

JAN. 23

Synodal Conversation with Cardinal Cupich



Cardinal Cupich visits Loyola to join the student community in the next stage of the Synodal Conversation. The theme of the synod is: "For a

synodal church: Communion, participation, mission" and Cardinal Cupich will join his voice in reflecting on the *instrumentum laboris* that will help shape the agenda for the final convening in fall 2024. The foundational question of the working document remains: what are "the characteristic signs of a synodal church?" This gathering is cosponsored by CCIH, the Office of Mission Integration, and Campus Ministry.

4:00 - 6:00 PM CST

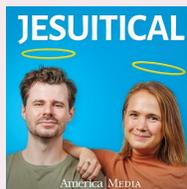
4th Floor, Information Commons, LSC

Students only; Registration Required.

JAN. 25

What the Hell Should I Do with My Life? God, Discernment, and Vocation Outside the College Bubble: An Evening with Jesuitical

The Hank Center is excited to welcome America Media's podcast, *Jesuitical*, to Loyola's Lakeshore Campus. *Jesuitical* is a podcast for young Catholics hosted by



two young, lay editors: Ashley McKinless and Loyola alum, Zac Davis. In the show, McKinless and Davis explore some of the top (and maybe more obscure) Catholic news stories and feature interviews with guests who offer unique perspectives on world events, culture or faith. Meet the *Jesuitical* team for a faith sharing event and engage in a dialogue where we will discuss joys, hopes, griefs, and anxieties of being a young adult Catholic in 2024.

7:00 - 8:30 PM CST. 9:00 PM Mass to follow.

Ignatius House Chapel, LSC.

This event is free and all are welcome.

FEB. 5

Kathy Osberger Book Lecture: I Surrender: A Memoir of Chile's Dictatorship, 1975

In September 1973, a CIA-assisted coup overthrew the democratically-elected president of Chile, ushering in the Pinochet dictatorship.



In 1975, Kathleen left for Santiago to teach in a Catholic grade school. Upon arrival, she was told a secret: the religious women she would live with sheltered dissidents in the cross-hairs of Pinochet's secret police. *I Surrender* depicts the solidarity of the Chilean people and the transformational role of nuns and priests dedicated to serving the poor, while highlighting the changing and challenged Catholic Church. In February, Kathy will share her story. Students, arrive early to receive a complementary copy of the book!

4:00-5:30 PM CST.

McCormick Lounge, Coffey Hall, LSC.

This event is free and open to the public and all are welcome.

FEB. 21

Catholic Criminal Justice Reform Network: Panel Discussion with Cardinal Cupich



The Hank Center is proud to support Catholic Criminal Justice Reform Network, a much needed initiative created by the Honorable Thomas More Donnelly—Cook County Judge, Loyola Law Faculty, and Board Member at the Hank Center. Cardinal Cupich will engage a panel of experts—including Judge Donnelly and Jeanne Bishop—on this central movement and mandate of Restorative Justice. We join our friends at Lumen Christi and the Historic Athenaeum Center for Thought and Culture. Please join us for what will be a most substantive evening.

Event at St. Alphonsus and The Athenaeum Mass at 4:30 PM CST. Refreshments and panel to follow. For more information visit lumenchristi.org.

FEB. 21-23

The Way Forward Conference



This third annual ecclesial gathering will be held at the University of San Diego on February 21 - 23, bringing together a select group of Cardinals, other Bishops, scholars, and journalists, to focus on the encyclical, *Laudato Si'*, the recent exhortation *Laudete Deum*, and the reception of their themes in the Catholic Church in the U.S. The gathering is organized by the Hank Center, Boston College's Boisi Center for Religion and American Public Life, Fordham University's Center on Religion and Culture, and the Center for Catholic Studies at Sacred Heart University. It will be hosted on the USD campus by the Frances G. Harpst Center for Catholic Thought and Culture.

University of San Diego, San Diego, CA

Closed Meeting, by Invitation Only

FEB. 27

2024 Annual Newman Lecture featuring Jason Blakely



Honoring the great 19th-century Saint John Henry Newman's engagement

with the Catholic tradition, CCIH invites scholars each spring to recount their own discovery (or rediscovery) of the Catholic intellectual heritage in light of their ongoing scholarship. This year's Newman Lecturer is Professor Jason Blakely from Pepperdine University. Dr. Blakely is a Political Philosopher and a leading scholar of contemporary "communitarian" and post-liberal thought, especially the work of philosophers Alasdair MacIntyre and Charles Taylor. Dr. Blakely's lecture is entitled *Atheist!: A Story of Conversion*.

7:00-8:30 PM CST. McCormick Lounge, Coffey Hall, LSC.

This event is free and open to the public and all are welcome.

MAR. 21 & 22

Mary Lou Williams Lecture
 and Gala Performance featuring
 Deanna Witkowski



Loyola celebrates the music of the late jazz great, Mary Lou Williams (1910-1981). As an adult convert to Catholicism (with many ties to Jesuits), Williams expressed her faith in her music—innovatively composing and situating jazz in liturgical settings and demonstrating the sacred range of jazz music in new registers. The Hank Center welcomes Williams scholar and jazz pianist, Deanna Witkowski, author of Williams' biography, *Mary Lou Williams: Music for the Soul* for several events and classroom visits at LUC.

Lecture, March 21: 4:00 - 5:30 PM CDT.
 4th Floor, Information Commons, LSC.

Live Performance, March 22: 7:00 - 8:30 PM CDT. Rosary Chapel, St. Joseph's Hall, LSC.

This event is free and all are welcome.

APR. 4-6

Continental Philosophy Symposium



The so-called "theological turn" of the mid-20th Century describes the several ways that Continental philosophy is frequently taken up in Catholic academic settings. At the same time, debates within Continental Philosophy about secularization,

atheism and the deconstruction of Christianity directly mark the decline of ontotheology in the West, opening up to non-European voices. The rise of these secular forms becomes a critique of the West from within, a self-reflexive gesture made in the wake of the death of Europe's God, while also providing liberation for those on the margins of its 'civilizing', violent ethos. This conference hosts an array of leading global voices—scholars who will interrogate these questions and a host of others.

Beane Hall, Lewis Towers, WTC.

Closed Meeting, by Invitation Only.
 Contact the Hank Center for details.

APR. 11

2024 Annual Cardinal Bernardin Lecture with Papal Nuncio, Cardinal Christophe Pierre

This 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. 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. This year's Bernardin Lecturer is Cardinal Christophe Pierre, Apostolic Nuncio to the United States. Cardinal Pierre's lecture will focus on the broad themes of diplomacy and reconciliation in both ecclesial and public settings.



7:00-8:30 PM CDT.

McCormick Lounge, Coffey Hall, LSC

This event is free and open to the public, and will be livestreamed. Registration is required for live streaming.

APR. 13

Peter Maurin Conference

The Catholic Worker, founded by Dorothy Day and Peter Maurin in 1933, is network of communities committed to nonviolence, voluntary poverty, prayer, and hospitality for the homeless, exiled, hungry, and forsaken. This day-long gathering will look closely at the life and work of Peter Maurin. His program of action consisted of roundtable discussions for the clarification of thought, houses of hospitality where the works of mercy could be performed, and agronomic universities—a return to working the land, where workers could become scholars and scholars workers. These topics will be discussed in a roundtable, personalist way—in the spirit of Peter Maurin.



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9:00 AM - 6:00 PM CDT.

Regis Multipurpose Room, Regis Hall, LSC.

This event is free and open to the public and all are welcome.

APR. 18

2024 Living Tradition Award Honoring Dr. Susan Ross



Each spring the Hank Center presents the Living Tradition Award to a Loyola University Chicago emeritus faculty member who has exemplified the integration of Catholic thought into their work.

This year's honoree is theologian, Dr. Susan A. Ross. Dr. Ross is the author of three books and numerous journal articles and book chapters. She is a Past President of the Catholic Theological Society of America, and a former Vice-President and member of the Board of Editors of Concilium, the international theological journal. The Hank Center congratulates Dr. Ross and we look forward to celebrating her life and work in April.

11:30 AM - 2:00 PM CDT. McCormick Lounge, Coffey Hall, LSC.

By Invitation Only

APR. 21

Public Performance: Missa Laudato Si'



Premiere of Kyrie and Gloria of *Missa Laudato Si'* (Dongryul Lee, composer) paired with Sarah Kirkland Snider's *Mass for the Endangered*. Excerpts from the Pope Francis' 2015 encyclical, *Laudato Si'*, will be read between each of the movements. This landmark concert will be performed by Ignatian Voices, University Chorale, and University Singers— with guest musicians from The EcoVoice Project. This event is led by Professor Kirsten Hedegaard and supported by Loyola's Department of Fine and Performing Arts and the Hank Center.

3PM. Madonna della Strada Chapel, LSC

This event is free and open to the public and all are welcome.