyssa** on the Human Being"

Fr. John Behr is the Regius Professor of Humanity at the University of Aberdeen. He previously taught at St Vladimir's Seminary, where he served as Dean from 2007-17, His early work focused on Christian Anthropology in Irenaeus of Lyons and Clement of Alexandria (Oxford 2000). He is writing a series of books on "The Formation of Christian Theology", two volumes of which have already appeared: vol. 1, The Way to Nicaea (SVS Press 2001) and vol. 2 The Nicene Faith (SVS Press 2003). He is the author of St Irenaeus of Lyons: Identifying Christianity (Oxford, 2013). He has completed a new critical edition and translation of Origen's On First Principles for Oxford (2017), and John the Theologian and His Paschal Gospel: A Prologue to Theology (Oxford 2019). He is currently working on a new edition of the works of Irenaeus for Oxford.



Professor Lewis Ayres Durham University "Justinian's Vision of Christ: **Necessary for Orthodoxy** Today?"

Lewis Avres is Professor of Catholic and Historical Theology at the University of Durham, UK. He previously taught at the Candler School of Theology, Emory University. He was also a Distinguished Fellow of the Notre Dame Institute for Advanced Study (2014-2015). Among his books are Nicaea and Its Legacy (Oxford 2004/6) and Augustine and the Trinity (Cambridge 2010/14). He is the co-editor of the Oxford Handbook of Catholic Theology (Oxford 2019). He is currently working on a book entitled As It Is Written: Ancient Literary Criticism, Hellenization and the Rise of Scripture 150-250 for Princeton University Press.

Worship

At the heart of the Sheptytsky Institute's mission is the holistic experience of theology lived through worship. Study Days will feature opportunities to pray the Divine Office and Celebrate liturgy in the Chapel of St. Sophia.

During the Sunday Liturgy we will hear a special sermon:



Fr. Andrew Summerson
University of St. Michael's
College
"I Sing the Body Electric:
The Patristic Grammar of
the Byzantine Liturgy"

Fr. Andrew Summerson is assistant professor of Greek Patristics at the Sheptytsky Institute. He is the author of *Divine Scripture and Human Emotion in Maximus the Confessor* (Brill, 2021). He also writes on the intersection of faith and literature and a personal essay of his conversion can be found in the volume, *By Strange Ways* (Ignatius Press, forthcoming 2022). He has published widely on the Christian East and the Fathers of the church, notably through syndication through Catholic News Service. He has also been a guest commentator for papal events for Vatican Radio and EWTN.

Academics

If you would like to delve deeper into the Byzantine liturgical tradition after Study Days, we are offering a two-week intensive course at the Institute:

Byzantine Eucharistic Liturgies

Instructor: TBD

Course Code: SMT3451HS L0101 Dates: July 18-29, 2022 (Time TBD)

This course explores the history and Interpretation of the Divine Liturgies of St. John Chrysostom, St. Basil the Great, and the Presanctified Gifts. Contemporary concerns regarding the significance and possible reform of these Liturgies will be discussed as well, as disputed Issues of Eucharistic doctrine and practice. Thus, the purpose of this course is to:

- 1. Become familiar with the historical development of the texts, rites, environment, and Interpretation of these Fucharistic services.
- Investigate and analyze the theologies of assembly, eschatological movement, proclamation, sacrificial offering, thanksgiving, remembrance, pneumatic Invocation, cosmic transformation, communion, and ministry-as these are manifested in the Byzantine Eucharist.
- 3. Illustrate and evaluate how liturgy and theology Interact to provide answers to fundamental questions of human existence as well as a context for the elaboration of such questions.

Registration

Study Days



Register online at:

https://sheptytskyinstitute.ca/event/masistudy-days-2022/





\$175 (Early Bird, up to May 30) or **\$200** (May 31 onward)

The fee includes the full range of workshop speakers, works, and meals.



On-campus housing is available. For inquiries and rates, contact us at sheptytsky@utoronto.ca.

Academic Course

To register or learn more about the academic course, contact us at sheptytsky@utoronto.ca. We look forward to seeing you in class!

Thank you to the following organizations who are co-sponsoring this event!









